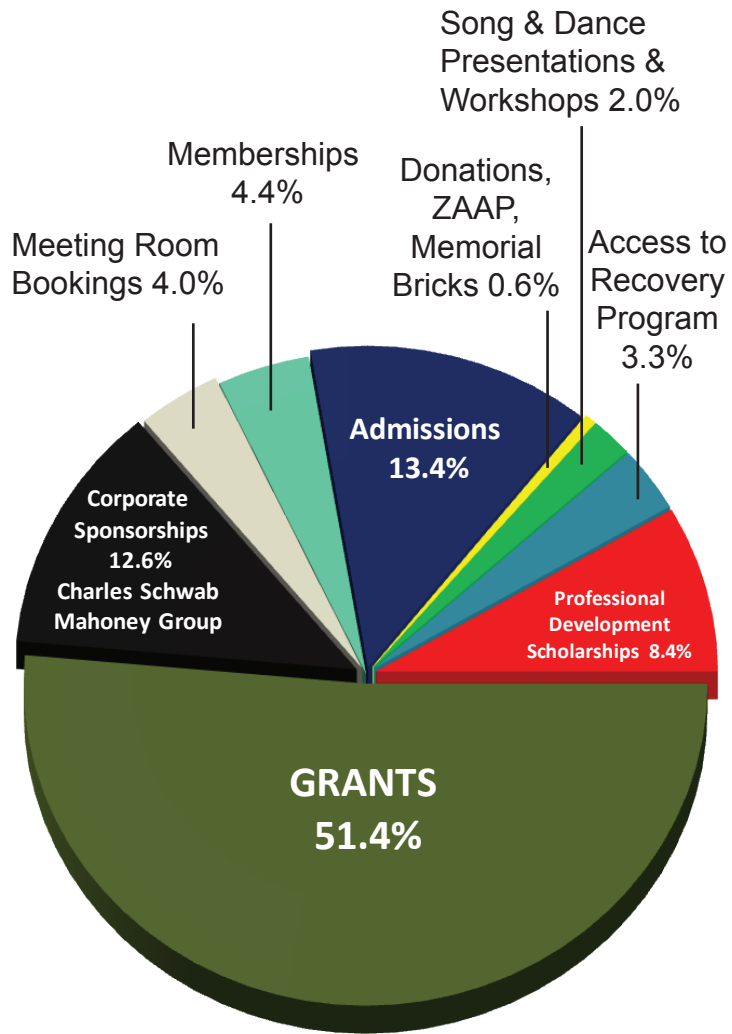


Financials - External Revenue \$206,905



YOUR SUPPORT

Your continued support is vital to us as it provides essential funding for:

- Free admission to Ziiwiwing Center exhibits for members of all North American Indian Tribes.
- Discounted admission to military personnel, school children, college students, and educators.
- Funding for outreach programs which take our teachings and collections into schools throughout Michigan.
- Preservation of our artifacts and collections, ensuring that our culture will be preserved for future generations.
- Maintenance and promotion of our exhibits so that our heritage and culture can be enjoyed by everyone.
- Repatriation and reverential reinterment of Anishinabek ancestors and their belongings.



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ANISHINABE WIIGWAASI-JIIMAN COMMUNITY PROJECT

(l-r) Back row: Tony Perry, Dave Perez, Jonathan Cabral, William Leksche, Minnie Martin
Middle row: Shannon Martin, Guadalupe Gonzalez
Front row: Laban Smith, Rachel Austin, Kevin Finney, Punkin Shananaquet, Dave Shananaquet
In wiigwaasi-jiiman: Leila Pamp

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ZIIBIWING CULTURAL SOCIETY ANNUAL REPORT



"Working Together for our Future"

October 2017 - September 2018

OUR YEAR

The Board of Directors for the Ziiwiwing Cultural Society/Ziiwiwing Center of Anishinabe Culture & Lifeways is proud to recognize the organization's many accomplishments and its staff within this Annual Report.

From guided tours for school children, Mount Pleasant Indian Industrial Boarding School remembrance gatherings, ancestral repatriations and Artist-in-Residence Programs to fun family events like NativeFest, the Ziiwiwing Cultural Society continues to be a vital and progressive organization for the Tribe.



Raymond Cadotte, Visitor Services Representative, is shown above with a letter of appreciation that he received from CMU.

At right is a letter of commendation from the Pokagon Band of Potawatomi shown with images of gifts offered to him for the excellent and "most informative" service they received. These are just two of the several commendations that were given to him by various patrons during this fiscal year.

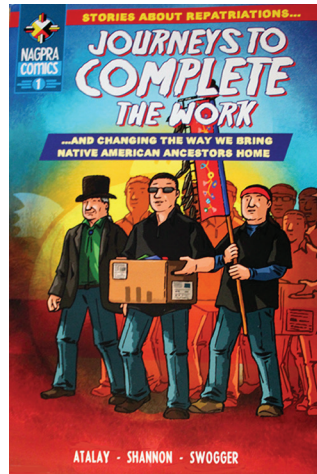


We hope that you find in this Annual Report a clear demonstration of the dedication and respect exemplified by our entire organization for the mission, work and growth of the Ziiwiwing Cultural Society. We are extremely grateful for your continued support and trust in our very important work.

Accomplishments

- 15,609 visitors experienced all the Center has to offer - an additional 6,177 were provided educational services at 23 offsite bookings by the Ziiibiwing Center staff
- Implemented 257 special events and cultural programs for the Tribal community and general public
- Research Center served 2,213 patrons
- Provided 138 tours for 3,486 guests, 50 K-12 tours and 88 adult tours, including complimentary SCIT, Migizi, SECR and Retail Employees' Orientation tours
- Continued to provide cultural and educational services weekly to clients of the Tribe's Residential Treatment Center and Access to Recovery Program
- Maintained 8 Tribal cemeteries, in addition to the Ziiibiwing Center's 3-acre lawn (14.41 acres per week)
- Awarded 3 of 3 Federal grants submitted: Institute of Museum and Library Services, Historic Preservation Fund & NAGPRA Repatriation Grant for a total of \$106,349
- Repatriated and reburied the physical remains of 20 Native American individuals and 106 associated funerary objects from the University of Michigan's Museum of Anthropological Archaeology (UMMAA) in Ann Arbor, MI on November 30, 2017
- Repatriated and reburied the physical remains of 1 Native American individual from the University of Michigan's Museum of Anthropological Archaeology (UMMAA) from the Garry site of Arenac County, MI; and not subject to NAGPRA, the Arenac County Historical Society repatriated 15 associated funerary objects to the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan on September 6, 2018
- 1,061,455 individual contacts were logged by our team, including physical visits, phone calls, E-Noodaagan newsletters, email and social media interaction via Facebook, Twitter, etc.
- Completed the Archival Conservation Planning Project, funded by a \$37,200 grant award from the Institute of Museum and Library Services, that allowed the Nindakenjigewinoong (the place where you find things out at) Research Center staff to explore digitization best practice and policies, perform a collection evaluation, participate in archival (digitization) training(s) and site visits, and develop a multi-year Strategic Plan to facilitate the creation of an archival conservation plan
- Ziiibiwing Commercial Services (ZCS) E-Commerce sales were over 1.4 million dollars in Fiscal Year 2018
- ZCS began setting goals for Fiscal Year 2019 with the new structure for the Ziiibiwing Gift Shop and E-Commerce Channels
- ZCS completed a new 10,000 sq. foot warehouse which became operational in January, 2018
- ZCS generated \$4.294 million in total revenues for Fiscal Year 2018

- The Collection Committee and Board of Directors accepted 60 items into the Permanent Collection consisting of photos, books, stone tools, moccasins, black ash and birch bark baskets, DVDs, brochures, pamphlets, newspaper articles, certified documents, including genealogy information on Tribal families and 3 original land grants
- The Ziiibiwing Center hosted and mentored 1 Summer Youth Worker and 2 permanent part-time Youth Workers as part of our Visitor Services Team
- Cultural Resource Management team completed 369 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 Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan
- NativeFest, our annual 2-day celebration of North American Indian culture, attracted 690 people



• A graphic novel about ancestral repatriation was written by Sonya Atalay, Jen Shannon, and John G. Swogger with the support and collaboration of the Ziiibiwing Center, members of the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe, and Anishinabe Community Tribal Elders. Its first printing was in November, 2017. Depicted on the cover is the artist's rendition of Dennis Banks (4/12/1937-10/29/2017) at the front of the line during the **Walk Them Home** event in 2010. During this event, the human remains of 20 Native American ancestors and 106 of their funerary belongings were repatriated from CMU and carried by the community the nearly 4 miles to the Ziiibiwing Center for ceremonies and the Nibokaan Cemetery for burial.



The late Dennis Banks is carrying the Eagle Staff during the Walk Them Home event

- ZCS went live with Walmart.com in November 2018. Fiscal Year 2018 total sales were \$58,986.83. This was done without extra software and very little added expense
- ZCS worked on streamlining all processes now that all software is implemented
- ZCS transitioned the gift shops in the casinos to now be controlled in Fiscal Year 2019 by Soaring Eagle Casino's Food & Beverage (F&B) Department

2019 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Month	Event	Date
January	Performance Circle Sign-Up & Class (Classes every Tuesday until May 7 except Spring Break)	January 22
	Storytelling (at 7 th Generation)	January 31
February	Collection Showing	February 2-9
	Anishinabe Authors' Gathering & Book Fair	February 23
	Artist-in-Residence Star Quilt Making	Feb 25-Mar 1
March	International Women's Day	March 8
	Baby Swing & Moss Bag Workshop	March 11-15
	Spring Feast (at 7 th Generation)	March 14
	Performance Circle Spring Break: No Classes	March 25-29
	Spring Break Cultural Day Camp	March 26-28
April	New Changing Exhibit Opens	April 19
	Sacred Mother Earth Symposium	April 20
	Mother Earth Week	April 22-26
May	Ziiibiwing's 15 th Birthday Sale	May 2-3
	Performance Circle Graduation	May 7
	Bird Day Celebration	May 11
	Collection Showing	May 11-18
	Blue Star Museum	May 28-Aug 31
June	"Honoring, Healing & Remembering" (at the MIIBS*)	June 6
	Summer Feast (at 7 th Generation)	June 20
	Community Cultural Teaching (at Sanilac Petroglyphs)	June 22
July	American Indian Dance	July 6, 13, 20
	Fun & Culture Day Camp (at 7 th Generation)	July 8-11
	NativeFest - Collection Showing	July 22-27
	NativeFest - Car Bingo	July 23
	NativeFest - Music & Comedy Night	July 24
August	Art Walk	August 5-30
	World Indigenous People's Day	August 9
	Cradleboard Workshop	August 19-23
September	Grandparent's Day	September 7
	Performance Circle Sign-Up & Class (Classes every Tuesday until December 10)	September 10
	Monarch Butterfly Celebration/Art Reach's Kids & Culture Museum Day Live!	September 14
	Heritage Special (September thru November)	September 21 (Call for Details)
October	Changing Exhibit Closes	October 5
	Fall Feast (at 7 th Generation)	October 10
	Indigenous People's Day (Free admission for all)	October 14
	Eagle Feather Cleansing	October 16
	Eagle Feather Honoring	October 17-18
	Eagle Feather Feast	October 18
Heritage Special (September thru November)	October 18 (Call for Details)	
November	Artists' Business Training	November 1
	Circle of Indigenous Arts Competition & Market	November 2-3
	Spirit Feast (at 7 th Generation)	November 7
	Collection Showing	November 9-16
	Veteran's Day (Free Admission for Veterans & Family)	November 11 (Call for Details)
December	Performance Circle Graduation	December 10
	Annual Appreciation Dinner (by invitation)	December 12
	Community Cultural Teaching/Art Reach's Kid's & Culture	December 14

* Mt. Pleasant Indian Industrial Boarding School
 • All events subject to change or cancellation.
 • Visit www.sagchip.org/ziiibiwing or call 989.775.4750 for current info

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Ziiibiwing Cultural Society Mission

The Ziiibiwing Center is a distinctive treasure created to provide an enriched, diversified, and culturally relevant educational experience, which promotes the Society'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.