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1485 Mno-Bmadzewen Way Fulton, MI

49052

Attention: Turtle Press

On the cover

Tribal Council after taking oath of office at the Council Meeting. L-R: Sergeant-at-Arms Homer A. Mandoka; Vice Chair Dorie Rios; Chair Jamie Stuck; Secretary Christine Lanning; and Treasurer Tony Day.

Photo credit: David Grothaus

Photo: State of Michigan



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Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi Tribal Council Members Take Oath of Office

Submitted by Communications Staff; Photos by David Grothaus

FULTON -- On May 19, 2016, the Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi issued the oath of office to newly-re-elected Tribal Council Members Homer A. Mandoka and Jamie Stuck.

Upon completion of the oath of office, NHBTP Tribal Council conducted its officers' appointments. Jamie Stuck was appointed Chairperson and Dorie Rios was appointed Vice-Chairperson. Christine Lanning was appointed as Secretary; Tony Day was appointed as Treasurer, and Homer A. Mandoka was appointed Sergeant-at-Arms.

"The combined wealth of experience and dedication of our Tribal Council will allow us to continue to provide a strong and stable government for our Tribal Members and to ensure that our actions prepare our Tribe to meet the needs of the next seven generations," Stuck said.

Stuck, of Scotts, has served on Tribal Council since 2006; Rios, of Battle Creek, has served on Tribal Council since 2010; Lanning, of Newaygo, has served on Tribal Council since 2013; Day, of Union City, has served on Tribal Council since 2012; and Mandoka, of Bronson, has served on Tribal Council since 2002.



Elders Committee Secretary Paula Keith issues the Oath of Office to Jamie Stuck during the May 19 Tribal Council meeting May 19 at the Pine Creek Community Center.



Elders Committee Secretary Paula Keith issues the Oath of Office to Homer A. Mandoka during the May 19 Tribal Council meeting at the Pine Creek Community Center.

NHBP Tribal Council Adopts New Flag

Submitted by Communications Staff

At the May 19 Tribal Council meeting the Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi adopted a revision of the official NHBP Flag.

The revision process began during spring of 2014, when Tribal Council began a process to evaluate the use of NHBP's logo and branding. As a part of that process, it was discovered that the turtle logo had changed from the original version as it had been originally presented to the Tribe by Native artist Candi Wesaw and Tribal Member Gary Mandoka.

Since that time, Tribal Members have had several opportunities to view the proposed revisions to the Tribal Flag and share their comments with Tribal Council regarding those options.

The proposed flag returns the turtle artwork to the original artists' version, incorporates the complete Tribal name as it appears in NHBP's Constitution and affords the flag all of the protections provided for the Tribal Seal through the Tribal Seal Use Code.



**NOTTAWASEPPI HURON
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UPCOMING COUNCIL & COMMITTEE MEETINGS

TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETINGS

Thursday, 11 a.m., June 16 and July 21 at Pine Creek Community Center

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Monday, June 6, 2016

Planning & Land Use Committee	9 a.m. (Government Center, Room 121)
Tribal Emergency Preparedness Committee	10 a.m. (Government Center, Room 121)
Housing Committee	11:30 a.m. (Government Center, Room 121)
Election Board	2 p.m. (Government Center, Room 101)
Culture Committee	3 p.m. (Government Center, Room 101)

Wednesday, June 8, 2016

Education Committee	10 a.m. (311 State Street, Grand Rapids)
Enrollment Committee	Noon (Government Center, Room 121)
Journey to Wellness Committee	1 p.m. (311 State Street, Grand Rapids)
Tribal Environment Advisory Committee	3 p.m. (Government Center, Room 121)
Cemetery & Parks Committee	5 p.m. (Government Center, Room 101)
Veterans Committee	5 p.m. (Government Center, Room 121)

Thursday, June 9, 2016

Elders Committee	10 a.m. (Government Center, Room 121)
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COMMITTEE VACANCIES

Culture Committee One Vacancy | Open Until Filled

Tribal Emergency Preparedness Committee One Vacancy | Open Until Filled

Veterans Committee One Vacancy | Open Until Filled

Committee/Board Members receive a paid stipend of \$75 for meeting attendance. Elders receive mileage reimbursement in addition to the \$75 stipend. Those interested in becoming a member of these committees/board may send letters of interest to:

NHBP Attn: Tribal Council Coordinator

1485 Mno-Bmadzewan Way, Fulton, Michigan 49052

It's back! SHISHIBÉ!

Learn language! Win prizes! Have fun!

June 7, 5 to 7 p.m., 311 State Street, Grand Rapids

June 21, 5 to 7 p.m., Pine Creek Community Center

July 7, 5 to 7 p.m., 311 State Street, Grand Rapids

July 12, 5 to 7 p.m., Pine Creek Community Center

For more information, contact Cultural Specialist Mon-ee Zapata at 269.704.8353,
or email: mzapata@nhbpi.com



2016 LIGHT UP THE REZ GLOW RUN!

Runners! Save the date: Friday, June 17

Pine Creek Indian Reservation • 1485 Mno-Bmadzewen Way, Fulton, MI 49052

Registration: 6 p.m.

1 Mile Turtle Trot: 7:30 p.m.

5K: 8:30 p.m.

Open to the public!

Register online: <https://runsignup.com/lightuptheresz5K>

***Cost: Turtle Trot - \$15, 5K - \$25**

***Cost includes: T-shirt, Glow Gear, Awards and FUN!**

**For more information: Shelby Gibson at 269.729.4422
email: shelby.gibson@nhbp.org**



Have fun & run! All proceeds go toward charity!

***All race proceeds will be distributed to the local community of your choosing. Contact Shelby to nominate your charity.**

Vote on the day of the race to pick where the donation goes this year!

Potawatomi families: Join us on the same day for an Early Childhood Fair from 3 to 6 p.m.!
Teddy Bear Clinic! Car Seat Checks! Bike Rodeo! Call Mackenzie Stuck to register: 269.729.4422, or email: mackenzie.stuck@nhbp.org

2016 GATHERING OF POTAWATOMI NATIONS

Hosted by the Citizen Potawatomi Nation in Shawnee, Oklahoma

UPDATED INFORMATION!

The 23rd Annual Gathering of Potawatomi Nations will be hosted by the Citizen Potawatomi Nation at the air conditioned arena in Shawnee, Oklahoma.

July 27 - 31

Language Conference dates: July 27 - July 29

Registration is now closed. For those wishing to attend The Gathering on their own, please go to the Citizen Potawatomi Nation website:
<https://www.potawatomi.org/culture/gathering-of-nations>

TRIBAL ENROLLMENT

Submitted by Sandy Blair, Enrollment Specialist

Enrollment for the Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi is currently closed to new Members. Pending applications will not be approved for Membership until enrollment is open. Also, at this time we are not accepting new applications.

Reminder: If you have recently moved, please contact the Enrollment Office to make sure we have your current address.

High School Diploma or GED: If you have recently graduated from high school or received your GED from a certified test site, please send a copy of the document to the Enrollment Office. This information is used for per capita distributions.

Bereavement Benefits: The Bereavement Benefit program was adopted in January 2012. The Bereavement Benefit consists of \$10,000 to pay funeral costs for enrolled NHBP Tribal Members. If you have not completed a Bereavement Beneficiary form or have questions, please contact the Enrollment Office. This form designates the beneficiary for your bereavement benefits.

Telephone Numbers: If you have recently changed your phone number(s), please contact the Enrollment Office with your updated information.

Missing Information: The Enrollment Office does not have current information (address) for the Tribal Members listed below. Tribal departments utilize the records in the Enrollment Office to determine eligibility for services and benefits available from the Tribe. Important notices are sent to the address currently on file with the Enrollment Office. The Tribal Members on this list may be denied services or benefits if updated address, name, and other information is not on file with the Enrollment Office. If you have contact information for any of the names on the following list, please contact the Enrollment Office.

Kenneth L. Inman Jr.
Jessica R. Steffey
Justin A. Thier
Brianna G. Wesley

UNDELIVERABLE PER CAPITA

Submitted by Stephen Blann, Chief Financial Officer

In accordance with the Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi's Revenue Allocation Plan, per capita payments will be held for 12 months from the date of distribution, if a current address is not on file. The Tribal Members listed below must contact the Enrollment Office to update their address. If the member fails to contact the Enrollment Office by the expiration period, the funds shall be forfeited and reverted to the per capita payment account. Contact the Enrollment Office to update your information.

Robert Osborn
Kenneth Inman

Enrollment Office Hours:

Monday – Friday
8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. EST
Phone: 269.729.5151
Toll Free: 866.499.5151
Fax: 269.729.4909
Email: enrollment@nhbpi.com

TRIBAL COURT LOCATION NOTICE

The Tribal Court is located in the Justice Center, 2221 1-1/2 Mile Rd. location. If you need to reach the Tribal Court, please contact Dawn Mack, Assistant Tribal Court Administrator at 269.704.8394.

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Submitted by Sandy Blair, Enrollment Specialist

If you have recently graduated from high school, or received your GED from a certified test site, please send a copy of the document to the Enrollment Office. This information is used for per capita distributions.

The following is the Education Requirement from the NHBP Revenue Allocation Plan:

In order for an eligible Member between the ages of eighteen (18) and twenty-one (21) years of age to receive a per capita payment directly, such Member must submit to the Enrollment Office or Tribal Council, one of the following:

- ① a copy of his/her high school diploma,
- ② a copy of his/her degree or certificate equivalent to a high school diploma,
- ③ documentary proof of satisfactory completion of high school degree-equivalent home schooling requirements for the member's state of residence, or
- ④ a certification from an accredited school or schools that the member has learning or other disabilities and has attended a full twelve years of school.

**Please contact the Enrollment Office
with any questions at
269.729.5151**

The appropriate diploma, degree, or certification must be submitted to the Enrollment Department before any particular eligible Member within this age group may have his/her per capita payment mailed to him/her. If such copy is not submitted in a timely manner, the per capita payment for such Members shall be deposited in the Member's minor trust account.

SAVE THE DATE!

WEST MICHIGAN CAREER FAIR

Sponsored by NHBP Youth Learn Work

Wednesday, August 10, 2016

10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

FireKeepers Casino Hotel

High school and college age students, young adults, and displaced workers:

Come to the West Michigan Career Fair and learn about great new careers, career training and educational opportunities right in our area! Find all the help and resources you need in one spot to create a brighter future for you and your family.

Watch for more information coming soon!



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FireKeepers Casino Hotel Wins Battle Creek Chamber of Commerce Award

Submitted by FireKeepers Casino Hotel

FireKeepers Casino Hotel is proud to announce that the Battle Creek Chamber selected FireKeepers as the Large Business of the Year at its Annual Business Excellence Awards, held May 18.

Awards were given out for categories including Small Business of the Year, Start-Up Business of the Year and the Workplace Wellness Program Award, in which the owners of FireKeepers Casino, the Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi, were nominated.

FireKeepers was selected to be the winner of the Large Business of the Year Award by a group of six Chambers of Commerce from around the United States. The criteria included having more than 51 team members, being in business more than three years, being a member of the Battle Creek Chamber of Commerce, having made contributions to the local economy to ensure growth, and above all, demonstrating industry "Best Practices."

"We are proud to be part of the Battle Creek community and we are thrilled to receive this award from the Battle Creek Chamber of Commerce," FireKeepers CEO and President Brian Decorah said. "We accept this award on

behalf of our 1,650 Team Members who helped us to earn this recognition, and we look forward to increased involvement in support of the community in the years to come.

FireKeepers would like to recognize their fellow nominees in this category, City of Battle Creek, LifeCare Ambulance, Old National Bank, and Omni Community Credit Union.

FireKeepers Casino Hotel, located just off Interstate 94 at Exit 104 in Battle Creek, MI, has been named Best Casino by audiences in Western Michigan and Northern Indiana, plus earned 9 first place awards in the Casino Player Magazine Best of Gaming 2015 Native Midwest category, including Best Overall Gaming Resort.

FireKeepers was also selected one of the Best Casinos to Work For by Casino Player Magazine. Our signature restaurant, Nibi, is a multiple recipient of the Wine Spectator Award of Excellence. The property features 2,900 slot machines, 70 table games, a live poker room and bingo room. FireKeepers offers a AAA-rated Four Diamond resort-style hotel with 243 rooms, a functional multi-purpose event center, six distinctive dining destinations, and multiple lounges.

Photo: Jaky Replogle

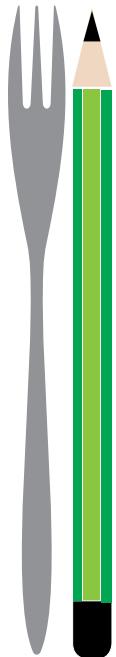


FireKeepers was selected as the winner of the Large Business of the Year Award and NHBP was nominated for the Workplace Wellness Program Award. (L-R) Tribal Council Sergeant-at-Arms Homer A. Mandoka, Tribal Council Secretary Christine Lanning, Medical/Health Director Rosalind Johnston, Community Health Team Leader Emily Henning and Human Resources Director Dane Turner.

JUNE LUNCH & LEARN

WEDNESDAYS AT NOON • PINE CREEK COMMUNITY CENTER

Free to NHBP Tribal Elders and spouses, \$3 for NHBP community members and employees, and \$6 for non-NHBP community members and the public.



June 1 {Community Garden} Community Garden Staff

It's that time of year to start working in the Community Garden! Join the Community Garden staff. You'll learn what the garden has to offer and how the community can participate to make this year's the best ever.

June 8 {World Hunger} Johnathon Moulds & Nichole Jones

Did you realize that one in nine people don't have enough food and that every 10 seconds a child dies from hunger-related diseases? NHBP medical secretary Johnathon Moulds and Communications Specialist Nichole Jones will give a presentation on world hunger awareness and what you can do to help end it.

June 15 {Men's Health} Health Department Staff

National Men's Health Week is June 13 to 19, 2016. Heighten your awareness of preventable health problems and learn about early detection and treatment options. Staff from the NHBP Health Department will present various information related to men's health.

June 22 {Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder}

Dr. Leif Lalone, Battle Creek Veterans Affairs Medical Center

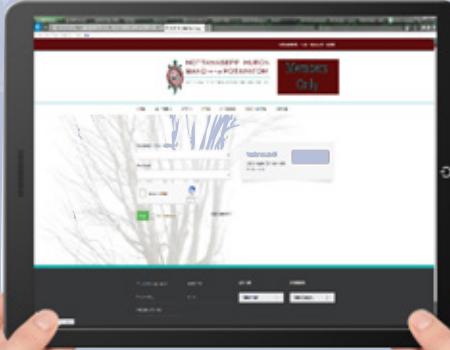
Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder or PTSD is a mental health condition triggered by experiencing or seeing a terrifying event. Dr. Leif Lalone, PTSD clinician, from the Battle Creek Veterans Affairs Medical Center will be here to give us an overview on PTSD and the treatment options available.

June 29 {Seven Grandfather Teachings} Culture Department

Honesty. Humility. Respect. Love. Bravery. Truth. Wisdom. Come learn more about these teachings and how they can be applied to your life to create harmony within yourself and others.

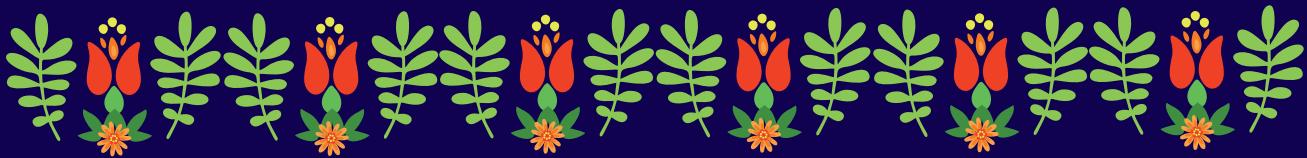
New NHBP Tribal Members Only website is live!

- Watch Tribal Council meeting videos
- View photo galleries of events
- Find important documents and forms



- To sign-up, go to: nhbpi.com
- Click on the **Members Only** link.
- Fill in the form.
- Accept the **Terms of Use**.
- Wait two business days for confirmation of membership by the Enrollment Department and activation of your account.

Public is welcome at and invited to this free cultural event!



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ANNUAL POW WOW

JUNE 18 & 19, 2016

Expanded contests for 2016!



Maliyah Harris



Devonne Harris



O'Felia Zapata

2016 NHBP HEAD STAFF & COMPETITIONS

Master of Ceremonies: Paul Raphael

Head Veteran: Dale Anderson

Host Drum: Southern Straight

Arena Director: Jason Wesaw

Head Male Dancer: Devonne Harris

Head Female Dancer: Beth Moody

Head Junior Male Dancer: Anthony Woodring

Head Junior Female Dancer: O'Felia Zapata

Two Days of Native American Culture, Dancing, Singing, Food & Crafts!





NHBP POW WOW 2016

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS!

SATURDAY, JUNE 18

- 7 a.m. Sunrise Ceremony
- 10 a.m. Pine Creek Parade of Cheers - Government Center
- 1 p.m. **Pow Wow Grand Entry***
- 2 p.m. 50/50 Drawing & FireKeepers Casino Hotel Raffle winner announced
- 2 p.m. Tiny Tots Dancers - Sponsored by Waséyabek Development Company
- 2:30 p.m. **Contests:** Potato Dance, Team Dance, Old Style Woodland
 & Spot Dance
- 4 p.m. 50/50 Drawing winner announced
- 6 p.m. **Pow Wow Grand Entry***
- 6:30 p.m. **Contests:** Hand Drum
 Nottawaseppi Rave
 Sponsored Dance by Dale Anderson
 Mother-Daughter Dance
 Sponsored Dance by the Zapata Family
- 7 p.m. 50/50 Drawing & FireKeepers Casino Hotel Raffle winner announced
 & Spot Dance
- 10 p.m. Community Quiet Time

SUNDAY, JUNE 19

- 7 a.m. Sunrise Ceremony
- Noon **Pow Wow Grand Entry***
 & Spot Dance
- 1 p.m. **Contests:** Potato Dance, Team Dance, Two Step Dance, Old Style Woodland
- 2:15 p.m. Tiny Tots Dancers - Sponsored by Waséyabek Development Company
- 3 p.m. 50/50 Drawing & FireKeepers Casino Hotel Raffle winner announced
 & Spot Dance
- 4 p.m. Gifts & Giveaways

*** Please stand and remove your hats during Grand Entry.**

Pow Wow Rules: No drinking, drugs or pets of any species allowed. Modest clothing is required. Limited camping is available.

For vendor or general information, please contact Robyn Burlingham at 269.704.8373



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CASINO CONNECTION

FireKeepers Booth at NHBP Annual Pow Wow

Submitted by FireKeepers Casino Hotel Human Resources Department

FireKeepers Casino Hotel is pleased to offer a booth once again at this year's NHBP Annual Pow wow, June 18 and June 19. FireKeepers team members will also be participating in the Parade of Cheers.

The Career Development Specialists and Track III summer interns will be operating the FireKeepers booth throughout the weekend. Career Development Specialists include NHBP Tribal Members Jeff Tenbrink and Huey Simpkins. Stop by and get to know them!

The booth will feature various giveaways including FireKeepers Key chains, FireKeepers cards, FireKeepers umbrellas, FireKeepers Red Hot Credit coupons and much more! There will also be a larger giveaway on Saturday and Sunday of a Pendleton Blanket. Stop by the booth and enter for your chance to win!

Photo credit: FireKeepers Casino Hotel Staff



FireKeepers Casino Hotel Interns Steve Smit, Alex Simmons and Erick Foerster hold the FKCH banner during the 2015 Pow Wow.



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One winner will be selected every two hours to receive a new Jeep®!



1 PM
JEEP® COMPASS

3 PM
JEEP® PATRIOT

5 PM
JEEP® RENEGADE

7 PM
JEEP® CHEROKEE

9 PM
JEEP® WRANGLER

11 PM
JEEP® GRAND CHEROKEE

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Receive one FREE entry by playing any slot or table game with your Red Hot Rewards Club card.

Receive one additional entry for every 100 points earned.

SENIOR *Tuesdays*

FOR 55+ RED HOT REWARDS CLUB MEMBERS

EVERY TUESDAY

Earn 55 points from 8 AM – 3 PM
and receive one drawing entry ticket
plus \$10 in BONUS Red Hot Credits!

\$5 Breakfast Buffet in Mijem • 8 AM – 10:30 AM

TUESDAY, JUNE 28
HOURLY PRIZE DRAWINGS
10 AM – 4 PM

**WIN A SHARE OF OVER \$17,000 IN
CASH & RED HOT CREDITS!**

10 AM – 2 PM

20 winners will each receive a Red Hot Credit prize.

3 PM

One winner will receive \$5,555 in Red Hot Credits!

4 PM

One winner will receive \$5,555 CASH!

GET READY. GET SET.

GET YOUR **VEGAS** ON™



\$100,000 FIREKEEPERS CASINO 400 GIVEAWAY

FREE DAILY ENTRY
MAY 29 AT 12 AM – JUNE 12 AT 12 PM

Select the exact order of the top ten drivers in the FireKeepers Casino 400 and you could win the \$100,000 Grand Prize!

Top 10 Drivers in Exact Order

\$100,000 SCA Guaranteed Prize

1st Place: \$5,000 in Red Hot Credits

2nd Place: \$2,500 in Red Hot Credits

3rd – 10th Places each receive a Red Hot Credit prize.

Number of Cautions: \$500 in Red Hot Credits

Number of Leader Changes: \$500 in Red Hot Credits

Plus, play three times per week to be automatically entered into a drawing for a chance to win four Grandstand tickets to an upcoming NASCAR® race at Michigan International Speedway!

To participate, simply swipe your Red Hot Rewards Club card at the FireKeepers Casino 400 Kiosk located outside of Kabaret Lounge.



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CASINO • HOTEL
BATTLE CREEK



WE HOPE TO SEE YOU AT THE INAUGURAL YEAR
OF THE **FIREKEEPERS CASINO 400!**

**ALL NHBP TRIBAL MEMBERS RECEIVE
A TICKET TO THE FIREKEEPERS CASINO 400,
BEING HELD ON JUNE 12, 2016.**

**To receive your ticket, please contact Tony Day via email at
tday@nhbpi.com by June 3, 2016.**

If you are interested in purchasing additional tickets for the FireKeepers Casino 400 on June 12, or tickets for the Pure Michigan 400 on August 28, please contact the MIS Group Sales Manager Karen White at 517.579.1179. Orders will be taken Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Feel free to also visit the NHBP Members Only website to make additional online purchases. All NHBP Tribal Members and their guests receive a discounted rate.

Additional tickets discounted rates for NHBP Tribal Members and NHBP team members:

Friday, June 10 - Corrigan Oil 200 ARCA Racing Series: \$20

Saturday, June 11 - Menards 250 presented by Valvoline NASCAR XFINITY Series: \$25

Sunday, June 12 - FireKeepers 400 (see below)

Center rows 3-14: \$55

Center rows 15-30: \$65

Center rows 31-54: \$85

T1 SEC 43-57 R3-10: \$40

T1 SEC 43-57 R11-40: \$55

T1 SEC 59-89 R3-10: \$35

T1 SEC 59-89 R11-40: \$45

T1 SEC 91-111 R3-10: \$25

T1 SEC 91-111 R11-40: \$30



NHBP Youth: Austin Chivis' Wrestling Skills Shine on Mat

Submitted by Karen Todd, Communications Specialist; Photos provided by Jason Chivis

Austin Chivis recently won the 2016 Michigan Youth Wrestling Association State championship held at the Battle Creek Kellogg Arena, but this isn't his first time – and it likely won't be his final time if he continues his champion-style wrestling.

He turned 11 in May, but already Austin has won several major awards: a Future Stars State championship in 2013, which was his first major award as a second-grader; two MYWA State championships – in 2014 and 2016; and earlier this year, Austin took fifth place in the Nation at the NUWAY Wrestling Nationals for Youth.

Still, his career began just a few short years ago. His career began to blossom when Austin's father, Jason Chivis, had an idea for Austin to join the Thornapple Middleville Wrestling Club. After joining, things quickly escalated for Austin, including him winning local and regional tournaments throughout Michigan, Jason Chivis said.

Austin's success has come from a mixed bag of great coaching from his former wrestling champion father, talent and his drive to perfect the sport.

"I'm really, really happy for Austin," Chivis said. "He has been very committed, he's worked exceptionally hard and he's done things that a lot of kids just don't do – he puts in the extra time to be the best he can be."

Jason Chivis has been around the sport for more than 30 years as a wrestler in high school and college, then as a middle school and high school wrestling coach for numerous years.

"The strategy of the game is what I enjoy teaching," Jason Chivis said. "I know a lot of things about the sport of wrestling others don't, ultimately this helps my son Austin excel."

One of Austin's most recent major wrestling successes was in April at Battle Creek Kellogg Arena during the MYWA State championships. Austin wrestled in the 85-pound weight class consisting of the 32 best wrestlers in the State of Michigan, and wrestled his way to first-place winning five straight matches to claim the State title.

Austin's statistics and wrestler profile can be found online at <http://trackwrestling2.com/tw/membership/ViewProfile.jsp?twSessionId=qpihsqnkwuwbfgs&twId=12179076>



Wrestler Austin Chivis stands with his dad, Jason Chivis. Both are NHBP Tribal Members.



Austin Chivis after winning a state wrestling championship.



MIFO 2016

Save the date for the 29th Annual
Michigan Indian Family Olympics

 **Friday, July 22, 2016** 

Central Michigan University's Bennett Track & Field

1200 S. Franklin St., Mount Pleasant, MI 48859

Hosted by the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan



Join with other NHBP Tribal Members in this fun, family-friendly competitive all-day track and field event! Help NHBP bring home the gold!

Registration opens May 1 at 8:30 a.m., and closes July 5 at 5 p.m.

Contact Administrative Assistant Grace Chivis at 269.704.8419 to sign up, or email: gchivis@nhbpi.com



NEW MIFO YOUTH TRAINING PROGRAM!

NHBP Youth ages 9 to 18: Train for MIFO and earn FREE NIKE shoes!

MIFO 2016

Michigan Indian Family Olympics

 **NHBP YOUTH TRAINING SCHEDULE** 
{Ages 9 to 18}

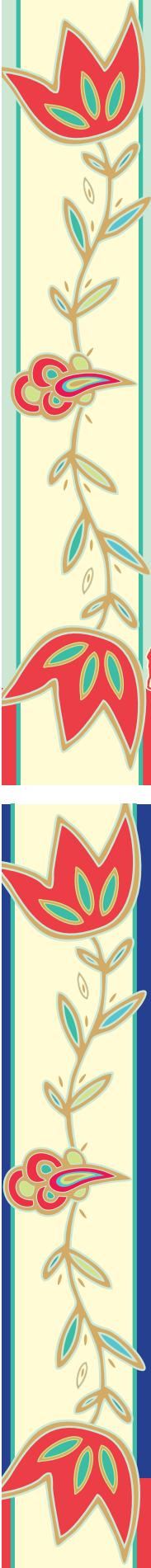
June 7, 14, 21 & July 19 • 2 to 4 p.m.

Pine Creek Community Center

Earn free Nike shoes!

Nike shoes (Nike Free Trainer 6 or Jordan Rising High 2) will be given to those who attend 3 of the 4 training dates and participate in at least 1 event at MIFO on July 22.

For more information contact Health Educator Brianne Kraai at 616.514.3652, or email: brianne.kraai@nhbpi.org



Join us for the fun & the fitness!

2016 TRIBE *to* TRIBE

Be a part of Team NHBP!

Open to Tribal Members, spouses, descendants, employees and clinic patients.

Prizes, incentives and awards are funded through Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan.

The winning Michigan Tribe will be announced at the Michigan Family Olympics (MIFO) on July 22!

REGISTRATION: May 1 - 6*

*Registration for Grand Haven will be on May 5 at the Community Center, at 6 p.m.

PROGRAM BEGINS: May 7

PROGRAM ENDS: July 1

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Shelby Gibson at 269.729.4422

Walking groups will begin the week of May 9!

Grand Rapids: Thursdays at Noon. Meet at the Grand Rapids Health Department.

Pine Creek: Fridays at Noon. Meet at the Pine Creek Health Department.

Grand Haven: Thursdays at 6 p.m. Meet at the Rosy Mounds and Chinook Pier.

For walking group schedules, please contact Shelby Gibson at 269.729.4422



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KIDS CAN MARATHON!

Join us for the fun & the fitness!

The Tribe-to-Tribe Walking Challenge, which starts May 7, has added a fitness contest within the Challenge for youth age 6 to 17. Interested youth will log the first 25.2 miles of a marathon on a paper log during the weeks of the Tribe-to-Tribe Walking Challenge, then will run the final mile together at the Michigan Indian Family Olympics, on July 22, 2016.

All participants will receive an award upon completion of the marathon and are eligible for other prizes through BCBS. Prizes and awards will be distributed at MIFO.



REGISTRATION: Week of May 16

PROGRAM ENDS: July 1

For more information or to register, contact
Shelby Gibson at 269.729.4422





Zhitawek! {Back to School!}

Gear up for school with the Back to School Program

Grand Rapids Health Department
Tuesday, August 2 • 2 to 7 p.m.

Pine Creek Community Center
Thursday, August 4 • 2 to 7 p.m.

Eligibility:

- Enrolled NHBPI Tribal Members, K-12 and higher education students (college students must provide enrollment documentation for at least 6 credit hours)

What to Expect:

- Health education stations geared at students and parents
- Education and Tribal Youth Program information
- Information sessions for kids and parents
- Backpacks and supplies
- Gift cards and much more!

Important Details:

- Pre-registration is required; call either health office to register by July 20.
- The event will not include sports physicals and immunizations this year. Please make a separate appointment to schedule any needed medical appointments.
- Parent/Guardian and student must be present to receive incentives.

Healthy Selfie!





RSVP to Brianne Kraai
616.249.0159 or
email: brianne.kraai@nhbpi.com



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NHBPI Tribal Members & Family! Join us for the fun!

2016 Grand Cereal Parade

To kick off the festivities for the World's Longest Breakfast Table!

Friday, June 10, 2016 • 6 p.m.

Downtown Battle Creek • Line-up: West Van Buren Street
Transportation is available from 311 State Street, Grand Rapids and the Pine Creek Indian Reservation upon request.

For more information or transportation assistance, please contact Membership Services Administrative Assistant Grace Chivis at 269.704.8419, email: gchivis@nhbpi.com



NHBP Tribal Members & NHBP staff: Join us for a fun fitness class!

ZUMBA!

Wednesdays from 4:45 to 5:30 p.m.

Grand Rapids Fitness Room

311 State Street, Grand Rapids, MI

Dance your way to a new you. Zumba is a total body workout that combines cardio, strength, balance and flexibility into a cardio-burning Latin style dance party. Join us for the ultimate fat burning experience that will shimmy you into shape. Everybody and every body welcome. No sign up required, just have fun.

Zumba is taught by certified Zumba instructor Brianne Kraai. Contact Brianne for more information at 616.249.0159, or brianne.kraai@nhbp.org



GRAND RAPIDS NHBP HEALTH DEPARTMENT

The YMCA VEGGIE VAN *is coming!*

Every Tuesday through August!

3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

311 State Street, Grand Rapids

Buy reasonably priced produce! Use your Veggie Buck program incentives, utilize double-up Food Bucks, use SNAP benefits and Senior Project Fresh coupons.

For more information contact Health Educator Brianne Kraai at 616.249.0159, or email: brianne.kraai@nhbp.org



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Waséyabek Welcomes New CEO

Submitted by Waséyabek Development Company, LLC; Photos by Jaky Replogle

Deidra Mitchell joins our organization as the CEO of Waséyabek Development Company, LLC. She was born and raised in Ohio and is the middle child of Jack and Lynda Mitchell; a retired machinist and a retired bookkeeper.

Deidra attended Kent State University and graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree. It was early in her career as an environmental project manager that she began to study the relationship between people, processes and profits, which is the foundation for her business model today. She started her first company in 1990 and grew it to 15 employees performing projects in Ohio, Missouri, California, Canada, Midway Island, Guam and other Pacific Islands. Since then, she has started eight additional companies.

"I find that if I retain quality employees, support them well, provide them with effective and flexible policies, communicate a clear goal, and steer the organization by responsibly allocating resources, a successful business will follow, no matter what the industry," Deidra explained.

She has started and developed companies for herself, private corporations and Native corporations. Examples include a national demolition and environmental division for a large corporation in Seattle; a private

California corporation that was offering a new technology in the environmental clean-up industry; a company that imported handicrafts from Bali; an Alaska Native IT & Communications company that performed government projects requiring a top secret clearance; and a construction division for a large engineering firm in Alaska.

Most recently, she has started up an e-commerce company offering technical documents, and a construction manufacturing company holding three newly patented products.

"I enjoy what I do for a living and also think having a balanced life is extremely important. I enjoy fishing, nature, mosaic art, traveling, my pets, writing and reading. Most of all, I enjoy the time I get to spend with family and friends."

Deidra has been in her position since and says, "I am impressed with the solid business foundation that the WDC Board and Staff have built over the last year. I am extremely grateful for the opportunity at Waséyabek, and for the Board's and Tribal Council's vote of confidence in my abilities to build an economic development arm for NHBP. I'll do my very best."



Environmental Director John Rodwan and Waséyabek Executive Director Deidra Mitchell overlook Pine Creek Indian Reservation at the wild rice pond, during a recent tour.



(L-R) NHBP Environmental Director John Rodwan, Skasgé Power employee John Dougherty, Waséyabek Executive Director Deidra Mitchell, Skasgé Power Administrative Assistant Paula Stuck and Solar Installer Darrel Day at the Saksgé Power building.



One of Waséyabek Executive Director Deidra Mitchell's hobbies is creating Mosaic art. Pictured is one of her pieces of artwork.

NHBP Staffer Recalls Hunting “Massive” Tom

Submitted by Angela Allen, Administrative Assistant; Photos provided by Nate Shine

NHBP Administrative Assistant and NHBP Tribal Member Angela Allen spent a weekend in May hunting on T Drive South near the Central Sanitary Plant, and she came away with quite a prize – and a story to share. She is donating her prize to the NHBP Environmental Department for an upcoming Elder-related event. Read Angela’s story below.

It was early morning, sitting on the side of the field in the brush, as I called to see if there were any turkeys in the area. Around 6:45 a.m., there was a loud gobble back. I knew it had to be a big tom because the turkey was all by itself.

I called him in by using a box call and a mouth piece. I could hear him getting closer and closer, so I remained still, so he could not see me. I had a big tom decoy and two hen decoys to lure him in. The tom came in cautiously from the woods to the edge of the field and stood tall. He stuck his head way up in the air and moved it from side-to-side to take a look at the decoys and his surroundings.

The bird was massive and was 25 yards from where I was seated. It was a very windy morning, so the feathers on the back of my tom decoy were partially blown down on the back of it. He knew something wasn’t right. He then looked directly at me. He knew I was there. He spotted me. He started to walk away, then turned around one last time.

That’s when I shot him with my 20 gauge shotgun. Bird down! The bird weighed 26.5 pounds, had a 10 inch beard, and 1 ¼ inch spurs. This was the best turkey hunt I have ever had with the biggest turkey I have ever harvested. I am so thankful for our native lands and for this beautiful bird.



NHBP Tribal Member and Government Center Administrative Assistant Angela Allen harvested a 26 ½-pound tom while hunting on T Drive South.

NHBP Names Carter Bright Law Enforcement Director

Submitted by Communications Staff

The NHBP recently promoted Carter Bright as its Director of Law Enforcement.

Bright was promoted to the new position on March 28. Bright was first hired in January 2013 as an NHBP patrol officer. In January 2015, he was promoted to detective of the Tribal Police Department. From November 2015 until being named director, he was the NHBP's interim Police Chief.

Before working for the NHBP, Bright worked as a security officer for the United States Federal Protection Agency. He also worked a short time as a case manager for Calhoun County Community Corrections.

Before that, he retired from the Battle Creek Police Department after nearly 26 years. While there, Bright served as a patrol officer, field training officer and narcotics officer assigned to the South West Enforcement Team. He was promoted to Sergeant and was tasked with supervising teams of patrol officers, the Detective Bureau and the Cold Case Homicide Team.

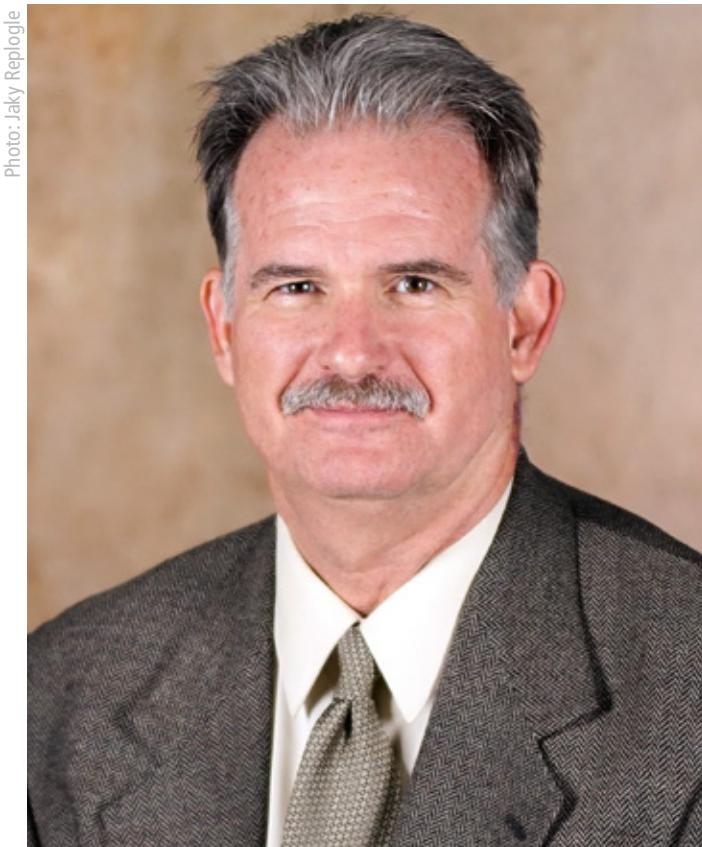
Bright has a Bachelor of Science degree in criminal justice from Ferris State University and has numerous trainings in the law enforcement and police administration fields.

Bright lives in Battle Creek with his wife, Jenn. They have two adult sons, Jesse and Tyler.

Bright said he has enjoyed working for and learning new

things everyday about the Tribe and its history.

"I look forward to serving and working with the community and staff to make Pine Creek Reservation a great place to live, work and play," Bright said.



Carter Bright

Director of Law Enforcement
NHBP Tribal Police Department

New inventory! We are gearing up for Pow Wow and have many new, and unique Native made items! Shop now!

Bkedé O Mshiké

Hours:

**Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.**

Food! Fountain Drinks! Snacks! Crafts! Logo Wear!

Contact: Matt Goldner, 269.303.4990, mgoldner@nbpri.com

2466 1½ Mile Road • Fulton, MI 49052

NHBP, Other Michigan Tribes Receive Award from Michigan Historic Preservation Network

Submitted by Karen Todd, Communications Specialist

For a second year in a row, NHBP is one of several Tribes in Michigan who won a state award for cooperative efforts in consulting with archaeologists on the planning and building of the new M-231 bypass that crosses the Grand River – and former Tribal territory. The site is located east of Grand Haven in Ottawa County, which is within the Tribe's seven-county service area.

The Tribe's critical consulting role came early on in the planning stages of the bypass project, when state of Michigan officials worked with NHBP to determine whether the bypass project would cross anything with cultural or religious significance.

"We worked in cooperation to investigate the site, and we learned, too, from the findings," said NHBP Environmental Director John Rodwan.

Archaeologists did, in fact, find evidence of seasonal encampments and food caches that Native Americans built thousands of years ago. Rodwan said that is evidence of cultural history that NHBP Members can record. Because of this project, Tribes in Michigan and Michigan state departments have been rewarded for their work.

"This is the second agency that has awarded the Tribe for its cooperative efforts in working with a state agency on this project," said Rodwan, who added that the cooperative work sets precedence for other agencies to approach Tribes early in the project stages.

The Tribe received the Michigan Historic Preservation Network's 2016 Government Institution Award during a reception on May 13, held at the Garden Theater in Detroit, for their part in the Archaeological Data Recoveries.

This award is given to organizations or agencies who have accomplished significant positive changes in the historic preservation climate and has made a significant contribution to the preservation of Michigan's heritage. The Tribes won the State of Michigan Governor's Award in 2015 for the same project.

Among the recipients who traveled to receive this Government Institution Award was NHBP Cultural Historic

Preservation Office Manager Beth Moody, who worked in collaboration with Rodwan in consultation with the state of Michigan.

The Tribal co-awardees include the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa & Chippewa Indians, Little River Band of Ottawa Indians, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, Match-e-be-nash-she-wish Band of Pottawatomi Indians, and the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe. The same Archaeological Data Recoveries award also included the Michigan Department of Transportation, Environmental Section, Michigan State Historic Preservation Office and the Commonwealth Heritage Group for their work on the project.

The award is one of several Government Institution Awards given during the ceremony. Other awards went to the City of Monroe for its River Raisin Heritage Corridor project and to the St. Clair County Regional Educational Service Agency.

Several Lifetime Achievement Awards also were given to distinguished Michigan historic preservationists.



Archaeologists found evidence of seasonal encampments before the construction phase of the M-231 bypass in Ottawa County.

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NHBP Environmental Director John Rodwan and Cultural Historic Preservation Office Manager Beth Moody hold NHBP's Michigan Historic Preservation Network 2016 Government Institution Award. NHBP received the award during a ceremony at the Garden Theater in Detroit.

Regalia Making Workshops Underway

Submitted by Camie Castaneda, Membership Services Programs Coordinator
Photos by Jonathan Rinehart

Regalia Making Workshops are progressing well, and all of the participants will be ready for Pow Wow season with brand new regalia! Northern parents and youth have been working very hard on their regalia, and it is amazing to see all of these different designs and styles they have created.

Once again, the NHBP Membership Services Department would like to thank the Tribal Youth Program, Pokagon Band Tribal Youth Program, Gathering Thunder Foundation and the LAUNCH Potawatomi Consortium.



Lori Shustha and Ariel Hendershot (Ashquab) cut out a dress pattern.



Brooklyn Mandoka irons her skirt material.



Cherie Chivis sews a dress for her granddaughter Marley Christian.

Dorene Day Visits Pine Creek Indian Reservation

Submitted by Beth Moody, Cultural Historic Preservation Office Manager; Photos by Jaky Replogle

The NHBP recently hosted a guest speaker whose Native cultural teachings helped welcome the spring season during 2016 Spring Ceremonies.

On April 14, 2016 the NHBP Cultural Historic Preservation Office and the LAUNCH Consortium were able to bring respected Elder Dorene Day from St. Paul, Minn., to give beautiful traditional stories, songs and teachings to women on cradleboards, our Creation Story and birth practices.

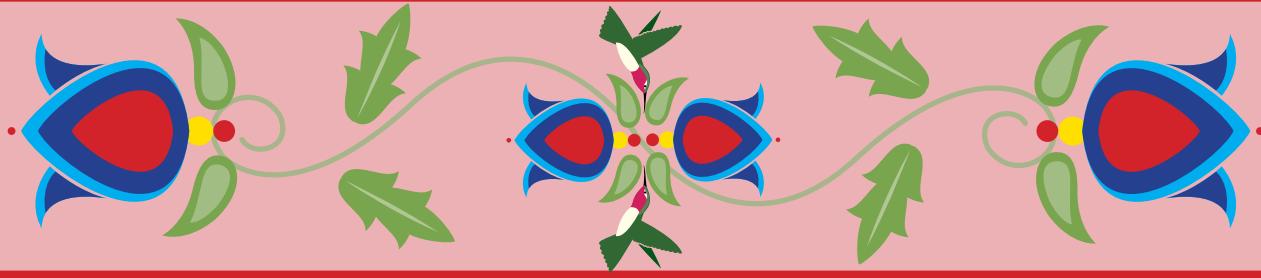
Women from all three bands of Potawatomi involved with the LAUNCH grant consortium were present, and there was much joy in the majeshnowen (gathering together) of women to learn and laugh.

Dorene and her daughter, Alana Dickenson, shared many beautiful teachings, personal stories and songs with all of the women. There was the reminder to all of us that when we bind our bibsek (babies) in their moss bags it is in the pattern of the double helix DNA, therefore we are wrapping them with the protection and love of all of our Ancestors and Creation.

On April 15, Day, Dickenson, NHBP Young Child Wellness Coordinator MacKenzie Stuck and Cultural Historic Preservation Office Manager Beth Moody traveled to the Gun Lake Tribe for further teachings on cradleboards. It was a great honor to have Day, Dickenson and Day's granddaughter with us to share so many beautiful teachings and songs.



Dorene Day visits the Pine Creek Indian Reservation in celebration of Spring Ceremonies.



Regalia Making Workshops

May & June

Pine Creek Community Center

May 16, 20, 23 & 27 from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

June 3, 6, 10, 13, 14, 15, & 17 from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

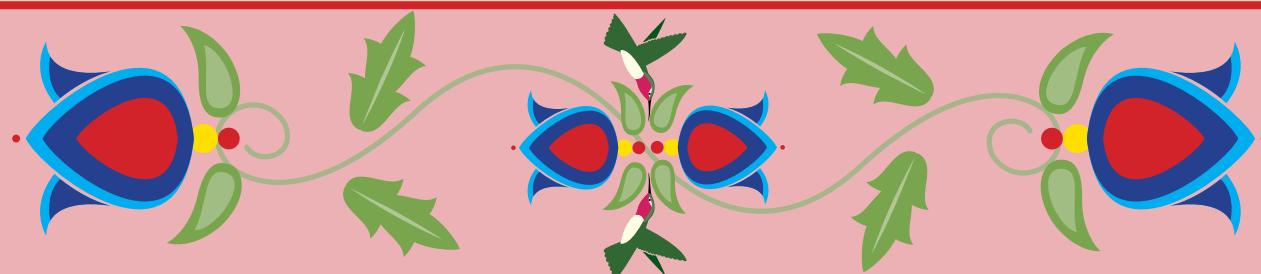
June 16 from 1 to 7 p.m.



NHBP Tribal Members are invited to the Regalia Making Workshops in preparation for the annual Pow Wow. Please join us and learn a traditional art!

Our goal is to get the Tribal Community educated, excited and involved in traditional dance styles and the importance of our cultural Pow Wow dances. You will learn what each dance means, what the regalia means, and the responsibilities that come with dancing each dance. The Regalia Making Workshops will lead up to the NHBP annual Pow Wow which takes place on June 18 and 19 on the Pine Creek Indian Reservation. Snacks, water and coffee will be provided at the workshops.

To sign up or request transportation assistance, please contact Grace Chivis at 269.704.8419. For more information, contact Cultural Specialist Mon-ee Zapata at 269.704.8353, email: mzapata@nhbpi.com, or Cultural Specialist Melissa Foerster at 269.704.8403, email: melissa.foerster@nhbpi.com



KEEPERS *of the* FIRE

CO-ED SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

Saturday, August 6, 2016

Start time: 8 a.m.



- Ages 13+, 12 person roster
- Cost: \$125 per team. Make checks payable to: nhbpi-Softball Tournament
- Co-ed rules*; double elimination
- Open to NHBPI Tribal Members, Gun Lake Tribal Members, Pokagon Tribal Members, FireKeepers Casino Hotel employees, Four Winds Casino employees, Gun Lake Casino employees and NHBPI staff
- Registration is available online at: <http://nhbpi.com/keepers-of-the-fire-softball-tournament/>
- Registration is now open, and closes July 18 at 5 p.m.
- Registration forms may be emailed to: nhbpevents@nhbpi.com
- For more information contact Tony Day at tday@nhbpi.com

*<http://www.premiercoedsports.com/pages/rulesandpolicies/softball>



NEW
information!

Pine Creek Indian Reservation Recreation Field • 1485 Mno-Bmadzewen Way, Fulton, MI 49052

RESPECT

For youth 12 to 18 years old
TPREP Grant
(TRIBAL PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY AND EDUCATION PROGRAM)



311 State Street, Grand Rapids
10 a.m. to Noon, July 12, 14 &
10 a.m. to 2 p.m., July 19
Lunch is provided



Pine Creek Community Center
2 to 6 p.m., August 9 & 11
Dinner is provided

Curriculum emphasis on prevention of teen pregnancy and STDs/STIs
Implement three adulthood preparation topics:

Healthy relationships, parent-child communication and education and career goals/success.
Cultural components have been added to focus on the Medicine Wheel and the Seven Grandfather Teachings as a framework to the curriculum.

Facilitators: Brianne Kraai & Shelby Gibson

For more information contact Health Educator Brianne Kraai at 616.249.0159, or email: brianne.kraai@nhbpi.org

BRAVERY

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NHBP Preschoolers treated to Law Enforcement Visit

Submitted by Karen Todd, Communications Specialist; Photo by Jaky Replogle

A friendly visit from local police officers made for an adventurous day at the Pine Creek Head Start building on May 2.

NHBP Police Officers Larry Juday and Frank Rugg, along with the Head Start staff, organized a safety day for the preschoolers. The students each got their fingerprints taken, received photo ID cards and had an opportunity to try on police helmets and sit in an NHBP police car.

During the event, the nearly 20 Pine Creek Head Start students sat with their eyes wide and fixated on Calhoun County Sheriff Department K9 named "Z."

Calhoun County Sheriff Deputy Brad Hall explained a little about what Z knows, where he came from and how the two became partners.

"Z is nine years old and he is from Hungary," Hall told the group of students. Hall explained that Z is a smart

dog, and that "he learned all of his drug odors 1 1/2 hours over 5 days."

Head Start assistant teacher Lacey Sturgeon said she thinks it's a great idea for law enforcement to visit the preschool children. Sturgeon's son, Joey, age 5, is a student in the Pine Creek Head Start program.

"He's been talking about it for weeks," Sturgeon said. "He wants to be a police officer someday."

Lori Stayner, Pine Creek Head Start teacher, said the Pine Creek Head Start staff each year invites NHBP officers to speak to the children, but this is the first year the Calhoun County Sheriff Department attended and brought the K9 unit.

"This is the first year for a bigger program like this one, and I think it turned out well," Stayner said. "Usually we just have an officer come in."



Calhoun County Sheriff Deputy Brad Hall shows off Z, his K9 companion, to the children at Pine Creek Head Start.

Pine Creek Head Start Graduation held on Reservation

Submitted by Communications Staff; Photos by Jaky Replogle

The Pine Creek Reservation Head Start presented its preschool graduating class of 2016 during a ceremony, held at the Pine Creek Indian Reservation Community Center May 6.

The welcome speech was given by Pine Creek Head Start Center Director Brian Chivis, and the presentation of the preschool graduates was given by Lori Stayner.

The theme of the ceremony was "Oh the Places You Will Go," a theme taken from a popular Dr. Suess book. A total of nine students graduated from the Pine Creek Head Start program this year, and will be moving on to elementary school in the fall. The students are the anticipated graduating class of 2029.



Oliver Funk, Great Grandson of NHBP member Rachel Mackety takes selfie with his classmate.



Pine Creek Head Start's graduation day, with students holding their diploma.

NHBP Tribal Youth Travel to Chicago

Submitted by Charmaine Mandoka, Southern Youth Specialist; Photos by Charmaine Mandoka

Northern and Southern Tribal Youth Program participants took an overnight spring break field trip to Chicago on April 5 and 6.

Upon arrival, the group made a stop at Shedd Aquarium, where they got to experience a dolphin show and several other attractions. After visiting the aquarium, the youth had dinner at Giordano's, a pizzeria that specializes in Chicago-style stuffed pizza. The pizza was gigantic!

Most of the youth only had room for one slice. They had a few boxes of pizza left over, so the group decided to hand them out to some of the less fortunate people as they passed by.

On April 6, the youth traveled to the Sky Deck, a 1,353-foot-high observation deck overlooking the Windy City. On a clear day, tourists can see far over the plains of Illinois, across Lake Michigan to Indiana, Michigan and Wisconsin. Unfortunately, our youth weren't able to see much, due to zero visibility, but did enjoy the experience!



Ashton Shukis on the Observation Deck in Chicago.



(L-R) Ronald Woodring, Ms. Tracey Williams, Jordan Morseau, Kiyah Collins, Destinique Iden, Dajeon Morseau, and Keyon Mandoka visit Shedd Aquarium in Chicago.

Save this date - July 16, 2016!

NHBP Men's Day Retreat at Excalibur Paintball!

2 to 6 p.m. Dinner following

Registration opens Wednesday, June 1 at 8:30 a.m.

Space is limited to the first 40 male Tribal Members over the age of 18. Registration will open to spouses and parents of enrolled Tribal Members if spots become available.

Please RSVP no later than Friday, July 1 at 5 p.m.
To sign up, or request more information or request
transportation assistance, please call Membership Services
Administrative Assistant Grace Chivis at 269.704.8419.



SAVE THE DATE!

2016 FAMILY RETREAT!

August 26 to 28

YMCA Camp Timbers

3269 Horseshoe Lake, West Branch, MI 48661

Open to NHBP Members and their immediate family only.

RSVP to Membership Services Administrative Assistant Grace Chivis at 269.704.8419 or gchivis@nhbpi.com.

Registration opens June 1, 2016 at 8:30 a.m. and closes August 5, 2016 at 5 p.m. Space is limited.



PLEASE NOTE! Camp Timbers is a rustic camp setting with dormitory style sleeping, and externally located bathrooms.

Please join us!

GRAND RAPIDS PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

For all parents, grandmas and grandpas, aunties and uncles of NHBP, Match-e-be-Nash-e-Wish, and Pokagon Potawatomi children ages 0 to 8.

What: For parents to have a voice when it comes to programming for their children. **Dinner is provided.** Language class will also be offered at this time for the children/youth to participate in during the meeting time.

When: The first Thursday of the month from 6 to 7 p.m.

2016 Dates: March 3, April 7, May 5, June 2, July 7, August 4, September 1, October 6, November 3, & December 1

Where: Northern Health and Human Services Department
311 State St., Grand Rapids, MI 49503

A \$20 gift card will be provided to those families enrolled in LAUNCH.

Transportation will be provided.

To register or request more information, please contact Camie Castaneda at 616.514.3662.



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EARLY CHILDHOOD FAIR

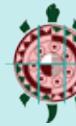
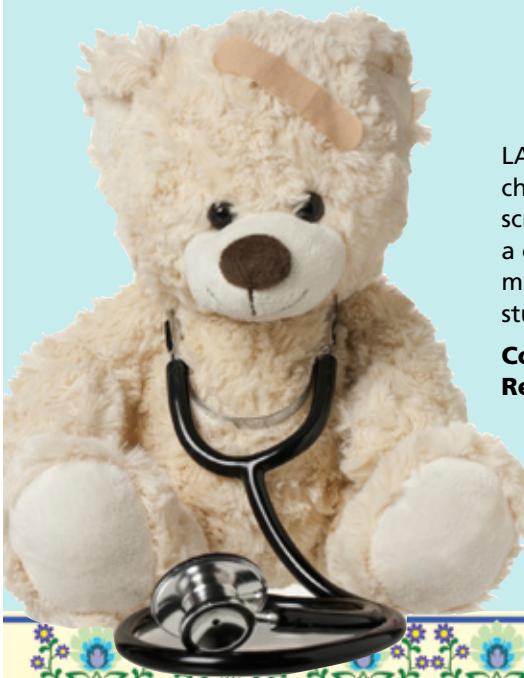
Penojék Mishkewze {Be Strong. Be Powerful. Be Able to Do Well.}

Friday, June 17, 2016
3 to 6 p.m.

Pine Creek Indian Reservation

LAUNCH is sponsoring an early childhood fair for families with children ages 0 to 8. Featured will be a fun obstacle course, health screenings, car seat safety check, a teddy bear clinic, family portraits, a cultural 'make it & take it' craft, a gardening activity and a cookout meal for preregistered LAUNCH families! Don't forget your favorite stuffed animal for the teddy bear clinic!

**Contact MacKenzie Stuck at 269.729.4422 to register your family.
Registration deadline is June 10 at 5 p.m.**



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HEALTHY START PLAY DATES! John Ball Zoo & Binder Zoo!

Enrolled Healthy Start & LAUNCH families with children 0-8 years old, please join us for a fun, activity-filled day at the local zoo. Parental supervision is required. **You must RSVP.**

Transportation provided to and from the NHBP Clinics and the zoo.

Grand Rapids John Ball Zoo

includes Grand Rapids TYP Summer Camp participants
11 years of age and under.

Thursday, July 14

10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Leave 311 State Street at 10 a.m. and
return to 311 State Street at 2 p.m.

Binder Park Zoo

Friday, July 15

10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Leave Pine Creek at 10 a.m. and
return to Pine Creek at 2 p.m.



**Registration for this event opens on June 1,
and closes on July 7.**

Please RSVP to Young Child Wellness Coordinator MacKenzie Stuck
at 269.704.8347, or email: mackenzie.stuck@nhbp.org



GRAND HAVEN CALENDAR *of* UPCOMING EVENTS!

Attention Grand Haven NHBP Members!

NHBP is assessing Membership interest in preventative health, cultural and educational programs in the Grand Haven area. Multiple events and programs have been scheduled and will continue through June. At that time, the NHBP CEO will look at Membership attendance, feedback, and event survey responses for these events and determine whether or not to continue to offer such programs. All classes are held at the Grand Haven Community Center, 421 Columbus Ave., Grand Haven.

JUNE

Beginners Beading Class: Friday, June 3, 6 to 8 p.m.

Tribe to Tribe Walking Groups: Thursday, June 9, Rosy Mounds at 6 p.m.

Tribe to Tribe Walking Groups: Thursday, June 23, Rosy Mounds at 6 p.m.

Tribal Youth Group (ages 9 to 18): Wednesday, June 29, 1 to 3 p.m.



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Featuring: New Employees & Promotions

Submitted by Communications Staff

Photo: Jaky Replogle



Karen Todd
Communications Specialist
NHBP Communications Dept.

Photo: Jaky Replogle



Drew Phillips
HR Generalist
NHBP Human Resources Dept.

Photo: Jaky Replogle



Nichole Jones
Communications Specialist
NHBP Communications Dept.

Karen Todd

Karen Todd joined NHBP's Communications Department as a Communications Specialist. Previously, she worked for two years as an admissions representative and public relations liaison at Miller College. She has 10 years' experience as a news reporter at the Battle Creek Enquirer, and has a Bachelor of Arts degree from Kent State University. In her spare time, she enjoys reading magazines, shopping and trying new restaurants. She has been married to Terris Todd for 16 years, and they have three daughters, Destinny, 14; Naomi, 12 and Taren, 10. She lives in Battle Creek.

Drew Phillips

Drew Phillips, an NHBP Tribal Member, recently began work as Human Resources Generalist in the Government Offices.

Before beginning work at the Government Offices, Phillips worked for 5 years as a Team Member at FireKeepers Casino Hotel in various positions, most recently in Human Resources as the Tribal Development Manager.

He is a member of the Eagle Clan, is the great grandson of Alice Pigeon, grandson of Barry "Eagle Bear" Phillips and son of Bryant Phillips. He attended college in Ann Arbor for two years.

Phillips enjoys hunting, fishing and home renovation.

He is married to Heather Phillips and they have a daughter, Nova Alice Phillips, age 1, and are expecting another child.

He lives in Battle Creek.

PROMOTION

Nichole Jones

Nichole Jones has been promoted to Communications Specialist in the NHBP's Communications Department.

Previously, she had been working as a dental office assistant since beginning work at NHBP in August 2015. She began her new role on May 16.

SOUTHERN TYP DAY CAMP

The First Tee of Battle Creek

Monday, June 27 to Thursday, June 30, 2016 1 to 4 p.m.

Open to NHBP Tribal Youth.

The First Tee of Battle Creek provides NHBP youth an opportunity to learn the basics of golf, while introducing **The Nine Core Values** of the highly successful national First Tee programs. Join us for physical fitness and fun, while learning a fun new skill!

Space is limited. Transportation is provided. Contact Southern Youth Specialist Charmaine Mandoka to sign-up. Phone: 269.704.8593, or email: cmandoka@nhbpi.com by June 6.



Location: The First Tee of Battle Creek - Binder Park Golf Club
7255 B Dr. S, Battle Creek, Michigan 49014



NORTHERN YOUTH SUMMER DAY CAMP

Tuesdays & Thursdays, June 14 to August 4

10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

311 State Street, Northern Administration Community Room, Grand Rapids

**Open to all NHBP Tribal and identified Native American youth ages 5 to 21.
Transportation & lunch provided.**

Join the fun and adventure this summer at the Northern Tribal Youth Summer Day Camp program! We will learn about the Clan systems, the Seven Grandfather Teachings, and go on culturally-significant field trips - all based upon the Red Cliff curriculum!

Space is limited. Registration opens May 2 and closes June 3.

For more information or to reserve your spot, contact Camie Castaneda at 616.514.3662 or email: ccastaneda@nhbpi.com



Domestic Violence Code – Questions and Answers

Questions from the Community Meetings held on March 7 & 9, 2016

Question 1:

How do I prove that I need time off work because I'm helping a family member with a domestic violence incident and my family member doesn't want to press charges or doesn't feel safe sharing publicly what is going on?

Answer: The Domestic Violence Leave Act is found at Section 7.4-62 in the Code. This section provides that employees may not be terminated for missing work if they can document within 14 days that they have missed work because of an incidence of domestic violence. It is understandable that an employee may not want to speak to anyone, especially at work about domestic violence. There will be other ways that the employee can document why they missed work, for example, the DV Victim's Advocate may be able to assist or a person or professional that is familiar with victims. These persons can assist the employee with getting supporting documentation. Also, there are various options of what would be acceptable as documentation. The policies for the DV Leave Act are currently being drafted and will be forthcoming next month and will include examples of the required documentation.

Question 2:

How long can a prison sentence be?

Answer: Currently, the Court may sentence an individual to jail for up to one year and a fine of up to \$5,000, or both. That is the maximum amount of time the Judge can sentence persons to jail. But, if a person has multiple charges the Court could sentence them to serve out each jail term one after the other. So for example, if they had two separate charges for one year each the Judge could sentence them to serve the two one year sentences for each crime one after the other.

Question 3:

What other conditions or probation terms can the court use?

Answer: The DV Code allows different options for

the Judge to determine the appropriate conditions and terms of probation for crimes of domestic violence. Upon conviction of a crime of domestic violence, the perpetrator will be required to complete a domestic violence perpetrator treatment program. Restitution may also be ordered by the Court which will help restore the victim; for example, to pay for lost or destroyed property of the victim, and fines, fees, and costs. The Court may, at the request of the Prosecutor, issue an order of exclusion, which excludes the perpetrator from all or a portion of the NHBPI Indian Reservation and territory consistent and subject to the scope and conditions of the Exclusion Code.

Question 4:

What about termination of parental rights?

Answer: Termination of parental rights is not included in the Domestic Violence code, but will be covered in the upcoming Children's Protection Code, which will address ways parental rights are terminated.

Question 5:

Can you tell me about how juveniles are treated differently?

Answer: Juveniles that commit violations of the DV Code are defined as individuals under the age of 18. Juveniles who commit acts of domestic or family violence will be prosecuted under the DV Code and are within the jurisdiction of the Tribal Court rather than the Juvenile Court. But an arrest and prosecution of a juvenile under the DV Code does not bar proceedings in the Juvenile Court.

Question 6:

If someone commits domestic violence but the prosecutor fails to prove the intimate relationship needed, can someone then get a protection order?

Answer: Yes, they would be able to get a protection order. If the prosecutor fails to prove an intimate relationship, a non-Indian person does not fall under the jurisdiction of the tribe's authority to prosecute for domestic violence. However, if there is still an immediate threat of harassment, threats, or contact

with the victim, the victim may petition the court to obtain a protection order. If the perpetrator sexually assaulted the victim, the victim may petition the court for a sexual assault protection order as well.

Question 7:

Can the tribe prosecute and the federal government prosecute someone at the same time?

Answer: Yes, the Tribe and the Federal Government can prosecute a perpetrator for the same crime. This is not considered double jeopardy because the Tribe and the Federal government are two separate governments. Double jeopardy means a second prosecution for the same offense. Double jeopardy only applies when the same government tries to prosecute someone more than once for the same crime.

Question 8:

What happens when someone commits domestic violence more than three times?

Answer: If the person has two or more convictions for domestic violence, they could be charged as a habitual domestic violence or family violence offender, which is a felony.

Question 9:

Is a civil protection order good enough to get the benefit of the Domestic Violence Leave Act?

Answer: Yes, the DV Code requires that documentation be made within 14 days and receiving a civil protection order would be considered documentation of domestic violence. The person requesting the protection order must be a victim of domestic violence, family violence, dating violence, or stalking. Section 7.4-63 of the DV Code provides examples of documentation for the DV Leave Act; for example, a document from a civil or criminal proceedings in a court of law, a protection order, or another type of document that is satisfactory to the Tribe.

Question 10:

Who will be paying for the non-Indian perpetrators lawyer?

Answer: Rights provided to the defendant or perpetrator, incorporates all of the rights of the Indian

Civil Rights Act (ICRA); for example, the right to remain silent, the right to a speedy trial, etc. Another right is to provide a defense attorney if they cannot afford one. The Tribal Court has a process to provide attorneys to persons if they cannot afford one. All criminal defendants in Tribal Court are entitled to court appointed assistance of counsel during a criminal proceeding if they are not able to pay for an attorney themselves.

Question 11:

Why do we need this if the federal government can prosecute the crime?

Answer: The federal government can prosecute the perpetrator but it is to the benefit of the community, the victim, and the Tribe, to prosecute crimes that occur on the reservation and within the Tribe's jurisdiction, not only to protect the community but to ensure justice. Historically, Tribal governments did not have authority to prosecute non-Indians that commit acts of domestic violence on the reservation. This has resulted in almost all cases involving non-Indians to go unprosecuted. The Federal government does not take the cases because they have limited resources to prosecute these cases, especially misdemeanor domestic violence cases. By enacting the DV Code and asserting special domestic violence criminal jurisdiction, the Tribe is asserting its inherent authority to prosecute crimes that occur on the reservation including non-Indians for crimes of domestic violence. The Tribe is better able to protect and serve its members and the community, and to prosecute crimes that occur on the reservation.

Question 12:

If I have a Michigan protection order for a past boyfriend, and I am at FireKeepers and I see him, what can Tribal Police do?

Answer: Tribal Police will be able to remove the individual based on the State of Michigan protection order and the full faith and credit provision that is found in the federal law. VAWA 2013 requires that Tribes and States recognize each other's protection orders. Therefore, Tribal Police will have authority to enforce the state protection order based on the authority in VAWA. The Tribal Court will be able to enforce any violations of state protection orders as if it were the order of the Tribal Court. The Tribal Court can

decide how the order is enforced, the detention and notification procedures, and the penalties and sanctions.

Question 13:

Will there be any educational programs for tribal youth to learn about domestic violence and help create a safer community for the future?

Answer: Yes, the NHBP Membership Department is already working on implementing educational components for tribal youth.

Question 14:

Why does the Domestic Violence Leave Act allow for unpaid leave?

Answer: The DV Leave Act allows for unpaid leave for employees because there may be times when the employee does not have any time remaining in their PTO bank to use for time off from work. The DV Leave Act allows for the employee to use paid or unpaid time away from work because of domestic violence or to assist a family member because of domestic violence. The DV Leave Act allows for substantial time away from work and NHBP is aware that there may be circumstances that require the employee to be away from work on unpaid status until they can return.

Question 15:

Can the language of the DV Code include a guarantee by Tribal Council today and in the future to have money set aside for tribal specific domestic violence programs here at Pine Creek, to create a program that will always be here on the reservation?

Answer: The Code does not provide for a specific amount of money to be used to pay for a domestic violence program. NHBP and Tribal Council understand how important the Code is for the Tribe and the rights that it gives to victims of domestic violence. While the services in place for domestic violence victims is certain to be continuing well into the future for the next seven generations, future earnings are unpredictable and therefore it is not certain how much can be allocated for these services. Tribal members who are interested in guaranteeing that the domestic violence program continue could create a grassroots campaign that can address domestic violence and bring it to the attention

of Tribal Council and also help find grant funding to support the domestic violence program.

Question 16:

How does the special domestic violence criminal jurisdiction in the Domestic Violence Code relate to the Dollar General Case, will the DV Code be overruled?

Answer: The Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2013 (VAWA) was written and passed by the Congress of the United States. While the VAWA has limited jurisdiction over certain crimes of domestic violence committed by non-Indians, which is the special domestic violence criminal jurisdiction, it is a victory for Tribal governments to again be able to assert criminal jurisdiction over non-Indians. The Dollar General case is regarding a commercial business contract and civil jurisdiction over nonmember business activities on the reservation. The question in that case is whether the Tribal Court has jurisdiction over nonmember defendants in general, and more specifically, whether Tribal Courts have the independence required for fair treatment of nonmembers. VAWA could be struck down as unconstitutional and while that is certainly a possibility, we hope that is not the case. We also hope that the Supreme Court ruling in the Dollar General case will be in favor of Tribes and will not impact the rights of Tribes.

Question 17:

What is the extent of the changes made to the Fair Employment Practices Code?

Answer: The Fair Employment Practices Code (FEPC) provides at Section 801, Employment Leave for Victims of Violence. It was amended to include a reference to the Domestic Violence Code because it also has a Leave Act for victims of domestic violence. The FEPC and DV Code will be combined to provide one domestic violence leave policy for NHBP government employees. The policy is currently being drafted and will be forthcoming next month.

NHBP Elders Attend MIEA Spring Conference in Hannahville

Submitted by Southern Elders Specialist Nickole Keith and Northern Elders Specialist Leo Pontiac

The NHBP Elders traveled April 25-27 to Hannahville Potawatomi Indian Community to attend the Michigan Indian Elders Association (MIEA) Spring Conference. Hannahville's longest-serving Tribal Chairman, Ken Meshiguad, welcomed the Elders on the first day of the meeting.

The Elders enjoyed the journey to Hannahville aboard a comfortable chartered bus. A highlight of the trip was crossing the Mackinaw Bridge. During the voyage, the Elders took in the scenic beauty of Michigan's Upper Peninsula.

The MIEA Conference included the business meeting and the host Tribe had various activities planned for the

Elders after the conclusion of the meeting, including a live auction of items donated by Member Tribes.

NHBP Elders donated craft items, including earrings, a coat, dream catchers, pillows and blankets. Other workshop activities included making wooden spoons, beaded keychains, dream catchers and a Tour of Hannahville.

The Elders had a pleasant time at the MIEA meeting in Hannahville. The Hannahville Potawatomi were gracious hosts for the April 2016 MIEA meeting.



NHBP ELDERS GIFT CARD PROGRAM

The Elders Gift Card Program was designed to help Tribal Elders by providing a \$25 Wal-Mart gift card to Elders who are hospitalized with an overnight stay to help assist in purchasing needed items.

Eligibility: Any NHBP Member who is 50 years of age or older and is admitted to a hospital facility for medical care requiring at least one overnight stay. Requests for Elder Gift cards need to be submitted no later than 30 days after the date of hospitalization to be eligible per policy. You may use this program two times per year.

**Contact Chris Woodring, Community Resource Coordinator, for more information:
616.249.0159**

MIEA Student Scholarship Program

The Michigan Indian Elders Association is offering scholarships to students planning to attend college during the 2016/2017 academic year. Applications are due no later than June 15, 2016, and must be received using the approved application and all required documentation. Incomplete applications and/or applications missing required documentation will not be eligible.

**For more information, please contact Higher Education Specialist Andrea Rainer at
269.704.8356**



Head Start Ends Year with Outdoor Fun

Submitted by Communications Staff; Photos by Karen Todd

About 18 students in the Pine Creek Head Start program ended the school year on a fun note.

Students were treated to a fair at the Pine Creek Recreation field on May 19. The fair included a bounce house, cookout food, games such as Tic-Tac-Toe, a bubble station and more.

The program takes a recess for the summer, but is recruiting students for the 2016-17 school year. For information on how to register, call 269.729.4209.



Oliver Funk, Great Grandson of NHBP member Rachel Mackety climbs on the play structure at the Pine Creek Recreation Field during Pine Creek Head Start's Fair.



Ameris Keith, daughter of NHBP Tribal Member Marisha Keith, plays a basketball toss game during Pine Creek Head Start's Fair.

NHBP APPRECIATION DAY 2016

SAVE *the* DATE!

**NHBP Tribal Members and immediate family:
Join us for a fun day at the Calhoun County Fair!**

Thursday, August 18 • 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Pre-registration is encouraged. You must present your Tribal ID at the gate or a pass will be required to park.

Registration is now open.
Please contact Membership Services
Administrative Assistant Grace Chivis at
269.704.8419, email: gchivis@nhbpi.com



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Calling all NHBP Tribal Artists & Craftsmen!

**A free vendor booth opportunity for Tribal Members
to display original, hand-created arts and crafts**

Union City's Sesquicentennial Celebration Fine Arts & Craft Show

Saturday, July 2 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Riverview Park, Union City, MI



**For information on vendor space please contact
Laura Legris at lk.legris@gmail.com, 269.961.0113 or 517.741.5861.
Please indicate that you are an NHBP Tribal Member.**

**NHBP's Cultural and Historic Preservation Office will also have a historical
and present-day informational table at the park during the three day event.**



Attention: New Health and Human Services Policy Update **New Late/Missed Appointment Policy**

Due to the high number of late arrivals and missed appointments, and the impact that it has on other patients waiting to see a service provider, the Health and Human Services Department has developed a late/missed appointment policy.

Late Arrivals:

If a patient arrives more than 15 minutes late for their scheduled appointment time, they may be rescheduled for a later date and time. If the patient is rescheduled for arriving more than 15 minutes late to their appointment it will be considered a "No Show" appointment.

Missed Appointments:

If a patient does not notify the Health and Human Services Department within 8 hours of their scheduled appointment time that they need to cancel, it will be considered a "No Show" appointment.

No Show:

After obtaining three "No Show" appointments for the same service, a patient will not be able to schedule an appointment with that service for three months. The patient will only be seen as a same day/walk-in patient if time permits.

Please contact the Health Office Manager, Sarah VanOostendorp, at 269.704.8322 with any questions on this new policy.



CHILDCARE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Are you working or attending school?

Have you heard about the Tribal Childcare Assistance program?

This program is designed to assist in paying for licensed childcare for those who are working, attending school or training within the seven county service area.

For an application and program qualification information, please contact:

Chris Woodring
Community Resource Coordinator
cwoodring@nhbp.org
616.249.0159 Ext. 3638



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Contract Health Services

Contract Health Services is funded through a grant from Indian Health Services. It is to help pay for medical services **not** offered through the NHBP Health Clinics.

What I should know:

- ◆ Contract Health is **not** a health insurance, it is a grant. Funds are limited and based on medical priorities.
- ◆ Contract Health **does not** guarantee payment.

Who is eligible for Contract Health Services?

- ◆ NHBP Tribal members living in the 7 county CHSDA; Allegan, Barry, Branch, Calhoun, Kalamazoo, Kent and Ottawa counties of Michigan.
- ◆ NHBP descendants under the age of 19.
- ◆ A non-Indian woman pregnant with an eligible Indian's child for the duration of her pregnancy through postpartum (6 weeks).

What will CHS pay for?

- ◆ CHS may help pay for medical/dental services outside of the NHBP Health Clinics **if** referred by one of NHBP's providers.
- ◆ CHS may help pay for vision services.
- ◆ CHS may help pay for prescriptions.

How do I get CHS to pay for these services?

- ◆ Provide notification through Contract Health prior to any service outside the NHBP Health Clinics.
- ◆ Notify contract health within 72 hours of an emergency room visit.
- ◆ Complete your CHS registration paperwork information yearly. A letter will be mailed to you when you need to update your information. If your yearly

registration requirements are not met, you will **not** be approved for funding.

- ◆ Apply for Medicaid or alternate resources if you do not have health insurance when applying for Contract Health. If you need help applying for Medicaid, please call Chris Woodring at 616.514.3638.

Who do I call for assistance or questions about Contract Health Services?

Call your Contract Health Specialist 269.704.8349



Extended Hours Offered at Both NHBP Clinics

Grand Rapids

Wednesdays, 8:30 a.m to 7 p.m.

Call 616.249.0159 to schedule your appointment

Pine Creek

Thursdays, 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Call 269.729.4422 to schedule your appointment

AA MEETINGS

Every Thursday, 7 to 8 p.m.

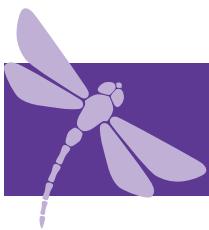
Pine Creek Community Center

1488 Mno-Bmadzewen Way • Fulton, MI 49052

Contact: Mariesha Keith

269.986.7508

"Celebrating sobriety, one meeting at a time." -MK



GTEGÉ GIZES {PLANTING MOON} JUNE

SHISHIBÉ WORDS WE ARE USING



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DBANDEK – TO LOVE ONE ANOTHER

DÉWÉGENASIY – DRUM HIDE

GEMWENEN – SONGS

ZEKSOWEN – DANCE CEREMONY

NIMEDIWJEK – DANCERS

CHIWENOGEMWEN – HONOR SONG

SEGMEKWE – MOTHER EARTH

KCHEMKEDÉMKO – LARGE BLACK BEAR

NODEN – WIND

MJEGODÉ – DRESS

MIJWEN – WATERFALL

ÉZGAK – WOOD TICK

YAPJEYEN – HURRY UP!

GIKIBGOSHÉ – HE / SHE IS SLEEPY

NIBISHÉS – DEW DROP



Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Please have your submission in before the 14th of each month for a chance at winning a gift valued at \$50.00. Mail to: Cultural and Historic Preservation Office 1485 Mno-Bmadzewen Way Fulton, MI 49052. Or email your submission to: mfoerster@nhbpi.com or mzapata@nhbpi.com – Migwéch!

The May Word Search Winner: Jerry Wilthof

VA Help for Tribal Veterans

Department of Veterans Affairs Tribal Outreach Worker, Michele Roe will be holding office hours at both the Pine Creek and Grand Rapids Health and Human Services Department offices.

Pine Creek Health and Human Services Department:

First and third Thursday, 9 a.m. to noon

Grand Rapids Health and Human Services Department:

Second and fourth Wednesday, 9:30 a.m. to noon

Appointments may be scheduled outside of those hours.

**To schedule an appointment with Michele Roe,
please call 269.832.5888.**

Get the Right Start with Head Start!

NHBP offers Head Start programs in both Fulton and Grand Rapids. To enroll your child, or to get more information about Head Start, please contact:

Pine Creek Reservation Head Start

Robert Fillmore
269.729.4209

Huron Potawatomi Head Start

Matt Blumke
616.356.2197



Michigan Indian Legal Services

877.968.6877

Free Legal Aid Clinics

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Do you need advice or assistance with a pressing legal problem and you think your income may fall lower than federal poverty guidelines? Tribal Members needing legal assistance may be eligible to receive free legal assistance. To determine eligibility, please contact Michigan Indian Legal Services (MILS).

Issues may include (among others):

- Criminal matters
- Family law
- Housing-eviction from Tribal public housing
- Health care and welfare benefits
- Child welfare and ICWA
- Juvenile delinquency cases
- Per capita – garnishment and attachment of per capita distributions
- Estate Planning

No appointment is necessary; however, if you would like to reserve a time slot, please contact the MILS office at 877.968.6877. MILS attorneys are available to meet with NHBP Members either in the Grand Rapids Office or at the Government Center on the Pine Creek Indian Reservation – the schedule of office hours is posted on nhbpi.com.

Do you have legal needs not mentioned above and would like to see if they can be addressed through MILS services in the future? If so, or if you would like us to consider other changes to the Members Legal Assistance Program, please contact Legal Assistant Rebecca Griffin in the NHBP Legal Department at 269.704.8371 or rgriffin@nhbpi.com.



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'Sit & Be Fit' Exercise Class!

Join us for a new exercise class in Grand Rapids!

NHBP has partnered with the YMCA to offer NEW Exercise Classes at the NHBP Health Department in Grand Rapids. **Come join in the fun!**

Sit & Be Fit!

Fridays at the Grand Rapids Group Fitness Room at 11a.m.

Community Lunch to follow at noon!

The **Sit & Be Fit** program is designed to work on increasing muscle strength, flexibility and core strength for balance, all the while using your own body resistance, light weights and exercise bands. This exercise program provides you the opportunity to strengthen your muscles without the impact of running or intense movements.

For more information, contact the
Contract Health Educator at 616.249.0159



Take the P.A.T.H. to Better Health! Personal Action Towards Health

Join us for a new Grand Rapids Diabetes PATH class!

Diabetes PATH is a workshop for adults with diabetes, their family, friends and caregivers. The workshop is open to all NHBP clinic patients and their families. It does not matter how long you have had diabetes or how well or how poorly you think you are doing with your diabetes. Anyone with diabetes can attend.

By attending, you will learn to manage your diabetes through education, nutrition, exercise and medical therapies. These techniques will help you take charge of your own health, be more independent and communicate better with your health care team. Bring a spouse, friend or caregiver to class each week. Individuals with any type of chronic disease are also encouraged to attend.

**Fridays, May 13 to June 24, Noon to 2:30 p.m.
311 State Street, Health Conference Room, Grand Rapids, MI
Lunch provided.**

Space is limited! Call or email Lysandra Vander Hart at 616.249.0159; toll-free: 888.662.2808
or email: lvanderhart@nhbp.org



BEGINNER PAINTING CLASSES

Taught by Tribal Member Nickole Keith



Pine Creek Community Center 3 to 5 p.m.

March 11, May 13, June 3, July 15, August 12,
September 16, October 14

311 State St., Grand Rapids 5 to 7 p.m.

April 22, May 6, June 24, August 19, October 7

To register or request more information, please contact
Southern Elders Specialist Nickole Keith at 269.704.8354.

Paint supplies will
be provided!



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Health and Human Services Department Connecting Families to High Quality Health Coverage

Services Provided

- » Health Insurance Market Place Navigation
- » Veterans Benefit Information
- » Medicaid Applications
- » Child Care Assistance
- » Social Security Benefit Information

For insurance enrollment, please bring:

- » Photo ID with valid address
- » Social Security cards for individuals applying
- » Tribal ID

For more information, contact:

Community Resource Coordinator, Chris Woodring
Hours: Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Pine Creek

1474 Mno Bmadzewen Way
Fulton, MI 49052
616.514.3638
cwoodring@nhbp.org

Grand Rapids

311 State Street
Grand Rapids, MI 49503

CELEBRATIONS!



Jennifer Santos
{April 20}
 Happy Sweet 16 Jennifer!
 Love you bunches!
 Dad, Mom, Shelby, Huey, and Merissa



Phillip Mandoka
{May 2}
 Happy Birthday Phillip!
 Love, your family



Ashton Cy Thompson
{May 5}

Baby Cy, sorry I am late with this but I hope you had a wonderful Birthday.
 Love you so much, Grams



Evelyn Mandoka
{May 7}
 Happy birthday.
 Dad loves you



Austin Day
{June 10}
 Happy Birthday
 Congratulations on High School Graduation
 and attending the University of Tennessee.
 Your Paw Paw Cecil Day would be proud of
 you. Your future is bright.
 Love, Dad

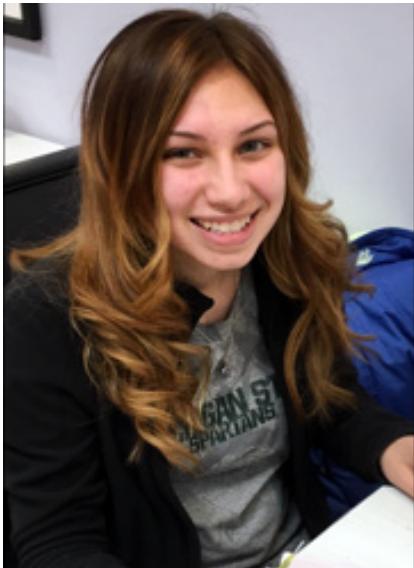


Kayla Chingman
{June 22}
 Happy 16th Birthday
 We love you...
 Dad, Trisha, & Carter-Man

Birthday and Celebration Submission Deadlines & Guidelines

Birthday & Congratulation deadlines are the 10th of the month prior to the publication date.
 If the 10th falls on a weekend or holiday, it moves to the next business day. Submit information and one photo to:
turtlepress@nhbpi.com or by mail: 1485 Mno-Bmadzewen Way, Fulton, MI 49052, attn: Turtle Press

CELEBRATIONS!



Kayla Chingman
 {June 22}
 Happy birthday Kayla
 Love, Tia, Tio and Elijah



Landyn Taylor
 {June 24}
 Happy 11th Birthday Bubby!
 Love,
 Dad, Mom, & Haileigh



Brady Williams
 {June 25}
 Happy Birthday Brady!
 We love you



Demi Medina
 Congratulations to Demi Medina. We are so proud of you on your Academic Achievement in High School. She is all honors classes and has maintained a 4.0+ for more than 2 semesters in a row. She received an Academic Star for her outstanding performance. In volleyball she has received a letter.



Wyatt Keith Inman
 {June 30}
 Happy 2nd Birthday Wyatt.
 You are a blessing to all of your family.
We all love you so much - Mom, Dad, Great Grams and the rest



Mr. and Mrs. Paul and Haley Irwin
 Congratulations Mr. & Mrs. Paul & Haley Irwin. Love & Peace from the Families of Homer A. & Kathy Mandoka, James & Margaret Irwin



Maajtaag Mnobmaadzid “A Start of a Healthy Life”

Keeping women and babies safe and healthy has always been an honorable and expected way of life for Anishinabe people.

Maajtaag Mnobmaadzid is a program designed to assist women and their families in that journey.

What Does Maajtaag Mnobmaadzid Have To Offer?

- Home or office visits by a Maternal Child Health Nurse and/or Family Health Worker.
- Services based on the particular needs of each family.
- Health and developmental assessments including vital signs, infant height and weight and infant growth and development.
- Assistance in obtaining needed infant supplies, housing, and community resources.
- Support, advocacy and referrals.
- Health and parenting education.
- Depression screening and referrals.
- Women, family and community events.
- Transportation to medical and social service related appointments when no other means are available.

Who Is Able To Participate?

- Any NHBP Tribal Member or Tribal Member's direct descendant, living within Allegan, Barry, Branch, Calhoun, Kalamazoo, Kent or Ottawa counties (Contract Health Services Delivery Area), and who is;
 - Pregnant and bringing a NHBP Tribal Member's direct descendant into this world.
 - A child up to the age of five years.
 - A woman with a child up to the age of five years.
 - A caregiver for a NHBP Tribal Member's descendant child up to the age of five years.

How Do I Enroll?

- **Pine Creek contact:** Dawn Cornelius 269.729.4422
- **Grand Rapids contact:** Dawn Cordero-Reyes 616.249.0159



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A FEDERALLY RECOGNIZED TRIBAL GOVERNMENT



Union City Sesquicentennial Celebration • July 2 • Union City

TPREP • July 12, 14 & 19 • 311 State Street, Grand Rapids, MI (Youth ages 12 to 18)

Healthy Start, LAUNCH, TYP Zoo Family Outing • July 14 • Grand Rapids John Ball Park Zoo

Healthy Start and LAUNCH Zoo Family Outing • July 15 • Battle Creek Binder Zoo

Men's Retreat • July 16 • Excalibur Paintball, Battle Creek, MI

Michigan Indian Family Olympics • July 22 • CMU

Potawatomi Gathering of the Nations Pow Wow • July 27-31 • Oklahoma

Back to School • August 2 • 311 State Street, Grand Rapids

Back to School • August 4 • Pine Creek Community Center

Softball Tournament • August 8 • Pine Creek Indian Reservation Recreation Fields

TPREP • August 9 & 11 • Pine Creek Community Center (Youth ages 12 to 18)

West Michigan Career Fair • Aug. 10 • FireKeepers Casino Hotel

Strengthening Families Through Tradition Conference • Aug. 12-14 • WMU Fetzer Center

NHBP Appreciation Day • Aug. 18 • Calhoun County Fair, Marshall, MI

Family Retreat • Aug. 26-28 • YMCA Camp Timbers, West Branch, MI

Wild Rice Camp • Sept. 9 & 10 • Pine Creek Environmental Center

Michigan Indian Day • Sept. 23 • Offices Closed

Hunter Safety Course • Sept. 16-17 • Pine Creek Community Center

Spooky Spectacular • Oct. 29 • Pine Creek Indian Reservation

Elders Christmas Party • Dec. 4 • FireKeepers Casino Hotel

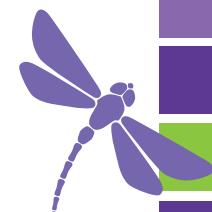
Kids Christmas Party • Dec. 10 • Sky Zone • Kalamazoo

GTEGÉ GIZES | PLANTING MOON | JUNE

Gtegé Gizes is the time of the year to work the warmed Earth and plant good seed for an abundant harvest in the fall.

New Moon: Saturday, June 4 at 11:01 p.m.

Full Moon & Summer Solstice: Monday, June 20 at 7:04 a.m.



JUNE CALENDAR of EVENTS

Wednesday, June 1

Yoga

Pine Creek Community Center
7:45 to 8:30 a.m.

Whole Person Wellness

Pine Creek Community Center
11 a.m. to Noon

Lunch & Learn

Pine Creek Community Center
Noon

Yoga

311 State St., Grand Rapids
4:45 to 5:30 p.m.

Beading Class

311 State St., Grand Rapids
5 to 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, June 2

Grand Rapids Walking Group

Meet at Grand Rapids Health Department
Noon

Elders Drop-in Sewing

311 State St., Grand Rapids
Noon to 4 p.m.

Grand Rapids Parent Advisory Committee Meeting

311 State St., Grand Rapids
6 to 7 p.m.

AA Meeting

Pine Creek Community Center
7 to 8 p.m.

Friday, June 3

Regalia Making Workshop

Pine Creek Community Center
9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

NHBP Golf Outing

Binder Park Golf Course
All Day

Sit & Be Fit Exercise Class

311 State St., Grand Rapids
11 a.m.
Community Lunch at Noon

Pine Creek Walking Group

Meet at Pine Creek Health Department
Noon

Diabetes PATH

Grand Rapids Health Conference Room
311 State St., Grand Rapids
Noon to 2:30 p.m.

Elders Computer Class

Grand Rapids Community College
1 to 3:30 p.m.

Beginners Painting Class

Pine Creek Community Center
3 to 5 p.m.

Beginners Beading Class

Grand Haven Community Center
6 to 8 p.m.

Monday, June 6

Regalia Making Workshop

Pine Creek Community Center
9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Planning & Land Use Meeting

Government Center Room 121
9 a.m.

Tribal Emergency Preparedness Meeting

Government Center Room 121
10 a.m.

Housing Committee Meeting

Government Center Room 121
11:30 a.m.

Elders Game Day

311 State St., Grand Rapids
1 to 3:30 p.m.

Election Board Meeting

Government Center Room 101
2 p.m.

Culture Committee Meeting

Government Center Room 101
3 p.m.

Tuesday, June 7

Elders Computer Class

Pine Creek Community Center
Noon to 1:30 p.m.
Registration Required. Contact Nickole Keith
at 269.704.8354

MIFO Training

Pine Creek Recreation Fields
2 to 4 p.m.

Zumba Class

311 State St., Grand Rapids
4:45 to 5:30 p.m.

Shishibé

311 State St., Grand Rapids
5 to 7 p.m.

Wednesday, June 8

Yoga Class

Pine Creek Community Center
7:45 to 8:30 a.m.

Education Committee Meeting

311 State St., Grand Rapids
10 a.m.

Whole Person Wellness

Pine Creek Community Center
11 a.m. to Noon

Lunch & Learn

Pine Creek Community Center
Noon

Enrollment Committee Meeting

Government Center Room 121
Noon

Journey to Wellness Meeting

311 State St., Grand Rapids
1 p.m.

Tribal Environment Advisory Committee

Government Center Room 121
3 p.m.

Cemetery & Parks Committee Meeting

Government Center Room 101
5 p.m.

Veterans Committee

Government Center Room 121
5 p.m.

Yoga Class

311 State St., Grand Rapids
4:45 to 5:30 p.m.

Elders Arts & Crafts

311 State St., Grand Rapids
5 to 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, June 9

Elders Committee Meeting

Pine Creek Community Center
10 a.m.

Grand Rapids Walking Group

Meet at Grand Rapids Health Department
Noon

Beading Class

311 State St., Grand Rapids
5 to 7 p.m.

AA Meeting

Pine Creek Community Center
7 to 8 p.m.

Friday, June 10

Regalia Making Workshop

Pine Creek Community Center
9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Sit & Be Fit Exercise Class

311 State St., Grand Rapids
11 a.m.
Community Lunch at Noon

Pine Creek Walking Group

Meet at Pine Creek Health Department
Noon

Diabetes PATH

Grand Rapids Health Conference Room
311 State St., Grand Rapids
Noon to 2:30 p.m.

Saturday, June 11

Native American Sobriety Walk

Sixth Street Bridge, Grand Rapids
9 a.m. to Noon

Sunday, June 12

FireKeepers 400

All Day

Monday, June 13

Regalia Making Workshop

Pine Creek Community Center
9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Elders Game Day

311 State St., Grand Rapids
1 to 3:30 p.m.

Southern TYP

Pine Creek Community Center
2 to 4 p.m.

Tuesday, June 14

Regalia Making Workshop

Pine Creek Community Center
9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Northern TYP Summer Day Camp begins

311 State St., Grand Rapids
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Contact Camie Castaneda for details

Elders Computer Class

Pine Creek Community Center
Noon to 1:30 p.m.
Registration Required. Contact Nickole Keith at
269.704.8354

MIFO Training

Pine Creek Recreation Fields
2 to 4 p.m.

Zumba Class

311 State St., Grand Rapids
4:45 to 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday, June 15

Yoga

Pine Creek Community Center
7:45 to 8:30 a.m.

Regalia Making Workshop

Pine Creek Community Center
9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Whole Person Wellness

Pine Creek Community Center
11 a.m. to Noon

Lunch & Learn

Pine Creek Community Center
Noon

Yoga

311 State St., Grand Rapids
4:45 to 5:30 p.m.

Elders Arts & Crafts

311 State St., Grand Rapids
5 to 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, June 16

Northern TYP Summer Day Camp

311 State St., Grand Rapids
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Tribal Council Business Meeting

Pine Creek Community Center
11 a.m.

Grand Rapids Walking Group

Meet at Grand Rapids Health Department
Noon

Elders Drop-in Sewing

311 State St., Grand Rapids
Noon to 4 p.m.

Regalia Making Workshop

Pine Creek Community Center
1 to 7 p.m.

Southern TYP

Pine Creek Community Center
2 to 4 p.m.

AA Meeting

Pine Creek Community Center
7 to 8 p.m.

Friday, June 17**Regalia Making Workshop**

Pine Creek Community Center
9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Sit & Be Fit Exercise Class

311 State St., Grand Rapids
11 a.m.
Community Lunch at Noon

Pine Creek Walking Group

Meet at Pine Creek Health Department
Noon

Diabetes PATH

Grand Rapids Health Conference Room
311 State St., Grand Rapids
Noon to 2:30 p.m.

LAUNCH Early Childhood Fair

Pine Creek Indian Reservation Recreation
Fields
3 to 6 p.m.

Turtle Trot

Pine Creek Indian Reservation
7:30 p.m.

Glow 5K

Pine Creek Indian Reservation
8:30 p.m.

**Saturday-Sunday,
June 18-19****NHBP Pow Wow**

Pine Creek Indian Reservation
All Day Event
See pages 11 & 12 for more information

Monday, June 20

Southern TYP
Pine Creek Community Center
2 to 4 p.m.

Tuesday, June 21

**Northern TYP Summer Day
Camp**
311 State St., Grand Rapids
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Elders Computer Class

Pine Creek Community Center
Noon to 1:30 p.m.
Registration Required. Contact Nickole Keith at
269.704.8354

MIFO Training

Pine Creek Recreation Fields
2 to 4 p.m.

Zumba Class

311 State St., Grand Rapids
4:45 to 5:30 p.m.

Shishibé

Pine Creek Community Center
5 to 7 p.m.

Wednesday, June 22

Yoga
Pine Creek Community Center
7:45 to 8:30 a.m.

Whole Person Wellness

Pine Creek Community Center
11 a.m. to Noon

Lunch & Learn

Pine Creek Community Center
Noon

Yoga

311 State St., Grand Rapids
4:45 to 5:30 p.m.

Elders Arts & Crafts

311 State St., Grand Rapids
5 to 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, June 23

**Northern TYP Summer Day
Camp**
311 State St., Grand Rapids
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Grand Rapids Walking Group

Meet at Grand Rapids Health Department
Noon

Southern TYP

Pine Creek Community Center
2 to 4 p.m.

AA Meeting

Pine Creek Community Center
7 to 8 p.m.

Friday, June 24**Pine Creek Walking Group**

Meet at Pine Creek Health Department
Noon

Sit & Be Fit Exercise Class

311 State St., Grand Rapids
11 a.m.
Community Lunch at Noon

Diabetes PATH

Grand Rapids Health Conference Room
311 State St., Grand Rapids
Noon to 2:30 p.m.

Beginners Painting Class

311 State St., Grand Rapids
5 to 7 p.m.

**Monday-Thursday,
June 27-30****Southern Youth Day Camp**

Pine Creek Community Center
1 to 4 p.m.

Tuesday, June 28

**Northern TYP Summer Day
Camp**
311 State St., Grand Rapids
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Elders Computer Class

Pine Creek Community Center

Noon to 1:30 p.m.

Registration Required. Contact Nickole Keith at 269.704.8354

Zumba Class

311 State St., Grand Rapids

4:45 to 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday, June 29**Yoga**

Pine Creek Community Center

7:45 to 8:30 a.m.

Whole Person Wellness

Pine Creek Community Center

11 a.m. to Noon

Lunch & Learn

Pine Creek Community Center

Noon

Tribal Youth Group**(ages 9 to 18)**

Grand Haven Community Center

1 to 3 p.m.

Yoga

311 State St., Grand Rapids

4:45 to 5:30 p.m.

Elders Arts & Crafts

311 State St., Grand Rapids

5 to 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, June 30**Grand Rapids Walking Group**

Meet at Grand Rapids Health Department

Noon

AA Meeting

Pine Creek Community Center

7 to 8 p.m.

For a complete listing of upcoming Tribal Council and committee meetings, please see page 5 of this issue of Turtle Press.

Please see the NHBPI calendar at <http://nhbpi.com/communities/calendar/> or the NHBPI Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/NHBPI> for the most up-to-date information on our activities and events.

Symetra Tour - Road to the LPGA

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

The FireKeepers Casino Hotel Championship

July 19-24, 2016

Battle Creek Country Club



To register to become a volunteer, visit <https://events.trustevent.com> or, contact Kathy George at kgeorge@firekc.com or call 269.660.5601