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Eddy Edwards
Jean Jokinen
Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.
Carole LaPointe
Elizabeth (Chiz) Matthews

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:
- July 7, 2012 Tribal Council Meeting
- 10th Annual Kids’ Fishing Derby Held
- Lake Superior Day Beach Cleanup
- Mining Updates
- Legal Aid Clinic at KBIC
- Rezheadz visit KBIC
- Deepest Sympathy
- Ojibwemowin

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Left to right, (front row) Tashina Emery Kauppila-Supervisor, Troy DeCota, Annaleese Rasanen, Sheena Halverson, Eva Lind, Seirra Curtis, Vanessa Beaver, Cassie Alexander, Cody Clement, Aleah Maskew. (back row) Mariah Dunham-Coordinator, Samantha Tolonen, Zach Owens, Brenden Varline, Kate Haataja, Dillion Hueckstaedt, Issac Ekdahl, Sean Spruce, Frances LaPointe III-Supervisor, Zach Cardinal, Todd Tekari, Kayla Messer, Frederick Dakota, John Herbert-Supervisor, and Alesha Bowman.

One of the biggest jobs for the summer youth workers is preparing the Ojibwa Camp-ground for the annual powwow. Shown above is the work crew who have been employed to do just this task.

This year’s Summer Youth Work Program is being overseen by Coordinator, Mariah Dunham. Dunham stated, “I am excited and honored to be the new Summer Youth Coordinator for 2012! I am a Sault Ste. Marie Tribal member and grew up in Watertown, WI. I attended Northern Michigan University and graduated with a degree in Communications.

The Summer Youth Program has gotten off to a great start with the hiring of three supervisors: Tashina Emery, Francis LaPointe III, John Hebert, and 57 youth total. We have placed several youth outside of the powwow grounds. We have crews working at Public Works, Natural Resources, Tribal Historic Preservation Office, Tribal Attorney Office, Watershed Program, PrePrimary, The Ojibwe Summer Program at BHS/LHS, Head Start, Ojibwe BP, and the Library. It certainly has been a great opportunity for the inspired youth we have. We are excited for the Powwow and happy that we could take part in making it such a beautiful environment! I want to thank the Tribal Council, Larry Denomie, Sarah Maki, Hope Laramore, Pauline Spruce, and all the Department Heads for their time in making it a great summer!”

To place an ad, submit an article, or relate information or ideas on possible articles contact: Lauri Denomie at (906) 201-0263, or e-mail newsletter@kbic-nsn.gov.

Summer Youth Program — Preparing For KBIC Powwow

KBIC’S 10TH ANNUAL KIDS’ FISHING DERBY HELD

KBIC Tribal Natural Resources held their Annual Kids’ Fishing Derby on Saturday, June 26, 2012, at the Ojibwa Recreation Area—Sand Point Pond, in Baraga, MI. This year’s event was named in honor of the Gauthier family. Registered fisher-kids numbered 370 this year… a new record! With all the unofficially registered kids who were either too young or too old, their families, volunteers, and the community, is was a record year once again! This event just keeps getting bigger and better every year.

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President Warren C. Swartz, Jr. shared numerous Thank you and For Your Information remarks. Council Secretary Susan J. LaFernier gave the Secretary's Report (page two) and Treasurer Toni J. Minton gave the Treasurer's Report (page four), both of the Department Head Reports for May 2012.

President Swartz introduced a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the Indian Health Service and the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community for Construction of Jerry LaFernier's Septic System on behalf of Bruce LaPointe, Project Manager. Toni Minton motioned to approve the MOA between the Indian Health Service and the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community for construction of an off-site wastewater treatment system of Jerry LaFernier's septic system, supported by Carole LaPointe, ten supported (Mayo, S. LaFernier, J. Curtis, Minton, R. Curtis, Dakota, Jokinen, M. LaFernier, LaPointe, Matthews), one opposed (Edwards), 0 abstained, motion carried.

Eddy Edwards, Ojibwa Housing Authority Director, requested approval of the 2013 Indian Housing Plan/Annual Performance Report, in a brief summary. "The Indian Housing Plan is a general broad plan that basically says that we'll continue to maintain homes, provide rental assistance, housing counseling, etc. The one area where we have a little movement is in our modernization; improvement to existing homes; whether we expand the size of them or improve the quality of them. In this particular plan, we are trying to take some of that money and match it with some of our own non-program money to build more one and two bedroom units that are in very high demand. Our focus for this year, one and two bedroom units in Baraga is always a year wait or longer. Basically it states how we will spend 1.7 million in Indian Housing Block Grant funds, supported by Elizabeth D. Mayo, eleven supported, 0 opposed, 0 abstained, motion carried. Elizabeth D. Mayo motioned to appropriate $2,500 to the Natural Resources Committee, supported by Susan J. LaFernier, eleven supported, 0 opposed, 0 abstained, motion carried. Morris J. LaFernier motioned to appropriate $3,000 to the Housing Board, supported by Susan J. LaFernier, J. LaFernier, Matthews, 0 opposed, 1 abstained (R. Curtis, movement carried. As there were no applications received for two seats on the Economic Board, motion was made that the Tribal Council appoint one seat for the Health Board, one seat for the Substance Abuse Advisory Board, and we will continue to advertise to fill those positions.

President Swartz brought forth the list of Aniikoosiing Inc. Board of Directors applicants: William Emerly, Lynch Ketola, Roy Koski, Fred Dakota, Patrick Racette, Doug J. Shalliofe, Andrew Chosa, Donald Carlson, Debbie Parrish, Paul Stark, Gary Loonsfoot, Jr., Bruce LaPointe, Candice Rajala, Anthony Rabitto, and James Martilla. Council motioned to interview the applicants on July 26, 2012, beginning at 11:00 a.m. Fred Dakota will be interviewed as an applicant from the Council group. Then, council members who are interested in serving on the Board of Directors, should submit a letter to the Tribal President by July 23, 2012, at the close of business.

President Swartz brought forth a business license renewal of Diana Chaudier for Rayne Storm Media. Eddy Edwards motioned to approve the renewal of Diana Chaudier's business license, doing business as Rayne Storm Media, supported by Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., eleven supported, 0 opposed, 0 abstained, motion carried.

Treasurer Toni Minton presented donation requests for July 2012 to the Council for their consideration. Elizabeth D. Mayo motioned to approve $2,500 to the Native American Senior Citizens, $1,000 to the Keweenaw Bay Great Start Collaborative Marquette-Alger Counties, $250 for the Great Lakes Center for Youth Development, and $500 to the Tribe’s Substance Abuse Advisory Board in support of the “Hike for the House” to be held October 6, 2012; for a total of $4,250, supported by Susan J. LaFernier, eleven supported, 0 opposed, 0 abstained, motion carried. It was the consensus of Council for Susan J. LaFernier to contact Christine Cardinal to see if she’d accept a donation of a used computer from Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Council member, instead of a new one which she requested a donation to purchase. It was also the consensus of the Council to wait on approving any further donation for additional medical travel funding for a Tribal member as the family is looking at other alternative avenues for funding and haven’t received denials from those possibilities. In the event the family receives a denial before Council meets again, President Swartz was authorized to approve funding on a temporary basis to assist. Council adjourned with no closed business on the agenda.

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Two (2) regular seats

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Warren C. Swartz, Jr., – President
16429 Bear Town Rd.
Baraga, MI 49908

LEGAL AID CLINIC
Legal counseling and advice will be available to Tribal members on a variety of legal issues. Services are generally free for low-income individuals. The clinic is sponsored by Michigan Indian Legal Services and will be held at the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Tribal Center on Tuesday, August 28, 2012, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For questions call 1-800-968-6877.

SECRETARY’S REPORT FOR JUNE 2012

Activities reported by the Secretary, Susan J. LaFernier, for the month of June 2012.

ANIN! We honor the greatness in you.

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and other municipal leaders throughout the Lake Superior Basin desire to protect the water and habitat quality that all life dependent on in the basin. The Keweenaw Bay Indian Community (KBIC) and the State of Michigan have temporarily established the third Sunday in July as Lake Superior Day in the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community as a day to acknowledge the health of the Lake’s importance in the quality of the lives of its members. This year on July 13, join the K.B. Natural Resources Department with cleaning the beaches from 8:30 a.m. to noon from Assinins to Pequaming, a lunch afterward provided by the W.H.I.P.P. Task Force, and then a Fitness/Nature Walk. Enjoy your vote and voice count. NCAI (National Congress of American Indians) President Jefferson Keel stated in his State of Indian Nations Address that our Native vote can have a significant impact on the upcoming 2012 elections, and he has challenged Indian Country to turn out the largest Native vote in history. There are more than one million eligible voters in Indian Country who are not registered! We need to get out and vote not only to have Native voices heard but also to ensure that U.S. leaders understand Indian Country and its priorities, especially in Michigan. Our goal for Keweenaw Bay is to have 100% of our eligible members vote! Here are five challenges that can make a difference: 1) Get yourself registered to vote TODAY! You can do it online. 2) Think of three people you care about. Make sure they are registered and challenge them to reach out to other people they care about. 3) Our Native Vote Community Coordinator is Jennifer Misegan. 4) Volunteer to make calls encouraging others to register and vote. With less than six months to go until Election Day, spread the word. Also see the website NativeVote.org. August Primary; Tuesday, August 7, 2012. November General Election: Tuesday, November 6, 2012.

On June 1, I attended along with other Council members the annual Senior Banquet held at the Bingo Hall to honor and award our graduating L’Anse, Baraga, and Community School high school students. Thank you to the Keweenaw Bay Tribal Education Committee and Tribal Education staff for hosting this event and the Michigan Indian Gaming Commission Site Specific Table and Gaming Machine Hold Percentage and Variance Investigations training held on June 20-21, 2012 at the Baraga Casino Bingo Hall conference room. Mr. Benjamin Buck and Ms. Shawanna Ellis, Compliance Officers both gave power point presentations. The training was very interesting with many good questions, comments, recommendations, and checklists, with many staff attending. Also on June 28, 2012, the KBIC Corrections Facility held their Consensus Determination Workshop with public comment. The Board has been working on a recommendation to determine which facility is most needed for KBIC: Treatment/Transitional Facility, Juvenile Justice Center, Prison, Jail or other. They will be making their recommendation to the Tribal Council in the near future.

The employee W.H.I.P.P. (Wellness, Health, Intervention, Prevention Program) Task Force and volunteers continue to have monthly meetings. It is never too late to encourage people to adopt a healthy lifestyle and positive lifestyle changes to help us live longer, healthier, happier lives. Mino-Bimaadizin “Live Well.” Remember everyone should participate in at least 30 minutes of physical activity, five times a week, to feel fit. The 3rd Annual “Walk Your Way to Wellness” challenge is underway until August 12, 2012.

The Drug Task Force holds monthly meetings, and their Mission Statement is: “To promote education through public awareness with the specific objective to reduce the use of illegal drugs’ for the betterment of the health, welfare, and safety of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community and our neighboring communities.”

Continue to pray for each other as well as to honor and remember all of our veterans, service men and women, and their families. Remember those who are in our economic struggles, and all who have lost loved ones. Thank you, God and Creator, for the great blessings of our land, loved ones and friends. Let us continue to be thankful for our beautiful area. We pray for peace in the world.

During June 2012, the Tribal Council held one Regular Tribal Council meeting on June 4, 2012. This meeting is covered in the July 2012 Newsletter. Tribal Council held three Special Council Meetings. Following are the unapproved motions from June.

At a council meeting held June 7, 2012, the following actions were taken: Approved the August 4, 6, 11, and 18, 2011 Tribal Council meeting minutes; Approved the renewal of James Welsh’s Fireworks Permit; Approved Resolution KB1890-2012 Donald F. Stolp new residential lease in Baraga and transfers the L’Anse lease to his son; Approved to promote Nancy Pawloski from her current clerk/case aide position into the new Social Work Technician position.

At a council meeting held June 10, 2012, the following actions were taken: Approved a donation request for Donald K. Denomie, Jr. to attend a football camp for $435.00 in Ann Arbor, MI.

At a council meeting held June 21, 2012, the following actions were taken: Approved the August 25, and 26, 2011 Tribal Council meeting minutes; Approved Amendment #2 to the Tribe’s 401-K Plan to add trustees for the loan program; Approved a $5000.00 donation for the 1st District-Democratic Congressional Candidate Gayle Swartz’s Campaign; Approved to remove the “educational/institutions/credit agencies” requirement from the background investigations application form; Approved to temporarily amend the KBIC Background Investigations Policy for Employees, Volunteers, and others subject to the Indian Child Protection and Family Violence Prevention Act for the 2012 Summer Youth Program for two weeks for Mariah Dunham, Director, to supervise 11 youth who may not have supervision at a complete/returned background investigation; Approved the Public Works Department bid of $33,322.00 for the construction of a new enclosure for the walk-in cooler and renovations of the old cooler at L’Anse; Approved a Certification Office at the Commodity Foods building; Approved the bid from North Country Website Design for the 2012 Summer Youth Program Plan website design and development not to exceed $4500 and the Service Agreement; Approved to submit an application to the EPA to pursue Treatment as a State for water quality standards for Tribal trust, fee, and allotments lands; Approved the air conditioning bid from United Contractors for $31,684.00 for the Marquette Casino; Approved the sound system replace-

MICHIGAN’S 2012 ELECTION CALENDAR

This election year, make sure Your Voice is heard—Register and Vote! One of the fundamental rights of our democracy is the right to vote. Any U.S. citizen who is a least age 18 on election day is eligible. You must also be a resident of Michigan and the city or township where you are applying to register to vote. Before you can cast a ballot, you must register. Voter registration forms are available at any City Clerk’s office or on line at www.Michigan.gov/elections, or from your local clerks.

In a democratic society, we have the privilege of voting to choose the representatives who will work on the problems important to us. Elect your representatives: Deciding who gets your vote is not always easy! The following steps will help you find the candidate who will best represent you. Web sites, personal flyers, and newspaper/newsletters can provide information to help you find out where the candidates stand on the issues that are important to you; Explore the candidates’ experiences.

DATES TO REMEMBER

July 9 Last day to register for the August Primary August 4 August Primary absentee ballot requests must be received by 2 p.m.

Tuesday August Primary

Tuesday September 7 October 9 Last day to register for the November General Election November 3 November General Election absentee ballot requests must be received by 2 p.m.

Tuesday November General Election

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NANCY LOUISE EDWARDS
(March 22, 1942—June 23, 2012)

Nancy Louise Edwards passed away in the company of her family on June 23, 2012. Nancy had been suffering with Alzheimer’s for the past few years, and now she has gone on to her eternal rest with peace.

Nancy was born on March 22, 1942, William Edward “Boyzie” and Mary Evelyn ‘Meno’ (Cardinal) Jondreau in Assiniboia, Michigan.

Nancy graduated from Baraga High School before moving to California, where she was involved in the BIA relocation program. She worked at Pacific Bell Telephone Company until her marriage to Rod David Edwards on August 10, 1962. In 1970, Nancy and Rod started their own silk screen printing business, Aero Display, in Glendale, CA. In 1978, they also started Canyon Outdoor, an outdoor advertising company, where she worked until Alzheimer’s forced her retirement. Nancy graduated from College of the Canyon in 1980. She also worked in L’Anse in the early 90’s as a supervisor for Bedabin Display Company, where she worked until Alzheimer’s.

Nancy had a very generous heart was always willing to lend a hand and support anyone who needed that extra assistance to get them back on their feet. She was the guardian of the underdog or anyone she felt did not need that extra assistance to get them back on their feet. She was the guardian of the underdog or anyone she felt did not have fair chance on their own. After the Vietnam War, they hosted a refugee, Separula, for couple of years. Over the years there were several guests from around the world who stayed with them. Rod and Nancy raised five children. She was always involved in her children’s activities. Nancy was elected president of the PTA of Haskell Elementary School in Grants Pass, OR. She was coach for her sons’ flag football teams and on her team were former Green Bay Packer Darryl Ingram and former Los Angeles Dodger Todd Tidwell.

Nancy was involved in activities with the Catholic Church. She and a few others started the first Kateri Tekakwitha Circle in Los Angeles which led to the building of the Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha Church in Saugus, CA.

Nancy was a member of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community. Nancy was a member of Our Lady Perpetual Help Church in Newhall, CA and the Most Holy Name of Jesus church in Assiniboia.

In her heart, she was always a part of Baraga. She was proceeded in death by her husband, Rod David Edwards; her son, Rod Anthony Edwards; her Parents; and her siblings: William Jondreau, Jerry Jondreau, Elaine Maki, and Alice Hadden. Surviving is her brother, Robert (Jamie) Jondreau of Virgina; children: Rose Marie Edwards of Baraga, MI; Tony Edward Edwards of L’Anse, MI, Julie Michelle (Fred) Sanchez-Edwards of Canyon Country, CA, and Mark Alan Edwards of Baraga, MI; grandchildren: Robert Thomas (Katelyn), Michael Edward Edwards of Baraga, MI, Harrison Tyler Edwards Kanak of Canyon Country, CA, Torri Marie Edwards of Baraga, MI, Hain-yahdussawawin TaZe Edwards, Cheyenne Edwards, and Zhuomingwen ‘Zoom’ Edwards of L’Anse MI; great-grandchildren: Star Marie Edwards, Ziah Ray Edwards, Ryland Anthony Edwards, James Thomas Edwards, Emma Louise Edwards, and Joshua Marcus Collins Edwards.

Also surviving are many nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

A Mass of Christian burial was celebrated on Wednesday, June 27, 2012, at the Most Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church, Assiniboia, MI, with Father John Haskell, celebrant. Interment will be at the Assiniboia Cemetery. The Reid Funeral Home of L’Anse, MI, assisted the family.

EDMUND WILLIAM LOONFOOT
(October 21, 1922—June 20, 2012)

Edmund W. Loonfoot died on June 20, 2012, in his home in Nixa, Missouri, surrounded by his loving wife and family. Ed was born in Baraga, MI, on October 21, 1922, to Henry “Hanky-Doodle” Loonfoot and Emma Knight. He was a member of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community of the Ojibwa Nation. He was a Vietnam veteran and a member of the American Legion Post 676. He was a painting contractor in the Springfield, Missouri area for over 40 years and the employment specialist at the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community of the Ojibwa Nation.

Ed was preceded in death by: his son, Tom; daughter, Geneva; and great-grandson, Mike. Ed is survived by: his wife, Betty; sons: Cleyon, Wayne, Glen, Hank, Robert, Thomas, Jim, and Bob; daughters: Ella Mae, Gaile, and Annette; 33 grandchildren; 39 great-grandchildren; and a "tribe" of family and friends.

Memorial services were held at the Missionary Indian Center of Springfield for 27 years.

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Memorial services were held at the Missionary Indian Center of Springfield, Missou, on Monday, June 25, 2012.
The Inaugural Liberty 5k Run/Walk was held on Wednesday, July 4th in Baraga, and was coordinated by KBIC Youth/Fitness Director, Cheryne Clements, with the assistance of WHIPP (Wellness & Health Intervention and Prevention Program—KBIC Employee Wellness Committee) Taskforce member, Brigitte LaPointe. The run was put on in collaboration of the Lumberjack Days festivities that are held annually in Baraga. It was sponsored by the WHIPP Taskforce and registration was FREE to all KBIC Employees to promote physical activity for KBIC employees. Registration was also free to all Veterans in recognition of the run being held on Independence Day. Registration was $20 for all other participants and forms were available at the KBIC Youth and Fitness Office or online at www.lumberjackdays.com. All proceeds went to the KBIC Youth Club towards their annual Summer Youth Trip.

The event had the option of a 1-Mile Youth Run (open to 12 and Under—$10) and an option of a 5k Walk or 5k Run. Timing for the run was provided by Superior Timing of Marquette. All participants who were registered by June 27, received a tee-shirt. The course started and ended at the Baraga American Legion. Participants were able to register at 7:30 a.m. on the day of the race, with the race beginning at 8:30 a.m. The Youth Run started shortly after. Eagle Radio was on sight playing music and making announcements. Goodie bags, snacks, water, and Bomb Pops that were provided for all participants were donated by Heidi Mayo, Larry's Market, Pat's Foods, and the Pines Convenience Center. There were 90 registered runner and walkers with 25 Youth participants. Cheryne Clements, Coordinator, said, “We had people from downstate Michigan, Wisconsin, and even Minnesota participate. We had many volunteers and workers from various organizations: Baraga Fire Fighters Suzy Jondreau and Mariah Dunham, Youth Program Staff Steven Denomie and Rebecca Rasanen, Tribal Police, Eagle Radio, Bill and Bucki Jondreau, Pete Olson, Tim Olson, Jim Shellito, Ginger Shellito, Angie Shellito, Carole LaPointe, Tim Olson, Deb LaPointe, and Mary LaPointe.” All winners won a plaque and a $15 gift certificate to RoadID.com, and the top three finishers in each age category received a medal. Age divisions were male and female in each running and walking category; 14 and under, 15-19, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59 and 60+.

Cheryne said, “For a first time event, I thought everything went great! We had a couple of ‘screw-ups’ (runners ended up taking a different route than what was explained), but in the end, there were no complaints and everyone enjoyed themselves. I think a lot of people surprised themselves with the great running/walking effort and under, 15 Mile Youth Run (open to 12 and Under).” All Top Youth Winners/Liberty 1-Mile Youth Run: L-R: Louie Curtis, Skylar LeClaire, Kiera Collins, Steele Jondreau, Jaycie Roustala, DySean Allen, Easton Clements and Alysha Bemis. Photo credits: Cheryne Clements.

Baraga County, Michigan – The Keweenaw Bay Indian Community (KBIC), whose Reservation lands border Keweenaw Bay of Lake Superior, organized a beach cleanup on July 13, in celebration of Lake Superior Day. About 50 people, including: KBIC Natural Resources Department staff, Tribal youth crews, and area community members, cleaned approximately five miles of Lake Superior beaches from just north of Assinins/Sand Point all the way around the Bay to Pequaming. The day started with an opening ceremony performed by KBIC members, Charlotte Loonsfoot and Jessica Koski. The cleanup was followed by a luncheon provided by the KBIC WHIP Taskforce at the Sand Point Light House Day Use Area. After lunch participants enjoyed time canoeing on the Lake. “It was hot out, but it was a rewarding effort,” said Erin Johnston, KBIC Lake Superior Program Coordinator. “We estimate that we collected and disposed of about 30 bags of trash off the beaches. It was nice to take a day to reflect on how lucky we are to live where we do and share that with others.” Lake Superior Day, which was created in the early 1990’s by the Binational Forum, is officially the third Sunday in July. The Binational Forum, a group of volunteers from the United States and Canada working together to protect Lake Superior, states, “Lake Superior Day is a special day held around the lake to highlight the importance of the world’s largest freshwater lake to the basin’s environment and economy.” KBIC will continue to hold annual events in honor of Lake Superior Day, but we encourage the Community to treat every day as Lake Superior Day and take actions to restore and protect our beautiful Lake. Remember to take your trash with you as the beaches are a shared resource for everyone to enjoy. For further information please contact our Natural Resources Department at (906) 524-5757 ext. 24.
Kids’ Fishing Derby continues:

2012 Kids Fishing Derby Results

Champ: Kegan Laufenberg, 24” of fish caught...
Reserve Champ: LeAnne LaForge, 23” of fish caught...
3rd: Moamin Taveq, smallmouth bass and rock bass...
4th: Johnathan Francois, bluegill and bullhead...
5th: Whitney Walitalo, smallmouth bass...
6th: Lena Cadeau, smallmouth bass...
7th: Nate Sterbenz, smallmouth bass...
8th: Jordan Hendrix, smallmouth bass...
9th: Ken Collins, smallmouth bass...
10th: Trevor Tangen, rock bass...
11th: Mathew Maki and Shayna Pittsley (tie), bluegill and yellow perch.

During the month of June, the Office of Child Support sponsored an essay contest. Children, aged 8-18, were invited to submit an essay and tell us about their Dad and what makes them so special to them.

A total of 30 essays were submitted. Prizes were donated from our local community allowing the winners to spend a fun day with their Dad, included: movie rental tickets from Superior Video, pizzas from the Pizza Shack, Press Box and Mine Shaft bowling, gift certificates from Ojibwa Builders, Pine’s gas cards, gift certificates from the Baraga Drive-In, Subway, Hilltop, Frostie Freeze, Java by the Bay, Nine holes of golf with a cart from L’Anse Golf Club, gift certificates for tickets to games at NMU, and dreamcatchers made by Dave DeCota and Everett Ekdahl, Sr. We would like to thank the area businesses and people who donated these gifts. Without their generous support, this contest would not have been possible!

All of the essays were amazing, and it was a very tough decision to make. We would like to thank all participants and praise them for a job well done! Good job everyone!

Keweenaw Bay Indian Community’s 10th Annual Kids’ Fishing Derby: Honoring the Gauthier Family

In loving memory of:

CHARLES EUGENE GAUTHIER (January 20, 1917 – October 1, 1999)
RAYMOND EUGENE GUTHRIE (July 26, 1939 – February 19, 2004)
RABIE FREDERICK GUTHRIE (January 25, 1919 – September 11, 2002)

Charles Eugene Gauthier was a member of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community and the Gauthier family. He was a well-known fisherman. In 2005, his son Raymond Gauthier established a memorial fishing contest in honor of Charles Eugene Gauthier.

The contest is held annually on the last Saturday in June. Participants can catch one fish per hour, and the person who catches the most fish wins a trophy.

In 2012, there were 30 participants. The contest was judged by a panel of judges, and the winners were announced during the closing ceremony.

First place winner—Kayla Messer of Baraga with her dad, Donald Messer, Jr.
Third place winner—Treyson Moulden with his dad, Justin Dunleavy.
KBIC’s Community Health Department sponsored a Youth Health and Safety Fair on June 23, 2012. The event registered 132 youth and was held at the KBIC Community Center Gym. Safety messages were offered through displays and activities by: Bear-town Firefighters, Copper Country Mental Health, KBOCC, WIC, KBIC/DHHS, OPREVENT, VOCAs, MSU Extension, Superior Family Chiropractor, National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration, UP-PCO, PrePrimary Program, KBIC’s Office of Child Support, and the OWW Program and Services.

Kathy Mayo, Community Health Director, said, “The Community Health Department plans on holding an annual event, such as this year’s, to promote safety since it is the leading cause of injury and death, especially in Native communities. This year we focused on the youth, next year’s could be for the elderly, etc.”

Corey Goodbird and daughter, Caitlynn Goodbird, visit with Smokey the Bear.

(Above) is Lisa Denomie, PrePrimary Program Director, (right) in an activity involving “First-aid with band-aids” with (l to r) Doreen Blaker and granddaughter, Princess; and Sheila Ekdahl with daughters: Bryelle and Dhanya.

(Right) is an activity table where youth designed their own Sun Visor hats.

Registration workers registered 132 participants.

Visiting the displays were the Crash Dummies and Sparky the Fire Dog.

4th of July fun
Orvana Copperwood Project
On April 30, the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) approved a mining permit for the Copperwood Project near Wakefield and the Porcupine Mountain State Wilderness Area. On July 17, the DEQ also approved an air permit for the project. The mining permit is not effective until all other required permits are issued—including those for water discharges, wetlands impact, and stream fill.

On July 8, the KBIC mining technical review team submitted comments on proposed permits for wetland and stream fill. We found the company to significantly fall short of avoiding and minimizing negative impacts as required by law. The comments are available online at http://standfortheland.com/2012/07/09/kbic-comments-on-orvanas-proposed-wetlands-permits/

A primary concern is the proposed tailings disposal facility marked (TDF) on the Copperwood Project map. Tailings are the waste materials left over after ore processing. The TDF would fill in approximately 52 acres of wetlands and 13,672 feet of streams. It is predicted to release between 24-62 million gallons of leachate (water that moves through the tailings and transports contaminants) into the environment per year. The leachate is expected to contain sulfate, arsenic, cadmium, copper, iron, lead, mercury, selenium, and zinc. Once mining ends and the water treatment facility is shut off, these heavy metals and other contaminants would migrate untreated into soils and creeks to nearby Lake Superior.

Aqilia Copperwood Project
On April 23, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) issued a federal objection under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act to proposed County Road 595, which would serve as a mining haul road for Kennebec’s Eagle Mine and Humboldt Mill. A DEQ permit decision deadline for the road has been postponed until October 1. If the state issues a permit without EPA approval, the applicant would have to seek a federal permit from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Exploration in the Ottawa National Forest
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On July 7, an incident occurred at the mine site in which about 170 gallons of hydrochloric acid (a chemical used in the waste water treatment process) spilled inside a storage area and was subsequently cleaned up. The company said a faulty valve caused a container to leak the chemical. Exposure to hydrochloric acid can have a corrosive effect on human tissue, with the potential to damage respiratory organs, eyes, skin, and intestines. No injuries were reported.

On the legal front, the KBIC and its coalition partners are awaiting a decision by the Michigan Court of Appeals whether or not they will hear legal challenges to the state’s issuance of mining and groundwater discharge permits for the project. In the meantime, the Huron Mountain Club, consisting of 250 members who own 19,000 acres near the site, filed a federal lawsuit to halt construction of the mine, stating that the company did not obtain necessary federal permits. A hearing took place on June 6, and a decision has not been issued yet.

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The U.S. Forest Service and other federal agencies have a trust responsibility to meaningfully consult and consider Tribal interests, including rights reserved in treaties, before they make decisions that impact tribes. Permitting the exploration of sulfide ore bodies poses human health and environmental risk more so than less reactive ore bodies. Potential effects of mineral exploration to consider include:

Escape of deep brines to surface waters (underground water containing a lot of salt, common in the western U.P.);
• Cross contamination of aquifers;
• Sump pits can consist of waste water, oils and grease, and metal sulfides or uranium from the drill cuttings. Sump water may attract wildlife and is usually left on site with shallow burial;
• Storm water runoff, wetlands impact, water usage, and fuel storage;
• Enforcement of stipulations to prevent drilling in close proximity to surface waters;
• Cumulative, total added, impacts of numerous exploration sites in an area.

Save the Date
The Lake Superior Binational Forum is hosting a Public Meeting on the Impacts of Mining in the Lake Superior Basin on Friday, Sept. 28, 2012, 1:00—4:30 p.m., at the Peter White Public Library in Marquette. To listen to speeches and see presentations from the previous meeting in Ashland, WI, visit: http://www.superiorforum.org/meetings/march-23-2012-odanah-wisconsin/

*This article also appeared in Keweenaw Now at http://kweenawnow.blogspot.com/
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FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM ON INDIAN RESERVATIONS (FDPDR)

NET MONTHLY INCOME STANDARDS*

(Effective October 1, 2011)

*The net monthly income standard for each household size is the sum of the applicable Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) net monthly income eligibility standard and the applicable SNAP standard deduction.

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THE KBIC AND KBIC Natural Resources Department give thanks to deep groups all thanks to businesses, volunteers, and families who cared enough to make the 10th Annual KBIC Kids Fishing Derby the best event yet! Please note that with all of the volunteers who contributed, we may have missed a few of you on this list. If we did, please contact KBIRD Staff at (906) 224-5777 x 12 or 16. Thanks for continuing to support us in making this event “For the Kids!”

Volunteers

All results for the Liberty Run can be found on www.superiorrunning.com.

LIBERTY SK Run/Walk continues: they put in and, that is always a good feel- ing! We had 75 people registered coming into July 4th, with more registering that month. I was so surprised by the amount of people we had, and it was well over what I had expected! This definitely will become an annual event for the Lumberjack Days celebration here in Baraga County. We had 33 KBIC employees participate in the event. The Youth Run also went over very well.

This event was held to promote physical activity and healthy lifestyles for our commu- nities and families. It was great to see all different kinds of ages and people from other places come together for this type of event. There was such a positive vibe in the air, and I hope to see even more partici- pation next year!

Results

1-Mile Liberty Ages 12 and Under

- Overall Boy Winner—Lloyd Curtis, L’Anse; 1st Place—Steevene Jonrode, Baraga; 2nd Place—DeSean Allen, Baraga; 3rd Place—Easton Clements, Baraga;

- Overall Girl Winner—Jaycie Roustala, Houghton; 1st Place—Skyller LeClaire, Baraga; 2nd Place—Kiera Collins, L’Anse; 3rd Place—Alalya Bennis, Baraga;

- Overall 5K Female Walk Finisher—Tracie Williams, Hancock; Overall 5K & Male Walk Finisher—Chad DeCota, Baraga; Overall 5K Female Run Finisher—Jessica Nankervis, Baraga; Overall 5K Male Run Finisher—Daniel Sterbenz, L’Anse.

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Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Employment Opportunities


Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Community

Fall 2012 Schedule of Courses

“Catch Your Dream Through a Superior Education”

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Keweenaw Bay Youth Enjoy Rezheads Events

KBC youth and community members were treated to a two day program of the talents of Rezheads. The event was housed at the KBGCC gym on Monday, July 16, and Tuesday, July 17.

Rezheads is a Native American Entertainment Group who offer energetic presentations to inspire leadership, self-esteem, academic achievement, bonding to school, and the importance of education. These self-esteem programs are designed to increase self-worth, a positive sense of identity, moral character, and to improve student’s social and emotional growth. The presentations also explored the epidemic of bullying. Presenters incorporate humor, music, and participant involvement to express their messages.

This event was brought to the Community by KBC Outpatient Substance Abuse Program with the assistance of ATR, Tribal Court, and ITC funding.

Photo to the left—Kyrie Gauthier joins Cisko on stage during a selection of rap music.

AUGUST 2012 Calendar Events

Aug 3: Gov’t offices closed for Employee Picnic
Aug 4: Reg. Sat. Council Meeting, 9 am, Ojibwa Resort Conference Room
Aug 10: Constitutional Committee Meeting, 1 pm, Council Chambers
Aug 15: Veteran’s meeting, 7 pm
Aug 27: KBOCC classes begin
Aug 28: Legal Aid Clinic

~ submitted by newsletter editor

Events occurring throughout KBIC are welcome to be listed on the Calendar of Events. Contact newsletter@kbic-nsn.gov to list your events. Some events are more detailed FYI within the newsletter. For up-to-date event listings, visit www.ojibwa.com and click on calendar. For Youth events, see @ www.ojibwa.com, click on youth club, or contact 353-4643/ Main Office at Youth Club, or 353-4644 for the facility attendants or the Kitchen/craft rooms.

THE PROBLEM WITH ENERGY DRINKS

Energy drinks have lots and lots of sugar. They’re also a lot of caffeine, all of which can contribute to weight gain and other health issues which can contribute to obesity, heart disease and stroke.

HeART PROBLEMS: Those who overindulge in energy drinks are at a higher risk for developing cardiovascular problems such as irregular heartbeats and increased blood pressure.

NERVOUSNESS AND ANXIETY: While reports indicate energy drink and caffeine avoidance, the drink may actually decrease one’s ability to function.

DEPENDENCE: Energy drinks can be addictive.

For current job listings, complete job announcement, applications and closing dates contact:
KBIC Personnel Department, 16429 Bear Town Road, Baraga, MI 49908. 906-353-6623, ext. 4176 or 4140 or visit: www.ojibwa.com.

* Community Service Supervisor
* Unit Manager
* LPHN
* Account Executive
* Sales
* Cashier
* Receptionists/Clerical Worker
* Youth Program & Facility Attendant
* Family Aide
* Van Driver
* Pre-Primary Teaching Assistant
KBIC Women’s Health Clinic

The Donald A. LaPointe Health & Education Center will again provide routine gynecological examinations to women of all ages by Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) Kristine Nyquist.

Our Women have unique health needs, and because of this, our health center staff will be arranging specific days and times to offer pap smears, pelvic examinations, and routine breast exams. These preventative screenings help to keep our community healthy by detecting early signs of health issues before they become a problem.

The staff of the Donald A. LaPointe Health & Education Center are dedicated to patient-centered care. We strive to provide the best personal care possible right here at home in a patient-friendly environment.

To find out more about scheduling your routine preventative care appointment, every second and fourth Tuesday of each month, please call 353-8700.

KBIC Women's Clinic
Second & Fourth
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Schedule
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353-8700

OJIBWEMOWIN
Milinike Giiizis—Blueberry Month—August

Unscramble

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Word List

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Across:
1. blackberries
2. walleye
3. it is summer

Down:
1. strawberries
2. blueberries
3. she/he picks berries
4. she/she fishes
5. raspberries
6. lake trout

KEWEENAW BAY OJIBWA LIBRARY NEWS...

Good News!
The library now has a book return bin in front of the building! This was purchased with funds from the Institute of Museum and Library Services. The other book return will remain at the entrance to the Tribal Center. We are now a “two bin” library!

On July 2, the UP Book Tour stopped in Baraga. It was held in the gym of the KBIC Community Center. Six authors read their work. Poet Sally Brunk was among the authors. Sally read two of her latest poems.

~ Mary Bergerson, Ojibwa Community Library Director
TILSON CROWED LUMBERJACK DAYS QUEEN

This year’s Lumberjack Royalty included KBIC members: Alisha Tilson, crowned as Queen Tuesday, July 3, 2012, and first runner-up, Corey Pietila. This has been a big week for Alisha Tilson as she was also crowned Queen of the Strawberry Fest on Friday, July 6, 2012, in Chassell, MI. Alisha Tilson is the daughter of Allison and Dana Hietikko and Tim Tilson. She is a 2012 graduate of Baraga High School. Corey Pietila is the daughter of Juliet Goyen and Chuckie Pietila. She is a 2012 Baraga High School Graduate.

Zeba Indian Mission
United Methodist Church

“We welcome each of you to our worship services, at 9:00 a.m. each Sunday.”
Pastor: Rev. Stephen Rhoades
Church office 524-7939
Parsonage 524-7936

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JAILYN SHELIFOE, LITTLE MISS SUPERIOR 2012, FEATURED IN JULY 4TH PARADE

KBIC member, Jailyn Shelifoe, was crowned Little Miss Superior 2012, on June 12, 2012, at the Baraga County Lake Trout Festival. Jailyn was sponsored by Ojibwa BP. Jailyn is the daughter of Angie and James Shelifoe. She was featured in the 4th of July Parade held in Baraga, MI. Jailyn (left) is accompanied by her friend Dhanya Ekdahl.

Photo by Lauri Denomie.

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All Tribal Veterans’ Meeting at the Lighthouse, Sand Point, will be held every third Wednesday of the month at 1900 hours. All Tribal Veterans Welcome!