KBIC HOLDS PRIMARY ELECTION

The Keweenaw Bay Indian Community held their Primary Election on Saturday, November 5, 2011, for the Baraga District with the following results:

- Isabelle Helene Welsh (Inc.), 68 votes,
- Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr. (Inc.), 63 votes,
- Robin L. Chosa, 41 votes,
- Robert D. "RD" Curtis, Jr., 55 votes,
- John F. Davis, 30 votes,
- Janice M. Halverston, 39 votes,
- Carole LaPointe, 79 votes,
- Carole LaPointe, Isabelle Helene Welsh,
- Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., and Robert D. "RD" Curtis, Jr. have secured the required votes to be placed on the General Election Ballot.

The General Election will be held on Saturday, December 17, 2011, with a ballot of:

- L’Anse District
  - Lyndon Ekdahl
  - William E. Emery (Inc.)
  - Jean "Halverston" Jokinen
  - Elizabeth C. Matthews (Inc.)

- Baraga District
  - Robert D. "RD" Curtis, Jr.
  - Carole LaPointe
  - Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr. (Inc.)
  - Isabelle Helene Welsh (Inc.)

16th ANNUAL SPIRIT OF THE HARVEST POWWOW

The 16th Annual Spirit of the Harvest Powwow was held on Saturday, October 22, 2011, at the Student Development Center located on the Michigan Technological University Campus hosted by Michigan Tech/AISES (American Indian Science & Engineering Society), the Center for Diversity and Inclusion, Department of Social Services, Department of Biological Sciences, and the Department of Humanities. Lori Muhlig, Assistant Director of CDI, Native American Outreach Coordinator, and a KBIC member, led the organization of the yearly event. This year honored guests included Donald Chosa, Jr., Head Veteran Dancer, who led the KBIC Color Guard for the grand entries held at 1:00 and 7:00 p.m. Donald Shalifoe, Sr. served as the Head Male Dancer; Jacqueline Swartz served as the Head Female Dancer; Bethany Earl served as Head AISES Mother; Jacob Swaney served as Head AISES Male Dancer; and Savannah Seymour (Miss Keweenaw Bay) served as Head Youth Female dancer. Drumming and songs were provided by Ohnia:kara Singers, who served as Host Drum, and by Four Thunders, who served as Co-Host Drum, along with invited drums Stoneboy and Summer Cloud. Stanley Spruce served as Arena Director with Eric Awonohopay as Emcee. Specials included World Renown Hoop Dancer, Lowery Begay, a Pink Shawl presentation, and honor songs for the SPC. Robert L. Voakes, Jr. Memorial. Dancers and participants enjoyed a spectacular feast between grand entries. Keweenaw Bay Indian Community is a significant and proud sponsor of the Annual Harvest Powwow held at Michigan Technological University.

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- November 12, 2011 Tribal Council Meeting
- KBIC To Hold December Election
- 16th Annual Spirit Of The Harvest Powwow
- Doran named Executive Director of UTAFA
- Mining Updates
- New College Instructors Bring Wide-Range Of Experience
- New Employees
- Deepest Sympathy

Head Female Dancer; Bethany Earl served as Head AISES Mother; Jacob Swaney served as Head AISES Male Dancer; and Savannah Seymour (Miss Keweenaw Bay) served as Head Youth Female dancer. Drumming and songs were provided by Ohnia:kara Singers, who served as Host Drum, and by Four Thunders, who served as Co-Host Drum, along with invited drums Stoneboy and Summer Cloud. Stanley Spruce served as Arena Director with Eric Awonohopay as Emcee. Specials included World Renown Hoop Dancer, Lowery Begay, a Pink Shawl presentation, and honor songs for the SPC. Robert L. Voakes, Jr. Memorial. Dancers and participants enjoyed a spectacular feast between grand entries. Keweenaw Bay Indian Community is a significant and proud sponsor of the Annual Harvest Powwow held at Michigan Technological University.
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@kbc-nsn.gov.

To be added to the mailing list or to correct your mailing address, contact the enrollment office at (906) 353-6623 ext. 4113.

SECURITY'S REPORT FOR THE MONTHS OF SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER 2011

Activities reported by the Secretary, Susan J. LaFernier, for the months of September and October 2011.

ANII! We honor the greatness in you. Remember: “Indian Country Counts” and “Our People, Our Nations, Our Future.”

We continue to recognize the richness of Native American contributions, accomplishments, and sacrifices to the social, cultural, and economic life of Michigan and the United States.

Our group attended a meeting on September 9th, about the proposed Tribal School Survey with Tom Miller and Don Weeson from the Hannahville Indian School. Concerning proposed questions for the survey. The Government’s Department Head meeting was held on September 20th, which our CEO will be reporting on. I also attended the Health Board Meeting on September 4th.

A great thank you to everyone who made our first Blood Drive a success! There were over 50 people who attended and 42 who donated. This drive was sponsored by the U.P. Regional Blood Center, our KBIC Health Department, and the WHIPP Task Force. I was also honored to be able to introduce our “consultant,” Dr. Rachel Haggerty-Morgan, who is a representative for Senator Carl Levin, at the Donald A. LaPointe Health & Education Center’s Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on September 30th, celebrating the newly completed expansion and the new pharmacy. Congratulations, it was a beautiful day for all.

I attended the first and second Constituion Convention Meetings held on Wednesday, August 17th, and Wednesday, August 31st. An amendment to the Constitution was approved regarding Article VIII, Section 1, to remove the Secretary of Interior. This was the time for everyone to express to the KBIC Constitution Committee their comments and suggestions for changes to the Constitution, and they were heard.

The Comprehensive (Strategic) Plan was approved by Council on October 27, 2011, after department head and community input and review (copies were given for comment at the August
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guidelines as presented at today’s meeting, effective October 1st, (funding this year will be up to $300 for non-medical emergencies);
- Approved the Newsletter Editor Services Agreement.

The Tribal Council did not hold the Regular Saturday Tribal Council Meeting in October out of respect for the family of Jerry Swartz who walked on and was Tribal Council President’s Father. Tribal Council held three special Council Meetings. Following are the unapproved motions from October.

At a council meeting held October 7, 2011, the following actions were taken:
- Clarified the motion from 9-6-07 to have the President sign all grant award modifications for additional funds at his/her discretion;
- Motion to grant a waiver and approve an on-premise liquor license for DaShack died for lack of support;
- Approved to hire Lussier to the THPO Department as the Language Coordinator at a Grade 9;
- Approved the Tribal Council candidates for the 2011 L’Anse District and Baraga Primary Election;
- Approved a campaign donation of $2,500 for Derek J. Bailey who is running for the U.S. House of Representatives Michigan’s 1st District seat (District 1). He is currently the Chairperson of the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians;
- Approved the proposed guidelines for Reservation resident status and the Christmas Gift Check 2011 guidelines;
- Motion to deny a request to add Isabella County to the Sovereign Student Fund;
- Approved to accept the resignation of Tribal Council Treasurer Eddy Edwards;
- Approved Elizabeth D. Mayo to fill the term as Tribal Council Treasurer;
- Approved a donation request of $8,000 for MTU’s 16th Annual Spirit of the Harvest Powwow;
- Approved a donation of $250 for Keith Rolof to attend the MTU AISES Conference;
- Approved the appointment of Angela Olson to the Youth Committee to fill N. Beck’s remaining term;
- Approved the appointment of Shawn Lussier to the Hiring Committee to fill a term until April 2013;
- Approved a new business license for Jeremy Hebert as C & C Tire at 107 Center Street in L’Anse;
- Approved the appointment of Tom Smithson as the head of the Appellate Division of Tribal Court and the Appellate Justices Contract effective October 8th for three years.

At a council meeting held October 20, 2011, the following actions were taken:
- Approved the low bid from D R Contracting for $16,082 for the Marquette Casino (storage addition);
- Denied a motion to allow the trailer and family to stay until spring (at the Ojibwa Village Trailer Court) as long as Mr. Funke (father) will overlook the family and will be responsible re-guarding the dogs and drugs;
- Approved the renewal licenses for the Early Head Start and Head Start Development Centers;
- Approved the Doctor’s Employment Agreement with Dr. Bridge Reedy M.D. as presented (for the Medical Clinic);
- Approved to uphold the Hiring Committee’s motion to hire Richard C. Loonsfoot as the Cleaning Supervisor;
- Approved a donation of $250 each for four students to attend the AISES Conference in Minneapolis;
- Approved a donation of $100 for the Howl-O-Scream Haunted House at the Whirl-I-Gig;
- Approved $200 to the Bethel Church for Thanksgiving Dinner;
- Approved the Construction Agreement with Larson Well Drilling LLC for $65,888 for I.H.S. Project BE-09-G01;
- Approved the USGS Joint Funding Agreement for the Yellow Dog Plains stream gauges;
- Approved the MOA with GLIFWC for the Yellow Dog Plains stream gauges;
- Approved the USGS FY 2012 amendment for the Silver River stream gauges;
- Approved the hatchery well Services Agreement with Larson Well Drilling LLC;
- Approved the Radio Station’s Funny Business Agency Contract for $4,000 (for four comedian shows);
- Approved the LEIN (Law Enforcement Information Network) User Agreement/MICJIN Service Application and to apply to the State (for a terminal-cost $7,154 for one year);
- Approved Wanda Seppanen’s background check pending satisfactory results of her fingerprints and to issue a Certification of Decision for the ICWA (Indian Child Welfare) Committee;
- Approved Doreen Blaker’s background check and to issue a Certification of Decision for the ICWA Committee;
- Approved Gary Magnant’s background check and to issue a Certification of Decision for the ICWA Committee;
- Approved Lori Sherman’s background check and to issue a Certification of Decision for the ICWA Committee;
- Approved Ruth Keller’s background check and to issue a Certification of Decision for the ICWA Committee;
- Approved Lisa Denomie’s background check and to issue a Certification of Decision for the ICWA Committee;
- Approved Clara Corbett’s background check and to issue a Certification of Decision for the ICWA Committee;

At a council meeting held October 27, 2011, the following actions were taken:
- Approved supporting the NCAI (National Congress of American Indians) Resolution for executive clemency for Leonard Peltier;
- Approved the Tribe’s Comprehensive (Strategic) Plan with the changes;
- Approved the FY 2012 HUD ICDBG Project application for Transfer Station equipment;
- Approved the revisions to the KBIC Ojibwa Village lease terms and conditions with the changes;
- Approved the low bid from Associated Contractors, LLC for $49,275 for the Los Tres Amigos building demolition (Marquette);
- Approved the purchase of a John Deere 2011 Wheel Loader for $115,000 for the Public Works Department;
- Approved the purchase of a sharp MX-M550N Demo Copier for $5,895 from U.P. Office Supply for the Marquette Casino;
- Approved the Construction Contract for D R Contracting for the Marquette Casino (storage) addition;
- Approved Resolution KB1857-2011 which terminated Heather Funke’s lease at the Ojibwa Village (Trailer Court) as of October 28, 2011.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan J. LaFerriere, Secretary

Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan — On September 2, 2011, the Board of Directors of the United Three Fires Against Violence (UTFAV) Coalition appointed Ms. Stephanie Doran as the new Executive Director of the UTFAV Coalition.

As a Tribal member of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, a master’s degree in Social Work and extensive professional experience in social work, Ms. Doran’s qualifications and background make her the perfect candidate as Executive Director to move the mission of UTFAV Coalition forward,” said the acting President, Ms. Lori Jump.

Ms. Doran received her bachelor’s degree in Human Services from Lake Superior State University and master’s degree in Social Work from Grand Valley State University in Grand Rapids. Prior to her appointment, she served as Director of Social Services for the Salvation Army in Sault Ste. Marie. “I am very honored to have the opportunity to work in a field that I am very passionate
CEO REPORT FOR THE MONTHS OF SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2011

The months of September and October 2011 included the following activities and reportable items:

- Final decisions with Council regarding the FY12 budgets occurred throughout the month with final approval taking place September 29th. The lengthy process of balancing the profits generated by the enterprises along with grant funds and the financial recommendations of the programs and services offered provided employees of the Tribe with a 6% wage increase. The nearly three quarter of a million dollar investment in the employees will only aid in the financially troubled economy.
- The Tribe’s year long grant funded Transportation Study was completed and presented to Council September 8th. The final report will be analyzed and used to consider what types of transportation may be needed within the communities.
- On September 21st, Carole LaPointe, Health Director, Becky Tussing, Asst. Health Director, Jim Nardi, Human Resources Director, Fred Dakota, and I traveled to the Forest County Potawatomi Tribe to meet with their insurance department. They are fully self-funded and also extend their Third Third Party Administration component to other Tribe. Staff of KBIC are reviewing and analyzing the option of self-funding and will report back to Council in the coming months.
- Work on the development of the Tribal School survey continued throughout the month. It was first anticipated that remaining ANA Language grant funds could be used to pay for the project. We were informed by the granting agency that we would not be able to use the funds for the survey since it didn’t relate directly to any of the objectives outlined in the grant. We will continue to work on the development of the survey through the Tribe’s THPO Department where Gary Loosfort, Jr., Language Coordinator, has been transferred due to the grant ending.
- The former Los Tres Amigos property in Marquette will soon look different. Since the completion of an environmental review has occurred, the building can and will be demolished. The process will then allow for the finalization of the Environmental Assessment and other documents needed to complete the land to Trust application with the BIA.
- The KBIC Health Center expansion was finalized, and the last component to open its doors there was the new pharmacy. An open house commemorating the completion was held on September 30th. The pharmacy, a long time goal of KBIC, has been realized, and the services to the community are well received.
- The Tribe’s Solid Waste Transfer Station project continues to be developed. Plans to build the facility with the funds available are being worked on by Bruce LaPointe, Project Manager. Additionally, the Tribe has approved moving forward with applying for HUD ICDBG grant funds to be able to construct the project as originally planned. We should know the results of the grant request in the spring of next year. If not funded, we will have an alternate plan ready which would involve using the funds available through the Indian Health Service which is approximately $500,000.
- The Tribe’s annual Christmas Check has been approved in the amount of $1,850 and will be distributed to Baraga County members meeting the requirements on November 21st and Marquette County members on the 22nd.
- The Ojibwa Casino Resort General Manager, Fred Dakota, resigned the post and his last day was October 14th. David Haataja, Ojibwa Casino Marquette’s General Manager has been approved to serve as the General Manager of both properties. Dale Shalhoff, Asst. General Manager of the Baraga property will continue his position and a review will take place in six months.
- I attended meetings with the Pines Convenience management, Gregg Nominelli, Economic Developer, and Fred Dakota, Business Development Manager, to discuss local economic issues. The vendors have worked on solutions to the issues and will continue to monitor and if necessary make other arrangements to ensure supply and demand are met.
- The Tribe’s Comprehensive Strategic Plan has been reviewed, updated, and is being prepared for distribution to all departments and the community. The plan will be updated annually to aid departments in setting goals and objectives.
- Cheryne Clements, Youth and Fitness Director, will be seeking volunteers from the Marquette area to aid in planning and putting on the Children’s Christmas Party. She will be at the OHM Youth Center on November 22nd to register kids for the party which is being planned for December 18th. Anyone wishing to help should stop by the Community Center on the 22nd which is during the Christmas Check distribution.

As always, if anyone has questions, concerns, or issues that the CEO’s office can assist with, please don’t hesitate to stop, e-mail, or call. Respectfully submitted,
Larry J. Denomie, III, CEO

DECEMBER 2011 Calendars Events

Dec. 2: Constitutional Committee Meeting, 1 pm, Council Chambers.
Dec. 3: Reg. Sat. Council Meeting, 9 am, Ojibwa Resort Conference Room; KBIC Gov’t Employee Christmas Dinner Party.
Dec. 4: KBIC Marquette Ojibwa Senior Citizens’ Christmas Dinner; KBIC Children’s Christmas Dinner.
Dec. 11: KBIC Ojibwa Senior Citizens’ Christmas Dinner.
Dec. 17: KBIC General Elections held 10 am—6pm.
Dec. 21: Veteran’s meeting 7 pm; Christmas holiday; Gov’t offices closed.
Dec. 23—27: Christmas holiday; Gov’t offices closed.
Dec. 30-Jan 2: New Year’s holiday; Gov’t offices closed.

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 events listing, visit www.kbic.com and click on calendar. For Youth events, see www.ojibwa.com; OHE on youth club, or contact 906-484-4433 Main Office at Youth Club, or 353-4644 for the facility attendants or the Kitchen craft rooms.

REMINDER TO KEWEENAW BAY MEDICAL CLINIC PATIENTS:
If you are going for medical services ordered by the KBIC Medical Clinic and you receive a referral, please remember to stop in at the Contract Health Services Office and see Elvera Lantz for a voucher. You need to have voucher in hand when you go for services.

Doran Director UTFAV continued:
about in addition to influencing change on all regarding fuel delivery issues.

As Executive Director, Ms. Doran looks forward to working with the UTFAV Coalition. “I look forward to the challenge in advancing the mission of UTFAV in ending domestic violence and sexual assault,” she said.

United Three Fires Against Violence is a nonprofit coalition that provides services to the twelve federally recognized tribes in the state of Michigan with a vision to unite and empower Native American communities to end domestic violence by generating awareness through the provision of resources, technical assistance, and education.

For more information on the United Three Fires Against Violence Coalition visit their website at www.utfav.org.

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Juliet K. Goyen has been hired as the THPO/NAGPRA (Tribal Historic Preservation Office/Native American Graves Protection & Repatriation Act) Technician. Juliet is a KBIC member, the daughter of the late Jean B. Loonsfoot-Aho and Donald L. Koski. Juliet lives in Baraga with her husband Bradley, her daughter Corey, and two step-children, Malecki and Jaydlyn. In her free time, she loves spending time with her husband and children, fishing, and hanging out with her grown daughter, Justine. Juliet states, “I have filled in as THPO/NAGPRA for the previous eight months, and I am very excited to be working in this position permanently. I enjoy the work environment and the departments associated with it. As we continue to grow and prosper, my job is to see that everything runs as smooth as possible.”

Becky McKay is the new Outreach Worker/Home Visitor at KBIC Even Start. Becky lives with her husband, Rick, and her dog, Lempi in Mass City. She is a 2007 graduate of Northern Michigan University with a Bachelor’s Degree in Elementary Education. Becky states, “My hobbies include kayaking and walking along Lake Superior picking agates. I also enjoy riding in the family’s Model Ts and other antique cars.” Previously, she worked as a Title 1 teacher at Ontonagon Elementary School and as a kindergarten teacher at Sacred Heart Catholic School. KBIC Even Start is excited to have Becky as a new addition to their program.

Richard “R.C.” Loonsfoot has been hired as the Cleaning Supervisor for Public Workers. R.C. is a KBIC member and has lived on the reservation all of his life with the exception of attending college after graduating from the Baraga High School. R.C. states, “I have been married to Kristina for over nine years and together we have three beautiful boys: Richard (age 12), Joseph (age 9), and Nathan (age 8). Previously, I’ve worked at the Ojibwa Casino and at Ojibwa Builders. I am very excited and ambitious about my position as cleaning supervisor and thankful for being given the opportunity to contribute to my community.”

Hazen Named Student of the Week

Jatika Hazen is the Baraga High School Student of the Week (10/27/2011). Jatika is the daughter of Jena Aho. Jatika enjoys photography, four-wheeling, hunting, and hanging out with friends in her spare time. Jatika is a student who has come a long way in a short period of time. She has really become a conscientious, motivated student. Jatika is a hard-working student who is beginning to flourish and is becoming more outgoing by the day. Her perfect attendance and work ethic have her poised for a great year. She is an outstanding role-model for other students. Great job Jatika!
The KBIC Youth Program held their annual Children’s Halloween Party on Saturday, October 29th at the Niwin Akeea Center. Children participated in games, costume judging, enjoyed lunch with their families and friends, and took home lots of candy.

Ages 0-2: 1st place-Bryce Bergstrom (center), 2nd place-Princess Pierre (left), and 3rd Place-Michael Deilch (right).

Ages 3-5: 1st place-Dhana Ekdahl (right), 2nd place-Jace Chosa (center), and 3rd Place-Emma Edwards (left).

Ages 6-9: 1st place-Thomas Waisanen (left), 2nd place-Lilli Messer (right), and 3rd Place-Katie Strong (center).

Ages 10 and up: 1st place-Mason Vokoviak (center), 2nd place-Lucas Julo (right), and 3rd Place-Preston Smith (left).

Ojibwa Senior Citizen’s participated in the season, October 31st during their regularly scheduled luncheon. 1st—Loretta Hugo (witch), and 2nd—Wanda Seppanen (hunter).
MINING UPDATES
By Jessica Koski, KBIC Mining Technical Assistant

Mining activity is on the rise in Michigan and the Lake Superior basin - which is currently the most active mineral exploration area in North America.

Orvana Copperwood Proposal
On September 23rd, Orvana Minerals US Corp, a subsidiary of Orvana Minerals Corp (a Toronto-based mining corporation), submitted permit application files to the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) for the proposed Copperwood Mine Project located near Ironwood in Gogebic County on the western end of Michigan’s Upper Peninsula.

Orvana proposes an underground mine to extract primarily copper (798 million tons), as well as silver (3.5 million ounces). A primary concern with this project is its close proximity to Lake Superior, with facilities about 1.5 miles from the lake and proposed mineral extraction within 200 feet of the lake. The wedge-shaped ore body extends underneath Lake Superior and conceivably any permit for mining could be amended to allow for mining beneath Lake Superior. Orvana proposes to pump an average of 150,000 gallons of Lake Superior water per day and discharge treated waste water back into a creek that feeds Lake Superior. The closure plans for the project consist of collapsing the mine as final remaining ore pillars are removed in order to maximize valuable ore recovery.

In addition, a processing mill and permanent tailings disposal is proposed on-site. The Tailings Disposal Facility would divert existing streams and fill in about 59.5 acres of wetlands and 8,000 feet of Lehigh and Gipsy Creeks. Tailings are the ground-up remains of mineral processing. About 85-95% of ore milled ends up as tailings, which have the potential to leach heavy metals and other chemicals added during processing. The Keweenaw Bay Indian Community, along with other Tribes signatory of the Treaty of 1842 and the Great Lakes Indian Fish & Wildlife Commission, are currently reviewing Orvana’s permit application materials which are available online at: http://www.ltc.wisc.edu/ligfw/orvana/.

A public comment meeting was held on Wednesday, November 9th, at Gogebic Community College in Ironwood, MI when the MDEQ received many comments by local mine supporters noting the need for jobs. The MDEQ will accept written comments on the application from any interested persons until 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 7, 2011. Tribal members who are interested in commenting and learning more about this proposed mine are welcome to contact Jessica Koski, Mining Technical Assistant, at (906) 524-5757, ext. 25.

Kencnecn Project Updates
Kencnecn Eagle Minerals Corporation, a subsidiary of Rio Tinto, is currently excavating a mine portal beneath Migi zii wa sin, Eagle Rock, for the Eagle Mine Project near Marquette, MI. An appeals case decision from Michigan Judge Manderfield is still pending following an appeal filed by the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community, National Wildlife Federation, Huron Mountain Club, and Yellow Dog Watershed Preserve regarding the legality of MDEQ’s approval of the Kencnecn Eagle Mine Permit Application under Michigan’s Part 632 sulfide mining law.

Kencnecn’s recent exploration activity within the L’anse Indian Reservation at the BIC site has ended at least for the time being. A U.S. EPA official visited the site at the end of October in order to assess the potential need for Kencnecn to demonstrate compliance with the National Pollution Discharge Elimination Permitting requirements under the Clean Water Act, which is required for exploration activities occurring within the reservation.

On November 9th, Kencnecn issued a press release announcing a new aerial survey program. Over the next few months, helicopters with geophysical equipment tethered behind aircraft will survey Western and Central Upper Michigan. The press release states that “these surveys are part of the continuing exploration commitment by Kencnecn in the Upper Peninsula.”

“Mining Impacts on Native Lands” Film Series
The KBIC Natural Resources Department is hosting a “Mining Impacts on Native Lands” film series in order to raise awareness of mining and its complexities as well as share information regarding regional mining activities. The next film is “The Return of Navajo Boy” which will consist of two screenings: Thursday, December 1st, at 8pm at the Ojibwa Casino Chippewa Room and Friday, December 2nd, at 1pm at the Ojibwa Senior Citizens Center. This 57-minute film is an award winning and internationally acclaimed documentary directed by Jeff Spitz. It tells the story of Elsie Mae Begay’s ongoing struggle for justice and reclamation of her water and land and the ongoing battles faced by all Navajo communities as they fight for their land and water. It highlights the situation of the Navajo people on their water and land and how the mining companies have been able to take advantage of this knowledge and technology to make their lives a struggle for environmental justice, and how Navajo communities have been impacted by more than one thousand abandoned uranium mines. The film itself reunited a Navajo family and triggered a federal investigation into uranium contamination. To learn more and view the film’s trailer, visit: http://navajoboy.com/.

KBIC Youth Program Activity Fund Guidelines
Each fiscal year, a per-child amount is approved by the KBIC Tribal Council. The amount is currently $250.00. The fiscal year begins on October 1. The fund serves the four Bancroft, Houghton, Ontonagon, and Marquette. A separate Activity Fund Request Form must be completed for each child.

To qualify for the fund:
1. The child must be an enrolled KBIC member, or child of an enrolled KBIC member, and both the child and parent/guardian must reside within the same household within the service area.
2. The child must be age 0-17 or in high school.
3. Parents may be required to provide proof to the Youth & Facilities Coordinator that they have physical custody for the child they are submitting receipts for (court document or signed consent by other parent).
4. Requests that will be paid must fall under one of the following criteria: organized extracurricular activity fees, athletic fees, in or out of school (examples: basketball, gymnastics, skating, hockey, skiing, swimming, football, etc.), athletic equipment (to be used for team sports), camps (sports, Bible, and culture), school-related activities (such as: Band, Youth in Government, Driver’s Education, and school pictures), and school clothes. Educational travel is funded, and the funding can be banked through the eligible child’s high school (7-12 grade) career (banked means each year’s funding can carry over and be used in following years).
5. It is the parent/guardian’s responsibility to keep track of how much is spent for each child. An original receipt for a qualifying purchase must be submitted for all funding reimbursements.
6. Submit the original receipt for purchase made within the past 90 days and completed Activity Fund Request Form to the Youth & Facilities Coordinator who will complete a purchase request form and forward the documents to accounting for processing (processing takes three-five days). The Youth & Facilities Coordinator will contact the parent/guardian to make arrangements for issuing the reimbursement check.

(Approved/Amended by Council 11/04/2010)
Muckaday Wagosh — Gerald Allen Shelifoe, age 35, of Zeba, walked on to the Spirit World on Friday, November 11, 2011, at 12:55 p.m. at St. Joseph General Hospital. He was born in L’Anse, MI, on May 16, 1976, the son of Frederick (Peggie) D. Shelifoe and the late Ginger Emery. He graduated from L’Anse High School in 1994. Gerald was a member of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community. He had been employed as a security guard at the Ojibwa Casino, Baraga.

He was married to his wife, Liz, three sons: Seth, Jesse, and Ben; three daughters: Jameah, Jacinda, and Princess Jerr; fifteen brothers and sisters: Allen (Cathy) Shelifoe of Baraga, Vicki Emery of Baraga, Curtis (Sandy) Emery of Zeba, Jeanne (David) Kaupilla of Baraga, Steve (Tamara) Coffin of Cleveland, OH, Jim Fred (Angie) Shelifoe of Baraga, Cathy (Larry) Verch of Presque Isle, Minnie (Shellice) MN, Waba (Thomas) Alakayak of Alaska, Shashaywin Sandman (Autumn) Shelifoe of MN, Wausau (Brandon) Newcomb of Alaska, Joseph (Heather) Iron River, MI, and Megan Gude of Baraga. Also surviving are his numerous uncles and aunts; nieces and nephews; cousins; friends; and numerous former and current Sandman of MN. He was preceded in death by his mother Ginger, brother Fred Jr., and sister Brigitte.

Family and friends gathered at the Ceremonial Room at the Ojibwa Senior Citizens Center, Baraga, on Monday, November 14, 2011, where a feast was held. Traditional Spiritual ceremonial services were held on Tuesday, November 15, 2011, at the Ceremonial Room at the Ojibwa Senior Citizens Center. Spiritual ceremonies were officiated by Medicine Men Jim Williams of Watersmeet and Paul Halverson of Assiniboine. Interment took place in the Pinery Cemetery. The Reid Funeral Home assisted the family.

ROBERT BRUCE CADEAU
(September 6, 1967—November 11, 2011)

Robert Bruce Cadeau, age 44, of Baraga, passed away on Friday, November 11, 2011, in Paradise, ND, as a result of his automobile accident. He was born in L’Anse, MI, on September 6, 1967, the son of Dennis and Mildred (LaFerreir). Robert attended school in Baraga. He was an unemployed employer. Robert moved to North Dakota six months ago to work for Lane’s Truck & Repair Center. He enjoyed fishing, camping, working on his snowmobile and four wheeler. He was a member of Keweenaw Bay Indian Community.

Mr. Cadeau is survived by his brothers: Gerald (Amanda) Cadeau of Baraga, James (Marlene) Cadeau of Baraga, sisters: Judy (Dwayne) Thomley of Baraga, Betty Perry of Saccier, MS; special friends: Ronald McEwen, Ryan Dwyer, Elena Ed LeFevre, and Lane (Sheri) Harden; numerous nieces; nephews; and cousins. He was preceded in death by his parents Dennis and Mildred Cadeau.

Funeral services for Robert Cadeau were held Thursday, November 17, 2011, at St. Ann’s Catholic Church with Deacon Thomas Cadeau and Rev. Judy Mattson officiating. The Jacobson Funeral Home assisted the family.

New College Instructors Bring Wide-Ranging Experience

Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Community College’s spring 2012 course schedule features four new instructors, each with a wide range of experience to apply in their classes. Several of these courses will be of interest to community members seeking to expand their knowledge, refine their skills as well as to degree seeking students.

BS210 Marketing, to be taught by John Westman (MBA Central Michigan University) and comes to Keweenaw from Northwestern Michigan College as a good example. Mr. Westman’s ten-plus years of business experience includes over fourteen years in sales and marketing in both the Automotive and Restaurant industries. More recently, Mr. Westman heads the Baraga County Economic Development Corporation, serves as a senior project engineer for the Oldenburg Group, and owns and operates Westman Engineering Design which provides product and business development services. This course promises to be interesting for anyone and particularly worthwhile for community businesspeople. Marketing will meet on Tuesday evenings, 5:30 to 8:20 p.m.

OS215 Contemporary Native American Issues for British Columbia (MEM University of British Columbia) will also interest community members. Ms. Koski’s experience with Native Issues includes a combined six years of government and Political Leadership program and serving as an Indian Affairs Intern for the U.S. House of Representatives. She completed additional internships with the National Science Foundation and US Forest Service and worked as a research assistant in studies of Native subsistence rights and other Native American legal and educational topics. As an active member of Native American student groups, she collaborated and exchanged ideas with peers from across the US and around the world. Ms. Koski continues to be active in Native American organizations and has been an invited speaker at a variety of Native American conferences and events. She is currently employed as Mining Tech Assistant and Natural Resources Coordinator. Contemporary Native American Issues will meet on Tuesdays and Thursday evenings from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

EN201 Reading Skills and EN202 College Composition II, are both scheduled to be taught by Scott Schwarz (MA Northern Michigan University, BA Western Michigan University, BAA Central Michigan University) and are likely to appeal to degree-seeking students. Reading Skills will be particularly helpful for students who want to develop their ability to tackle college-level reading assignments. Baraga readers are likely to know Mr. Schwarz as a veteran teacher, drama director, cross country/track coach, and International Club advisor. Along with teaching, he’s also contributed to area arts activity as a singer and actor. Prior to becoming a teacher, Mr. Schwarz worked in the broadcasting industry in Lower Michigan. In addition to fourteen-plus years of teaching experience, Mr. Schwarz recently completed graduate work in reading and teaching of reading. Reading Skills is on Thursdays from 5:00-5:50 p.m, and College Composition II is on Mondays and Wednesdays from 5:00 to 6:20 p.m.

In the side building, Mr. Schwarz’s teaching composition in the evening is that Jesse Koenig will be teaching a daytime section of his popular digital storytelling course, which will officially titled EN225 Storytelling in the Digital Age. The class will meet on Mondays and Wednesdays from 10:00 to 11:50 a.m. 

SO201 Marriage and the Family, will be taught by school psychologist, Karina Koening (BA Northern Michigan University, MA candidate 2012 Central Michigan University) who will be able to share with students what she has learned through active involvement with children and families in Midland and Mount Pleasant schools - notably the Saginaw-Chippewa Elementary School, as well as at Central Michigan University’s Learning Acceleration Clinic and the Wisconsin Early Autism Project in Milwaukee. In addition to practical work in school psychology, Ms. Koening has participated in conducting research on child and family topics at CMU and NMU. Her main interests are in the practical applications of psychological theory and methods to benefit individuals and families. The course should be extremely useful for Early Childhood Education students as well as interesting for

FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM ON INDIAN RESERVATIONS (FDPIR)
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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Each additional member + $319

Use this amount

FDPIR Income Deductions—see 7 CFR 253.6(d)

Dependent Care Deduction — Households that qualify for the dependent care deduction are allowed a deduction of actual dependent care costs paid monthly to a non-household member.

Child Support Deduction — Households that incur the cost of legally required child support to or for a non-household member are allowed a deduction for the amount of monthly child support paid.

FDPIR Resource Standards—see 7 CFR 253.6(d)

FDPIR Income Deductions—$3,250 for households with at least one elderly or disabled member.

$2,000 for households without any elderly or disabled members.

*Net income eligible standard and the applicable SNAP standard deduction.

Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR)
The two Head Start classes visited the Scholastic Book Fair at the Baraga School Library. The children picked out books to take home and keep. One student told his mother, “The library is big and has 10,000 books!” This activity is part of the Enhancement Grant the Ojibwa Community Library received in October 2010.

The library has the following books: Weight Loss Surgery for Dummies, Weight Loss Surgery Cookbook for Dummies, and Eating Well After Weight Loss Surgery.

~ Mary Bergerson, Ojibwa Community Library Director

KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY
Registered Voters
The General Election will be held Saturday, December 17, 2011.
Voters residing the Baraga District will vote at the Ojibwa Senior Citizens Center. Polls for those voters residing in the L’Anse District will be at the Zeba Methodist Church. Polls will be open from 10:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m.

Baraga District
Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr. (Inc.)
Isabelle Helene Welsh (Inc.)
Robert D. “RD” Curtis, Jr.
Carole LaPointe

L’Anse District
William E. Emery (Inc.)
Elizabeth C. Matthews (Inc.)
Lyndon Ekdahl
Jean “Halverson” Jokinen

ONLY REGISTERED VOTERS WILL BE PERMITTED TO VOTE.
(As per our Election Ordinance.)

KEWEENAW BAY OJIBWA LIBRARY NEWS...

Walk And Talk
An indoor walking program.

Begins Monday, December 5, 2011, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on weekdays (excluding holidays) and noon to 1 p.m. through Friday, April 3, 2012.

Participants will receive a fitness log and other incentives.

Weekly prizes for every ten times you walk.
Contact Heather at 353-8548 or hped}@michic.na.gov for a log sheet and/or to redeem your prize.

This is a tobacco free event.

Program sponsored by 2011-2012 Yehimis Program, WHOY, Telethon, OCMC grant and SBCC Food.

KBIC Even Start Family Learning Center

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(across from the Ojibwa Community College)
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Fax: 906-353-8169
E-mail: kbicevenstart@yahoo.com

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ATTENTION KBIC MEMBERS:
The following Committees/Boards have vacant seats:

Constitutional Committee – Economic Development Committee –
One (1) regular seat One (1) regular seat
One (1) alternate seat

Application due date is: Monday, December 12, 2011, 4:00 p.m.
Please submit an application (located in Peggy Minton or Kim Klopstein’s office) by the due date to:
Warren C. Swartz, Jr. – President
16429 Bear Town Rd.
Baraga, MI 49908
KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY

OFFICE OF CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES
427 N. Superior Ave. • Baraga, MI 49908
In Tribal Court Building
Phone: 906-353-6866 • Fax: 906-353-8132
Email: ecass@kbic-nsn.gov

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United Methodist Church

“We welcome each of you to our worship services, at 9:00 a.m. each Sunday.”
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Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Employment Opportunities

* Child Support/Friend of the Court Specialist — December 2

On Call positions:
- Community Service Supervisor
- Unit Manager
- LPN
- RIN
- Account Executive/Sales
- Cashier
- Receptionist/Clerical Worker
- Pre-Primary Teaching Assistant
- Youth Program & Facility Attendant
- Family Aide

For current job listings, complete job announcements, applications and closing dates contact: KBIC Personnel Department, 16429 Bear Town Road, Baraga, MI 49908-9210 or 906-353-6623, ext 4176 or 4140 or visit: www.ojibwa.com.

(12) Ashi Niizh

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!