KBIC 2016 PRIMARY ELECTIONS HELD

The Keweenaw Bay Indian Community held their Primary Election on Saturday, November 5, 2016, at the Ojibwa Senior Citizens for the Baraga District. A Primary Election was held only in the Baraga District for the position of Tribal Council. Diana Chaudier, Election Board Chairman, explained, "There are two council positions in both the L'Anse and Baraga District. If there are five candidates, we hold a Primary Election as only four candidates can move on to the General Election. Because there are only three candidates running for the two positions in L'Anse and one for the judicial position, we did not require primaries for those positions; they will all move on to the General Election."

Baraga District results:
Don Shalifoe, Sr. (Inc.) 70 votes;
Robin Chosa 31 votes;
Alden "Auddie" Conner, Jr. 23 votes;
Dan Connor 50 votes;
Ron Edwards 19 votes;
Hope Laramore 25 votes;
Rodney Loonsfoot 94 votes;
Elizabeth "Popcorn" Mayo 87 votes;
Don Messer, Jr. 78 votes.

Don Shalifoe, Sr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth "Popcorn" Mayo, and Don Messer, Jr. have secured the required number of votes to be placed on the General Election Ballot.

At the General Election, voters will cast their ballots for two seats in both districts, and one position for Associate Judge. The General Election will be held on Saturday, December 17, 2016, with the following ballot:
Baraga District Council Seat:
Rodney Loonsfoot;
Elizabeth "Popcorn" Mayo
Don Messer, Jr.;
Donald Shalifoe, Sr. (Inc.).
L'Anse District Council Seat:
Lyndon Ekdahl;
Michael F. LaFernier, Sr. (Inc.);
Gary Loonsfoot, Jr.
Associate Judge:
Violet M. Frisvall Ayres.

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KBOCC President attends Governor’s Energy Excellence Awards

Attending the Governor’s Energy Excellence Awards luncheon in Lansing were: Brett Niemi, WPPI Energy (left), Debbie Parrish, KBOCC President (center), and Bob LaFave, L’Anse Village Manager (right).

Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Community College was nominated by Brett Niemi, WPPI Energy, for the Governor’s Energy Excellence Award for the recent renovation of the L’Anse Wabanung Campus, with a goal of creating an energy-efficient facility with a comfortable atmosphere rich in Ojibwa culture. Taking advantage of incentives provided through programs offered by Village of L’Anse, Efficiency United, and WPPI Energy, the College upgraded its existing lighting and HVAC systems by installing demand control ventilation, an energy management system, HVAC setup/setback controls, and air handler fan variable speed drives. The upgrades are expected to save more than 26,700 therms of natural gas and 290,000 kWh of electricity per year. All finalists were invited to attend the luncheon to be recognized for the efforts in energy reduction and savings.
KBIC HONORS LOCAL VETERANS

The Keweenaw Bay Indian Community and the Ojibwa Casino held a Luncheon for Veterans on Veterans’ Day, November 10, 2016. The festivities began at 11 a.m. at a luncheon at the former Big Bucks Bingo Hall, Baraga, Michigan. Veterans received a meal consisting of: Baked Chicken, Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Corn, Soup, Salad with a fruit, and a dessert. The event featured a $5.00 donation for their meal. The meal was prepared by the Lucky 7’s restaurant. All proceeds were donated to the local U.S. Marine Corps “Toys For Tots.”

Following the luncheon, participants gathered at a location in front of the KBIC Tribal Center, for a Flag Raising Ceremony. Woodland Singers offered the Flag song and an Honor Song, along with President Warren “Chris” Swartz, Jr. addressing the cause. “I want to express my gratitude and acknowledge all the veterans who are here today and thank them for their service. On this day across the nation, citizens are honoring the brave members of the United States Armed Forces. As President of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community, I am proud to also stand and express my gratitude to our nation’s veterans, native and non-native, reflecting on their courage and the sacrifice they have made. Native Americans have a long history of distinguished service in this country. Serving at one of the highest per capita rate of any population. My own family, including myself, my mother, my grandfather, and above have served for generations. As Native people, we exemplify high standards of support and recognition for our Native veterans not just on Veteran’s Day but every day. We give thanks to our veteran brothers and sisters for ensuring that we as Native people continue to survive and thrive. Though this pursuit of honor and recognition the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community has supported a number of programs to help the veterans on the L’Anse Reservation. As we take the time to honor you, it would not be just about honoring our veterans but also reciprocating what they have done for us by committing to their wellbeing and quality of life. All that we have overcome as a community is in part through the effective efforts of our veterans. One Native American veteran I’d like to make mention of is Ira Hayes. Ira Hayes was an enrolled member of the Gila River Indian Nation and a United States Marine. He was one of the six flag raisers immortalized in the iconic photograph of the flag raising on Iwo Jima during World War II. I think it is important to acknowledge all of our veterans here today—day, both native and non-native, and recognize the sacrifices they have given. Always remember, all gave some, and some gave all, and we know who they are, and we certainly want to think of them today.”

At the conclusion of the event, participants participated in a balloon release. The event was organized by Kim Klopstein, Administrative Assistant, CEO Office.

By Lauri Denomie, Editor

The Regular Saturday Tribal Council Meeting was held on November 5, 2016, at the Ojibwa Casino Resort Conference Room in Baraga, Michigan. President Warren Swartz, Jr., presided over the meeting with Jennie Redman, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni Minton, Blaker, Dakota, Haataja, M. LaFernier, Shalifoe, Sr. present. Not present: Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., and Donald Shalifoe, Sr.

President Swartz shared numerous Thank You and For Your Information items addressed to Council.

Under new business: Danielle Webb, Tribal Attorney, and Carole LaPonte, Health Administrator, presented an Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan, Inc. Memorandum of Cooperative Agreement, Tribal Personal Responsibility Education Program (PREP), an agreement where KBIC would pay for programs for our youth, including summer programs on life skills, personal choices, and a babysitting training class. The grant has increased from $25,000 to $40,000 this year which is reflected in the minor changes of the agreement from the previous year. Council will consider some trainings for the summer youth children. Motion by Susan J. LaFernier to approve the Memorandum of Cooperative Agreement with ITC for the Tribal Personal Responsibility Education Program, co-sponsored by Toni Minton and Michael F. LaFernier, Sr. Seven supported (Misegan, S. LaFernier, Minton, Blaker, Dakota, Haataja, M. LaFernier), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, four absent (Curtis, Edwards, Loonsfoot, Shalifoe), motion carried.


Under old business: Doreen Blaker presented a T-shirt design for the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community. The T-shirt includes the home territory area on the left sleeve, KBIC logo on right sleeve, and a U.P. dream catcher on the front. They will be available in a variety of colors for individuals to purchase at cost. Consensus of the Council was to approve the design and to order them.

Chairperson Jennifer Misegan gave a special presentation to Council for the Christmas and New Years holidays, sup- ported by Toni Minton. Seven supported (Misegan, S. LaFernier, Minton, Blaker, Dakota, Haataja, M. LaFernier), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, four absent (Curtis, Edwards, Loonsfoot, Shalifoe), motion carried.

Treasurer Doreen Blaker presented the November 2016 donations requests. Motion by Jennifer Misegan to approve the November 2016 donations as: $5,000.00 to Marine Corps League – Keweenaw Detachment #1016 for Toys for Tots for Baraga County, $500.00 for Baraga Fire Department for Children’s Christmas Party, and $200.00 to Let’s Eat Community Program’s free community meal for a total of $700.00, supported by Susan J. LaFernier. Seven supported (Misegan, S. LaFernier, Minton, Blaker, Dakota, Haataja, M. LaFernier), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, four absent (Curtis, Edwards, Loonsfoot, Shalifoe), motion carried.

Council scheduled an Employee Appeal of Dismissal Hearing Case #007-16 for Thursday’s Council Meeting on November 10, 2016, 1:00 p.m.

Larry Denomie III, CEO, addressed Council on this year’s Government Christmas/New Year’s Holiday schedule as the holidays all fall on the weekend. Motion by Jennifer Misegan to approve the third option presented to Council for the Christmas and New Years holidays, supported by Toni Minton. Seven supported (Misegan, S. LaFernier, Minton, Blaker, Dakota, Haataja, M. LaFernier), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, four absent (Curtis, Edwards, Loonsfoot, Shalifoe), motion carried. Government offices will be closed for the holidays on Thursday, December 22, 2016; Friday, December 23, 2016; Monday, December 26, 2016; Friday, December 30, 2016; and Monday, January 2, 2017.

Jennifer Misegan, Vice President, presented Baraga Ojibwa Senior Citizens options involving a Christmas party to alleviate any confusion, Beth Koski will be responsible to notify all the seniors of the following choices, and an announcement will be published in the December newsletter. Motion by Jennifer Misegan that all Baraga and Marquette County Ojibwa Seniors will receive a $75.00 gift card if they don’t attend the party, or they will receive a $50.00 gift card if they do attend the senior’s Christmas party, supported by Michael F. LaFernier, Sr. Seven supported (Misegan, S. LaFernier, Minton, Blaker, Dakota, Haataja, M. LaFernier), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, four absent (Curtis, Edwards, Loonsfoot, Shalifoe), motion carried.

Council moved into closed session with Danielle Webb, Tribal Attorney, on the agenda with a retainer agreement and an attorney update prior to adjournment.

~ By Lauri Denomie, Newsletter Editor

December 2016 Calendar Events

- Dec. 3: Reg. Sat. Council Meeting, 9 am, Ojibwa Casino Conference Room, Baraga
- Dec. 17: General Election 10 am—6 pm
- Dec. 22, 23, 26: Christmas Holiday, Gov’t offices closed
- Dec. 30 & Jan. 2: New Years Holiday, Gov’t offices closed

- submitted by newsletter editor
dressing the following identified community goals outlined in our strategic plan: expand behavioral and mental health services; create a safe and healthy community free from drug and alcohol use/abuse; prevent suicide; provide opportunity and support for our Tribal members to flourish and strengthen in a caring, safe, and supportive environment; preserve and protect our language and the values of our Anishinabek nation (spiritual, mental) of our Anishinabek life ways.

The project activities will be geared toward our youth and young adults ages eight to twenty-one, and include the following: hire a Psychologist, attend trainings, conduct evidence based practices, create community action and clinical advisory board, develop a survey and provide counseling services (one on one and family).

The project outcomes include: improving public awareness of drug abuse and suicide prevention; decreasing substance use and abuse; increasing family engagement and involvement; and decreasing suicide plans, attempts, and completions. Spillover effects expected include: influential and positive effects such as responsibility, accountability, increased self-esteem, and persistence to learn which will lead to a future of social peace, health, and well-being.

This project is a cooperative effort between the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Health Center and our Anishinabek Tribe; each will provide separate advisory board/committee. This project will build upon other relationships throughout the four year project as well as include:dvices for Tribal Court, Tribal Police, and local schools. This project will aid in developing an anti-substance and substance use campaign for our community. The Health Administrator and Benefit Administrator will be working closely with the Tribe on this project.

The Mental Health Workgroup, under the leadership of the Health Administrator and the Benefit Administrator, will provide health services to our Tribal members and lead an interagency task force that will develop the following identified community goals.

I am pleased to announce that as of November 1, 2016, all enrolled Tribal members will be required to contact the Enrollment Department, provide a death certificate, and an invoice; expenses will be covered up to $5,000.00. I am currently working on providing our Tribal members with a look at how the company we have chosen, with a census of the membership and getting the information out to the members.

On October 5, Council entered into an agreement with Allegany Capital Corporation to assume the rights and obligations of certain tobacco companies to acquire and develop tobacco businesses. The company we have chosen, and several other companies, have protocols to make sure that our Tribal members will be able to receive their traditional tobacco products. This partnership has been formed to assist us in our tobacco manufacturing endeavors. Several years back the Tribe had the opportunity to purchase any number of tobacco companies, a decision that was made due to the fact that these companies will provide the services that were needed in the tobacco industry. The eligibility guidelines for the General Welfare Support Program are the same as the Christmas Gift/Sovereignty Check program. This program will replace the former Christmas Gift/ Sovereignty Check program. This Federal law, which was enacted in 2014, allows the Tribe to provide assistance to the tribal membership near Bay Degree spawning grounds. The copper mine's tailing waste which is a Grade A habitat for Lake Trout and White Fish spawning. This is pollution from the copper industry which is going to have a huge impact on the treaty rights we have. We spoke with them about the importance of our treaty rights and the importance of fish to our community. It is important that those people who have the responsibility to mitigate the threats they understand that they are responsible for protecting our people, and we took the opportunity to let them know the importance of that resource to our community.

I met with Terri Denomie, Director of the KBIC Headstart. She spoke of concerns regarding the InterTribal Council (ITC) program's wage and benefit package. I informed her that I would bring her concerns up at the next ITC Board meeting.

I recently approved Resolution KB-056-2016 related to the sewer rate increases. Sewer will increase from $38.00 to $41.00, and water will increase from $30.00 to $32.00. The reason for the increase is to help offset some of the expenses related to the upkeep of the systems. We recently approved a Resolution related to the Menominee Tribe in their participation in the Back Forty Project, the Open Pit Sulfide Mine. Respectfully submitted, Warren C. Swartz.

I would like to clarify for the many issues that I have been hearing or seeing around the Community. First of all, a Committee has been in place for several years that includes directors and staff from Education, Probation, Child Support, Social Services, Housing, Community Assistance, and the CEO. They met in the fall and will continue to meet the first and third week of the month. It is not a specific group, but it is a group that is meant to be interagency to solve the many issues that we are facing as a community. The铜精炼厂位于比格礁湖地区。铜精炼厂的尾矿废料逐渐吞没了比格礁湖。铜精炼厂的尾矿废料对鱼的生殖地有影响。铜精炼厂的尾矿废料对鱼的生殖地有影响。铜精炼厂的尾矿废料对鱼的生殖地有影响。
Vice President Report Continued:

Vaccy for anything on the internet and receiving benefits from the Tribe is not an entitlement because you once lived here. Be honest about where you live.

The CEO and I worked on both the advertisement and the article to be printed in the December edition of the Delta Sky Magazine. The time frame was very tight, but we pulled it off with help from the Casino Marketing department.

I participated in a workshop session at the Health Clinic for the Tribal Premium Sponsorship Coverage as well as a webinar for the Affordable Care Act. Several changes were made to the initial draft of the program that was presented to the Council. We are waiting on some statistical reports before going further along with revisions to the current draft.

After hearing from Chief of Police Misegan about his concerns of the drug epidemic in our Community following another drug overdose, we have formed a work-group to revise the Controlled Substance revisions in our Tribal Code. I will factor in the group and have included Chief Duane Misigan, Prosecutor Danielle Webb, Treasurer Dooreen Blaker, Chief Judge Bradley Dakota, and Associate Judge Violet Ayres so far. If there are suggestions or if anyone else would like to participate, please me know to include you in the meetings.

After hearing from Chief of Police Misegan, I sent this information to those who assisted, sent cards, donations, or supported the Community during the tragic loss of the firefighters. We are still working on placing additional thank you in various newspapers.

Respectfully submitted,
Jennifer Misigan

Tribal Council Secretary’s Report for the Month of October 2016

ANNI! We honor the greatness in you. Remember: “Indian Country Counts”

“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.

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We wish everyone a blessed Thanksgiving!

Remember our Veterans on November 11, 2016, to honor and celebrate the bravery and sacrifice of all U.S. Veterans. Memorial Day honors service members who died in service to their country as a result of injuries incurred during battle. Deceased veterans are also remembered on Veteran’s Day, but the day is set aside to thank and honor living veterans who served honorably in the military—in wartime or peacetime.

Mino-bimaadizi “Live Well”

The Tribal Council and our Regular Saturday Meeting on October 8, 2016: five Special Council meetings were held on October 4, 6, 13, 20, and 27, 2016. The unapproved motions for October 4, 6, 13, 20, and 27, 2016, follow. Actions taken were:

October 4, 2016 Special Council Meeting (unapproved):

- Approved the Tier III Services Agreement renewal with Diane Charron to provide teachings in traditional and contemporary techniques in sewing, beading, dance regalia, quilting, and crafting.
- Approved the continuation of operations of governmental services for the next 30 days.

October 6, 2016 Special Council Meeting (unapproved):

- Approved the BIA CTGP Tactical Training Budget for $47,000.00.
- Approved the Worker’s Comp Lump Sum Settlement from Accident Fund as presented.
- Approved to table the tobacco issue until the October 13, 2016 meeting.

October 8, 2016 Regular Council Meeting-Marquette Community Center (unapproved):

- Approved the Tribal Council President’s September 2016 Report (Warren C. Swartz, Jr.).
- Approved the Tribal Council Vice President’s September 2016 Report (Jennifer Misigan).
- Approved the Tribal Council Secretary’s September 2016 Report (Susan J. LaFernier).
- Approved the CEO’s September 2016 Report (Larry J. Denomie III).
- Approved the August 2016 Department Head Reports.
- Approved the candidates for the November 5, 2016, Primary Election for the Baraga District: Donald Shallfoe, Sr. (Inc.), Robin Chosa, Alden Connor, Daniel Connor, Ronald Edwards, Hope Kazmier, Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo, and Donald Messer, Jr. Also the candidate for the Associate Judge: Violet M. Frislav Ayres. The L’Anse District candidates are: Michael F. LaFernier (Inc.), Lyndon Ekdahl, and Gary Loonsfoot, Jr., Per the Election Ordinance, a primary election will not be held in the L’Anse District as there are only three candidates.
- Approved the October 2016 donations as the following: $500.00 to Bay Cliff Health Camp and $250.00 to Little Brothers Friends of the Elderly.

October 13, 2016 Special Council Meeting (unapproved):

- Approved the West Publishing Corporation Subscription Contract for the Tribal Attorney’s office for up to three years.
- Approved the Special Counsel Contract with Dorsey & Whitney, LLP for one year ending September 30, 2017.
- Approved the Food Service Business License renewal for the Sidetrack Bar and Grill with Ronald T. Edwards for one year.
- Approved the Alcoholic Beverage License renewal for the Sidetrack Bar and Grill with Ronald T. Edwards for one year.
- Approved the Memorandum of Cooperative Agreement with the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan for Affordable Care Act Tribal Home Visiting Grant for one year for $148,000.00.
- Approved the Memorandum of Cooperative Agreement with the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan for the U.P. Tribal Breast Health Coalition and Learning Collaborative Grant Program for one year for $25,000.00.
- Approved the Tier III Services Agreement with Environmental International, Ltd to provide assistance in developing a set of sediment and surface water cleanup criteria and water quality standards for $46,000.00, May 13, 2016, through December 30, 2016.
- Approved the Interconnection and Parallel Operating Agreement for Category 2 Project for the solar energy project at the Donald A. LaPointe Health and Education Center.
- Approved Resolution KB 055-2016 Forest Development Project Proposal to implement FY 2017 Catherine Valentine Commercial Forest Stand Improvement Plantation Brushing.
- Tabled the Enterprise Employee Appeal of Dismissal Hearing Case #006-2016 for more information next week.
- Approved the Tribal member donation request for a teen pageant sponsored for more information/clarification.
- Approved to appoint Terri Denomie to the ICWA Committee.
- Approved the 2017 WIC Special Supplemental Grant for $68,297.00 for one year and the Public Health Emergency Preparedness Grant for $18,126.00.
- Approved the FY 2017 Budgets with a 2% raise.

October 27, 2016 Special Council Meeting (unapproved):

- Approved the September 10, and 15, 2016 Tribal Council Meeting Minutes.
- Approved Resolution KB 060-2016 KBIC Second Amended and Restated Tribal Elders and Disability Pension Trust. Benefits provided to members of the Trust are provided in a manner consistent with applicable federal law and IRS guidance, are not compensation for services, are not lavish and extravagant, and thus are not subject to federal or state income tax and shall not be included as income by any government agency.
- Approved Resolution KB 061-2016 General Welfare Support Program which replaces the “Christmas Check” and “Sovereignty Check” programs but checks will still be issued. The purpose of the program is to provide financial assistance to Adult Tribal Members to assist them for their education, housing, transportation, child care, medical care, non-prescription drugs or other medicines not covered by insurance or public health programs, temporary meals and lodging in connection with travel.
During the month of October 2016, the CEO's office reported the following:

- Fiscal Year 2017 budgets were approved and included a 2% raise for most employees. The budgeting process was tedious, but in the end, it did wrap up with a surplus of just over $100,000.
- On October 31, the Tribe’s Social Services Department became fully staffed. The tribe is no longer dependent on the State of Michigan’s Department of Health and Human Services to provide services 24/7. The next step in the process is to have our department provide after hours and weekend coverage. It is expected that aspect will be running effective December 1. Until that time, the MI DHHS will continue to assist with the afterhours and weekend work.
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- In a final note, the governmental offices of the Tribe will be closed on Friday, November 11 in observance of Veteran’s Day. A luncheon is being hosted for all Veterans by staff and the Tribal Center for an application and a $2.00 donation. If you or the members of your organization are not tribal members, the Ke-Wi-She Ki-Ani POWOW and the Native American Center will be closed on Friday, November 11 in observance of Veteran’s Day. A luncheon is being hosted for all Veterans by staff and the Tribal Center for a $2.00 donation.

CEO’s Report for the month of October 2016

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Public Announcements

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- PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT: Is your charitable organization planning on holding a raffle or selling raffle tickets on the L’Anse Indian Reservation? Federal law, through the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, granted Tribes exclusive right to regulate gaming activity on Indian lands. Even if you or the members of your organization are not tribal members, the Tribe’s Gaming Commission has the authority to regulate your raffle. It is unlawful to game without a license. To contact the KBIC Gaming Commission Office at (906) 353-4222 or stop by the office located at the Tribal Center for an application and a copy of the rules and regulations. Application deadline for submission of ALL Class I Drawings is 30 days and Class II Raffles is 60 days prior to your event. License Fee will be waived when the application is received within this timeline.

- Place an ad, submit an article or relate your ideas, or possible articles contact: Laurie Denomie at (906) 201-0263, or e-mail: newsletter@kbic-nsn.gov.
- Notice from the Motor Vehicle Division: Lengthy transactions will not be processed after 4:10 each day, effective immediately. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

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

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KBIC Announces New General Manager of the Baraga and Marquette Casinos

The Keweenaw Bay Indian Community has hired 30-year casino veteran Don Wren as General Manager of their Marquette and Baraga properties. Don has a very unique and successful background holding top executive level positions in Gaming, Hotel, and Marketing. He has worked with companies such as Caesars Entertainment, MGM Grand, Tropicana, Las Vegas Hilton, and Greektown Casinos.

Don began his career in Atlantic City and has worked in numerous markets throughout the United States, such as Chicago, Las Vegas, and Detroit. A Native of Franklinville, New Jersey, he earned his bachelor’s degree from The University of Nevada Las Vegas.

Along with the properties’ operations, Don will play a key role in the $40 million expansion projects expected to break ground soon for Marquette and Baraga.
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“Live Well”
DONALD A. LAPOINTE HEALTH & EDUCATION CENTER

Holiday Hours
KBIC Health System will be closed Thursday, Friday, and Monday, December 22, 23, and 26, Friday, December 30, and Monday, January 2.

Happy Holidays from our Family to Yours!

Indoor Wellness Path

KBIC Health System is launching their latest activity this December 7, 2016. Join our staff in walking at 10:00 am for the first official walk through or stop by throughout the rest of the day for prizes and walking kits. Walk this way! The WELLNESS WALKWAY, is for all ages & sizes. “Walking just might be the single greatest intervention” for overall health benefit! Good health is the foundation of every aspect of our lives, let’s all thrive. Proceed through each of the eight fitness stations and follow each stations’ instructions, while touring our building. Bringing fitness indoors for the winter!

Earn extra steps for the Walk and Talk program as well. Visit kbichealth.org for more information.

What are the benefits of walking? According to the American Heart Association, research has shown that the benefits of walking and moderate physical activity for at least 30 minutes a day can help: reduce the risk of coronary heart disease; osteoporosis; and some cancers; improve blood pressure and blood sugar levels; maintain body weight and lower the risk of obesity; enhance mental well being; and reduce the risk of non-insulin dependent (type 2) diabetes. So come on, let’s go for a walk!

Submitted by Tashina Emery, BALAC Coordinator
Supported by the GHWC Grant and KBIC Health System

Antibiotics Aren’t Always the Answer

Each year in the United States, at least two million people become infected with bacteria that are resistant to antibiotics and at least 23,000 people die as a direct result of these infections. Antibiotics are the most common cause of emergency department visits for adverse drug events in children under the 18 years of age. This is why it’s so important to use antibiotics only when needed, if needed, and to use the right drug at the right dose for the right amount of time.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has news for you this cold and flu season: antibiotics don’t touch viruses – never have, never will! It’s a long documented medical fact. Antibiotics only treat illness caused by bacteria. Colds, flu, most sore throats, and many sinus and ear infections are caused by viruses, not bacteria.

Taking antibiotics when they are not needed is fueling an increase in drug-resistant bacteria, which cause infections that are more difficult, and sometimes even impossible, to cure. Almost all types of bacteria have become less responsive to antibiotic treatment. These “superbugs” can quickly spread and threaten our communities with illnesses that were once easily treatable.

When antibiotics are used for viral infections, you are not getting the best care. A course of antibiotics won’t fight the virus, help you feel better, or lead to a quicker recovery. It may even be harmful. Antibiotics can have side effects, like diarrhea or upset stomach. Some side effects can be quite serious. If you are diagnosed with a viral illness, ask what you can do to feel more comfortable while your immune system does its work. Suggestions might include drinking plenty of fluids, getting a lot of rest, using over the counter medications (ask your healthcare provider what’s safest), using a cool mist humidifier, or gargling with salt water. Do not ask for antibiotics, though. For more information about the right way to use antibiotics, visit www.cdc.gov/getsmart.

Information from Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Pumpkin Fluff

1 - 16 oz. can pumpkin
1 - 1 1/2 oz. box sugar-free instant vanilla pudding mix
1 - 8 oz. container fat-free cool whip
pumpkin spice to taste

1. Combine all ingredients in order.
2. Chill for two hours.
3. Serve with your favorite low calorie cracker or cookie; like graham cracker or wafer cookies.

Yields 32 servings, 2 tbsp. each

Antibiotics only treat bacterial infections. Viral illnesses cannot be treated with antibiotics. When an antibiotic is not prescribed, ask your healthcare professional for tips on how to relieve symptoms and feel better.

Upcoming Events:

- Diabetes Ride & Learn, December 3rd
- Diabetic Talking Circle, December 14th 11 a.m.
- Car Seat Clinic, December 8th by appointment
- Parent Circle, December 12th 5:30 p.m.
- Diabetic Foot Clinic, December 9th & 16th, by appointment
- Breastfeeding Support Group, December 7th 5 P.M.

For more information about these or other services and programs call Dawn at 353-4521.

Page submitted by Heather Wood-Paquet, Health Promotions Coordinator

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

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**FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM ON INDIAN RESERVATIONS (FDPIR) FY 2016 NET MONTHLY INCOME STANDARDS**

(Effective Oct. 1, 2015 to Sept. 30, 2016)

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### Deepest Sympathy

Floyd Joseph Forcia, Sr.

(November 6, 1931—November 15, 2016)

Floyd Joseph Forcia, Sr, age 85, of L’Anse, MI, passed away Tuesday, November 15, 2016, at The Lighthouse of Hancock.

He was born November 6, 1931, in Assinins, MI, and attended school there. He was in the US Army from 1948-52. Floyd worked at the White Pine Copper Mine. Then he moved to Flint, MI, where he worked for Grand Truck Railroad and Construction until he took a job with GM where he retired from in 1988. He then moved back to L’Anse.

Floyd was a member of KBI and Ojibwa Seniors. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, working on cars, and tinkering in his garage.

He is survived by his wife: Floyd Jr. of L’Anse; daughters: Vicky Forcia of Flint, MI, Sherry Lynn (Jack) Martin of Clio, MI, and Faye Ann (Rusty) Hallett of Davison, MI; sisters: Laura Lee and Anna Nobel both of Flint; nine grandchildren; many great grandchildren; nieces: and nephews.

Preceding him in death are his parents; siblings: Pauline Harrington, Irene Vuk, Celia Mayo, Mildred LaFerriere, Jack Forcia, and Clarence Forcia.

Visitation was held on Friday, November 18, 2016, from 11-1:00 p.m. at Jacobson Funeral Home, with funeral service held at 1:00 p.m. with Rev. Julie Belew officiating. The Jacobson Funeral Home assisted the family.

Kathleen Jean Manning

(November 23, 1952—November 21, 2016)

Kathleen Jean Manning, age 63 of Baraga, MI, passed away on Monday, November 21, 2016, at her home surrounded by her loving family.

She was born November 23, 1952, in Keewenaw Bay, MI, the daughter of Bernard and Virginia (Kunick) LaFerriere. She graduated from L’Anse High School. She married Robert “Gumba” Manning on May 26, 1977, in Baraga. She worked for KBIC for 15 years as an accountant, retiring in 2015.

Kathy enjoyed picking berries, camp fires, and the outdoors. She was an avid reader; she enjoyed going to the casino, and shopping. Kathy was generous by nature. She was a woman of faith and deeply loved her family.

Surviving her husband Robert “Gumba” of Baraga; daughters: Tina Duranti of Baraga, KY; Sara Gyarfas (Craig) Hamilton of Iron River, Karin (Carl) Adams of Baraga, and Heidi Larson of Kingsford; brothers: Bernard and Jerry LaFerriere both of Baraga; grandchildren, she called “her six pack”: Hannah Kathleen, Travis, Austin, Kassidy Jean, Allison, Faith; and numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded by her parents.

Visitation was held on Friday, November 25, 2016, from 12-2:00 p.m. at Jacobson Funeral Home in L’Anse. A memorial service followed with Rev. Julie Belew officiating. The Jacobson Funeral Home assisted the family.
KBIC Youth Program held the Baraga County Halloween party on Saturday, October 29, 2016, at the Niwin Akeaa Facility. Participants took part in a number of games for great prizes, took a horse-drawn wagon ride, and enjoyed a meal consisting of Jets Pizza. A costume contest was held for different age groups. All the children left the event with a number of prizes and a huge bag of candy.

Ages 0-1, (L to R): 1st place—Kennadie Forcia, 2nd place—Dekkar Denomie, 3rd place—Logan Ekdahl.

Ages 2-3, (L to R): 1st place—Aaliyah Loonsfoot, 2nd place—Zander Tammelin, 3rd place—Emma Lynn Rothenberger.


Ages 6-8, (L to R): 1st place—Laila Dowd, 2nd place—Sam Lee, 3rd place—Kamryn and Arianna Loonsfoot.

Alan Swartz, Jr. (left) and Cara Connor (right) enjoyed spending some time visiting with the horses.

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KBIC Youth Halloween Party continues:

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: November 22, 2016

On October 20, 2016, the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community, a federally recognized Indian Tribe, was notified by the Michigan Attorney General’s Office that criminal warrants were issued for two of its members, and former employees for alleged felony violations of the Michigan Tobacco Products Tax Act. The warrants are based on Michigan State Police’s wrongful seizure of tobacco products on December 11, 2015. The seized products included tobacco products, a pickup truck and trailer, all owned by the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community. The two men were KBIC employees at the time of the seizure and were transporting cigarettes which were manufactured in Indian Country, were intended to be sold in Indian Country, and were illegally seized within the ceded home territory of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community.

This was the first of three wrongful seizures by the State of Michigan. KBIC has taken actions to protect its sovereignty and its members by filing a civil complaint in the Federal Court in the Western District of Michigan regarding these seizures and Michigan’s application of sales and use tax on KBIC and its members.

KBIC takes its duty to provide for the welfare of its members seriously. Michigan has now resorted to threatening incarceration against employees and members of KBIC for KBIC’s exercise of its sovereignty. It is due to this and other reasons that for now, KBIC will be selling tobacco which bears a Michigan tax stamp.

It should be known that KBIC is not giving up — in fact, they are fighting back with full force. KBIC has begun to prepare to manufacture and sell its own cigarettes in Indian County, on the L’Anse Reservation and on KBIC’s trust lands. The revenues raised from these sales will be used to provide benefits to KBIC members.

KBIC will not be coerced into paying state taxes by Michigan’s strong-armed prosecution of KBIC’s members. KBIC and its leaders will do what they can to protect its sovereignty and its people.

Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Employment Opportunities


For current job listings, complete job announcements, applications, and closing dates contact: KBIC Personnel Department, 16429 Bear Town Road, Baraga, Michigan 49908. (906) 353-6623, ext. 4176 or 4140 or visit: www.kbic-nsn.gov.

- Ecologist, KBNRD, (full-time), 12/2/2016
- Air Quality Specialist, KBNRD, (part-time), 12/2/2016
- Assistant Manager, KBIC Convenience Stores, (full-time), 12/5/2016
- Great Lakes Resources Specialist, KBNRD, (full-time) 12/9/2016
- Laborer, various departments, (on-call) 12/9/2016
- Physician/Medical Director, DHHS, (full-time), open until filled
- Law Clerk, Office of the Attorney, (full-time, temporary), open until filled
- Tribal Assistant Attorney (full-time), Office of the Attorney, open until filled

On-call positions (open continuous):
- Pharmacy Technician, Facility Attendant, Registered Nurse, Licensed Practical Nurse, Internal Sales Specialist, Pharmacist, Receptionist/Clerical Worker, Fill-in Receptor/Pharmacist, Board Operator, Cashier, Account Executive/Sales, Community Service Supervisor, Unit Manager (Newday), Unit Manager (OJW), Van Driver, Cleaning Person, Natural Resources Technician.

For complete job announcement and application requirements contact: KBIC Personnel Department, 16429 Bear Town Road, Baraga, Michigan 49908. (906) 353-6623, ext. 4176 or 4140, or visit us at www.kbic-nsn.gov.

Walk And Talk

WHAT: An indoor walking program.
WHEN: Beginning Monday, December 5, 2016, from 10:30 am to 1:30 pm on weekdays (excluding holidays, or snow days) through Friday, April 7, 2017. Only workday activity will count toward earning Prizes.
WHERE: The KBOCC Gymnasium.
WHO: Anyone who would like to stay active through the winter months.
WHY: Everyone should participate in at least 30 minutes of Physical activity 5 times a week to stay fit.

Earn prizes for every ten times you walk.
Contact Popcorn at 353-4531 or popcorn@kbic-nsn.gov for a log information or to redeem your prize.

Program sponsored by CDC/REACH Journey to wellness, and KBIC Youth.

CONSTITUTION CORNER

ARTICLE VI

POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE TRIBAL COUNCIL

Section 1. The Tribal Council shall have the power, subject to any limitations imposed by the Statutes of the Constitution of the United States, and subject to all express restrictions upon such powers contained in this Constitution and attached By-laws.

Question: What does this mean to you as an individual?

Constitution and By-laws of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community are available at the Tribal Center.
There is an alarming rate of dysfunction in our native community. Healing seems to be infrequent. In fact, throughout Indian County, a recent problem report says, "Indians are 770 times more likely to die of alcoholism than any other group." Indian Health Service data shows the alcoholism rate for Indians is more than 600 times the national average (Robertson). We are heavily into alcohol and drugs. But, there are many more addictions we have learned throughout my recovery that it is not.

It seems the behavior is normal when one is living it, and I have raised in dysfunctional junction, raised in a zoo. There was spouse and children and aunts and uncles and fathers and mothers also. I can remember as a child, we were brought up with alcoholism and the struggles of their dysfunctional communities. I was the Alcohol Educator for many years at Newday Treatment Center for our Tribe, and one of my responsibilities consisted of sharing with my people, sharing as much as I could and how I came into recovery. There is a video entitled The Honor of All (Ben), about a band of Shuswup Indians from British Columbia, who fought a 15-year battle with alcoholism and substance abuse between 1970 and 1985. At the time of the 1970s, the Alkali Lake citizens were 100% users of alcohol. By 1985, there was a sobriety rate of 95%. "The Honor of one is the Honor of all." What happened with the natives of this tribe can happen with our tribe.

The community has been going through trauma and unbelievably sadness the last year or so. We have lost many of our tribal members because of the devastating effects alcohol and drugs, and sadly many of those have been our youth. According to Nancy Gale, who studies substance abuse among American Indians and Alaskan Natives, "Living up to worthy expectations can be difficult for anyone. Most youth are challenged to experiment with alcohol and drugs." Many Native youth however, face additional hazards that increase their risk for alcohol and substance abuse: cultural conflicts, poverty, and low self esteem. When traditional Native values clash with the values of the dominant society, cultural conflict results. Native youth must also deal with their identity as Indians. In this effort they face a microcosm of all the problems with which their culture struggles." (United States) The community and everyone who lives here is shocked and in despair as to what to do about this debilitating abuse among our people. What is the answer? What can we do? Where do we turn?

Today, my siblings and I are sober and free from the demons of alcoholism and the struggles of our dysfunctional communities, and we opened up our hearts and believed in ourselves, as we, a community can do this also (www.4worlds.org).

Two case studies were developed by the Four Worlds International Institute – Alkali Lake and Hollow Water, Manitoba. Alkali Lake is a band of natives from British Columbia, Canada, who decided to fight the war of alcoholism on their reserve by becoming involved in a "new beginning" project through the participants' own eyes. If the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community decided to implement and research how these two communities began their healing with alcoholism and the struggles of their dysfunctional communities and the answers that they have found. The Alkali Lake program would be like the same as my family used to begin our healing. Even though we were brought up in a very dysfunctional family with alcohol and drugs, we were also raised with the traditional cultural ways of our people. So it was only natural for my brothers and sisters to relearn the traditional teachings of North American tribal peoples, brought into alcoholism and prescription and street drugs on our Rez. Every community can do this also.

Four Worlds International Institute is a family of people and organizations bound together by a set of common principles based on the traditional teachings of North American tribal peoples, brought together in a non-profit organization with the best that western science and technology have to offer. For more than 18 years, Four Worlds has been learning how to support individual, families, organizations, communities, and nations in building a healthy and sustainable future for the human family (www.4worlds.org).

My family achieved their sobriety through the process of treatment, counseling, AA, and most importantly, they started to live the way of life the Creator gave to us. They attended ceremonies, sweat lodges, and counseling. I am from a family of ten consisting of six brothers and four sisters. My father and mother were both alcoholics and their fathers and mothers also. I can remember as a child, we were raised in dysfunctional junction, raised in a zoo. There was spouse abuse, child abuse and neglect, sexual abuse, homicide, excessive unemployment, and a deterioration of the family structure. It seems the behavior is normal when one is living it, and I have learned throughout my recovery that it is not.

Today, my siblings and I are sober and free from the demons of alcoholism and drugs. We are dealing with food, sex, gambling, and I think an ongoing battle with obsessive compulsive behavior. As my family progressed in the disease of alcoholism and drugs, we fell one by one, and we received treatment one after another. Without intervention and treatment and continued support of each other, we would not have survived. Without the love for one another, we would not have the courage and strength to continue.

My family lives our traditional way of life. It is a very spiritual path we are on. It is what our spirits need to survive. Without sobriety and living our cultural and traditional ways, I don't think we would be where we are today. Each and every family member continues to walk with the Creator, and we are an inspiration for each other sharing our strengths and courage. It is not easy to walk this road, but it is our journey of life and we have been given a gift, and we will continue to share with our people for "the honor of one is the honor of all.

My faith is in the goodness of the human spirit, and I cannot fully express this in words. It is my connection with the Creator. What he has done for my family, he can do for my community. Let this continue to be a hope for our people: allow our minds, our spirits, and our hearts to be open and ready when it begins to happen. It will if we keep the faith and believe in miracles.

We need to go back to our way of life, we need to be who we are as a people, and we need to begin living our culture and traditional ways. We need to be family and love each other and care and share and give to one another. It is a good way; it is the way the Creator wants us to be. It is how he created us to be good human beings.

The process that Alkali Lake was given to begin their healing is the same as my family used to begin our healing. Even though we were brought up in a very dysfunctional family with alcohol and drugs, we were also raised with the traditional cultural ways of our people. So it was only natural for my brothers and sisters to relearn the traditional teachings of North American tribal peoples, brought into alcoholism and prescription and street drugs on our Rez. Every community can do this also.

A beginning for our tribe would be to go to the key people involved and go to the Tribal Council, Newday Treatment Center, the Department of Health and Human Services, the Tribal Court, Police Department, and the Department of Social Services. We, the sober community, are a very important resource, and we must come together and combat drugs and alcohol. We must share our stories and support each other. We have many sober tribal people, and we must make it a priority to send a message of "NO TOLERANCE FOR ALCOHOL/DRUGS ON OUR REZ."
The US Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) Iron River National Fish Hatchery (JRNFH) coordinated a Lake Trout stocking effort with multiple agencies, including KBIC. Lake Trout that originated from the eastern Lake Superior Basin (Klondike Reef Strain) were being used to provide eggs and hatchery-reared fish for rehabilitative stocking in the lower Great Lakes, but a group of more than 400 fish were being retired. A portion of these fish were stocked in inland waters by outside agencies, and 350 fish were stocked in Keweenaw Bay, Lake Superior.

All Lake Trout were tagged before handling and release. Anyone capturing a tagged fish is encouraged to contact KBIC-NRD, or mail in tags for eventual reward.

KBOCC student Serene Smith releases a freshly tagged Klondike Reef Lake Trout.

~ NOTICE ~

TO ALL KBIC SENIORS 55 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER, AND PERMANENTLY PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED-DISABLED PERSON:

SNOW PLOWING REQUIREMENTS

Head of Household Name: __________________________
Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Tribal Member’s Enrollment #: __________________________
Reside on the Reservation (Baraga County): Yes ______ No ______
Physical Address: __________________________

L’Anse Baraga

Telephone Number: (906) __________________________

Proof of Age — Birth Date: ______/_____/______

* Sign up at the front desk at the Tribal Center with proof (Enrollment Card, Driver’s License, and/or proof of disability) or mail the information to: KBIC Tribal Center

ATTN: Front Desk Receptionist
16429 Bear Town Road
Baraga, MI 49908

The Tribal Council will consider plowing privileges for those with permanent, physical disabilities within a “five” mile radius of the Reservation. Please submit a request and the above information.

* approved 01-14-2011 Tribal Council Meeting

Lake Superior Strain of Lake Trout Retired From Hatchery continued:

KBOCC student Serene Smith releases a freshly tagged Klondike Reef Lake Trout.

Please feel free to contact KBIC-NRD for more information at (906) 524-5757.