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Tribal Council volunteers, Soaring Eagle provides meals for local homeless shelter

NATALIE SHATTUCK
Editor

During several occasions throughout the year, the Tribe and its entities provide opportunities to volunteer or give back to the local community.

On Thursday, March 21, the Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort's Food and Beverage department provided a meal for homeless individuals in the community through the Isabella County Restoration House as Tribal Council members volunteered to serve that meal.

The dinner was hosted at the Mt. Pleasant Seventh-Day Adventist Church, located at 1730 E. Pickard.

In collaboration with the Isabella County Restoration

House and Soaring Eagle, Marc Forrest, director of the Soaring Eagle Food and Beverage department, brought forth the idea and Executive Chef Chris Nadobny made it a reality.

Tribal Council members Craig Graveratte, Louanna Bruner, Lindy Hunt, Theresa Jackson and Jennifer Wassegijig served the 6 p.m. meal.

Ryan Griffus, executive director for the ICRH, said Forrest came to him and asked if there was a need and a possibility to make this happen.

"Marc is very in tune with our service population and supportive of a community-wide effort to combat the issue of homelessness," Griffus said. "Marc spoke of the (Tribe's) ability to lead and inspire an effort by undertaking this



Observer photo by Matthew Wright

(Left to right) Executive Chef Chris Nadobny; Tribal Council members Louanna Bruner, Craig Graveratte and Lindy Hunt; Ryan Griffus, executive director for the Isabella County Restoration House; Tribal Council members Theresa Jackson and Jennifer Wassegijig; Erik Rodriguez, interim public relations director; and volunteer Nevaeh Badger pose for a photo before serving a meal at the March 21 ICRH event, held at the Mount Pleasant Seventh-Day Adventist Church.



Observer photo by Matthew Wright

Several Tribal Council members serve the meal which was donated by the Soaring Eagle Food and Beverage department.

project and his desire to make it happen. It was no surprise that the Tribal Council backed the effort as they have shown incredible support of our program and a strong commitment to caring for our community's most vulnerable citizens."

The ICRH is a seasonal and rotational homeless shelter, meaning its nighttime shelter location changes from week to week. The Mt. Pleasant Seventh-Day Adventist Church was host that week.

Griffus said the ICRH receives aid from the Tribe's 2 percent funding. The ICRH partners with the Gratiot/Isabella RESD for the 2 percent requests.

"The funding is utilized to directly impact the lives of homeless guests through obtaining materials that are crucial to meeting the needs of homeless individuals/families," Griffus said. "The funding also has been crucial in providing education, training, and mentorship to our homeless guests that assist them in becoming self-sufficient."

Griffus said the support has made it possible to provide additional services to homeless guests.

"The ICRH, with the help from SCIT's 2 percent funding, is holding job interview training, resumé building workshops, financial literacy courses,

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Anishinaabe culture highlighted during CMU Women's Basketball half time show

NATALIE SHATTUCK
Editor

After the Detroit Pistons hosted a Native American Heritage Month halftime show in November featuring numerous Tribal community drummers and dancers, the question arose if Central Michigan University would be willing to present something similar to highlight Anishinaabe culture.

On Saturday, March 9, the question was answered as Tribal drummers and dancers were recognized during

a special performance showcasing Native American culture during the CMU Women's Basketball game's halftime show.

The dancers and community drummers performed during the 1 p.m. CMU vs. Toledo game in the McGuirk Arena on the John Kulhavi Court.

A total of 100 complimentary tickets were offered to the Tribal community and employees, but limited. Tickets were given out on a first come, first serve basis. The seating was



Courtesy of Matt Kearney

During a special afternoon performance to highlight Anishinaabe culture, drummers perform during the Central Michigan University March 9 half time show at the Women's Basketball game.

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Attention Tribal Members

On Dec. 12, the Tribal Council passed a motion to offer all Tribal Members one **free copy of their personal enrollment file**, upon request, in an effort to alleviate the cost to the Membership.

Tribal Libraries Survey

The Tribal Libraries are looking for your input!
As we work on planning for the future, we want to be sure we're using your feedback, so we have created a very short survey. You can fill it out online or on paper at the Tribal Library or Tribal College Library.
This survey is open to everyone.
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RDTFTNR>

Attention SCIT Tribal Members:

The Ziibiwing Cultural Society's **Collection Committee** needs **Committee Members**

For more information, please contact:
Robin Spencer at 989.775.4748 or rspencer@sagchip.org

Anishinabe Ogitchedaw Veteran and Warrior Society

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MEETINGS: First Tuesday of the Month 6 p.m. | Contact: 989.775.4175

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Gregory James Stevens

July 14, 1962 – Feb. 13, 2019

Gregory James Stevens, 56, passed away on Wednesday, February 13, 2019.

Gregory was born on July 14, 1962 in Saginaw to Frederick and Mabel (Frasier) Stevens. He married Kearie Howell on October 24, 1997 in Brant Township, where he resided his entire life.

Gregory was a member of the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe. His hobbies included playing bingo, fishing and watching football. He also enjoyed spending time with his family.

Gregory is survived by his wife, Kearie Howell; his children, Kathleen (Shawn) Burge, Carrie (Chad) Howell, Jacob (Jessica) Howell, Grace (Mike) Stevens, Aaron Stevens, and Nick (Kammi) Stevens; his brothers, Frederick (Kathryn) Stevens, Fitzgerald (Angelica) Stevens, and Jeremy (Katrina) Stevens; his sisters, Kimberly Lewis, Kelley Stevens, Sherry (Dan) Obrecht, Darlene (Rick) Munro, Vicky Madosh, and Rosalie (Ron) Stevens; 15 grandchildren; one great-grandchild; 32 nieces and nephews; and very special friend, Heather Pease Helring.

Gregory was preceded in death by his father, Frederick Stevens, his mother, Mable Frasier Stevens, sister Robin Silva, and father-in-law, Garold Howell.

A private memorial service will be held at a later date.



Stella Mae Falsetta

March 25, 1928 – March 23, 2019

Stella Mae Falsetta, passed away peacefully, on Saturday, March 23, 2019 at her home in Mecosta.

Stella was born on March 25, 1928 in Mount Pleasant, Mich., the daughter of Arthur and Rose (Chatfield) Steele. She married Samuel Falsetta in Mt. Pleasant.

Stella was a nurse for many years in Mt. Pleasant and Big Rapids at Greenridge Nursing Center.

After her brother, Raymond, passed away, Stella and Sam were instrumental in the lives of her three nephews; Arthur, Andrew and Sam Steele.

She will be remembered for the thoughtful things she did and the many people she touched in such a loving way.

Stella is survived by her three sons: Vaughn (Lynn) Schoen of Big Rapids, Greg Falsetta of Mt. Pleasant and Mac Schoen of Mecosta; one sister-in-law, Dorothy Steele and many nieces and nephews.

She has joined her beloved husband Sam. Few people experienced the companionship, friendship and loving feelings they shared. She also joins her parents, and two brothers, Arthur "Bud" Steele and Raymond "Tiny" (Gladys) Steele.

Per Stella's wishes, there will be no formal services. Memorial donations in Stella's name can be made to the Barryton Public Library, P.O. Box 215, Barryton, MI 49305.



In Loving Memory



Stacy Jo Johnson

June 9, 1979 – April 8, 2015

Not a day goes by that we don't think about you. Miss and love you forever.

Your children Hunter & Adrianna Letts, and all of our family & friends

Kari Lynn Sprague

April 26, 1966 – March 12, 2019

Kari Lynn Sprague, age 52, of Grand Rapids passed away Tuesday, March 12, 2019, at the Blodgett Hospital in Grand Rapids.

Kari was born on April 26, 1966, in Grand Rapids, the daughter of Herman and Laura (McDonald) Sprague. She was a proud member of the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe.

Kari enjoyed making crafts, especially with her mother. She also enjoyed playing bingo and going to the Soaring Eagle Casino.

Kari is survived by her children, Kevin (Jamie) Sprague and Roberta (Sergio) Cornejo; five grandchildren; siblings, Patricia Sprague, James (Carol) Sprague, Kimberly (Jon) Crandell, Anthony Sprague, and Cynthia Sprague; and many cousins, nieces, and nephews.

Kari was preceded in death by her parents and siblings, Kathy, Debra, George Jr., Robert, Esther, Gerald Jr., Maudelene, Luella and Cathy.

Funeral services were held at Clark Family Funeral Chapel on Monday, March 18, at 1 p.m. with Benjamin Evers officiating. Interment will take place at Denver Township Cemetery at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made to the family.

Anishinaabe Language Revitalization Committee Meetings

Every third Monday of the month in the Seniors Room from 9 to 11 a.m.

Looking to fill one vacancy on the committee

Attention Tribal Members

We have created a hotline as it relates to Tribal Member healthcare and we are looking for suggestions, recommendations or ideas.

Please call 989-775-4404 to leave a message or share your thoughts.

If you would like to discuss in further detail, please feel free to contact Public Relations at 989-775-4076.

We look forward to hearing from you!

Attention Tribal Members

Tribal Council passed Resolution numbers 18-132 (educational provisions) and 18-133 (criminal provisions) that amend the Tribe's Revenue Allocation Plan.

For a copy of the resolutions or for more information, please:

- ▶ **Log on:** to the "Tribal Member Only" area of www.sagchip.org
- ▶ **Or contact the Public Relations department:** at 989.775.4004

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Membership

On sale now

- 100 memberships available
- Open to Tribal Members, employees and their families
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Memberships cost \$250 each

- 10 percent discount for first 20 memberships purchased and paid in full
- Memberships and cart raffle tickets available for purchase at the Accounting Department in Tribal Operations
- Payment plans available

Participating courses:
Pleasant Hills Golf Club, The Pines Golf Course, Maple Creek Golf Club, Waabooz Run Golf Course and Pohlcat Golf Course.

Cart Membership Raffle (optional)
Drawing on Friday, April 12 in the Tribal Operations Seniors Room at 3 p.m.

- Win a cart at your favorite course
- One cart membership available at each course
- Tickets: one for \$5 or five for \$20



Tribal Council Regular Session Meetings

The Regular Tribal Council Sessions occur at 9 a.m. on the first Tuesday of each month in the Seniors Room of Tribal Operations, in accordance to the Tribal Constitution.

Meetings are open to Tribal Members.

Administration will announce ahead of time if meeting date or time changes for possible weather or emergencies. However, it is rare the times change.

Administration's administrative assistant III compiles and prepares the agenda.

Approximately two weeks prior to the meeting, an email is sent to Tribal Operations employees to remind them of the meeting and request any submissions for the agenda.

Any SCIT Tribal Member or other individual/department must submit a written request if they wish to be placed on the Regular Council Session agenda. Anyone wanting to be added can call (989) 775-4003.

Regular Council Session Dates

- April 2 • May 7 • June 4



TRIBAL MEMBERS

Receive important Tribal announcements via text messaging. Text the letters **SCIT** to the number **32363** to subscribe to SCIT.

Willie Johnson elected to another four-year term as MACPRA chairman

(Editor's note: Shannon Martin, director of the Zibiwing Center of Anishinabe Culture & Lifeways sent the following email to Tribal Operations employees on March 19.)

Boozhoo, as we begin to feel the warm winds of Ziigwan, I wanted to share some other outstanding news on the wind.

Our very own William Johnson was unanimously elected to another four-year term (his third consecutive term) as the chairman of the Michigan Anishinaabek Cultural Preservation and Repatriation Alliance (MACPRA) during last week's quarterly meeting.

MACPRA was formed in 2000 through a signed consensus agreement of all 12 federally-recognized and two state-recognized tribes of Michigan.

Since Willie began his chairmanship in 2011, MACPRA has worked cooperatively with other tribes nationally that were once aboriginal to Michigan to repatriate 1,424 ancestors and 5,114 funerary objects.

Additionally, within the last few weeks 10 Notices of Inventory Completion have posted to the Federal Register. This means ancestors and their associated funerary objects will soon be repatriated under NAGPRA from the Historical Society of Saginaw County, Marshall University, Princeton University, and the University of Michigan.

Please join me in congratulating Willie for his outstanding commitment, leadership, and responsibility to our ancestors.

In my humble opinion, Willie is being a good ancestor every day.

Me'ewe.
Shannon Martin, director



Courtesy photo

William Johnson (right), curator of the Zibiwing Center, is photographed with Chief Ronald F. Ekdahl during this year's Employee Banquet ceremony for Tribal Operations personnel.



Wanted: Zibiwing needs your help!

- SCIT Community Members needed to help give tours, teach how to make bone bracelets and clan medallions, and give cultural presentations to groups of all ages. Once trained, your name will be added to our list of experts to call for assistance.

- Dancers and drummers needed to assist with dance presentations to school groups on site (in our community) and offsite. We need to update our list of dancers, singers and drummers. We need help when we have large groups or song and dance presentations.

For more information, please contact:

- Judy Pamp at 989.775.4735 or JPamp@sagchip.org
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FAN

Families Against Narcotics

Monthly Forum

Every third Thursday of the month

Upcoming dates: April 18, May 16

7 - 8:30 p.m. | Zibiwing Cultural Center

Monthly Forums are an educational awareness opportunity for our local community that will be hosted by our F.A.N. chapter.

Support Groups

Every first Thursday of the month

Upcoming dates: April 4, May 2

7 - 8:30 p.m. | Tribal Operations Senior's Room

Support Groups are open to anyone in recovery, grieving with a loss or have a loved one battling an addiction.

Public Notice

Unclaimed per capita disbursements for deceased Tribal Members

The following is a list of unclaimed per capita disbursements for deceased Tribal Members. Any person who has been court appointed as the member's Personal Representative of the Estate can contact the Per Capita Office to claim the funds.

All monies must be claimed within two years from their date of death, or such monies will be forfeited and returned to the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe's Per Capita Trust.

Tribal Member Name	Date of Death
Bills Jr., John	10/8/2018
Bordeau, Tina	7/10/2018
Chamberlain, Alvin	7/12/2018
Chapoton, Ross	12/5/2018
Collins, Larry	11/25/2018
Drews, Delores	8/25/2018
Gould, Betty	11/15/2018
Jackson, Earlene	8/22/2018
Jackson, Garth	10/5/2017
McDonald, Eva	9/9/2018
Peters Sr., Phillip	12/8/2018
Quayle, Dennis	7/21/2018
Sanders, Madonna	8/15/2018
Smith, Loretta	1/5/2018
Sprague, Dary	4/7/2017
Stanton, Goldie	1/3/2018
Ziehmer, Ida	7/24/2018

Powwow Committee Two Vacancies

The Saginaw Chippewa Powwow Committee currently has two vacancies. Open until filled.

Send letters of interest to

Attention: Powwow Committee
7070 E Broadway Rd., Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858

Order Establishing Spring Wild Turkey Season 2019

Per Tribal Ordinance 11, Section 105 subdivision 6(B), the 2019 Spring Wild Turkey Season begins Wednesday, April 3, 2019, and will close on Sunday, June 16, 2019, unless ordered otherwise.

Harvest tags will be available starting April 3, 2019 at the Tribal Planning Department office.

- \$15 per tag
- Only two tags allowed per license

Animal harvest must be reported within 72 hours of take, by phone, email or online.

Please refer to Ordinance 11 on the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe website for rules and regulations.

Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe | Community Engineer Donald L. Seal, Planning Department



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Art Reach announces eighth annual Art Walk Central

NATALIE SHATTUCK

Editor

Art Reach of Mid Michigan announced it will again host Art Walk Central, an art competition featuring artists throughout the state.

Art Walk Central is a month-long event held Aug. 5-30, and the competition is open to all artists 13 years of age and older.

The event gives artists the opportunity to showcase their art publicly at different locations throughout the local area. Again this year, the Ziiwiwing Center is one of the host locations chosen for artists' work to be displayed.

ART REACH

Of Mid Michigan

Nearly \$11,000 in prize money will be awarded to the winners in the youth and adult categories for jurors and people's choice.

Artists may register March 4 through April 12.

A few months prior to the event, artists are required to not only register, but choose at least three venues they feel is best fitting for their pieces to be displayed.

This year's judges are Donna St. John from Kendall College of Art and Design and Sandra Murchison from Eastern Michigan University.

Artists may register at artwalkcentral.com.

Gov. Whitmer appoints first American Indian as deputy legal counsel to the Office of the Governor

THE OFFICE OF GOV. GRETCHEN WHITMER

LANSING – Gov. Gretchen Whitmer appointed long-time educator and activist, Wenona Singel, as the deputy legal counsel to the Office of the Governor.

Singel is the first American Indian to hold this position in Michigan.

Her position of deputy legal counsel includes serving as the advisor to the Governor on tribal affairs. While serving in this role, she will work to strengthen the government-to-government relationship between Michigan's 12 federally-recognized tribes and the State of Michigan.

"I'm thrilled to work with Wenona on strengthening our relationships with Michigan tribes," Whitmer

said. "As a first step, I directed each state department to develop a tribal consultation policy."

Before her appointment, Wenona Singel was an associate professor at Michigan State University College of Law and associate director of the Indigenous Law and Policy Center. She is a magna cum laude graduate of Harvard College, and she received a J.D. from Harvard Law School.

Previously, she served as a board member of the Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation following a presidential appointment by President Barack Obama with Senate confirmation.

Singel is an enrolled citizen of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians and a member of the American Law Institute, and she has two children with her husband, Matthew Fletcher.

The appointment is not subject to the advice and consent of the Senate.

The Seven Grandfather TEACHINGS

Nbookaawin – Wisdom

To live with wisdom is to acquire and use experiences as guides for making equitable and mature decisions.

Zaagidowin – Love

To live our lives with love is to understand our capacity to realize, empathize, and nurture the needs of others.

Minaadendamooing – Respect

To live with respect is to give mutual consideration for shared and differing ideas as well as for the world around us.

Zoongide'ewin – Bravery

To be brave and have courage is to recognize our moral and mental strength and to do what is appropriate.

Gwekwadiziwin – Honesty

To be honest is to recognize that we have the ability to live our lives with honor and integrity.

Dibaadendiziwin – Humility

To live with humility is to recognize that we are all equal, we all make mistakes, we all like to have our success rewarded and to put others before ourselves.

Debwewin – Truth

To live in truth is to recognize the difference between right and wrong and to be faithful to ourselves as well as the world around us even when the right way is not the easiest way.

Indian Child Welfare Committee Vacancy

The Indian Child Welfare Committee (ICWC) has been established to provide community input on the welfare of children of the Tribe. They make recommendations to the Tribal Court regarding termination of parental rights, guardianships, and/or adoptions, and the appropriate disposition of any minor in need of care. The ICWC also license foster homes and child care centers. The ICWC meets twice a month with special and/or emergency meetings occurring on occasion.

One vacancy only

Letters of interest must be submitted to Anishnaabeg Child & Family Services.

Please include your contact information and a brief statement about why you would like to be on the ICWC in your letter.

Please feel free to contact Felicia Bross at 989.775.4906 for more information.

Send letter of interest to:

Anishnaabeg Child & Family Services
7070 E Broadway Rd, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858

Tribal Observer

Boozhu! The Tribal Observer, a monthly newspaper, is published on the first of each month.

To contact Tribal Observer staff, please call 989-775-4010 or email observer@sagchip.org.

To change your mailing address, please contact the Tribal Clerk's office at 989-775-4055.

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Submissions from the Tribal community are encouraged and can be sent to:

Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe
c/o Tribal Observer
7070 E. Broadway Rd.
Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858

Subscription rates are \$30 per year.

Story ideas, articles and photographs from the community are always welcome. The Tribal Observer reserves the right to edit and/or refuse any submissions or advertisements for publication. The Tribal Observer is published by the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan and is subject to an editorial review process.

The views expressed within the Tribal Observer do not necessarily reflect the views of the Tribal Observer, the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe, the Saginaw Chippewa Tribal Council, Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort or its employees or any other enterprise of the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe. The Tribal Observer works to uphold the highest integrity in news reporting and supports the Indian Civil Rights Act of 1968.

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rental education, connection to adult education opportunities, etc.," Griffus said. "The SCIT 2 percent funding is now being looked at also to connect our children guests to technology that can assist them in completing their homework, tutoring, and life skill training."

Tribal Council Member Theresa Jackson said the occasion brought future volunteer opportunities.

"We were very humbled and enjoyed the people we served," Jackson said. "The experience was so gratifying; we will be volunteering every Thursday through April 25.

Many thanks to everyone who takes the time to volunteer on a daily basis."

The ICRH – located at 1114 W. High St. – provides immediate, temporary shelter and assistance while working toward the re-acquisition of permanent housing for the local homelessness.

The ICRH's mission is to

provide the instant, short-term housing to homeless individuals of all social and cultural identities in Isabella County and to advocate for access to services need by patrons to address their individual needs.

Griffus began his career with the Tribe and said he was "able to observe the true sense of community in action."

"This most recent act of support from the SCIT is overwhelming to say the least," Griffus said. "The SCIT has been enthusiastically supportive to our mission in so many ways and it makes me incredibly proud. The Tribe has shown their incredible heart for all of our community and is leading by example."

Half time

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located in the McGuirk Club Lounge and in the general admission section.

"The event came to fruition through (Public Relations Interim Director) Erik (Rodriguez), Craig (Wiley of CMU Athletics) and myself," said Colleen M. Green, director of the Native American Programs and Student Transition Enrichment Program for CMU. "In a meeting, Erik acknowledged the Pistons event and Craig asked if CMU could duplicate the program."

Luke Sprague, activities manager for the Tribe's Recreation Department, and CMU's Native American Programs offices secured the

services of dancers and singers, Green said.

"My office staff choreographed the program with feedback from the dancers and the emcee Jason," Green said.

Coached by Sue Guevara, the Chippewas' season ended at 25-8 on March 23, a year after they made the Sweet 16.

The Kulhavi Court was part of the \$22.5 million John G. Kulhavi Events Center that opened in December 2010.

The facility features a pair of club rooms, the largest of which is a 1,600 square foot space with room for 130 Chippewa fans and plush leather chair seating for 88 (cmuchippewas.com). It also features a 360 sq. foot outdoor patio and is available for receptions, meetings and banquets.



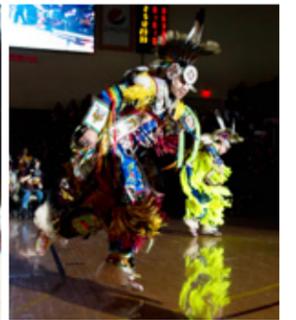
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Tribal community dancers move in CMU's McGuirk Arena on the John Kulhavi Court after 1 p.m.



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The Observer is available to Tribal Members of the Saginaw Chippewa Tribe, reaching approximately 3,000 members. The Observer is also distributed via break rooms of the Saginaw Chippewa Businesses and is available to 4,000 associates. The Observer is distributed in each of the hotel rooms in the Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort. Display boxes are located at Sagamok Shell (Mount Pleasant and Saganing), Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort Saganing Eagles, Landing Casino and the Ziibiwing Center Gift shops.

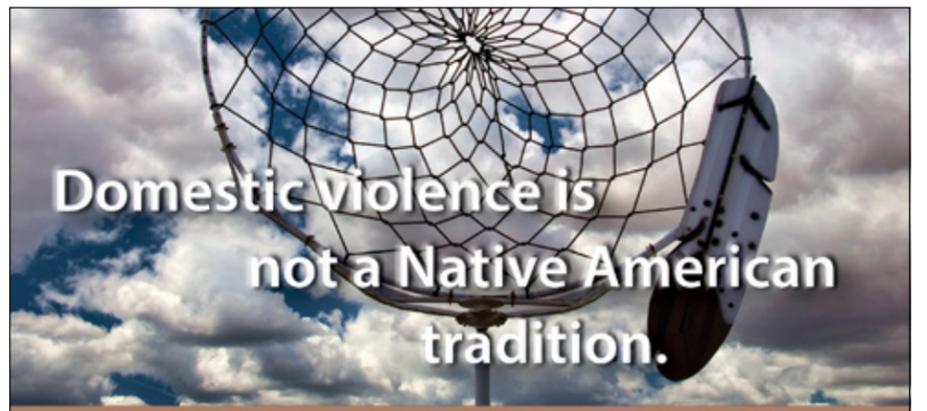
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1/2 Year: \$85/mo.	1 Year: \$75/mo.
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1 Month: \$120	1/4 Year: \$115/mo.
1/2 Year: \$110/mo.	1 Year: \$95/mo.
D	4.917" wide by 4" tall
1 Month: \$150	1/4 Year: \$145/mo.
1/2 Year: \$140/mo.	1 Year: \$125/mo.
E	5.933" wide by 4" tall
1 Month: \$225	1/4 Year: \$220/mo.
1/2 Year: \$215/mo.	1 Year: \$200/mo.
F	4.917" wide by 8" tall
1 Month: \$290	1/4 Year: \$280/mo.
1/2 Year: \$275/mo.	1 Year: \$270/mo.
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1/2 Year: \$550/mo.	1 Year: \$520/mo.
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1/2 Year: \$1,075/mo.	1 Year: \$1,000/mo.

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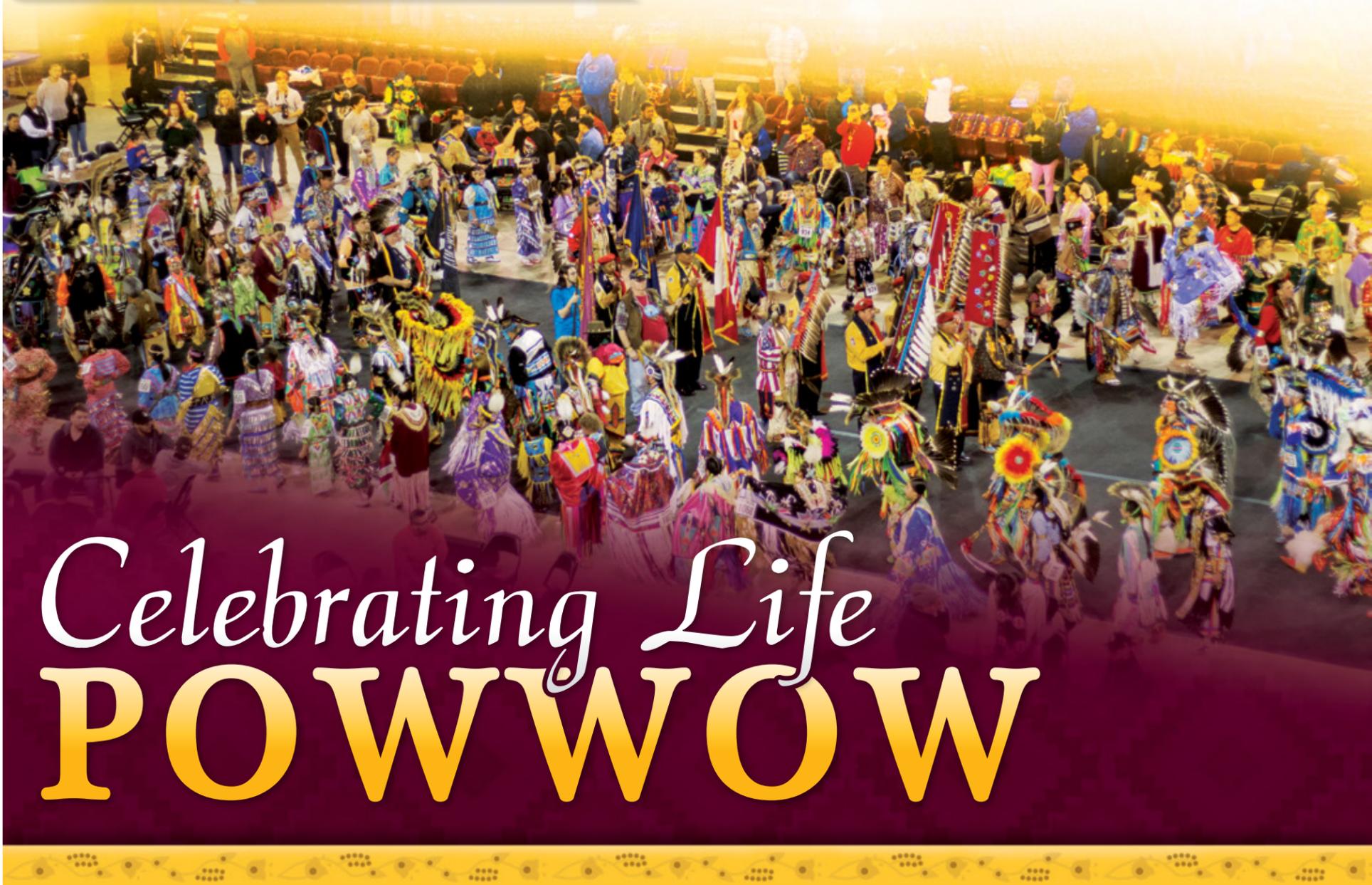


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Celebrating Life POWWOW

Central Michigan University hosts 30th annual powwow on March 23-24

MATTHEW WRIGHT

Staff Writer

The 30th annual Celebrating Life Powwow took place March 23-24 on the campus of Central Michigan University. The event was open to the public and held within the John G. Kulhavi Events Center in the McGuirk Arena.

Grand entries were held on Saturday at 1 and 7 p.m., and on Sunday at noon. A variety of vendors were set up throughout the weekend, selling food and traditional art and crafts.

Jason Whitehouse served as emcee, alongside arena director Dave Shananaquet.

Midewewin Tribal Elder

George Martin led the grand entries as head veteran.

Dusty Bear served as host drum.

The head dance judge positions were held by Dale Roberts (male) and Rowena Roberts (female).

This year, the powwow featured more than 200 dancers and singers from more than 38 tribes.

Joe Syrette shared an opening message and prayer.

CMU President Robert Davies shared a message on the significance behind the annual powwow.

“For 30 years, CMU has been fortunate to host this powwow, to share ideas, to share cultures,” Davies said. “It is an important time for us to understand cultures

and identities so that we work together.”

Tribal Council Member Louanna Bruner thanked everyone who was involved, and highlighted the relationship between the Tribe and CMU.

“We share the Chippewa name and, in doing so, we must continue to strive to educate and highlight exactly what it represents,” Bruner said. “We must also continue to bring awareness about the rich culture that helps others understand us as Anishinaabe. It is very rewarding to see students, athletes, faculty, the president and the community embrace and celebrate a piece of our culture this weekend.”

The annual event is hosted by CMU’s Native American Programs office, and organized by the student-run CMU Powwow planning committee.

The powwow was made possible through sponsorships from the Saginaw Indian Chippewa Tribe, as well as the following CMU organizations: Office of Native American Programs, Center for Inclusion and Diversity, Enrollment and Student Services, North American Indigenous Student Organization (NAISO) and Three Fires American Indian Science and Engineering Society (AISES).



Observer photo by Matthew Wright

Head Veteran George Martin (front right) and members of the Anishinabe Ogitchedaw Veterans Warriors Society enter the arena during the 1 p.m. Saturday grand entry.



Observer photo by Matthew Wright

CMU President Robert Davies (center) delivers his opening remarks alongside Tribal Council Member Louanna Bruner (left) and emcee Jason Whitehouse (right).



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Dusty Bear served as host drum throughout the weekend.





Corn soup cook-off raises funds for Healing to Wellness graduation ceremonies

NATALIE SHATTUCK

Editor

(Editor's note: Healing to Wellness Court Coordinator Joseph V. Sowmick contributed to this article.)

Cooks and taste testers got ready for a fresh, new way to fundraise: a corn soup cook-off.

The cook-off was held Wednesday, March 13 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Seventh Generation's Elijah Elk Cultural Center, with all funds aiding the Tribal Court's Healing to Wellness Program for its graduation banquets, and to honor those in recovery who completed the program.

Cooks entered their dishes for \$5, and any taste testers were suggested to donate \$2 to sample the soups and vote in the People's Choice category.

Lac Courte Oreilles elder George Martin – whose Indian Corn Soup recipe was featured

on the Cooking Channel's show "My Grandmother's Ravioli" – was the main judge and determined the first, second and third place winners.

Martin declared Tammy Salas the first place winner.

Salas won two Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort concert tickets and a food voucher.

Second place went to Joseph Shawana and Melissa Pamp in third.

Shawana received two Ziiibwing Center Pendleton beach towels, and Pamp won a beading kit.

Shawana also won the People's Choice category – voted on by about 60 participants – and a \$25 Meijer gift card, donated by Tribal Court Judge Patrick Shannon.

Other chefs who entered their soups included Sam Anglin, Glenna Jenkins, Bill Antrobus and Michelle Colwell.

The funds, including a 50/50 raffle during the event, raised a grand total of \$318.50.



Courtesy of Joseph Sowmick

Corn soup master and Lac Courte Oreilles tribal elder George Martin shares his voting results to the cook-off fundraiser participants on March 13 in Seventh Generation's Elijah Elk Cultural Center.

"I would like to thank our prize sponsors Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort Marketing Director Raul Venegas, Shannon Martin from the Ziiibwing Center and Ellie Mitchell from Powwow Bead and Supply," said Breanna Colwell, judicial assistant/leadership intern for the Tribal Court and the event's organizer.

Aubree Gross, coordinator for Healing to Wellness, thanked Kevin Ricketts, bailiff for Tribal Court; Jason Luna, director for Anishinaabeg Child and Family Services; and community volunteer Alisha Franco for assisting with the fundraiser.

"The (fundraiser) was a great success," Gross said. "We wanted to do something that was a little different but still delicious and fun. All the participants made wonderful soup. I am happy I didn't have to judge because it would have been too difficult to decide."

Gross said the funds will help purchase the meals for the Healing to Wellness graduations.

"We are a grant-funded program with specific restrictions

that do not allow us to pay for the food portion of our banquet, and what is a celebration without a feast?" Gross said.

Anishinaabe Outreach Specialist Isabelle Osawamick who helped with Family Court theme translation, Maamwi Noojimoyiing Ezhi ngodoo'de'iw-zi-yiing which means Healing Our Families Together also attended.

"Aapiji nishin (it's very good) to see different departments support each other and use Anishinaabemowin greetings when they acknowledge each other. I heard some say,



Observer photo by Natalie Shattuck

Fundraiser attendees taste test the several corn soups entered into the competition and vote on People's Choice.

'Mno-pkwad' (It tastes good)," Osawamick said. "I also heard others say, 'Maanda mno-pkwad,' (This tastes good) when pointing at a particular soup. Some people answered me that they were nishin (good) when I asked them, 'Aaniish na gegii?' (How are you?)"

Colwell wished to thank everyone who supported the fundraiser and Healing to Wellness program.

"We are forever grateful... Thank you so much to all of our marvelous cooks, donators and taste testers," Colwell said.



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Bailiff Kevin Ricketts (right) measures the height of Jason Luna (left), director of Anishnaabeg Child & Family Services, in 50/50 tickets.

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Spring Feast blessed with Anishnaabemowin teachings and the sky celebrates

**LISA TIGER
& LEE ANN RUFFINO**

Contributing Writers

The Seventh Generation Program and the Ziibiwing Center of Anishinaabe Culture & Lifeways co-hosted the annual Spring Feast on Thursday, March 14 in the ceremonial building.

More than 60 Tribal community members feasted on buffalo, wild rice, potatoes, corn soup, berries and more as they shared laughter and stories in celebration of Mother Earth awakening from her winter slumber.

The Spring Feast was also blessed by the appearance



Courtesy of Lisa Tiger

The March 14 Spring Feast guest speaker Barbara Nolan (left) receives a gift by Tonya Jackson (right), administrative assistant II for Seventh Generation.

of Nimkii Naabkowaagan (Thunderbird's Necklace – a rainbow) which brought everyone outside.

The day was a busy one for the hardworking staff of Seventh Generation, preparing the feast in addition to boiling sap for maple syrup and harvesting the Tribe's first-ever jar of honey from the hive funded last year by the HoneyBee Conservancy. Affectionately nicknamed 'Lee's Bees' after Seventh Generation Cultural Manager Lee

Anishnaabemowin.

Nolan is formerly from Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve, and now resides in Garden River First Nation.

With her winning personality, humor, and deep respect for our beautiful language, she inspired and entertained.

Many other language speakers were present and engaged in the conversation, including Anishinaabe Language Revitalization Department's Howard Webkamigad and Isabelle Osawamick and Saginaw Chippewa Tribal College's George Roy and several Tribal community members.

Ann Ruffino, the hive has been so successful it has now grown by two additional hives funded by Saginaw Chippewa Tribal College's USDA/NIFA Extension grant managed by Guadalupe Gonzalez.

Nesdotmookiid began her presentation with spring teachings; she told of how all the spirits are working in harmony to awaken Mother Earth from her bibeon (winter) sleep.

She then shared a model for the journey to language fluency: "We must first put ourselves in places where we can hear the language, then we will start to listen to the language. After that, we will begin to understand the language, and finally, we will speak the language. It is all within our grasp."

ARLD provides many opportunities to support us all on the journey to language fluency, including print and audio materials, classes in Anishnaabemowin, and Sacred Fire lunches in partnership with Seventh Generation, which are free and open to the public.

A new Anishnaabemowin Language Immersion House, E nji nibwaachaweng (a place for visiting) at 7785 E. Remus Rd. in Mount Pleasant, the 'Blue House' next to Seventh Generation, will open in August. The House is funded through a MICA Group Cultural Resource Fund Grant partnership between ALRD, Seventh Generation and Ziibiwing.



Courtesy of Lisa Tiger

Cultural Representative Dan Jackson helps prepare for the meal for the Spring Feast.



Courtesy of Lisa Tiger

The Tribe's first-ever jar of honey from the hive funded last year by the HoneyBee Conservancy is photographed.



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A double rainbow appears outside of Seventh Generation during the event.

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The Retreat at Soaring Eagle opens for business

FREDRICK KUHLMAN

Marketing Manager, Migizi EDC

After months of design and renovation, The Retreat at Soaring Eagle has opened the East building to guests.

Doors to the East building opened the weekend of March 29th with a special Tribal Members only event. SCIT Members were invited to stay as the first guests of the freshly-revealed property that

was formerly known as the Green Suites.

Work on the West building is scheduled to conclude by the end of April, with installation of landscaping, and repaving of parking surfaces to follow as weather permits.

Lush, colorful floras will accentuate the exterior of both buildings.

The entire project will wrap up by June.

A full grand opening celebration is currently being

planned that will officially usher The Retreat at Soaring Eagle into the Soaring Eagle properties family. The schedule and details of the event will be released in the near future.

With the flexibility to offer single, double, and three bedroom suites with full kitchen and living areas, The Retreat at Soaring Eagle is a property unlike any other in the region. Photographs and artwork from Tribal Members accent the modern design elements

that feature bold colors and clean lines.

Quartz countertops give the kitchen areas a luxurious look and feel, while the bedrooms will feature the same ultra-plush bedding used at Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort.

The Retreat at Soaring Eagle will strive to provide a tranquil oasis for all members and guests staying at the property.

Work on the property has been performed by many local companies with special

help being provided by Tribal Members and Purchasing Agent Marilyn Gross who sourced and secured many of the items and materials needed to transform the Retreat at Soaring Eagle into a top tier property.

All of the work was conducted under the guidance of Migizi CEO Robert Juckniess; Bonnie Sprague, general manager of the Soaring Eagle Waterpark and Hotel; and the Migizi Board of Directors.

Editorial: Star Quilt Making Workshop led by Gun Lake member

ESTHER HELMS

Contributing Writer

Angela ThunderHawk is a member of the Gun Lake Band of Pottawatomis. She is a longtime community activist and member of the American Indian Movement.

ThunderHawk has been quilting since age 8 or 9, having learned from her grandmother and other tribal community elders.

Her daily quilting results in approximately 100 star blanket quilts each year. She is well-known for her quilts and even made one for President Barak Obama.

ThunderHawk held a workshop at the Ziibiwing Center from Feb. 26 to March 1.

The first evening was cancelled due to the inclement weather near her home that also caused various delays in Michigan this winter.

A second class was scheduled for March 4-8, due to the immense response that filled the first class within minutes of being announced!

The class provided all the materials to create a baby-sized star quilt. ThunderHawk provided the instructions for the quilt and included personal stories and cultural teachings, as well, including the history of the star quilt



Courtesy of Esther Helms

Angela ThunderHawk led a quilting workshop at the Ziibiwing Center on Feb. 26.



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Ellie VanHorn shows the colorful quilt she made during the workshop.

and its connection to the heavenly stars.

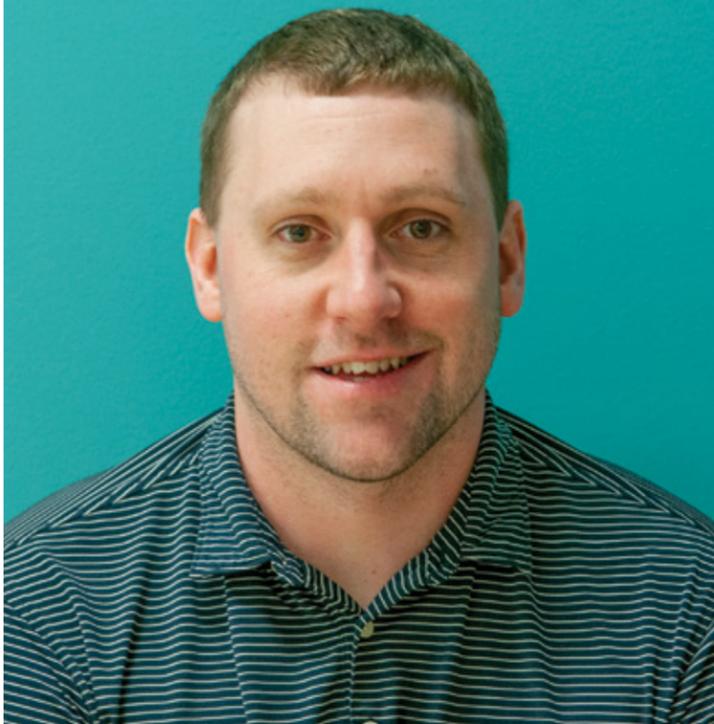
Miigwetch to ThunderHawk for sharing her cultural

knowledge and quilting skills. Miigwetch to those who attended the class and continue to support the Ziibiwing Center in fulfilling

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For more photos from the event, please visit Ziibiwing's Facebook page.

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giizhig	sky
mizhakwad	(clear) sky
gakaamikigiwan	waterfall
mamaangaashkaa	big waves
mookijiwanibiig	spring (water source)
awanibiisaa	sprinkling rain
wadiswan	bird nest
wiishkobaaboo	maple sap
ziizibaakwad	maple sugar
giizhaa	beforehand
debwetan	agree
gashkichige	acquire
inashke	behold
dibenim	rule
waakaa'igan	house
bangan	peaceful
aanjibimaadizi	(change) life
gagiikwe-mazina'igan	Bible
inaadiziwin	way of life

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Anishinaabemowin CROSSWORD

Different Ways to Say Goodbye

There is no "goodbye" in Anishinaabemowin. There is only a form of acknowledgement, like a wave or a nod and wishing the other person well. The following words are used for goodbye. They are usually used together to imply goodbye.

Word Bank

- Waa-baang gaa-waab-min
- Mii-gwech gaa-bi-zhaa-yin
- Nishin bi-waab-mii-yin
- Mii-gwech bin-bwa-chi-yin
- Ngi-chi-nen-dam gii-waab-mi-na
- Aanhsana neng-kaaj
- Aang'waam-zin
- Aanhsana wiing-e-zin
- Wiing-e-zin
- Baamaa Gaa-waab-min

Across

- 1. It's good that you come to see me
- 7. I'll see you later
- 8. Please take care
- 9. I'll see you tomorrow
- 10. Please take it easy

Down

- 2. Take care
- 3. I am very happy to have seen you
- 4. Thank you for coming
- 5. Thank you for visiting me
- 6. Be careful

Answer Key

Across

- 1. Nishin bi-waab-mii-yin (It's good that you come to see me)
- 7. Baamaa Gaa-waab-min (I'll see you later)
- 8. Aanhsana wiing-e-zin (Please take care)
- 10. Aanhsana neng-kaaj (Please take it easy)

Down

- 2. Wiing-e-zin (Take care)
- 3. Ngi-chi-nen-dam gii-waab-mi-na (I am very happy to have seen you)
- 4. Mii-gwech gaa-bi-zhaa-yin (Thank you for coming)
- 5. Mii-gwech bin-bwa-chi-yin (Thank you for visiting me)
- 6. Aang'waam-zin (Be careful)



Saginaw Chippewa Academy 2019 Science Fair winners awarded March 15

NIKI HENRY

Curriculum Instructional Coordinator

On Friday, March 15, third through fifth grade students at the Saginaw Chippewa Academy submitted their projects into the 2019 Science Fair competition.

That morning, participants presented entries to the three judges: former SCA student and current language teacher Nathan Isaac and the Planning Department's Invasive Species Coordinator Chase Stevens and Watershed Outreach Coordinator Taylor Brook.

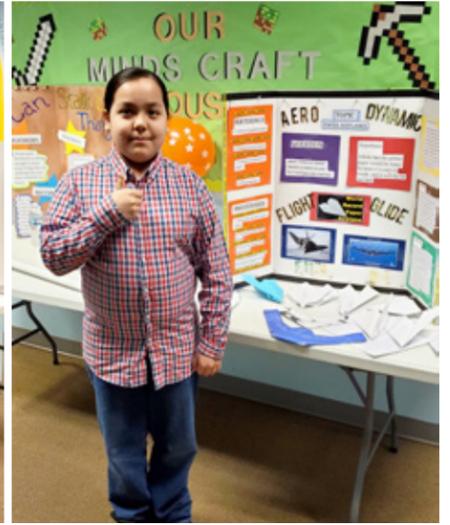
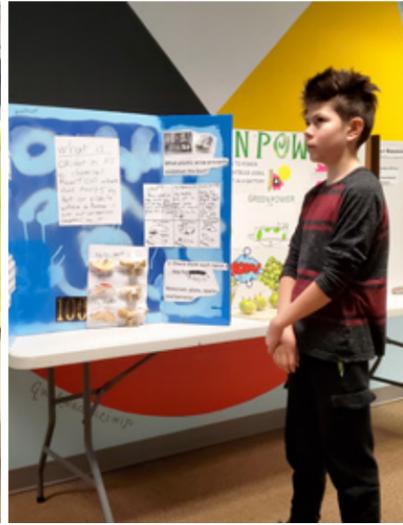
Shortly before 2 p.m., students gathered in the cafeteria for the awards presentation, and SCA Principal Kara Hotchkiss then announced the winners.

Fourth grade students took four of the top five places with fourth grader James Kequom winning first place.

Fifth grader Charles Trepanier earned second place.

Prentiss Jones took third place, Gishep Miller Hosler took fourth and Ahjinees Oswabine earned fifth place.

The science fair was coordinated by fair committee members SCA preschool teacher Michael Ireland, SCA first grade teacher Cecilia Stevens and SCA bus drivers Stephanie Burk and Terry Kennedy.



Photos courtesy of Niki Henry

The Saginaw Chippewa Academy held its 2019 Science Fair on March 15. The fair was open to third through fifth grade students.

Education Department brings 'paint-your-own pottery' family event to Tribal Gym

NATALIE SHATTUCK

Editor

More than 100 event attendees filled the Eagles Nest Tribal Gym for the Painting with Families evening on Thursday, March 14.

Painted Turtle Pottery Studio in Mount Pleasant (209 W. Broadway) provided pottery items – including mugs and various clay animals – to paint and all of the necessary supplies.

The event, hosted by the Tribal Education Department and Saginaw Chippewa Tribal College, was held from 6 to 8 p.m.

Tribal Member Mary Quigno attended and painted a sunflower. Her son Gabe painted a dragon and her son Elijah painted a mug.

"It's nice to be able to do things with the kids during the week after a long day of school or work," Quigno said.

Domino's Pizza was provided and a raffle giveaway was also held for families that brought a dish to pass.

A movie, coloring and crafts were available in the homework lab connected to the gym for the children to enjoy once they completed their work of art.

Painted Turtle Pottery Studio has options to 'paint your own pottery' and 'paint your own wood signs.' The studio offers a large collection of pottery to choose from and a variety of sizes, shapes and designs for painting unique wood signs.

Painted Turtle is booking parties now. Advance reservations may be made by calling 989-317-8008 or emailing paintedturtle.mtp@gmail.com.



Photos courtesy of Mary Quigno

The Painting with Families event was held in the Eagles Nest Tribal Gym on March 14. Painted Pottery Studio provided various items for those in attendance to paint during the Education Department hosted event.

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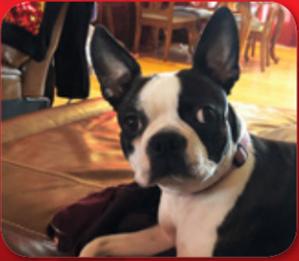


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Owner: Robin Keefer
Name: Sheba
Age: 15 years
Breed: Polish Arabian



Owner: Raven Wemigwans
Miigwans (left): 6 years
Czechoslovakian Vlcuk
Dingo (center): 9 years
Oreo (right): 12 years
Australian Cattle Dog



Owner: Sabrina Solomon
Name: Colt
Age: 3 months
Breed: Boston Terrier/Pug



Owner: Divida Yealey
Name: Bruiser
Age: 4 years
Breed: Chocolate Lab



Owner: Kim Howe
Chipi (left): 1.5 years, Black Lab
Deuce (right): 9.5 Years
Chesapeake Bay Retriever



Owner: Hannah Vican
Name: Hank
Age: 1 Year
Breed: Saint Bernard



Owners: Lupe & Cheryl Gonzalez
Name: Hank
Age: 1 Year
Breed: Rat Terrier



Owners: Wallace & Esther Chatfield
Name: Kit
Age: 5 months
Breed: Siamese



Owner: Dawn Meredith
Aurora (left):
2.5 months, Calico
Marvin (right):
8 months, Orange Tabby



Owner: Susi Sadek
Chauncey (left):
13 years, Pug
Slash (center):
2 years, "Honorary Pug"
Molly (right):
14 years, Pug



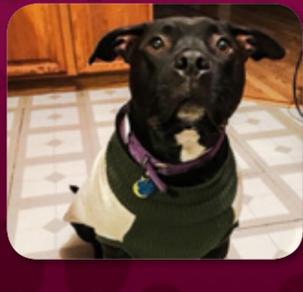
Owners:
Conner Marks & Paige Ritter
Name: Walter
Age: 4 years
Breed: English Mastiff



Owner: Marcella Hadden
Name: Bone Man
Age: 6 months
Breed: Chihuahua/Dachshund



Owners: Chuck & Kari Ritter
Philo (left): 11 years, Doberman
Roxy (right): 11 years, Doberman



Owner: Quinn Ritter
Name: Holley
Age: 4 years
Breed: Pitbull/Lab



Owner: Natalie Shattuck
Name: Hendrix
Age: 12 weeks
Breed: Coonhound mix



Owners: Craig & Marlene Waynee
Name: Lucy
Age: 9 years
Breed: Golden Retriever



Owner: Andrea Mayer
Ella (left): 3 years, Shih Tzu
Harley (center): 5 years, Shih Tzu
Najee (right): 9 years,
Shih Tzu/Chihuahua



Owner: Sarah Deaton
Name: Charlie
Age: 5 months
Breed: Boston Terrier



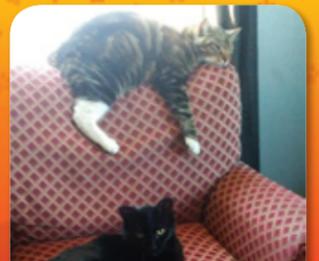
Owner: Norman Cyr Jr.
Dalilah (left): 2 years, Pit Bull
Sampson (right): 5 years,
Staffordshire Terrier



Owner: Karen Roy
Name: Buddy
Age: 17 years
Breed: Tabby



Owners: Mary & Gary Johnson
Zoey (left):
10 years, Shih Tzu/Chihuahua
Annie (right):
1.5 years, Pomeranian/Chihuahua



Owner: Robin Arquette
Harley (top): 6 years
Whiskers (bottom): 7 years



Owners: Nancy & John Gerhard
Furman (left):
 4 years, Golden Retriever
Nellie (right):
 3 years, Yellow Lab



Owners: Wyatt and Ty Allbee
Layla (right): 11 years,
 English Bulldog
Thor (left): 1 year, Terrier Mix



Owners: Harry & Denise Pelcher
Name: Pink
Age: 17 years
Breed: 'Rez Cat'



Owners:
 Damon Cornett & Sarah Redigan
Moose (left): 7 years, Pit Bull
Sadie (center): 7 years, Pit Bull
Zane (right): 4 years, Pit Bull



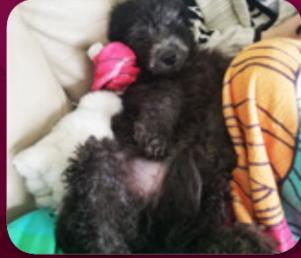
Owners: Barb & Rich McEnhill
Name: Murray McEnhill
Age: 2 years
Breed: Beagle



Owners: Nick & Wendi Bovear
Maggz (left): 10 years, Shih Tzu
Cabby (center): 9 years, Shih Tzu
Zoey (right): 9 years, Shih Tzu



Owners: Michelle & Dave Turpin
Name: Klinger
Age: 13 years
Breed: Domestic



Owner: Taylor Brook
Name: Charcoal
Age: 4 months
Breed: Goldendoodle



Owners: Dawnseh, Rae & Hailey
Name: Keeni
Age: 12 weeks
Breed: Australian Shepherd



Owner: Twila Schrot
Papi (left): 10 years, Jack Russell
Gracie (right): 11 years,
 Chihuahua mix



Owner: Catherine Laquiere
Name: Jewelz
Age: 10 years
Breed: Jack Russell



Owners: Natalie Nichols
Bella: 6.5 years
 Pomerian/Dachshund/Yellow Lab
Keller: 3.5 years, Border Collie



Owner: Mary Pelcher
Daisy (left): 2 years, Shiba Inu
Fitz (center): 3 years, Shiba Inu
MooseKnee (top right):
 5 years, Golden Retriever
Gizmo (bottom right):
 10 years, Domestic Cat



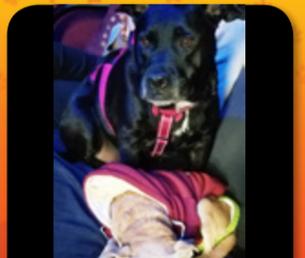
Owners: Kyle Bean &
 AmberRae Donovan
Suki Rai Bean (left):
 2 years, Black Bombay
Yuki Mari Donovan:
 3 years, White Turkish Angora



Owners: Gene & Chasity Davidson
Name: Khasidy
Age: 11 years
Breed: Chihuahua



Owner: Isaiah Otto-Powers
Name: Petey Powers
Age: 13 weeks
Breed: Pit Bull mix



Owners: Lisa Tiger & Shannon Martin
Rhona Bologna: 9 years, Pit Bull mix
Zoë Isabella: 15 years, Chihuahua



Owner: Hazel Gabara
Neena (left):
 Mini Long-haired Dachshund
Cocoa (right):
 Mini Long-haired Dachshund



Owners: Amy Rider & Sam Anglin
Name: Prince
Age: 3 years old
Breed: Collie/Lab mix



Owner: Ellie Mitchell
Name: Izzledorph FuzzyButt
 Peters-Mitchell
Age: 4 years old
Breed: Domestic Longhair



Owners: The McCoy's (Leslie)
Name: Teddy
Age: 4 years
Breed: Poodle mix



Owner: Stacey Fallis
Sugarfoot (top left):
 6 months, Boston Terrier
Seal (bottom right):
 10 years, Boston Terrier/Pug



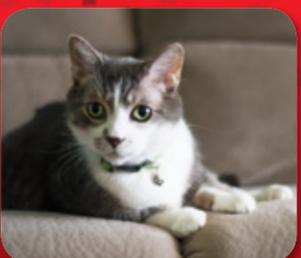
Owner: Thelma Henry-Shipman
Name: Lola
Age: 13.5 years
Breed: Shih Tzu/Maltese mix



Owners: Cynthia Floyd
Name: Scruffy
Age: 9 years
Breed: Yorkie



Owners: Marilyn Bailey
Name: Tommy
Age: 9 years
Breed: Domestic Cat



Owner: LeEtta Henry-Hansen
Name: Kitty
Age: Unknown
Breed: Domestic Cat



Owner: Trina Kerchen
Makwa: 4 years, Chocolate Bombay
Lynx: 13 months, Short long hair
Rio: 5 months, Short long hair
Cleo: 5 months, Short long hair



Owner: Lee Johnson
Ted (left): 9 years, Chocolate Lab
Tilda (right): 8 years, Lab mix



Owners:
 Damian Fisher & Amy Motz
Warriner: 3 years, Tuxedo
Ellie: 1.5 years, Tuxedo



Owner: Zaltana Hinmon
Ham: 5 years, Chantilly Tiffany
Smoke: 3 years, Maine Coon
Fanta: 5 months, Short Hair



Editorial: SCTC students volunteer with Habitat for Humanity of Isabella County

CHYANN HAAS

SCTC Junior

On Feb. 23, Saginaw Chippewa Tribal College students had an amazing opportunity to volunteer with Habitat for Humanity and a group from MidMichigan Medical Center.

The experience was a fun, upbeat team effort that many will take part in again. The whole house was full of people laughing, singing songs, and cracking jokes while they worked diligently on painting, priming, and trim work.

The group managed to paint all the walls, ceilings, trim and closets in only four hours.

While working, students learned that Habitat for Humanity sometimes has houses donated to them from various sponsors and they can also help people to afford mortgage loans.

Students also learned new skills in painting walls and trim.

It felt good to spend time giving back to the community a little bit, even if we were just helping with one house.

Jennifer Ebnit, director of Operations at MidMichigan Medical Center, said, "We

think it's important to give back to the communities we serve and we are delighted to have the opportunity to work along other community organizations who support the same philosophy."

One first-time volunteer said, "This was great, I'd love to do this again during the summer, it was a pretty good workout, too. Many hands make light work and that is why I feel everyone should do their best to volunteer at least once a month."

Even one person can make a difference in the progress of a project, such as the one SCTC took part in.

At the end, every single person was covered in paint from head to toe, ready for a good lunch, and an extra-long shower.

Kim Friedrich, executive director Habitat for Humanity of Isabella County appreciates the students and staff of the Saginaw Chippewa Tribal College's time and effort towards this project. We are thankful that many community members have contributed volunteer hours towards this home rehabilitation, but we are still in need of more volunteers to complete this project."



Courtesy of Nina Knight

SCTC students volunteer their time to help Habitat for Humanity on Feb. 23. The students learn new skills and give back to the community.

Construction experience is not necessary.

This is a great team-building experience for businesses and organizations. It's a fun way to meet new people, learn new skills and help the community.

Volunteer opportunities are

available for groups and individuals most weekdays and Saturdays.

Habitat for Humanity of Isabella County is celebrating its 30th anniversary. It has served 39 families and built 37 homes since its inception.

Habitat for Humanity of

Isabella County is eager to continue to serve the county by providing safe, decent and affordable housing to Isabella County residents.

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Three SCTC students win honorable mention in Tribal College Journal writing contest

NINA KNIGHT

SCTC English Faculty

This year, the Saginaw Chippewa Tribal College had 10 students who submitted poetry and creative stories to the Tribal College Journal writing contest.

On March 6, three students received some good news when the Tribal College Journal announced the winners of its 2019 TCJ Student Creative Writing Contest.

“This year, the contest brought in scores of entries from tribal college and university students from around Indian Country,” the Tribal College Journal wrote in its announcement. “Acclaimed author Daniel H. Wilson (Cherokee) is serving as guest editor of

TCJ Student. Author of the New York Times bestselling Robopocalypse, its bestselling sequel Robogenesis, and the forthcoming Andromeda Evolution, Wilson read and evaluated all student entries in the categories of fiction, nonfiction, and poetry.”

The TCJ has also named several students work as honorable mentions.

The SCTC students include: Angie Brown, Nia Lewis and Monica Leareaux.

SCTC faculty and staff are extremely proud of these three students and are eagerly awaiting the publication of their stories. Brown is the author of “Finite Sunshine for a Forgetful Mind,” Lewis is the author of “The Non-existent Meows,” and



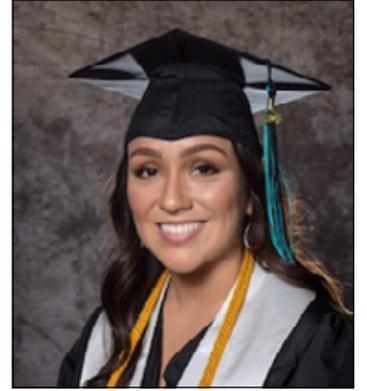
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Angie Brown



Courtesy photo

Nia Lewis



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Monica Leareaux

Leareaux is the author of “The Cleaning Bot.”

The winning students and those earning honorable mention were recognized at the American Indian Higher Education Consortium’s awards banquet March 19 in Billings, Mont.

The winning entries will appear in the 2019 edition of TCJ Student, which will be published concurrently with the journal’s fall issue. Those earning honorable mention will be published online at tcjstudent.org.

Other students receiving honorable mention include: Ryan

D. Nez of Navajo Technical University, Ashley Joe of Navajo Technical University, Miranda Lauren Sanders of College of the Muscogee Nation, Hoksila White Mountain of Sitting Bull College, and LaVerne Whitebear of Sisseton Wahpeton College.

SCTC students honored for outstanding achievement

LINDSAY DRUMM

SCTC Academic Specialist

This school year, the Saginaw Chippewa Tribal College tried something different in order to foster more campus involvement. Monthly campus meetings were implemented as a way to share success stories, honor students with perfect attendance, and, of course, enjoy some food.

Unfortunately, due to several inclement weather closures this semester, the first campus meeting was cancelled. However, those students who would have been recognized still deserve praise.

Every spring, each tribal college is tasked with selecting a Student of the Year to



Courtesy photo

Sydnee Kopke

receive a \$1,200 scholarship from the American Indian College Fund (AICF). This selection is based on numerous factors, including: GPA, extra-curricular activities, volunteer work, future plans, and quality of application packet.

Of the eight eligible applications received, one stood out from the rest.

Sydnee Kopke has been recognized as the SCTC Student of the Year.

Kopke has been a dedicated SCTC student since her arrival on campus in the fall of 2015 and she will be graduating this May with an Associate of Arts in business.

Kopke was selected as the 2019 SCTC Student of the Year based on a combination of her consistently stellar GPA, her involvement in the American Indian Higher Education Consortium (AIHEC) Critical Inquiry Team, and the numerous awards received at the various colleges she has attended.

Her future plans include pursuing a bachelor’s degree in hospitality with a minor in Native American studies from Michigan State University. Eventually, she

would like to work as an advocate for Native youth after graduation.

She will be attending AIHEC 2019 to compete with the Critical Inquiry Team, and she will be recognized as SCTC Student of the Year at their formal banquet.

“Sydnee is a pleasure to have in my classes,” said Quana Hoffman, SCTC full-time business instructor. “I can always count on her to give 100 percent effort in everything she does. She also consistently adds value to class discussions.”

Every spring, the Coca-Cola Foundation, in conjunction with the AICF, awards a Coca-Cola Scholar. One SCTC student was rewarded for her years of hard work and dedication to her education.

Lynette Smith began her journey at SCTC in the fall of 2013. With a declared major of liberal arts, she worked tirelessly until she obtained her associate degree in May 2017. That wasn’t the end of her journey,

however; she came back the next fall to begin work toward her second associate degree in Native American studies.

Smith will be receiving her second degree from SCTC this May. Throughout her time here, she has managed to maintain a solid GPA while racking up more than 400 hours of volunteer work with the Seventh Generation Cultural Center.

Lynette was awarded a \$5,000 scholarship and will be announced as a Coca-Cola Scholar at AIHEC 2019.

In addition to the Student of the Year and Coca-Cola Scholar Awards, we would also like to honor those students who displayed academic excellence in Fall 2018.

The President’s List (4.0 GPA) included Christian Jackson, Nia Lewis, Alexandria Otto, Lynette Smith, Alexandria Sprague and Jeannie Snyder. Those recognized received a \$250 scholarship.

SCTC STEAM Student Organization

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Friday, April 12
11 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Eagles Nest Tribal Gym Kitchen

Menu:

- Bowl of chili, fry bread or a blanket dog, and a drink: \$7
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- Fry bread: \$3
- Bowl of chili: \$4
- Drink: \$1

For more information, please contact:
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SCTC STEAM Student Organization

Celebrating EARTH MONTH

Wednesday, April 10
12:15 - 1:15 p.m.
SCTC East Building, Room 6

Presenter: Taylor Brook
Watershed Outreach Coordinator

- Earth Day presentation
- Making green products

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Soaring Eagle hosts the charismatic, high-energy comedy of Dane Cook

MATTHEW WRIGHT
Staff Writer

On March 8, the Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort hosted the hilarious, high-energy stand-up talent of comedian and actor Dane Cook. Laughs

filled the Entertainment Hall throughout the sold-out show. Cook gained popularity during the early 2000s with his over-the-top, enthusiastic blend of physical comedy and storytelling.

One of the first noticeable aspects of his style is his strong, charismatic and

commanding stage presence. His comedy is ‘in-your-face,’ it demands being listened to.

His career includes numerous HBO and Comedy Central special and six comedy albums. His debut album “Harmful If Swallowed” reached platinum status.

In 2006, his second album “Retaliation” debuted at No. 4 on the Billboard 200 list. The album would go on to achieve double platinum status and become the highest charting comedy album in 28 years.

Cook’s film career includes starring alongside Jessica Simpson in “Employee of the Month,” Steve Carell in “Dan in Real Life” and with Jessica Alba in “Good Luck Chuck.” He also hosted two “Saturday Night Live” episodes amid 2005-2006.

The set began with an entertaining account of being recognized in the supermarket. It included self-reflection on his two-decade career span, aging and the funny ways people react when meeting celebrities in person.

He shared stories and hilarious observations revolving around a variety of topics including dealing with a stalker, online dating and the different ways in which men and women approach arguments.

Hollywood-based stand-up comedian Brian Monarch opened the night with a short, but hilarious set.

For more information about upcoming shows, please visit the Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort website at www.soaringeaglecasino.com.



Observer photo by Matthew Wright

The hilarious antics of comedian Dane Cook were on full display during his March 8 sold-out show at the Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort.



Observer photo by Matthew Wright

Stand-up comedian Brian Monarch took to the Entertainment Hall’s stage prior to Cook.

JOB FAIR

Summer Concert Series

SEASONAL STAFF

Tuesday, April 23, 2019

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Recreation Department hosts annual Luau on March 18

MATTHEW WRIGHT

Staff Writer

The annual Recreation Luau transformed the Eagles Nest Tribal Gym into a tropical paradise on March 18.

A feast featuring a whole roasted pig was prepared by the Soaring Eagle Food and Beverage department. Prizes were awarded for contestants playing games including hula hoop and limbo.

Observer photos by Matthew Wright





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*Winnie and Levi Sturgeon preparing splints on Bkejwanong Territory, Walpole Island First Nation, Ontario, Canada
Image credit: Volney H. Jones papers, HS 18249, Bentley Historical Library, University of Michigan*

This exhibition of basketry was created by generations of Anishinaabek basket makers. The baskets provide both practical use and artistic beauty. The exhibit title references the history of these baskets and the people who created and used them. The title also honors the partnership between the exhibition creators: the University of Michigan Museum of Anthropological Archaeology, Ziibiwing Center of Anishinabe Culture & Lifeways, Lisa Young (Lecturer, U-M Department of Anthropology) and students in the course Museum Anthropology (Anthro 497). This partnership was born from working with each other to repatriate our ancestors from the University of Michigan under the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act.

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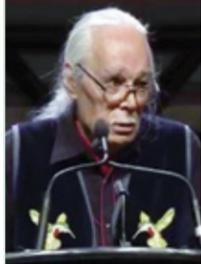
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Onaubinisay (Walks Above the Ground), Elder Jim Dumont, (Ojibway-Anishinabe of the Marten Clan - originally from the Shawanaga First Nation on Eastern Georgian Bay) is the Chief of the Eastern Doorway of the Three Fires Midewiwin Lodge. He was a professor of Native Studies at the University of Sudbury of Laurentian University for 25 years (1975 to 2000) and is one of the founders of its Native Studies Department. During his tenure, Jim created and taught courses in Tradition and Culture, Native Psychology, Native Way of Seeing, Native Education, and Issues of Indigenous Peoples in the International Context.



Tara Zhaabowekwe Houska (Couchiching First Nation Anishinaabe) is a tribal attorney, the National Campaigns Director of Honor the Earth, and a former advisor on Native American affairs to Bernie Sanders. She advocates on behalf of tribal nations at the local, state, federal and international levels on a wide range of issues impacting indigenous peoples. Tara spent six months on the frontlines in North Dakota fighting the Dakota Access Pipeline, and is heavily engaged in the movement to defund fossil fuels and a years-long struggle against Enbridge's Line 3 pipeline.

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Editorial: Ziibiwing Center hosts Cultural Pride in the Workplace Fashion Show

ESTHER HELMS

Contributing Writer

Although it is not an official public holiday, National Employee Appreciation Day is celebrated in both the United States and Canada. The first Friday in March is set aside for companies to recognize the hard work of their employees and offer them thanks.

National Employee Appreciation Day was created in 1995 by Bob Nelson, a founding board member of Recognition Professional International, who is considered one of the world's leading experts on employee motivation and performance.

He has sold five million books on management and motivation, worked with 80 percent of the Fortune 500



Courtesy of Esther Helms

All models pose to wrap up the March 1 Cultural Pride in the Workplace fashion show fundraiser at the Ziibiwing Center.

companies and made presentations on six continents.

Tasha Beeds is a professor and Ph.D. candidate in Indigenous Studies in Ontario. Of Nêhiyaw ancestry, she is a second degree Midewiwin member of the

Minweyweywaan Lodge out of Roseau River (Manitoba), Minn. and Wiikwemkoong Unceded Reserve.

Beeds is a published writer, survivor, scholar and water walker. She has a tremendous story of courage and survival that was made possible through her son, her friend Liz Osawamick, and her Indigenous culture.

On her Facebook page she shared these thoughts on wearing indigenous clothing on a regular basis: "Wearing distinctly Indigenous earrings, jackets, pins, shoes, pants, hats, shirts, any form of contemporary or traditional Indigenous design and fashion in our day-to-day lives... is an act of public acknowledgement to our own people's resistance, survival, intellect, ingeniousness and creativity."

In recognition of National Employee Appreciation Day on Friday, March 1, the Ziibiwing Center held a Cultural Pride in the Workplace Fashion Show and Soup Fundraiser.

At the fashion show fundraiser, participants were encouraged to show their culturally-inspired clothing on the catwalk at the lunchtime fashion show where there were fabulous prizes offered for the winners.

In addition to the fashion show, there was a soup fundraiser with proceeds given in support of the Saginaw Chippewa Round Dance held on March 8 and 9.

The top runway model prize winner was Christa Gomez who wore a Vera Hinmon buckskin dress, Lisa Kennedy cape and her own beadwork.

Melissa Isaac modeled a floral applique blazer, an Angel Starr beaded medallion by Ruby MacArthur, dentillium necklace by Russwear, and Washington floral earrings by Kendra Eaglestar of Rhode Island.

Nathan Isaac's shirt was adorned with an applique by Melissa Isaac. He made his smoked elk hide lanyard himself.

Cecilia Stevens wore a Kukum scarf by Kasey Perez, abalone shell earrings by Lois Dockery, and a beadwork lanyard by Samantha Two Crow.

Lisa Tiger wore a Bethany Yellowtail designed dress and

Manitobah Mukluks. Her hand bag was a Glenna Jenkins creation.

Ziibiwing employees also supported the effort including Assistant Director Judy Pamp, who wore a ribbon skirt and floral print boots. Her belt, necklace, earrings and jingle dancer hand bag were created by Adam Avery.

Robin Spencer, research center specialist, wore a ribbon skirt of her own making, a Ziibiwing staff shirt with beaded collar, beaded and porcupine quill earrings and a beaded amulet bag created by Lupe Guerro.

The soups were fabulous. Mary Graveratte provided a beautiful bean soup. Aaron Chivis brought a scrumptious white chicken chili. Darlene Basner provided hamburger vegetable soup made with the Church of the Nazarene's recipe. Ambrosia Stevens brought a delicious corn chowder with chicken.

The soups were served by none other than a world-renowned stage and film actress, Kateri Walker.

Walker is a member of the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe and has received many awards for her performances. She has appeared with the likes of Kevin Costner and Lou Diamond Phillips, to name a few.

She is also an award-winning jingle dress dancer and danced at the grand opening of the Smithsonian Museum of the American Indian in Washington, D.C. She has also given presentations on the subjects of sacred medicines and sacred journeys.

In attendance was Angela ThunderHawk who was in town to give a workshop at Ziibiwing on creating star quilts.

ThunderHawk is a well accomplished quilt maker who is a member of the Gun Lake



Courtesy of Esther Helms

Christa Gomez walks down the runway modeling a Vera Hinmon buckskin dress, a Lisa Kennedy cape and her own beadwork.

Band of Pottawatomi. She has been quilting since the age of 8 or 9 having learned the art from her grandmother and other tribal community elders.

ThunderHawk creates approximately 100 star quilts yearly and even made one for President Barack Obama. For photos from the workshop, visit the Ziibiwing Center's Facebook page.

The fashion show and fundraiser was another fabulously fun and culturally-enhancing community event that was enjoyed by all in attendance.

Miigwetch to everyone who participated in any way. For more photos, please visit Ziibiwing's Facebook page.



Courtesy of Esther Helms

Melissa Isaac walks down the runway showcasing Anishinabe culture and attire including her floral applique blazer and beaded medallion.

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- Help set up and break down all afterschool programming sessions with the help of Youth Program Coordinator.
- Attend weekend adventure outings with Project Venture students and staff. Assist students with activities.
- Learn how to facilitate Project Venture afterschool sessions with the Youth Program Coordinator.
- Work on special events and service projects with Tribal Youth.
- Set up events that promote Project Venture – help educate the community.

Who can be a Project Venture volunteer?

- Anyone 16 years or older can apply.
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Michigan residents encouraged to take steps to prevent poisonings in their homes

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

LANSING – Last year, the Michigan Regional Poison Control Center responded to more than 60,000 calls related to potential poisonings; 46 percent involving children under the age of six.

To raise awareness of the dangers of potentially poisonous

medicines and chemicals, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services joined the Michigan Regional Poison Control Center as they had recognized March 17-23 as National Poison Prevention Week.

More than 2 million poisonings are reported each year to the nation's poison centers.

According to the American Association of Poison Control Centers, approximately 90 percent of poisonings happen at home.

“By educating Michigan residents about preventative measures they can take, we can help keep our environments and loved ones safe,” said MDHHS Director Robert Gordon. “But, if needed, calling poison control can help Michiganders manage their exposures to poison wisely, with nearly 47 percent of calls managed at home without requiring medical intervention.”

Residents should follow preventative measures to

reduce the risk of poisonings, including:

- Keep all chemicals, including medications, out of the reach of children.
- Carefully read the labels and dosages on all products before using.
- Keep products in their original containers.
- Do not mix chemicals.
- Have a working carbon monoxide detector in your home.
- Program the National Poison Control number in your

phone – 800-222-1222.

To learn more about ways to keep people of all ages safe and help prevent poisonings, visit the Poison Help website at PoisonHelp.hrsa.gov. To view materials in Spanish, visit PoisonHelpEspanol.hrsa.gov.

In the event of a poison emergency, contact the Michigan Poison Control Center at 800-222-1222. If someone is unconscious or has trouble breathing, call 911 immediately.

Include family health history knowledge during traditional storytelling

(Editor's note: The following information is provided by Michigan Department of Health and Human Services Cancer Genomics Program and the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan, Inc. This information has been submitted to the Tribal Observer by Margaret Steslicki, director of the Nimkee Medical Clinic, in hopes to share this material with the community. The Nimkee Clinic is participating in a tribal colon-rectal cancer grant through Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan in collaboration with MDHHS and Centers for Disease Control



and Prevention. Steslicki wishes to remind readers the importance on knowing family medical history and talking to a primary health care provider so the information becomes part of each patient's medical record.)

Cancer, diabetes and heart disease don't have to be a death sentence in Native American communities. Knowing and

sharing your family history, along with early screening, may prevent or delay the onset of disease for you and your family members.

Traditional storytelling: Sharing a message of wellness Your family holds you in honor and the highest esteem. When telling stories of past generations and sharing your wisdom, be sure to include your health history. In this way, you can help your family members have a healthier future.

Family members share many of the same genes, lifestyles and environments – these are the factors that determine your health. Keep your identity present in the health of your family.

What can you do?

1. Talk about it.

Follow the oral tradition of storytelling.

- Let your family know that diseases like cancer, diabetes and heart disease can run in families.
- Talk about where your family members lived, what they ate and their life activities.
- Tell the stories about what health conditions are in your family and how old your family members were diagnosed and/or when they walked on.

2. Listen. Ask. Write it down.

- Listen to the stories of your family members and elders.
- Record your family's health history. To download a form to make a family tree, go to familyhistory.hhs.gov.
- Update your family tree information as changes happen.
- Try to include information on at least three generations of family members.

3. Pass it on.

- Share the oral tradition of storytelling with your doctor.
- Ask whether you need to be screened for cancer, diabetes and heart disease.
- Share what you learn from your doctor with your children and others in your family.

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 is 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 visually 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 and screening testing (contract lab, bone marrow biopsy, EEG, endoscopy, colonoscopy/sigmoidoscopy, radiologic testing (MRI, CT, ultrasound), health promotion/disease prevention, immunizations, mammography (diagnostic), pap smears, GYN-colonoscopy, area of program specific objectives, non-emergency surgery for “high risk categories”, tubal ligation (post-partum and 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 did not 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 the Managed Care team, Health Board and Tribal Council.

What stories do you tell?

Look for these signs when talking about your family's health history:

- A blood relative who had cancer before age 50
- Two or more blood relatives with the same or related cancers (example: breast and ovarian, colon and uterine) on one side of the family

- Two or more generations affected with cancer
- Any blood relative who had two or more separate cancers (example: breast and ovarian)
- A male blood relative with breast cancer
- Heart attacks before age 55 in a man or age 65 in a woman
- Sudden unexplained death under age 40

Chronic diseases such as diabetes, high blood pressure, high cholesterol or osteoporosis

For more information, MDHHS Cancer Genomics Program is available at MDHHS-CancerGenomics@michigan.gov and Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan, Inc. is available at info@itcmi.org

Dress in Blue Day for Colorectal Cancer Awareness



Observer photo by Matthew Wright

Nimkee Medical staff recognize Dress in Blue Day on March 1 for Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month. Colon cancer affects men and women equally, with 90 percent of new cases occurring in people age 50 or older. For more information, please contact a primary care provider or visit www.cancer.org. For more information about Nimkee Clinic's Colorectal Screening Program, please contact Twila at 989-775-4681 or Jamie at 989-775-4638.



Environmental Nutrition presents: Sweet potatoes versus white potatoes

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(Editor's note: The following article has been provided by the March 2019 Environmental Nutrition and submitted by Sally Van Cise, MPH, RD, nutritionist at the Nimkee Clinic.)

Red or white, both types of potato contain nutrition and flavor.

Sweet potatoes have long been labeled as the “superheroes” of the tuber family while white potatoes are the “villains.” But... is this really the case?

Let's take a look at the benefits of sweet potatoes vs. potatoes as compiled by University Health News.

Origin and History: First, let's look at the origins and history of these two vegetables.

The Incas in Peru, between 8,000 BC and 5,000 BC, were the first to cultivate potatoes and then the Spanish conquistadors brought the tuber plants to Europe in 1536, and they were introduced to Ireland in 1589. The Europeans then introduced the potato to North America, where they spread slowly throughout the northern colonies.

Because potatoes resembled plants from the nightshade family, people were slow to warm

up to this nutritious vegetable, so it wasn't until the 1800s that they became a popular food.

There are more than 200 varieties of potatoes available throughout the United States, and each is placed in one of seven categories: russet, red, white, yellow, blue/purple, fingerling, and petite.

Another 4,000 edible potato varieties can be found primarily in South America.

When it comes to the origins of sweet potatoes, it is important to note that technically, they aren't actually potatoes. Sweet potatoes are from the morning glory plant family, while the white potato is from the Solanum (nightshade) tuberosum family.

Like white potatoes, sweet potatoes originated in Central and South America.

In all, there are 6,500 sweet potato varieties, with skin colors varying from white to red and flesh colors from orange to purple. The orange-fleshed varieties are most popular in the U.S.

The Good, the bad, and the tasty: You've probably heard that eating white potatoes may cause you to gain weight or negatively affect your blood sugar levels, but according to medical experts, it's how you eat them that matters most.

Although white potatoes can be cooked in different ways, the American diet is strongly defined by its love for fried potatoes, which may make them an unpopular choice for people who are looking to eat a healthier diet.

If you eat them baked or broiled, however, and if you avoid fattening toppings such as cheese, sour cream, or bacon, the benefits of potatoes can outweigh the risks.

Here are some good reasons to put white potatoes back into your diet if you've been avoiding them:

- They keep you satiated longer than other complex carbs. According to a recent study, participants were more satisfied consuming potatoes with meat than with rice or pasta and they had a lower calorie intake overall for the participants.

- They are a good source of resistant starch. When digested, white potatoes pass through the large intestine where it can feed on the good bacteria in your gut. This is beneficial for blood sugar control and insulin sensitivity.

- They provide antioxidants. White potatoes are a good source of antioxidants such as flavonoids, carotenoids, and phenolic acids, which can help neutralize free radicals and help prevent cancer, heart disease, and other chronic conditions.

Potato Cooking Tips

Here are some tips you can use at home and while eating out to make sure your potatoes are both delicious and healthy:

- Avoid frying them. As mentioned earlier, steaming, boiling, or roasting potatoes will result in a lower calorie and fat content than if you eat them fried.
- Choose healthier toppings. Instead of loading them up with butter, bacon, cheddar cheese, and sour cream, try topping your potatoes with Greek yogurt, broccoli, honey, or vegetable chili.
- Avoid processed potato products. Potato chips and instant mashed potatoes often contain too much salt, fat, and/or preservatives.
- Leave the skins on. Not only do they add flavor to your potato dishes, the skins also contain additional fiber and other nutrients.

Sweet potatoes, on the other hand, are a great choice for people with diabetes or for those at risk of developing diabetes because of their low-to-medium glycemic index (depending on whether they're eaten with the skin on or off), which means they won't make your blood sugar levels spike as much as white potatoes.

Here are some other reasons to choose sweet potatoes:

- They are a good source of manganese. This mineral is good for bone development, metabolism, and vitamin absorption.

- They are loaded with magnesium. Known as the “great relaxation mineral,” magnesium can help with blood sugar

management, blood pressure, and metabolism.

- They fight inflammation. In addition to the abundant amount of vitamin A found in the orange-fleshed varieties, the purple sweet potato varieties are a good source of anthocyanin, which contains anti-inflammatory properties.

The Verdict: It's clear that both plants may have their pros and cons, but it all comes down to your preference in taste and your individual health goals.

What appears to be most important, though, is that they're consumed in moderation. It is best to find healthy ways to incorporate both of them into your diet and discuss your individual needs and concerns with your doctor

Editorial: What is wellness coaching, available at Nimkee Fitness?

JAYME GREEN

Nimkee Fitness Coordinator

(Editor's note: Jayme Green of the Nimkee Fitness Center sent the following email out for all Nimkee Fitness eligible community members and Tribal employees.)

What is the wellness coaching available at Nimkee Fitness Center?

Coaching is used when you, the client, want to make a change in your well-being lifestyle, but find it difficult to

make things happen. You have knowledge, but just feel stuck, not able to be your best self.

With coaching, we work together – you do most of the talking. You tell me your dream of what you want. I ask some questions to help you think more about yourself – your strengths, your past successes, your challenges, and maybe how you have overcome those challenges in the past. I will reflect back to you what you have said, so you can see your thoughts a bit better.

The sessions are relaxed, and fun. They are about you and your

visions. As your coach, I help you clarify and progress towards realizing your dreams.

The first session will be an hour. During this time, we discover your dreams and visions, as well as establish your three-month goals. These goals act as guidelines, to help you stay focused on attaining your dream. These goals are flexible, and can be changed.

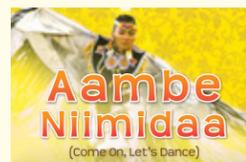
The following sessions are 45 minutes each; we review your experiences, brainstorm, and plan for your next steps.

Email me at jgreen@sagchip.org to set up an appointment!

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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10 a.m.		Elders Time Sharon		Elders Time Sharon	
11 a.m.	L.I.F.E. Jaden		L.I.F.E. Jaden		
12:10 p.m.		L.I.F.E. Jaden		Suspension Training - Jayme	L.I.F.E. Jaden
1:10 p.m.	M.E.L.T. Jayme		Turbo Kick Beth		
2 p.m.		Aambe Niimidaa (Let's Dance) Miigwans			
5:10 p.m.		Yoga Tammy		Yoga Tammy	

Nimkee Fitness

April Group Exercise Classes



Aambe Niimidaa
(Come On, Let's Dance)

Begins Tuesday, April 2

2 p.m. | Nimkee Fitness Center

- Continues every Tuesday at 2 p.m.
- Taught by the talented Miigwans Smith
- **Contact:** 989.775.4696 or jgreen@sagchip.org



BEGIN: Beginner Exercisers
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Tribal Court, Nimkee Clinic offer clients information on medically assisted treatment

JOSEPH V. SOWMICK

Healing to Wellness Family
Court Project Director

The Tribal Court has been an access point for health services through Healing to Wellness since 2013. With the support of a landmark five year grant from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), the Tribal Court has partnered with Nimkee Memorial Wellness Center to offer medically assisted treatment on site.

By SAMHSA definition, medically assisted treatment is the use of FDA approved medications, in combination with counseling and behavioral therapies, to provide a “whole patient” approach to treat substance use disorders. There are three forms including: vivitrol, suboxone and methodone.

Margaret Steslicki, medical director for the Nimkee Clinic, said the goal of a medically assisted program is to provide safe and effective treatment while improving the quality of life for patients who suffer from substance use disorders.

“Nimkee Medical Clinic providers have been prescribing vivitrol for the Tribal community since 2010. Initially, Vivitrol was utilized to assist with outpatient alcohol treatment however it has since been expanded for use for opioid dependence,” Steslicki said. “Every patient is different and must be carefully assessed by

the medical provider in conjunction with the therapist to determine which form of treatment is best for them.”

John Pattison, family nurse practitioner for the Tribal Court, provides medically assisted treatment for clients of the Healing to Wellness Program only and has an office located at D-106 in the Public Health area.

While an initial appointment with Pattison for medically assisted treatment may sound like the most feasible choice for those with a substance use disorder, there are many steps that need to be taken before treatment medications like suboxone can take place.

“Nimkee Clinic currently has (medically assistant treatment) waived physicians and physician assistants but not an established program to provide medications like suboxone at this time. The first (treatment) provided by Nimkee clinic is vivitrol,” Pattison said. “It is important to understand that if a Nimkee patient is started on a medication like suboxone from a treatment facility or addiction specialist, they should follow their instructions for follow up.”

Pattison said patients will be given a meeting for counseling and often follow up with a provider.

“Patients should get in touch with their counseling provider as soon as possible, since this is an important treatment... for substance use disorder,” Pattison said. “The patient

should also contact a provider for suboxone as soon as possible for follow up care. Treatment centers who initiate this type of medication provide a list of substance use disorder health professionals to follow up with for medication and necessary individual counseling.”

Tribal Court Judge Patrick Shannon provides the coordination of a multi-departmental Healing to Wellness committee that meets every Monday morning.

Shannon said clients must be evaluated for appropriateness in the Healing to Wellness Program before receiving treatment from the nurse practitioner.

“(Medically assisted treatment) is a not a new response to the opioid crisis but an acceptance of the of use of medical treatment to a disease similar to the use of the medical and nursing theory to a disease like diabetes and high blood pressure where medicine is used,” Shannon said. “Because of the recognition that (substance use) is a treatable disease, we can confront the opioid crisis with a tool that is measured with success.”

Shannon said with the leadership of Tribal Council, the court is able to help your fellow Tribal Members with the medical and nursing assistance needed in this life taking crisis.

“Our use of medically assisted treatment – whether by vivitrol or suboxone – is not taken lightly,” Shannon said. “One must first be accepted to

one of the Tribal Court programs either in the adult or family and complete the rigorous regiments. This is not easy but a path to a sober and a drug-free life with a goal of the preservation of life. Too many lives have been lost. It is the commitment of your Tribal Council that the well-being of each member is to be respected and preserved through the use of (treatment) and other Tribal resources including Nimkee, Behavioral Health, law enforcement, spiritual renewal, and educational resources.”

Shannon commended the efforts of both Tribal Council and the Grants department for their support of the Healing to Wellness adult, family and juvenile programs.

“The Tribe has successfully sought and received federal funding for these programs which have saved lives and improved the lives of numerous Tribal Members,” Shannon said. “As I mentioned recently to our clients in our last HTW court session, each Tribal life is to be respected and preserved.”

Pattison is in association with Recovery Pathways and nationally-acclaimed physician, Dr. William Morrone.

“Dr. Morrone is a tremendous resource for the family court grant and often conducts the first assessment for (substance use disorder) before initiating any treatment medically,” Pattison said. “With the grant, we are also in consultation with Dr.



Courtesy of Joseph Sowmick

John Pattison, Healing to Wellness nurse practitioner, offers a demo on Lifesize telehealth equipment now available at the Nimkee Clinic.

Morrone through newly-purchased telehealth equipment located right at Nimkee for convenience of the patient.”

Pattison said Nimkee Memorial Wellness Center is not an opioid treatment program.

“Synonymous with methadone clinics across the country, opioid treatment programs are federally regulated and patients are monitored daily with no medication leaving the facility,” Pattison said. “Nimkee currently has no program to prescribe methadone and does not have a plan in place to be equipped with capabilities of prescribing methadone as an option for (medically assisted treatment).”

Pattison and Morrone are also coordinating their treatment efforts with both Nimkee Pharmacy and Cardinal Pharmacy.

StrongHearts Native Helpline expands operating hours to better serve Native Americans impacted by domestic violence

**STRONGHEARTS
NATIVE HELPLINE**

EAGAN, Minn. – On its second year anniversary, the StrongHearts Native Helpline (1-844-7NATIVE) is announcing the expansion of its hours of operation, which are now 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. CST, seven days a week, in order to better serve those impacted by domestic violence and dating violence in tribal communities across the U.S.

Callers reaching out after hours have the option to connect with the National Domestic Violence Hotline (1-800-799-SAFE) by selecting option 1.

To date, the helpline has received more than 2,100 from victims, survivors, concerned family members and friends, service providers and more, helping to close a gap in culturally-appropriate resources for those facing abuse.

With the support from the National Domestic Violence Hotline, the National Indigenous Women’s Resource

Center, and the Family Violence Prevention and Services Program, StrongHearts has established its first call center located in Eagan, Minn.

With the expansion in services, StrongHearts has increased its staff of advocates in order to respond to callers, many of whom are seeking support as they navigate difficult barriers to justice and safety.

Trained with a strong understanding of tribal cultures, sovereignty, and law, advocates offer free, peer-to-peer support and a connection to local, culturally appropriate resources.

“After hearing from so many tribes and advocates about their community needs, we are so pleased to expand our operating hours to better serve Native victims of relationship abuse,” said StrongHearts Assistant Director Lori Jump (Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians). “Domestic violence impacts our relatives every hour of every day, so it’s critical for us to be available as much as possible. Yet, we also understand we can’t do this work alone. We are honored

to be working alongside tribal advocates and programs doing this good work to help Native people seek lives that are free of abuse.”

Domestic violence remains a severe issue in tribal communities, where half of Native American women and a third of Native men have experienced physical abuse by an intimate partner in their lifetime, according to a study by the National Institute of Justice (NIJ). The study also found for those who had experienced violence, more than a third of Native women and more than one in six Native men were unable to access the services they needed, such as shelters, legal advocacy and medical services.

“When victims can’t access services, more specifically, services that understand their unique worldview and culture, it leaves little room for healing and restoration,” Jump said. “Our people are strong and resilient, but it is crucial that we create spaces where survivors of violence feel safe and empowered to make the best decisions

for themselves and their families along their healing journey, wherever it leads. We are here for our relatives. No one should have to face violence alone.”

Created by and for American Indians and Alaska Natives across the United States, the helpline is a free, culturally-appropriate and

confidential service dedicated to serving Native Americans affected by domestic violence and dating violence. Callers speak one-on-one with knowledgeable StrongHearts advocates who can provide peer-to-peer support and referrals to resources to help callers find safety and healing.

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Common consumer scams to be aware of

(Editor's note: This following information has been provided by consumerfinance.gov and Andahwod Continued Care and Elders Services.)

The following are some common scams to be aware of.

If you become a victim of a scam or identity theft, District One Elders' Case Management Services can assist with any phone calls or letters that are involved in reporting to banks, credit card companies, Social Security, the attorney general or the police.

When identity theft happens, it can be an overwhelming experience, but Elder's Services will walk through this experience with you.

Relative in need: Someone who pretends to be a family member or friend calls or emails you to say they are in trouble and need you to wire money right away.

Charity appeals: You get a call or letter from someone

asking for money for a fake charity-either the charity does not exist or the charity did not make the call or write to you.

Lottery or Sweepstakes: You get a call or email that you have a chance to win a lot of money through a foreign country's sweepstakes or lottery. The caller will offer tips about how to win if you pay a fee or buy something. Or the caller or email says you already won and you must give your bank account information or pay a fee to collect your winnings.

Home improvement: Scammers take money for repairs and then they never return to do the work or they do bad work. Sometimes they break something to create more work or they say that things need work when they don't.

Free lunch: Scammers invite you to a free lunch and seminar, and then pressure you to give them information

about your money, and to invest the money with them. They offer you "tips" or "guaranteed returns."

Free tip: Scammers say you've won a free trip but they ask for a credit card number or advance cash to hold the reservation.

Government money: You get a call or letter that seems to be from a government agency. Scammers say that if you give a credit card number or send a money order, you can apply for government help with housing, home repairs, utilities or taxes.

Drug plans: Scammers pretend they are with Medicare prescription drug plans, and try to sell Medicare discount drug cards that are not valid. Companies with Medicare drug plans are not allowed to send unsolicited mail, emails, or phone calls.

Identity theft: Scammers steal personal information -such as a name, date of

birth, Social Security number, account number, and mother's maiden name- and use the information to open credit cards or get a mortgage in someone else's name.

Fake "official" mail: Scammers send letters or e-mails that look like they are

from a legitimate bank, business, or agency to try to get your personal information or bank account number.

Source: Help For Representative Payees and VA Fiduciaries, p. 17, consumerfinance.gov

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Monday, May 13, 2019

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Andahwod celebrates St. Patrick's Day



Photos courtesy of Tomarrah Green

Andahwod celebrated St. Patrick's Day on March 15. The party was co-sponsored by Central Michigan University's Adopt-a-Grandparent Program. A total of 26 residents and students attended the party which featured crafts, shamrock cookie decorating, table games and green punch.

April 2019 Tribal Elder Birthdays

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| 1 Willard Chapoton III
David James
Carla Sineway
Joseph Smith Jr. | 15 Laurie Jackson
Paula Howlett
Marietta Stanley |
| 2 Mike Frank | 16 Debra House
Russell Stevens |
| 3 Peggy Harris
Sharon Matthews
Robert Sharon
Christine Bird
William Bouck
Mary North
Laura Yoder | 17 Jon Bennett Jr.
Wanda Lautner |
| 4 Nathan Childers
Judy Jackson | 18 Zilda Jackson |
| 5 Kimi Alani
Barbara Poulos
Westbrook Shawboose
Domonic Stone | 19 Valerie Moore
Kermit Paul Jr.
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| 12 Randolph Holy-Day | 25 Brenda Franco |
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Ronald Jackson
Carolyn O'Neal
Teresa Reyes |
| 14 Rena Bird
William Quayle Jr.
Michael Salgat | 27 Catherine Jackson
Marie Kequom
Alta Arroyo
Jovain Shawboose
Linda Smith |
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April Andahwod events

Euchre & Potluck
Mondays | 6 p.m.

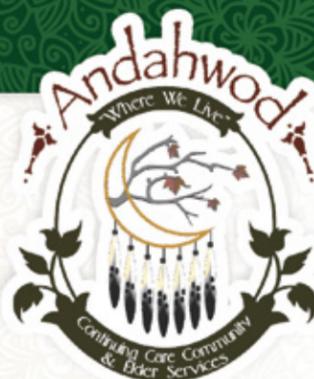
Language Bingo
April 4 | 1 - 3 p.m.

Bingo with Friends
April 8 | 1 - 3 p.m.

Sewing with Friends
April 9 & 23 | 1 - 6 p.m.

Elders Breakfast
April 10 & 24 | 9-10 a.m.

Name That Tune
April 16 | 2:30 - 3:30 p.m.



**Activities and events are subject to change.

For more information, please call: 989.775.4300



APRIL 2019 | Tribal Community Event Planner

Maple Sugar Making

April 1 | 5 - 7 p.m.
 • Seventh Generation
 • 989.775.4780

Celebrating Earth Month Luncheon

April 2 | 12 - 1 p.m.
 • SCTC East Building, Room 6
 • 989.317.4760 ext. 228

Free Auricular (Ear) Acupuncture

April 3, 17 | 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.
 • Saginaw Tribal Center
 • 989.775.4895 or 989.775.5850

April 4, 11, 18, 25 | 4 - 6 p.m.
 • Behavioral Health
 • 989.775.4895

Drums Out: Singing for Fun

April 3, 10, 17, 24 | 6 - 8 p.m.
 • Seventh Generation Blue House

Community Sewing Night

April 4, 11, 18, 25 | 5 - 8 p.m.
 • Seventh Generation

Celebrating Earth Month Presentation

April 10 | 12:15 - 1:15 p.m.
 • SCTC East Building, Room 6

SCTC Chili & Fry Bread Fundraiser

April 12 | 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.
 • Eagles Nest Tribal Gym Kitchen

Pancake Fundraiser

April 12 | 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.
 • Seventh Generation
 • 989.775.4780
 • All proceeds go towards the People's Powwow

Portable Planetarium & Egg Hunt

April 13 | 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.
 • Eagles Nest Tribal Gym
 • 989.317.4760 ext. 228
 • Hosting the the Midland Center for The Arts' Portable Planetarium from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.
 • Easter Egg Hunt begins at 10 a.m.
 • Registration for egg hunt ends April 10
 • Please bring a bag of candy per child

Lunch & Learn: Alcohol Awareness Month

April 15 | 12 - 1 p.m.
 • Saginaw Chippewa Tribal College
 • 989.775.4818

Bimaadziwin: Balancing Our life with the Environment

April 16 | 5:30 - 8:30 p.m.
 • 7th Generation Ceremonial Building
 • 989.775.4162 or 989.775.4786
 • Learn how to can make sustainable decisions that have a positive impact on Mother Earth.
 • Dinner provided: Healthy plant-based and vegetarian meal

Little Red Swamps Lacrosse Clinic

April 15, 22, 29 & May 2 | 5:30 p.m.
 • Eagles Nest Tribal Gym
 • JUpdegraff@sagchip.org
 • Open to ages 3-6, with guardian participation
 • Cost: \$10 per child (includes stick and T-shirt)

Maamwi-jiiibaakweng Wii Mno-maadiseng: Cooking Together for the Good Life

April 23 | 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
 • 7th Generation Ceremonial Building
 • 989.775.4162 or 989.775.4786
 • Try out some sustainable, delicious, and easy to prepare snacks and meals!

Internet Safety

April 24 | 12 - 1 p.m.
 • Mid-Michigan Community College
 • 989.775.4810
 • Presenter: Brian Lucha, community service trooper
 • Free event, lunch provided
 • Topics include: danger signs of predators, giving out personal information, local examples of children being targeted by predators, grooming process of predators, and the internet and human trafficking

Tree Giveaway

April 25 | 3 - 7 p.m.
 April 26 | 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. (or until trees are gone)
 • Planning/Housing
 • 989.775.4014

Saginaw Tree Giveaway

April 29 | 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. (or until trees are gone)
 • Saginaw Tribal Center
 • 989.775.4014

Healing to Wellness Ribbon Cutting

April 29 | 1 - 2 p.m.
 • Tribal Court lobby
 • Celebrating new location
 • Please join us for cake and refreshments.

Reservation Household Clean Up

May 18 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
 • Drop-off location: To be announced soon.
 • Accepting normal household items that do not pose a threat to Mother Earth.
 • Items not accepted: tires, refrigerators/freezers, microwave ovens, computers/screens, TVs, oil, paint, chemicals, batteries, cell phones, fluorescent light bulbs, pesticides/herbicides.
 • Event for Tribal Members only, Tribal ID required

APRIL 2019 | Tribal Community Calendar

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat./Sun.
1 Drop-in Group B. Health 5:30 p.m. Women's Traditions Society B. Health 5 - 6:30 p.m. Euchre and Potluck Andahwod 6 - 8 p.m.	2 Open Gym Tribal Gym 5 - 7 p.m. Ogitchedaw Meeting Seniors Room 6 - 8:30 p.m. Anishinaabemowin Learning ALRD 6 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous B. Health 7 p.m.	3 Traditional Teachings Saganing 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Talking Circle Saganing 5 - 6 p.m.	4 Language Bingo Andahwod 1 - 3 p.m. 12-Step Meditation Group B. Health 7 - 9 p.m. Anishinaabemowin Learning ALRD 6 p.m. FAN Support Group Seniors Room 7 - 8:30 p.m.	5 Drop-in Group B. Health 11:30 a.m. Spirit Bear AA Meeting Andahwod 7 p.m.	6 Project Venture Canopy Walk Dow Gardens 12 p.m. 7 New Spirit AA Meeting B. Health 4 - 5 p.m. Powwow Conditioning 7th Generation 1 - 3 p.m.
8 Bingo with Friends Andahwod 1 - 3 p.m. Drop-in Group B. Health 5:30 p.m. Women's Traditions Society B. Health 5 - 6:30 p.m. Euchre and Potluck Andahwod 6 - 8 p.m.	9 Open Gym Tribal Gym 5 - 7 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous B. Health 7 p.m. Sewing with Friends Andahwod 1 p.m. Anishinaabemowin Learning ALRD 6 p.m.	10 Elders Breakfast Andahwod 9 - 10 a.m. Youth Council Meeting Tribal Ops 5 p.m.	11 12-Step Meditation Group B. Health 7 - 9 p.m. Anishinaabemowin Learning ALRD 6 p.m. Sacred Fire Lunch 7th Generation 12 p.m.	12 Drop-in Group B. Health 11:30 a.m. Spirit Bear AA Meeting Andahwod 7 p.m.	13 14 New Spirit AA Meeting B. Health 4 - 5 p.m. Powwow Conditioning 7th Generation 1 - 3 p.m.
15 Tribal Observer Deadline Drop-in Group B. Health 5:30 p.m. Euchre and Potluck Andahwod 6 - 8 p.m. ALRC Meeting Seniors Room 9 - 11 a.m.	16 Open Gym Tribal Gym 5 - 7 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous B. Health 7 p.m. Name That Tune Andahwod 2:30 p.m. Anishinaabemowin Learning ALRD 6 p.m.	17 Tribal Education Advisory Meeting 9 a.m. Talking Circle Saganing 5 - 6 p.m.	18 12-Step Meditation Group B. Health 7 - 9 p.m. Anishinaabemowin Learning ALRD 6 p.m. FAN Support Group Seniors Room 7 - 8:30 p.m.	19 Drop-in Group B. Health 11:30 a.m. Adopt-A-Highway Cleanup Saganing 9 a.m. Spirit Bear AA Meeting Andahwod 7 p.m.	20 Sacred Mother Earth Symposium Ziibiwing 8 a.m. 21 New Spirit AA Meeting B. Health 4 - 5 p.m. Powwow Conditioning 7th Generation 1 - 3 p.m.
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Tribal Observer Classifieds

To place your ad, call the Tribal Observer at 989-775-4010, Email observer@sagchip.org, visit our office in Tribal Operations or mail to Tribal Observer, Attn.: Classified, 7070 E. Broadway, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858. Please have all submissions and payment in by deadline. Classified rates are \$10 for 15 words or less and 75 cents per additional word. Any thumbnail image costs an additional \$15. **Apply to job postings online at www.sagchip.org. * Job postings are subject to change daily.**

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Tribal Operations

Clerical Pool

Must be at least 18 years of age and possess a high school diploma or equivalent. Clerical experience is preferred.

General Labor Pool

Must be at least 18 years of age and possess a high school diploma or equivalent. Must be physically fit and be able to perform manual labor.

Support Home Tech

Open to the public. Associate degree in social services, human services or related field. Two years social services or human services experience preferred.

Clinical Therapist

Open to the public. Master's degree in social work or counseling with focus on mental health. State of Michigan licensed counselor or social worker. Will consider limited license. Two years' experience in counseling.

Police Officer

Open to the public. High school diploma or GED. Must be a U.S. citizen and at least 21 years of age. Associate degree preferred. MCOLES certified or MCOLES certifiable. Must be able to pass departmental fitness evaluation.

Elementary Counselor - AWARE

Open to the public. Under the supervision of the Education director, serve as a strong critical link between students, parents and teachers to provide individual and group counseling services to students. Bachelor's degree in social work or counseling from an accredited program. One year experience in mental health services working with children

and families of children with severe emotional disturbances.

School Based Consulting Clinician - AWARE

Open to the public. Oversee daily operations of school-based consulting program including management of all funding sources. Master's degree in counseling, social work, human services, or related field. One year of experience in mental health services working with children and families of children with severe emotional disturbances.

Clinical Services Coordinator

Open to the public. Master's degree in counseling, social work, human services or related field. Full licensure is required. CAADC experience and license. Five years' clinical experience with co-occurring disorders. Three years supervisory experience. Must meet state required supervisor credential and certification.

Licensed Practical Nurse

Open to the public. High school diploma or GED. One year long term care experience preferred. License, certification, or special requirements: Successful completion of an accredited program for licensed practical nurses.

Certified Nursing Assistant

Open to the public. High school diploma or GED. One year nursing experience. Experience with older adults preferred. Must be able to effectively communicate with residents and all members of the health care team and have good computer skills. License, certification, or special requirements: State of Michigan Certified Nursing Assistant.

Strategic Grant Specialist

Open to the public. Bachelor's degree in business adminis-

tration, communication, economics, or related field. Three years' experience in grant writing and grant administration. An equivalent combination of education and directly related experience may be considered. Proficient and effective communication skills, computer experience, analytical, writing, organizational, interpersonal skills and Microsoft Office.

Water Quality Assistant

Open to the public. Associate degree, or actively pursuing a BS/BA in environmental, biology, chemistry, geology and or natural science. One year experience working with technical, biological, natural science, or other related field with practical experience preferred. Excellent communication and computer skills in word processing, database, and geographical information systems (GIS).

Technical Services Technician I

Open to the public. High school diploma or GED. Two years help desk experience or bachelor's degree in information technology, computer science, or related field. Experience with Windows Server and Desktop OS and Microsoft Office Suite.

Dentist

Open to the public. DDS/DMD degree from an accredited school. Licensed dentist. Two years working dentist experience preferred. Provide clinical diagnosis, evaluation, studies, and treatment services of professionally acceptable quantity and quality, in accordance with privileges granted.

Senior Treasury Analyst

Open to the public. Bachelor's degree in accounting, economics, finance, business administration or related field. Five years' experience in treasury investments, accounting, financial analysis and operations. Proficient with Microsoft Office Suite. Strong organizational, analytical and problem-solving skills.

Community Data, Planning & Special Projects Coordinator

Open to the public. Master's degree in social science, social work, public policy, community planning or related field. Minimum of five years' experience working within a tribal community. Minimum one year experience pursuing grant funding. Experience identifying, compiling and analyzing data to develop reports and make recommendations. Demonstrated analytical skills.

Manager of College Advancement

Open to the public. Bachelor's degree. Demonstrated experience with a comprehensive capital campaign. Eight years of development experience in a leadership or managerial role with increasing responsibility. Will be responsible for providing strategic senior leadership in the design and implementation of a comprehensive capital

campaign and other institutional advancement programs, including alumni relations initiatives.

HTW Court Case Manager

Open to the public. Bachelor's degree in social work, human services, administration or related field. CADC certification preferred or must obtain within two years. Two years' case management experience. Experience with substance abuse treatment protocols, the judicial and legal system. Experience related to the appropriate recipient population required. Experience with and knowledge of Native American traditions and culture preferred. Experience in working collaboratively across multiple organizations and community systems.

Soaring Eagle

Journeyman Plumber

Open to the public. Under the supervision of the Central Plant supervisor, maintain the plumbing infrastructure and related equipment on domestic, mechanical, sanitary and drainage systems.

Guest Room Attendant

Open to the public. Must be at least 18 years of age. Three months of housekeeping experience preferred.

Laundry Attendant FT

Open to the public. Must be at least 18 years of age. Three months of housekeeping or laundry experience preferred.

Laundry Attendant PT

Open to the public. Must be at least 18 years of age. Three months of housekeeping or laundry experience preferred.

Steward PT

Open to the public. Must be at least 18 years of age. Kitchen cleaning experience preferred.

Line Cook

Open to the public. Must be at least 18 years of age. One year of restaurant cooking experience with increasing levels of responsibility, or six months of SECR internal culinary training.

Inventory Control Warehouse PT

Tribal Members only. High school diploma or GED. One year receiving or warehouse experience working with warehouse equipment. Experience with operating ware-

house equipment including forklifts and riding cleaning machines. Must be able to obtain and maintain a gaming license to meet the employment eligibility requirements as they pertain to the position.

Front Desk Agent FT

Open to the public. Must be at least 18 years of age. High school diploma or GED.

Front Desk Agent PT

Open to the public. Must be at least 18 years of age. High school diploma or GED.

Floor/Upholstery Cleaner

Open to the public. Must be at least 18 years of age. High school diploma or GED. Two years of carpet and upholstery cleaning experience.

Housekeeper-Casino FT

Open to the public. Must be at least 18 years of age.

Housekeeper-Casino PT

Open to the public. Must be at least 18 years of age.

Alterations Clerk PT

Open to the public. Must be at least 18 years of age. Three years sewing and alterations experience. Experience with regular and serge sewing machines.

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Journeyman Electrician

Open to the public. Must be at least 18 years of age. High school diploma or GED. Possess and maintain a current State of Michigan Journeyman Electrician license. Six years of experience working as a journeyman electrician or completion of a formal electrical apprentice program.

Chef

Open to the public. High school diploma or GED. Must be at least 18 years of age. Five years of casual dining, high volume, hotel culinary experience or comparable restaurant experience. Two years supervisory experience. Culinary degree from an ACF accredited school preferred.

Front Desk Manager

Open to the public. Associate degree in hospitality, business administration or related field. Three years hotel front

office experience. Two years hotel supervisory experience. Bachelor's degree in hospitality, business administration or related field preferred.

Housekeeping Manager

Open to the public. Associate degree in hospitality, business administration or related field. Bachelor's degree in hospitality, business administration or related field preferred. Five years' experience in hospitality. Hotel experience preferred. Three years of supervisory experience.

Players Club Rep PT

Open to the public. Must be at least 18 years of age. Customer service experience preferred.

Kitchen Equipment Tech

Open to the public. Must be at least 18 years of age. Three years of experience in commercial food equipment repair.

Technical Services Technician I

Open to the public. High school diploma or GED. Two years help desk experience or bachelor's degree in information technology, computer science, or related field.

Transit Driver PT

Open to the public. Must be at least 21 years of age. Commercial Driver's License or Chauffeur's License.

Count Team Associate

Open to the public. Six months cash handling experience. Gaming, banking, or customer service experience preferred.

Police Officer

Open to the public. High school diploma or GED. Must be a U.S. citizen and at least 21 years of age. Associate degree preferred. MCOLES certified or MCOLES certifiable.

Line Cook

Open to the public. Must be at least 18 years of age. One year of restaurant cooking experience with increasing levels of responsibility, or six months of Saganing internal culinary training.

130 Services

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Human Resources Office of Anishinabe Workforce Developer

Seeking Tribal preference candidates interested in short-term, temporary employment opportunities.

Immediate placements available for Tribal preference candidates who complete and pass fingerprint and background checks.

- **Cost:** The personal cost to applicants is \$65 for the fingerprint portion.
- **Documentation:** Driver's license, certifications and Tribal identification are needed at time of application.
- **Location of placement may include:** Andahwod, Behavioral Health, Nimkee, Education or Recreation.

* Other non-background check temporary positions do arise on occasion, and applicants for this type of work may apply at any time.

Please direct questions to:

Chip Neyome, Interim Anishinabe Workforce Developer
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Summons and Complaint Notices

SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT IN THE MATTER OF TRACY KOPKE a.k.a TRACY TERRILL-LEATHERS

The Saginaw Chippewa Tribal Court 6954 E. Broadway Road Mount Pleasant, MI 48858 (989) 775-4800 Case no. 18-CI-0471 Plaintiff: Ditech Financial LLC, Plaintiff's attorney: Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C. Steven A. Jacobs (P687749) 23938 Research Dr. Suite 300 Farmington Hills, MI 48335 (248) 539-7400 vs. Tracy Kopke a.k.a. Tracy Terrill-Leathers 3710 Moccasin Mount Pleasant, MI 48857-7363. Notice to the Defendant: 1. You are being sued in the Saginaw Chippewa Tribal Court. 2. YOU HAVE 21 DAYS after receiving this summons to file an answer with the court and to serve a copy on the other party or take other lawful action. Please note that if you were served by certified mail or served outside of the reservation land you have 28 days to answer attached complaint. 3. Failure to file an answer or take other action within the time allowed may result in a default Judgment being entered against you for the relief requested in Plaintiff's complaint. **This summons expires May 30, 2019.**

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EXTREME WARRIORS 2

Entertainment Hall | Fight 7PM
Tickets start at \$20



MAY
4

GEORGE LOPEZ

Entertainment Hall | 8PM
Tickets start at \$49



MAY
11

RBRM

RONNIE DEVOE, BOBBY BROWN,
RICKY BELL, AND MICHAEL BIVINS

Entertainment Hall | 8PM
Tickets start at \$49



MAY
18

TACOS & TEQUILA

Day Session: Tickets start at \$40
Joe Nichols | 2PM
Night Session: Tickets start at \$50
The Romantics & War | 7:30PM



MAY
25

CHICAGO

Entertainment Hall | 8PM
Tickets start at \$59



JUN
1

CRISS ANGEL

Entertainment Hall | 8PM
Tickets start at \$61



JUN
14

COLLECTIVE SOUL & GIN BLOSSOMS

Entertainment Hall | 8PM
Tickets start at \$35



JUN
28

SUGARLAND

WITH SPECIAL GUEST
ELI YOUNG BAND

Outdoor Venue | 8PM
Tickets start at \$25



JUL
3

311 & DIRTY HEADS

WITH SPECIAL GUESTS
THE INTERRUPTERS,
DREAMERS & BIKINI TRILL

Outdoor Venue | Gates: 4:20PM
Tickets start at \$16



JUL
13

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IN THIS MOMENT

Outdoor Venue | 8PM
Tickets start at \$20



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