Enterprise employees were honored for their years of service at both locations. All honored employees received a gratitude gift depending on their years of service. Baraga held their banquet on Tuesday, June 26, 2018, at the Ojibwa Casino Conference Room.

Marquette held their banquet on Friday, June 29, 2018, at the Marquette Casino Conference Room.

Ten years of service: Mary Barrette (above) and Jerri Nygord (not present).

Fifteen years of service: Haven Curtis (not present) and Robert Jacobs (above).

Twenty years of service: Hope Dakota (above, left), Tanya Miller (not present), and Christopher Tschury (above, right).

Twenty-five years of service: Steve Bish (not present), and Donald Messer, Jr. (above).

Thirty years of service: Rose Everson (not present) and Nancy Kauppila (above).

Fifteen years of service: Brenda Aldrich (above, right), Dianne Brady (not present), and Kurt Hamalainen (not present).

Ten years of service: Jennifer Brozzo (not present), Ty Curtis (not present), Ricky Laitinen (above, right), and Jason Metcalf (not present). Tribal President Warren “Chris” Swartz, Jr. (above, left).

Twenty years of service: Mary Bawden (not present), Deborah Kurian (above, left), and Chad Rajala (not present).

Lori Ann Sherman is the incoming President of Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Community College (KBOCC). She was born and raised in Zeba and is a member of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community. She graduated from Michigan Technological University (MTU) with a Bachelor of Science in Engineering.

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- July 14, 2018 Council Meeting
- Enterprise Employees Honored at Banquets
- Sherman Chosen incoming KBOCC President
- Danison Crowned Strawberry Queen
- Ojibwa Elders’ Birthdays
- New Employees, Who’s Who
- Criminal Report
- Deepest Sympathy
New Employees - Who's Who and Who's New!

Meet Soumint Pendharkar.

Mr. Pendharkar was recently hired as the Health Director at the KBIC Health Systems, Donald A. LaPointe Health and Education Center located in Baraga, Michigan. He relocated to the area from Traverse City, Michigan, when he accepted the position.

Mr. Pendharkar has a Bachelor’s Degree in Exercise Science, which is a branch of Sports Medicine, and attended the University of South Carolina achieving his Master’s Degree. He also has a Ph.D. in Public Health Education.

After receiving his Master’s Degree, he worked with a tribe in New Mexico as an Assistant Health Director which laid a foundation for his career choice. He has worked in an Administration capacity for over 16 years, since 2002.

Mr. Pendharkar said, “I have found the staff here at the Tribal Health Systems very talented, and they are truly dedicated to helping others. I’d like to mention a recent event which demonstrates this devotion. Two of our employees, Elizabeth ‘Popcom’ Mayo and Michelle Makin were spending the day with students in their lives, and careers, it’s bittersweet. I do stay in touch with students I’ve worked with throughout the years, and it is very rewarding to receive cards and letters updating me about what is going on in their lives.”

Mr. Pendharkar said, “Ultimately, you want to treat, you don’t have to find a cure to do medication treatment but include traditional medicine, counseling, as well as non-Opioid things like physical therapy, acupuncture, community education, and Naloxone distribution which is a drug used to reverse an overdose. The idea is to have more options to help people who are suffering from drug use disorder. Sometimes, things like physical therapy, acupuncture, community education, and Naloxone distribution are the other options that will make our grant very unique. It’s a good thing that will bring a lot of benefits to the community.”

The Tribal Opioid Response Grant is nearly $200,000.00 for over two-years. The grant is due August 20, 2018, with an anticipated start date of September 30, 2018. Award recipients are expected to provide services to the population of focus by the fourth month after the grant is awarded.

Soumint Pendharkar is married and has a three-year-old which keeps them quite busy. In his spare time he enjoys playing tennis and has found his way to the Gate’s Tennis Center in Houghton. He has found the area very accommodating; he just has to drive a bit to find it.
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President’s Report for the Month of June 2018

The Regular Monthly Tribal Council Meeting was held on Saturday, July 14, 2018, at the Big Bucks Bingo Hall in Baraga, Michigan. President Warren Swartz, Jr., presided over the meeting with Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Tony Minton, Doreen Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Randall Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., and Rodney Loonsfoot present. Fred Dakota and Elizabeth D. Mayo were not present.

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

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President's Report continued:

- A few council members travelled to the Huron Islands with officials from the U.S. Forest Service. The purpose of the trip was to assess the condition of the island and the general condition of the buildings on the island. The group reported the buildings were rundown and in dire need of repair, the boat docking facilities were unsafe and so were some of the outbuildings. Native Americans have historically used this island in the exercise of their treaty-protected rights.
- Council has appointed Sara Henderson to the position of Appellate Justice, and she has accepted the position.
- The Election date for the proposed amendment to our Constitution to allow for the guaranteed maximum price of $61,000.00, April 12, 2018 – June 30, 2019.
- Approved the new business license with Leo Durant “Durant Lawn Care” (law care services), May 30, 2018 – May 29, 2019.
- Approved the new business license with Brent G. Geroux “Superior Lawn Care” (law care services), May 30, 2018 – May 29, 2019.
- Approved the new business license with Jeremy Hebert “C&C Tire” (tire sales and repair), June 16, 2018 – June 30, 2019, and waive the requirement regarding selling/storage facilities within 200 feet of any residence.
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- Approved Resolution KB 023-2018 FY 2018 Timber Stand Improvement Projects “Pawgyawgaminnie and Mongoose" on the Beartown.
- Approved Resolution KB 022-2018 support for the grant application for the Cultural Resources Fund (CFR) Phase III “Pathways on a Language Landscape” up to $50,000.00 for Anishinaabe language and culture education.
- Approved the First Amendment of Design-Build Agreement with Gundia Consulting for the guaranteed maximum price of $40,000,000.00 for the Baraga and Marquette Casinos pending negotiated funding.
- Approved the Tier III Services Agreement with Luis Verissimo to provide geospatial/GIS Services, July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2019, with the Natural Resources Department not to exceed $20,000.00.
- Approved the Affidavit of Delivery to the Baraga and Marquette County for the guaranteed maximum price of $26,000.00.
- Approved Resolution KB 021-2018 FY 2018 Harvest Boundary Determination Project/Contract with Green Timber Consulting Foresters Inc. for the guaranteed maximum price of $52,000.00, April 12, 2018 – June 30, 2019.
- Approved Resolution KB 020-2018 FY 2018 Harvest Boundary Determination Project/Contract with Green Timber Consulting Foresters Inc. for the guaranteed maximum price of $52,000.00, April 12, 2018 – June 30, 2019.
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CEO’s Report for the Month of June 2018

Our search continues to fill two director level positions. The Team Lead position, formerly held by Lianne Gunther, was not filled during the initial posting and has been reposted. My office will handle the oversight until the position is filled. We again had no applicants for the Social Ser-
vice Director position following the retirement of Carolinara Gorczewicz, who has been filling the position in an interim capacity, re-
cently tendered her resignation as well. Her family is taking advantage of a business opportunity in Lower Michigan. Her last day will be this coming Friday, July 20. We had contracted with two former department directors to assist Jacqui during the search for a director. Cherie Dakota has been assisting with staff recruitment, and Carolinara Gorczewicz has been assisting with technical and grant compliance. I have meetings scheduled with the Social Services Department this coming Monday.

The Tribe’s Pre-Primary Program Director has tendered her resignation to explore other opportunities. Laurie Denomie has accepted the position of Director of Human Resources, directing the program for about eleven years. The position will be posted.

The planned Community meetings I reported on last month were held on June 18, 19, 20, and 26. I also heard from the Interim U.S. Attorney for the Western District, Sean Lewis. We needed his as-
sistance on two projects; reducing the speed limit on US Highway 41 to 45 mph and an explanation to the State of Michigan regarding our Tobacco Manufacturing License. He listened at this point, so time

I reached out to the newly appointed Tribal Liaison for the US Department, Drug Court, and Social Services. The focus of this grant includes several medical providers from our clinic, the new Health Di-
agnosis Program, No Smoking, Chewing Tobacco and E-Cigarette Policy, Theft Policy, Cell Phone Policy, Computer Use Policy, Social Media Policy, Emergency or Volunteer Firefighter/EMT Policy, and 29.0 Amend-

Vice President’s Report For The Month Of June 2018

I attended my first United Tribes of Michigan meeting at the end of May. It was great to meet several of the other Tribe’s leaders and discuss issues affecting all of us. Pipeline safety for Enbridge Line 5 was one of the major issues brought up from Homer Mandoka, the Tribal rep-
resentative on Michigan’s Pipeline Safety Advisory Board. There were also representatives from Senator Stabenow’s office, Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, United Three Fires Against Violence, and the Bureau of Indian Affairs. The meeting ended with Congressman Jack Bergman meeting with us. It is great to hear him speak about tribal sovereignty, the federal government’s trust responsibility, and his work to protect them.

I think it is worth mentioning that the day following the flood in the Keweenaw, I received a call from Michelle Jelnicky who is the Chief of Staff for Congressman Bergman. She left a message saying that the
Congressman was concerned that the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community may have been affected by the disaster, and they wanted to hear firsthand if our area had been affected. I informed her what the Congressman and his staff could do to help us. I immedi-
ately called her back to let her know that we were okay and to ex-
press our appreciation for them reaching out to us. I don’t know of any other elected official doing this.

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bacco Company with our partners at Seneca Manufacturing, our CEO, and our Convenience Store Manager. Sales have been going very well. We are now selling our cigarettes in our Marquette Casino. The next scheduled production run will take place in August. We are currently seeking workers.

I attended the first for Michigan Statewide Tribal Opioid Summit which was held in Mt. Pleasant and hosted by the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Community. The amount of information given at the summit was staggering. The depth of the problem, the effects of the crisis on families, and the human toll inflicted by addiction, the effects of the crisis on families, and the human toll inflicted by addiction, the effects of the crisis on families, and the human toll inflicted by addiction, the effects of the crisis on families, and the human toll inflicted by addiction, the effects of the crisis on families, and the human toll inflicted by addiction, the effects of the crisis on families, and the human toll inflicted by addiction, the effects of the crisis on families, and the human toll inflicted by addiction, the effects of the crisis on families, and the human toll inflicted by addiction, the effects of the crisis on families, and the human toll inflicted by addiction, the effects of the crisis on families, and the human toll inflicted by addiction, the effects of the crisis on families, and the human toll inflicted by addiction, the effects of the crisis on families, and the human toll inflicted by addiction.

A work group has been formed to work on a grant opportunity from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration or SAMHSA. Our grant writer, Soumit Joshi, has been meeting with subcontractors expressing their desire to pull their bids if we were not able to reach our funding goal. The next step is to understand if we will be able to reach our funding goal and if we will be able to reach our funding goal.

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The developmental milestones reached during the ages of 3, 4 and 5 are critical to your child’s later success in school. A child who is not meeting milestones, or is struggling to learn, may not be ready for kindergarten. The good news is, through the Michigan Department of Education, Build Up Michigan can help make sure your preschooler gets the needed support.

If you think your child needs additional help preparing for kindergarten, visit buildupmi.org.
Congratulations to Prince Blake James Maki and Princess Bella Rose Taisto (above, center) on their crowns in this year’s Fourth of July Celebration, Baraga County.

~ Collage by Lauri Denomie, Newsletter Editor

L’ANSE WATERFRONT PARK
MOVIE STARTS AT DUSK
*Information regarding cancellations due to the weather the day of the event check the KBIC YOUTH Facebook page*

Featured Movies
PETER RABBIT - JUNE 22ND
PADDINGTON 2 - JULY 20TH
*BLACK PANTHER - AUGUST 10TH

More Information
ALL CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT. BRING YOUR OWN BLANKETS AND CHAIRS. DRUG AND ALCOHOL FREE EVENT. POPCORN AND SNACKS WILL BE FOR SALE BY THE KBIC YOUTH CLUB.

*AUGUST 10TH MOVIE IS RATED PG-13

Sponsored By: KBIC Health System

For more information contact Neil Kromer, OCSS Community Outreach Coordinator at nkromer@kbic-nsn.gov

KBIC Breastfeeding Support Circle

- A public community-based monthly gathering for those that have breastfed, thinking about breastfeeding, or are currently breastfeeding
- Mother-to-Mother Support
- Social outlet for new and experienced mothers
- Evidenced-based information
- Transportation available
- Make & Take Craft
- Snacks

Live, Love, Latch!

Register with Dawn for reminder calls! 353-4521

Sponsored by WIC, Family Spirit, and Healthy Start Programs

WIC is an equal opportunity provider

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Health Center Week
August 13 - 17

This year’s theme is Healthcare Heroes. We have different events planned for each day. Seminars and events are open to the public. Patients can stop by anytime during the week to be entered to win an iPad for updating their patient registration information. Visit our clinic information tables, vote on our coloring contest entries, and enter to win drawings. All education events include a take away item. Be sure to check out the variety of outfits our staff will be wearing each day.

Monday Aug. 13 - Kickoff and Blessing
Join us for a welcome from our new Health Administrator Soumit Pendharkar followed by a blessing and yogurt parfaits.

Tuesday Aug. 14 - Complementary Healing
We have two seminars planned. 10 a.m. Essential Oils 101 and 2 p.m. Walking Two Paths in Medicine a Holistic Approach about blending traditional and modern healing.

Wednesday Aug. 15 - Healthy Cooking Demos
Come try some food prepared by Dr. Dale. 10 a.m. Improving Nutrition in Your Food and 2 p.m. Sneaky Chef. There will be different recipes and kids’ food art activities at each session.

Thursday Aug. 16 - Cancer Awareness
Mini Health Fair with a cancer focus 1 p.m. - 3 p.m. Visit five different interactive stations to learn about cancer prevention, screening, and treatment. Make DIY sunscreen, design a smoking prevention t-shirt, and more.

Friday Aug. 17 - Patient Appreciation Day
Stop by anytime during the day and get an appreciation bag full of goodies and coloring books for the kids.

WIC Helps Moms & Babies with Breastfeeding

WIC helps Moms continue to breastfeed when she goes back to work or school. Breastfeeding mothers can even receive a FREE breast pump to use from WIC! WIC Moms who are breastfeeding can receive a food package for up to one year.

Each month, a fully breastfeeding mother can receive:

- 4 1/2 gallons milk
- 3 pounds cheese
- 2 dozen eggs
- 3 cans juice
- 36 ounces cereal
- 18 ounces of peanut butter
- 6 cans tuna or salmon
- $10.00 fresh fruits and vegetables
- 16 ounces of dry beans or peas

Even Moms who breastfeed only part time can receive:

- 4 1/2 gallons milk
- 1 pound cheese
- 1 dozen eggs
- 3 cans juice
- 36 ounces cereal
- 18 ounces of peanut butter or 16 ounces of dry beans/peas or canned beans/peas

At 6 months, a baby’s food package contains:

- 24 ounces of infant cereal
- 32 jars of infant fruits or vegetables

What Do I feed my baby?

Choosing how to feed your baby is one of the most important decisions you make as a new parent. Breastfeeding is a gift that only you can give to your baby. You will provide a healthy start for your baby’s life. Breastfeeding is the most natural, healthy, and loving gift a mother can give to her baby. Mother’s milk has everything a baby needs to grow and stay healthy.

WIC provides answers to breastfeeding questions. Breastfeeding help is available by contacting Lena Wascher RN, BSN. WIC Coordinator at (906) 353-4527.

Submitted by Lena Wascher, RN, BSN
WIC Coordinator

Suicide Prevention

Suicide Warning Signs:
- These signs may mean someone is at risk. Risk is greater if a behavior is new or has increased and if it seems related to a painful event, loss, or change.
- Talking about wanting to die or to kill oneself.
- Talking about feeling hopeless or having no reason to live.
- Talking about finding a way to end pain or suffering.
- Talking about feeling trapped in unbearable pain.
- Talking about being a burden to others.
- Increasing the use of alcohol or drugs.
- Acting anxious or agitated; behaving recklessly.
- Sleeping too much or too little.
- Withdrawing or feeling isolated.
- Showing rage or talking about seeking revenge.
- Displaying extreme mood swings.

Talk Saves Lives:
- You can’t assume that someone else will reach out to someone who maybe struggling with thoughts of suicide. Only one in five seeks help who maybe struggling. You can encourage them to make the first step. So how do you talk to someone who may be struggling with depression or anxiety?
- Here are some tips on how to talk to someone:
  1. Ask if you can talk in private.
  2. Ask questions to open up the conversation.
  3. Listen to their story and express concern and care.
  4. How are you doing?
  5. Have you ever considered suicide?
  6. Is everything okay?
  7. anything bothering you?
  8. Ask if they have thought about hurting themselves or ending their life.
  9. Encourage them to seek mental health services.
  10. Tell them seeking help can take courage, but it’s the smart thing to do.

Suicide is Preventable:
- When talking with someone avoid minimizing their feelings, advice to fix it, debating the value of life, or offering clichés. When you do talk with someone listen, express concern and caring, ask open ended questions, and talk openly and directly with the person.
- If a person is considering suicide:
  1. Take them seriously.
  2. Tell them to call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 1-800-273-TALK (8255)
  3. Help them remove any lethal means.
  4. Escort them to the ER, counseling service, or psychiatrist.

Submitted by Ann Marie Amsler, MSW

Upcoming Events:
- Breastfeeding Support Group, 1st, 1 - 3 p.m.
- Car Seat Clinic, by appointment
- Farmer’s Market Bus Tour, 4th
- Diabetic Foot Clinic, 1st & 22nd, by appointment
- Parent Circle, 13th, 5:30 p.m., please register
- Survivors of Suicide Loss Support Group, 7th, 5:30 p.m., BCMH
- Youth Coalition, 4th & 22nd, 5-7 p.m.
- Movie in the Park, 10th, dusk
- Summer Fitness: Yoga Tuesdays, Move to the Beat Wednesdays, Footsteps in the Forest Thursdays

For more information our services and programs call at 353-4521.

Stop by our second floor waiting area and check out the monthly education table; new topic every month.
Since 1993 the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community has been making bi-annual payments from gaming proceeds of their casinos to local units of government and to the State of Michigan. These payments are 2% and 8% respectively and are derived from the net win from all Class III electronic games of chance commonly known as slot machines.

The two-percent (2%) payments are made each May and November. Local units of government may make requests throughout the year. To receive an award, the entity must first make a request in writing.

For the period of October 1, 2017, through March 31, 2018, the total to be distributed to local units of government in Baraga County, which was derived from the Ojibwa Casino Resort-Baraga, was $117,339.99. The payments approved by Tribal Council for this distribution are as follows:

- Baraga County: $32,284.35
- Baraga Area Schools: $38,867.01
- Baraga Township: $13,005.07
- Village of Baraga: $9,997.71

Eight percent (8%) payments are made to the Michigan Economic Development Corporation. The May 2018 distribution for the Ojibwa Casino Resort-Baraga totaled $469,359.90 and $584,518.49 for the Ojibwa Casino-Marquette.

The next cycle of awards will be made in November 2018. Local units of government within Baraga or Marquette Counties may apply. Written requests received before September 30, 2018, will be considered.

In the Keweenaw we are blessed with plenty of wild and cultivated blueberries. The strawberry season is past but still have plenty of blueberries, raspberries, thimbleberries, and blackberries. At the clinic we hope that you will get out to the bogs and enjoy the harvest. If you are “helping yourself” to nature’s bounty, you are also helping your local units of government and to the State of Michigan. In the Keweenaw we are blessed with plenty of wild berries. The strawberry season is past but still have plenty of blueberries, raspberries, thimbleberries, and blackberries. At the clinic we hope that you will get out to the bogs and enjoy the harvest. If you are “helping yourself” to nature’s bounty, you are also helping your local units of government and to the State of Michigan. In the Keweenaw we are blessed with plenty of wild berries.

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**The Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Announces Their Recent Gaming Distributions**

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The longest word in the Ojibwa language.

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*(Zhaangaswi)*
Vivian M. Shelafoe Waatts passed away at Eden Center in Kalkaska, MI, on May 20, 2018. She was a resident there for three-and-a-half years following a devasting stroke. She spent six-and-a-half years previously at Laurels of Kent in Lowell, MI. Vivian spent the majority of her life in Champion, MI. She enjoyed cooking, shopping at “Winke’s,” and a great slot machine. She always kept a journal and was quite witty.

Vivian was preceded in death by her mother, Nora; brothers: Joe and George; sisters: Josephine, Ruth, and Joyce; infant daughters: Rhea and Jane; infant son, Ronald; granddaughter, Trisha; and nephews: Robert (Sonny) and Jeff.

Vivian was brought home to her beloved U.P., and ashes were scattered at a chosen location.

~ submitted by Rachel Darrah, aka “CooCoosh"

Gladys Rantanen (October 27, 1961—June 30, 2018)

Gladys Rantanen (Turtle), age 56, of Baraga, Michigan, passed away on June 30, 2018, at the Baraga County Hospital. Gladys was born in L’Anse, the daughter of the late George and Betty (Barbaro) Rantanen.

After becoming a single mother of four children, Gladys returned to high school to fulfill her dream of becoming a graduate in 1990. She was employed with the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community as a housekeeping supervisor at the Ojibwa Casino and finished her working career as a cashier at the Pines Conference Center after many years.

Gladys was a member of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community and the Ojibwa Seniors. She loved decorating, especially for Halloween; beading; gardening; rummaging; camping; going to the casino; and spending time with her grandchildren and family. Her house was always open to anyone who needed a place to stay and she made a killer fry bread. Gladys was known as the pitcher on the women’s Zeba softball team and presented some excellent horseshoe and pool skills back in the day.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her sister, Margaret Selden; brother, Randall Rantanen; sister, Paula Rantanen; and infant sister, Marion Rantanen.

Survivors include: the love of her life Gary Mayo; daughter, Laurie (Wayne) Champagne; sons: John Selden of Monroe, and David Selden of Zeba; brothers: Walter (Avis) Leinonen of L’Anse, and David (Chris) Rantanen of Manistique; sister, Mary (Wayne) Kostamo of Pelkie; grandchildren: Holley, Wayne, Briana, Montana, Amy, Katie, Christopher, Abby, George, and Riley; and several nieces and nephews.

A funeral ceremony was held on Thursday, June 28, 2018, at the Zeba Community Hall with Rev. Steve Rhoades officiating. A Native Feast followed. Burial will be in the Pinery Cemetery. The Jacobson Funeral Home assisted the family.

We would like to thank each and every one who contributed in any way with the Foster Children’s Clothing Closet. Your response has been so great, that we are still in the process of organizing what was donated. If anyone would like to volunteer to assist with the closet, please contact Tribal Social Services at (906) 353-4201.

Thanks again!

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

TRIBAL COURT
CRIMINAL SENTENCES

The Tribal Court has agreed to comply with the request of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community’s CEO office to publish criminal sentencing on a routine basis.

Taylor Havican, case #17-192, §3.202, Assault and battery - domestic – 1st offense

Sentencing on 06/20/2018, #17-192, §3.202:
1. Fine $500.00.
2. Thirty days jail to be served. Defendant shall be financially responsible for the costs of lodging and any expenses incurred while incarcerated.
3. Payment Probation. Defendant is financially responsible for any drug and PBT testing if any.
4. Defendant shall report to the Probation Department within 24 hours after release from jail or the next business day.

Edward Grey, case #17-240, §3.202, Assault and battery - domestic – 1st offense

Sentencing on 06/20/2018, #17-240, §3.202:
1. Fine $500.00.
2. One-hundred-eighty days jail, credit for two days jail served, 90 days jail to be served, 88 days jail suspended pending successful completion of probation. Defendant shall be financially responsible for the costs of lodging and any expenses incurred while incarcerated.
3. Twelve months of standard alcohol and drug restricted probation with a $10.00 monthly probation fee. Defendant shall be financially responsible for the costs of drug and PBT testing, if any.
4. Defendant shall report one-time per month in person or as directed by the Probation Office.
5. Defendant shall follow all recommendations of his substance abuse and anger management assessments until successfully completed. Defendant shall sign a release of information to allow the Court to monitor compliance.
6. Defendant shall report to the Probation Department within 24 hours after release from jail or the next business day.

Aaron White (McGeshick), case #18-063, §3.1706, Controlled substance – 3rd offense

Sentencing on 07/02/2018, #18-063, §3.1706:
1. Fine $1,000.00.
2. One-hundred-eighty days of jail, credit for 27 days jail served, 153 days jail suspended.
3. Aaron White shall be banished from the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community upon release from the Baraga County Jail until further Order of the Court. Mr. White may contact the Court with a Motion to lift the banishment once he has satisfied his substance abuse screening recommendations and has paid 50% of his Court obligations. The amount to be paid is $9,000.45.
4. The Defendant shall be released from the County Jail today, 12:00 noon.
5. Defendant shall implement a consent for his Per Cap distribution to be garnished from KBIC Tribal Court for payment on his Court Obligations.

Jag Gauthier, case #18-050, §3.412, Illegal entry upon lands – 1st offense

Sentencing on 07/02/2018, #18-050, §3.412:
1. Fine $150.00.
2. Thirty days jail, 30 days jail suspended. Defendant shall be financially responsible for the costs of lodging and any expenses that occur while incarcerated.
3. One to six months of standard alcohol and drug restricted probation with a $10.00 monthly fee. Defendant shall be financially responsible for the costs of drug and PBT testing.
4. Defendant shall obtain a driver’s license before he will be eligible to be released from probation.
5. Defendant will not be allowed to go to Florida until he is released from probation.
The KBIC Education Department announces the availability of the 2018 KBIC Loan Replacement Scholarship application. The Keweenaw Bay Indian Community supports college education for its members. Many students do not receive enough financial aid to pay for their education and must take out extensive loans. The Tribal Council has approved five loan replacement scholarships for college students pursuing degrees during the 2018-2019 academic year. The scholarship amount is $1,000 for the 2018 fall semester and will continue for the 2019 winter/spring semester for the same amount if the student continues to meet the requirements.

Applicants must meet the following criteria:
- Enrolled Tribal member;
- Legal resident of Baraga County or Marquette County;
- Attending an accredited college/university for the 2018-2019 academic year;
- Enrolled as a full-time student;
- Must currently be a minimum of Sophomore status;
- Must provide documentation of financial aid awards and federal student loan status for the fall 18 and winter/spring 19 semesters;
- Must be in pursuit of an Associate, Bachelor, Master, or Doctoral degree documented by their college;
- Must provide a copy of most recent official transcript verifying a minimum GPA of 2.50 for Associate or Bachelor degree; 3.00 GPA for Master or Doctorate degree.

Eligible students must complete an application, submit a copy of their most recent official transcript, a copy of their final financial aid award documents, and a copy of their loan obligation for the 2018-2019 academic year. For more information and to request an application, contact Amy St. Armand at 906-353-6623, ext. 4117 or at amy@kbic-nsn.gov. The application deadline is August 10, at 4 p.m.

KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY
OFFICE OF VETERAN AFFAIRS

Rodney Loonsfoot, Tribal Secretary/ Tribal Veteran Service Officer
Keweenaw Bay Indian Community
16347 Ojibwa Industrial Park Rd, Baraga, Michigan 49908
(906) 353-VETS Office (906) 201-4448 Cell
OFFICE HOURS: Mon, Tues, Wed, 9 am—12 pm
Pleasing call to schedule an individual appointment.

Wiiwkedong Ogichidaa Society Monthly upcoming meetings, held at 6:00 pm, August 15, and September 19. Meetings are subject to change. Special meetings for Powwows/funerals will be announced.

The Wiiwkedong Ogichidaa Society (KVIC Honor Guard) now has two new Veteran Memorial Silhouettes for sale. Memorials are four feet high and five feet wide. This Memorial Silhouette is perfect for your yard to remember the sacrifices of all our veterans. Perfect for all holidays as gifts.

Memorial silhouettes are custom made to order by our KBIC veterans. Please help support our Wiiwkedong Ogichidaa Society.

COST: $150.00.
Please call Rodney Loonsfoot @ 353 VETS or 201-4448 to place your order or e-mail trcrodney@kbic-nsn.gov. Please indicate cross or eagle staff. We will raffle one of each during the 4th of July activities. All proceeds will go towards veteran programming and activities.

Miigwech for your future kindness.
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