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Natural Resources Staff Working to Save Ash Trees

Black ash trees are an irreplaceable piece of the Potawatomi economy, culture, and way of life. They provide us with material to create baskets, spoons, bowls, and other beautiful and necessary items. They grow on many of our lands, but they are dying faster than they're producing.

The emerald ash borer, an invasive species, was transported to this area, and is now destroying black ash trees. These insects burrow into the tree and feed off of it, slowly killing the tree from the inside out.

"If people would stop moving firewood, a lot of these issues wouldn't occur," said Director of Natural Resources Jennifer Kanine.

The Pokagon Department of Natural Resource (DNR) is responding quickly with a few steps that will save our trees and the art created with them.

First, the DNR began tagging black ash trees mid-January of this year to understand how many total trees are on our properties and how many are alive, partially dead, and fully dead. Then, the DNR can gauge how large of a problem they are tackling.

The DNR continues to treat infected trees with an injection of chemicals into the part of the tree where sap flows, which then spreads all the way out the top and into the leaves. The chemical is distasteful to the emerald ash borer and causes the insect to leave.

This is a costly procedure, which is why the DNR is trying to protect our trees before they get infected with preemptive strikes on the emerald ash borer. "You want to try to catch it as soon as you can and do something before it spreads and is

too costly to control," Kanine said.

Once all our black ash trees are accounted for and spring has come, the DNR will set sticky traps in various areas of the woods to determine the insect density, or the size of the emerald ash population, in each area.

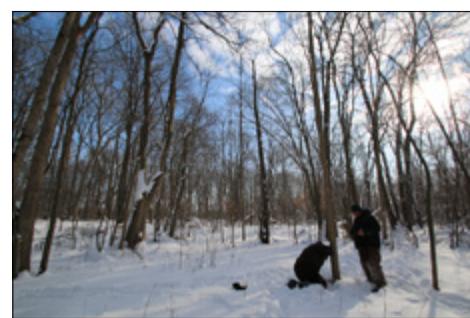
Then the DNR will release parasitoids, provided by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. These insects are foreign, coming from the same places as the emerald ash borer. They will keep the emerald ash population in check by consuming emerald ash borer eggs and babies.

Artists use the wood of black ash trees to make baskets and other items because it is softer than other wood. A black ash tree needs to be 8 to 10 feet in diameter to be large enough to make into a basket. Black ash trees take about 65 years to reach this size.

"We want to make sure (our citizens') quality artisan works are continued," Kanine said.

The DNR is researching ways to better use the black ash trees we do have. This includes soaking partially and fully dead black ash trees in water, which makes their layers soft enough to be peeled and made into baskets. The department is also exploring the option of growing black ash trees in a greenhouse, protected from the emerald ash until the insects are under control.

The DNR is also keeping the tops of trees that basket-makers do not use in cold storage so others may use them for bowls and spoons, utilizing what black ash trees we do have to their fullest.



Lock In “goes by too fast” for Youth

Overnight from January 3 to 4, 49 Pokagon, Nottawaseppi Huron, and Saginaw Chippewa youth took over Southwestern Michigan College’s Student Activities Center for the annual youth lock in event. The group began the evening with a dinner and listened to speakers, including Dr. Shawn West from Pokagon Behavioral Health and Tribal Police Sgt. Ben Graves, who spoke on suicide awareness and prevention. Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Marcus Winchester talked with the group about Pokagon Band history and language. Jefferson Ballew told stories of sustainability and discussed the sacredness of youth. Vic Bogosian from Pokagon DNR taught attendees about a turtle tracking program to better understand their habitats and habits.

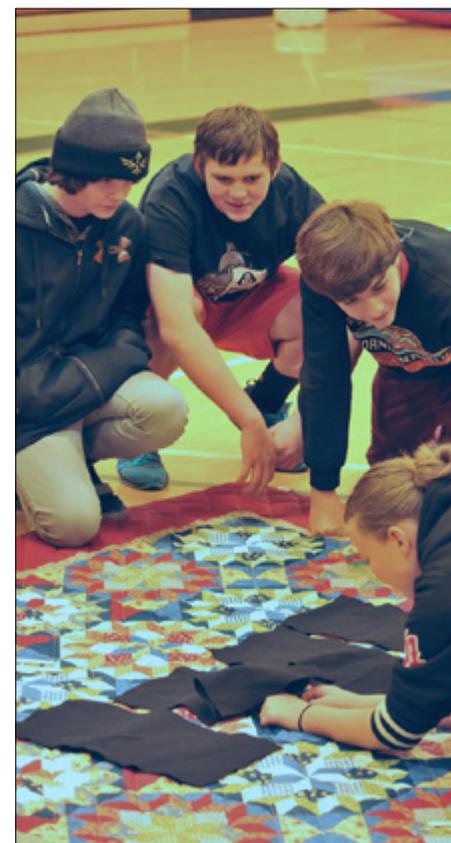
Next, it was time to get up and move. Tia Parker from PHS’s Wellness Center led the group in a Zumba class. Youth climbed on SMC’s amazing rock wall, tested their abilities in a blow up sumo wrestling matches against each other, and played basketball and football in the gym. Some played moccasin games with Patty Jo Kublick or worked on cultural crafts with Jefferson Ballew and Madalene Big Bear.

There was time set aside for them to watch movies or play arcade games and PlayStation and Xbox in the gaming area. Owen Zapata of the Nottawaseppi Huron Band won the hand drum contest.

John Morseau, Conrad Church, Ryan Smally, Susan Doyle, Dan Stohrer, Tyler Dodson and several parents and senior youth council members assisted in chaperoning.

“They seemed to really enjoy the sumo wrestling and rock climbing, plus spending time with their friends,” said Nicole Holloway, one of the organizers. “I was extremely happy with the turn out; everyone played a huge role in the success of the event. The youth were all well behaved and the night was full of good times and laughter. Great memories and lasting friendships were made.

“I heard several kids make the comment, ‘it went by too fast,’” Holloway remembered. “One said she couldn’t imagine it being more fun than it was.”



Cultural Opportunities Around this Winter

The New Year offered plenty of chances to learn more about Potawatomi cultural arts. Twenty-four people made pucker toe moccasins for the first time on January 3, thanks in part to the Language and Culture Department's new facilities, which include a large workshop space.

"Everyone was able to start and finish their moccasins," said Patty Jo Kublik, cultural activities coordinator. "They were doing it the old way with needles and real sinew."

"The soft leather was easy to cut and easy to sew," said Ruth Saldivar, one of the participants. "Frank Barker was really good. We'd gather around and he'd go over the next step for everyone together."

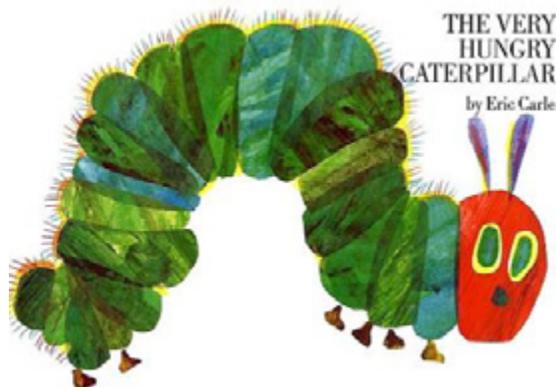
"Anytime there are classes with bead work, drum making, rattle making, I'm all for it. My kids are all working, so I go to the classes and will let them know how to do it. I hope to one day have my regalia. It's a lot of fun."

Then, the next day, twelve people showed up in the workshop to make snow snakes. According to Kublik, Potawatomi practiced snow snakes games years ago as a way of settling debates.

Making a snow snake can take up to a dozen hours. They must be made from a hard wood; this group used hickory. Using pewter, carving tools, and a lot of sanding, many fashioned designs of fish, bears, or turtles on the tip of the snake. Kevin Finney and Yabishawn OldShield of the Jijak Foundation provided much of the guidance to first timers.

Launching a snow snake can be compared to throwing an arrow down a straight course carved out of snow on the ground. It can be thrown over or under hand. At a snow snake tournament the Gun Lake tribe held last year, a participant threw a snow snake 800 feet. Kublik said several people created a snow snake track at Edawat after the Tribal Council meeting on Saturday, January 17.

Join the Language and Culture Department for other activities like sugar bush and regalia making, or stop in during regular business hours to learn other crafting activities with staff in the workshop. "We're trying to bring the community together and learn some of the old ways," said Kublik. "Please stop by and take advantage of the opportunities to learn."



Ready to Meet the Very Hungry Caterpillar?

The Department of Education is offering 100 free tickets for Pokagon citizens to see The Very Hungry Caterpillar and Other Eric Carle Favorites on the main stage of Lake Michigan College Mendel Center on Saturday, February 14 at 2:00 p.m. There is a five ticket limit per household. Tickets may be picked up in the Education Department during the week of February 2-6. Any tickets not picked up will be distributed first-come, first-served at the event.



Register here: www.pokagonband-nsn.gov/form/very-hungry-caterpillar-registration today!

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

Cultural Resource Digitization and Preservation Scholarship Available at Washington State University

Washington State University is offering a scholarship to any Pokagon citizen 18 years and older to learn about the digitization and preservation of our cultural resources. The program provides tribes with hands-on training in the digitization, management and preservation of film, audio, video and documents about our tribe in culturally responsive frameworks. This fifteen-month program includes four hands-on five-day sessions with the full cohort (twelve members from six tribes throughout the U.S.) at Washington State University and monthly webinar sessions that allow students to share challenges, review materials, and discuss strategies as a group led by the WSU Tribal Digital Libraries Curriculum Coordinator.

If you would like to be considered for the scholarship, please submit your resume and a one-page (double spaced, size 12 font) explanation of why you think that preserving the tribe's language, history, and culture is important for the future of

the Pokagon Potawatomi Nation. The write up must be submitted via e-mail or postal mail to Marcus Winchester at the Department of Language and Culture by February 27. If you have any questions please contact Marcus at (269) 462-4224.

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Marcus.winchester@pokagonband-nsn.gov

2015 Michigan Indian Family Olympics Registration Form

The 2015 Michigan Indian Family Olympics is tentatively scheduled for July 24 in Mt. Pleasant, MI. By pre-registering by February 28, you and your family are committing to competing in and training for the Family Olympics by Sunday, June 7. The minimum training commitment is attending and participating in at least three training events. Involvement in a school sport can substitute for one training event. Three thirty-minute workouts at the Pokagon Wellness Center can substitute for one training event (please see a Wellness Center staff person for verification). If you and your family fulfill this commitment, you qualify for an incentive package that could include a hotel stay, food, shirts, shorts and/or a gift card.

Please fill in this form for each member of your family that will be training for and competing in the Michigan Indian Family Olympics. If you don't meet the participation requirements by June 7, you and your family are still welcome to attend and participate in the Family Olympics, but you or your family won't be eligible for the incentive package.

You can access the form on the Pokagon website, use the one below, or have a paper form mailed to you for you to complete and return. Please call Melissa Rodriguez at (269) 462-4203 for that form, and mail completed forms to her attention at 58620 Sink Rd., Dowagiac, MI 49047.

NAME OF HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD

POKAGON CITIZEN OR STAFF MEMBER?

IF CITIZEN, PLEASE INCLUDE TRIBAL ID# OF HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD

BEST PHONE NUMBER FOR HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD

AGE OF HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD

SHIRT AND SHORT SIZES FOR HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD

ADDRESS, CITY STATE ZIP

ADDITIONAL FAMILY MEMBERS

NAME

GENDER

AGE

SHIRT AND SHORT SIZES

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POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI

Train Together for the Family Olympics

What: Michigan Indian Family Olympics, something for all ages. All Michigan Tribes participate

When: leading up to Summer 2015



Participate in three of the training events offered and receive a gift incentive. Involvement in one school sport can substitute for one of the three trainings. These events are open to Native Americans and their families, and Pokagon Band staff and their families.

Training Schedule

January 2015

January 28 | Pokagon Health Center | 6:30p.m.-8:00p.m.

February 2015

February 8 | Hopkins High School | 5:00p.m.-7:00p.m.

* February 11 | Hartford High School | 5:30p.m.-7:00p.m.

February 18 | Pokagon Health Center | 6:30p.m.-8:00p.m.

March 2015

March 8 | Hopkins High School | 5:00p.m.-7:00p.m.

* March 11 | Hartford High School | 5:30p.m.-7:00p.m.

March 18 | Pokagon Health Center | 6:30p.m.-8:00p.m.

June 2015 Mini Olympics

* June 7 | Rodgers Lake sports court | 2:00p.m.-4:00p.m.



* new or rescheduled date

College Orientation Event Planned

Friday, February 27 | 10 am – 1 pm

Department of Education Training Center

This event is for high school graduates, community college or four-year university students, and those who want to attend vocational programs or college in the fall and have NOT completed the scholarship application.

Participants will complete scholarship applications, book stipend direct deposit forms, and learn about new deadlines. We'll cover the FAFSA form and vocational scholarship information. Lunch and refreshments will be served to participants. Prizes awarded, but you must be present to win.

For further information or questions, please contact Joseph Avance, Higher Education Specialist at (269) 782-0887 or Polly Mitchell, Educational Associate at (269) 462-4294

Unmarked Graves Project Update

Do you have knowledge of any family members that are buried at Rush Lake Cemetery with unmarked graves? If so, please contact Marcus Winchester, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer, at (269) 462-4224. Tribal Council is considering a memorial at the cemetery when the snow melts, and would like to honor all of the ancestors who are laid to rest there.

Take Advantage of Elders Education Events

Please plan on joining the Intro to Social Media training and exploring all the possibilities social media can provide. Trainings will take place immediately following the Elders Council Business Meetings.

Thursday, February 5 | Community Center | 3:00–4:00 p.m.

Thursday, March 5 | Community Center | 3:00–4:00 p.m.

February 5 training will concentrate on Facebook: creating an account, downloading a photo, updating your wall/creating a status, and do's and don'ts.

You may bring your personal laptop or Kindle. Laptops and Kindles from the Pokagon Band Department of Education will be available for use.

An E-Reader Workshop for Pokagon Elders will be offered Wednesday, April 15 at the Silver Creek Event Center at Four Winds New Buffalo from 4:00 – 5:15 p.m. Registration is required and will be available online at the Pokagon website in March. Only 50 participants may attend. Each of the 50 registered participants will receive a Kindle Fire HD at this workshop.

The Pokagon Band Department of Education will be hosting the Michigan Tribal Education Directors Association (MTED) Conference during April 14–16 at Four Winds New Buffalo. Registration is required to attend the MTED Conference. Online registration will be available at the Pokagon website in March. Fee to attend the three day MTED Conference will be \$200/individual or \$100 each/four or more individuals.

Additionally, there will be a dinner, including entertainment, and a silent auction for \$60/individual on Wednesday, April 15 at Silver Creek Event Center from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.



Pokagon Band of Potawatomi
Department of Language & Culture

DRUM CLASSES

South Bend Drum Class

3733 Locust Road
South Bend, IN 46614

6:00 pm–8:00 pm

2015

February 4 April 1
March 4

Dowagiac Drum Class

Department of Language and Culture
586853 Sink Road, Dowagiac, MI 49047

6:00 pm–8:00 pm

2015

February 11 April 8
March 11

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DEPARTMENT OF LANGUAGE & CULTURE

CRAFT WORKSHOP

MONDAY–FRIDAY*

9:00 AM–4:00 PM**

LANGUAGE & CULTURE OFFICE

58653 Sink Road
Dowagiac, MI 49047

Language & Culture is offering a Make + Take Craft Workshop for tribal citizens and family members to learn or hone craft skills like, but not limited to, beading, regalia design, making or repair.

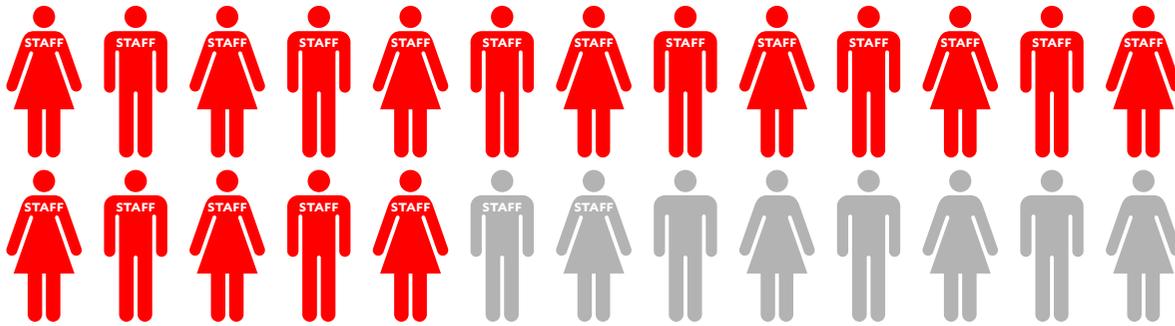
The workshop is open Monday–Friday (*weekends by appointment), 9:00 am–4:00 pm or **additional times by appointment.

For more information or to schedule an appointment, call (269) 462-4325.

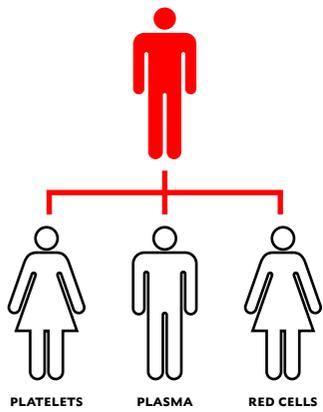
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For more information, please contact Nicole Holloway at (269) 462-4325 or nicole.holloway@pokagonband-nsn.gov.

First Pokagon Health Services Blood Drive Successful



26 Pokagon staff and citizens participated in the Pokagon Health Center blood drive January 14. **18** donated and **8** were unable due to various reasons.



A **single** blood donation (average donation equals about one pint) can provide platelets, plasma and red blood cells potentially **saving 3 lives**.



One in four people will need a blood transfusion in their lifetime.

Every two seconds someone in the U.S. needs blood.



Only **37%** of the population is eligible to give blood.



Less than **10%** give annually.

Thank you for volunteering to give blood.

Health Services Weather Policy

When Pokagon Band offices close due to weather or another sudden factor, our Health Services staff will call patients as soon as possible to cancel appointments. When staff members return to the office, they will call the patients back to reschedule their appointments.

Patients are encouraged to check local TV and radio stations, the Pokagon Band website, and our social media channels when bad weather hits. Any closing of offices would be reported in these places, in addition to a Honeywell alert sent to citizens' phones.

We do not penalize patients for these cancellations.

If you have any questions about this, please call the Health Center at (269) 782-4141 or (888) 440-1234.

Riddle

Last month's riddle winner is **Liz Serba** for her correct answer to "What do you get from sitting on the ice too long?" The answer: polaroids.

Check out this month's riddle:

Why do melons need to be married in churches?

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

Logan Serba has won a gift card for this month's riddle.

Mishkowze | Be strong. Do well.

Join the staff at Pokagon Health Services of each month at the Pokagon Health Center to better understand your health, take Center to hear from experts on health steps to improve your wellness, and topics of the month, to share a meal and support others in their efforts. We'll meet at 5 p.m. on the second Thursday to give prizes.

February 12

American Heart Awareness
Dental Health

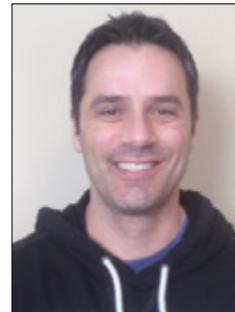
March 12

Colorectal Cancer
Awareness
Nutrition Month

April 9

Alcoholism Awareness
Every Kid Healthy
National Addictions

Pokagon Wellness Center Member Spotlight: Carey Baxter



Why do you use the Pokagon Band Wellness Center?
Using the tribe's Wellness Center is a great chance to work on my health and spend time with family.

What do you like most about the Pokagon Band Wellness Center?

One of the best parts of our Wellness Center is that it's for tribal members, tribal employees, and their family only. There is no waiting for machines or classes. It's a very stress-free environment.

What would you say to someone who has never been to the Pokagon Wellness Center?

If you are undecided on whether or not this is the time to start a workout program the tribe's Wellness Center is the perfect place to decide. They have a well-trained staff and fully equipped gym.

Do you have any specific goals or events you are training to accomplish?

My goals for fitness have changed a lot over the last five years. I have had some injuries that limit what I do, so cardio is now my main concern.

What would you like others to know about you or the facility?

The tribe has given us a great gift. Everyone should at least take the time to take a tour and see what you are missing.

Taking Advantage of being a Resident Tribal Member with Chi Ishobak

Are you familiar with the tribe's tax agreement with the state of Michigan or registering to become a Resident Tribal Member (RTM) if you live within the Tax Agreement Area? This is completely separate from the Tribe's Service Area or being an enrolled citizen with the Band. This is solely for tax benefits for tax preparation and large purchases. For example, when you purchase an automobile the State of Michigan collects 6% of the purchase price of the vehicle at the time of title application. If you live within the Tax Agreement Area and are registered as a Resident Tribal Member (RTM), you are exempt from paying this 6%.

Chi Ishobak has provided over \$365,000 to tribal consumers for the purchase of reliable transportation. This calculates to approximately \$22,000 in sales tax owed. A significant portion of this amount remained in the pockets of our citizens that took advantage of this program. "The potential benefit from registering as a RTM is huge." Sean Winters, Chi Ishobak Executive Director stated. "The opportunity to keep your income in your own pocket is incredible."

RTMs are only those Pokagon Band Citizens who live in the Designated Tax Agreement area and are on the registered list that the Pokagon Band Department of Finance sends to the State of Michigan. All questions, concerns, and registrations related to RTM's should be directed to Julie Rodriguez in the Finance Department. If you would like to learn more about the financial products and services offered by Chi Ishobak, please contact Sean Winters through the information listed below.

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2015 FINANCIAL WELLNESS WORKSHOPS

Chi Ishobak is introducing an updated financial education program for Pokagon Band citizens, families, and employees. More than just information, this program is designed to identify financial behaviors and the cultural relevance associated with those behaviors. This workshop will cover six components that address the basic aspects of personal financial management and provide participants with the tools and processes to take control of their financial health. These areas include: savings, communication, budgeting, debt, and credit building.

Saturday, February 7	10:00 am – 2:00 pm
Saturday, May 2	10:00 am – 2:00 pm
Saturday, August 1	10:00 am – 2:00 pm
Saturday, November 7	10:00 am – 2:00 pm

The Community Center
27043 Potawatomi Trail, Dowagiac, MI 49047

- Lunch will be provided
- There is no registration fee
- Please call to confirm attendance

For more information, please contact Sean Winters at (269) 783-4157 or at sean.winters@chiishobak.org



*Chi Ishobak (pronounced Chee Ish-o-bock), means "Big Cabbage" and is the Pokagon Band of Potawatomi's Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI). Chi Ishobak provides Tribal Citizens with access to affordable capital for the purposes of **business start-up or expansion and individual financial development** through education-based lending services.*

- **COMMERCIAL LOANS**
- **CONSUMER LOANS**
- **INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNTS**
- **FINANCIAL EDUCATION**

For questions and additional information regarding Chi Ishobak, please contact:
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Department of Education Enhancements for 2015

Early Childhood Education

The Early Childhood Education focus area is Primary, Birth – 4th Grade. Children and parents are offered services to help promote early literacy, positive parenting, school readiness, and quality education. Many exciting events are scheduled for children and families!

The purpose of the Early Childhood Education is to develop positive educational experiences to Pokagon Families with children 0–8 years old. In addition to collaborating on several different projects, the Early Childhood Education Program will be offering the following workshops. Contact Autumn Cabrillas for more information.

- The first workshop will be an Introduction to Program Services.
- The second workshop will focus on Honoring Our Children.
- The third workshop will focus on Positive Parenting Techniques.
- The fourth workshop will be in collaboration with Holiday Fun.

Academic Excellence Initiative

The goal of the Educational Excellence Initiative (EEI) is to encourage Pokagon Band students in grades Kindergarten to 12th grade to strive for educational excellence, to attend school regularly and to improve their academic performance. This “Invest in You” program allows citizens to increase funding for educational programs they frequently use, thereby increasing their knowledge, skills and ability to flourish in post-secondary educational institutions. These supplemental funds will be added to other educational programs such as Enrichment Program, Special Requests, and Tutoring. In addition, funds may be used for the Youth Transportation IDA offered through Chi Ishobak. Contact Sam Morseau for more information

Tutoring Services

The Tutoring Program is designed to provide additional educational support to Pokagon students with academic needs.

New Tutoring Program guidelines have been in effect since August 1, 2014. All Pokagon Students are now eligible for tutoring, without grade restrictions or teacher recommendations necessary. We now offer all families a choice of using an Accredited Learning Center, a facility which employs certified teachers or certified tutors to work with students on core academic areas, study skills, or test preparation, or an Auxiliary Tutor, a certified teacher or individual with a Bachelor’s Degree with an academic area of focus. Although tutoring funds remain the same, \$2,500 per student per year, the time frame has changed to August 1–July 31 to align with the academic year.

For more information, contact Kristie Bussler, Educational Resource Specialist, at (269) 462-4222.

Title VII

The Title VII is a federal grant that helps local educational agencies, Indian tribes and organizations, postsecondary institutions, and other entities toward the goal of ensuring that programs that serve Indian children are of the highest quality and provide for not only the basic elementary and secondary educational needs, but also the unique educational and culturally related academic needs of these children.

Starting 2015, The Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Department of Education is teaming up with Match-e-be-nash-she-wish (Gun Lake) Band of Pottawatomi and Nottawaseppi Huron Band of Potawatomi as a consortium to identify and service all the Native American students in the three tribes’ service areas.

Enrichment Program Expansion of Services

Due to overwhelming success, the Department of Education will be expanding our Enrichment Program from 5–12th grade to Kindergarten to 12th grade.

The goal of the Enrichment program is to provide the opportunity for Pokagon youth anywhere in the United States to participate in an Enrichment program, such as band camps, art camps, science camps, sports camps, career camps, workshops, pre-college classes, summer school, conferences, life skills programs, such as drivers training, music lessons, musical instruments, etc. Contact Skye Wallin for more information.

Citizen Portal Implementation

Starting in mid-February, we will be going “Live” with our Pokagon portal! Students will have the opportunity to apply and update scholarship applications online. Students will be able to electronically send the yearly application, book stipend, unmet needs, class schedule, and grades. This will make the scholarship process more manageable and make the confirmation and scholarship processing much faster. Look for the Citizen Portal and complete your 2015 application scholarship online! Contact Joseph Avance for more information.

College Preparatory Workshops

The Continuing Education Program will be offering the following workshops.

College Prep Workshop#1: The purpose of this event is to educate parents to the importance of meeting deadlines for testing and college applications.

College Prep Workshop #2: The purpose of this event is to help students and parents understand the costs and differences between choosing to attend community colleges, state colleges and state universities.

College Prep Workshop#3: The purpose of this event is to address three main criteria: One is to introduce new students and parents to college campus life and the admission process, the second type of visit is for academic advising of students who are currently attending school, and the third type of visit is to build relationships with organizations on college campus to insure student success.

College Prep Workshop #4: The purpose of this event is to assist higher education students who plan to attend college. The program gives a second chance for students to complete their Higher Education Scholarship.

Vocational – Technical Scholarship Increase

The Department of Education is proud to announce that we will be increasing our Vocational-Technical Scholarship from \$2000/year to \$4000/ year.

The goal of the Vocational -Technical Scholarship is to provide guidance and support to tribal Citizens obtaining Vocational - Technical Training and assistance with FAFSA application is provided if requested. Contact Joseph Avance for more information.

Technology Stipend Modification

The Department of Education has redesigned the Technology Assistance Stipend to better fit citizen needs. The Technology Assistance Program is now only offered to Pokagon Band citizens in our Dual Enrollment Program. Contact Polly Mitchell for more information.

Elders Services Workshops

The purpose of the Elder Services Program is to develop positive educational experiences to Pokagon Elders 55+ years of age. In addition to collaborating on several different projects, the Elders Services Program will be offering the following workshops:

- The first workshop will focus on Online Library and e-books.
- The second workshop will focus on Tribal Perspectives Curriculum.
- The third workshop will focus on Personal Development with Technology.
- The fourth workshop will focus on Introduction to Social Media.

February is Heart Awareness Month



This month our health education focuses on cardiovascular health, specifically hypertension (commonly known as high blood pressure). Blood pressure is a measurement of the force of the heart as it pumps blood against the walls of your arteries through your body.

You are more likely to be told your blood pressure is too high as you get older. This is because your blood vessels

become stiffer as you age. When that happens, your blood pressure goes up. High blood pressure increases your chance of having a stroke, heart attack, heart failure, kidney disease, and early death.

If you have pre-hypertension, you are more likely to develop high blood pressure. If you have heart or kidney problems, or if you had a stroke, your doctor may want your blood pressure to be even lower than that of people who do not have these conditions.

Many factors can affect blood pressure including:

- How much water and salt you have in your body
- The condition of your kidneys, nervous system or blood vessels
- The level of different body hormones

Most of the time the cause for high blood pressure is not found and this is called essential hypertension. If there is another reason for your high blood pressure it is called secondary hypertension. Some of the causes for secondary hypertension are:

- Chronic kidney disease
- Disorders of the adrenal glands

- Pregnancy
- Medications such as birth control pills, diet pills, some cold medications, and migraine medications
- Narrowed artery that supplies blood to the kidneys

Symptoms

Many times there are no signs or symptoms of hypertension and it is found at a routine checkup. This puts people at risk for developing heart disease and kidney disease without even knowing they have high blood pressure. If you have a severe headache, nausea or vomiting, bad headache, confusion, changes in your vision, or nosebleeds you may have a severe and dangerous form of high blood pressure. Contact your health office immediately.

Treatment

- Eat a heart-healthy diet, including potassium and fiber, and drink plenty of water.
- Exercise regularly at least 30 minutes of aerobic exercise a day.
- If you smoke, quit. Find a program that will help you stop.
- Limit how much alcohol you drink: one drink a day for women, two a day for men.
- Limit the amount of sodium (salt) you eat. Aim for less than 1,500 mg per day.
- Reduce stress. Try to avoid things that cause you stress. You can also try meditation or yoga.
- Stay at a healthy body weight. Find a weight-loss program to help you, if you need it.

Contact Pokagon Health Services at (269) 782-4141 to find out more about fitness, nutrition or smoking cessation to better manage high blood pressure.

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

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

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

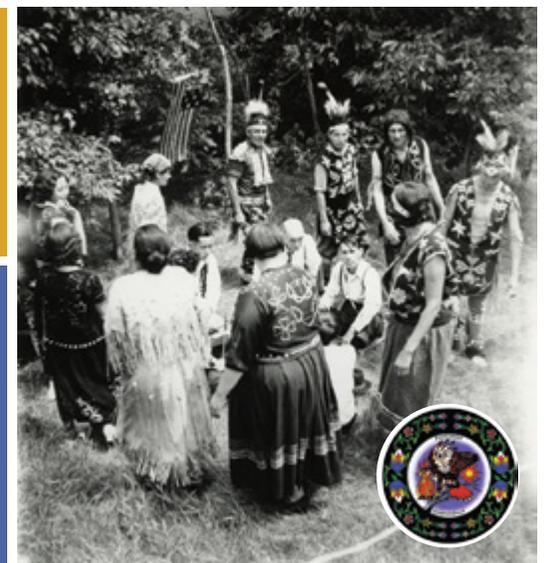
DEPARTMENT OF LANGUAGE & CULTURE
JIJAK FOUNDATION | GUN LAKE BAND OF POTAWATOMI

Old Time Song and Dance

**LUELLA COLLINS
COMMUNITY CENTER**
419 126th Avenue
Wayland, MI 49348

**EVENT BEGINS NOON AND
CONTINUES THROUGH DINNER**

**FEBRUARY 21, 2015
DEPARTING 10:00 AM
L&C OFFICES**
58653 Sink Road
Dowagiac, MI 49047



The Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Department of Language & Culture and the Jijak Foundation Gun Lake Band of Potawatomi are collaborating to host "Old Time Song and Dance Teachings" with John Bush, Gun Lake Potawatomi elder. Different from Powwow style dancing, we will be learning about our older style of dances, the songs that accompany them, and the teachings behind them.

Pokagon Language & Culture Staff will be leaving Dowagiac offices at 10:00 a.m. Please RSVP with Nicole Holloway at (269) 462-4325 by **February 18** to reserve a seat.

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Ne'me gizhek SUNDAY	Ngot gizhek MONDAY	Nizh gizhek TUESDAY	Apta gizhek WEDNESDAY
L&C Regalia 101 Class 1	L&C Elders Language Class (3) 2 Auricular Acupuncture Yoga Zumba L&C Gun Lake Adult Language Class	Lean Lunch 3 Red Road to Recovery Group L&C Youth After School Program L&C Dowagiac Language Class (2) L&C Early Start Language Class (4)	Zumba L&C Hartford Lan... L&C Gun Lake You... L&C South Bend Me... Drumming
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February 2015

WEDNESDAY	Nyew gizhek THURSDAY	Nyano gizhek FRIDAY	Odanke gizhek SATURDAY
<p>4</p> <p>Language Class (2) South Language Class Men & Boys</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Pokagon Bodewadmik Ogitchedaw Veterans meeting Lean Lunch EDU Elders Intro to Social Media Workshop L&C South Bend Language Class (2)</p>	<p>6</p> <p>National Wear Red Day (American Heart Month) Red Road to Recovery Group</p>	<p>7</p>
<p>11</p> <p>Language Class (3) South Language Class Men & Boys Drumming</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Lean Lunch L&C South Bend Language Class (3) Mishkowze: Heart & Dental One Story Walking in Two Worlds Art Workshop</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Red Road to Recovery Group</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Tribal Council Meeting Pokagon Bodewadmik Ogitchedaw Veterans meeting EDU Very Hungry Caterpillar</p>
<p>18</p> <p>Presentation Language Class (4) South Language Class Discussion</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Lean Lunch L&C South Bend Language Class (4)</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Red Road to Recovery Group</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Native Justice Community Advisory Group Meeting</p>
<p>25</p> <p>Language Class (5) South Language Class</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Lean Lunch L&C South Bend Language Class (5) EDU Family Fun Night</p>	<p>27</p> <p>EDU College Orientation Red Road to Recovery Group</p>	<p>28</p>
<p>March 4</p> <p>Language Class (6) South Language Class Men & Boys</p>	<p>March 5</p> <p>Lean Lunch EDU Elders Intro to Social Media Workshop L&C South Bend Language Class (6)</p>	<p>March 6</p> <p>National Wear Blue Day (National Nutrition Month) Red Road to Recovery Group</p>	<p>March 7</p>

February is Dental Health Month



Tooth aches are the most common pain of the mouth or face adults report. This pain can interfere with such vital functions as eating, swallowing, and talking. Almost one in four adults reported some form of facial pain in the past six months.

Most adults also show signs of gum disease. Severe gum disease affects about 14 percent of adults aged 45 to 54 years. Signs and symptoms of soft tissue

diseases such as cold sores are common in adults and affect about 19 percent of those aged 25 to 44 years.

Maintaining Good Oral Health

- Drink fluoridated water and use fluoride toothpaste. Fluoride protection against tooth decay works for all ages. Be sure that your child can spit out tooth paste before using fluoride.
- Take care of your teeth and gums. Thorough tooth brushing and flossing to reduce dental plaque can prevent gingivitis—the mildest form of gum disease.
- Avoid tobacco. Smokers have four times the risk of developing gum disease compared to non-smokers. Tobacco use in any form—cigarette, pipes, and smokeless (spit) tobacco—increases the risk for gum disease, oral and throat cancers, and oral fungal infection. Spit tobacco containing sugar increases the risk of tooth decay.
- Limit alcohol. Heavy use of alcohol is also a risk factor for oral and throat cancers. When used alone, alcohol and tobacco are risk factors for oral cancers, but when used in combination the effects of alcohol and tobacco are even greater.
- Eat wisely. Adults and children should avoid snacks full of sugars and starches. Limit the number of snacks eaten throughout the day. The recommended five-a-day helping of fiber-rich fruits and vegetables stimulates salivary flow to aid remineralization of tooth surfaces with early stages of tooth decay.
- Visit the dentist regularly. Check-ups can detect early signs of oral health problems and can lead to treatments that will prevent further damage, and in some cases, reverse the problem. Professional tooth cleaning also is important for preventing oral problems, especially when self-care is difficult.

- Diabetic patients should work to maintain control of their disease. This will help prevent the complications of diabetes, including an increased risk of gum disease.
- If medications produce a dry mouth, ask your doctor if there are other drugs that can be substituted. If dry mouth cannot be avoided, drink plenty of water, chew sugarless gum, and avoid tobacco and alcohol.

Dental Health for Children

Good oral health starts before your baby has teeth. You can use soft covers put on a caregiver's finger or a wash cloth to wipe down your baby's gums, tongue, and soft mouth tissues. It is recommended to clean your baby's gums at least twice daily after breakfast and before bedtime. Never put your baby to bed with a cup or bottle of milk, formula, juice, or any other sugary drink. These will promote cavities.

As soon as your child gets teeth, he or she can get cavities. Cavities can cause baby teeth to fall out early. This may lead to permanent teeth growing in crooked, speech difficulties, poor self-image, or loss of appetite. Some parents feel that they don't have to pay as much attention to baby teeth since their permanent teeth will replace the baby teeth. The truth is there is cause for concern. Decay in primary teeth may damage the hidden permanent teeth that are forming inside the gums. Be sure that your child uses a soft, child-size tooth brush. Use a small smear (about the size of a grain of rice) of toothpaste with fluoride.

Dental visits should start when your child is one or two years old. Your dentist will clean your child's teeth, polish them, and check them for cavities. Your dentist will also let you know how often you need to be seen for dental checkups. Fluoride is important in the development of your child's teeth. Fluoride in your water helps teeth develop while they are still under the gums. Check your water to be sure the water you and your family are drinking has enough fluoride. If your water supply does not have enough fluoride your dentist may prescribe fluoride drops or tablets. If you are breast feeding, your dentist still may prescribe fluoride drops. It is also important to that your child can spit before starting to use a fluoride tooth paste.

For more information or to make an appointment for a check up, call Pokagon Health Services dental office at (269) 782-4141.

What to Know Before You File 2014 Tax Returns

Are you a Resident Tribal Member?

If you are an enrolled citizen of the Pokagon Band of Potawatomi and you live in the tribe's Tax Agreement Area defined in the State Tax Agreement between the Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians and the State of Michigan, then please fill out a Resident Tribal Member (RTM) Application to see if you are eligible to start receiving certain Michigan tax exemptions. The Tax Agreement Overview, maps, and application are available online here: www.pokagonband-nsn.gov/government/departments/finance/michigan-tax-agreement-benefits. After review of your application, you will be notified of your eligibility status.

If you have any questions regarding the tax agreement or your RTM status or benefits, please call Julie Rodriguez at (269) 462-4210 or e-mail her at Julie.Rodriguez@pokagonband-nsn.gov.

If you are a Resident Tribal Member

On Line 20 of Schedule 1, Page 2 of the State of Michigan 1040 Form is the RTM exemption under a state/tribal tax agreement. Not all Pokagon citizens

are automatically qualified for this tax exemption. The Pokagon citizens qualified to claim these tax exemptions are those who are Resident Tribal Members (RTMs). RTMs are only those Pokagon citizens who live in the designated tax agreement areas and are on the registered list that the Pokagon Band Department of Finance sends to the State of Michigan.

If a Pokagon citizen is unsure of whether he or she qualifies for this tax exemption, please contact Julie Rodriguez at (269) 462-4210 in the Finance Department.

If you are a qualified RTM you will receive a package in January 2015 pertaining to filing taxes for 2014 from the Pokagon Band Finance Department.

Please make sure and know your status before you file your income taxes.

Avoid a health care tax penalty: tribal citizens are not automatically exempt.

The Affordable Care Act includes a tax penalty to all those who do not have health insurance. However, Native Americans can apply for the Indian Status

Exemption. If you don't fill out the form to prove that you are native, you could face a penalty of up to \$695 per adult and \$347 per child each year when filing your taxes.

- You are exempt for life when you file this form.
- Elders who have Medicare A or Veterans benefits do not have to fill out the Indian Exemption form. Elders who are under 65-years-old and uninsured should file this form.
- You can still buy insurance on the Health Insurance Marketplace if you file this form.

Pokagon Health Services can help you file for the Indian Status Exemption. You can pick up the Indian Status Exempt form at Pokagon Health Services. Staff will make a copy of your tribal ID card and mail it, and your completed form, for you. If you have any questions or need help filling out the form, please contact Pokagon Health Services at (269) 782-4141.



www.pokagonband-nsn.gov/government/departments/finance/michigan-tax-agreement-benefits

Oshke-Kno-Kewéwen Traditional Pow Wow Held May 23–24

Honoring the Community Eagle Staff

Preparation has begun for the 2015 Oshke-Kno-Kewéwen Traditional Pow Wow, to be held the Saturday and Sunday of Memorial Day Weekend, May 23 and 24 at the Rodgers Lake pow wow grounds. The Pow Wow is named in recognition of the Pokagon Band community eagle staff carried by the Pokagon Band veterans, and the Pow Wow includes activities to honor all the veterans of the Pokagon Band community, as well as traditional dancing, singing, and crafts.

Volunteers needed for Oshke-Kno-Kewéwen Committee

The Oshke-Kno-Pow Wow Committee is open for new members and volunteers for the on-going planning and organizing of the event. The Committee intends to designate its official Members and Alternates at its February 9 meeting. If you are interested in becoming an official Committee member, or just want to volunteer and participate, feel free to attend this meeting. For more information, contact Kevin Daugherty at (269) 591-1230 or Marchell Wesaw at (269) 462-5303.

The Committee meets the second Monday of every month, with a potluck at 5:30 p.m. and start of business at 6:00 p.m. Meetings are at the Administration Building, unless otherwise posted. As the Pow Wow nears, the Committee may meet more often. Committee members are also expected to be available to the weekend of the Pow Wow.

Oshke-Kno-Kewéwen Logo Design Contest

The Oshke-Kno-Kewéwen Pow Wow Committee is now seeking submissions for the 2015 logo to be used for t-shirt designs, the flyer, and the program for the upcoming Pow Wow. The proposed logo should focus on the focus of the Pow Wow: the community eagle staff. There are two age categories for this contest:

1. Pokagon Band youth 12 years of age and younger (Hand-drawn preferred; and
2. Pokagon Band citizens of any age.

The artists who create the winning designs for the Pow Wow will each be awarded a sweatshirt and a \$25.00 gift card from the Committee. Please note: while the Committee wants to support the community's artists, the Committee reserves the

right to accept, deny, or alter any or all of the designs submitted, and all decisions of the Committee are final.

Please send images to Marchell Wesaw by March 31, 2015 at 5 p.m. by any of the following means:

- Deliver in person at the Administration Building at 58620 Sink Rd, Dowagiac, MI 49047
- By mail or delivery service to the same address
- By e-mail at Marchell.Wesaw@pokagonband-nsn.gov.

The Committee looks forward to many great designs!

Medicare Part B Information for Elders

If you wish to be reimbursed for Medicare Part B, please send Beth Warner, Elders Specialist, a copy of your Social Security Statement. Statements can be mailed to:

Elders Program
PO Box 180
Dowagiac MI 49047

Or they can be faxed to (269) 782-1696. If you have any further questions, feel free to contact Beth Warner at (269) 782-0765.

Free Legal Aid For Pokagon Band Citizens Starting November 4, 2014

Do you need advice or assistance with a legal issue? The Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians arranged for Michigan Indian Legal Services (MILS) to provide legal services to Pokagon Band citizens (and in some instances, spouses of Pokagon Band citizens) regarding certain types of legal issues, such as:

- Criminal Matters in Pokagon Band Tribal Court (if you are indigent).
- Power of Attorney (Medical and/or Financial)
- Simple Wills
- Guardianship and Conservatorships
- Real Estate Matters
- Landlord Tenant Matters
- General legal advice regarding Michigan law
- General legal advice on Pokagon Band law

Except for criminal matters in Pokagon Band Tribal Court, there are no asset or income restrictions applicable to Pokagon Band citizens receiving free legal services from MILS. Not all legal services provided include representation in court, in some instances the available legal services are limited to document review, document preparation, and/or providing legal advice. The attorney from MILS is licensed to practice law in the State of Michigan only and therefore, the advice and legal services provided will be limited to Michigan law and Pokagon Band law.

An attorney from MILS will be at the Pokagon Band Community Center, located at 27043 Potawatomi Trail in Dowagiac, Michigan, two days per week to provide legal services. The schedule may vary, so please call MILS to determine availability.

WHEN MEETING WITH THE ATTORNEY, PLEASE MAKE SURE TO BRING ALL THE PAPERWORK RELATED TO YOUR LEGAL ISSUE.

If you have any questions or would like more information, please call MILS at 1 (800) 968-6877.



Pokagon Band of Potawatomi
Department of Language & Culture

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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Notice of Open Position | Domestic Violence Outreach Events Coordinator

The Pokagon Band Domestic Violence Awareness Program, coordinated through the Department of Social Services, is looking for a part-time female contractor to coordinate outreach activities for its federal Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) grant. This is a grant-funded contract position scheduled to end September 30, 2015. It is for an average of sixteen (16) hours a week and compensation will be based on experience and grant requirements.

The Domestic Violence Outreach Events Coordinator (“DVOE Coordinator”) will work closely with the Domestic Violence Awareness Team and the Department of Social Services to design and conduct small and large community events (“Events”) focused on raising domestic violence awareness and prevention. The DVOE Coordinator will work with the Domestic Violence Case Manager to ensure proper domestic violence awareness content for the Events.

Essential functions of this contracted position include, but are not limited to:

- Coordinate Events that promote a community free of violence, with a specific focus on domestic violence
- Support and participate in the Events, which will be in both indoor and outdoors.
- Encourage tribal community involvement in the Events.
- Collaborate with other departments to provide diverse programming.
- Prepare and submit requested reports for the OVW grant.
- Assist with preparing budgets and progress reports.
- Assist with recruiting, training and supervising volunteers to work Events. Ensure Events are properly staffed.

Position Requirements of this contracted position include:

- High School Diploma/GED
- Four (4) years of event coordinating experience; event coordinating experience within the Pokagon Band community preferred
- Ability to work evenings and occasional weekends
- Ability to prioritize and manage multiple projects
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills
- Experience working with Native American communities
- High proficiency with MS Office Applications
- Ability to lift up to 30 pounds.
- Satisfactory criminal background check

The Pokagon Band Preference Code applies to the selection of the Coordinator. The selected person will need to sign a contract outlining terms and conditions of the position before compensation will begin.

If interested in this position, please e-mail your cover letter and resumé to Mark Pompey at mark.pompey@pokagonband-nsn.gov.



Your love shelters our children. Pokagon Band families foster.

Neshnabe teachings say that caring for the children is everyone’s responsibility. Traditionally, extended family and clan family members would take responsibility for their children if parents couldn’t.

Today many Pokagon children need your help. Becoming a tribal foster parent isn’t difficult. Besides getting a background check and a license, all you need is patience, caring and commitment. Licensing classes are free; many counties reimburse for child care while you take classes.

“I would suggest anybody give it a try, the process is nothing like what you might imagine,” says one foster parent. “The need was greater than what you’d expect.”

For this parent, one of the best parts of fostering has been seeing how happy the children are. “It opens your eyes and helps you become more involved in your own culture, and how important it is for the whole community to be a family.”

To learn more about fostering Pokagon children, please contact the Department of Social Services at (269) 462-4216.

The Court has approved the publication of this *Notice* because there is no valid address.

POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS
 TRIBAL COURT
 NOTICE BY PUBLICATION
 CASE NO. 14-3026-PCDCS
 58620 Sink Rd., P.O. Box 355, Dowagiac, MI 49047
 Phone (269) 783-0505 Fax (269) 783-0519

NOTICE OF

- (1) **ORDER TO STAY DISTRIBUTIONS OF PER CAPITA PAYMENTS; AND**
 (2) **PETITION/AFFIDAVIT TO WITHHOLD PER CAPITA PAYMENTS FOR DELINQUENT CHILD SUPPORT**

To: Austin Scott Antisdell
 Respondent's Name

1. Notice is hereby given that a *Petition/Affidavit to Withhold Per Capita Payments for Delinquent Child Support* was filed with the Tribal Court on November 24, 2014.
2. Tribal law **mandates** that all, or an appropriate portion of per capita payments due to an enrolled member of the Pokagon Band who is eligible for the per capita distributions, shall be directed so as to satisfy delinquent court ordered child support. **See** Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians *Gaming Revenue Allocation Plan*.
3. Obligations for child support are presumed to be valid unless shown otherwise. **See** 28 USC § 1738B, *Full Faith and Credit for Child Support Orders Act*.
4. An *Order to Stay Distributions of Per Capita Payments* has been entered by the Court against your payments and may not be lifted until further order of this Court. The *Order to Stay Distributions of Per Capita Payments* has been served on the Revenue Allocation Plan Administrator who is responsible for distributions of per capita payments.
5. **An Order to Withhold and Redirect Per Capita Payments for Delinquent Child Support shall be entered by this Court within fourteen (14) days of the date of publication of this Notice unless you file an objection to the:**
 - a. **RECOGNITION of the foreign court order based on the grounds listed in Paragraph 6; or**
 - b. **ENFORCEMENT of the foreign court order based on the grounds listed in Paragraph 7.**
6. You may file (a) written objection(s) to the **recognition** of the foreign court orders with the Court. Objections must be filed within the fourteen (14) day objection period and **MUST** demonstrate that the:
 - a. foreign court lacked personal or subject matter jurisdiction; or
 - b. foreign order was obtained by fraud, duress or coercion.
7. Unless you file an objection to the **enforcement** of the foreign court orders, an *Order to Withhold and Redirect Per Capita Payments for Delinquent Child Support* will apply **ALL** of your per capita payments to satisfy the **delinquent** court-ordered child support in each case until such time as the **delinquent** child support obligations are satisfied, or until further order of this Court. Objections must be filed within the fourteen (14) day objection period and **MUST** demonstrate that:
 - a. you do not owe a DELINQUENT child support obligation; or
 - b. redirection of all of your per capita payments would create an EXTRAORDINARY UNDUE HARDSHIP to your health or general welfare.
8. If you file a written objection based on any of the grounds listed above, a hearing will be scheduled. At the hearing, you will be required to establish grounds why the *Order to Withhold and Redirect Per Capita Payments for Delinquent Child Support* should not be granted by this Court.

The Court has approved the publication of this *Notice* because there is no valid address.

POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS
 TRIBAL COURT
 NOTICE BY PUBLICATION
 CASE NO. 14-3009-PCDCS
 58620 Sink Rd., P.O. Box 355, Dowagiac, MI 49047
 Phone (269) 783-0505 Fax (269) 783-0519

NOTICE OF

Motion to Update Delinquent Child Support Obligation

To: Michael Anthony Sisk
 Respondent's Name

1. Notice is hereby given that a *Motion to Update Delinquent Child Support Obligation* was filed with the Tribal Court on January 12, 2015 in the matter referenced above.
2. Tribal law mandates that all, or an appropriate portion of per capita payments due to an enrolled member of the Pokagon Band who is eligible for the per capita distributions, shall be directed so as to satisfy delinquent court ordered child support. **See** Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians *Gaming Revenue Allocation Plan*.
3. Obligations for child support are presumed to be valid unless shown otherwise. **See** 28 USC § 1738B, *Full Faith and Credit for Child Support Orders Act*.
4. The current *Order to Stay Distributions of Per Capita Payments for Delinquent Child Support* remains in full force and effect.
5. An *Order Updating Delinquent Child Support Obligation* will be entered by this Court within fourteen (14) days of the date of service of this *Notice* unless you file an objection to the recognition of the foreign court order based on the grounds listed below.
6. You may file (a) written objection(s) to the recognition of the *Order Updating Delinquent Child Support Obligation* with the Court. Objections must be filed within the fourteen (14) day objection period and **MUST** demonstrate that:
 - a. the foreign court lacked personal or subject matter jurisdiction; or
 - b. the foreign order was obtained by fraud, duress or coercion.
7. If you file a written objection based on any of the grounds listed above, a hearing will be scheduled. At the hearing, you will be required to establish grounds why the *Order Updating Delinquent Child Support Obligation* should not be granted by this Court.

Elders Lunch Menu | Mko gises February

monday

2 **language**

Breakfast
Lunch

9 **language**

Buffalo Meatloaf
Mashed Potatoes and Gravy
Corn
Garden Salad
Dessert

tuesday

3

Fish Fillet
Spanish Rice
Carrots
Garden Salad
Roll
Dessert

10

BBQ Pork Chops
Baked Potato
Mixed Vegetables
Cottage Cheese and Pine-
apple
Roll and Dessert

wednesday

4

Potato Soup
Egg Salad Sandwich
Veggie and Relish Tray
Strawberry Pie

11

Boiled Dinner W/ Beans,
sausage,
Cabbage, onion, corn, and
Potatoes
Garden Salad
Cornbread and Dessert

thursday

5 **business meeting**

Chicken
Mashed Potatoes and Gravy
Green Beans
Coleslaw
Roll
Birthday Cake

12

Salisbury Steak
Mashed Potatoes
Brussels Sprouts
Garden Salad
Roll
Dessert

friday

6

Stuffed Peppers
Au Gratin Potatoes
Broccoli and Cauliflower
Garden Salad
Dessert

13

Italian Rustic Cod
Baked Sweet Potato
Corn
Coleslaw
Roll
Dessert

16 **language**

Beef Pot Pie
Veggie Tray
Fresh Fruit
Crescent Roll
Dessert

18

Buffalo Meatballs in
Spaghetti
Peas
Cucumber Salad
Garlic Bread
Dessert

19 **business meeting**

Sliced Turkey W/ Gravy
Mashed Potatoes
Corn on the Cob
Tomato Salad
Pumpkin Pie
Roll and Dessert

20

Sloppy Joes
Macaroni Salad
Veggie and Relish Tray
Oatmeal Cookie

23 **language**

BBQ Chicken
Potato Salad
Baked Beans
Garden Salad
Roll
Dessert

25

Pork Chops
Red Potatoes
Asparagus
Jell-O W/ fruit
Roll

26

Buffalo Burger on a Bun
Sweet Potato Fries
Relish and Veggie Tray
Dessert

27

Ham and Scalloped Potatoes
Spinach
Broccoli and Cauliflower
Salad
Cornbread
Dessert

february



Photo by LadyDragonfly

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	
202	Jeffrey Morseau					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	
5234	Stacy Lee Watson						x	
5629	Eric Anthony Meier						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 January 15 in order to make it on the February 2015 check run. Anything received after January 15 will be processed on the check run for March 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
Friday, December 5, 2014	Thursday, December 18, 2014	Friday, December 19, 2014
Thursday, January 15, 2015	Thursday, January 29, 2015	Friday, January 31, 2015
Friday, February 13, 2015	Thursday, February 26, 2015	Friday, February 28, 2015
Friday, March 13, 2015	Monday, March 30, 2015	Friday, March 28, 2015
Wednesday, April 15, 2015	Wednesday, April 29, 2015	Thursday, April 30, 2015
Friday, May 15, 2015	Thursday, May 28, 2015	Friday, May 30, 2015
Monday, June 15, 2015	Monday, June 29, 2015	Tuesday, June 27, 2015
Wednesday, July 15, 2015	Thursday, July 30, 2015	Friday, July 31, 2015
Friday, August 14, 2015	Thursday, August 27, 2015	Friday, August 29, 2015
Tuesday, September 15, 2015	Tuesday, September 29, 2015	Wednesday, September 30, 2015
Thursday, October 15, 2015	Thursday, October 29, 2015	Friday, October 31, 2015
Monday, November 2, 2015*	Tuesday, November 24, 2015	Wed, November 26, 2015

* Please note that the deadline to receive changes for December 2014 is December 5. In 2015, the November deadline for changes is November 2. 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 February Calendar of Events

- 2 Tribal Council Special Session, Administration, 10 a.m.
- 3 Gaming Authority Closed, Four Winds New Buffalo, 10 a.m.
- 9 Tribal Council Special Session, Administration, 10 a.m.
- 10 Gaming Authority Closed, Four Winds New Buffalo, 10 a.m.
- 14 Tribal Council Meeting, Community Center, 10 a.m.
- 16 Tribal Council Special Session, Administration, 10 a.m.
- 17 Gaming Authority Closed, Four Winds Hartford, 10 a.m.
- 23 Tribal Council Special Session, Administration, 10 a.m.
- 24 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 March Calendar of Events

- 2 Tribal Council Special Session, Administration, 10 a.m.
- 3 Gaming Authority Closed, Four Winds New Buffalo, 10 a.m.
- 9 Tribal Council Special Session, Administration, 10 a.m.
- 10 Gaming Authority Closed, Four Winds New Buffalo, 10 a.m.
- 14 Tribal Council Meeting, Community Center, 10 a.m.
- 16 Tribal Council Special Session, Administration, 10 a.m.
- 17 Gaming Authority Closed, Four Winds Hartford, 10 a.m.
- 23 Tribal Council Special Session, Administration, 10 a.m.
- 24 Gaming Authority Closed, Four Winds New Buffalo, 10 a.m.
- 28 Annual Membership Meeting, 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.



One Story is a grassroots, community-based program designed to build awareness of contemporary issues. One Story partners currently include The Pokagon Band of Potawatomi, Dowagiac Area History Museum, Dowagiac District Library, Dogwood Fine Arts Festival, Dowagiac Union Schools, and Southwestern Michigan College.

This year's book selection is *The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian* by Sherman Alexie. Alexie is a Spokane/Coeur d'Alene Indian who grew up in Wellpinit, Washington on the Spokane Indian Reservation. The novel is based on Alexie's own experiences and utilizes words and pictures to tell the story of a young Indian boy who leaves his school on the reservation to attend an all-white school. The 2015 One Story events are based on various themes explored in Alexie's semi-autobiographical book.

onestoryread.com

SMC Movie Showing *Smoke Signals*

January 29 | Doors Open at 6:00 pm, Movie Begins at 6:30 pm | SMC Student Activity Center Theater
SMC will host a free showing of Sherman Alexie's movie, *Smoke Signals*, which is based on his book, *The Lone Ranger and Tonto Fistfight in Heaven*. Free refreshments will be served.

POKAGON BAND "Walking in Two Worlds" Art Workshop

February 12 | 5:30 pm | Pokagon Band Community Center
The Pokagon Band will host a presentation and art workshop. Participants will learn about artist, Louie Gong's, message about the importance of expressing one's identity. They will then use "MockUps" to custom design their own pair of Vans shoes. Refreshments and art materials will be provided.

DOWAGIAC AREA HISTORY MUSEUM + DOWAGIAC DISTRICT LIBRARY Book Discussion

February 18 | 6:30 pm | Dowagiac Area History Museum
The Dowagiac Area History Museum will host a book talk about *The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-time Indian*. The discussion will be facilitated by Steve Arseneau, director of the museum, and Kristie Bussler, Pokagon Band educational resource specialist.

SMC Rising Voices Art Exhibit Opening Reception

March 11 | 12:30 pm | SMC Lyon's Building Art Gallery
Southwestern Michigan College will host the opening reception and gallery show of *Rising Voices*. The show celebrates the connection between the visual arts and the written word.

DOWAGIAC AREA HISTORY MUSEUM Black Ash Basket Workshop

TBA | TBA | Dowagiac Area History Museum
The Museum, in conjunction with Pokagon Band Citizens, will hold a basket-making workshop. There is a \$10 pre-registration fee to make a basket. Observation of the workshop is free.

POKAGON BAND + DOWAGIAC MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOLS Relentless Tour Anti-Bullying Awareness with Anthony Ianni

TBA | TBA | Dowagiac Middle School Auditorium and Dowagiac High School Gymnasium
Anthony Ianni, former Michigan State University basketball player, will share his personal story of having autism and being bullied to Dowagiac middle and high school students during two school-wide assemblies. He will be available for meet and greet immediately following.

DOWAGIAC AREA HISTORY MUSEUM To Honor and Comfort: Native Quilting Traditions

May 21 | 1:00 pm | Dowagiac Area History Museum
The museum will host Dr. Marsha MacDowell and Dr. Kurt Dewhurst from Michigan State University who will present "To Honor and Comfort: Native Quilting Traditions," a collaborative project between the National Museum of the American Indian and Michigan State University Museum.

DOWAGIAC FINE ARTS COMMITTEE From Stereotype to Superhero: The History of Native Americans in Comic Books

May 21 | 6:30 pm | Dowagiac Area History Museum
Who gets to be a superhero? Does it matter? Scott Topping, comic book enthusiast, will guide the audience through an exploration of Native Americans in comic books and graphic novels, focusing on the shift from commercial, non-Native storytelling to personal Native storytellers.

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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.

Mkos gises February Citizen Announcements



Happy Birthday to my beautiful daughter **Kayla Gillan**. 11 years old on February 19. I am so proud of you! I love you!



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.

The Department of Language & Culture would also like to invest in your commitment by reimbursing the first 5 people who complete their full regalia will be eligible for reimbursement up to \$500.

January
Sunday, January 25

February
Sunday, February 1
Sunday, February 15

March
Sunday, March 8
Sunday, March 22

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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Let's Play Hoops

Stay tuned for more details on a **March 3-on-3 Tournament**, a **spring basketball league** for youth 12-18, and the **Native American Basketball Invitational** in July.

Contact Dan Stohrer for more information at (269) 462-4225 or daniel.stohrer@pokagonband-nsn.gov.

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Pokagon Band of Potawatomi
Pokagon Health Services

Wild Game Dinner

March 13 | 6-8 pm
Community Center

Pokagon Health Service invites fathers and their families to join them for a wild game dinner and an evening of crafting, a presentation and other fun activities.

Please RSVP by February 20 to Elizabeth Leffler at (269) 462-4406 or elizabeth.leffler@pokagonband-nsn.gov.

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