The local community joined for a celebration of strength, resilience and justice during the crime victims’ rights event on Thursday, May 18.

On the lawn behind the Tribal Public Safety building, Tribal Council members, law enforcement officials, Families Against Narcotics members, Tribal Court staff and community members gathered after noon.

Emcee Joseph Sowmick, coordinator for the Healing to Wellness Program, greeted guests and introduced speakers. Tribal Council Chaplain Diana Quigno-Grandahl provided the invocation to begin the event.

Tribal Court Judge Patrick Shannon said “the misuse of opioids and prescription drugs is not only prevalent in the local community, but it is an epidemic throughout the nation.”

Chief Frank Cloutier provided welcoming remarks.

Cloutier discussed the tree that was planted on that lawn in memory of victims of crime.

“The dedication of that tree is a representation of all of those who fall victim to one another’s bad choices or habits,” Cloutier said. “It is a distinct privilege and honor for me, as a leader in our community, to be a part of such a progressive outlet within our Tribal Court; to make sure (crimes) happening in our communities are diminished and that victims are given opportunity for treatment.”

Cloutier said “protecting victims of crime is a community effort.”

This year, the Tribe distributed $2,163,665.14 in Isabella County – $1,514,565.60 for government and $649,099.54 for education.

Another $764,366.05 was distributed to Arenac and Northern Bay counties – $229,309.81 for education and $535,056.24 for government.

As with previous years, the Tribal Council receives numerous submissions carefully reviewing each and every one. This year there were a combined 406 individual requests. Local governments turned in 96 and 310 were handed in at its properties Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort and Sagingan Eagles Landing Casino.

Mandy Wigren, former victims of crime advocate for the Tribe, currently works in Bay City, Mich. but returned to the Reservation to attend.

“I want to thank the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe for always supporting victim services and our work, grants and for co-sponsoring this event today,” Wigren said. “Victims’ services have always been a passion of mine and we are lucky enough to be in a place where we are always loved and represented.”

The Standish distribution took place on Thursday, May 25 at 3 p.m. in the Senior’s Room of Tribal Operations, located at 7670 E. Broadway, Mt. Pleasant, Michigan.

“The Standish distribution took place at the Saginaw Tribal Center, located at 5447 Shurman Rd., Standish, Michigan on Friday, May 26 at 2 p.m.
I (we) once had a brother by the name of Gary. His legs and chest weren’t hairy. His nickname was Weasel because he was tough. He was caring and loving but looked pretty rough. In life we had talks usually not agreeing with each other, it didn’t matter if Weasel was my baby brother. Gary Weasel Sprague was the sixth brother of eight, little did we know this is the year he would meet his fate. Weasel was not alone the day he passed away, God was by his side and the sky was not gray. He had faced many personal and physical battles in his life. The Lord saw his struggles, sorrow, and strife. Perhaps the Lord held Weasel’s hand as he came to an end. His suffering ceased like the mist of all the land.

Weasel had a spirit of wisdom, understanding and might, and like you and I, he didn’t always do what was right.

That day we faced grief cried tears of hurt and sorrow, not knowing if we could smile and face tomorrow. Gary is no longer grasping for breath or in a financial bind, he is with the Lord and all those are left behind. I write this poem for Gary Weasel Sprague our baby brother. His smile and laughter reminds us that there will never be another.

- Written by elder and his sister Barb

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“Why are we celebrating crime victims? That’s something that could have a devastating, life changing impact,” Lemisch said. “I want to focus on the Crime Victims’ Rights Week aspect… that is something our country did not always do so well. Crime victims were often treated as bystanders in our system of criminal justice. Victims often didn’t know court dates, they weren’t told about resolutions and plea bargains that they were entered into between prosecutors, defensive attorneys and defendants. Sometimes (victims) had to call the court to find out what happened to their case. That all changed in the 1990s when almost every state in the union, and the federal government, passed victims’ crime right acts and enshrined rights of crime victims right into law.”

Today, crime victims have the right to be notified of every court date, have the right to present, have right to a plea bargain, Lemisch said.

Lemisch discussed the reason behind why he believes opioid addictions have become so prevalent in the U.S.

Lemisch said “addiction is devastating communi-
ties, beginning with marijuana addiction.”

“Cartels used to ship drugs from Mexico, South America to the U.S. primarily marijuana… the most profitable drug for the drug cartels… because it can be manufactured so cheaply and sold for such a great profit in our communities,” Lemisch said. “Because of well-
leading legislatures throughout the country that have legalized marijuana, there is now recreational mari-
juana in 11 states. There is medical marijuana (available) in many other states, and what that has done is driven down the cost of high-quality, very potent mari-
jjuana to be purchased very cheaply in the U.S.”

The demand for drugs made in Mexico is no longer there, Lemisch said.

Lemisch said: “(The opioids are) grown and processed in Mexico. (The opioids are) made so cheaply, they flood the U.S. market with cheap heroin.”

He said another reason opioid addictions are so common today is because “the medical profession has overprescribed opioids for the last 15 years.”

“(Medical professions) have prescribed (opioids) to treat long-term pain,” he said. “The last two to three years, the medical community has woken up and realized you can’t treat long-term pain with opioids. It causes addiction. Human beings become addicted if they take opioids for a long period of time.”

Lemisch said “when the prescriptions for the patients who became addicted ran out, their insurance stopped paying for the medication and it became too expensive, so many patients began purchasing cheap heroin.”

“We have taken honest, decent, hardworking people and, unfortunately, turned them into drug addicts,” he said.

Tribal Magistrate Carol Jackson discussed her per-
sional story of losing her youngest daughter, Jennifer Kay House-Gardner, to a prescription medication addiction.

“I watched (my daughter) battle for her last two or three years, struggling to try to find treatments, begging medical pros or anyone who would listen,” Jackson said. “I (often) sat there crying with her… watching her struggle… ulti-
mately, (addiction) got her. As much as she tried, it got her.”

Jackson said her oldest daughter also struggled with prescription pills.

“My only two children were struggling,” Jackson said. “My youngest baby didn’t make it but my oldest one did… She’s a survivor. (The) tree (in the Tribal Court back lawn) represents all survivors, and victims of this deadly epidemic in honor of my daughter and all other victims and families, called the tree of life.”

It’s been an emotional time for all of us within the Tribal Court and Healing to Wellness Program, watching our clients face addiction, Jackson said.

“I’ve learned so much… I’m so thankful for our Healing to Wellness Program,” Jackson said. “I’m so thankful for all the support we are having here today, and in the future… We can beat this… People who are addicted to opioids are not criminals; they are people. They are our family and loved ones. Thank you for listening to my story.”

Jackson introduced special speaker Tribal Council member Candace Benzing.

Benzing shared her words on losing her son Taylor “Kook” Vasquez to addiction.

“Kook’s journey ended Aug. 6, 2016. “When he was growing up, I had him involved in many sports: Baseball, hockey, and motorcross…,” Benzing said. “I tried to save him, but it wasn’t enough. Just know that addiction does not discriminate; no family is immune.”

On the weekend of Mother’s Day, Benzing said unfortunately, her gift was a beautiful stone for her son’s gravesite.

“While serving on Healing to Wellness, Drug Court and FAN team, it has given me strength… with hopes I can make a difference and save a few lives along the way as I tell his story,” Benzing said.

Wabanasee (Snowbird Singers) performed a healing song and honor song as attendees stood in a circle around the memorial tree.

The event co-sponsors included: Tribal Court and Victims of Crime Program, the SCIT/Isabella County Families Against Narcotics chapter, and the U.S. Attorney’s Office of the Eastern District of Michigan.

Karen Bond ~ June 1st
Wishing you a day as sunny as your smile, as warm as your heart – and a birthday as wonderful as you are.
Happy 60th Birthday Mom!
Love, Al, Philana & Tom

Happy Father’s Day!
We love you!
Mariana & Myles

Happy Birthday!
DAD
Love, Mariana & Myles

We are so proud!
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Kearnin Alexander!

Papa D is smiling the biggest smile from Heaven! Many blessings are waiting for you! Jesus sees your humble loving heart!
Love, Nana & Papa D Carpenter

Happy Birthday Week
Design Contest Winner

Environmental T-shirt
Design Contest Winner

On May 5, Tribal Member Lucas Sprague was declared the winner for his design for the Environmental Team’s T-shirt design contest. The text translates to “water helps.” The contest rules included the design must promote envi-
romental consciousness and incorporate the Anishinabemowin language.

Love, Al, Philana & Tom

Congratulations to our beautiful daughter
Kearnin Alexander
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We are so proud of all your accomplishments and the amazing young lady you are!
Love, Mom & Dad
Community involvement needed in Lake Huron Lakewide Action Management Planning

TAYLOR HOLLIS
Watershed Outreach Coordinator

Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement (GLWQA) of 1987 is a bi-national agreement between the United States and Canada on how to manage the health and sustainability of the Great Lakes while working with many different jurisdictions. Although Lakewide Action and Management Plans (LAMPs) have been in existence since the original Agreement, the update/revision of the Agreement in 2012 revised, updated and enhanced the concept. Under this new approach, the LAMPs direct the lake partners to analyze the current health of the lake, environmental issues/threats, future science and monitoring needs, and actions that are planned to address high priority needs and concerns.

Lake Superior was the first to create a LAMP that was released in October 2016. These documents will be produced on a five-year rotational basis; each Great Lake will release a new version every five years.

Lake Huron’s LAMP is nearing completion of the final draft, in preparation for public comment and is expected be released this summer.

The Agreement identifies nine general objectives, and agreed-upon services that the Great Lakes should provide. Examples of the objectives include (1) be a source of safe, high-quality drinking water, (2) allow for unrestricted swimming and other recreational use, and (3) for unrestricted human consumption of the fish and wildlife, to name a few.

The Agreement also identifies 10 annexes to address environmental issues related to the general objectives, including (1) climate change, (2) chemicals of mutual concern, and (3) nutrients, among others. The Great Lakes provide a wealth of resources that support human and ecological health, culture, and spirit. They are home to tribal peoples, histories, and knowledge. They produce natural resources that support the economies such as tourism, industry, commercial and recreational fishing, shipping, mining, forestry, and agriculture. Tourism and recreation are extremely important to Michigan’s economy as well as to many other local economies.

The first three chapters of the LAMP introduce the history, people, value, use, and physical characteristics of Lake Huron and define the approach/focus. The LAMP addresses water quality issues in Lake Huron through an integrated approach. One of the critical components to a healthy lake is a healthy watershed – an area of land that drains water to a common location.

The Saginaw Chipewa Reservation is on the edge of the Great Lakes watersheds. Fixing issues within the lake, environmental issues/threats, future science and monitoring needs, and actions that are planned to address high priority needs and concerns.

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The information on each general objective is analyzed and receives a score of “good,” “fair,” or “poor” and a trend of “improving,” “unchanging,” or “underdetermined.” This score takes into account Lake Huron as a whole; some areas may experience different statuses and trends.

The section also identifies current threats that could impede the achievement of the general objectives.

In Chapter Five, the LAMP transitions into lakewide actions. This section is organized by annex and identifies opportunities for actions to improve low-performing areas and protect high quality areas as described, in the state of the lake section.

At the end of each section, the LAMP includes “Activities that Everyone Can Take” which outlines actions you can take as an individual citizen who wants to protect water and ecosystem quality, human health, and the economy.

Chapters Six and Seven summarizes priority science and monitoring needs and outreach and engagement, respectively.

The Draft Lake Huron LAMP is scheduled to be released for public comment this summer.

Individuals can sign up for alerts and newsletters from the International Joint Commission at http://www.IJC.org to be notified when the draft becomes available, or for more information about policies, news, and events occurring in the Great Lakes.

For questions or additional information, please contact Taylor Hollis at THollis@sagchip.org or 989-775-4162.
The desires of pizza-loving Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort patrons have been met.

On May 5, the Casino’s Food & Beverage Department opened the new dining venture, SLICE!, which offers whole and specialty pizzas, and by the slice. Just beyond the Aurora Buffet and across from Bar One on the gaming floor, SLICE! is making New York style street pizza available at its stand, and on a pizza cart near the finance cage on the gaming floor.

Slices (which are reportedly the size of one quarter of a pizza) are sold for $5.25.

Whole pizzas are also available: Cheese is $11.75 and Pepperoni for $12.75.

Supreme, BLT, Hawaiian, All Meat, and Philly Cheesesteak pizzas are $13.75.

Customers may also create their own pizza for $11.75, with additional toppings $1 each.

SLICE! also sells chips, candy bars, chips and cheese, pretzel sticks and more.

The SLICE! team members Tony Muzzin (left), sous chef; and Tina Gates (right), department manager for the Food & Beverage Operations, led the grand opening on May 5.

Beverages for sale include: Diet Pepsi, Lifewater, Water, Mountain Dew, Sierra Mist, 1893 Cola and 1893 Ginger Cola.

Alcoholic beverages available: Bud Light, Budweiser, Busch Light and Miller Light.

Christopher Nalobony, executive chef, said Tony Muzzin, sous chef; and Tina Gates, department manager for the Food & Beverage Operations are the opening team and main organizers.

“We are envisioning adding additional items as we get more comfortable and more equipped to handle what we sell now,” Gates said.

There are plans to eventually sell garlic bread, wings and salads, Muzzin said.

Gates said it had been in the works to build a pizza location for a couple years.

“We previously sold pizza in the Native Grill,” Gates said. “We had coffee and doughnuts in the morning and pizza in the afternoon. We decided to focus solely on pizza.”

SLICE!’s location was remodeled and expanded. Signs and wrappings were added, turning into what the Food & Beverage Department had envisioned, Muzzin said.

Muzzin said before the opening, the pizza was altered and perfected for weeks.

“We changed the pizza a lot. There was input from almost everyone on our team, and we’ve got people in our team that used to work in the pizza industry,” Muzzin said. “The process took a lot of time and trials... it was every day until testing until we were satisfied with our final product.”

Muzzin said the process required a lot of taste testing.

“We changed everything: top to bottom,” Muzzin said.

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To place orders in advance, please call 989-775-8008.

Environmental Team partakes in streambank restoration projects

TAYLOR HOLLIS
Watershed Outreach Coordinator

Through the Environmental Team’s water quality monitoring efforts, several areas on local rivers and streams have been identified as a priority for restoration projects.

These streambank restoration projects stabilize streambanks, increase habitat, reduce storm water runoff, and improve water quality.

The north branch of the Chippewa River is highly impacted by pollution and erosion. The Salt River and its tributaries have experienced devastating impacts in the floodplain from emerald ash borer, an invasive species that kills ash trees.

The lack of native species in both watersheds has led to eroding streambanks along the rivers, exaggerated by drainage outlets and erosion.

The maintenance department assisted with the design and layout. The Maintenance department also provided a lot of labor, and the team worked until 9:30 a.m. the day it opened, Muzzin said.

“Tayloir’s hard work and effort that the quick service team put into getting this new outlet in place,” Nalobony said. “I believe SLICE! will fill one of the few Food & Beverage niches that we do not have covered in the Casino, and with, what is in my opinion, the best pizza in town.”

Hours of Operation are Sunday through Thursday – 11 a.m. to 12 a.m., and Friday and Saturday (and concert nights) – 11 a.m. to 2:30 a.m.

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New Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort food outlet SLICE! offers pizza variety

The Casino’s Sintikaang Steak and Chop House also provides ingredients to SLICE!

“The Steakhouse currently makes our clarified butter that we use to butter the pans,” Muzzin said. “A lot of Casino departments have contributed to this project.”

Gates said the Casino Marketing department assisted with the design and layout.

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- **2014 Ford Edge 4 Dr**: Auto, Alloy Wheels, 31.8k Miles, 1-Owner, Power, Full Power. $259
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The Tribal and local community got a head start on spring cleaning by disposing unused/expired prescription drugs or over-the-counter medications during the fourth annual drug drop off.

The Wednesday, May 10 event, in the Farmers Market Pavilion, brought in a recorded 157 guests who registered at the event for various giveaways and $10 premium play for the Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort.

“I know there were a handful of people that either didn’t want to register or just dropped off the medication and left,” said Gina Boronko, marketing analyst for the Migizi Economic Development Company, who worked at the registration table. “If we counted every person that stopped by, we easily topped the 200 mark of individuals who attended.”

In collaboration with Behavioral Health Programs, Saginaw Chippewa Tribal Police and Mt. Pleasant Police Department representatives collected the drugs to be properly disposed of.

Jennifer Crawford, prevention specialist, and Behavioral Health. “Most often you cannot ‘see’ prevention, but events such as this allow us to have a true visual experience of our prevention efforts.”

The Tribal drug drop-off personnel pose at the end of the May 10 event in the Native Farmers Market Pavilion where more than 100 pounds of unused or expired drugs were collected.

“Kevin Ricketts, prevention specialist, and Behavioral Health staff said there are hopes for another drug drop event, possibly in the fall. “We will most definitely continue to hold our drug drop off on an annual basis,” Crawford said. “We are working with Saganing to begin holding a drug drop off there in the near future.”

In addition to $10 in premium play, raffle prizes included a patio set, grill, Soaring Eagle concert tickets, an overnight Soaring Eagle Waterpark and Hotel stay with waterpark passes, gas cards, and more. Sharon Peters, administrative assistant for the Nimkee Fitness Center, won the patio set. Andrew Wagner won the grill.

In November 2014, about 26 pounds were collected. “I think this year’s Tribal drug drop off was a big success. It takes time to build any event or program, and over the course of the past four years, we have grown the program into the most successful one-day drop program I’ve ever been associated with,” said Jeff Browne, public information officer for the Mt. Pleasant Police Department. “It is apparent to me that there is a need in our community for such a program and we will continue the program until it’s no longer needed.”

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Kevin Ricketts, once again, did an amazing job coordinat-ing this annual event,” Crawford said. “We would like to thank the following agencies for making our event such a huge success: Behavioral Health, Tribal Police, Mt. Pleasant Police, Migizi EDC, Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort Marketing, Public Relations, Cardinal Pharmacy, Sagamok Express, Ten16, and My 104.3.”

The Saginaw Chippewa Intergovernment Wild Land Division is a division of the Tribal Fire Department and is looking for interested men and women that are seeking seasonal employment on type two “Initial Attack” hand crew.

The hand crew is a Bureau of Indian Affairs’ Michigan agency that can be deployed nationwide including Alaska and Canada.

Wild land firefighting can be physically demanding for long periods of time. Fire assignments require firefighters work under arduous and stressful conditions - working in heavy smoke and intense heat, climbing steep and rugged terrain, and working with minimal sleep or rest, working in and living in a dirty environment and carrying heavy packs and equipment. Showers and hot meals are not generally available on a daily basis, and firefighters can be away from their “home forest” for weeks at a time. They’re often required to be on call, and must leave within two hours of being notified.

Some training requirements:
- Must be available during fire season.
- Must have current Michigan driver’s license.
- Must be able to obtain a DOI “Department of Interior” operator’s license.
- Must be at least 18 years of age.
- Must be able to pass a medical physical examination.
- Must complete basic wild land fire fighter training.

Some training requirements:
- Course is broken into short, one-to-three hour modules enabling students to complete courses at their own pace.
- Collectively, the two courses offer approximately 40 hours of training.

Position Requirements:
- Deployments may be up to 21 days.
- Up to 16 hour working days.
- Must be able to pass a work capacity test - A three-mile walk with a 45-pound weight vest in under 45 minutes.
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For more information, please contact:
- Fire Chief Fred Cantu
- Sgt. Brian Kelly, Crew Boss
- Ryan Chippewa, Crew Boss
- Fire Department: 989.775.4866

What does it take to become a wild land firefighter?
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Saturday, June 17
• 12-12:45 p.m. | Dancer/Drum Registration
• 1 p.m. | Grand Entry
• 3-3:45 p.m. | Dancer/Drum Registration
• 4 p.m. | Grand Entry
• Retiring of Flags
• Fireworks at dusk

Sunday, June 18
• 12-12:45 p.m. | Dancer/Drum Registration
• 1 p.m. | Grand Entry
• 3-3:45 p.m. | Hand Drum Contest
  1st prize: $300  2nd Prize: $200  3rd prize: $100
• Blanket Giveaway
• Retiring of Flags

Head Drum: Nottawaseppi Boyz
Co-Drum: Sturgeon Bay Singers
Emcee: Jason Whitehouse

Please direct all questions to:
1.800.884.6271

Drug & Alcohol Free Event — No Pets Allowed — Service Pets Welcome
Is My Water Safe? During 2016, your tap water met U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) drinking water safety standards. Your Tribal employees are your water safety guardians and we are proud to report that your water system had no violations of maximum contaminant levels or any other drinking water quality standards this past year. This report will give you even more information about the safety of your water supply. Please read on for additional information. Informedit customers are our friends. 

Do I need to take special precautions? Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminations in drinking water than the general population. Immune-compromised persons who have undergone organ transplants, persons with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. The EPA recommends you seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. The EPA/centers of Disease Control (CDC) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791). 

Where does my water come from? Water for consumer use comes from a variety of sources including rivers, lakes and other surface waters. Your Tribal supply comes from underground aquifers as ground water to your wells. A benefit of ground water is it is naturally filtered through rocks and soil. Out of the four wells, Well #3 is located off of Little Elk Road. Well #4 is located west of Shepherd Road. Well #5 is located north of Krumo Road and Well #6 is located north of Ogemaw. The water softening plant was put into operation on April 5, 2000. Please consider not using your home water softener for the following reasons: your water will have an increase in the sodium (salt) content and you water could become corrosive. The plant was designed and is operated to provide the tribal homes and businesses with water that is balanced and softened. Re-softerning can create a tinny taste and cause you to use extra water to remove soap residues. The water plant does add fluoride to the water. If you have an aquarium with tropical fish, check with your local pet store for proper treatment of the fish to avoid harmful effects on your fish.

Tribal homes and businesses have an aquarium with tropical fish. Use extra water to remove soap residues resulting from the presence of animals or human activity. 

Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife. 

Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, can be naturally occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining or farming. 

Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities. 

In order to insure that the tap water is safe to drink, the EPA prescribes regulations, which limit the amount of certain contaminants in public water systems that are provided by a public water system. How to identify utility staff: Employees: All Employees of the Utility Department of the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe wear shirts that have Tribal employment and businessees wear Tribal employee badges and have a tribal employee badge and you water could become involved with your call us at 989-775-5141 to verify that they are who they claim to be. How can I become involved in the safety of my drinking water? If you would like to become involved with your water safety, please call us at 989-775-5141.

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Official Laboratory Report

Non-Gaming Commercial 

Flat Fee (Per Quarter) 

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Over 2m and up to 4m: $400 

Over 4m: As determined on an individual basis by the Authority

Monthly Variable 

Rate: $2.42 per 1,000 gallons 

Sewer Rate: $2.52 per 1,000 gallons 

Miscellaneous Fees 

$15 to tag for a shutoff 

$15 for non-emergency shutoff 

$25 for meter removal (snowbird) 

$25 to reinstall meter (snowbird) 

$30 for non-payment shutoff 

Water Quality Data Table 

The table to the right list all of the drinking water contaminants that we detected during the calendar year of this report.

Terms and Abbreviations Used to the Right:

MCLg: Maximum Contaminant Level Goal. The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLg’s allow for a margin of safety.

MCL: Maximum Contaminant Level. The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set by close to the MCLg’s as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

A.L.: Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant, which if exceeded, triggers additional treatment or other requirements that a water system must follow.

(See table to the right for values.)

All water samples tested for bacteria content were negative for the test results. Due to excellent results on previous testing the following was requested: A Synthetic Organic Contaminants (SOC) water was requested in 2009. A Dissolved wafer was requested in 2009. Lead and Copper testing is required every three years. The test results were given to the individual home-owners. The results listed are the 90th percentile results. The required VOC testing was done in October of 2011 and except for the Total Trihalomethanes.
Tribal Community

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**Fun & Games**

**2017 Golf Tournaments and Events Schedule**

**Skins at Waabooz**

May 2 - Aug. 15

- Doubles, blue tees, 5 p.m. shot gun, $20 per person plus green/cart fees. Players with memberships do not pay green fees. Players must play in seven of the 15 weeks to play in the final week. Final week entry is $50 per player, singles players hit one ball pay the same entry.

**Little Elks Memorial**

Aug. 5

At Waabooz Run 10 a.m. tee-off, two player scramble, $50 per player. Skins $20 team, $50/50 raffle, prizes, random draw for five places (500, 400, 300, 200, 100.)

**Skins at the Pohl Cat**

Aug. 21

- Aug. 21 - Oct. 9, singles, white tees, 5 p.m. tee time, $20 per person plus green/cart fees, players with membership only pay cart fees of $20.

**Native Cup at the Pohl Cat**

Aug. 27

Ten teams total from SECR (three seniors, three couples and four men’s), $50 per player. Players must be SCIT employees or Tribal Members. Note: All Michigan tribes invited. Players must be SCIT employees or Tribal Members with membership only pay cart fees of $20.

**SECR Hospitality Challenge**

Sept. 10

At the Pohl Cat, two per team, four teams scored per division, tee-off at 2 p.m., $20 per player.

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**WHERE ON THE REZ?**

**Do you know where this is?**

Answer the puzzle correctly by June 16 through e-mail or telephone. Your name will go into a drawing, and one winner will receive two free announcements in the Tribal Observer.

Submit Answers To: DCAnnis@tsagchip.org or call 989.775.4010

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**Last Month:**

Mural at Saginaw Chippewa Academy

**Last Month’s Winner:**

No Winner

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**Wigwam Wisdom**

The Wigwam has sheltered our ancestors from storms and bad weather since the dawn of time. The wigwam has witnessed the hardships our people have had to endure not only through the hands of change and war, but upon our strongest enemies, ourselves. The spirit of the wigwam does not forget and keeps with it the wisdom to guide the souls that have left to pick up their life. Comments or feedback can be sent to wigwam_wisdom@yahoo.com

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**Dear WW:**

I think I opened a can of worms with my step-children. I was married to their father for most of their lives while they were growing up. Since our divorce, the only time I see them is when they need something. I am not hurting for money and find that by loaning them money, I actually get them to come and visit me once in a while. I recently found out that my ex has threatened to cut them out of his will if they maintain any ties with me. Why would he do such a cruel thing? What hurts the most is that they have stopped all contact with me. I would like to confront him but feel he may be mentally unstable. What should I do? Loaner

Dear Loaner: If the only way you can get someone to visit you is by loaning them money, then I would not forget them all together and close the book on that chapter. You deserve to have people visit you because they enjoy your company and not because they need money. Equally cruel is that you apparently mean so very little to them that they would let someone manipulate them out of your life. I feel sad that your step-children don’t know the meaning of a real relationship without the interference of money. Please don’t ever settle for less than what you deserve.

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**Dear WW:**

Every year my husband and I buy each other gifts for different holidays throughout the year. I was confused when on Mother’s Day he didn’t buy me a gift as he does every year. I went about my day and didn’t think anything of it until the next day. I asked him if we were going to stop exchanging gifts on Mother’s and Father’s Day? I know we are extremely hard to buy for and it wouldn’t hurt my feelings any. He never gave me an answer and I am completely confused by this. Is this the beginning of the end or should I just let it be and not buy him a gift for Father’s Day? Gift Givers

Dear Givers: Could it be possible that he just simply forgot? There are lots of other ways you can show your love and appreciation for someone without purchasing gifts. A shoulder rub, a homemade card or a nice meal can all be substituted. As people get older, materialist things have less meaning and something as simple as a good conversation can be more significant. If you are extremely hard to buy for, I would not make a big deal out of it. Find pleasure in the simple things in life and leave materialist things for those that need to fill voids in their lives.

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**2017 Golf Tournaments and Events Schedule**

**Father’s Day Special June 17**

At Waabooz Run, 10 a.m. tee-off, two players per team, $40 per player, $2,000 in cash for five places (500, 400, 300, 200, 100.)

**Family Olympics Tournament**

July 20

Two per team (both players must be from the same family). Alternate shot, tee-off 9 a.m. Four divisions. Seniors, Men’s 49 and under, Women’s, Youth 17 & under. $30 per player, singles at 2 p.m., all divisions entry $30 per person. (Individual stroke play triple bogey max score on all holes.)

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**For more information or to register, please contact: Bernard Sprague at 989.400.1388**

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**Anishinaabemowin**

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**Mural at Saginaw Chippewa Academy**

No Winner

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**Comments or feedback can be sent to wigwam_wisdom@yahoo.com**

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A casino and a restaurant-themed anniversary cake was created by the Food & Beverage Department.

Tribal Chaplain Diana Quinqu-Grandahl provided an invocation.

Chief Frank Cloutier offered opening remarks and said chi-miwigewetch to patrons.

“For so many years, we have been identified as a gaming property. We have been in the business of customer service and service-related businesses all these years,” Cloutier said. “Our gaming success has given us the ability to grow our community and our services to our Membership. I would like to take this time to express our appreciation for patronage, partnerships and collaboration.”

The Food & Beverage Department created and decorated an embellished cake that featured graphics representing the Casino’s food departments.

“It is quite a milestone that past SCIT leaders had a vision of self-sufficiency, and SCIT has since become a leader in Indian gaming,” Oldman said. “Thirty-six years ago, the community didn’t have much and has become an economic model to other Tribal nations. I am grateful for our past leaders who invested their time and commitment to what we all, as members and community members, enjoy today.”

Hundreds of cupcakes, provided by Food and Beverage Department, were handed out to guests throughout the day.

“The members of Abstract Generation pump up the audience. Abstract Generation is something we came up with a long time ago. We grew up with each other and have been doing this since we were kids. We decided we love music and dance in all its art forms and we got it together to attack it from all angles instead of going it alone,” Touchdown said. “The people that didn’t come here missed out on a great time and they don’t want to miss the next...competition. To check out our search ‘Abstract Generation’ or YouTube/abgent.com.”

Wells wished to thank everyone who attended.

“If you really want to make a name for yourself...I’m saying be free, be real and be everything you know you can be.” The last act of the evening (Lil III Gill, Touchdown and Kooolhand Luke of Abstract Generation) brought a mix of B-box (vocal percussion), dance, rap and singing to the stage and got the cell phones out and the crowd to their feet.

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Gamba thanked the Youth Council (Tonya, Jasmin, Jasmyn and Quincye Jackson along with Maya Madrigal and Brenna MacLaren) who ran concessions which included fry bread, blankets and chilies. “We really appreciated every one coming out this evening and we realize you could have spent your money with someone else and you chose to be with us and we’re thankful for you and all our performers.” Wells said. “It’s may be the first but it’s certainly not the last. We also want to give a shoutout for our alumni Bruce Leroy, the Shogun of Harlem, who kept the action moving.”
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Bay City Central

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Merrill

Megan Little
Mount Pleasant

Sedona Mejia
Shepherd
What is your favorite part of working in this department? I appreciate the teamwork that I see when it involves helping our kids.

What is the one thing that you love doing? Why? Go to the gym. It helps me relax.

Do you have any pets? No.

What is your favorite vacation spot and why? Ludington area because my children and I lived near there for a while.

What is your favorite Disney movie? Brave.

What is one of your favorite quotes? “Happiness is in the journey, not the destination.”

What is your favorite snack? I do not really have a favorite candy, although I do enjoy Diet Mountain Dew.

Thank you so much for being such an integral part of our education team. We appreciate you!
Dream Catcher: Exclusive offer to all associates and Tribal Members

Attention all Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe associates (Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort, Tribal Operations, Miegoi, Saginaw Eagles Landing Casino) and Tribal Members, the Soaring Eagle Casino has used the same mattress manufacturer since the first hotel room opened.

The manufacturer is 70 years old, based in Grand Rapids, Mich., and have proven throughout the years to provide the finest spring unit, upholstery, and quilt packages on the market.

AEDs are an important tool for first responders,” said Tribal Fire Chief Fred Cantu. “Having (the AEDs) with us when responding to calls increases the chances of survival for someone experiencing sudden cardiac arrest.”

Cantu said the life expectancy of an AED unit is 10-15 years of use, and the AEDs are a portable device that checks heart rhythm and can send an electronic shock to the heart to try to restore normal rhythm. They are used to treat sudden cardiac arrest, a condition in which the heart suddenly and unexpectedly stops beating.

An added obstacle to continued use of the AEDs is the lack of availability of replacement components for the units, as the manufacturer stopped production of parts in 2013.

“IT was imperative that we replace the units,” Cantu said. “And now, thanks to the generosity of the Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation, we will be able to continue to provide this life-saving service to both Tribal Members and the surrounding community.”

In 2005, the Firehouse Subs founders established the Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation with the mission of providing funding, life-saving equipment, and educational opportunities to first-responders and public safety organizations.

The foundation has given more than $23 million to hometown heroes in 46 states, also in Puerto Rico and Canada. The State of Michigan has received more than $428,000.

Payment information and processing may be done at Soaring Eagle Casino’s main cage.

Please leave a phone number on receipt for contact information when the order is ready for pick up. Delivery times and dates will be determined once the orders are placed.

Payment methods: Cash or check. See table above for available sizes and pricing. The total cost must be paid in full. No refunds will be granted after June 19.

Check-in: 8:00am - Shotgun start: 9:00am

- Two person teams;
- Two flights awarded - more flights possible based on number of participants;
- Contests, prizes, and cash payouts;
- Contest holes for men, ladies and novice golfers;
- Optional skins game available, skins game will be segmented by flight.

Cost: $85 per person (deadline May 31st), on-site registration $95 per person:
18 Holes w/Cart GG Lunch at Turn 1 Raffle Ticket
3 non-alcoholic beverages SECR Premium Play SCTC Embroidered Cap / Divot repair tool

Registration is complete only when SCTC has received your form and payment. For registration forms or additional information contact:
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Congratulations on making your education. “Congratulations on making your education.” Cloutier said. “Looking back on history of doing their own homework and being at homes and see- the Tribal College, I remem- bers are Native American, and we have been 142 degrees conferred; 91 this year’s graduates, there have been plans after graduation. New chapters in your life are just beginning to unfold and that is awesome.” “Being Indian is hard,” Means said. “Being a smart, dis- ciplined Native person is hard. Doing nothing is easy. Talking about doing things is easy. Not taking any risks and doing the same routine day in and day out is easy, but turning ideas into action and pushing yourself to new limits is unforgettable… When we put ourselves in new learning situations that are uncomfortable and difficult, that is when we truly begin to learn about our own… will power and determination.” Means discussed his belief on the importance of staying sober to be successful. “Now I want to give you advice. The best and only real piece of advice that I can give you on your road to success is to leave alcohol alone forever,” he said. “Do not even attempt to drink casually. Your life is too important to risk. Your family is also important and now your career. Nothing good comes from alcohol; just despair, hurt and regret. ‘Alcohol is my enemy’ is how you must look at it. (Alcohol) wants to come into my community, in my home and hurt my family. It wants to ruin my life… don’t be a fool. It wants you to fail.” Means’ further advice for the alumni is “to keep your circle tight after graduation.” “Only those who want good things for you are allowed in (your life),” he said. “Keep a clear, conscious mind on who you choose to spend your time and energy with…. Look at the company you keep, often, and make sure every single person on your team has the same pas- sion and drive as you do.” SCTC President Carla Sineway also shared a few words with the graduates. “We know you students have come a long way and we are proud of you, but we are also fearful because we have to let you go,” Sineway said. Sineway discussed the “bit- tersweet” feeling of seeing the graduates go, but she said she knows they will accomplish great things.

The following students earned an associate degree in business: Tasha Jeffrey, Roger Logan and Caroline Trevino. Students earning an associ- ate degree in liberal arts include: Suzanne Bailey, Clayton Gamba, Tabitha Hunt, Christian Jackson, Kim Otto-McCoy, Ayashay Schuyler, Jennifer Seibt, Lucas Sprague, James Wolf in “Tiger Eyes,” based upon the novel by Judy Blume. Christian Jackson performs stand-up comedy throughout the U.S. and Canada. He is one of the young- est touring Native comedians performing today. He also tours with the Native American com- edy group, 49 Laughs. “The Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe is full of very great leaders and future leaders,” Means said. “I don’t look to TV or the media for role models. We have the role models in our tribal communities.” Means told the graduates he was “going to speak to them like his own family.” “First off, I want to congratu- late all of the graduates. You did it. All of your perseverance and success paid off,” Means said. “I commend all of you on your hard work and dedica- tion. I know you all probably have plans after graduation. New chapters in your life are just beginning to unfold and that is awesome.” “Being Indian is hard,” Means said. “Being a smart, dis- ciplined Native person is hard. Doing nothing is easy. Talking about doing things is easy. Not taking any risks and doing the same routine day in and day out is easy, but turning ideas into action and pushing yourself to new limits is unforgettable… When we put ourselves in new learning situations that are uncomfortable and difficult, that is when we truly begin to learn about our own… will power and determination.” Means discussed his belief on the importance of staying sober to be successful. “Now I want to give you advice. The best and only real piece of advice that I can give you on your road to success is to leave alcohol alone forever,” he said. “Do not even attempt to drink casually. Your life is too important to risk. Your family is also important and now your career. Nothing good comes from alcohol; just despair, hurt and regret. ‘Alcohol is my enemy’ is how you must look at it. (Alcohol) wants to come into my community, in my home and hurt my family. It wants to ruin my life… don’t be a fool. It wants you to fail.” Means’ further advice for the alumni is “to keep your circle tight after graduation.” “Only those who want good things for you are allowed in (your life),” he said. “Keep a clear, conscious mind on who you choose to spend your time and energy with…. Look at the company you keep, often, and make sure every single person on your team has the same passion and drive as you do.” SCTC President Carla Sineway also shared a few words with the graduates. “We know you students have come a long way and we are proud of you, but we are also fearful because we have to let you go,” Sineway said. Sineway discussed the “bittersweet” feeling of seeing the graduates go, but she said she knows they will accomplish great things.
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The band began their Saturday night show with “Laid Back Girl,” “We Are One” and “Can’t Get Over You.”

“Pick it up now, pick it up,” Beverly said before performing the upbeat “Running Away.”

“Wooh! Yeah! I’m 70 years old,” Beverly said proudly before performing the fan favorite “Stranded”.

The audience cheered as Beverly sang the upbeat “Running Away.”

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Acting on clear vision from the Board of Directors, Migizi leadership is focused on creating profitable returns that will sustain long-term attainment of Tribal goals and objectives.

The first six months have shown significant positive earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, and amortization (EBITDA) as compared to 2016.

During the same period in 2016, Migizi EDC was operating at an overall loss. Year to date Migizi has seen an EBITDA growth of 871 percent for the first six months of this fiscal year.

The outlook for the year’s second half appears very optimistic.

Migizi leadership has been given the approval of its Board of Directors to embark on a number of projects intended to improve our businesses and increase our earnings.

Isabella Sagamok Mobil will be receiving an upgrade to the underground pipes that were not replaced during the Mobil conversion last year. This important preventative maintenance will occur between the dates of May 30 and June 12.

There will be selective pump outages during this time along with safety barricades on the property.

We appreciate your patience as we improve the functionality of our gasoline pumps.

We are also currently finalizing a full store redesign that will include a state-of-the-art convenience store and, based on input from the Membership, the potential for a car wash.

Sagamigok Shell will also receive a facelift beginning June 19. A rebranding of the property has been approved by the Migizi Board and the store will be changed from Shell to Mobil as was done with the Mt. Pleasant station. This will continue a brand synergy between the two Tribal properties.

The new supplier has agreed to invest hundreds of thousands of dollars into our facility to make it the envy of Arenac County.

Renovation of the store’s restroom accommodations is already well underway. Attention will next be turned to the food court area and building. This property has been in dire need of updating and these actions will modernize the entire facility.

We are anticipating a tentative date in July for a grand re-opening. Full details and updates on the project’s progress will be forthcoming.

The Green Suites has been slated for a long overdue facelift.

The Board of Directors has authorized Migizi to begin this project in the late summer. The efforts will continue for several months as the current buildings are gutted and all case goods, furniture, and fixtures are upgraded and replaced.

Green Suites will be renamed to capitalize on the valuable Soaring Eagle brand familiar with Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort and Soaring Eagle Waterpark and Hotel. This all-new, all-suite hotel will be a gathering place for families, couples and small groups as well as resident professionals from the University and the hospitals.

The new supplier and TVS have enjoyed a great start to the year. The hallway carpeting, which was showing signs of wear, has been re-stretched and re-glued for a much better presentation. All carpets are in the process of being cleaned.

Paving Sagatoo Road leading to Eagle Bay Marina has been restocked for the 2017 season with a strong start achieving revenue significantly higher than our opening last year.

July will finally bring a much-needed completion of paving Sagatoo Road leading to Eagle Bay Marina.

There will be selective updates on the project’s progress. We are scheduled to close on the new Tribal properties around June 15.

The Saganing Eagle Casino Gift Shop has been restocked and remerchandised after months of declining sales. The result has been a complete reversal in the declining sales such that April brought an increase of 21 percent throughout the previous year.

Chief Frank Cloutier, Tribal Council and the Migizi Board of Directors have been very active as they improve your businesses.

We are fortunate to have such a dedicated and hard working group of individuals who truly care about enhancing the long-term success of the Tribe’s business interests. We look forward to the rest of the year.
Three mothers share heartfelt message of losing a child to addiction

JOSEPH V. SOWMICK
Healing to Wellness Coordinator

The spirit of Anishinabe Kwe shined brightly as three Native mothers shared their emotions in a heartfelt message of healing to a packed audience at the Ziibiwing Center on May 17. Marion Williams, Candace Benzing and Anita Hall shared their messages of losing a child to addiction.

The May 17 family forum themed “A Mother’s Story” was sponsored by the Saginaw Chippewa/Isabella County Families Against Narcotics chapter. FAN President Guadalupe Gonzalez said the event was originally scheduled for April 20, but was changed due to weather. “FAN family forums are usually held on the third Thursday of each month but we really wanted to bring this important message, and every one of our speakers shared a powerful message,” Gonzalez said after the event. “It’s hard to put all of the emotion and love felt in that room tonight into words, but I know there’s a lot of people out there that know there are people who care about them and support them.”

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Marion Williams said she encourages others to reach out to FAN Board members, Advisory Board and anyone willing to listen. “I want them to know they are loved by our Creator and they still have a purpose because they are still breathing.”

Tribe and city collaborate to plant trees in local parks and along Chippewa River

NATALIE SHATTUCK
Editor

Through a collaborative project, the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe worked with the City of Mt. Pleasant and Isabella County to address the devastating effects of emerald ash borer on the forested areas along the rivers and lakes in the local Mt. Pleasant parks.

“The Tribe secured funding through a grant with the U.S. Forest Service to remove and replace ash trees, while stopping erosion from loss of stabilizing root systems,” said Carey Pauquette, environmental manager for the SCIT Planning Department. The City of Mt. Pleasant has initiated a variety of tree projects to stabilize the stream bank in Chipp-A-Waters Park.

Replacement trees and plants have been placed throughout Chipp-A-Waters, Millpond, and Nelson Park.

On May 12, Pauquette and Chase Stevens, invasive species coordinator for the Planning Department, guided the Public Relations department and Tribal Observer through a tour of Nelson Park and Chipp-A-Waters Park, providing the educational updates.

“Isabella County has worked in Meridian and Coldwater Parks to remove and replace ash trees along lakes and streams,” Pauquette said. “Through this cooperative process we hope to continue positive partnerships to improve Tribe’s quality of life.”

Trees benefit the river in many ways, Pauquette said. “Trees, shrubs, and deep-rooting vegetation (all used in this project) are nature’s filters,” Pauquette said. “As water runs off of the land into nearby water systems, they filter out chemicals and other contaminants with their roots. Trees take up water, utilizing it as needed, but many also hold and filter water, releasing it before they freeze, are filtered and cleaned. They act as catch basins for water and soil.”

The roots of trees, shrubs, and deep-rooting plants also act as a filter, holding soil together.

“This acts as a natural retaining wall as water runs off the land, holding soil particles in place,” Pauquette said. “When a tree topples into the water, it also loses the ability to hold that soil together. With the die-off of ash trees, which are a water-loving tree, it has led to large areas of erosion. The loss of the root system holding back the soil leads to sediment entering the stream, building up in areas where it wasn’t previously and re routing the river, creating more erosion.”

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- But what if I can’t eat just one spoonful? If you stay away from PB because you can’t just eat a reasonable serving, think again. Overindulging in PB means you like it; you should eat it more often! By enjoying PB at every meal, in a few days, you will stop craving it. No more binges! Avoiding peanut butter just sets you up for “last chance eating.” You know, “I just blew my diet by eating PB so I’d better keep eating it. Last chance before I go back on my diet.” Peanut and peanut butter are all wholesome and nutritious.


**Editorial: All you want to know about peanut butter**

**NANCY CLARK, MS, RD, CSSD**

(Editor’s note: The following article has been reprinted, with permission, from the May 2017 The Athlete’s Kitchen. The article was written by Nancy Clark, MS, RD, CSSD, and submitted by Nninkse Public Health’s Sally Van Cise, MPH, RDN, nutritionist.)

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**5K Run & 1 Mile Fun Run/Walk**

Registration begins: 5:30 p.m. | Race begins: 6:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, June 7, 2017**

Seventh Generation Elijah Elk Cultural Center

**7957 E. Remus Road, Mt Pleasant, MI 48858**

(Northwest side of the Shepherd and Remus roads intersection.)

**Registration forms are available online at:**

www.sagchip.org/sevengen/events.htm

**For more information, contact:** Jaden Harman, at 989.775.4694 or JHarman@sagchip.org

**For workshops, see www.NutritionSportsExerciseCEUS.com.**

**Tribal Health**

**Nankeen Fitness Center**

**Group Exercise Schedule June 2017**

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Be WELL follow-up meeting discusses nutrition goals met, to be attained

NATALIE SHATTUCK
Editor

To conclude the six-week Be WELL Challenge Group, participants met for follow-up meetings May 23 and May 25 in the Public Health Kitchen to discuss how the participants were doing with their goals, and nutrition or fitness topics that were still concerns.

On May 25 for the part two wrap-up, Nutritionist Sally Van Cise; Andrew “Bear” Raphael, fitness center assistant; Judy Davis, BCCCP clerk; Ruth Strauss, executive secretary for Tribal Council; and Misty Wolfgang, administrative assistant for Tribal Council, partook in a round table discussion on nutrition.

Van Cise said a few years ago, it was time for her to figure out how to better prepare meals for the week ahead.

“I’m better at cooking than I was four years ago,” Van Cise said. “I plan for quantity meal preparation, put away a lot of variety of vegetables so I feel better when I eat them.”

Van Cise said she buys a package of five to six skinless, boneless chicken breasts and adds seasoning. She said she typically adds the cooked chicken with quinoa and plenty of vegetables (her favorite is adding sautéed onions and garlic) for a week’s worth of meals.

“A lot about eating healthy, while maintaining portion control, is a mind game,” Wolfgang said. “Many of us were taught we cannot leave food on our plates because of so many starving children in Ethiopia.”

Van Cise said it mentally helps her to eat meals on smaller plates.

“I can go back for seconds, which helps me feel like I’m not dieting,” Van Cise said.

Raphael said his favorite “grab and go” snacks are nuts, especially cashews, seeds, and fruit.

“Do I feel like I’m eating a little pricey, it is worth it to utilize the time-saving cooking devices that are available. For example, the George Foreman grill, slow cookers, etc.”

Van Cise and Raphael emphasized the importance of the Plate Method – Fill half of the plate with two servings of non-starchy vegetables. Fill ¼ of the plate with lean meat (3 ounces cooked) or other high-protein food. Fill ¼ of the plate with a starchy vegetable or whole grain serving (something Van Cise said depending on the food selected.)

“Sometimes I get too in depth of being ‘by the book’ for the Plate Method,” Raphael said. “Mix it up. Don’t let it overwhelm you. If you cook with love, passion, and good health in mind, it becomes easier.”

Van Cise and Jayme Green, fitness coordinator for the Nimkee Fitness Center, are still available for “well coaching.” Instead of focusing on the things individuals “can’t” do, they work to motivate in a positive way.

“When people show up in my office, I know they are there to change some habit of theirs,” Van Cise said. “I try to figure out what’s going on so I can motivate them to take even one step closer to their nutritional goals.”

Van Cise said eating is a sensual experience, and she tries to coach others to continue to make eating enjoyable while still making healthy choices.

“Change the mind before you change the body,” Raphael said. “I learn every day through trial and error for myself and others. I want this to be a healthier community and a healthier building.”

The Group sessions began Feb. 23, and occurred on every other Thursday for six sessions at noon. Each session discussed a different topic. Subjects included meal prepning, how stress affects weight loss, and mindset coaching.

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“The Group’s goal was to create a place filled with motivation, inspiration, knowledge, and the support needed to reach goals the participants have only hoped to achieve.”

Editorial: Electrolyte replacement – do you need a sports drink for sodium?

NANCY CLARK MS, RD, CSSD

The food industry is again duping many active people. Today I met with yet another recreational exerciser who reported buying “electrolyte replacements” to drink after her 10-mile run.

The run took her about 90 minutes way too short to deplete her body of electrolytes. But more critical than that, she had no idea that food – good old-fashioned food – is an excellent source of electrolytes.

Electrolytes are generally referred to as sodium, potassium, and calcium—among other minerals. We all know the typical American diet offers way too much sodium. That’s why public health messages encourage us to cut sodium (salt).

Even most athletes are unlikely to need extra sodium (unless they are heavy sweaters who are working out for extended periods of time in the heat, like during a tennis tournament, three-hour run, or a 100-mile bike race.)

Rather than needlessly spend your money on a sports drink for extra sodium, just sprinkle some salt on your pre- and/or post-exercise salt. Or have pretzels and a banana for a pre- or post-exercise snack. Or drink chocolate milk instead of a sports drink. You’ll get more sodium (yes, milk contains sodium, as well as potassium and calcium) as well as far more nutrition than in sugar-laden, high-sodium sports drinks.

If you prefer the sports drink, at least buy it as an educated consumer, knowing what it is, and what it is not.

Purchased Referred Care Referral Policy & Guidelines

The Purchased Referred Care (PRC) Program is for medical/dental care provided away from an IHS or tribal health care facility. PRC is not an entitlement program, an IHS referral does not imply the care will be paid. If IHS is requested to pay, then a patient must meet the residency requirements, notification requirements, medical priority, and use of alternative resources (of the ihs.gov).

Referrals

1. If you are referred by Nimkee Medical or Dental to an outside provider you must mail a referral every time.

2. If the outside provider cannot treat you and refer you to another provider, you must take a different referral to your appointment. Call PRC three days in advance to allow the paperwork to be prepared.

3. PRC will not pay for your doctor bills without a referral.

4. Durable Medical Equipment: nebulizers, crutches, etc. must have PRC approval.

Surgery

1. If you need surgery, you must give PRC at least two week notice prior to any surgery.

2. Must notify PRC within 72 hours (three days) if you have had emergency surgery.

After Hours

1. Phone call for on-call provider at 989-77-822 at going to any outside provider, unless it is an absolute emergency.

2. An Emergency Room visit must be reported to PRC within 72 hours (three days) after your visit. Referral 50 years and older have 90 days.

Labs, X-ray & Ultrasounds

1. A referral is not required but you must call and notify the PRC department within 72 hours.

2. If your scheduled appointment changes you must notify the PRC department within 72 hours of any changes made.

Without proper notification, PRC will not pay for your bills.

Bills with a referral

1. When you receive any bill(s) after your appointment, you must be brought into the claim department to be placed off the front desk window.

2. Bills cannot be older than 18 months from service date for PRC to pay.

3. Credit bureau statements will not be accepted for a bill, the patient must have an original bill.

Purchased Referred Care: 989.775.4683, Shelly Bailey: 989.775.4635, Marge Elliot: 989.775.4634, Jean Robison: 989.775.4636

Nimkee Memorial Wellness Center Emergency Room Policy

All bills from the Emergency Room (ER) must be deemed a true emergency. If insurance does not deem it an emergency based on diagnosis code, Purchased Referred Care (PRC) will not process the bill for payment. PRC is the payer of last resort, it’s not guaranteed. The patient will be responsible for the amount of the ER visit.

Listed below are the IHS guidelines:

Priority 1A: All Medical Emergencies, Eye (Acute, painful or visual threat conditions), Dental (control bleeding, airway compromise, severe pain, fractures), Mental Health (immediate danger to self or others, regardless of “voluntary or involuntary status”; includes physical neglect/abuse, sexual assault).

Priority 1B: Acute Illness, Pre-natal/Obstetrics, Diagnostic Testing (Contract Lab, Bone Marrow Hype, ECG, Endoscopy, Colonoscopy, Biopsy, Diagnostic & screening mammography, Radiologic Testing (MRI, CT, Ultrasound), Health Promotion/Disease Prevention, Immunizations, Mammography (diagnostic), Pap Smears, Gyn Colposcopy, Area of program specific objectives, Emergency surgery for “high risk categories”, Tubal Ligation (post-partum & high risk), Vasectomy (high risk).

Procedure

1. The claim will be reviewed by PRC Clerk.

2. The PRC Clerk will verify the patient is eligible and followed policy.

3. If Insurance paid based on the Diagnosis code the bill will be submitted for payment.

4. If the Insurance didn’t pay due to the diagnosis code

· The bill will be denied

· The PRC Clerk will send a denial in the mail

· The patient will be able to appeal the decision to: Managed Care team, Health Board and Tribal Council
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Galina Kolb, LPN

25 June 2017

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**Gardening Days: Community Planting Day**
June 1 | 11 a.m.
Location: Seventh Generation
Contact: 989-775-4223
- Plant your own community garden spot, or come help others plant theirs. Light refreshments will be served.

**Rez Rock: Open Jam Sessions**
June 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | 5:30 - 7 p.m.
Location: Eagles Nest Tribal Gym
Contact: recreation@sagchip.org

**Donnie Dowd: Traditional Healer**
June 1 | 9 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Location: Behavioral Health
Call for an appointment: 989-775-4850

**Traditional Sweat Lodge**
June 2 | Sweat Lodge teachings and fire lighting: 5 p.m.
Location: Day 1
Contact: 989-775-4879

**Fun in the Sun: Cookout & Kickball Bash**
June 2 | Cookout: 5 p.m., Kickball game: 6 p.m.
Location: Broadway Park Housing Pavilion
Contact: 989-775-4096
- BBQ meal including hamburgers and hot dogs.

**Mothers & Fathers Day Cookout**
June 3 | 12 - 2 p.m.
Location: Andahwod
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Twice a year, the Ziibiwing Center of Anishinabe Culture & Lifeways hosts the cultural dance courses and presents a commencement ceremony for each of the completing students.

This year, Andahwod CCC & ES hosted the graduation in its main community room on Tuesday, May 9 at 6 p.m.

Judy Pamp, assistant director for the Ziibiwing Center, served as the night’s emcee to introduce and explain each dance style, and also handed out the certificates of completion to each student at the event’s end.

The program involved a grand entry, men’s song, class hoop dance, women’s song, shield dance, “The Itsy Bitsy Spider” performed in Anishinabemowin, an intertribal dance and a hoop dance.

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