KBIC BUSY IN FOURTH OF JULY ACTIVITIES

Anishinaabe ikwe, DeAnna Varline, a 2011 Baraga High School graduate, was crowned as the Lumberjack Days Queen at a ceremony held Saturday evening, July 2nd, in downtown Baraga. DeAnna is a KBIC member and the daughter of Tanya Carlson and Dave Varline. Varline was one of eleven candidates running for the title of Lumberjack Days Queen, and she was proudly sponsored by the KBIC Bear-town Firefighters.

Shown above is DeAnna Varline, Lumberjack Days Queen, escorted by Specialist Alan Rajacic (KBIC of eleven candidates running

KBIC Color Guard, 4th of July Parade, Baraga, MI.

Grand Marshals, all Baraga County Veterans & Active Military Personnel, with a special dedication to our fallen soldier, Spc. Robert Lee Voakes, Jr.

Keweenaw Kustom & Kwik Lube, a KBIC member’s business, entered their float in the parade competition. The float also gave tribute to the (late) Ricky C. Geroux, entrepreneur of Keweenaw Kustom & Kwik Lube.

9th ANNUAL KBIC KIDS’ FISHING DERBY HELD

KBIC Tribal Natural Resources held their Annual Kids’ Fishing Derby on Saturday, June 25th, at the Ojibwa Recreation Area—Sand Point Pond, in Baraga, MI. This year’s event was named in memorial of Sam and Charlotte (Mongoose) Durant. Registration records indicate there were 353 Fisher-Kids, a new record. In 2010, the record was 328 registered. Gene Mensch, Fisheries and Wildlife Biologist, states, “When adding unofficial kids, too young or too old to register, families, volunteers, and agency representatives, this year we likely had the largest crowd we have ever had at this event.”

Several Fisher-Kids landed fish this year, and the TOP ten winning Fisher-Kids were: 1) Grand Champion: Ten-year-old Josh Huhta caught four

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:
- July 9, 2011 Tribal Council Meeting
- KBIC Busy In Fourth Of July Activities
- KBIC Graduates
- KBIC Holds Foster Home Recruitment Dinner
- Margaret Ross Early Childhood and Family Education Center Open House and Dedication
- New Employees

Youngsters Enjoy Kids’ Parade

Madyson and Noah Evans.

Javon Shellefie and Daniel Conner, Jr.

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SECRETARY’S REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE 2011

Activities reported by the Secretary, Susan J. LaFernier, for the month of June 2011.

ANIN! 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 political, cultural, and economic life of Michigan and the United States. The NAIRE Day is Sunday, July 17, 2011, “Ceremonial Long Walk of the Drum” at Eagle Rock-Yellow Dog Plains will begin at 12:00 noon.

M. LaFernier, Loonsfoot, Matthews, Mayo, Welsh), two opposed (Edwards, Loonsfoot), nine opposed (Emery, S. LaFernier, Minton, Curtis, Dakota, M. LaFernier, Matthews, Mayo, Welsch), abstained, motion defeated. Motion by Elizabeth D. Mayo to approve Harrison Landmark/Gundlach Champion, at $22,000 and also to give the opportunity to incorporate Bill Jondreau with Dennis Edwards, another bidder into their proposal. Motion by Gary Loonsfoot, Sr. to go with Bill Jondreau, Tribal member, on the feasibility study, at $43,000 to move forward with the project supported by — All motion supported by: S. LaFernier, two supported (Edwards, Loonsfoot), nine opposed (Emery, S. LaFernier, Minton, Curtis, Dakota, M. LaFernier, Matthews, Mayo, Welsch), abstained, motion defeated. Motion by Elizabeth D. Mayo to approve Harrison Landmark/Gundlach Champion at $22,000 and also to give the opportunity to incorporate Bill Jondreau with Dennis Edwards, Gerard and Les Haataja, supported by Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., in favor of (Emery, S. LaFernier, Minton, Curtis, Dakota, M. LaFernier, Matthews, Mayo, Welsh), two opposed (Edwards, Loonsfoot), 0 abstained, motion carried.

Council adjourned with no further action.
Robert L. Voakes, Jr.  We will always remember Robert and are thankful for our Community for the wonderful support given to his family and to each other. Let us continue to be thankful for our beautiful area and we pray for peace in the world, good health, and happiness.

During June 2011, the Tribal Council held one Regular Tribal Council Meeting on June 16, 2011.  At the meeting held the July 2011 Newsletter.  Tribal Council held six Special Council Meetings.  Following are the unapproved motions from June:

At the council meeting held June 2, 2011, the following actions were taken:

- Approved to move the Economic Development Department from the Industrial Park back to the Planning & Development Building on U.S. 41;
- Approved the purchase of the MicroMain Facility Maintenance Management software for $9,519 from the auction proceeds for the Public Works Department;
- Approved the bid for $10,900 for a Gravelly 72’ lawnmower from Countryside Farm & Garden from the campground budget;
- Defeated a motion to approve Resolution KB 1936-2011 regarding a Secretarial Election on the Constitution;
- Approved the implementation of the American Indian Adult Tobacco Survey;
- Approved Resolution KB 1932-2011/ Permits Agreement for the Fred Rollins Acquisition/Huron Bay for $525,000;
- Approved Resolution KB 1935-2011 Diana L. Shannon Chaudier and Jason R. Chaudier Residential Lease/Purchase Agreement and cancels the lease with Kay Rucinski and Janet M. Walker;
- Approved Resolution KB 1934-2011 to apply for the LCBGB Zeba Community Center Project;
- Approved to authorize the Grants Department to hire Geoff Bowman Architects for a schematic design of the Zeba Community Center for a fee up to $1,200;
- Approved the FY 2012 Letter of Intent to the U.P. Area Agency on Aging for funding for community programs;
- Approved the agreement with the Hannahville Indian Community and KBIC for the WIC Program effective July 1, 2011;
- Approved the transfer of the Weatherization Coordinator to the Public Works Department;
- Approved the consultant agreement with Norman Parks to provide information technology services for the Social Services Department effective April 1, 2011;
- Approved the employment agreement with the Public Affairs Director of Eagle Radio (Dick Storm).

At the council meeting held June 9, 2011, the following actions were taken:

- Approved the meeting minutes of October 2, 2010, and November 4, 6, 2010;
- Approved the 2011 I.H.S. SDS (Sanitary Deficiency System) Project list and priority as discussed;
- Approved the promotion of Isabelle Welsh to the position of Foster Care Coordinator at a Grade 10 within the Tribal Social Services Department;
- Approved to introduce the proposed Limited Liability Code 2011-03 and to waive the first reading;
- Approved to postpone the regular Council meeting scheduled for July 2, 2011, to July 9, 2011;
- Approved Resolution KB 1933-2011 Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council Epide-
JUNE 2011 TREASURER’S REPORT

Activities reported by the Treasurer, Eddy Edwards, for the month of June 2011.

I have a short report for this month regarding the Tribal finances. Next month I will be providing a more detailed report as this is the end of the third quarter, and in a couple of weeks, we’ll have the financial statements from the end of this third quarter. It is difficult to determine where we are in regards to our reserves, our enterprises, and our overall budgets. This will lead us into our budget season with one more quarter to go before our fiscal year-end. Our budget group has our first meeting scheduled for Tuesday, and we will be starting that whole process. We will have to see what Congress is going to do about grants. Our operation dollars are up with about 12-14 million coming from the casino with the rest coming from grants. So a majority of our budget comes from grants, and with Congress threatening to cut major cuts, we’ll have to see what we will get and where we are. A lot of departments are going to be looking for more funding. That is why I am here this month. Later today we will be addressing donations, requests submitted to the Tribal Council.

Respectfully submitted,

Eddy Edwards, Treasurer

Dear Tribal Community:
The White House is pleased to announce the launch of “Winning the Future: Preparing-to-Government Relationship between the United States and Tribal Governments.” This webpage is meant to serve as another tool to help Indian Country navigate the federal government and learn about how the President’s Agenda is helping to win the future for Native Americans. Since his first day in office, President Obama has worked to strengthen the government-to-government relationship between the United States and tribal governments in order to improve the quality of life for all Native Americans. Working with tribal leaders through meaningful consultation, the Administration and Indian Country have made significant progress in several areas. We made sure the Recovery Act included many job-creating investments for Indian Country. Our health care reform permanently authorized the Indian Health Care Improvement Act, and the President signed into law the Tribal Law and Order Act, which will help fight crime in Indian Country. Furthermore, the Administration finally settled the longstanding legal claims in the Cobell litigation and the lawsuit brought by Native American Farmers against the United States Department of Agriculture. To mark the launch of this webpage, we are highlighting a guest blog post by Interior Secretary Ken Salazar on the recent court approval of the historic settlement in the Cobell lawsuit, “A Historic Step Toward True Trust Reform.”

All of these accomplishments have provided more security for Native Americans, but they are just part of our ongoing effort to create stronger tribal communities throughout Indian Country. This new webpage is designed to be a centralized forum to share information about those ongoing efforts, while continuing to improve our government-to-government relationship.

Dr. Philip Golightly, Assistant to the President for Tribal Affairs, tribal leaders asked for a centralized list of offices within the federal government that were responsible for serving Indian Country and upholding the federal trust responsibility. Accordingly, the new White House webpage contains a Resources Tab designed to be a toolkit for tribal leaders that brings together over 25 different agencies, Departments into one, navigable location.

The following is a list of activities that occurred in the office of the President for the month of June 2011:

• I signed the gaming establishment licenses so that we can continue to receive revenue to support the services that we provide our Tribal members from the Ojibwa Casino, Big Buck’s Bingo Hall, and the Ojibwa Casinos Class and Class III establishments.
• I wrote to a number of our senators as they are considering the National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2012. I requested that they oppose efforts to make changes to the Tribal Native Alaskan Corporation and Native Hawaiian Organizations according to the Indian Health Care Improvement Act, and the President signed into law the Tribal Health Care improve-ment is in favor of expanding, as these lakes are quite valuable for rice and they would like the restoration of that native plant in that area.
• I was informed that NCIA Assistant Secretary Echo Hawk notified the U.S. Department of Interior announced to Tribal Leaders that following extensive Tribal consultations, he rescinded a 2008 memorandum that provided guidance in requiring land的信任. Asistant Echo Hawk confirmed the Department will move forward to process pending off-reservation gaming applications pursuant to current federal law and the Departments existing regulations. The Community’s two-part application has been pending for a number of years. They continued with us that we are at the top of the list and have been for a number of years. There are still some hurdles the Community has to overcome, and the Tribal attorney and I are working to coordinate discussions with the Assistant Secretary and the Governor to continually move forward. Time is of the essence on moving this gaming application forward as next year is an election year.
• We have been the only three gaming applications since IGRA passed and the Community has endeavored to move forward with the restoration of that native plant in that area.
• The Tribal Council has approved moving forward with the demolition of the former Los Three Amigos restaurant in Marquette. We haven’t filed our application yet as we are completing the necessary components. Once it is filed, it goes to the BIA Regional Office in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, and we are in the process of preparing a RFP for the work.
• I was informed that the crew from the Seventh Generation Management System installed a wind tower at the Buffalo field in Zeba last month. The system is up and running. They were delayed last month in installing the tower due to wet soil conditions. However, they still will not support the tower. This time they used larger and additional anchors at the site, and it is now up and running.

I was informed by Attorney-General Chapman that the Community intends to fully implement Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act by the deadline of July 27, 2011. The Community submitted its substantial implementation package in both hard cover and digital formats via U.S. mail on July 1st to the SMART office as instructed per guidelines. We are moving forward to comply with the Adam Walsh Act.

Last week, the President’s office, with the help of the Secretary, drafted a letter requesting support of Senator Akaka’s Bill he introduced. Senate Bill 1262, a bill on American Indian Education Programs. The goal is to have the bill considered and acted upon as part of the reauthoriza-tion of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act which is currently being considered by Congress. S1262 contains an amendment to the equity and education land grant status which will include the Ojibwa Community College and will provide much needed funding for the College’s “reservation” group. Vice President Emeritus signed those prospective letters and sent them out to our respected senators in Michigan.

The Council attended the funeral of Spc. Robert Lee Vokes, Jr., held at the Baraga High School. I appreciate the support of all who attended and so did the family. He took pride in serving his Country. Keep the family in mind; they are going to need the support of their family and friends.

Last month I was informed that the Tobacco seminar was going to attend at the Ho-Chunk Nation in Winnebago, Nebraska was canceled and has been rescheduled for August 23-24. I plan on attending and will look forward to being there and be abreast of the changes in Congress regarding the infringement upon our sovereignty and our ability to sell tax free tobacco. Lance Morgan, respected attorney, and Malmgrem Morgan, have requested my presence to speak to those in attendance regarding the positive impacts tobacco has had in our Community. At the seminar, I know, that is where our Christmas check comes from. This concludes my report. Respectfully submitted.

Warren C. Swartz, Jr., President

 NOTICE — The Ribbon Cutting Ceremony/Open House for the new addition on the expansion of the Donald A. LaPointe Health & Education Center has been canceled for August 12th and will be rescheduled. More information on the rescheduling will be published as it becomes available.

Thank You.

Heather Wood-Paquet
Health Promotions Educator

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WASHINGTON, June 21 -- Senior U.S. District Judge Thomas F. Hogan has given final approval to a $3.4 billion settlement over the federal government's acknowledged long-running mismanagement of the Indian Trust. Unless appealed, the ruling will give Native Americans the largest trust settlement ever reached with the federal government.

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Earlier in the day, Ms. Cobell told the judge by telephone that the courts had been failing them. "For over 100 years, individual Indians have been victimized by the government's gross mismanagement of the Individual Indian Trust and our trust assets, including the income earned on our trust lands," she said. "And for the last 15 years this court has held out hope for individual Indians. The settlement isn't perfect," she told the judge. "I do not think it compensates for all the losses sustained, but I do think it is fair, and it is reasonable."

Lawyers said the award to Ms. Cobell would not be a windfall as she will have to use it for the expenses she amassed during the litigation and loans she arranged to finance the case. She also gave more than $390,000 of the MacArthur Genius Grant she received years ago to fund the lawsuit, Gingold said. The judge also said he would grant legal fees of $99 million to the plaintiffs lawyers. That was more than the $50 million that the government had said the lawyers should be paid for their 15 years on the case.

In court Monday, lead attorney Dennis M. Gingold said the lawyers would not appeal any payment under $99.9 million. William Dorris, another of the plaintiffs' lawyers, urged Hogan at the outset of the hearing "to bring this epic struggle to a close." Lawyers for the government also urged the judge to approve the settlement, saying the government hoped the agreement would "turn a new page" in relations with Native Americans. Judge Hogan agreed it has been an historic case, one that was bitterly contested by both sides. It is good that the settlement was reached nearly two years ago and approved by Congress last year, he said. "I don't think in today's world with all the talk of deficits, this would pass," he said.

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The judge also gave high praise to Elouise Cobell, the Blackfoot woman from Montana, whose name became synonymous with the class action lawsuit she and four other Indians filed against the government in 1996. "She has done more for the individual Native American than any other person in recent years," said the judge. Ms. Cobell has shown "unusual effort and courage" in leading the lawsuit, the judge said. Lead attorney Dennis M. Gingold said, Ms. Cobell "has dedicated her life to righting this wrong."

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Jennifer DeCota is the daughter of Lynn Velmer and Mike DeCota. She enjoys hunting, fishing, camping, and cooking. She plans on working as a nurse's aid and attending college. She would like to major in Business. Her favorite classes were science and algebra.

Shanna DeCota is the daughter of Richard and Gloria Shailfoe. Her hobbies are beading, singing, photography, Facebook, doing nails, and traveling. She would like to attend Northern Michigan University and her areas of interest are Photography and Music. Her favorite subjects in school were yearbook and math.

Veronica Jossens is the daughter of Mary Lou Jossens. Her hobbies are drawing, cooking, and sports. She plans on moving to Houghton and finding work. Later, she would like to attend Northern Michigan University or another college to study Culinary Arts or Art. Her favorite subject in school was Shop class.

Cindy Niemi is the daughter of Joyce Gregurich and the late Rudy Haataja. Cindy says it has taken her 27 years to finish high school and the best part of finishing high school is that she did it with her two sons. Now she would like to take some college classes with all three of her children. Her interests for college range from veterinary science to cosmetology.

Joe Paquin is the son of Pam Loonsfoot and Tom Paquin. He worked for the Summer Youth Program for three years and he participated in Rez Runner basketball for three years. His hobbies are fishing, basketball, and spending time with friends. Joe is also a current member of the Beartown Firefighters. He plans on attending Gogebic Community College in the fall.

Caroline Picard is the daughter of Lori Picard and Allen DeCota. Her hobbies are fishing, hunting, and babysitting her nieces and nephew. She would like to live in the city for awhile and then come back to Michigan. She plans on attending Northern Michigan University and her interest is nursing. Her favorite subjects in school were science and biology.

Congratulations To Baraga High School Graduates

Jade Chaudier is the daughter of Aimee Emery and Durwyn Chaudier. While a student at Baraga High School, Jade was on the Student Council and played basketball for four years. She participated in the local History Smackdown. Jade was one of the KBIC Future Entrepreneurs that traveled to New York City. She was the 2009 KBIC Powwow Princess. She was also on the honor roll and attained perfect attendance. She participated in the Rez Runners basketball program and worked for the Summer Youth Program each summer. Jade enjoys dancing at powwows, playing basketball, spearfishing, and spending time with her brother and sister. She plans on attending college majoring in either nursing or early childhood education.

Lindsay Cote is the daughter of Ann Dowd and Fred Cote. She has participated in STOMP (Student Training of Mentoring Peers) throughout high school. This year she had a more active role in running small groups at these workshops. She was also involved in working at the Baraga School’s greenhouse. Lindsay spends her free time with her baby brother and her friends. Her plans after graduation are to attend Gogebic Community College majoring in psychology.

Congratulations To Our Community Schools Graduates

Joe Dakota is the son of Carrie McMahon and Dale Dakota. While in high school he achieved Perfect Attendance. He played basketball for two years, and was a Camp Nesbit counselor his junior year for Future Entrepreneurs and went to New York City for this program. He was also employed by the Summer Youth Program. Tyler enjoys snowboarding, skateboarding, and playing video games. He plans on attending Gogebic Community College this fall, studying General Education.

Tashina Emery is the daughter of Jeanne Emery. In high school, she participated in volleyball, cheerleading, track, basketball, chorus, Drama Club and was on the yearbook and prom committees. She has also been the KBIC Youth Club President, the Student Council President, and the President of MCHS for the past two years. She has been on the Honor Roll for every semester since the 4th grade and has achieved perfect attendance many times. She traveled to Italy and Ireland as a member of the International Club. She was the 2008 KBIC Powwow Princess and the 2011 Prom Queen. Tashina was selected to receive the Russell Osterman Scholarship as well as several other scholarships. She will be attending the University of Michigan.
Stuart Swartz is the son of Jacqueline and Chris Swartz. While in high school, Stuart played basketball and was on the track team. During his junior year, he made the U.P. finals for the 3200 meter relay. Stuart was also the Captain of Baraga High School’s first ever Cross Country team. He has participated in several 5K runs. Stuart enjoys running, basketball, reading, hiking, and is the Packers’ #1 fan. He also enjoys drumming and is a grass dancer at powwows. Stuart plans on joining the military. After that he would like to return home and work as a police officer.

DeAnna Varline is the daughter of Tanya Carlson and David Varline. She has participated in student council, volleyball, basketball, track, and field and cross country. She also participated in HOSA. DeAnna was a High Five mentor and a Camp Nesbit counselor for the six graders. She has achieved Honor Roll and perfect attendance many times throughout her high school career. She was a KBIC Future Entrepreneur, Summer Youth employee, and she played Rez Runner basketball. DeAnna enjoys fishing, sports, outdoor activities, and spending time with family and friends. She will be attending Central Michigan University this fall to pursue a degree in Nursing.

Brenna Fish is the daughter of Kim Hendrickson and Joe Fish. During high school, she was consistently on the Honor Roll, achieved Perfect Attendance, and participated in Honors Convocation. Some of Brenna’s activities included volleyball, cheerleading, track, and the International Travel Club. She was a High Five mentor and has volunteered at the Hunter’s Supper and Tea Party at St. Ann’s Church. She has worked at the Apple and Nite Owl restaurants, Tribal Daycare, and Daycamp program through the Summer Youth Program. Her hobbies are scrapbooking, walking and spending time with friends. Brenna will be attending Michigan Technological University in the fall, majoring in Business and Marketing.

Dylan Frisivall is the son of Arlan Frisivall and Sabrina Chapman. During high school he participated in the High Five Mentoring Program and the yearbook and prom committees. He was part of a group of students that performed IT services for the schools’ computers. His hobbies include video games, weightlifting, 4-wheeling, hunting and fishing. He has been employed at the Pines Convenience Center and the Summer Youth Program. He is undecided about his future plans but is considering joining the Marines. He may also be taking classes at Ojibwa Community College.

Joslyn Haataja is the daughter of Tammy Mattson and David Haataja. In high school, she was on the Honor Roll and was a High Five Mentor. She played basketball in the 9th grade and was in the International Travel Club. Her hobbies include shopping, hunting, fishing, 4-wheeling, and spending time with family and friends. Joslyn has worked for Great Explorations through BHK and the Pizza Shack. She plans on working full time this summer and attending college in the fall.

Aleah Kissel is the daughter of Joan DesRochers and Ted Kissel. She has attended Honors Convocation since the 10th grade and has been on the Honor Roll all through high school. She was on the Yearbook and Prom Committees, was a class officer, and played softball. Aleah is a certified counselor for the St. Vincent de Paul and Big Brothers/Big Sisters. She worked at the Nite Owl and at Peggy Sue’s in Ishpeming. She enjoys shopping, hunting, fishing, and being with friends. She will be attending Northern Michigan University this fall majoring in Psychology. She would like to attend Michigan State University to work on additional degrees.

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New Employees

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Ann Marie will be providing psychotherapy to adults, adolescents, and families. If you would like to receive added support please call 353-4532 to schedule an appointment.

Jessica Koski has been newly hired as a Mining Technical Assistant at the KBIC Natural Resources Department. She is a member of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community and has resided in the community and northern Wisconsin most of her life. Jessica holds degrees from Ojibwa Community College, Michigan Technological University, and recently received a Master’s Degree in Environmental Management from the Yale School of Forestry & Environmental Studies. After serving in her current position as Mining Technical Assistant, she plans to pursue law school in order to influence policies impacting Native peoples and the environment.

Jessica states, “As a Mining Technical Assistant, I am collecting information on mining related activities within the L’Anse Indian Reservation, ceded territories and Lake Superior basin. I will assist the KBIC with input and participation in mining related permitting activities within the 1842 ceded territory. The goals of my position are to provide expertise and community education on these activities and their potential impacts to treaty resources and Lake Superior ecosystems. I plan to launch a monthly column in the Tribal newsletter featuring mining related updates. I welcome anyone who is interested in learning more to visit my office at the KBIC Natural Resources Department or contact me at jkoski@kbic-nsn.gov or call 906-524-5757, ext. 25.”

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COMMUNITY NOTIFICATION

Registration of Convicted Sex Offenders

TO: ANY AND ALL CONVICTED SEX OFFENDERS WHO:
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- ARE EMPLOYED BY THE KEEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY OR ANY OF ITS ENTITIES; OR
- VISIT WITHIN THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES OF THE L'ANSE RESERVATION OR MARQUETTE TRUST LANDS FOR SEVEN (7) DAYS OR MORE.

Convicted sex offenders, Indian or Non-Indian, convicted of a sex offense in any Tribal Court, Michigan court, other state court, federal court, military court, or any other court, who meet the criteria outlined above MUST REGISTER with the Tribal Police. Failure to register is an offense under Tribal, State, and Federal law. Each violation by a sex offender who is an Indian will be considered a crime and subject to punishment under Tribal Law. Each violation by a sex offender who is not an Indian will be subject to civil penalties under Tribal Law and be referred for criminal prosecution to state and federal authorities.

The Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Public Sex Offender Registry is located at the Tribal Police Department and may be accessed by the public on the internet at: http://kbic.nspow.gov. From this public registry, community members are able to obtain information regarding convicted sex offenders within their community. Additionally, this public registry allows anyone to request e-mail notification of the relocation of any sex offender back to the person's community.

An offender who fails to register, provides false or misleading registration information, fails to update their registration information, fails to appear for periodic verification/registration, or violates the sex offender residency restrictions may be guilty of an offense and sentenced to serve up to one (1) year in jail and/or fined up to $5,000.

To register as a Sex Offender or to report a Sex Offender for failing to register contact the:

Registration Officer
Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Tribal Police
15817 US Hwy 41 (next to the Pines)
Baraga, MI 49908
Tel: (906) 353-6625
Fax: (906) 353-7797

Margaret Ross Early Childhood and Family Education Center
Open House and Dedication Held

KBIC held an Open House and Dedication Ceremony for the newly opened Margaret Ross Early Childhood and Family Education Center on Wednesday, July 13, 2011. Summercloud Drum provided an honor song, with a welcome by co-occupant administrators: Lisa Denomie, Preprimary Director (left), and Jody Maloney, Even Start Coordinator, (right). President Warren “Chris” Swartz, Jr., stated that this center “addresses a documented problem among our community. In the adopted KBIC 2005 Strategic Plan, the Community set the goals to provide affordable and flexible daycare services for working parents and expand educational opportunities for Tribal children. As a result, Preprimary Daycare, Head Start, Early Head Start, and Even Start program services were initiated and/or expanded. As they were developed, locations were scattered across the Reservation in renovated commercial and residential spaces, and the facilities were inadequate to handle the demand for services and did not provide a safe, healthy, or productive atmosphere for children. Program coordination, staffing, transportation, and accessibility were problems that were addressed with this project.

In June 2008, a Childcare/Head Start needs survey was distributed to all Tribal families. Results from returned surveys showed 97% of respondents indicated we are in need of quality childcare/Head Start services on our Reservation, and 67% did not think the current facility was a safe and healthy environment for their children. Over 60% of respondents had difficulty finding childcare/Head Start services in the past 12 months. All respondents supported the construction of a new center and indicated they would utilize the facility. Additional comments from our ICDBG Community Meeting held May 28, 2008, included: 1) Get kids out of skunky building; 2) It would be great to have all youth programs in one building; 3) Good to be utilizing the Community Center; 4) This building would save parents a lot of traveling time; and 5) A new building will be great for kids and staff morale.

KBIC’s childcare and educational directors were able to generate information from program records showing 30 parents requesting Head Start or Early Head Start program services and seven parents requesting Daycare services had to be placed on a waiting list in 2007-2008 due to space constraints. The high number of requests not being filled clearly indicated the need for increased capacity and improved accessibility for our Community’s childcare/educational services.”

President Swartz further added in closing, that he’d like to “thank HUD, USDA, and the Tribal Council for their contributions to make the Margaret Ross Early Childhood and Family Education Center a reality.” The building was named in memory of the late Margaret Ross, a KBIC member and teacher, was dedicated to the education of young children.

Preprimary children dance as Summercloud performs honor song at the Open House and Dedication Ceremony.

To be added to the mailing list or to correct your mailing address, contact the enrollment office at (906) 353-6623 ext. 4113.
Mission: To provide affordable and attractive housing opportunities in a safe and healthy environment to qualifying tribal members of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community, encourage self-improvement in the home; • Individual development account program – a 4:1 matched savings program for member goals that include: 1. Down payment assistance for home purchase; 2. Business expansion/start-up expenses; • Low cost home improvement loan program for qualifying Tribal members; • Low cost transportation program for residents and Tribal members; • Affordable curbside trash service for residents and members; • Ojibwa Building Supply Do It Best—providing Tribal employment, quality affordable building supplies and profits for housing programs; • Ojibwa Builders Construction Company—providing Tribal employment, quality affordable construction, and profits for housing programs; • Market rate rentals—five rental properties in Baraga and one in Neguane—providing profits for housing programs; • Ojibwa BP, Car Wash and Laundry—providing Tribal employment, superior products and service, and profits for housing programs.

CONSTITUTION CONVENTION MEETINGS
AUGUST 17TH AND 31ST
Ojibwa Senior Citizens Center (Helene C. Welsh Center)
5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. and later if needed.
Indian Tacos will be served.

The purpose of the meetings: To introduce the Constitution Committee and discuss their purpose, discuss the proposed amendment to the KBIC Constitution Article VIII Section 1, and take comments regarding other areas of the Constitution members feel need to be addressed.

Written and verbal comments will be taken during the meetings. Written comments will be taken after the meetings and can be submitted to Mike Cardinal, Committee Chair, by mail to the Tribal Center, 16429 Bear Town Road, Baraga, MI 49908 or via e-mail mike@kbic.nsn.gov.

Current KBIC Constitution and By-laws can be accessed for review and consideration at Ojibwa.com.

DID YOU KNOW????
If you do not have Health Insurance and want to have your medical bills paid for by Contract Health Services, you are REQUIRED to fill out an alternate resource application for free health coverage such as Medicaid. Filling out an alternate resource application for Medicaid will void eligibility for Contract Health Services and result in denial of payment for services.

For more information about Medicaid or other State funded programs that you may be eligible for contact: Michelle St. George, Benefits Coordinator at 353-4537.
For more information about Contract Health Services and other eligibility requirements contact the CHS Clerk, Elvera Lantz at 353-4537.

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 in the newsletter. For up-to-date event listings, visit www.ojibwa.com and click on calendar.

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Aug 6: Reg. Sat. Council Meeting, 9 am, Ojibwa Casino Resort Conference Room;
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Visit us on Facebook at: Heather Wood-Paquet
Health Promotions Educator

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website: www.kboha.com
Kids' Fishing Derby continues:

fish (two big bluegill and two big rock bass). Total length wins! He won the FISHER-KID Trophy, a $100 Wal-Mart Gift Card, and first place to the visit prize tent. 2) Reserve Champion (largest fish): Smallmouth bass nearly 20 inches and four lbs. The largest fish ever caught by a Fisher-Kid during the competition! Four-year-old Tate Robillard landed the whopper with a little help from his grandfather Doug Loosemore. Fittingly, it was Tate’s fourth Birthday! Congrats! He won a $100 Wal-Mart Gift Card and second to visit the prize tent. 3) Six-year-old Daniel Niesko with two bluegill and a rockbass. 4) Six-year-old Kaylee Seppanen with three dandy rockbass. 5) Eight-year-old Presley S. Rasanel with a bluegill and a rockbass. 6) Ten-year-old Holly Whitlow with two bluegill. 7) Nine-year-old Ryan Numinen with a yellow perch and a bluegill. 8) Ten-year-old Alexander Aleo with a painted turtle and a pumpkinseed sunfish. 9) Seven-year-old Hailey Lamb with two rockbass. 10) There was a tie. Eight-year-old Dana Kelly with a painted turtle and a sunfish, and seven-year-old Bryan Kinnunen with two rockbass.

Mensch indicated, “In all, well over 60 fish were caught and registered during the competition. We registered pumpkinseed, rockbass, bluegill, yellow perch, smallmouth bass, and bullheads. We even allowed turtles to be registered! For the past few years, the KBCI Natural Resources Department (KBNRD) has deployed a live-trapping “frye” net at several locations: including Bucks Marina, Third Lake, Bishop Lake, and other local waters, and transferred portions of the net catch to the Kids’ Derby Pond. This has been tremendously successful in adding to the Kids’ Derby Pond fish that are other local waters, and transferred portions of the net catch to the Kids’ Derby Pond. This has been tremendously successful in adding to the Kids’ Derby Pond fish that are other local waters, and transferred portions of the net catch to the Kids’ Derby Pond.

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- Baraga County Convention and Visitor’s Bureau
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- Baraga State Park, Michigan DNR
- Baraga Telephone Company
- Bay Ambulance
- Bayshore Veterinary Clinic
- BEMC Rehab Fitness Center
- Bella Vista
- Best Western Lakeside Inn
- BIA Forestry and BIA Fire Control (Smokey the Bear)
- Big Bay Grill
- Brenda Sullivan
- Bryan’s Barber Shop
- Burger King
- By Nature
- Department of Natural Resources
- Dale’s Barber Shop & Grill
- Carisa’s Restaurant
- Delta Baseball
- Central Upper Peninsula Sport Fishing Association
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- Dr. Ronald P. D’Apolito, D.O., P.C.
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- Family Video of Houghton
- Flowers By Steinman
- Frostie Freeze
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- KBCI Even Start
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- KBCI Public Works Dept.
- KBCI Tribal Council
- KBCI Weed & Seed
- KBCI Youth Committee
- Ken Spruce
- Keweenaw Bay Shrine Club
- Keweenaw Green House
- Kurt’s Korner
- L’Anse Family Dentistry
- L’Anse Family Furniture
- L’Anse Furniture Mart
- L’Anse Golf Club
- L’Anse Golf Course
- L’Anse Warden Electric Company
- LaCourt Bottled Gas
- Lake Accounting
- Lake Superior Trees & Nursery
- Lamberti’s Auto Service
- L’Anse Sentinel
- Larry’s Market
- Larson Well Drilling and Pump Co
- Lute’s Corner Store
- MaCortis Clothing Store
- McDonald’s
- Michigan DNR and State Park Staff
- Michigan Tech Employees Federal Credit Union
- Mike Shaft and Rock House Hardwood Grille
- Mitch’s Trading Post
- Montana Fireworks
- MTU ASES
- Night Owl Cafe
- Northern Orthotics & Prosthetics
- Ojibwa Bay
- Ojibwa Casino Resort
- Ojibwa Senior Citizens
- Otsego National Forest
- Ottawa Sportsmen Club
- Ottawa County 40 & 8
- Pat’s IGA
- Pepsi Cola of Houghton
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- Superior Watershed Partnership
- Surplus Outlet
- Susan Sullivan
- T.C. Electric
- Tens Beach
- The Cutting Edge
- The Upper Peninsula Childrens’ Museum
- Tojo’s
- Tony’s Steak House
- Unique Images
- UP Engineers & Architects Inc.
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- VFW Club L’Anse
- Village of Baraga
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- Voluntary Groups, Agencies and Individuals where thank you!

- ALL KBCI YOUTH VOLUNTEERS
- Bay Ambulance
- Bearfoot Firefighters
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- Bureau of Indian Affairs Staff
- Community Inter-Neighbor Navigators
- David Nyberg
- Donna Hadden
- Donan Blaker and Community Work Volunteers
- Duane and Mark Misigan
- Eagle Radio and Dick Storm
- Evelyn Habert
- FISHER-KID Parents who jumped in to help!!
- Flash Gaggin
- Great Lakes Indian Fish and Wildlife Commission
- Jim Wilson and Wilkinson’s Store
- John (“Spook”) Messer
- KBIC Conservation Law
- KBIC Natural Resources Committee
- KBIC Tribal Council
- KBIC Tribal Police
- KBIC Weed and Seed Program
- KBNRD Staff
- Michigan DNR Fisheries Division
- Michigan DNR State Parks Staff
- Michigan State Police
- MSUE Baraga County Firewise
- Ottowa Sportsman Club’s Club
- Red Lake Indian Women’s Club
- Superior Watershed Partnership Staff and Youth Workers
- The Ekdahl Family
- The Hueckstaedt Family
- The Johnson Family
- The Merk Family
- The Ravindran Family
- The Seppanen Family
- The Spruce Family
- U.S. Coast Guard
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- Val Gagnon (Memorial Display Developer)
- Village of Baraga Staff
- Village of Baraga Tribal Police

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Winners/Random Drawings at the Kids’ Fishing Derby:

- Adult drawing — Joy Cadeau, Pelkie
- Family drawing — Troy LaFernier, L’Anse
- Infant drawing — Conner Dakota, Baraga

Tribal Conservation Boat rides.

Paige Zasadnyj high-fives Smokey the Bear.

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Sunday Mass 11:30 a.m.
353-6655
santanna@up.net

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OFFICE OF CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES
427 N. Superior Ave. · Baraga, MI 49908
In Tribal Court Building
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“Your Children...Our Priority”
We provide the following services:
• Establishment, Enforcement and Modification of Child Support Orders
• Location of Custodial and Non-Custodial Parents
• Paternity Establishment
• Community Education

ttp://www.kbic-nsn.gov/html/ocss.htm

Guy Leinonen is the son of Avis and Walter Leinonen. He earned perfect attendance in high school and played Football and Hockey. He was named to the 2nd Team All West PAC Defensive Lineman. He enjoys fishing, hunting, 4-wheeling, and video games. He worked for the Summer Youth Program for three years. He would like to find a job and attend college later. He is undecided on a major.

The Education Department is pleased to announce the following six KBIC college graduates for the 2010-11 academic year:
• Jessica Bianco, Northern Michigan University, Cosmetology, Certificate.
• Clifford Andersen, Northern Michigan University, English, Writing, B.A.
• Melvin LaFernier, Jr., Northern Michigan University, Management of Health and Fitness, B.A.
• Denise Cadeau, Northern Michigan University, Training, Development and Performance Improvement, M.S.
• Jessica Koski, Yale University, Forestry and Environmental Studies, M.S.
• Peter Scheflo, Michigan State University, Social Work, MSW.

Congratulations to all of our graduates. We are very proud of you and your accomplishments!

Pharmacy Update: The schedule opening date of the KBIC Donald A LaPointe Health Center Pharmacy is September 30, 2011. All major contracts have been approved and staff are preparing to install the equipment and operating programs. Cindy Anderson has been hired as our certified Pharmacy Technician; she has 35 years experience in all areas of the pharmacy practice and will be a valuable addition to our staff. The pharmacy will offer state of the art service to our community and provide substantial savings in the health care cost. Hours will be: 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and 1:30 to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Prescriptions written by the KBIC Tribal physicians only, will be honored. *Catalyst cards will no longer be in effect for uninsured patients after September 30th, 2011.