The Regular Monthly Tribal Council Meeting was held on Saturday, January 6, 2018, at the Big Bucks Bingo Hall in Baraga, Michigan. President Warren Swartz, Jr., presided over the meeting with Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni Minton, Doreen Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Randall Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot, and Elizabeth D. Mayo present.

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

Vice President Jennifer Misegan gave the Vice President’s Report (page two), Secretary Susan J. LaFernier gave the Secretary’s Report (page three), and CEO Larry Denomie III gave the CEO Report (page five). Council approved the November 22, and 30, 2017 Council Meeting Minutes.

Under new business: Jason Ayres, Real Estate Officer, brought forth Resolution KB-001-2018 Clara L. Corbett Recreational Lease (Acquisition of Betsy C. Robillard Ross Lease) for Council’s attention. Motion by Rodney Loonsfoot to approve Resolution KB-001-2018, supported by Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr. Ten supported (S. LaFernier, Minton, Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Susan J. LaFernier, Jennifer Misegan, Toni J. Minton, Randall Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., and Rodney Loonsfoot) and one opposed (Elizabeth D. Mayo).

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Council Meeting continues:

Blaker, Curtis, Dakota, Haataja, M. LaFernier, G. Loonsfoot, R. Loonsfoot, Mayo), one opposed (Misegan), 0 abstained, motion carried.

Jason Ayres continued with an update regarding the selection of a contractor for Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Marquette Casino Expansion Project. Mr. Ayres indicated this is related to Roads because we did receive a Federal funding allocation for part of this project and proposals were due yesterday. The two lowest bids do not require Council’s approval as they are under $10,000.00. Monday morning, Mr. Ayres indicated he’d contact both of these firms and another firm that came highly recommended by other Tribes and BIA for performing environmental assessments on projects which involve transportation dollars. He is hoping to have a signed contract before the end of the week, so this work can begin.

Treasurer Doreen Blaker presented the January 2018 donations requests. Motion by Jennifer Misegan to approve January 2018 donations as: $5,000.00 to the Wounded Warriors Family Support; $1,000.00 for the Bete Grise Preserve; $1,000.00 for Ken Summers for State Representative; $1,000.00 for the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community. President Warren “Chris” Swartz, Jr. (left) proudly accepted the award.

Jason Ayres (right) presented Council a plaque received from the Asphalt Pavement Association of Michigan (APAM) for the Ford Farm Road Award of Excellence. The project was submitted for an award by the Baraga County Road Commission to the Asphalt Pavement Association of Michigan for the quality of the project, and it was chosen for an award of excellence which was given to the Baraga County Road Commission, the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Payne and Dolan, and the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community. President Warren “Chris” Swartz, Jr. (left) proudly accepted the award.

Motion by Doreen Blaker to approve the Depository of Funds with Superior National Bank and Wells Fargo Bank, supported by Randall R. Haataja. Ten supported (Misegan, Minton, Blaker, Curtis, Dakota, Haataja, M. LaFernier, G. Loonsfoot, R. Loonsfoot, Mayo), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, motion carried.

Motion by Jennifer Misegan to have the check signers be any two members, supported by Michael F. LaFernier. Eleven supported, 0 opposed, 0 abstained, motion carried.

Attention: All Tribal Commercial Fishermen

Applications for Small Boat and Large Boat Commercial Fishing Licenses for the Year 2018 and 2019 are available at the License Department located in the KBIC Tribal Center. The new license year will begin: May 1, 2018. Applications must be returned to the Licensing/Motor Vehicle Office by: Friday, February 2, 2018. All applications for licenses will be reviewed and selected by the Tribal Council. All Tribal members who apply must have completed the Michigan U.S. Food and Drug Administration Hazard Analysis and Critical Point (HACCP) Training. Present a copy of the certificate with your application.

For Boat Safety Inspections contact the Tribal Police/Conservation Department at (906) 353-6626 to make an appointment or contact U.S. Coast Guard/Hancock at (906) 482-1520.
The Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Tobacco Committee (KBICTC) held a Board meeting on January 5 and approved Resolution KBICTC 001-2018. This resolution approved the Management Agreement, Manufacturing and Supply Agreement, and the Licensing Agreement between the Tobacco Company and Allegany Capital Enterprises (ACE) or Seneca Manufacturing Company. It also approved, amended, and restated the Operating Agreement. These approvals were done in compliance with the Article of Organization which states that waivers of sovereign immunity are to be done by resolution. The Management Agreement as well as the amended and restated Operating Agreement will be on the Council agenda for next week’s meeting as they are also required to be approved by the Tribal Council.

Progress is continuing with the Tobacco Company. Once all of these agreements have been executed, we will have a detailed schedule outlining the remaining work that must be completed on the machinery, the testing process, the delivery of raw materials, and packaging. We expect to be sending Michael Lahti to Seneca Manufacturing for one week to train in detail at the end of this month.

Since receiving our Federal Tax and Trade Bureau (TTB) permit, we had to begin complying with the necessary reporting for both the federal tax to the TTB and the FDA even though we have not begun manufacturing. I have been completing the reports with help from the ACE staff.

On December 22, Larry Denomie III, CEO; Danielle Webb, Tribal Attorney; and myself met with Dr. Richard Bohjanen and Susan Sundall from Chocolay Township regarding the elevated water tower and the force main sewer system. We discussed the necessary agreements that will need to be executed, and Attorney Danielle Webb will begin working on those.

This is my third year of serving the Community as the Vice President. In that time I am proud of all that has been accomplished, and the many projects I have had the opportunity to work on. They include:

- Development of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Tobacco Company and the attainment of our Federal Permit to manufacture tobacco products. This was a major accomplishment.
- Working on our Casino Expansion and renovation projects; there have been several good working relationships established with many local units of government especially Chocolay Township. The submission of the request to the Shakopee Mdewakaton Sioux Community for further funding after meeting regarding the elevates water tower and the force main sewer system. We discussed the necessary agreements that will need to be executed, and Attorney Danielle Webb will begin working on those.
- Enhancement of our programs with the provisions which revamped our Christmas Gift Check to the General Welfare Support Program as well as the amendments to the Tribal Elders and Disability Pension Trust which allow for these benefits not to be taxed. I believe this has been beneficial to many members.
- Increased presence and awareness of issues to national representatives. We especially have a great relationship with Representative Bergman’s office and a contact at the White House level.
- Conducted a drug education session with our Tribal departments who deal with these problems on a daily basis. Amendments to the Controlled Substance sections of our Tribal Code are still in process that will assist in the crisis affecting our Community.
- Involvement with the Tribal Economic Growth Alliance and the Oneida Nation’s most vulnerable children and families.
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These are just some of the issues that I have been involved with; I wasn’t alone and did not accomplish anything by myself. There were other Council members as well as employees who were also involved, and I am so glad and truly blessed to have been a part of our progress here.

Being a Tribal Council Member is challenging and being a member of the Executive Board is even more challenging. Change, growth, and advancement can all be difficult, and they require extensive amounts of work. Dedication and sacrifice of our time is also required. We cannot sit in these seats and not expect to lead by example; whether that is following the policies or being willing to roll up our sleeves and do what has to be done.

Chi-Migwech to my fellow colleagues, our wonderful employees, and our community members who I have worked alongside. It has been an honor and a pleasure.

Respectfully,
Jennifer Misegan

ANIN! 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.

Miigwech to our staff, Community, and everyone for the past year for all of the work you do, the projects that have been accomplished, and your wisdom and suggestions. We need to continue to pray and care for our family, friends, and neighbors. We wish everyone a happy, good New Year.

Mino-Bimaadizin “Live Well”

During December, the Tribal Council held one Regular meeting on December 2, 2017, and three Special Council meetings on December 7, 14, and 19, 2017. Following are the unapproved minutes. This report will be published in the KBIC “Witkwedong Da-zhi-Ojibwe” newsletter, and the approved minutes may also be found on the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Website. December 2, 2017 Regular Council Meeting (unapproved):

- Approved the Vice President’s (Jennifer Misegan) November 2017 Report.
- Approved the Secretary’s (Susan J. LaFernier) October/November 2017 Report.
- Approved the October 2017 Department Head Reports.
- Approved the December 2017 Donations: $200.00 “Let’s Eat” Community meal at St. Ann’s Church; $250.00 Little Brothers’ Friends of the Elderly for holiday meals; $250.00 to Waub Aljaajak Press for a (children’s) book project; and $100.00 Gwinn High School Booster Club.

Tribal Council Secretary’s Report for the Month of December 2017 to the Council/Community

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December 7, 2017 Special Council Meeting (unapproved):

1. Approved the Language Instructor Employment Agreement Second Amendment with Darrell Kingbird – five (5) year term, incentive bonus, and not to exceed $54,461.60 per year.

2. Approved KB Ojibwa Community College to do focus groups to determine if services are available for the Behavioral Health Research Study Project.

3. Approved the Services Agreement for one year with Accurate Benefits, Inc. for the annual services regarding the transition from Emjay for the Defined Benefit Plan.

4. Approved the Merchant Solution International credit card processing and telecheck contracts and to include the slower data protection and transmssor solution services participation addendum for the Pines Convenience Center & Smoke Shop, The Rez Stop, and the Tribal Center.

5. Approved the KBIC Housing Department Housing Quality Standards Policy and include them in the Admissions and CARE Network and the Maintenance and Modernization.

6. Approved the additional (if needed) emergency medical travel assistance request (to return to KBIC).

7. Approved the Housing Emergency Renovation Program request for #004-2017 and grant the waiver.

8. Tabled a request for a moose for ceremonial purposes until information from the KB Natural Resources Department is received, and an amendment is made to Tribal Code of Law Title 10.

December 14, 2017 Special Council Meeting (unapproved):

1. Approved the November 16, 2017 Tribal Council Meeting Minutes.

2. Approved the Network Provider Agreement with Northcare Network and KBIC for Substance Use Disorder Services for New Day and Outpatient Services.

3. Approved the Tier III Services Agreement with Energecs, Inc. to upgrade the supervisory control and data acquisition system at the Zeba Pump House $55,000.00, end date June 1, 2018.

4. Approved the Joint Funding Agreement with the U.S. Department of Interior Geological Survey for the streamgaging station on Salmon Trout and East Branch Salmon Trout Rivers and water quality monitoring on the Middle Branch Escanaba River hear Humboldt, October 1, 2017-September 30, 2018.

5. Approved the Memorandum of Agreement with Great Lakes Indian Fish & Wildlife Commission for the U.S.G.S. services in the prior motion effective October 1, 2017, $40,376.00.


7. Tabled Resolution KB 060-2017 Clara L. Corbett Recreational Lease on Herman Road.

8. Approved the bid from ERA Chevrolet in Norway, Michigan, for the 2018 Chevrolet Equinox for $26,880.00 to replace the 2016 Chevy Impala.

9. Defeated a motion to remove the mental health days (for direct counseling staff) from the Government policy handbook.

10. Tabled the mental health days policy amendment (to include the Social Services Specialist) until there is a study done to determine who should receive mental health days.

11. Approved the Tier III Services Agreement with Gundlach Champion for the Baraga Casino and Hotel new water service line project for $23,900.00, ends January 31, 2018.

December 19, 2017 Special Council Meeting (unapproved):

1. Approved the KBIC Agreement between Owner and Architect with U.P. Engineers and Architects, Inc. (Houghton, MI) for the professional architectural and engineering services for the Halfway House Project $82,000.00.

2. Approved the Independent Appeals Officer contract with Susanna Peters (Hancock, MI) December 2017-December 2020.

3. Approved the License to Purchase and Sell Tobacco Products for Ojibwa I and Ojibwa II Casinos.

4. Approved the Requestation KB 067-2017 Support of the Construction of the non-motorized trail for the MDOT permit application-Phase I Sand Point Lighthouse to the Baraga Village Marina.

5. Approved Resolution KB 061-2017 Project Proposal Funding Application from the B.I.A. for Geospatial Capability on Environmental and Forest Stewardship $130,464.00.


8. Approved a request for additional funding of $65,000.00 for the Social Services Department/Social Services Specialist and to post for the position.

9. Approved to repost for the position of Human Resource Director at a Grade 13 for the Ojibwa Casinos.

Respectfully Submitted,
Susan J. LaFernier

TRIBAL COURT CRIMINAL SENTENCES

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

Eugene Loonsfoot III, case #16-237, §3.1706, Controlled substance (possession, marijuana) – 1st offense

Sentencing on 01/08/2018, §16-237, §3.1706:
1. Fine $100.00.
2. Ten (10) days jail, ten days jail suspended pending successful completion of all terms of probation. Defendant shall be financially responsible for the costs of lodging, and any expenses incurred while incarcerated.
3. Three to six months standard alcohol and drug restricted probation with a $10 monthly fee. Defendant shall be financially responsible for the costs of drug and PBT tests, if any. Defendant shall report to the probation office within 24 hours of being released from State Court custody, or on Monday morning if released on the weekend. Defendant shall report to the probation office at a minimum of one time a month.
4. Defendant shall obtain a substance abuse screening and is to comply with the recommendations of the screening until successfully discharged. Defendant shall sign a release of information for the Court to monitor compliance.

Angel Tarnowski, case #17-210, §3.1414, Possession, use, transport of alcoholic beverages by persons under 21 years of age – 1st offense

Sentencing on 01/08/2018, §17-210, §3.1414:
1. Fine $100.00.
2. Ten (10) days jail, credit for one day jail served, nine days jail suspended pending successful completion of all terms of probation. Defendant shall be financially responsible for the costs of lodging, and any expenses incurred while incarcerated.
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Angel Tarnowski, case #17-222, §3.1414, Possession, use, transport of alcoholic beverages by persons under 21 years of age – 2nd offense

Sentencing on 01/08/2018, §17-222, §3.1414:
1. Fine $100.00.
2. Ten (10) days jail, credit for one day jail served, nine days jail suspended pending successful completion of all terms of probation. Defendant shall be financially responsible for the costs of lodging, and any expenses incurred while incarcerated.
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Angela Kelly, case #17-208, §8.901, Contempt of court – 1st offense

Sentencing on 01/13/2018, §17-208, §8.901:
1. Fine $100.00.

Nicolle Gauthier, case #17-233, §16.507, Expired plate – 1st offense

Sentencing on 01/03/2018, §17-233, §16.507:
1. Fine $100.00.
2. Thirty (30) days jail, thirty days jail suspended pending successful completion of all terms of probation. Defendant shall be financially responsible for the costs of lodging, and any expenses incurred while incarcerated.
3. Three to six months standard alcohol and drug restricted probation with a $10 monthly fee. Defendant shall be financially responsible for the costs of drug and PBT tests, if any. Defendant shall report to the probation office within 24 hours of being released from State Court custody, or on Monday morning if released on the weekend. Defendant shall report to the probation office at a minimum of one time a month.
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It’s hard to believe another year has passed. I guess the old saying “Time flies when you’re having fun” has some truth to it, and 2017 certainly did provide some struggles as well as success. The department and business of the Tribe plays a critical role in keeping the Tribe’s massive ship, not only afloat, but also moving forward. The governmental services are critical to the health, general welfare, growth, and prosperity of those served. Our businesses provide jobs in the communities where they are located, as well as goods and services sought by our valued customers. It takes a well-oiled team, which includes everyone from the top to the bottom, working together toward common goals and objectives to create those successful outcomes. The Ojibwa Casinos have long been the main drivers in building the Tribe’s wealth. If it weren’t for the casinos, many of our public services would not exist. The leadership and membership of the Tribe recognized the fact that the casinos, as they currently exist, struggle to provide the resources needed to sustain and build upon the programs and services that are offered, so approval was given to improve them. The planned improvements are necessary to recapture the market share that has been lost to our competitors. Over the past year, staff worked hard to be creative to overcome the obstacles the casino projects ran up against from infrastructure issues to community complaints and jurisdictional barriers to significant budget issues. Even though much frustration was created by the obstacles, the team never gave up and always found a way to forge forward. Many hours were spent exploring infrastructure options, attending board meetings, and participating in work sessions with our general contractor to adjust and tweak design plans to meet budget constraints. At the end of the day, the Marquette casino, once complete, will be a facility that everyone can be proud of and will provide the competitive edge needed in the market. It’s unfortunate that the Baraga casino project has taken the brunt of the changes needed to get the budgets in-line, but everyone agrees that Marquette is where the money is. Now that the budgets are set, finalization of the financing agreements with Chocolay Township regarding the water tower and sewer line extension is taking place. The last step before major construction begins will require Tribal Council’s final approval of the projects. The process of recruiting a new director for the health department continues. While the position is recruited, our office is meeting regularly with the department to assist Kathy Mayo, who has been assigned as interim director, with operations. The firm hired to assist with recruiting has begun its search, but nothing solid has developed. Hannah Beesley, Personnel Director, informed us that an application package has been sent to one individual who has expressed interest. Our search for bringing in physicians continues as well. A tool for public services and a well-oiled team ship regarding the planned improvements is necessary to recapture the market share that has been lost to our competitors. The Elderly Nutrition Program Director position was posted second time and closed this week. While the position was being recruited, Michael Duschen initially filled the role but wasn’t able to continue so Agnes “Totie” Huecksteadt was brought on board to fill in. There are two applicants, one of whom is a KBIC member, and the other is a KBIC descendant. After a quick review of the member’s application, it appears she meets the qualifications required. The selection committee will be scheduled to meet and hire for the position. In November of last year, the Youth Director position was posted after receiving Waba Alakayak’s resignation. The selection committee completed the hiring process, and Jodene Rothen has completed pre-employment requirements. She will begin in the position after her two weeks are up with her current employer. The Tribal Council recently met with BIA officials to discuss the firefighting program. Interest in getting the program back up and running is high, and a decision on the direction it will take will likely be made soon. The Tribe’s fleet car involved in an accident several months ago was deemed a total loss and has been replaced. The vehicle was replaced with a 2018 Chevy Equinox AWD which was delivered and placed into operation late December. If you haven’t noticed, the Sandpoint property has taken quite a hit this fall with the major storms that occurred. A large portion of land along the shoreline had eroded from the strong wave action. The US Army Corps of Engineers were called in to assist with plans to stop the erosion and provided an emergency fix. Arlan Fрисsвall, Public Works Director, and his staff have worked on the plan, and the shoreline is now protected with a system of rocks. The short term plan was at the expense of the Tribe and totaled around $100,000. A long term plan is still under development by the Corps of engineers and should be completed in the coming months. As was reported in my October 2017 report, the Ojibwa Building Supply Do it Best store closed due to poor financial performance. The inventory was liquidated through transfer of products to the Housing Department, the Public Works Department, and a huge sale which began on Black Friday. The inventory sold out, and the store officially closed to the public on Monday, November 27, earlier than the planned November 31 date. The Housing Department was approved to use the facility until a long term plan is developed. I want to close my report by thanking the Tribal Council and the Community for allowing me to serve in such a critical position as CEO. I can say that I’ve tried my best to represent the Tribe and its values while understanding the need to lead by setting a good example for the team. It has been a very busy year, and I believe the team has accomplished a lot, and by team, I refer to everyone who works for and with the Tribe. I know we all have our flaws and have made mistakes. I’m a firm believer that it is mistakes, how we look at them, and learn from them that makes us stronger as a team and more importantly, as individuals. Again, Miigwech, and I hope that 2018 brings much success to our Tribe. Respectfully submitted, Larry Denomie III, CEO
Here’s A Mouthful For You...

Well, the holiday season has been over for a while now. If you are like most of us, you reconsidered your New Year’s resolution for extremely clean eating after you faced down the cake at that first January birthday or anniversary party (but in the end, the cake won). On the other hand, you may now be thinking of ways to get into shape for spring. Whether it’s to fit into summer clothes, train for summer sports, or more easily manage your commercial tobacco-free lifestyle, now is not a bad idea to look at what you’re eating. Tweak food habits a bit to improve overall health and fitness, and maybe lose a few pounds. There are good ways to go about this, and then some not so good ways.

WHAT NOT TO DO: Extreme diets. Here are three of the more extreme offerings that we’ve seen in modern times:

The Baby Food Diet - Yes, really. It’s been around for the past five years or so. People replace two meals a day with up to 14 jars of baby food, and then they have one “adult” meal. This provides good portion control (baby food servings vary from 20-100 calories), and people aren’t inclined to seconds because baby food aren’t particularly flavorful. You don’t have any satisfaction from chewing your meal. And please, if you do this diet, find a way to recycle glass jars.

The Cabbage Soup Diet - You eat as much fat free cabbage soup as you like, and prescribed foods (e.g. Day one: fruit except bananas; Day two: vegetables; Day three: fruits and vegetables, etc.). It’s designed for short term use, it doesn’t have all the nutrients. Yes, people lose weight but they don’t keep it off. The Cabbage Soup Diet has been around since the 1950’s, contributing to greenhouse gas emissions for over a half-century. While it’s not recommended for anyone, this diet should be avoided by anyone on certain diabetes medications because it is very low in carbohydrates or Coumadin (warfarin) because it’s very high in vitamin K.

The Beverly Hills Diet - Invented in 1981, and resurrected periodically, you eat mostly fruit for the first month. After that, you learn to combine foods in very specific ways. Starches and meat can be eaten together, but not with proteins. Proteins and fats may be eaten together but not with starches (goodbye, pasta with meat sauce). Fruits are eaten separately, and included in generous amounts. It’s a rather complicated approach to eating, but it can be nutritionally complete. Bowel function tends to be really regular on this diet.

WHAT TO DO INSTEAD: Take stock of your eating pattern now. Start with a simple review:

1) Excluding potatoes, how much vegetables have I eaten in the past 24 hours? Green, orange, red, purple, yellow, and white veggies are rich in vitamins and minerals, especially fiber, which will help decrease appetite for chips, cookies and other high calorie foods. Two to three cups daily is the general recommendation.

2) When is the last time I ate some fruit? If it’s more than a day or two ago, you might want to make an effort to get fruit in more often, at least once a day, preferably twice (general guidelines are for two cups of fruit daily, most as whole fruit as opposed to juice).

3) Have I had any whole grains lately? This would include whole wheat bread, whole grain cereals, wild and brown rice, etc. They fill you up, making it easier to choose a smaller piece of pie.

4) Am I drinking regular soda, sports drinks or juice drinks? They provide empty calories. Not helpful.

Consider a visit to a nutrition professional (like me!) to tailor a program that works best for you. We all have unique tastes, lifestyles and metabolism, and those count when developing a healthy eating plan. Appointments can be made at 353-4521.

Opportunity of Commercial Free Tobacco Living

The new year has arrived, and there is no better time for people to adopt a commercial tobacco-free lifestyle. During this time, people often gather with family and friends. This is an opportunity to encourage and support commercial tobacco users in their effort to quit. Making sure that your home is smoke-free protects friends and family, including children, pregnant women, the elderly, and those living with disabilities from the health harms caused by secondhand smoke. Parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, and friends have the opportunity to impact the kids in their lives by setting an example of a commercial tobacco-free environment and reminding them that the use of commercial tobacco, including cigarettes, e-cigarettes, and other chewing tobacco is harmful.

According to the American Cancer Society, the benefits of quitting smoking are immediate. Within 20 minutes blood pressure drops, and within 24 hours a person can begin to feel a sense of alertness increases. The benefits continue for years, including reduced risk of lung cancer, stroke, and heart disease.

“Quitting commercial tobacco can be challenging because nicotine is a highly addictive drug. Whether a person chooses to quit during the holiday season, or as a New Year’s resolution, there are resources available to help,” stated Mindy Lantz, RN, Nicotine Dependence Treatment Specialist.

Research shows that while quitting is difficult for most tobacco users, people can increase their chances of success in quitting with help. Quitters are most successful when using a combination of therapies, including resources such as nicotine replacement, counseling, self-help materials, and a strong support network of family and friends.

The American Indian Commercial Tobacco Program is an evidence-based service that continues to provide free culturally tailored telephone coaching for the uninsured, pregnant women, residents enrolled in Medicaid and Medicare, Veterans, cancer patients, and American Indians, and free nicotine replacement therapy to those who qualify. The program provides services including materials, text messaging, an online program, and referral to all Michigan Native American residents.

Providers can refer their patients and clients to the program, and individuals interested in quitting may contact the program directly at 1-855-372-0037, or enroll online at https://americanindian.quitlogix.org/. Staff and providers in all health care settings can refer patients and clients to the American Indian Commercial Tobacco Program.

KBIC Health System will be offering a Smoking Cessation Class beginning Feb. 6, 2018, 4:30-5:30 p.m. This class will run Tuesday’s for four weeks. The program uses a Mayo Clinic Evidence Based Program proven successful.

In addition, the National Cancer Institute offers free resources and advice on making a quit plan that can help with quitting smoking. These resources are available at www.smokefree.gov.

Commercial Tobacco use kills 16,200 Michigan residents and costs the state over $4.5 billion in smoking-related healthcare costs annually. 5,200 kids in Michigan become new, regular smokers each year. The CDC recommends that Michigan spends $110 million on tobacco prevention and control programming. Michigan spends just $1.6 million. In contrast, the commercial tobacco industry spends an estimated $296 million to market their products in Michigan each year.

“The holidays can be a stressful time, but smoking doesn’t have to be a part of them,” said Mindy Lantz, RN, Nicotine Dependence Treatment Specialist. “Calling the American Indian Commercial Tobacco Program now can help people make the holidays and 2018, tobacco-free. Doing the work to getting control of tobacco use will lead to a lifetime of health benefits.” For more information, please contact Mindy Lantz, RN, Nicotine Dependence Specialist at (906) 355-4548 or call the American Indian Commercial Tobacco Program at 1-855-372-0037.

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Tim Dombrowski has been promoted to Environmental Specialist with the Natural Resources Department (NRD). He will be working with air and water quality, environmental investigations and response, and solid and hazardous waste. Tim has been working on extractive resource issues within NRD for the last year. He holds a Bachelor of Science in Geological Engineering from Michigan Technological University.

Tim moved to Laurium with his wife and son about two years ago. He enjoys spending time outdoors with his family and playing & watching hockey.

The Keweenaw Bay Tribal Police announce the utilization of new tools developed by the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Division of Drug Enforcement. These tools are for the public to report illegal drug activity occurring on Tribal lands.

Using the new Tip411 program and the new BIA Tips App, the public will now have the ability to text or send anonymous tips directly to the BIA Division of Drug Enforcement. Once a tip is received, the sender will be able to correspond directly with a BIA Drug Agent if they wish to provide more detailed information about illegal drug activity.

We encourage everyone to join us in fighting drug abuse in Indian Country and partnering with us to keep your tribal communities safe.

The BIA Tips App can be found in all app stores for computers, laptops, smart phones or tablets. It is free and easy to do.
Do you know someone in a nursing facility? Are they interested in returning home? Do they have barriers that will make it difficult? We can help!

The Nursing Facility Transition Program (NFT) through SAIL provides nursing facility residents, regardless of their age or disability, the option of returning to community-based living. The NFT staff at SAIL consists of Kristin Williams, Outreach Specialist, and Sandi Heikkinen, Outreach and Transition Specialist. Together they visit the 29 nursing facilities throughout the Upper Peninsula. They meet with residents, family members, and nursing facility to spread awareness of the NFT Program. They work together to transition residents back home to live the independent lives they desire. The NFT Program works to solve barriers that a resident may have in transitioning home. What is a barrier? A barrier could be a variety of things, such as: inability to secure housing, lack of a barrier free residence, deposit for rent and/or utility, the lack of documentation that is necessary for independent living, durable medical equipment, needed home modification or repairs, lack of furniture, and moving expenses.

Individuals with Medicaid, residing in a nursing facility, who would like to return home, move in with a family member, or find their own housing may be eligible for the NFT Program. SAIL will meet with the resident at their nursing facility to discuss transitioning home, to identify potential barriers, and develop a person centered plan. Follow along services are provided after the transition home to ensure that the individual is safely and successfully living independently.

SAIL has been serving people with disabilities and their families throughout the Upper Peninsula since 1998. SAIL provides information, support, and advocacy services to people with a wide variety of visible or invisible disabilities. If you would like more information about the NFT Program SAIL, or if you know of a committee, club, or organization that would benefit from a presentation on the NFT Program, please contact Kristin at 906-228-5744 or kristinw@upsail.com.

Conservation Funds Available for Lake Superior Watersheds

EAST LANSING, Jan. 19, 2018 – Conservation funding from the U.S. Department of Agriculture is available to landowners in the western Upper Peninsula. The funding is available for implementing conservation practices that improve water quality and wildlife habitat and reduce the risk of forest fires.

The funding was made available through the work of the Partners for Watershed Restoration which includes the USDA; the U.S. Forest Service; state, local and tribal governments; and other non-governmental organizations. The USDA has $180,000 of financial assistance available to landowners for designated conservation practices. Agricultural producers and private non-industrial forest owners in Baraga, Gogebic, Houghton, Iron, Keweenaw, Marquette, and Ontonagon counties are eligible to apply. Applications must be submitted to local offices of the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service by Feb. 16, to be eligible for the current round of funding.

Some practices eligible for financial assistance include forest management plans, forest stand improvement, tree and shrub establishment, and early successional habitat development and management. Additional supporting practices are also eligible for financial assistance.

The Partners for Watershed Restoration Project is designed to reduce wildfire threats, protect water quality, and improve and restore aquatic habitat in Lake Superior watersheds. Landowners interested in applying for conservation assistance should contact their local USDA service center (Upper Peninsula, 906-226-8871) or visit the Partnering for Watershed Restoration at http://superiorwatersheds.org/projects/partnering-for-watershed-restoration-pwr.

NIRD to Participate in Aerial Winter Wildlife Surveys

Continuing to increase our knowledge regarding the habitat and wildlife needs of moose on and near the L’Anse Reservation in central to the NIRD wildlife program. Our Wildlife Stewardship Plan has several objectives related specifically to monitoring wildlife populations, partnering to conduct research, and aligning methodologies to better collaborate on assessments of species of greatest need or concern. Over the next two winters NRD staff will have the opportunity to take action to meet these objectives as we conduct aerial wildlife surveys of the L’Anse Reservation, with an emphasis on moose.

Why focus on moose? In 2016, moose (mooz) were petitioned to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for listing under the Endangered Species Act. In response to this potential listing and in light of moose decreasing on Northern MN, KBIC joined Grand Portage Band, Bois Forte, and 1854 Treaty Authority in requesting BIA funds to establish a Tribal Moose Research Collaborative in the Lake Superior Region. While the focus of the survey is moose, the L’Anse Reservation is not within core (high-density) moose range. However, peripheral (low-density) moose range does overlap the southeast corner of the Reservation and moose have been detected/observed on and near the reservation throughout the year (mostly spring-fall). Use of a helicopter will allow observers to also note signs of other wildlife species including deer, wolves, and beaver.

Nights will take place in late February/early March with the assistance of staff from Grand Portage Band and Hells Canyon Helicopters (http://www.hellscanyonhelhi.com). Currently the only population assessments of the Michigan moose herd are conducted biannually by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. The last survey was completed in January 2017 which resulted in a population estimate of 420-470 moose. We are excited about the opportunity to learn more about use of the L’Anse Reservation during winter by native wildlife species. For more information regarding this project, please contact our Wildlife Biologist, Erin Johnston at (906) 524-5757 ext. 24 or ejohnston@kbic-nsn.gov.

For more information about the moose herd in Michigan, visit the DNR’s website at: http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,4570,7-153-10370_12145_58476---,00.html

The KBIC Wildlife Stewardship Plan and Wildlife & other related publications can be viewed on the NRD website following this link http://nrdr.kbic-nsn.gov/news-and-publications

MSU Extension Field Crops Webinar Series

MSU Extension will offer a series of six online programs highlighting field crop production and pest management on Monday evenings from February 19th through March 26th, 2018. Participants will learn how to enhance their corn, soybean, small grain, and forage production programs in 2018. This six-week online program and registration is required for all participants at a cost of $20.00 for the full series of six webinars or $5.00 per individual webinar session. Visit https://events.anr.msu.edu/FieldCropsWebinarSeries2018 to register and access connection information. Contact James DeDecker at (989) 734-2168 or dedeck65@msu.edu for more information, or by February 5th, 2018, to request accommodations for persons with disabilities. Requests received after this date will be fulfilled when possible.

MSU is an affirmative-action, equal opportunity employer. Michigan State University Extension programs and materials are open to all without regard to race, color, national origin, gender, gender identity, religion, age, height, weight, disability, political beliefs, sexual orientation, marital status, family status, or veteran status.

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

- **Household Size**
- **SNAP Net Monthly Income Standard**
- **SNAP Standard Deduction**
- **FDPIR Net Monthly Income Standard**

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### Contiguous United States

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*Each additional member + $436*

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### Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR)

**FY 2018 Net Monthly Income Standards**

*(Effective Oct. 1, 2017 to Sept. 30, 2018)*

*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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### Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Employment Opportunities

- **On-going recruitment (open continuous):**
  - Account Executive/Sales, Board Operator, Cashier/Deli Worker, Facility Attendant, Internal Sales Specialist, Licensed Practical Nurse, Natural Resource Technician, Nurse Practitioner, on-call Housing Receptionist, on-call Laborer, on-call OWW Unit Manager, on-call Receptionist-clerical, on-call Van Driver, Pharmacist, Pharmacy Technician, Prep Cook/Elderly Nutrition Worker, Registered Nurse, Unit Manager (Newday).

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

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### Family Members, Friends, and Care Providers

**Are also encouraged to attend the six-week workshop. Path meets 2.5 hours, one day per week.**

**KBIC Health System**

2nd floor Conf. Room 102 Superior Ave.

**Baraga, MI**

**Class Dates**

- MONDAY 2/26/18
- MONDAY 3/05/18
- MONDAY 3/12/18
- MONDAY 3/19/18
- MONDAY 3/26/18
- MONDAY 4/02/18

**1:00 PM – 3:30 PM**

**To Register Call:**

Dawn Kemppainen @ 353-4521

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### Path (Personal Action Towards Health)

**Learn self-management skills that may ease the day to day symptoms of living with a chronic health condition. Including: Mental Illness, Arthritis, Heart Disease, Diabetes, Emphysema, Asthma & Bronchitis**

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### Opioid/Heroin Awareness Community Outreach

The Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), Office of Justice Services (OJS), Division of Drug Enforcement (DDE) will be holding an Opioid/Heroin Awareness—Community Outreach meeting:

**Opioids/Heroin in Indian Country**

- **To be held at the following location:** Zeba Hall/Community Center 16141 Zeba Road L’Anse, MI 49946
- **March 27, 2018**
- **6:00 PM to 7:30 PM**

The Opioid/Heroin in Indian Country will include:

- Identification and Effects of Opioids/Heroin drugs
- Fentanyl and causes of overdose
- Combating opioids/heroin at the community level
- Investigation and Prosecution of Opioid/Heroin drug cases

This community outreach will consist of the OJS Division of Drug Enforcement presenting information on the opioid/heroin trends we are seeing around the country that may effect your reservations in the future. DDE would like to hear from attendees on the opioid/heroin trends they are seeing in their specific areas, what is currently being done to address the drug issues and what they feel they need to address them.

This seminar should be attended by community members, tribal employees, community stakeholders and law enforcement staff. If you have any questions, please contact the BIA Division of Drug Enforcement office at 918-781-4650. We look forward to visiting with you.

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### Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Employment Opportunities

(Closes 02/09/18): Cleaning Person (part-time); Niiwin Akeaa Programs Assistant; Child Support Specialist; Unit Manager OWW; Seasonal Laborer; Seasonal Operator/Laborer; Survivor Advocate Worker, (Open-until-filled); Registered Nurse; Community Health Nurse; Health Administrator.


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### FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM ON INDIAN RESERVATIONS (FDPIR)

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Baraga location: Count Team, Casino Bartender, Surveillance Monitor, Guest Service Clerk, Security Officer, Slot Attendant, Games Dealer, Cage Cashier, Casino Snack Bar Cook, Lanes Bartender Cook, Maintenance Worker, Casino Housekeeper, Casino Bar Waitstaff, Motel Front Desk, Room Attendant, Shuttle Driver.

Marquette location: Casino Bartender, Cage Cashier, Security Officer, Games Dealer, Slot Attendant, Guest Services Clerk, Waitstaff, Snackbar Cook, Casino Housekeeper, Maintenance Worker.

For complete job announcement and application requirements contact: Human Resources Office, Baraga (906) 353-6333, Marquette (906) 249-4200, ext. 205., or visit us at www.ojibwacasino.com.
Attention KBIC Tribal Members

Job Bank Applications & Indian Owned Businesses

Several projects in or near Baraga will start up soon. Both skilled and unskilled workers are needed – also needed are Suppliers and Contractors for these projects:

- Casino Marquette & Baraga Projects
- Power Plant Project – Baraga
- Copperwood Mine – Wakefield Area; and Endbridge Pipeline Repair/Upgrade – Ashland through Escanaba and west.

Tribal Members are urged to apply for the Job Bank as TERO has already referred workers for these projects, but we still need more TRIBAL MEMBERS WHO ARE UNION MEMBERS – we also need Businesses that are Indian Owned and Native American Contractors.

Some of Services/Companies that may be needed are:

- Site Security – Day and Night; Septic Services; Portable Water/Bottled Water; Snow Removal; Landscaping/Lawn Cutting/Pest Control/Site Maintenance; Catering; and Equipment Rentals… this is just a fraction of what they potentially may need – IF YOU OWN A BUSINESS – PLEASE REGISTER WITH THE TERO OFFICE AS AN INDIAN OWNED BUSINESS to obtain preference.

Please contact this office for an application.

Job Bank Applications are also available online at http://www.ojibwa.com/content/tero – Please stop by or contact Debbie Picciano @ 353-4167 or E-mail – TERO@kbic-nsn.gov

KBIC SENIORS - TAX PREPARATION REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM

Eligible Seniors: Enrolled KBIC Members 55 years of age and older residing in Baraga County or on the Marquette Trust property.

How the Program Works: Eligible seniors will receive reimbursement up to $100 for their 2017 tax return preparation. This year’s program also provides reimbursement up to $26 for completion of your 2017 Home Heating Credit return.

To qualify for reimbursement, eligible seniors must use a tax preparer who has been issued a Preparer Tax Identification Number (PTIN) by the Internal Revenue Service. The Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Housing Community Development Corporation and Sally Snyder are excluded from the program due to a litigation matter involving the Tribe.

To receive your reimbursement, please turn in your original receipt to Kim Klopstein, Administrative Asst., in the CEO’s Office. Please allow up to 10 business days for payment processing. (Reimbursement for personal returns only, business returns are not covered.)
Michigan Three Fires Cancer Consortium Addresses Tribal Cancer Rates
New Comprehensive Cancer Program to benefit Michigan’s American Indian Tribes

SAULT STE. MARIE – The Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan was recently awarded a five-year National Comprehensive Cancer Control Program grant of $210,238 per year, in order to impact and decrease colon, breast, and lung cancer, improve quality of life among cancer survivors, and decrease cancer morbidity and mortality for Michigan’s American Indian population.

The Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan’s project, Three Fires Cancer Consortium, will work to address cancer related health disparities among Michigan’s American Indian population through the use of policy, systems, and environmental change strategies. Five tribes are included in this program consortium: Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, Bay Mills Indian Community, Hannahville Indian Community, Keewenaw Bay Indian Community, and the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians. The combined population of the participating tribes reaches 54,077 American Indians across 31 counties. In addition, resources gathered from the project will be shared with all 12 Michigan tribes. “Disparities in health care and health status have persisted among American Indian and Alaska Native populations for decades,” said Cathy Edgerly, Program Manager with Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan. Edgerly continues “Among many health issues faced by these populations, cancer has become an increasingly evident public health issue. While cancer incidence rates among non-Hispanic whites have been decreasing, an increase in cancer incidence rates have been noted among American Indians and Alaska Natives.”

“We see higher incidence rates at younger ages; often outpacing cancer morbidity and mortality for Michigan’s American Indian population,” said Noel Pingatore, Project Investigator with Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan.

In order to address these disparities, the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan will implement strategies while working closely with the tribes through the Three Fires Cancer Consortium leadership team; the leadership team, which includes a member from each tribe, is tasked with four key priorities: primary prevention, early detection, survivor needs, and cancer disparities.

Strategies include: small media campaigns to promote commercial tobacco cessation and colon cancer screening; alcohol screening tools and counseling services; provider education to address cancer survivorship needs and resources; and tribal clink-community health linkages to increase the use of cancer related preventive health services.

The Michigan Three Fires Cancer Consortium project is set for success with a strong collaborative effort from tribal health agencies, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, Michigan Cancer Surveillance Program, Michigan State University, and American Cancer Society. Each of these partners will ensure that program strategies are informed by surveillance data, and the evidence-based, culturally tailored interventions will promote health equity while meeting the unique needs of Michigan’s Native Americans.

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- ojim
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_ k w a w _ _ (She/he fishes through the ice with spear).

_ w a a _ o n a g _ _ a n (A rabbit snare).
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Down:
1. S/he slip and fall on ice.
2. My heart
3. S/he sets a snare
4. Snowshoe
5. They love each other

Across:
1. Skate
2. A rabbit snare
3. Kiss
4. She/he fishes through the ice with spear
5. They kiss.

The language page was designed by the newsletter editor from reference of The Ojibwe People’s Dictionary located at www.ojibwe.lib.umn.edu.

The Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan, Inc. is a 501(C)3 non-profit corporation duly organized under a state charter filed April 16, 1968. The agency represents all twelve federally recognized tribes in Michigan. The agency is divided into several different divisions, including: headstart; early headstart; health services; behavioral health; environmental services; child, family, and education services; and administration. The agency employs approximately 160 employees. 35 of these employees are based in the agency’s central office in Sault Ste. Marie, while member tribes have offices and staff on site. Visit http://www.itcmi.org to learn more about the agency. The Michigan Three Fires Cancer Consortium is funded by the CDC under grant number 1NU58DP006275-01-00.
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The KBIC will hold a public hearing on Thursday, February 15, 2018, in the Bingo Hall, located at 795 Michigan Ave, Baraga, MI 49908, immediately following the Tribal Council meeting. The hearing is being held to receive public comments regarding the KBIC 2018-2022 Five Year Recreation Plan. The plan is available for review at the Tribal Center, Health Center, KBOCC, the Library, and on our Home page at www.ojibwa.com. If you cannot make the meeting and would like your opinions considered, please contact Jean Jokinen at 353-4205 or jjokinen@kbic-nsn.gov. The resolution for adoption will be conducted at the February 22, 2018 Tribal Council meeting.