

# Pokégnek Yajdanawa

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## Citizen input needed for the next phase of community growth



The Community Development team wants to hear from you! What types of housing would you like to see developed in the future? How would you prioritize spending for new government facilities? What are your ideas for future community parks and recreation projects? Now is the time to make your voice heard. At right are the dates and times for upcoming citizen engagement meetings. Please come and bring your family.

During these meetings planning team members will engage citizens using an online tool that helps guide discussions around budgetary considerations and lifestyle preferences. And for those who live too far to travel to these meetings, you will be able to provide your input online! Keep an eye on the Pokagon website's Community Development page for more information.

Attendees will have the added opportunity to engage face to face with planning team members and fellow attendees.

You provided input via the 2018 Census, now help us take community planning to the next stage – deciding what we build and when. See you there!

Date & Time	Venue & Location
<b>July 31</b> 4 p.m.-7 p.m.	<b>Pokagon South Bend Government Office</b> 2733 Locust Rd. South Bend IN 46614
<b>August 7</b> 4 p.m.-7 p.m.	<b>Hartman Conference Center</b> 690 N Eastern Ave. Allegan, MI
<b>August 14</b> 4 p.m.-7 p.m.	<b>United Methodist Church</b> 425 E Main St. Hartford, MI 49057
<b>August 21</b> 4 p.m.-7 p.m.	<b>Pokagon Community Center</b> 27043 Potawatomi Trail, Dowagiac MI 49047
<b>August 28</b> 4 p.m.-7 p.m.	<b>Four Winds Casino</b> New Buffalo
<b>Sept. 7</b> 10 a.m.-2 p.m.	<b>Hartford High School</b> 121 School St. Hartford, MI 49057
<b>Sept. 28</b> 10 a.m.-2 p.m.	<b>Pokagon Community Center</b> 27043 Potawatomi Trail, Dowagiac MI 49047

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## Family Fishing Day lures citizens to Gage Street Lake

Early on a Saturday morning in June, 60 community members gathered on the shore of Gage St. Lake to fish in our annual Family Fishing Day competition.

The tribe's Natural Resources and Education Departments hosted this year's event on June 8, with blue skies above and biting fish below participants' canoes and row boats.

Citizen Clyde Brazie won the grand prize charter fishing trip with his 28 3/4" gar catch.

In the panfish category, Justin Brazie won first place with a 10 3/8" crappie; Greg Winchester won second with a 9 3/8" crappie, and Joe Ward and Kenny Rader tied for third place each with their 9 1/4" crappies.

In the bass category, Jang Saldivar won first place with a fish measuring 20 1/2". Jenna Martin's second place fish was 18", and Bonnie Daisy's third place fish was 14 5/8".

Stacey Rock won first place in the "other" category when she caught a painted turtle.

The kids enjoyed answering trivia questions about fish species, fishing implements, and how to keep geese off the docks. Education provided prizes for correct answers and held a raffle for larger door prizes including a sleeping bag and tent, outdoor lawn bowling set, and outdoor play accessories.

Both departments would like to thank everyone who came out and participated in the event. We hope everyone had a good time and created lasting memories.



## Michigan natives create Anishinnabek Caucus Looking to be "more visible in the political arena"

Andrea Pierce, a citizen of Little Traverse Bay Band of Odawa Indians, is active in the Democratic Party of Michigan and serves as a precinct delegate. But when she went to party conventions, she noticed low participation from native people. That concerned her, as other groups had caucuses, like the Hispanic caucus, the LGBT caucus, or an environmental caucus.

She decided to create an Anishinaabek caucus (as most Michigan natives are Odawa, Ojibwe or Potawatomi, collectively known as Anishnabe), and asked Pokagon Julie Dye to be a part of it.

"I thought, 'I can do this,'" said Dye. "I have more time and this a really good cause. It gives voice to Native people. There's never been a Native caucus, Republican or Democrat, in Michigan before. This is a good thing."

Dye serves as secretary on the executive board of the Anishinaabek Caucus and says it will support concerns and issues from Natives, and not just federally-recognized Natives. She says she wants native voices considered in decision making that affects natives, to basically to have a seat at the table.

"We have a lot of Native people in Michigan. We're here to benefit all of them, and Democrats and Republicans as well. The things that we're working on a lot of times will benefit all of them."

This caucus is part of the Michigan Democratic Party, but Dye says she would welcome a Republican Party Native caucus. Among the caucus's concerns are assaults on sovereignty and treaty rights, education, and the environment.

"We have bills that we're going to be finding sponsors for in the Statehouse," Dye says. "One is a bill which would make wild rice Michigan's official grain. Along with that comes protection for the waterways and environmental protections."

The caucus is building membership. Members must be a legal resident of Michigan, be a member of the Michigan Democratic Party in good standing, and be at least 16 years of age. To be a member of the executive board, you must be a member of a federally-recognized tribe from Michigan.

"We're going to recruit and train Native people to run for elected office and be appointed to boards, commissions, and committees that report to the governor," said Dye.

Pokagons can find boards with vacancies on the tribal website by searching "Michigan vacancies" within quotation marks. Some with openings include:

- Michigan's Women's Commission,
- Michigan Commission on Community Action and Economic Opportunity,
- Michigan Tax Tribunal,
- Michigan Public Service Commission,
- Michigan Board of Nursing,
- Liquor Control Commission, and
- Public Safety Communications Interoperability Board

Applications can be submitted here: [www.michigan.gov/whitmer/0,9309,7-387-90501---,00.html](http://www.michigan.gov/whitmer/0,9309,7-387-90501---,00.html). And you can find more information on the Anishinaabek Caucus by emailing [Anishinaabekcaucus@gmail.com](mailto:Anishinaabekcaucus@gmail.com) or searching Facebook for the Michigan Anishinaabek Caucus.

## Homebuyers event celebrates and promotes homeownership

The tribe celebrated homeownership at the second annual Home Buyer's Event by congratulating citizens who purchased homes in the last year and informing other attendees how they can do the same.

Citizens Terri Raich, Rose Mauiri, Shannon Collier, Jessica Fink, Lea Wilcox, and Matthew and Rayann Shaer each received a braid of sweetgrass and \$100 gift card to Lowes. They all purchased homes during the past year, with assistance from the tribe's Department of Housing & Community Development. Each year, Housing gives more \$250,000 to citizen households for down payment and closing cost assistance.

After the gift presentation, panelists from mortgage and banking companies, real estate agencies, and other entities needed in the home buying process spoke, answered audience questions, and set up information booths attendees perused during the event. The panel discussion gave citizens the opportunity to ask questions regarding home purchase readiness, the process for lending, making a sound selection on a home, and more.

If you are interested in purchasing a home or want to ask questions about how it can be possible for you, contact Housing Occupancy Specialist Kim Cushway at [kim.cushway@pokagonband-nsn.gov](mailto:kim.cushway@pokagonband-nsn.gov) or (269) 462-4253.



## Teams compete in family game event

Thayek ginan gde mdagwemen means "we are having fun" in Potawatomi, and the recent tribal event with that title lived up to its name. Elders, youth, and the rest of their family members competed on age-oriented teams in two categories using the Nintendo Switch game console. First participants showed off their moves in a Just Dance-off. Then after lunch they matched wits with a trivia contest.

"The family game day was a great day," said Deborah Williams, who brought her daughter, Catherine Williams, and grandsons. "They had a great time. My grandson, Samuel Dycus, stepped out of his comfort zone and assisted the elders on how to use the controller."

The teams were youth under 24, those ages 25-54, and elders over 55. People had such a good time another event has been already set. Mark your calendars for Sunday, August 11 from 1-5 p.m. at the Community Center for another chance to thayek ginan gde mdagwemen.

"My youngest granddaughter spent the day running around the Community Center with other 2 years-olds and young kids that were too young for the game, said Williams. "There was a lot of laughter. Every activity was fun."

## Chi Ishobak offers youth transportation assistance



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Do you have a youth between the ages of 13-17 years of age? If so, we would love to help them become responsible citizens and develop good saving habits. Your youth makes a monthly deposit to save for a vehicle and Chi Ishobak will match those monthly deposits up to \$25 until their 18th birthday. Upon successful completion of the savings requirements, which includes financial education, those matching funds will be distributed to your youth to purchase a vehicle. Our Youth Transportation Individual Development Account is as simple as that!



Call Chi Ishobak Today! (269) 783-4157 | [www.chiishobak.org](http://www.chiishobak.org)

## Mejnewa running team completes the “world’s toughest race”

On June 15, several members of the Pokagon Band Mejnewa running team completed the world’s toughest race: Tough Mudder. This year’s Tough Mudder classic ran in Oxford, Mich. and featured 25 challenging obstacles placed throughout a 9-mile course. This is the fourth year in a row the Wellness Center has sent a group to a Tough Mudder race.

This year’s team consisted of several tribal citizens and representatives from five different government departments.

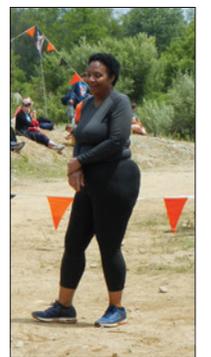
Jenice Cloud, from the government’s Finance team, lauded the event, claiming it was an amazing challenge, a test of your mental and physical limits, and more fun than she thought it would be. She was thrilled to experience the opportunity with her family and is already looking forward to next year.

Jesse Adair, a tribal citizen, was one of several participants who completed the event for the second straight year. He loves the challenges and teamwork necessary to complete the course. He plans to continue running the event as long as it is available and part of the Mejnewa schedule.

Most of the team trained for the Tough Mudder by participating in classes and trainings conducted at the Wellness Center. Santiago Gallegos, a tribal employee, was very grateful for the opportunity to train with teammates and complete the event. He expressed gratitude for the incredible Wellness Center staff who helped prepare all the participants for the obstacles and challenges faced during the Tough Mudder.

Rick Kuiper, a Tribal Police officer, echoed those thoughts while excitedly talking about the mud, running, and mysterious bruising. He had a great time and would love to convince some of his fellow officers to participate next year because he says they have no idea the fun they’re missing.

The Mejnewa team has several upcoming events, including our very own Quadrathon, which will be on July 28. For more details on our running club, upcoming events, or participating in next year’s Tough Mudder please contact the Pokagon Band Wellness Coordinator Dean Orvis at dean.orvis@pokagonband-nsn.gov or (269) 462-4290.



## Babysitting Class readies kids for childcare

Sixteen Pokagon kids gathered at PHS this June for a week of learning everything they need to be babysitters

The students learned about child development and how to discipline children from Eric Chamberlin of Behavioral Health, the basics of child care with Angelina Herman, RN, and Amber Gauthier, RN, both from Community Outreach at PHS. Lieutenant Robert Nelson from Dowagiac Fire Department taught fire safety, which included what to do in case of fire, what to tell 911, and how to use a fire extinguisher. Representatives from Lakeland Health Care taught first aid and CPR. Marcy Herbert, RD, and Jenna Froberg, PHS intern, shared nutrition education, and Officers Abby Shanahan and Justin Pangle taught safety on the job and how to properly use a car seat.

Check the website calendar next summer for another Babysitting Class.





Pokagon Band of Potawatomi  
Department of Education | Early Childhood Education

# PALS

Play and Learn Social



**Summer Gardening Program**  
partnering with PALS (play and learn social)

**Come garden with us certain Thursday mornings this summer!**

Zagbëgon is partnering with PALS to provide activities around gardening and a light snack. This would be a great opportunity for children to be involved with tending the garden that we will be harvesting from next school year.

**June 20 | June 27 | July 18 | August 1 | August 15**  
9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.  
Zagbëgon Garden






Contact Rachel Orvis at drorvis@gmail.com for more information.



## Seventh annual All Tribes Lacrosse Tournament decided in overtime

The Pokagon Band hosted the seventh annual All Tribes Lacrosse Tournament at the Rodgers Lake sports complex this spring. The tournament featured four Native American teams from throughout the state of Michigan.

The day started with a traditional teaching by Pokagon elder Kevin Daugherty, who encouraged the youth to respect the game and what it means to our culture. Every player was then able to participate in a smudging ceremony to prepare for the tournament. The teams received a healthy snack and the games began.

The Pokagon Band was well represented this year and quickly took a 1-0 lead in the first game. Things got a little more difficult, however, as our homelands team suffered a defeat in the first game, 5-3.

The competition was notably fiercer as each team had been regularly practicing together before the tournament. We are thrilled to see the growth of the Creators game amongst the Pokagon Band youth and our tribal neighbors and the improvement of the skill of our younger generation.

All participants paused to feast a traditional lunch at the pavilion before engaging in more lacrosse. Following lunch, the Saginaw Chippewa tribe and the Grand Traverse Bay band played in the championship game. The game went to a deciding third game, which the Saginaw Chippewa tribal team, Red Swamp, eventually won in overtime.

We are excited and motivated to continue the legacy of lacrosse within our community and encourage you to contact Dan Stohrer at [daniel.stohrer@pokagonband-nsn.gov](mailto:daniel.stohrer@pokagonband-nsn.gov) or (269) 462-4225 or Dean Orvis at [dean.orvis@pokagonband-nsn.gov](mailto:dean.orvis@pokagonband-nsn.gov) or (269) 462-4290 if you would like more information on our practice schedule, upcoming games, or how to get your own team in our 2020 tournament.





DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

# Kids Club

MONDAY 4 p.m. - 6 p.m.  
**AUGUST 5 - OCTOBER 7**

**Kids Club** is a weekly program for children ages 6–12 who have experienced family violence. Kids are able to meet with a small group of kids with similar experiences to share feelings and express themselves through planned activities. We help them recognize what they are feeling and learn that mean and hurtful behavior is not okay. Topics range from recognizing feelings, defining violence, fears and worries, family relationships, and creating a safety plan. All services are confidential.

If you have any questions, contact Samantha Hickok at (269) 462-4442 or [Samantha.Hickok@PokagonBand-nsn.gov](mailto:Samantha.Hickok@PokagonBand-nsn.gov).

**Deadline to sign up is July 26**  
Transportation is available; please call for additional information.

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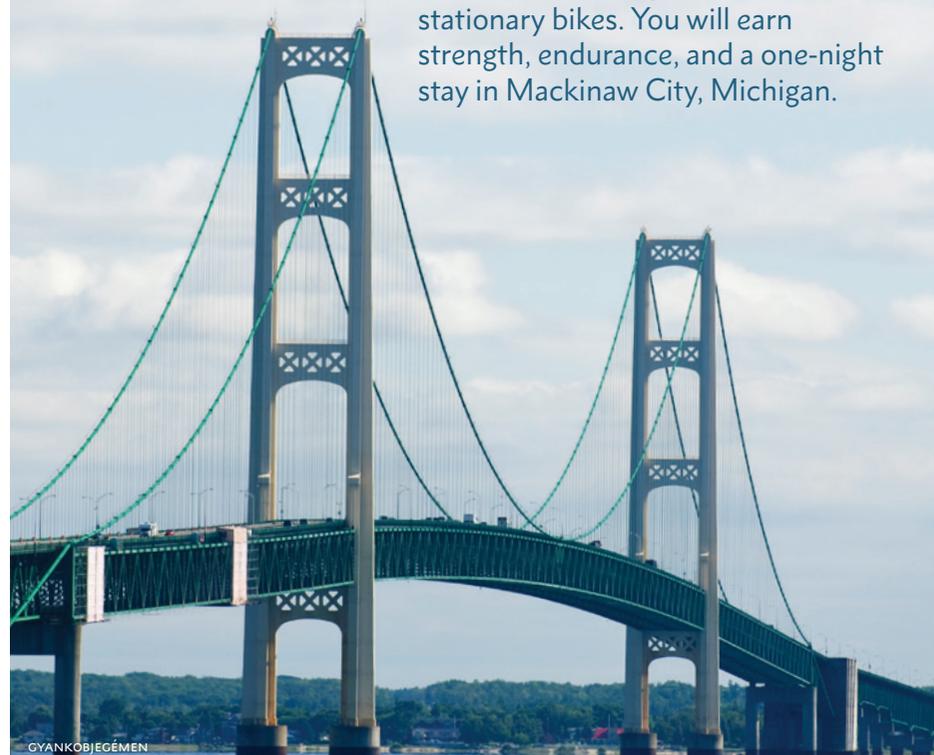
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## Bike to the Mighty Mac

JUNE 1 to AUGUST 31

**Bike 325 miles** (the distance between Dowagiac and Mackinaw City) in three months using Wellness Center stationary bikes. You will earn strength, endurance, and a one-night stay in Mackinaw City, Michigan.



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**Hotel stay must be booked by December 13 and used no later than March 31, 2020.**

## What's that Invasive Species? Asian Longhorned Tick (*Haemaphysalis longicornis*)



Nymph and adult female, top view.



Nymph and adult female, underside.

The Asian Longhorned Tick (*Haemaphysalis longicornis*) is an invasive tick species that is native to East Asia. This invasive species has only been identified in the U.S. since 2017, but is now thought to have been in the U.S. since 2010. This tick is spreading quickly within the Eastern U.S. but has not yet been found in Michigan or Indiana. The Asian longhorned tick lives in meadows and grassy areas near forests, like native species of ticks in the U.S. In other countries these ticks are known to spread multiple diseases which make people sick. Thus far, they have not made anyone sick in the United States. Females can reproduce by parthenogenesis, without a male, which means the populations can grow rapidly.

Females are a reddish-brown color, without a patterning of any kind on their backs. To protect yourself, it is recommended to perform tick checks after being outside, utilize sprays recommended for ticks, and make sure to protect your pets from ticks.

If you believe you have identified an Asian longhorned tick, remove the tick and place it on invisible tape, folding the tape over the tick to hold it in place. Then if possible, bring the tick in to the Pokagon Band Department of Natural Resources and report where the tick was found.

## What's that Edible/Medicinal Species? Yellow or Red Chanterelle (*Cantharellus* spp.)



Chanterelles



Chanterelles



Jack o'lantern

There are multiple chanterelle species (*Cantharellus* spp.) that are referred to as yellow, golden, or red chanterelles in the Eastern United States. Yellow or red chanterelles are mushrooms that are medium in size and pale yellow to red in color. The tops of chanterelles are cup or trumpet shaped. Chanterelles do not have true gills or pores on their undersides. They have pseudo-gills that have rounded edges. There is a mushroom that looks like chanterelles: the jack o'lantern. The jack o'lantern is not edible, it grows off wood, usually in large clusters, and has true gills. Be sure to have a positive ID on your mushrooms before consuming them.

Chanterelles grow in forests with oak and beech as well as forests with conifers such as spruce and hemlock. Chanterelles fruit in the summer from late June through the beginning of September, with the most prolific fruiting typically taking place in July. Chanterelles are known to have a peppery, yet slightly fruity taste. Sauté in oil or butter with garlic and onion and pair with chicken, turkey, pork, or whitefish. They are also good to add to pastas and soups.

Chanterelles are best fresh but can be frozen or pickled if you find enough for more than one meal. Chanterelles contain iron, calcium, vitamin C, potassium, and vitamin D. As with any new edible or medicinal, ensure that you have a positive identification before use and utilize in small quantities at first to make sure there are no allergic or adverse reactions.

POKÉGNEK BODÉWADMIK DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

**STEM CAMP**  
SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, AND MATHEMATICS  
MONDAY, AUGUST 5 – FRIDAY, AUGUST 9 | 9–10:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.  
EVENTS WILL BE HELD AT OR WILL LEAVE FROM THE POKAGON BAND COMMUNITY CENTER.

The Michigan K–12 Department of Defense (DoD) STEM Program is coming to the Pokagon Band once again! Native students ages 10–15 are invited to join this week-long day camp.

**YOUR CHILD WILL EXPERIENCE:**

- STEM activities with DoD STEM teachers
- Educational trips to Notre Dame
- STEM day with Mno-Bmadsen subsidiaries

To register, search "STEM" on [pokagon.com](http://pokagon.com) (starting June 28).  
Transportation may be available.  
Title VI sponsored.

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**Pokagon  
Naganzet**  
[The one who leads]



**Pokagon youth are invited to run for the title of Little Ms and Mr Pokagon Naganzet, where they will act as a representative for the Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians.**

Male and female candidates must be the ages of 7–12. Candidates should be able to demonstrate confidence, knowledge of our language, culture, and history. The event will take place at the Kee-Boon-Mein-Kaa Pow Wow this Labor Day weekend.

Candidates must be enrolled citizens of the Pokagon Band of Potawatomi. (Please bring tribal ID).

For more information, please contact Rebecca Williams at (269) 782-8998 or [rebecca.williams@pokagonband-nsn.gov](mailto:rebecca.williams@pokagonband-nsn.gov).

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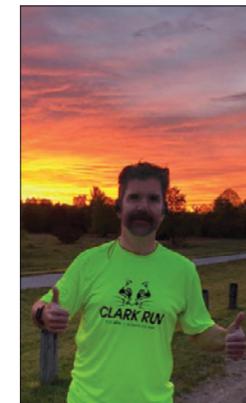
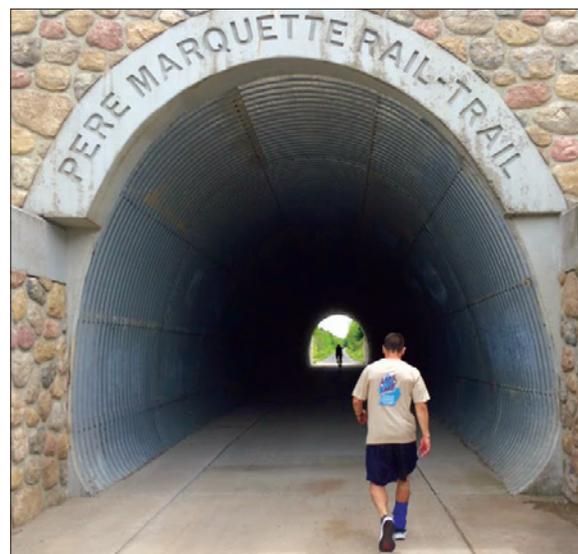
## Mejnawa running team races 150 miles across Michigan

Pokagon Band citizens, staff, and family raced across Michigan this Memorial Day weekend for the Veterans Memorial 150. Wellness Center Coordinator and active service member Dean Orvis completed the entire course as teammates joined him for several mile portions. The route consists of open roads and rail trail that span from Lake Michigan in Ludington to Saginaw Bay in Bay City. The race raises funds for several veterans service organizations.

The run began on the sandy shores of Lake Michigan in Ludington and finished on the shores of Lake Huron in Bay City. This special event was a Veterans Memorial run to honor our Michigan veterans. All the aide stations featured a different veteran, and honor signs were displayed throughout the course.

Several team members repeatedly mentioned their gratitude for being able to participate in the event, the freedom to complete such an accomplishment, and the ability to walk/run without the difficulties of service-related injuries. Tribal citizen Sarah Eck was very excited to participate in her own backyard, as the Lake-to-Lake trail went directly through her town of Midland. It is difficult for her to participate in most tribal functions, so she was thrilled to be a part of the team. Jason Hunter, spouse of a government employee, has completed numerous runs all over the world, but he said he felt immense pride participating in this event and completing his portion of the course.

The run began at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday morning, and our team finished the entire run at 1:45 a.m. Monday morning. If you would like to participate in any of our future walk/jog/runs, please contact the Wellness Center at (269) 462-4290.



## Department of Education K-12 Programs Deadline Approaching

Last chance to get in your requests for the 2018-2019 school year as the deadline for the following programs are approaching!

**Educational Release** \$150 stipend per child per school year (August 1-July 31) for school supply reimbursement. Students must be age 4 by September 1 and in preschool to be eligible for the stipend. An Educational Release must be on file for the current year to participate in Department of Education programs & services.

Educational Releases for the 2019-2020 school year will be available August 1. **Please allow 2-3 weeks for payment** due to the high volume of Educational Releases received during this time.

The Enrichment Program helps pay for/reimburse for extra-curricular activities for students in grades K-12 up to \$500 per school year (August 1-July 31).

Examples of what the Enrichment Program can be used for: drivers training, dance, sports, martial arts, and camps. Please see the Enrichment Program Application for further examples and program requirements.

**The Special Request Program** helps pay for/reimburse for academic related needs, up to \$500 per school year (August 1-July 31). Examples of what the Special Request Program can be used for:

- **ECE/Headstart** - academic testing, occupational/physical therapy, speech and language
- **K-12** - academic workshops or conferences, pre-college summer classes and summer school, graduation regalia (basic cap, gown, and tassel only)
- **Continuing Education** - college application, entrance, and exam fees, mandatory parking fees
- **Nation Building** - conference registration fees

Each Special Request is subject to review. Please see the Special Request Program Application for further examples and program requirements.

**The Educational Excellence Initiative Program (EEI)** allows students in grades K-12 to earn additional funds towards the Enrichment, Special Request, Tutoring, and Chi Ishobak's Youth IDA based on their grades and attendance record from the previous school year. Funds to be used are subject to the requirements of the original program requesting, and those funds are to be exhausted prior to using EEI. The deadline to receive EEI funds for the 2018-2019 grades and attendance is October 1.

**The last day to submit Educational Releases, Enrichment, Special Request, and Educational Excellence Initiative requests for the 2018-2019 school year is July 31, 2019.**

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## Kë Pkëbthegémen

LET'S PICK THINGS



Morel



Bergamot



Milkweed



Chicken of the Woods



Leeks

### A wild food harvesting activity

Join the Department of Language & Culture for nature walks learning about foods and medicines growing around us. We will demonstrate how to harvest, clean, store, and cook in-season plants.

We will provide the basic tools needed to harvest. Please dress for the outdoors. A light lunch will be provided before the activity. Our traditions tell us not to harvest in the rain, so cancellations due to weather are possible.

June 2 • June 30 • July 28 • August 25

12 P.M. - 5 P.M.

Language & Culture Multi-purpose room  
59291 Indian Lake Road

Please contact **Nicole Holloway** at (269) 783-3513 (desk), (269) 783-6131 (cell) or [Nicole.Holloway@pokagonband-nsn.gov](mailto:Nicole.Holloway@pokagonband-nsn.gov) for more information or to check for cancellations.



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Please check the website for the latest updates on any ca

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WEDNESDAY	Nyéw gízhék THURSDAY	Nyano gízhék FRIDAY	Odankè gízhék SATURDAY
3 Class	4 Offices Closed	5 Offices Closed	6
10 Class	11 Potawatomi 201 South Bend Language Class	12 Elders Health & Wellness	13 Tribal Election Day
17 Class	18 PALS (Play and Learn Social) Débénwéthék Parent Group meeting Potawatomi 201 South Bend Language Class	19 Michigan Indian Family Olympics Elders Health & Wellness	20
24 Class	25 Blood Drive Cooking Class Potawatomi 201 South Bend Language Class	26 Elders Health & Wellness	27
31 Class	aug 1 PALS (Play and Learn Social) Potawatomi 201 South Bend Language Class	aug 2 Elders Health & Wellness	aug 3

Cancellations due to inclement weather. Visit [www.PokagonBand-nsn.gov/calendar](http://www.PokagonBand-nsn.gov/calendar) or call (800) 517-0777 for more details on these events.

## Properties closed during youth culture camp



The Pokagon Band's Department of Language and Culture is sponsoring Kë Gbëshmen, and activities associated with the camp will occur at the Pokagon Band's Rodgers Lake Property and Gage Street Property. To help ensure the safety of participants, the Department seeks to limit access to Pokagon Band's Rodgers Lake Property and Gage Street Property during the camp.

### Tribal Council closes all portions of the Pokagon Band's Rodgers Lake Property at which the camp will occur as follows:

- 7:00 a.m. on June 23, 2019 - 9:00 p.m. on June 29, 2019
- 7:00 a.m. on July 10, 2019 - 9:00 p.m. on July 12, 2019
- 7:00 a.m. on July 15, 2019 - 9:00 p.m. on July 19, 2019
- 7:00 a.m. on July 22, 2019 - 9:00 p.m. on July 25, 2019

### Tribal Council closes all portions of the Pokagon Band's Gage Street Property at which the camp will occur as follows:

- 7:00 a.m. on June 26, 2019 - 9:00 p.m. on June 28, 2019
- 7:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. on July 12, 2019
- 7:00 a.m. on July 16, 2019 - 9:00 p.m. on July 18, 2019
- 7:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. on July 24, 2019

Access to the closed portions of the Pokagon Band's Rodgers Lake Property and Gage Street Property shall be limited to Pokagon Band staff, volunteers, and participants in the camp, and the Department shall post notices at appropriate locations informing the public and Pokagon Band citizens of the closures.

## Land Use Board initiates Pokagon Lands Classification Project

As required by the Pokagon Band Constitution, the Pokagon Lands Classification Project has developed recommended classifications for the more than 6,500 acres of tribal land for Tribal Council consideration during 2019.

These classifications, which include commercial, non-commercial, and land preserves, will establish the starting point for land use planning in the best interest of the Band and for future generations. They will also inform the development of the constitutionally-required Land Plan intended to guide future growth and to establish goals and priorities for the use of tribal land and resources.

A *Draft Report for Citizen Review* has been developed and is available for review and comment from June 1 to July 15, 2019.

The draft report may be viewed here by searching "Pokagon Lands" on [www.PokagonBand-nsn.gov](http://www.PokagonBand-nsn.gov)

For further information on the Lands Classification Project please contact Tribal Planner Robert Torzynski at (269) 462-0688.

## 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 submissions for the newsletter is always the 14th of each month. Please send items for publication to:

*Pokégnek Yajdanawa*, Box 180, Dowagiac, MI 49047  
[Pokagon.Newsletter@PokagonBand-nsn.gov](mailto:Pokagon.Newsletter@PokagonBand-nsn.gov)

POKÉGNEK BODÉWADMIK DEPARTMENT OF LANGUAGE & CULTURE

# KĒ PAMSHKAMEN LET'S CANOE

Wednesday, August 21 - Friday, August 23

Experience a two-night rustic camping trip with your fellow Pokagon youth (ages 13-17) at the Seaton Creek Campground along the Manistee River.

**You'll fish, swim, canoe, prepare meals, and spend time with your peers.**

There are 20 spots available (10 males and 10 females). Reservations will be closed as soon as all 20 spots have been filled.

**To reserve a spot on this trip, please contact Youth Services Coordinator Daniel Stohrer at [Daniel.Stohrer@PokagonBand-nsn.gov](mailto:Daniel.Stohrer@PokagonBand-nsn.gov) or (269) 462-5844.**

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# A HEALTHY STEP WITH EDUCATION

Saturday, August 17  
10 a.m. - 1p.m. at Pokagon Health Services

The Department of Education and Pokagon Health Services invite you to 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.

**PHS Wellness is hosting a Minor Mudder immediately following A Healthy Step**

**Please come and join in the fun.**  
 Questions? Contact Elizabeth Leffler at (269) 462-4406 or Susan Doyle at (269) 782-0887.

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## Living with wildlife: Raccoons



As humans continue to expand their developed areas, wildlife must either leave an area, adapt, or perish. There is wildlife that are very good at adapting to human presence. This wildlife includes generalists, or those that can eat more food types than others, live in more places than others, or are willing

and able to live in close contact with humans. Generalists include white-tailed deer, raccoons, opossums, coyotes, and groundhogs.

These are the type of animals that people come across in their surrounding environment. If you live in an area where there are fields, forests, and water sources, then you are likely to encounter this wildlife from time to time. However, there are things you can do to help keep wildlife safe and help to keep them wild. Let's focus on raccoons.

Raccoons have some of the most dexterous hands in nature. They can get into things that many wildlife is unable to get into. They also have built-in night vision; their black eye mask helps to reduce glare and let them see better at night. Raccoons eat seeds, fruits, eggs, birds, fish, and insects in a natural setting.

Raccoon populations will increase exponentially if there is a food source provided. Make sure that you are not inadvertently feeding raccoons. Are you feeding the birds? Raccoons are attracted to bird feeders. Many people report raccoons damaging bird feeders. Make sure that you are not leaving pet food out overnight or in a container that is accessible by wildlife because raccoons are attracted to any type of food left outside at night. You should also make sure that your trash receptacle is closed tightly. Raccoons are good problem solvers, so they may figure out a way to get in, however, they can become trapped inside and die if they are unable to get out. By eliminating non-natural food sources, raccoons are less likely to cause damage and encounter humans.

If you see raccoons out during the day, watch them to see if they look healthy or if they are acting normally. Raccoons are typically out between dusk and dawn, so they may be sick if they are out during the day. If they appear sick or acting odd, contact your local DNR or conservation officer to have them assess the situation. Raccoons can transmit diseases to humans including leptospirosis, rabies, and raccoon roundworm. Rabies and raccoon roundworms can be lethal in humans. Rabies is transmitted through bites or scratches, while raccoon roundworm is spread through contact with eggs that are spread in the environment via feces. Children are especially susceptible to raccoon roundworms due to their tendency to put things in their mouth.

By having an environment that is not attractive to raccoons, you are less likely to encounter them and have any potential problems with them. Help keep raccoons safe and wild by removing food or water sources in your own yard.



### MNO-BMADSEN IS HAPPY TO ANNOUNCE THE INAUGURAL POKAGON ECONOMIC GATHERING

"A Day of Networking and Immersion to Empower Business and Career Success"

**Saturday, October 26, 2019**  
**Four Winds Casino Resort**  
**Silver Creek Event Center**

**Keynote Speaker**  
**Gary "Litefoot" Davis**  
**Actor, Musician, Businessman**

Pokagon Band is rich with economic opportunities available through Mno-Bmadsen, affiliated businesses, tribal government, and entrepreneurship. Pokagon families and community members are invited to a free event that will include a trade show featuring

Native American-owned businesses and breakout sessions focusing on small-business ownership, Pathways career guidance, youth leadership, and more!

#### AGENDA

9:00 AM	Registration and Breakfast
10:00 AM	Welcome and Trade Show Ribbon Cutting
10:45 AM	Morning Breakout Sessions
12:30 PM	Luncheon
2:15 PM	Afternoon Breakout Sessions
4:00 PM	Social Networking
5:00 PM	Awards Dinner with Keynote

This is a family-friendly event.

More information coming soon!





DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

# THAYEK GINAN GDE MDAGWEMEN

**We Are  
All Having Fun**

## Aug. 11, 2019 | 1-5 p.m.

### Community Center

All are invited to join the fun. Three teams will compete for prizes in two competitions using the Nintendo Switch.

**Age Categories**  
**Youth Council: ages 24 and under**  
**Tribal Council: ages 25-54**  
**Elders Council: ages 55 and above**

Register at [www.pokagonband-nsn.gov](http://www.pokagonband-nsn.gov)  
 and type "Nintendo" in the search bar.

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monday

1

language

Chicken & Wild Rice Soup  
Turkey or Ham Sandwich  
Veggie & Pickle Tray  
Yogurt

tuesday

2

Pork Chops  
Baked Potatoes  
Corn  
Garden Salad  
Whole Grain Roll

wednesday

3

Salmon Patties  
Mac N' Cheese  
French Style Green Beans  
Garden Salad  
Whole Grain Roll

thursday

4

Independence Day



Closed

friday

5

Independence Day



8

language

Sandwich/Sub Bar

9

Ham & Au Gratin Potatoes  
Spinach  
Tomato Salad  
Fruit Salad  
Whole Grain Roll

10

Chicken Broccoli Alfredo  
Seasoned Red Potatoes  
Bruschetta  
Garden Salad  
Fruit Cocktail

11

Buffalo Burgers  
Baked Beans  
Veggie & Pickle Tray  
Cottage Cheese & Pears

12

Sea Bass  
Rice Pilaf  
Brussels Sprouts  
Garden Salad  
Whole Grain Roll

15

language

Tortilla Crusted Tilapia  
Wild Rice  
Mixed Vegetables  
Coleslaw  
Whole Grain Roll

16

Salad Bar

17

business meeting

Sloppy Joe's  
Tater Tots  
Baked Beans  
Baked Chips  
Veggie & Fruit Tray  
Cake

18

Pizza Day

19

BBQ Pulled Chicken  
Mac N' Cheese  
Baked Chips  
Veggie & Pickle Tray

22

language

Ham & Bean Soup  
Egg Salad Sandwich  
Veggie & Pickle Tray  
Dessert

23

Chicken Stroganoff  
Asparagus  
Garden Salad  
Fruit Cocktail  
Corn Bread

24

Smokey Applewood Salmon  
Rice Pilaf  
Green Beans  
Broccoli Slaw  
Whole Grain Roll

25

Breakfast Bar

26

social/Elder's Picnic

Ribs & Chicken  
Potato Salad  
Baked Beans  
Fruit & Veggie Trays  
Dessert & Snacks

29

language

Baked Chicken  
Rice Pilaf  
Tri-Blend Veggies  
Cucumber Salad  
Whole Grain Roll

30

Vegetable Soup  
Turkey Sandwich  
Veggie & Pickle Tray  
Fruit

31

Buffalo Meatballs  
& Spaghetti  
Broccoli  
Garlic Bread  
Garden Salad

# july

**Attention:**  
The Business Luncheon is held  
at the Community Center.  
The Elder's Picnic on July 26  
will be held at the Pavilion.

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, pickle, and onions served with sandwiches. Bread/rolls and butter are also included.

## 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 the Enrollment Office at (269) 782-1763 or the Finance Department at (269) 462-4209.

Name	Christmas 2018	Monthly Per Cap
Bobby M. Haynes		x
Carlin M. Elrod		x
Jeffery S. Morseau	x	x
Scott A. Brewer Jr		x
Carlos A. Hernandez		x

You can update your address on the PokagonBand-nsn.gov website under Citizens > Enrollment or phone (269) 782-1763 for an address form by mail.



## Do you have old family photos that you would like digitized?

The Department of Language and Culture is looking for old photos of Pokagon families to add to the Pokagon Language, History, and Culture Archives. Select photos may be placed for display in local museums, tribal government buildings, or other places as well as uploaded online at Wiwkwébhëgen ([www.pokagon.libraries.wsu.edu](http://www.pokagon.libraries.wsu.edu)). If you are interested, please contact Blaire Topash-Caldwell at the Department of Language and Culture at (269) 782-4882. Appointments can be made with Blaire to have the photos digitized on site at L&C as well as have your digitizations copied to a CD for your personal use.

## Per Capita Important Dates

Deadline to receive Changes/updates/additions	Checks mailed out on	Check date Direct deposits in accounts
Monday, July 15	Tuesday, July 30	Wednesday, July 31
Thursday, August 15	Thursday, August 29	Friday, August 30
Friday, September 13	Thursday, September 26	Friday, September 27
Tuesday, October 15	Wednesday, October 30	Thursday, October 31
Thursday, November 14	Tuesday, November 26	Wednesday, November 27
Friday, December 13	Monday, December 30	Tuesday, December 31

\* Please note the November deadline for changes is November 8. This is due to time limitations on all the events that occur at this time of the year.



PHS WELLNESS + EDUCATION

## Mental Toughness Basketball Camp

Join professional and collegiate athletes from across the United States and Europe for an experience emphasizing mental toughness and using the disciplines of the game to improve yourself.

Every participant will receive a highlight video, healthy, organic snacks, and a t-shirt

\$120 per child  
scholarships available for Pokagon Band youth

Limited to 25 youth

Parents are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Boys and Girls  
entering 4 - 12 Grade  
August 13 - 14 from 8:00 a.m. - noon  
Pokagon Band Family Activity Center

To Register  
Search "basketball camp" on  
[pokagon.com](http://pokagon.com) to register.

Call Dean at (269) 462-4290 or email  
[Dean.Orvis@PokagonBand-nsn.gov](mailto:Dean.Orvis@PokagonBand-nsn.gov)  
with questions



Department of Education  
EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

## Débénwéthêk Parent Group



In Potawatomi, Débénwéthêk means the ones who take care of others. The goal of Débénwéthêk Parent Group is to develop opportunities for Pokagon families to spend quality time with one another and create meaningful experiences together.

Débénwéthêk Parent Group is composed of parents and caregivers of children under 8 years of age and meets every third Thursday of the month.

Childcare is provided.

2019

January 17	April 18	July 18	October 17
February 21	May 16	August 15	November 21
March 21	June 20	September 19	December 19

5:30-7:30 pm | Zagbëgon: An Early Learning & Development Academy

## Tribal Council July Calendar of Events

- 1 Gaming Authority Closed Session, Four Winds New Buffalo, 10 a.m.
- 2 Tribal Council Special Session, Administration, 10 a.m.
- 8 Gaming Authority Closed Session, Four Winds South Bend, 10 a.m.
- 9 Tribal Council Special Session, Administration, 10 a.m.
- 15 Gaming Authority Closed Session, Four Winds New Buffalo, 10 a.m.
- 16 Tribal Council Special Session, Administration, 10 a.m.
- 22 Gaming Authority Closed Session, Four Winds South Bend, 10 a.m.
- 23 Tribal Council Special Session, Community Center, 6 p.m.
- 29 Gaming Authority Closed Session, Four Winds New Buffalo, 10 a.m.
- 30 Tribal Council Special Session, Administration, 10 a.m.

## Tribal Council August Calendar of Events

- 5 Gaming Authority Closed Session, Four Winds New Buffalo, 10 a.m.
- 6 Tribal Council Special Session, Administration, 10 a.m.
- 10 Tribal Council Meeting, Community Center, 10 a.m.
- 12 Gaming Authority Closed Session, Four Winds South Bend, 10 a.m.
- 13 Tribal Council Special Session, Administration, 10 a.m.
- 19 Gaming Authority Closed Session, Four Winds New Buffalo, 10 a.m.
- 20 Tribal Council Special Session, Administration, 10 a.m.
- 26 Gaming Authority Closed Session, Four Winds South Bend, 10 a.m.
- 27 Tribal Council Special Session, Community Center, 6 p.m.

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



**HEAP DEADLINES**  
August 1  
December 1  
May 1

Know the Higher Education Assistance Program deadlines!

HEAP deadlines will be strictly enforced for the 2019-2020 academic year.  
To receive Higher Education assistance:

**FALL 2019** applications must be submitted by **August 1**  
**WINTER or SPRING** applications must be submitted by **December 1**  
**SUMMER** applications must be submitted by **May 1**

A full application packet is required for each semester. Call (269) 782-0887 for more information. **Migwëthh!**

POKÉGNEK BODÉWADMIK DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

MONDAY  
AUGUST 12 -  
FRIDAY AUGUST 16  
8A.M. - 4 P.M.

ANNUAL  
INVENTORY  
SALE  
& Auction

HOUSEWARES, HOME, OFFICE FURNITURE AND  
EQUIPMENT, OUTDOOR, SILENT AUCTION  
SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE

**NEW LOCATION** 26907 Potawatomi Trail (Multi-purpose Building)

Contact Kristie Partridge with any questions at (269) 462-4323



POKÉGNEK BODÉWADMIK LANGUAGE & CULTURE

## Gwi yathdamen shodë ga zhëwëbêk

We will tell stories of what happened here.

Depart from L&C on Sunday, Sept. 1 at 9:30 a.m.

Trip ends at 1:30 p.m.

Join us for a day trip along the St. Joseph River to explore and learn more about significant moments in the tribe's history. We'll be making several stops at such places as the Allouez grave, Fort St. Joseph, the Fort St. Joseph dig site, and more, where instructors will take time to teach about the spot. Lunch included.

You may meet group at L&C to depart with the group, or you may meet us at 510 North Front Street Niles at 10 a.m.

Please contact Daniel Stohrer to RSVP at [Daniel.Stohrer@pokagonband-nsn.gov](mailto:Daniel.Stohrer@pokagonband-nsn.gov) or (269) 462-4225.

Let's explore Pokagon historical sites together!



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Toll Free (866) 399-0161  
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## Notice of Open Positions

The following Boards, Committees and Commissions are looking to fill open positions. Please see the Pokagon Band website or the **Legislative Edition** for more information.

- Traditions/Repatriations Committee
- Food Sovereignty Committee
- Pokagon Band Land Use Board
- Salary Commission
- Kee-Boon-Mein-Kaa Pow Wow Committee
- Chi Ishobak, Inc.
- Pokagon Rights Board
- Mno-Bmadsen Board of Director Position Announcement
- Ggaténmamen Gdankobthegnanèk Pow Wow Committee
- Gaming Commissioner
- Election Board
- Ethics Board
- Tribal Art Review Committee

PHS WELLNESS

# QUADRATHON

SUNDAY, JULY 28 8:30 AM – RODGERS LAKE CAMPGROUNDS

<b>SWIM</b> 750 Meter Open Swim 	<b>BIKE</b> 20K Bike Ride 	<b>KAYAK</b> 2000 Meter Kayak 	<b>RUN</b> 5K Trail Run 
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## OPEN TO EVERYONE, BUT LIMITED TO THE FIRST 100 TEAMS

**Individual and Team competitions** Compete as an individual or on a team of 2,3, or 4 people

**Each division will have three separate categories** Beginner, Competitor, and Elders (55+). All Elders team members must be 55+ years of age

**Prize money given to 1st – 3rd place in Competitor divisions** (individual and team) Prize money amounts based on participation

**Register by July 7** to receive a t-shirt and a swag bag of goodies, treats, and motivation. Late registration available from 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m. morning of event.

Events may be cancelled due to inclement weather. Please refer to the Pokagon Band website for weather related updates.

Register by searching **Quadrathon 2019** at [www.pokagonband-nsn.gov](http://www.pokagonband-nsn.gov) or at [www.RunSignUp.com](http://www.RunSignUp.com)

Happy late Birthday Lee Falk! 74 on June 19, 2019.  
Love, Your Family

Mno dbeshkan wabgeno kwésés!!  
Aptëñib gizes wa gothêk ndatso nsetth nyéw gwnëgwzet gwi dbeshka  
Ngot gwi tsë ponges  
Cdebango ma

Happy Birthday White Eagle Girl,  
Nanaquiba Malott

Turning one year old on July 14th  
We love you!

Ggetsimëk – Bmejwen (Kyle Malott)  
minë Bezho (Serrina Malott)



## 34th Annual KEE BOON MEIN KAA 2019 POW WOW

### LABOR DAY WEEKEND

#### Singing Contest

HOST DRUM Whitefish Jr's

DRUM JUDGE Harvey Dreaver  
1st \$7000 | 2nd \$6000 | 3rd \$5000 | 4th \$4000  
Minimum of 6 singers. Absolutely no drum hopping.  
Drum split for non placing drums.

#### Dance Contest

GOLDEN AGE CATEGORIES (60+)  
1st \$1000 | 2nd \$800 | 3rd \$600 | 4th \$400  
Men's Combined, Women's Combined

JR (18-39) • SR ADULT (40-59) CATEGORIES  
1st \$1000 | 2nd \$800 | 3rd \$600 | 4th \$400  
Men's Traditional, Grass, Fancy  
Women's Traditional, Jingle, Fancy Shawl

TEEN CATEGORIES (13-17)  
1st \$400 | 2nd \$300 | 3rd \$200 | 4th \$100  
Boys' Traditional, Grass, Fancy  
Girls' Traditional, Jingle, Fancy Shawl

JR CATEGORIES (6-12)  
1st \$200 | 2nd \$150 | 3rd \$100 | 4th \$50  
Boys' Traditional, Grass, Fancy  
Girls' Traditional, Jingle, Fancy Shawl

TINY TOTS (5 AND UNDER)  
Paid Daily

#### Committee Specials (13+)

JOHN BUSH MEMORIAL  
MENS WOODLAND SPECIAL  
1st \$1500 | 2nd \$1000 | 3rd \$800 | 4th \$600

RED DRESS SCRUB SPECIAL  
1st \$1500 | 2nd \$1000 | 3rd \$800 | 4th \$600

SWEET HEART SPECIAL  
1st \$1000 | 2nd \$800 | 3rd \$600 | 4th \$400

WOMEN'S OLD STYLE JINGLE SPECIAL  
1st \$1000 | 2nd \$800 | 3rd \$600 | 4th \$400

#### Camper & Vendor Information

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VENDOR INFORMATION  
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Vendors By Invitation Only

#### Head Staff

HEAD VETERAN  
George Martin

#### MC

Vince Beyl

#### ARENA DIRECTOR

Walker Stonefish

#### HEAD DANCERS

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#### HEAD JUDGES

Stewart and Pam Boirin

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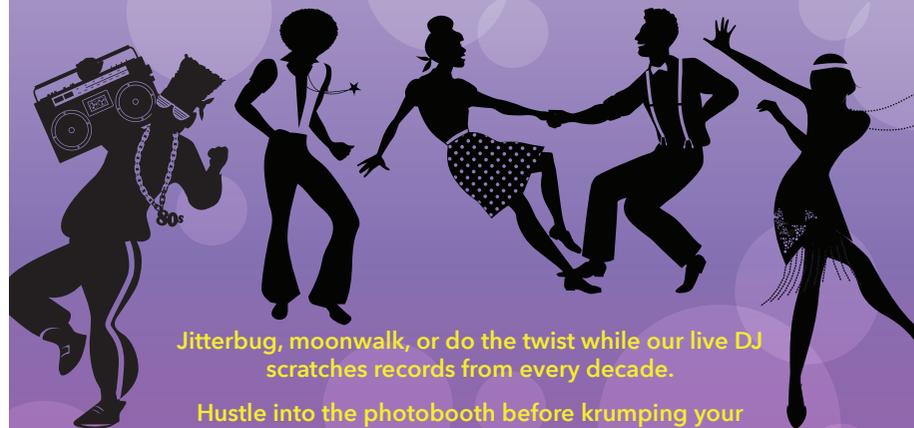
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# FAMILY Dance

DRESS YOUR FAVORITE DECADE



Jitterbug, moonwalk, or do the twist while our live DJ scratches records from every decade.

Hustle into the photobooth before krumping your way to the royalty competition where you could be named King, Queen, Prince, or Princess!

Cha cha over in your most creative outfit to win the costume competition.

Everyone is welcome to swing by!  
Snacks and drinks like salsa will be provided.

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