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Community development projects progress in South Bend and Hartford

More staff keeping regular hours in Indiana office

The Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) completed its draft environmental impact statement (DEIS) March 12 for the tribe's application that 165 acres of its land in South Bend, Indiana be taken into trust. The Band is seeking trust land to develop a tribal village—similar to the one in Dowagiac—to support its citizens in Northern Indiana. This village could include affordable housing, government and administrative offices, a community center, and health services. To fund this project, the Pokagon Band will also build a Four Winds Casino on the South Bend site, which will create jobs and provide continued economic support to the Pokagon Band and surrounding communities.

“This is an important first step in a lengthy process that began over two years ago, and Tribal Council is pleased to have reached this significant milestone,” said Chairman John P. Warren. “Although we were required to state all foreseeable development for the proposed trust land, we will pursue development that will best serve our citizens and the larger community.”

The DEIS is available for public review and comments, and a public hearing will be held Tuesday, April 14 at 6 p.m. at the Century Center, 120 S. St. Joseph Street in South Bend. To view the DEIS, visit www.pokagonsouthbendeis.com. Members of the public can send comments to Scott Doig, Environmental Protection Specialist, Midwest Regional Office, Bureau of Indian Affairs, 5600 West American Blvd. Suite 500, Bloomington, MN 55437 or via e-mail to Scott.Doig@bia.gov. Written comments on the DEIS must arrive before April 25.



Add your name to the Housing waiting list

Construction for the Pokagon Hartford Housing Village will be underway this spring, and it looks like South Bend isn't far behind. Starting April 1 the Housing Department will begin accepting tenant applications for Hartford and South Bend homes.

We anticipate that the homes available in the first phase will include two and three bedroom townhome units and two bedroom Elders duplex units.

You can pick up an application at the Dowagiac Housing Office or the Indiana Office in South Bend. You can also print a copy off the Pokagon Band website or call the Housing Department and we will be happy to send or e-mail a copy to you.

As with Dowagiac Edawat waiting list, status is based on a point system, which is attached to the application. It is not a first come first served basis unless you have equal points to another applicant. If you have any questions feel free to contact the Housing office at (269) 783-0443.

Government staff keep office hours in Indiana office

More staff will be available for citizen services at the office on the tribe's South Bend land. Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Marcus Winchester works in the South Bend office every Wednesday. Traci Henslee, workforce training and resource specialist, works there every Thursday from 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. and 1–4 p.m.

If you are an Indiana resident and are in need of domestic violence services, Casey Kasper, victim services manager/case worker, will begin holding office hours in the South Bend office every other Friday starting Friday, May 8 from 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. For more details please call at (269) 462-4324. You can also email at casey.kasper@pokagonband-nsn.gov.

Sugar season moves into high gear

While the maple sap continues to run, the Department of Language and Culture invites volunteer fire tenders, wood gatherers and splitters, and sap collectors during collection times from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Storytellers, sap boilers, bottlers, cleaners, cafters, wood workers, and tradition bearers are welcome any time between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. for whatever help that you are willing to give.

Then, on April 17 from 6–8 p.m., please join Language and Culture staff at the Community Center to enjoy this gift from the creator and celebrate the end of sugar season as native cooks share their own unique maple sugar dishes.

Please contact the Language and Culture team or Patty Jo Kublick at (269) 462-5376 with questions.

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Sugar bush season is unlike any other

This sugar bush season began with upgrading and replacing worn-out equipment and acquiring additional tools the Band has never used, to make the process easier, more efficient, and less wasteful.

When the weather warmed enough for the sap to flow, community members gathered for a blessing ceremony. There was drumming and singing in Potawatomi, then everyone thanked the first maple tree with sema.

Tribal Council Vice Chairman Bob Moody drilled a hole into the tree, Language and Culture Director Conrad Church hammered in the tap, and Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Marcus Winchester finished by placing the lid on the hanging bucket.

The first batch of syrup was bottled in the beginning of March. Cultural Activities Coordinator Patty Jo Kublick shared the first bottle with children and staff from Head Start, as well as Language & Culture staff and Tribal Council Member Andy Jackson.

Jackson gave a sugar bushing teaching to the children, and Kublick passed out sap to the children to taste before they received the syrup. Most enjoyed it, and Jackson shared that sap is a good medicine, the first from the creator.

Volunteers have kept watch over and tended to the sap as it cooks into syrup in the pavilion daily, but sugar bushing is not the only activity that's filling the pavilion.

Crafting, storytelling, and feasting unfold with the sugar bushing, turning work into a community gathering. People have whittled spoons and paddles, and a hand-crafted paddle is now used to stir the sap as it cooks.



DEPARTMENT OF LANGUAGE & CULTURE +
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

ONGOING ORAL HISTORY PROJECT

WHO: Elders ages 60+

WHAT: Oral History Interviews

WHERE: Elders Hall, or location of elder's choice

WHEN: Every Monday afternoon. Appointments may be accommodated

The Pokagon Potawatomi Tribal Historic Preservation Office, with guidance from the Elders Committee, will be starting an ongoing project to record the stories of our elders. These stories will be stored in the Pokagon Potawatomi Archives so that the future generations will always know the history of their grandparents. Interview topics will be picked by the elders and in the setting of their choice.

If you are interested in making an appointment, or have any questions, please call Marcus Winchester at (269) 462-4224

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Join Pokagon Health Services, Department of Natural Resources,
the Department of Education and Language & Culture

Family Fishing Tournament

Saturday, May 16, 2015

Check-in begins at 9:30 a.m.

Gage St. Lake

Fish Tales

-  Registration is required. Onsite registration is available.
-  You must wear a life jacket! No exceptions. Limited number of personal flotation devices available for those who can't provide their own.
-  Limited number of canoes (reserve one by pre-registering).
-  You may use your own boat but the gas tank must be removed. Please note, the launch is very rustic. Limit to 14-foot boats.
-  Fishing poles and bait available.
-  RSVP online at Family-Fishing-Tournament.eventbrite.com
-  Check out the Bass Masters truck and boat

For more information, contact Rebecca Williams, youth cultural coordinator, at Rebecca.Williams@PokagonBand-nsn.gov or call Language & Culture at (269) 782-8998.

Prizes • Fun Family Event • Food

Tribal Police Officers help save child's life



Tribal Police Officers Trent DeGroff and Kevin Slater were recognized at the Council meeting Saturday, March 14 with certificates, a bear claw choker, and a carving of an eagle feather on cedar for their quick thinking and professionalism in saving a life.

In the early morning hours of February 2, Officers DeGroff and Slater responded to a call in the City of Watervliet. The dispatch told the officers that an eight year-old girl was in full arrest. The officers arrived within moments of the call to find the child's father performing CPR.

Officer DeGroff asked the father to stop chest compressions to prevent possible serious injury. He then began a medical assessment. He found the child

to have a pulse with labored and sporadic breathing. DeGroff had Slater prepare the onboard AED and get an airbag ready for possible use. In gathering the child's medical history from the family, DeGroff heard that the girl was asthmatic. The family had attempted to administer treatment prior to the attack.

Officer DeGroff then administered a breathing treatment via an inhaler to the little girl; she began to respond. DeGroff carried the female from the house to the ambulance, and—in order for the EMS attendants to evaluate and monitor the little girl on the trip to Lakeland Watervliet ER—he drove the ambulance. Officer Slater followed to assist.

Before the officers left the hospital, the little girl was alert, talking, and expected to make a full recovery. Thanks to the teamwork of the two officers and the extensive medical experience of Officer DeGroff, the two more than likely saved the little girl's life.

The bear claw choker is significant because bear clan are the traditional protectors of the community. The eagle feather on the cedar wood is important because cedar is a healing medicine.

Tribal outreach worker helps Pokagon veterans connect with the VA

By Jennifer Klemm-Dougherty

Starting on April 2 Michele Roe, tribal outreach worker for the Veterans Affairs, will be working at Pokagon Health Services every Thursday.

"I will be working as a liaison between the VA and tribal veterans," said Roe. "I will answer questions and set up telehealth appointments with the VA in Battle Creek." All equipment for telehealth services is in place, and connectivity issues are currently being addressed.

"If the veterans have questions regarding compensation, I will assist them in getting answers," explained Roe. "I will help veterans who are utilizing services on tribal property to expand their services through the VA."

Roe has spent her entire career working in the medical field. She is a veteran who has served in both the Navy and the Army National Guard.

"I pride myself on being a true advocate," said Roe. "I can't wait to get started!"

Roe has been working with the VA since December in a newly created position. She will be working every Thursday at the Pokagon Health Services Building in the Behavioral Health Department.

Pokégnek Yajdanawa

Pokégnek Yajdanawa is the monthly voice of Pokégnek Bodéwadmik, the Pokagon Band of the Potawatomi. Citizens are encouraged to submit original letters, stories, pictures, poetry and announcements for publication in *Pokégnek Yajdanawa*. Submissions are subject to the established guidelines.

The deadline for citizen submissions for the newsletter is always the fourteenth of each month. Please send items for publication to:

Pokégnek Yajdanawa

Box 180

Dowagiac, MI 49047

Pokagon.Newsletter@PokagonBand-nsn.gov

Pokagon Band supporting South Bend 150th anniversary celebration

The city of South Bend is marking its sesquicentennial in 2015 with a year-long celebration, and the Pokagon Band is heavily involved. A large part of the year will be the Birthday Weekend Celebration May 22-24. Opening ceremonies on Friday evening, May 22 will feature Pokagon Band representatives. Organizers will dedicate a public art installation called River Lights, a project turning the St. Joseph River into a living canvas with interactive light sculptures on either side of the river, symbolically uniting the two sides.

The east and west banks of the St. Joseph River downtown will be divided into 10 different activity zones for the weekend. The area along the riverwalk will be home to an interactive art show where all

forms of art will be both displayed and created. Any Potawatomi artists interested in displaying or demonstrating their work can contact kcarter@sb150.com. And Pokagon cooks are welcome to participate in Taste of South Bend; the food vendor application is at: <http://sb150.com/birthday-weekend>

An outdoor exhibition called Memory Lane will offer a visual tour through South Bend's history--including the Pokagon Band's--featuring photographs, publications, and memorabilia. A giant main stage will be set up in the Century Center parking lot for outdoor concerts featuring local, regional, and national acts.

After the weekend, a themed monthly event series called Discover... South Bend continues through the year to highlight various features of the past, present, and future of the city. Stay tuned for more details on the Band's involvement in these, especially in July when the focus is The River, and December, when the focus is Culture.




DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Wild Kratts Live!

**Saturday, April 25, 2015
2:00 PM
Lake Michigan College
Mendel Center Mainstage**

In collaboration with Lake Michigan College, the Early Childhood Education program is offering free tickets (5 ticket limit per household) to Wild Kratts Live! on Saturday, April 25, 2015 at 2 p.m. at the Mendel Center Mainstage! Select tickets will be raffled at Gwikwé'amen: Introduction to Program Services on Saturday, March 21, 2015 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Pokagon families may also register online at the Pokagon website starting March 25.

A PBS Kids favorite is coming to the Mendel Center Mainstage! Animated Kratt Brothers, Martin and Chris, come to "real life" in a classic Wild Kratts story. Off to the Creature Rescue, the Kratt Brothers activate some fan-favorite creature power suits to confront a comic villain. Through hilarious pratfalls and amazing animal wow facts, the Wild Kratts team rescues a helpless animal friend and returns her home "living free and in the wild!"

Great for ages 3 to Grade 5!

<http://lmcmainstage.org/kratts/>

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POKAGON SUMMER INTERNSHIP

Interested in applying for the summer internship at Four Winds? Please see the requirements below for participation in this program.

- A Pokagon Band Citizen or Spouse of Pokagon Band Citizen
- Paid internship, with housing* and clothing stipend, and mileage.
- 8 week program (June 8 - July 30, 2015)
- Enrolled full time in college for Fall 2015.
- Must be 18 years of age or older

For more information, please contact:

Duane Meyers
Manager of Tribal Placement and Development
269-926-5249 or dmeyers@fourwindscasino.com

Application deadline April 17, 2015.
Apply online at www.fourwindscasino.com.

*Certain restrictions apply.

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Pokagon Band hosts Indigenous Education Conference this month

Educators and tribal leaders from around the state will converge on Four Winds New Buffalo April 14, 15 and 16 for a conference focusing on strengthening cultural and educational opportunities for Michigan students.

Both native and non-native stakeholders are welcome to attend, learn, and participate: superintendents, program directors, principals, teachers, counselors and social workers, tribal Council members, tribal education directors, native parents, native student organizations and tribal colleges. Breakout sessions include learning how to use effective methods for teaching native students, historical trauma and

tribal sovereignty. Attendees can earn CEU / clock hours from Western Michigan University, and college students can receive a reduced conference registration rate of \$50.

Education leaders will hear from such presenters as artist and activist Louie Gong, Quinton Roman Nose, director of the Tribal Education Departments National Assembly, and comedian and actor Vaughn Eaglebear. Wednesday night will feature a silent auction, entertainment from the native comedy troupe the 1491s and dinner hosted by the Michigan Tribal Education Directors.

"Whether attendees teach native students, are native educators, or work for a government or non-profit education agency, they'll leave the conference having fostered relationships and learned new skills," said Sam Morseau, education director for the Pokagon Band and conference organizer. Please visit www.pokagon.com/government/departments/education/mtd-conference to register.

Apply for a Summer College Internship with the Pokagon Government

All Pokagon college students interested in participating in the Pokagon College Internship are invited to apply here: www.pokagon.com/form/summer-college-internship-application. This program is a paid, eight-week summer internship program for tribal citizens attending college. Job placements will be in various tribal offices in Dowagiac, Michigan. Possible placements include the following departments: Housing, Health Services, Information Technology, Social Services, Human Resources, Education, Natural Resources, Tribal Court, Communications, Tribal Police, Finance, and Language and Culture. If you have any questions please call the Department of Education (269) 782 -0887.



www.pokagon.com/form/summer-college-internship-application

Riddle

Last month's riddle winner is **Esther Parker** who answered, "What does a Native American biologist live in?" The answer was ATP.

Nora Rowe has won a gift card for her riddle being selected. Check it out: "What goes up, the more it comes down?"

Mail or e-mail in your correct answer to susan.doyle@pokagonband-nsn.gov and you will be entered in a drawing to win a gift card. Another way to win is to mail or e-mail your own riddle and the person whose riddle is selected for the next newsletter will win a gift card.

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DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

Finding Dawn Film Screening

Friday, May 29, 2015
6:00 pm
Community Center

The Department of Social Services is hosting a screening of *Finding Dawn* for community members. *Finding Dawn* is a 2006 film by Christine Welsh (Métis) that highlights the lives of Dawn Crey, Ramona Wilson, and Daleen Kay Bosse, three of the estimated 500 women who have gone missing or were murdered in Canada in the past 30 years. This is a very serious issue that has received relatively little recognition in the media.

If you have any questions feel free to contact Casey Kasper at (269) 462-4324 or casey.kasper@pokagonband-nsn.gov.

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The Moyer Foundation is committed to supporting children nationwide who are grieving and/or impacted by a family member's substance abuse. The Moyer Foundation is actively reaching out to organizations serving Native American families to share and spread awareness of its free programs, Camp Mariposa® and Camp Erin®. Camp Erin is a national network of free bereavement camps for children and teens ages 6-17. For more information about Camp Erin, please visit www.moyerfoundation.org/camperin. The Moyer Foundation welcomes Native American children to attend either Camp Erin or Camp Mariposa in their community.

Camp Mariposa

Camp Mariposa is a free, weekend overnight camp program that supports children between the ages of 9-12 who are impacted by substance abuse in their families. Camp Mariposa gives these children the knowledge, tools, and coping skills to prevent them from developing an addiction of their own and to help break the intergenerational cycle of addiction. Campers participate in traditional camp activities such as swimming, camp fires, and arts and crafts combined with therapeutic sessions designed to teach children a variety of problem-solving and self-care strategies. Small group discussions and activities give children a chance to create relationships with fellow campers who can understand what they are going through. There are eight locations nationwide and camp occurs 6 times annually. Campers are encouraged to attend multiple times



For more information or to register a camper, please contact the local camp director with the information provided below:

Camp Mariposa Indiana
Camp Director: Michelle Olson
Email: michelle_olson@oaklawn.org
Phone: 574-533-1234
Host Camp: The Oaks at SouthPaw Farm

Some of the 2015 camp weekends include:
April 17-19, 2015
June 5-7, 2015
August 7-9, 2015
October 2-4, 2015
December 4-6, 2015



Pokagon Health Services looks for feedback on expanding services

PHS will be distributing a survey in the coming weeks to gauge interest in expanding health services to citizens' non-Pokagon spouses and employees. Please be on the lookout for a survey asking about insurance coverage, making PHS your primary care provider or using the dental, optical and pharmacy services. Services would be billed to insurance and copays/deductibles will be due at the time of visit.

Mishkowze | Be strong. Do well.

Join the staff at Pokagon Health Services of each month at the Pokagon Health Center to hear from experts on health topics of the month, to share a meal and to give prizes.

April 9	May 14	June 11
Alcoholism Awareness	American Stroke Awareness	Men's Health Awareness
Every Kid Healthy	Sports Fitness	National Cancer Survivors
National Addictions	National Blood Pressure Awareness	
	Women's Health Care Month	



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Department of Language & Culture

DRUM CLASSES

South Bend Drum Class
3733 Locust Road
South Bend, IN 46614
6:00 pm–8:00 pm

2015
April 1 June 3
May 6 July 1

Dowagiac Drum Class
Department of Language and Culture
586853 Sink Road, Dowagiac, MI 49047
6:00 pm–8:00 pm

2015
April 8 June 10
May 13 July 8

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For more information, please contact Nicole Holloway at (269) 462-4325 or nicole.holloway@pokagonband-nsn.gov.



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Enrichment Program

The Enrichment Program is designed to provide opportunities for Pokagon youth anywhere in the United States to participate in Enrichment programs. Types of activities included: band camps, art camps, science camps, sports camps, career camps, workshops, pre-college classes, summer school, conferences, or life skills programs such as drivers training, music lessons, musical instruments, sports, etc.

Student Eligibility Requirements

- Student must have an Educational Records Release form on file.
- Student must be a Pokagon citizen.
- Student must be in K – 12th grade (If you are in the 12th grade, Enrichment must be used before graduation.)
- Student must provide Enrichment application and documentation for event.

Enrichment Options

Direct Payment

Payment will be made directly to the chosen event. All backup paperwork must accompany Enrichment application.

Reimbursement

Payment will be made directly to the parent when Enrichment application is accompanied with a receipt.

Program Funds: Total of \$500 per School Year

Time Frame: August 1 – July 31

Pokagon Band Department of Education Enrichment Program Policy

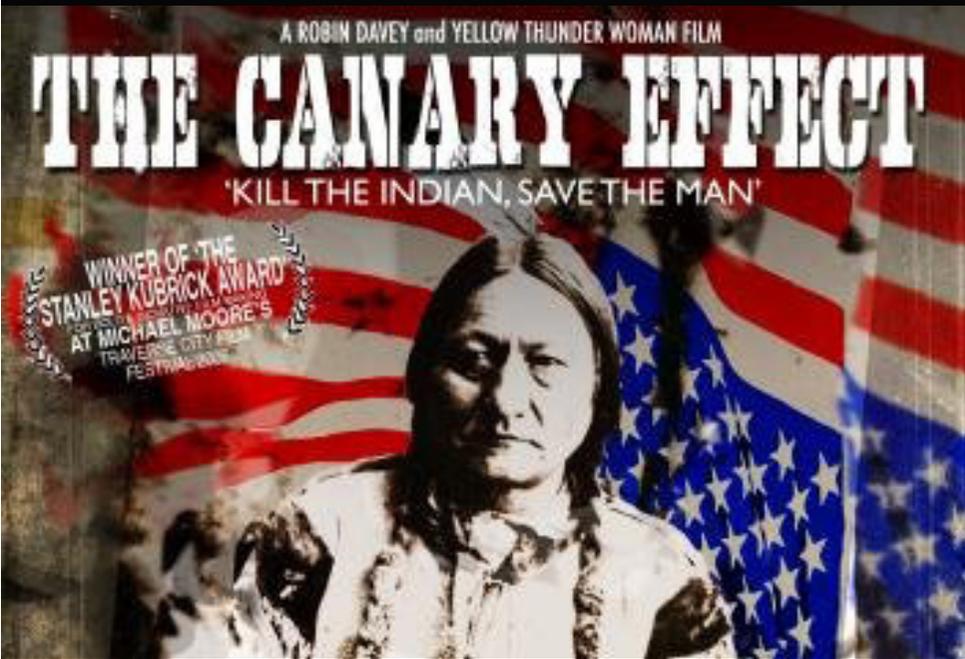
If a student's event is more than \$500, the remaining balance will be the responsibility of the family. You must allow at least 2 weeks for payment. Information coming in late will not be guaranteed that payment will be made on time.

If you have any questions please contact Skye Wallin at (269) 782-0887, (888)330-1234 or skye.wallin@pokagonband-nsn.gov.

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PROJECT LAUNCH
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES



Thursday, April 2, 2015
5:30 pm until 8:30 pm
Community Center

Join JT Laraway as he hosts a Historical Trauma Community Conversation led by Hunter Genia.

For more information, contact JT Laraway at (269) 462-4450 or john.laraway@pokagonband-nsn.gov.

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April is Every Kid Healthy month

By Liz Leffler, community health nurse

All kids deserve to be cared for like they're our own and deserve the chance to grow up to be whatever they can imagine. This begins with good overall health: mental, physical, and emotional.

Making sure that children do not suffer from obesity, undernourishment, and lack of physical activity is vital. Healthy diets and being physically active help children become better equipped for success. Normal brain development needs a variety of macronutrients and micronutrients, and the majority of youth eat fewer nutrient-rich foods and over consume sugary foods and beverages.

One in four children live in food-insecure households. Studies of school children with insufficient food revealed poorer class performance, more absences from school, and a decline in academic achievement. According to a 2013 national report, students that eat breakfast attend 1.5 more days of school and score 17.5 percent higher on standardized math tests. Kids learn from their parents about healthy lifestyles so be a good role model for your children.

Preventable injuries are the number one killer of kids in the United States and each year a million families around the world lose children to these injuries. Injuries can occur in lots of locations.

At Home:

- Fire safety is important: On average, one child dies each day from a fire or burn.
- Medication safety: Medications are the leading cause of child poisoning.
- Safe sleep: Suffocation is the leading cause of injury-related death among babies under the age of one.
- TV tip-overs: Every three weeks a child dies from a TV tipping over.

At Play:

- Swimming: Around the world, 388,000 people drown every year. That's 44 preventable deaths every hour.
- Sports: Each year, more than one million children are seen in the ERs for sports-related injuries.
- Helmet safety: Helmets can reduce the risk of brain injuries by 88 percent.

On the way:

- Road injuries: Road injuries are the leading cause of death to kids in the U.S. Please be sure your child is in the proper car seat in the proper location of the car. If you have questions on this contact Pokagon Health Services or the Tribal Police department and they can check to be sure your car seat is installed properly.
- Electronic devices: Teens account for half of all child pedestrian deaths. Speak with your teenager about not texting or using electronics while driving.
- Kids playing near cars: Each year, more than 9,000 kids are treated in ERs for injuries that occur in or around vehicles. Please check around your vehicles before putting it in reverse or drive.

For more information about keeping your kids safe, please visit www.safekids.org for lots of great information available on how to help keep your kids safe and healthy.



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Ipdében Ipdébák Ndépseni Zawbogya Gises
Moshwagen Moshwagnen Gishgzhen Dopwen
Dopwenen Mzenegen Mzenegnen Gises Dbegiswan
Dbegiswanék Tkéyamget Nagén Desnagén Mbékté
Emkwan Koman Giwsé Gises Bidékjigén Gwapegas
Taswen Mkwémi Taswen Wjandagémék Bonimget
Kéyamget Biskowagén Wiwkwan Gébedi
Wiwkwán Mshkekiwgémék Dawewgémék
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Zisokroké Gisés Wabozo Wawen Wizawa Densés
Ké Gwdëmothgëmen Gigo



Department of Language & Culture

BNAKWI GISES april LANGUAGE WORKSHOP

Saturday, April 4
11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.
Community Center
27043 Potawatomi Trail, Dowagiac, MI 49047

Join **Carla Collins** for the April language workshop led by our apprentices teaching what they are currently learning while living with our fluent speakers in Northern Wisconsin.



The Pokagon Band of Potawatomi
Department of Language and Culture invites you to

Experience Drummond Island this Summer
July 29 – August 2, 2015
Great Lakes Traditional Arts Gathering

The deadline, June 1 at 5:00 p.m., is approaching fast.

If you have met the requirements :

Eligibility includes attending 10 language classes between March and June 1, 2015, if you live in the service area. Classes are held in Dowagiac, South Bend, Hartford, and Hopkins.

Youth must attend Youth Council meetings in person or through Skype through June and receive their community service hours set by the youth cultural coordinator.

You must also attend at least five community events sponsored by the Department of Language and Culture before the end of May 2015.

If you feel you are on target for meeting the requirement please call the Department of Language and Culture and talk to Nicole Holloway to verify your eligibility. She will then mail you a registration packet that must be completed and sent back to reserve your spot. Space is limited, so don't delay.

Questions? Please contact the Department of Language and Culture (269) 462-4325 and nicole.holloway@pokagonband-nsn.gov.



Pokagons exchange culture with students from Denmark

This March, a group of students from Denmark visited the Dowagiac campuses for a cultural exchange with our tribe.

These students were in a Denmark program that is similar to the U.S. foster care system. Coming here and learning about our culture was an accomplishment for them all.

They arrived at the Community Center the morning of Friday, March 6 and received cultural teachings from Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Marcus Winchester and Jefferson Ballew. Cultural Activities Coordinator Patty Jo Kublick acted as host, and Youth Cultural Coordinator Rebecca Williams discussed the opportunities our youth and youth councils have been able to experience.

The students then traveled to Rodgers Lake to learn about sugar bushing with Ballew and Kublick. They tasted the maple syrup, and Ballew explained the process of turning sap into syrup and its cultural and historical significance.



Attention Pokagon Band Citizens

The Department of Language and Culture is seeking traditional artisans to teach at this summer's Culture Camp. If you are interested, please submit a proposal to Rebecca.williams@pokagonband-nsn.gov by 5 p.m. April 10.

Upcoming Programs with the Department of Social Services

The Department of Social Services is hosting a variety of different programs over in April and May. For more details check out the events listed below. There's sure to be something for everyone! We hope to see you there.

One Stroke Painting Workshop with Angie Rice (April 13 and April 20)

The Department of Social Services is hosting another One Stroke Painting Class for women in the community.

What is One Stroke?

One Stroke painting allows the artist to "load" a single paintbrush with multiple colors, giving the work of art a more lively and shaded effect with just a single stroke!

This program was incredibly popular the first time around. If you missed it the first time around and are interested in attending please RSVP as soon as possible!

For more information or to RSVP please contact Casey Kasper at (269) 462.4324 or casey.kasper@pokagonband-nsn.gov. This program is for women only and spaces are limited. At this time you may only register for one session to ensure as many people are able to attend as is possible.

Bone Needle and Basswood Fiber Cordage Workshop with Renee Dillard (April 25, 10:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m., Rodgers Lake Pavilion)

The Department of Social Services is honored to host a workshop with Renee Dillard. She will be teaching a Bone Needle and Basswood Fiber Cordage workshop. Participants will also learn about harvesting cat tail plants. These techniques are used for making cat tail mats.

Renee Dillard is a 2010 Michigan Heritage Award recipient and an accomplished natural fiber artist. As a young woman she learned this skill from her mother and has spent much of her adult life sharing her knowledge with Native communities in Michigan, Wisconsin, and Ontario.

Cat tail mats are traditionally made by women, however men are welcome to attend this program to watch and learn cultural teachings.

This event is open to the community, however spaces are limited. Please contact Casey Kasper at (269) 462-4324 or casey.kasper@pokagonband-nsn.gov to RSVP or for questions.

Lunch will be served potluck-style so please bring a dish to pass.

Family Wellness 5K Run/Walk and Informational Open House (May 2, 10 AM, Rodgers Lake)

Looking for a fun activity for the whole family? Dust off those running shoes and come to the Family Wellness 5K Run/Walk hosted by the Department of Social Services! This is a non-competitive, family friendly event. All fitness levels are welcome to come. Staff from different programs in Social Services will be available to answer any questions you have about services as well.

Registration is available online at <http://pokagonband-nsn.gov/calendar/event/family-wellness-5k>. If you need a paper copy of the registration form please contact Casey Kasper at (269) 462-4324 or casey.kasper@pokagonband-nsn.gov. Anyone who is registered by April 17 will receive a shirt. You are still welcome register up until the day of the event; however you will not be guaranteed a shirt.

If you have any questions feel free to contact Casey Kasper at (269) 462-4324 or casey.kasper@pokagonband-nsn.gov.

Finding Dawn Film Screening (May 29, 6 PM, Community Center)

The Department is hosting a screening of Finding Dawn for community members on Friday, May 29, 2015 at 6 PM at the Community Center. Finding Dawn is a 2006 film by Christine Welsh (Métis) that highlights the lives of Dawn Crey, Ramona Wilson, and Daleen Kay Bosse, three of the estimated 500 women who have gone missing or were murdered in Canada in the past 30 years. This is a very serious issue that has received little recognition in the media.

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Cindy Sue Pigeon is elder of the month

Boo Shoo. My parents were Jennie and Edmund. I am the baby of the family. I have five brothers and sisters. I am married by our tribe to an amazing partner named Faith.

My family has grown quite a bit with my nieces and nephews and their kids and their kids. We are crafters. My family are black ash basket makers. I make jewelry, dream catchers, burn boxes and a few other things. We set up at a variety of pow wows, which makes me feel excited for life

I have worked in diverse jobs, a nursing home, Grand Rapids Inter Tribal, National Congress of American Indians, Steelcase, Meijer and Perrigo of Allegan, just to name a few.

I belong to the Salem Indian Mission which is a Methodist Church. I am 55 years old, will be 56 in April. My native name is Amosezbahquet Wab MiMi given to me from my Elder, Joe John and Mable Shomin, my Father and Momma and many other elders. By the way, the name means honey. It feels really strange to be an elder. I still want to play softball, basketball and volleyball, but I can't due to my disabilities, bad knees, asthma and mental disorders.

I was talking to my Brother John and said "Man, where are all the elders at?" He just smiled and told me that we ARE the elders now. WOW! I thought when I turned 30 life was over. Now I think I better buckle down and enjoy the new life that I have blessed with. Every new day I praise the Lord, our Creator, he is so awesome. Bless you all.



Pokagon Band of Potawatomi
Department of Language & Culture

REGALIA 101 CLASSES

Have you ever wanted your own regalia to dance at powwows but didn't know how to make one or don't have the ability financially? Then this is your program!

We are inviting individuals who want to learn basic sewing, beading or other skills to start and finish their own unique regalia.

April
Sunday, April 5
Sunday, April 19

May
Sunday, May 3
Sunday, May 17

All classes are 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm at the
Community Center
27043 Potawatomi Trail
Dowagiac, MI 49047

For more information, contact Nicole Holloway
at (269) 462-4325 or nicole.holloway@pokagonband-nsn.gov.

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Department of Human Resources

Carpenter Apprenticeship Program Openings Available

An apprenticeship is a combination of on-the-job learning and related classroom instruction in a highly skilled trade. It is a four year program with 8,000 hours total of on-the-job training and 39 credit hours.

Requirements:

- Pokagon citizen or spouse of a Pokagon citizen
- High school diploma or GED
- 18 years of age or older

In addition, to move through the Selection process, you will need to complete an Apprenticeship application, TABE Assessment with a minimum score of 9.0 and an online OSHA Hazard Recognition Training for the Construction Industry Course with a minimum exam score of 70%.

Enrollment is now OPEN and we are taking applications for the next class year starting tentatively in October.

Find the **application and learn how to apply here:**
www.pokagonband-nsn.gov/business-community/apprenticeship-program

Contact Traci Henslee, workforce training and resource specialist at (269) 462-4227 or Jim Dybevik, director of human resources at (269) 462-4265 if you have any questions regarding the Apprenticeship Program.

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Pokagon Band of Potawatomi
Pokagon Health Services

HEALTHY LUNCH

Join Marcy Herbert, Pokagon Band dietician, for a healthy lunch every third Wednesday as she discusses topics around nutrition.

All healthy lunch presentations are 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm in the kitchen of the Commodities Building
58650 Sink Road
Dowagiac, MI 49047

The menu for the **April 15 Healthy Lunch is Spinach and Feta Pita Bake with a Salad.** Mark your calendar for the next lunches on May 20 and June 17.

For more information and to RSVP, contact Marcy Herbert at (269) 782-2472 or marcy.herbert@pokagonband-nsn.gov.

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Events April 2015

WEDNESDAY	Nyew gizhek THURSDAY	Nyano gizhek FRIDAY	Odanke gizhek SATURDAY
<p>1</p> <p>Language Class In Language Class Girls & Boys Drumming</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Lean Lunch SS Community Conversation on Historical Trauma L&C South Bend Language Class L&C Potawatomi Language Talking Circle Circuit Training</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Tribal Government offices Closed</p>	<p>4</p> <p>L&C April Language Workshop Zumba L&C Easter Egg Hunt</p>
<p>8</p> <p>Language Class In Language Class</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Lean Lunch Mishkowze: Alcoholism, Addictions and Kids Health L&C South Bend Language Class L&C Potawatomi Language Talking Circle Circuit Training</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Body Pump Red Road to Recovery Group</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Tribal Council Meeting Zumba</p>
<p>15</p> <p>Conference Presentation Language Class Workshop In Language Class</p>	<p>16</p> <p>EDU MTED Conference Lean Lunch L&C South Bend Language Class L&C Potawatomi Language Talking Circle Circuit Training</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Body Pump Red Road to Recovery Group L&C End of Season Sugar Feast</p>	<p>18</p> <p>SS Baby Celebration Native Justice Community Advisory Group Meeting Zumba</p>
<p>22</p> <p>Language Class In Language Class</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Lean Lunch L&C South Bend Language Class L&C Potawatomi Language Talking Circle Circuit Training</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Body Pump Red Road to Recovery Group</p>	<p>25</p> <p>SS Bone Needle and Basswood Fiber Cordage Workshop Zumba EDU Wild Kratts Live!</p>
<p>29</p> <p>Language Class In Language Class</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Lean Lunch L&C South Bend Language Class EDU Family Fun Night L&C Potawatomi Language Talking Circle Circuit Training</p>	<p>May 1</p> <p>Body Pump Red Road to Recovery Group</p>	<p>May 2</p> <p>Family Wellness 5K Zumba One Story To Honor and Comfort: Native Quilting Traditions</p>

April is Child Abuse Prevention Month

Making Meaningful Connections With Your Family

Good health starts with eating the right foods and getting plenty of physical activity. A healthier lifestyle may help your family in many ways, including the following:

- Less stress, depression, and anxiety
- Better sleep and more energy
- Less disease and lower health-care costs

Healthy habits don't have to take time away from your family. Do it together and make it fun!

Eating Well

Children learn their future eating habits from watching you. Set a good example, and set the stage for a lifetime of good health. Consider the following tips:

- Family meals are an important time to connect with your children. Offer a variety of healthy foods. Then focus on what your children are saying rather than what they are eating.
- Allow children to decide how much to eat based on their hunger. Let go of "clean plate" expectations.
- Reward your children with attention and kind words instead of food. Comfort them with hugs, not sweets.
- Plan, shop, and cook more meals at home together. Involve children in choosing, washing, and (for older children) cutting and cooking fruits and vegetables.
- Let kids invent their own healthy recipes. No-fail options include trail mix, smoothies, and fruit salads.
- Having difficulty providing enough healthy food for your family? Apply for food stamps or WIC benefits, or check out local food banks to ease your budget.

Physical Activity

Children and teens need 60 minutes or more of physical activity each day. For adults, aim for at least 30 minutes per day, most days of the week. Try the following suggestions to increase your whole family's activity level:

- Find activities you enjoy and do them as a family. Shoot hoops, dance, swim, or rollerblade—it doesn't matter what you do, as long as you are moving together.
- Support your children's participation in sports by helping them practice. Kick soccer balls while your child plays goalie, or hit pop-ups for her to catch.
- Take a family walk after dinner instead of turning on the TV. Make up games for younger children, such as "I spy" or "Who can count the most ... [e.g., red cars]". With school-age kids and teens, use the time to ask how things are going at school or with friends.



sliding-scale memberships.

Remember: Making a commitment to health together is more fun than doing it alone ... and it can bring your family closer together.

Keeping Your Family Strong

What You Can Do

- Take time at the end of each day to connect with your children with a hug, a smile, a song, or a few minutes of listening and talking.
- Find ways to engage your children while completing everyday tasks (meals, shopping, driving in the car). Talk about what you are doing, ask them questions, or play simple games (such as "I spy").

Preventing Child Sexual Abuse

What You Can Do

- Take an active role in your children's lives. Learn about their activities and people with whom they are involved. Stay alert for possible problems.
- Educate children about the difference between good secrets (such as birthday surprises) and bad secrets (those that make the child feel unsafe or uncomfortable).
- Monitor children's use of technology, including cell phones, social networking sites, and messaging. Review contact lists regularly and ask about any people you don't recognize.
- Trust your instincts! If you feel uneasy about leaving your child with someone, don't do it. If you are concerned about possible sexual abuse, ask questions.

Remember: You can help protect your children from sexual abuse by being active in their lives and teaching them safety skills

Provided by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services www.childwelfare.gov/topics/preventing/preventionmonth

THE POKAGON FUND
art gallery



The Pokagon Fund Art Gallery is pleased to feature the works of these Pokagon Tribe artists:

Angie Rice • Jason Wesaw • Kathy Getz Fodness • Sammie Cook

Artists' Reception: The public is invited to an artists' reception at the Pokagon Fund on Saturday, April 25, from 11 am to 1 pm

The Pokagon Fund • 821 E. Buffalo Street • New Buffalo, Michigan 49117

April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month

Each April, domestic and sexual violence agencies and advocates raise awareness of sexual violence in our communities and encourage others to speak out against sexual violence.

Rape, sexual assault, and other forms of sexual violence are unfortunately all too familiar in our communities. Overall it is estimated that one in six women and one in thirty-three men will be victims of sexual violence in their lifetimes. These numbers, especially for women, are even higher when we look at instances of sexual violence against Native American women. According to the Department of Justice it is estimated that one in three Native American women will be victims of sexual violence at some point in their life. Much of the time rapes go unreported due to the shame, fear, and stigma associated with being a rape victim.

Through popular culture we are exposed to many different messages, beliefs, and values surrounding rape and sexual violence. A great deal of this information is incorrect and promote the idea that all victims and perpetrators look and act a certain way, which can lead to minimizing or denying abuse, or blaming the victim for the assault. Below are some common myths and facts about sexual assault.

Myth: This won't ever happen to me.

Fact: Anyone can be a victim of sexual assault, regardless of gender, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, class, age, religion, ability status, or education level.

Myth: Only women are raped.

Fact: While the overwhelming majority of rapes are committed by men against women, anyone can be a victim of sexual violence.

Myth: Women who dress seductively, drink alcohol, use drugs, or go out late at night should know better and are asking to be raped.

Fact: No matter what she wears, how much she drinks, if she uses drugs, dances seductively, goes for a run late at night, etc..., no one asks to be sexually assaulted, nor do they deserve it. Further, you can't legally give consent when you are intoxicated or incapacitated in any way.

Myth: Rapes are committed by strangers.

Fact: The overwhelming majority of assaults are committed by people the victim knows. This is sometimes called acquaintance rape or date rape and largely contributes to why rapes go unreported.

If you or someone you know is a victim of abuse and would like help please contact Casey Kasper, victim services manager/case worker for the Pokagon Band Department of Social Services at (269) 462-4324. While we aren't able to offer comprehensive sexual assault services at this time, we can certainly listen and assist in finding the help you need. All services are confidential and free of charge.

Notice of Open Position | Mno-Bmadsen Board of Director Position

INTRODUCTION TO MNO-BMADSEN. The Pokagon Band Tribal Council established Mno-Bmadsen, an autonomous tribally-chartered entity of the Pokagon Band, whose purpose is to engage in economic development activities on behalf of the Pokagon Band. This entity has set aside a significant investment to be strategically invested for the tribe. Mno-Bmadsen is managed by a seven (7) member Board of Directors and is currently seeking a person for one (1) open position. A copy of the Mno-Bmadsen Charter is available at <http://www.pokagonband-nsn.gov/business-community/mno-bmadsen>

ELIGIBILITY. In addition to the qualifications set forth below, no more than two (2) Board members may be non-citizens of the Pokagon Band.

Qualifications. All Directors must meet the following qualifications:

1. Be at least twenty-one (21) years of age; and
2. Have a high school diploma, high school equivalency diploma, or general education development certificate; and
3. Have either: (1) a minimum of ten (10) years of experience in private sector management, business administration, accounting, or law, or (2) (a) a minimum of five (5) years of experience in private sector management, business administration, accounting, or law, and (b) a bachelor's degree; and
4. Have the ability to exercise sound judgment in matters related to the objectives of Mno-Bmadsen; and
5. Have a knowledge or a willingness to acquire knowledge of Pokagon history and culture; and

6. Not have been convicted within the last ten (10) years of a crime subject to imprisonment for a term of one (1) year or longer, excepting those crimes determined by the Tribal Council to relate to the furtherance of the Band's tribal sovereignty rights; and
7. Have demonstrated personal and professional integrity, honesty and adherence to high ethical standards; and
8. Have a commitment to understand Mno-Bmadsen and all of its business activities and to participate fully in meetings of the Board of Directors.

APPOINTMENT PROCESS AND LENGTH OF TERM. Vacancies on the Board shall be filled by nomination of the Board of Directors and appointment of Tribal Council.

TIME COMMITMENT. The time commitment required to prepare for and attend Board meetings will vary, but it is anticipated that a minimum of 120 hours per year will be required for preparing for and attending meetings. The Board will meet at least once per month and more often, if needed.

COMPENSATION. This is not a full time position and Board members will not be eligible for any Pokagon Band employee benefits. Directors shall receive a stipend at a rate established by resolution of the Tribal Council and reimbursement for actual and reasonable expenses incurred in the discharge of their duties.

HOW TO APPLY. To be considered for appointment to the Board, please forward your resume and a letter of interest along with a completed application in PDF format to: teri.barber@mno-bmadsen.com, The application may be found at www.mno-bmadsen.com under the "News" tab.

Notice of Open Position | Oshke-Kno-Kewéwen Traditional Pow Wow Committee

POSITION DESCRIPTION. The Pokagon Band Tribal Council is seeking letters of interest and résumés from Pokagon Band Citizens for two Committee member positions and two (2) alternate positions on the Pokagon Band Oshke-Kno-Kewéwen Traditional Pow Wow Committee (the "Committee"). The Committee is responsible for organizing and conducting the annual traditional pow wow on Memorial Day weekend on behalf of the Band.

TIME COMMITMENT. The time commitment required to prepare for and attend Committee meetings and perform the business of the Committee will vary. The Committee meets approximately once each month throughout the year, with additional meetings as needed in the 2 or 3 months prior to the Pow Wow. Committee members are also expected to perform set-up duties prior to the Pow Wow and carry out various duties needed for the Pow Wow throughout the Pow Wow weekend. Committee Members are expected to attend all Committee meetings, which are typically held at the Band's Administration Building located at 58620 Sink Road, Dowagiac, Michigan.

COMPENSATION. Committee Members are independent contractors and compensated for service to the Committee at rates established by the Tribal Council. Currently, Committee Members are compensated in the amount of \$75 per Committee meeting. In addition, Committee members are entitled to reimbursement for mileage when using their personal vehicle to attend meetings and for other Committee business in accordance with the Band's Travel Policy.

ELIGIBILITY. All persons who wish to serve as a Member of the Committee must: have appreciation and respect for the traditions and culture of the Pokagon Band, and should support the continued growth and vitality of the Pokagon Band community.

APPOINTMENT PROCESS. Committee Members are appointed by the Tribal Council. All persons who wish to be considered for appointment to the Committee must be present at the meeting at which the Tribal Council will

review the letters of interest and résumés; provided, however, that the Tribal Council may for good cause waive this requirement. Any person who believes that good cause exists to not attend such meeting should contact the Executive Secretary to the Tribal Council, who will share the information with the Tribal Council. Please note that the Tribal Council has not yet established the meeting date at which it will consider appointments to the Committee.

TERM. There is no limit to the number of terms a member can serve on the Committee.

ETHICS REQUIREMENTS. As a Public Official, Committee members are subject to the Pokagon Band Code of Ethics. A copy of the Code of Ethics may be obtained by contacting Kelly Curran, Tribal Council Executive Secretary at (888) 376-9988 or by visiting the Band's website, www.pokagonband-nsn.gov.

HOW TO APPLY. Please submit letters of interest along with a current résumé to:

Mail: Kelly Curran, Tribal Council Executive Secretary
P.O. Box 180
Dowagiac, Michigan

Fax: (269) 782-9625
Attn: Kelly Curran, Executive Secretary to the Tribal Council

Email: Kelly.Curran@Pokagonband-nsn.gov

DEADLINE. This posting shall remain open until filled.

QUESTIONS. All questions concerning the Committee or this notice maybe directed to Kevin Daugherty at kevin.daugherty@pokagonband-nsn.gov.

Notice of Open Position | Traditions/Repatriations Committee

POSITION DESCRIPTION. The Pokagon Band Tribal Council is seeking letters of interest and résumés from Pokagon Band Citizens for two (2) Committee member positions and one (1) alternate position on the Pokagon Band Traditions/Repatriation Committee (the "Committee"). The Committee has the responsibility of advising the Band on cultural issues, and for reviewing and acting on repatriation issues on behalf of the Tribe. The Committee works closely with the Department of Language and Culture, and serves as the advisory body to the Pokagon Band Historic Preservation Office (THPO).

TIME COMMITMENT. The time commitment required to prepare for and attend Committee meetings and perform the business of the Committee will vary. The Committee meets approximately once each month to address general cultural issues and once per month to address issues with the THPO. The Committee may also meet at additional times as needed to fulfill Committee duties. Committee Members are expected to attend all Committee meetings, which are typically held at the Band's Administration Building located at 58620 Sink Road, Dowagiac, Michigan.

COMPENSATION. Committee Members are independent contractors and compensated for service to the Committee at rates established by the Tribal Council. Currently, Committee Members are compensated in the amount of \$75 per Committee meeting. In addition, Committee members are entitled to reimbursement for mileage when using their personal vehicle to attend meetings and for other Committee business in accordance with the Band's Travel Policy.

ELIGIBILITY. All persons who wish to serve as a Member or Alternate of the Traditions/Repatriation Committee must have an interest in and respect for the traditions, culture, history, and language of the Pokagon Band and the Potawatomi Nation. Familiarity with the cultural teachings and practices of the Potawatomi is appreciated. Prospective members must be flexible in meeting times and locations, and be able to handle several projects at once.

APPOINTMENT PROCESS. Committee Members are appointed by the Tribal Council. All persons who wish to be considered for appointment to the Committee must be present at the meeting at which the Tribal Council will review the letters of interest and résumés; provided, however, that the Tribal Council may for good cause waive this requirement. Any person who believes that good cause exists to not attend such meeting should contact the Executive Secretary to the Tribal Council, who will share the information with the Tribal Council. Please note that the Tribal Council has not yet established the meeting date at which it will consider appointments to the Committee.

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Notice of Open Position | Pokagon Band Health Board

POSITION DESCRIPTION. As provided in Section 2 of the Health Board Ordinance, the Health Board is organized for the purpose of:

- A. Assisting the Pokagon Band Health Services Department in the preparation of a comprehensive health plan for the community. The Health Board works jointly with the Director of Health Services to assess the health needs of the Pokagon Band community and to prioritize services to assure that those needs are being met;
- B. Assisting with the development and review of fair, ethical and proper policies for the delivery of health services to eligible clients;
- C. Deciding which medical procedures will be covered by limited funding and establishing medical and dental priorities within those procedures;
- D. Implementing when necessary, a Contract Health Committee under Indian Health Services guidelines to oversee the quality and quantity of care delivered through Community Health Service funds;
- E. Serving as an appeals board for health services delivery issues in accordance with the requirements of the Health Board Ordinance; and
- F. Providing such other information or engaging in such further health services related activities as Tribal Council may direct.

ADDITIONAL DUTIES OF THE MEMBERS OF THE HEALTH BOARD

Each Health Board member shall:

- A. Be responsible for being informed in Pokagon Band Health Services and Indian Health Services policies and procedures as they relate to duties called for under this Ordinance;
- B. Make a good-faith effort to attend all Health Board meetings; and
- C. Maintain the strictest of confidentiality standards in carrying out the duties established by this Ordinance. Each Board Member must sign and abide by a statement acknowledging the standards of confidentiality required for serving as a Board Member, as outlined in Section 4 of the Health Board Ordinance. Board Members shall sign such a statement upon appointment and renew such statement whenever reappointed.

TIME COMMITMENT. The time commitment required to prepare for and attend Board meetings and perform the business of the Health Board will vary. The dates and times of Health Board meetings vary, but they typically occur third Monday of each month, at 5:00 p.m., at the Band's Health Clinic at 58620, Sink Road in Dowagiac. On average, a Board member can anticipate a time commitment of approximately four – six hours per month.

COMPENSATION. Members of the Health Board are compensated as independent contractors in the amount of \$150 per meeting (a Health Board member may receive additional compensation if he or she is the Chairperson or an Officer of the Health Board). In addition, Health Board members shall be entitled to reimbursement for actual and reasonable expenses incurred in the discharge of their duties in accordance with Section 17 of the Health Board Ordinance and the Band's Travel Policy.

ELIGIBILITY. All persons who wish to serve as a Member or Alternate of the Traditions/Repatriation Committee must have an interest in and respect for the traditions, culture, history, and language of the Pokagon Band and the Potawatomi Nation. Familiarity with the cultural teachings and practices of the Potawatomi is appreciated. Prospective members must be flexible in meeting times and locations, and be able to handle several projects at once.

APPOINTMENT PROCESS. Appointments to the Health Board are made by the Tribal Council. All persons who wish to be considered for appointment must be present at the meeting at which the Tribal Council will review the written statements of interest and resumes; provided, however, that the Tribal Council may, for good cause, waive this requirement. Any person who believes that good cause exists to not attend such Tribal Council meeting should contact the Executive Secretary to the Tribal Council, who will share the information with the Tribal Council. Please note that the Tribal Council has not yet established the meeting date at which it will consider the appointment to the Health Board.

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ELIGIBILITY TO SERVE ON THE HEALTH BOARD

In order to be eligible for appointment to the Health Board, one must:

- A. Be a Pokagon Band Citizen;
- B. Not have an immediate family member currently serving on the Health Board; and
- C. Not be an employee of the Band's Department of Health Services.

HOW TO APPLY. Please submit letters of interest along with a current résumé to:

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P.O. Box 180
Dowagiac, Michigan

Fax: (269) 782-9625
Attn: Kelly Curran, Executive Secretary to the Tribal Council

Email: Kelly.Curran@Pokagonband-nsn.gov

QUESTIONS. Questions concerning the Health Board may be directed to Nicolle DeMarsh, Chairperson of the Health Board, at (313) 443.2823, or Nicole.Demarsh@pokagonband-nsn.gov. The Health Board Ordinance is available at the following internet address: www.pokagonband-nsn.gov/government/codes-and-ordinances.

ETHICS REQUIREMENTS. As Public Officials, members of the Health Board are subject to the Pokagon Band Code of Ethics. A copy of the Code of Ethics may be obtained from the Band's website at www.pokagonband-nsn.gov/government/codes-and-ordinances.

DEADLINE. The posting shall be open until April 30, 2015.

Elders Lunch Menu | Zisbakwto gises April

monday

tuesday

wednesday

thursday

friday

april

3 closed for good friday



2 business meeting

Buffalo Tacos w/ the Fixings
Black Beans and Rice
Fruit Salad
Birthday Cake

1

Breakfast Lunch

6 language

Buffalo and Barley Soup
Pinwheel Sandwiches
Veggie and Relish Tray
Dessert

7

Salisbury Steak
Mashed Potatoes
Green Beans
Tomato Salad
Dessert
Roll

13 language

Chef's Choice

14

Chicken and Basil Pesto
Sandwich
Potato Salad
Baked Pears
Cottage Cheese
Dessert

15

Buffalo Stir Fry over
Brown Rice
Veggie Tray
Crescent Roll
Fortune Cookie
Blueberry Cobbler

16 social and craft day

Swedish Meatballs
Mashed Potatoes
Asparagus
Garden Salad
Roll
Dessert

23

Smokey Applewood Salmon
Baked Potato
Corn
Garden Salad
Roll
Dessert

22

Chicken Parmesan Pasta
Brussels Sprouts
Garden Salad
Garlic Bread
Tiramisu

21

Sloppy Joes
Baked Beans
Baked Chips
Veggie and Relish Tray
Dessert

20 language

Buffalo Meatloaf
Mashed Potatoes and Gravy
Corn on the Cob
Garden Salad
Roll
Dessert

27 language

Buffalo Meatballs in Beef Gravy
Over Mashed Potatoes
Butternut Squash
Spinach Salad
Jell-O W/ Fruit
Roll

29

Wild Rice with Sausage
Asparagus
Tomato Salad
Roll
Dessert

30

Reuben Sandwich
Baked Fries
Veggie Tray
Cottage Cheese and Fruit

24

Lasagna
Collard Greens
Garden Salad
Garlic Bread
Dessert

17

Halibut Fillet
Mac and Cheese
Broccoli
Veggie Tray
Roll
Dessert

10 movie day

Chicken Wrap OR
Tuna Croissant
Baked Tator Tots
Baked Beans
Veggie and Relish Tray
Dessert

28

Biscuit Topped Chicken Pot Pie
Garden Salad
Tomatoes and Cottage
Cheese
Cornbread
Dessert

30

Reuben Sandwich
Baked Fries
Veggie Tray
Cottage Cheese and Fruit



PLEASE CALL THE DAY BEFORE if you are not a regular attendee for meals. (269) 782-0765 or (800) 859-2717. Meals subject to change. Meal service begins at 12:00 Noon. Note: milk, tea, coffee, water, and Crystal Light beverages served with every meal. Also, lettuce, tomato, and onion served with sandwiches and burgers. Business meetings are held at the Community Center. Business and social luncheons are potlucks. Please bring a dish to pass.

New Christmas Check Procedure Adopted

Effective December 15, 2014 Tribal Council has adopted a procedure regarding Undeliverable Gifts (Resolution 14-12-15-01). These procedures will be applied to old Christmas checks the Department of Finance has been unable to deliver to the respective Pokagon citizen. These Christmas checks will revert to the Band after one year should they remain unclaimed, similar to the practice of holding on to Per Capita checks for 12 months. For those citizens listed below, for whom a Christmas check is still outstanding from November of 2013 or prior, you have until March 31, 2015 to update your address with Enrollment, otherwise the funds will be forfeited as allowed under the new procedures.

Per Capita News

The Enrollment Office needs the following individuals to update their addresses so that these payments can be mailed. If there is an X in the column(s) by your name, you have either a Christmas check and/or per capita payments due to you. Please contact Beth Edelberg in the Enrollment Office at (269) 782-1763 or Deidre Ecker in the Finance Department at (269) 462-4209.

Enrollment #	Name	Christmas						Monthly Per Cap
		2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	
83	John Dylan Watson	x	x	x	x	x	x	
406	Michael Lynn Hewitt	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
857	Peter John Ramirez	x	x	x	x	x	x	
1446	Bobby Marcus Haynes	x	x	x	x	x	x	
1986	Cristian M Cobb			x	x	x	x	x
4227	Scott Brewer Jr		x	x	x	x	x	x
4442	Mason Tyler Currey					x	x	

Please note - you must have a deliverable address on file.

Attention 18- to 20-Year-Olds | Per Capita Information

Attention all high school seniors who are graduating from high school or individuals who may be completing their G.E.D. If you are at least 18 years old and have achieved either of these you are now eligible to receive your monthly per capita checks. All you have to do is send a copy to the Enrollment office. You may either mail or fax this. The address to mail to is:

Pokagon Band of Potawatomi
 Attn: Enrollment Office
 P O Box 180
 Dowagiac, MI 49047

OR fax to: (269) 782-1964

The document must be received by April 15 in order to make it on the May 2015 check run. Anything received after April 15 will be processed on the check run for June 2015. If you have any questions please call the direct per capita phone line at (269) 462-4209 or (269) 462-4200 or toll free (800) 517-0777.

Per Capita Important Dates

Deadline to receive Changes/updates/additions Received by Finance Department	Checks mailed out on	Check date Direct deposits in accounts
Thursday, January 15, 2015	Thursday, January 29, 2015	Friday, January 30, 2015
Friday, February 13, 2015	Thursday, February 26, 2015	Friday, February 27, 2015
Friday, March 13, 2015	Monday, March 30, 2015	Tuesday, March 31, 2015
Wednesday, April 15, 2015	Wednesday, April 29, 2015	Thursday, April 30, 2015
Friday, May 15, 2015	Thursday, May 28, 2015	Friday, May 29, 2015
Monday, June 15, 2015	Monday, June 29, 2015	Tuesday, June 30, 2015
Wednesday, July 15, 2015	Thursday, July 30, 2015	Friday, July 31, 2015
Friday, August 14, 2015	Thursday, August 27, 2015	Friday, August 28, 2015
Tuesday, September 15, 2015	Tuesday, September 29, 2015	Wednesday, September 30, 2015
Thursday, October 15, 2015	Thursday, October 29, 2015	Friday, October 30, 2015
Monday, November 2, 2015*	Tuesday, November 24, 2015	Wed, November 25, 2015
Friday, December 4, 2015*	Thursday, December 17, 2015	Fri, December 18, 2015

* Please note, in 2015, the November deadline for changes is November 2 and the December deadline is December 4. This is due to time limitations on all the events that occur at this time of the year.

Per Capita Direct Deposit & Tax Withholding Forms

For those tribal citizens receiving per capita checks in the mail and who do not have direct deposit, enclosed with your check you will find a direct deposit and a tax withholding form. These will be included with your check every month until we achieve 100% direct deposits.

The tribe is currently having mandatory direct deposit for per capita checks. In the case of individuals not being able to set up a bank account, the tribe is offering a cash card on which the per capita checks will be loaded onto every month. We are making efforts to give everyone a chance to set up a bank account of your choice and on your own.

As always, the tax withholding form is not mandatory although highly suggested as per capita payments are subject to federal and state taxes. The tribe only withholds federal taxes with a completed form, state taxes are the responsibility of the citizen.

If you have any questions, please call the direct per capita phone line at (269) 462-4209 or (269) 462-4200 or toll free (800) 517-0777. The per capita phone line and my extension both have lengthy messages listing various per capita information. Please leave a message and I will return your call as soon as possible. Both of the above stated forms are available online at www.Pokagonband-nsn.gov

Once you turn in a direct deposit form and as long as I receive it by the 15th of the month, the information will be entered into the system and the first month is always a test run to the bank, so the check will still be mailed to you. The following month, as long as I do not receive any errors from the bank, will be direct deposit. As earlier stated, you will continue to receive the two forms in with your checks every month. If you have completed a form, no need to fill out another one.

Tribal Council April Calendar of Events

- 6 Tribal Council Special Session, Administration, 10 a.m.
- 7 Gaming Authority Closed, Four Winds New Buffalo, 10 a.m.
- 11 Tribal Council Meeting, Community Center, 10 a.m..
- 13 Tribal Council Special Session, Administration, 10 a.m.
- 14 Gaming Authority Closed, Four Winds New Buffalo, 10 a.m.
- 20 Tribal Council Special Session, Administration, 10 a.m.
- 21 Gaming Authority Closed, Four Winds Hartford, 10 a.m.
- 27 Tribal Council Special Session, Administration, 10 a.m.
- 28 Gaming Authority Closed, Four Winds New Buffalo, 10 a.m.

Please check the website, www.pokagonband-nsn.gov, or call (888) 782-2426 before attending to confirm that a meeting has not been cancelled.

Can't Get to Elders Council Business Meetings? Participate Via Webcast

Business meetings are held the first Thursday of every month at the Community Center in Dowagiac. For your convenience the meetings are now broadcast on the internet to listen in on what is going on with the Elders. If you are able to take advantage of this—please do!—Elders business meetings are called to order at 11:00 a.m. Visit the Pokagon website to access the webcasting: www.pokagonband-nsn.gov/citizens/web-casting. Any questions, please call Stanley Morseau, Elders Chairman, (269) 783-6828.

Pokagon Band of Potawatomi ELDERS SNOW REMOVAL MONETARY REQUEST

This program reimburses Pokagon elders anywhere in the U.S. for residential snow removal services. You are responsible for finding your own service provider. This program does not cover shoveling or snowblowing, or elders living at the Pokégnek Édawat village or complexes where this service is already provided for you. This is for residences, not businesses. Call Elders Hall at (800) 859-2717 or (269) 783-6102 with questions.

Name: _____ Current Address: _____
City: _____ State & ZIP Code: _____
Phone Number: _____ Tribal ID #: _____

SNOW REMOVAL SERVICE PROVIDER INFORMATION

Name: _____ Current Address: _____
City: _____ State & ZIP code: _____
Phone Number: _____ Business Name: _____

Please complete the above application and send it, along with your service provider's invoice or receipt, to Elders Council P.O. Box 180, Dowagiac, Michigan 49047. No hand written, unofficial receipts will be accepted.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

By signing, I agree that all information provided on this form to be true and correct. I verify that I am the head of household of this residence. I understand this request is limited to up to \$25 per request, and that I am responsible for any amount greater than \$25. I understand that the request is limited to \$150 one time use throughout winter 2015.



To download a PDF of this application, visit pokagon.com/citizens/milestones/55-and-over

Tribal Council May Calendar of Events

- 4 Tribal Council Special Session, Administration, 10 a.m.
- 5 Gaming Authority Closed Session, Four Winds New Buffalo, 10 a.m.
- 9 Tribal Council Meeting, Community Center, 10 a.m..
- 11 Tribal Council Special Session, Administration, 10 a.m.
- 12 Gaming Authority Closed Session, Four Winds New Buffalo, 10 a.m.
- 18 Tribal Council Special Session, Administration, 10 a.m.
- 19 Gaming Authority Closed Session, Four Winds Hartford, 10 a.m.
- 25 Tribal offices closed for Memorial Day holiday
- 26 Gaming Authority Closed Session, Four Winds New Buffalo, 10 a.m.

Please check the website, www.pokagonband-nsn.gov, or call (888) 782-2426 before attending to confirm that a meeting has not been cancelled.

Don't forget our social lunches held every third Thursday of the month. On these days we may have holiday parties, special events, or games. Every weekday a hot lunch is served at the Elders Hall. You are welcome to come to meet new elders you may not know or visit your friends.

4TH ANNUAL

A Healthy Step with Education

Saturday, July 25, 2015

10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Health Services Building



Save the Date

The Department of Health Services and the Department of Education invite you to the fourth annual **A Healthy Step with Education**. This day will be filled with health education, screenings, PreK-12 program registration and activities. This event is for the whole family, birth to elder. It is open to all tribal citizens, employees and their families.

Please come and join in the fun.

Questions? Contact Liz Jeffler at (269) 462-4406 or Susan Doyle at (269) 782-0887.



Children must be accompanied by an adult.

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FAX (269) 782-7814

Communications
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(269) 782-8998

Compliance
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27043 Potawatomi Trail
(269) 783-4157

Education
58620 Sink Rd.
(269) 782-0887
Toll Free (888) 330-1234
FAX (269) 782-0985

Elders Program
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(269) 782-0765
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Enrollment
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FAX (269) 782-1028

Head Start
58620 Sink Rd.
(269) 783-0026/
(866) 250-6573
FAX (269) 782-9795

Health Services
58620 Sink Road
(269) 782-4141
Toll Free (888) 440-1234

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57824 East Pokagon Trail
(269) 783-0443
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South Bend, IN 46614
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Toll Free (888) 376-9988
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(269) 783-0505/
FAX (269) 783-0519

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(269) 782-2232
Toll Free (866) 399-0161
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Cathy Ford

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Nicole Holloway

Interim Youth Culture Coordinator
(269) 462-4325

Junior and Senior Youth Council Members Wanted

Both Senior and Junior Youth Councils are open to any Pokagon youngster. Anyone can join, and eventually run for the executive board. Besides the age divisions, there are differences between the two groups. The Junior Youth Council provides a voice for native youth between the ages of 12 and 18. The Council promotes the development of future tribal leaders through educational attainment and Potawatomi language, culture, pride, and identity. The Junior Youth Council also coordinates community service projects and provides opportunities for native youth to interact for fun and friendship.

The Senior Youth Council provides a voice for Pokagon citizens between the ages of 18 and 24. The Senior Youth Council also coordinates community service projects and provides opportunities for Pokagon young adults to interact for fun and friendship. The Council mobilizes members toward positive goals, promotes the development of future tribal leaders and educates native youth about tribal government.

Zisbakwto gises April Citizen Announcements



Erin and Douglas Burggraf would like to introduce their son, **Louis Jeffrey Burggraf**. He was born on January 21, weighing 7 lbs. 2 oz. and is 19 1/2 inches long. Big sister Claire is doing a wonderful job with him!



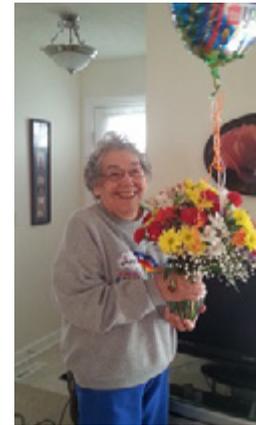
Happy 1st Birthday, **Aubrey Milliken**
Love, Grandma Shannon, Great Grandma Georgia and Aunt Summer



Konnie Birks and her newly born granddaughter **Aiyana Birks**. Welcome to the world!
Love, Monica and Henry Grubb



Welcome to the world little **Aaliyah Layla Birks!**
From Big Daddy and Monika Grubb



Happy Belated 80th Birthday to the best Grandma (**Nancy Ketchum**) there is. Thanks for everything that you have done for me throughout my life and for always being there for me!!! We love you with all of our Heart!!!

Love,
Jessie, Darrell, Ethan, Emily, and Darrell III (Bubba)

Let's Play Hoops

Hartford 3-on-3 Tournament
TBA

Spring Basketball League | April 18–May 24
For youth 12–18
Play two games per week for five weeks at the Kalamazoo Courthouse Athletic Center.

Native American Basketball Invitational | June 30–July 4

If you are interested in participating in any of these programs or for more information, please contact Dan Stohrer at (269) 462-4225 or daniel.stohrer@pokagonband-nsn.gov.

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YOUTH AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM

EVERY TUESDAY
4:00 PM - 6:00 AM
LANGUAGE & CULTURE OFFICE
58653 Sink Road | Dowagiac, MI

Pokagon youth middle school to high school are invited to participate in Language & Culture's after school program. Get assistance with homework, if needed, play video games, try cultural outdoor activities and crafts in a fun and safe environment.

For more information, please contact Daniel Stohrer at (269) 462-4225 or daniel.stohrer@pokagonband-nsn.gov

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Celebrating New Life

Welcome new life at the Pokagon Band's second annual baby celebration. Join us for food, craft activities, giveaways, and joyous beginnings. Blankets will be presented to all babies born between May 31, 2014 and April 3, 2015.

April 18, 2015
9:00 am – 3:00 pm
Community Center

Kindly RSVP JJ Laraway at (269) 462-4282

This celebration is a collaboration between the Pokagon Band of Potawatomi, Project LAUNCH, Pokagon Band Department of Education and PHS Community Health.

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COMMUNITY EASTER EGG HUNT

Hosted by the Junior and Senior Youth Councils

SATURDAY APRIL 4

1:00 PM-3:00 PM | ALL AGES CATEGORIES
LIGHT SNACKS & BEVERAGES | FUN

★ **COMMUNITY CENTER** ★

Contact the Language + Culture Department for more information at (269) 782-8998.

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Celebrate Earth Day

Saturday, April 18
10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Pokagon Band Administration Building
58620 Sink Road
Dowagiac, MI

Recycle your old electronics.

Join the Pokagon Band to promote environmental responsibility and properly dispose of all unwanted computer-related equipment and electronics.

Items Accepted

- Computers
- Laptops
- Monitors
- Printers/Scanners
- VCRs
- DVD Players
- MP3 Players
- Gaming Systems
- Cell Phones
- Video Equipment
- Keyboards
- Mice
- Pagers
- Cameras

Items NOT Accepted

- Appliances
- Typewriters
- Auto Stereo Systems
- Non-Cellular phones
- Salon Equipment
- TVs

For more information, please contact the IT Dept at (269) 462-4269.

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