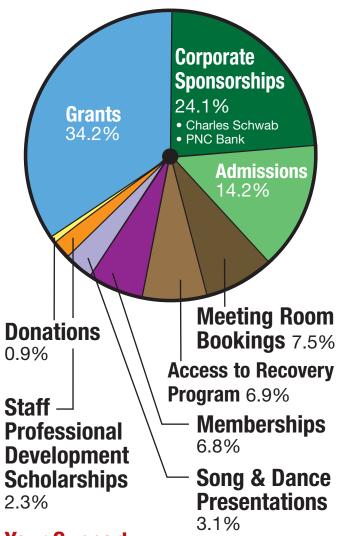
### **Financials - External Revenue**

Total \$228,682.96



**Your Support** 

Your continued support is very important to us as it provides:

- Free admission to Ziibiwing Center exhibits for members of all North American Indian tribes
- Discounted admission to school children, college students, educators, and military personnel
- The funding of our outreach programs which take our teachings and collections into schools throughout Michigan
- The preservation of our artifacts and collections; ensuring that our culture will be preserved for future generations
- The maintenance and promotion of our exhibits so that our heritage and culture can be enjoyed by everyone



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# Annual Report

(October 2009 - September 2010)



# **Our Year**

The Board of Directors and staff of the Ziibiwing Center of Anishinabe Culture & Lifeways worked diligently to accomplish the successful completion of our 5-Year Strategic Plan (2004-2009); and to arduously develop a new 5-Year Strategic Plan that will guide the Ziibiwing Center into 2015.

Our work for the Tribal community and community-at-large fortifies and renews our mission to provide truth-telling, diminish stereotypes, and provide a setting for the healing and advancement of the Anishinabe people.

We hope that you find in this Annual Report a clear demonstration of the dedication and love exemplified by our entire organization for the mission, work, and growth of the Ziibiwing Center.

# **Our Mission**

"The Ziibiwing Center is a distinctive treasure created to provide an enriched, diversified, and culturally relevant educational experience. *This promotes the Center's* belief that the culture, diversity, and spirit of the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan and other Great Lakes Anishinabek must be recognized, perpetuated, communicated, and supported."

# **Our Award - October 2009**

National Tribal Archives, Libraries & Museums "Institutional Excellence in Museums"

"The Ziibiwing Center staff has long acknowledged that they were "museum-novices" when they embarked on their ambitious plan to build the center and develop their exhibitions and programming. What they achieved – with their common sense, rigorous, and good-hearted approach – stands as one of the finest tribal museums in the country. What they have achieved truly represents a decolonizing museum practice and sets the standard by which future presentations of Native American history and culture - be it in a tribal museum or a mainstream museum – will be judged."

- Dr. Amy Lonetree, University of California - Santa Cruz (Award Nominator)



Flint's Stone Street Project

- 13,816+ visitors experienced all the Ziibiwing Center has to offer
- Implemented 100 special events and cultural programs for the Tribal community and general public
- The Research Center served 3,031 patrons
- \$3,863,349 in total sales for Ziibiwing Commercial Services – up \$676,526 from
- Coordinated Flint's Stone Street Ancestral Recovery & Reburial Project (May-Sept); recovering & returning to the earth 88+ ancestors (infants to elders)
- Maintained 6 Tribal cemeteries; in addition to the Ziibiwing Center's 3-acre lawn (24.8 acres/week)
- Provided 152 tours for 5,113 guests – 55 college student tours, 68 K-12 tours, and 29 adult tours
- The Cultural Resource Management team completed 365 cultural resource reviews – these reviews are required under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and protect the cultural resources/traditional cultural properties of the Tribe
- Successfully completed 3 grant projects: Endangered Language Fund (Francis Densmore's Wax Cylinder Recordings), Institute of Museum and Library Services Native American/Native Hawaiian Museum Services (Disaster & Emergency Preparedness Plan), and National Park Service NAGPRA Repatriation (Harvard University's Peabody Museum of Archaeology & Ethnology)
- 7,832 individual contacts were logged by our team
- NativeDirect webstore added over 5,000 new products – average sales for NativeDirect.com were \$1,850/month

- Provided cultural services 2-3 times a week for clients of the Tribe's Residential Treatment Center and Access to Recovery Program
- Consulted on 8 ancestral disposition and repatriation cases; worked directly to repatriate from Harvard University, Central Michigan University, and the Grand Rapids Public Museum
- Provided cultural design consultations for the Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort's new gaming floor carpet and Migizi's future waterpark and hotel
- Our Research Center Coordinator logged 500 emails, provided 500+ images, and 80 hours of research within 3 weeks to support the attorneys and Tribal Council for the boundary litigation case
  - Submitted 5 federal and private grants – awarded all 5 grants totaling \$78,165
  - Approved to remodel the Bliss Building for future Ziibiwing Commercial Services expansion
  - Leveraged the donation of a rare oil-on-canvas collection valued at \$140,000+ of Great Lakes Anishinabe Leaders and Elders

entitled, "The Dr. Mike & Linda Shinkle Collection: People of the Turtle"

- Provided 10 special collection showings for residents of the Andahwod Continuing Care Community & Aging Services
- Completed a lighting upgrade and Phase II for the Naanooshke Gallery gift shop
- 5 members of our staff served with the Tribe's Vision Makers, a consensus-based facilitation services team
- NativeFest, a 3-day celebration of American Indian culture, attracted 1,071 people
- Members of our team participated on 18 various Tribal and/or external committees
- Ziibiwing Commercial Services continued to operate at 100% self-sufficiency

#### **2011 Calendar of Events**

#### **February**

Performance Circle Class February 1 (Classes meet every Tuesday until May 3; except March 29) Artist-in-Residence (Fiber Arts) February 7-11\* Collection Showing February 19-26

\* Reservations

#### March

New Exhibit VIP Sneak Preview March 4 New Exhibit Grand Opening March 5 Community Cultural Teaching March 12

#### April

Mother Earth Week April 19-21, 26-29

#### Mav

Performance Circle Graduation May 3 Ziibiwing's 7th Birthday Sale May 5-7 Sundance Institute Program May 14-17 (Tentative) Youth Poetry Slam May 20 Collection Showing May 21-28 Flint Stone Street Re-Opens **TBD** 

#### **June**

Community Cultural Teaching June 18 New Exhibit Photographer Panel June 25

#### July

American Indian Dances July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 Artist-in-Residence (Painting) Iulv 18-22\*

#### **August**

NativeFest - Car Bingo August 3 NativeFest - Music & Comedy August 4 NativeFest - Collection Showing August 5-13

#### September

Performance Circle Sign-Up September 6 (Classes meet every Tuesday until December 13) How to Conserve Your Photos September 10 Monarch Butterfly Celebration September 17

#### **October**

Changing Exhibition Closes October 1 Eagle Feather Cleansing October 19 Eagle Feather Honoring October 20 & 21 **Eagle Feather Feast** October 21 Fiber Arts Presentation October 22

#### **November**

Spirit Feast November 4 Collection Showing November 12-19 Artist-in-Residence (Beadwork) November 14-18\* Holiday Sale November 17-19

#### **December**

Artist-in-Residence (Pottery) Performance Circle Graduation December 13 Community Cultural Teaching & Pottery Presentation

December 5-9\*

December 17

# **Our Members**

Ray Alexander Nancy Krogmann Jerry & Rhonda Longboat Vern & Doris Allerding Brenda Ballard Michael & Crystal Loyal Laura & Mike Fox Barber Andy Marion George Martin Mitch Battese Shannon Martin Patricia Baxter Shebola **Svdnev Martin** Jolene & Tonya Rafael Bird Bruce McNett Renee Borgardt Douglas & Alice Mehlhorn Mid-Michigan Community Shirley Brauker Jennie Brown College Tracy Brown Katrina Mitten Charlie & Peggy Burke Diane Morley Charla & Andre Burton Catherine Nagy Mowry Jonathon & Heather Judy Pamp Cleland-Host Naomi Pederson & Ruben Blackcloud Brian Corbiere Dr. Suzanne Cross Amado Pena Alstyn Peters Janelle Dahlberg Dawn Dark Mountain Summer Peters John Pigeon Renee Wasson Dillard Deb Porter Bill & Diane Dolley Kenneth & Carol Douglas Shirley Powell Ronald & Sharon Douglas Elizabeth Queen Eric Ederer Joel Queen Luanna Jean Finney Frank & Nicole Raslich Edward & Nedra Fisher David Schultz Nelson Garcia Sapphira Scott Timothy Gibson Punkin Shananaquet Barbara Sheperdigian Ronni Leigh & Stonehorse Goeman Quita Shier Daniel & Pamela Slifco Ed Gray Marlene Sova Mary Ann Green Evelyn Grills Jeff Sprague & CJ Ivey Jim & Lupe Guerrero Ryan Sprague Joaquin Guerrero Clarence Squanda Wayne Gunville Paul & Evonna Stevens Iimmie Harrison Larry Syndergaard Telford, Lisa Cindy Henhawk & **Judith Sault** Lorna Thomas-Hill & Gary & Peggy Henry **Beverly Thomas** Robert & Mary Heyart Mina Toulouse Dawn Jackson Dick Touvell Herbert Joe & Dan & Colleen Vasher Patty Grieves Craig & Marlene Waynee Paul & Valorie Johnson Robert & Margie Waynee Jodi Webster Burt & Penny Kaiser Ralph & Dorothy Kellner Loretta Webster Phyllis & Frank Kequom Jason Wesaw Gloria Kirby Pat & Michelle White Virginia Zocher John & Valerie Krieger

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