

## **NINDAKENJIGEWINOONG** *“The place where you find things out.”* **THE RESEARCH CENTER at ZIIBIWING**

**R e s e a r c h  
C e n t e r**  
Open Mon. - Fri.  
10am - 5:30pm  
or by appointment  
989.775.4750

The Nindakenjigewinoong Research Center at Ziibiwing is a treasure of historical and genealogical information. Although it is not a genealogical repository, it can be very useful in researching family histories. Some items available to view at the Research Center are Allotment and Annuity rolls, Census records, the Gruett List, the Durant Roll and approximately 102 probate (land record) files. Also available is the online Library Edition of the genealogical site, **HeritageQuest**. In addition, a collection of materials compiled by ethnohistorian, Dr. James McClurken, is also available and indexed in a “Calendar of Research.”

The Ziibiwing Center is known for its immense collection of historic records and documents which includes a Rare and Special Book Collection, photographs, various issues of periodicals and small collections.

A bank of public access computers is available to search for North American Indian news, history and other genealogical sites with a printer available for hard copies at a small per copy fee. There are comfortable tables and seating for 20+ patrons with electric and internet access via floor ports for laptop users. There is also a copy machine and microfilm machine available to help with your research needs.



**Anita Heard**  
Research Center Coordinator

Our Research Center staff, Anita Heard and Robin Spencer, are extremely knowledgeable and happy to help in any way they can. They also look for ways to improve the Center and the services offered. An Institute of Museum and Library Services Native American Native Hawaiian Museums Services Grant for an Archival Conservation Planning Project allows them to research what is required to begin a digitization project that might give the ability to post some of our historical collection online for limited use. This research has involved training sessions at Ziibiwing, as well as other locations in Michigan and Washington State.

### **Consider Donating to our Archives!**

The Ziibiwing Center is equipped with state-of-the-art systems for securing and preserving each individual piece of the collection with a security system with alarms, collections that are monitored on video surveillance cameras, items stored in acid-free boxes and other appropriate packing materials, fire-proof file cabinets and flat map cabinets. The collections are maintained under ideal environmental control for long life.

Many have decided that their special items can be cared for and maintained for future generations to learn from and enjoy by donating them to the Ziibiwing Center. A selection of items are put on display in Collections Showings quarterly for the community to enjoy viewing. Consider adding your special Tribal Community items to our collection. Our next Collection Showing will be November 10-17, 2018. Stay tuned for information on what will be on display!



**Robin Spencer**  
Research Center Specialist



**ART WALK CENTRAL VENUE • AUGUST 6 - 30, 2018**

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Elizabeth LaPensée, PhD, is an award-winning designer, writer, and artist. She is Métis Anishinaabekwe, a 2018 Guggenheim Fellow and an Assistant Professor at Michigan State University. Her long list of accomplishments and experiences include leading workshops aimed toward Indigenous-led game development. She has offered workshops for over ten years throughout the USA and Canada. In January, we were pleased to have her at Ziibiwing to present the on-line video game which she created, Thunderbird Strike (2017).

**FREE TO ZIIBIWING MEMBERS**

The Ziibiwing Center is partnering with other Michigan museums through a Reciprocal Program. Each month we will partner with a different local museum. This reciprocal partnership will allow Ziibiwing Center Members to receive free admission, discounts on gift shop purchases and discounts on special events to each participating museum during its designated month.

For the month of August, Ziibiwing is partnering with the Kids 'N' Stuff Children's Museum in Albion, Michigan.

Just visit the Kids 'N' Stuff Children's Museum during the month of August 2018, show your Ziibiwing membership card, and enjoy this wonderful children's museum!

**Kids 'N' Stuff**  
 children's museum

301 S. Superior  
 Albion, MI  
 (517) 629.8023  
 www.kidsnstuff.org

For information on Ziibiwing Memberships contact Amanda Lewis at 989.775.4734 or alewis@sagchip.org

**ATTENTION EDUCATORS!**

**Tuesday thru Friday**  
**Sept. 3 to Nov. 30**  
 (Based on Availability)

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