



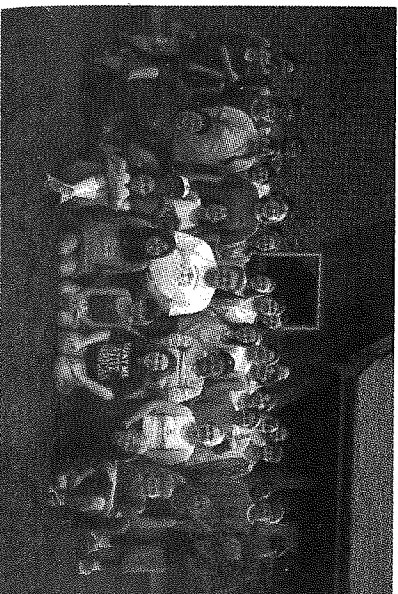
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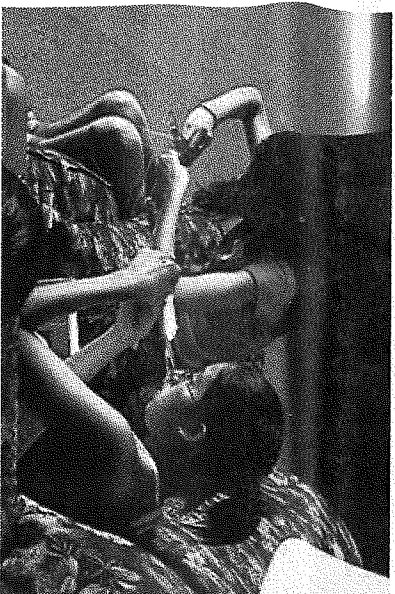
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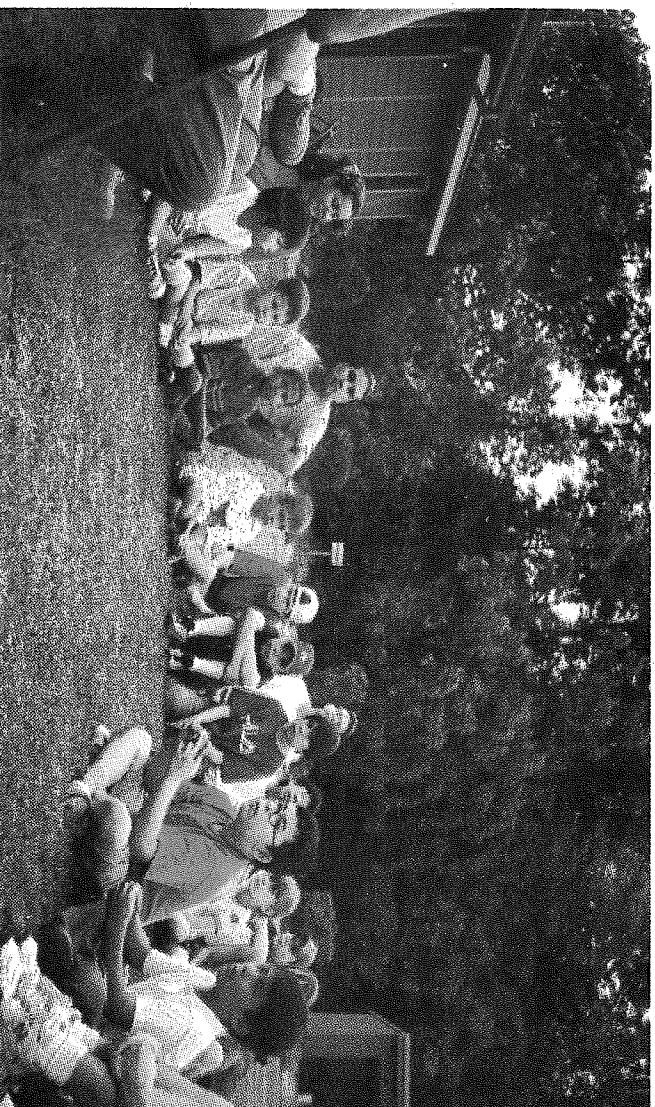
Summer Camp 2001

From June 10 to the 15, you might have noticed the Education office to be a little desolate. That was because we were busily occupied camping with about 80 children throughout that week. It was our Summer Youth Camp 2001 at Camp Friedenswald keeping us so busy. Our first session was quite an experience. The youngsters started flooding in at six in the afternoon and within an hour there were about 50 children, all ranging from the second grade to fifth grade. Our second session went from Tuesday to Friday with about 30 kids, ranging from sixth grade and up.



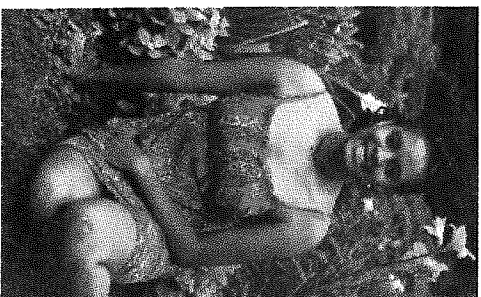
The children learned different words of our language through the teachings of Walter Cooper and Norman Kiker. They were entertained by stories from Eugene Brown. They learned about beading from Linda Yázel. And were shown how to make baskets by Jenny Brown and her family. The children were captivated by the art of hoop dancing taught by Dallas Chief Eagle and his two daughters, Jasmine and Starr. And aside from the numerous camp fires and swim times we also found the time to play a little lacrosse with Kevin Daugherty.

In the end, the entire week was an incredible experience. We would like to thank the staff at Camp Friedenswald for making us feel so welcome. And we would also like to thank all of the camp counselors for the long hours they put in to make Summer Youth Camp a great success. We'll remember all of the good times we had with the youth, and we look forward to making it an even better experience next year!



Sorry Sara!

The Pokagon Band is proud of
2001 Graduate Sara Barnes

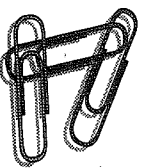


Sara graduated from Great Lakes Adventist
Academy and plans to attend Grand Valley
State University to major in Psychology.



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HUMAN RESOURCES



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY "POKAGON BAND TEMPORARY STAFFING SERVICES"

The Human Resources Department is employing Pokagon Tribal Members on a temporary "as needed" basis. This includes the South Bend office.

Any Tribal Member meeting minimum requirements of the desired position may apply for the "temporary pool" of employment.

Membership completing application, participating in general interview, meeting needs of required background checks and references will be asked to participate in the "temporary pool". Rate of pay will be determined by the position being filled and meeting minimum requirements of that position.

Temporary Employees will be subject to applicable rules of the Pokagon Band Employee Handbook.

This is an excellent opportunity for our Membership to occasionally supplement their income, gain experience while aiding us to continue smooth delivery of our services.

Interested Tribal Members send cover letter stating interest as "**Temporary Employee**". Or call to set up a time to bring in your resume and complete an application. 1-800-517-0777. A general interview will be with the Human Resources Coordinator.

SEND RESUMES TO:

Pokagon Band Temporary Staffing Services

Attn: HRD

P. O. Box 180

Dowagiac, Michigan 49047

OR EMAIL TO: JOBS@POKAGON.COM

ENROLLMENT

ATTENTION

Keep your records updated:

**Tribal Enrollment Ordinance 2 P.B.T.C. Section 9 (C)
(i)(b)**

Address Changes – Notarized statements signed by tribal member or his/her duly authorized guardian, agent or representative. It is the duty of the member to provide a current mailing address to the Band's Enrollment Office. All correspondence from the Band will be mailed to the last address the member supplied to the Enrollment Office.

If you would like an Address Form from the Enrollment Office please call 1-888-782-1001 or 616-782-1763.



Send your August newsletter items to:

POKAGON BAND
NEWSLETTER
901 SPRUCE STREET
P.O. BOX 180
DOWAGIAC, MI 49047

"The Pokagon's Tell It"

Writer's Guidelines for Your Views (editorials)

What to do:

After you write a letter, make sure your full name and mailing address is on it. "Your Views" does not publish anonymous or "name withheld" letters. We also don't publish letters that carry only a set of initials for the author. Your address is needed for verification, but it will not be published. Nor will we disclose your address to anyone who might ask for it.

Where to send letters:

"Your Views"

C/O Pokagon Band of Potawatomi

P.O. Box 180

Dowagiac, Michigan 49047

Or email: gwesaw@pokagon.com

Verification: All letters must carry the author's full name and mailing address, in addition to your e-mail address if available. We acknowledge every letter with a postcard mailed the same day your letter arrives. Letters without a return address are automatically excluded.

Identification: Authors willing to have their full name published are given preference over writers who ask that only their first initial and last name used.

Sloppiness: E-mail is convenient and quick, but unfortunately many e-mail writers ignore basic rules of writing when sending a letter. Please use the same care you would if the letter were being prepared for standard mail. Follow common punctuation, grammar and spelling rules. Writers who ignore these rules decrease their chances of being published.

Originality: Letters written to a third party, such as the governor or a congressman, and copied to Pokegnek Yajdanawa are not original. We prefer not to publish these "open" letters to officials.

What we look for:

Brevity: Cover the topic in the fewest possible words

Focus: Your letter should make a point, and you should get to that point quickly.

Style: Avoid adjectives such as "really" or "extremely". Avoid phrases such as "in my opinion" or "as I see it". Readers know that opinions are being presented; these phrases are unnecessary.

Fairness: Avoid personal attacks and disparagement of a group of people based on the actions of a member of that group. Argue your points on the merits, not on emotions.

Edit Yourself: After writing the letter, read it aloud. Put yourself in the place of the reader. Is your point clear? Is there a faster, better way to say what you're trying to say?

Readability: Readers are attracted to short sentences. Keep to one idea per sentence. Avoid using more than three numbers in a sentence.

Why do we edit letters?

All letters to Your Views are accepted with the condition that we reserve the right to edit. We make every attempt to preserve the writer's essential meaning. Editing is done throughout the newspaper, whether the writer is a paid professional or letter writer. The main reason for editing is that it allows us to accept more letters to the editor. An editor's job is to determine which part of piece of writing is most essential to make a point. We also correct errors of grammar and spelling and delete inflammatory material. The most likely candidate for extensive editing is a letter that is twice the length it needs to be to make a point, or one that tries to make too many points.

How can I tell if you're going to publish my letter so I can send it to someone else?

Please have your letter in by the 14th of the month to assure it will be in the following month's newsletter. Call 1-800-517-0777 or e-mail: gwesaw@pokagon.com. If it's not published within that range, chances are it was not accepted for one of several reasons. Unfortunately, we cannot respond to every letter we don't accept with a reason for its rejection.



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EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Six Days

By Roger Rader

The past few nights, I found myself shutting my eyes and envisioning a sea of children hooting and hollering as they ran after Jimmy, one of the counselors, in a fierce game of tag. The dancers and drummers had finished performing. The night was filling the sky, and the only thing heard in such a serene environment were the echoes of about 50 children screaming "Get Jimmy!" at the tops of their lungs. It was one of the most precious experiences in my life.

I've been in the Education Department for a few months now. I must say that I learn something new almost everyday. But the feelings and emotions that ran through me at the end of youth camp were unreal. Just looking back and reflecting on that week brings a smile back to my face. The feeling I had inside makes me wish I were there right now.

At the beginning of camp, I was willing to help out as much as I could. I was worried about how much work I was going to be putting in and how stressful the next six days would be. By the end of camp, I had realized how much I had needed that. For six days, I had the future of our people staring right back at me. For six days, all the bickering at work, all the stress of paying bills; and all the troubles of running the rat race didn't mean a thing. For six days, I was a big kid.

I look back at how those youngsters didn't seem to have a care in the world. Their bright eyes just opened up a little more when they noticed something unique. The children

were so fascinated by something as normal as a turtle in the dirt, to Jasmine's awesome display of hoop dancing. They were always open to share what they'd seen with anyone close enough to listen. The freedom they seemed to have to be so young and unbound by the real world made me realize the true treasure of youth.

Somewhere down the road we grow up and decide to rid ourselves of that innocence. Which is fine. We all have to grow up someday. When we decide to forget about that innocence is when we start losing touch. We stress so much when the world gets us down. Maybe, you'll see how meaningless those troubles actually are. Maybe we're just so busy at puffing out our chests and trying to walk the walk; we've forgotten that even the biggest man was a baby at one time. Try looking through a child's eyes. You'll be amazed at what you see.



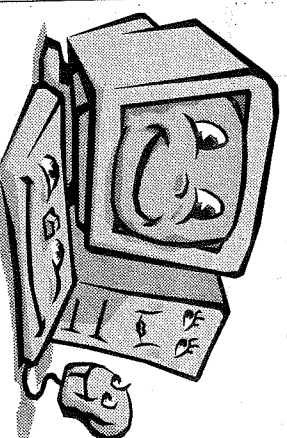
SUMMER TUTORING AVAILABLE

Students interested in receiving summer tutoring should contact the Education Department at 1-888-330-1234.

Computer labs and classes

Kid's Labs

3-5 P.M. Tuesdays
3-5 P.M. Thursdays



- Computer Crafts/Desktop Publishing
- Supervised Internet Access
- Entertaining Games
- Onsite Computer instruction
- Educational Software
- Typing Tutor Software

Kid's labs will take place at the Pokagon Education Department, across the parking lot from the Burger King drive through in Dowagiac, MI.

Adult Computer Classes

- Basic computer use.
- Accessing the Internet.
- Job related software programs.
- As well as classes to help start a career in the computer field.

Request your own classes on the computer subject you need.

Adult Computer Classes are requested through Pokagon Band's Education Department. Please call 3 days in advance to reserve your class time.

**Pokagon Band
Education Department**
Tel: 782-0887
Or 1-888-330-1234
901 Spruce Street
P.O. Box 180
Dowagiac, MI 49047

8th Annual Potawatomi Traditional Gathering and Pow Wow

The Wasauksing First Nation will hold the 8th Annual Potawatomi Traditional Gathering and Pow Wow on August 2-5, 2001 at Parry Island, Parry Sound, Ontario, Canada. A forty-seven (47) seat passenger bus is available to transport tribal members to and from the Gathering. Please call Tammy Wesaw to reserve your seat at 616/782-8998 or 800/517-0777. A proposed schedule of events is listed below. This promises to be a great event! I hope to see you there.

Day 1 – Thursday – August 2

5 a.m. Lighting of Sacred Fire
5:45 a.m. Sunrise Ceremony
7-8:30 a.m. Breakfast
9 a.m. Eagle Staff
Welcoming
Introductions
Open Forum
12 noon Lunch
Medicine Lodge
Tribal Business (1 of 2)
Social/Community Interaction
Open Forum
Artists, Artwork Display, & Sale
Charcoal Portrait Sketching
Music, Singing, & Performers
Traditional Games
Drumming and Dancing
5-7 p.m. Traditional Feast
Visitation/Community Interaction
9 p.m. Sweat Lodges

Day 3 – Saturday – August 4

5:45 a.m. Sunrise Ceremony
7-8:30 a.m. Breakfast
Visitation/Community Interaction
Youth Activities (TBA)
Tribal Business (2 of 2)
Open Forum
Turtle Rock & Snake Rock Visit
11:30-1 p.m. Lunch
Honor Guard
1:30 p.m. Pow Wow Grand Entry
4-5 p.m. Miss Potawatomi Princess
5-7 p.m. Traditional Feast
Grand Entry Pow Wow
Honor Guard
Retire Flags
Women's Full Moon Ceremony
(Moonrise at 9:29 p.m.)

Day 2 – Friday – August 3, 2001

5:45 a.m. Sunrise Ceremony
7-8:30 a.m. Breakfast
9-12 noon Traditional Teachings *(16)
Youth Activities (TBA)
12-1:30 p.m. Lunch
1:30-4:30 p.m. Traditional Teachings *(16)
5-7 p.m. Supper
7:30-9 p.m. Drumming and Dancing
8-10 p.m. Boat Cruise (max. 500) (moonrise at 8:56 p.m.)
9 p.m. Sweat Lodges

Day 4 – Sunday – August 5

5:45 a.m. Sunrise Ceremony
7-8:30 a.m. Breakfast
9-10 a.m. Christian Offerings
Tribal Giveaways
12-1 p.m. Lunch
1-2 p.m. Closing Ceremonies, Eagle Staff, & Announcements

Note: *Two (2) sessions of eight (8) instructors per session

Thank You!

We are very proud that you participated in the
22nd Annual Homecoming of the

Three Fires Pow Wow.

Your time and talents are appreciated.

Kelly Wesaw, Pow Wow Chairperson

John Pigeon-Featured Artist, Black Ash Baskets

Gerald Wesaw-Featured Artist, Cedar Boxes

Carl Wesaw-Arena Director

Frank Barker-Potawatomi Head Male Dancer

Lucinda Graverette-Smith-Potawatomi Head Female Dancer

Donnie Underwood-Design for Pow Wow

It's sweet to debunk myths on diabetes

Eat, Drink & Be Healthy

By NANCY JOHNSON Tribune Staff Writer

Diabetes has to be one of the most misunderstood diseases around. There is no cure for Type 2 diabetes, but it can be managed through meal planning, weight control and exercise. Because it is a complicated disease and affects people differently, it's a rich area for old wives' tales. I asked two experts to debunk the top 10 common misconceptions on diabetes.

Myth: If you eat a lot of sugar, it will bring on diabetes.

Reality: This is one of the most common misconceptions, but people don't get diabetes from sugar, said Jeannette Jordan, a registered dietitian, diabetes educator and spokeswoman for the American Dietetic Association in Charleston, S.C. "Family history and excess weight play the biggest roles," she said. Certain ethnic groups, such as American Indians, African Americans and Hispanics are at higher risk to contract diabetes than Caucasians, she added.

Myth: Diabetics can't eat carbohydrates such as bread, pasta, potatoes and sugar.

Reality: Diabetics can and should eat carbohydrates, but they need to watch the total amount and distribute them through the day, said Nancy Appel, a registered dietitian who specializes in diabetes and public health nutritionist for the Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians in Dowagiac. In the last few years, the diet for diabetics has been greatly liberalized, and now diabetics can safely eat these foods as part of their meal plan, she added.

Myth: Diabetics can eat all they want of "sugar-free" foods.

Reality: Many so-called "sugar-free" packaged foods, such as cookies and cakes, are loaded with carbohydrates, which the body converts to sugar, Appel said. In fact, some of these products have more total carbohydrates than the nonsugar-free variety. These products often contain other sweeteners — mannitol, sorbitol, maltose, dextrose, sucrose or corn syrup — which have just as much carbohydrate as table sugar, she said. Appel teaches clients to check the total amount of carbohydrates — not sugar — on a product label.

Myth: A person can be borderline diabetic.

Reality: Diabetes is like being pregnant: You either are or not, Appel said. All diabetes is serious and needs to be treated through diet

and exercise immediately, she added.

Myth: Artificial sweeteners are bad for you.

Reality: The Food and Drug Administration has deemed all the artificial sweeteners as safe Jordan said. Diabetics are encouraged to use them to help cut down on sugar.

Myth: Salt, caffeine and fatty foods raise blood sugar.

Reality: None of these raise blood sugar Jordan said. Some diabetics are asked to reduce their sodium intake if they have high blood pressure, and if they eat too much of fatty foods, they'll gain weight, which can lead to diabetes, "but fried chicken and french fries do not raise blood sugar," she said.

Myth: Alcohol doesn't contain carbohydrates.

Reality: Alcohol contains 7 grams of carbohydrates per serving, which is one beer, 5 ounces of wine or 1.5 ounce of alcohol, Jordan said. If a diabetic is controlling his blood sugar, he can have up to two drinks per day in addition to his meal plan, but he should check with his doctor first and not drink on an empty stomach, she said.

Myth: If you feel fine, you can't have diabetes.

Reality: You can have diabetes even if you don't have any obvious symptoms, Appel said. "If you have a family history of diabetes, get a glucose test once a year, even if you feel fine," she advised.

Myth: Diabetes is contagious.

Reality: Absolutely not, said Jordan, who said a client once asked her if he could have caught it from his wife.

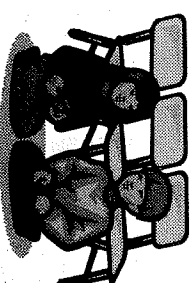
Myth: Diabetics must choose from a limited selection of foods.

Reality: False, said Jordan. "Diabetics come into my class asking about what they can and can't eat," she said. When, after learning about proper meal planning and moderation, "they are delighted to learn there is no food they can't have."



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INDIAN HEALTH SERVICES



Pokagon Health Services Youth Fun Fair

Saturday, August 18th, 2001

10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Place TBA

*Prizes, Games,
Food and all kinds
of neat stuff!
Fun for the whole
family*

Watch the mail for your flyer
Or phone the Health Office at
1-888-440-1234

Attention Parents: Your children
will be able to get their immuni-
zations and school physicals.
*if your child is getting immuni-
zations please bring their immu-
nization record with you.

ATTENTION
PARENTS!

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LEAD TESTING NOW
TO ALTERNATIVE
CHILDREN
IN POKAGON BAND
SERVICE AREA!!

PLEASE CALL
POKAGON HEALTH
SERVICE
FOR APPOINTMENT

616/382-4141

1-888-440-1234

MOTIVATION: Where does it come from?

Look at the many things you already do throughout the day, ask why you do them. Because they are important, you find the energy to do them. You can use that personal drive to do exercise.

Getting Started

1. List the things that take up your time and energy: Family, chores, or a job
2. List the reasons you do these things. There are no "have to's" Each item is a choice you have made. Why?
Pride, responsibilities, goals or fun

Draw a connection between your sources of motivation and having a healthy lifestyle.

Negative consequences can be motivators to get you started. For example, if you are at high risk for a heart attack or complications from diabetes, then you will want to set goals to exercise and watch your diet for prevention

Remember results are not immediate, yet the positive consequences that result from the changes in lifestyle will be long term, therefore the negative consequences will be avoided.

Long term unhealthy or bad habits are hard to break such as, a "couch potato" will find themselves back on the couch if the goal of a healthy heart or controlled diabetes fades.

Therefore, you must continually make a **conscious** effort to strive for a healthy lifestyle. Incorporating "permanent" changes over time will make healthy lifestyle habits.

TIP: A FUN activity will increase your motivation to continue the activity.

Excerpt obtained from Nutrio.com

Three steps to include
EXERCISE
into your own value system:

1. Write down your values, important people, guiding principles, opportunities and responsibilities in your life.
2. List the positive affects exercise has on your values, more energy or being more productive.
3. Consider the negative aspects. If the negative outweighs the positive you will lose your motivation.

Attention:

New Moms & Moms To Be



Keep your baby and yourself healthy while earning
Healthy Start Dollars

For More Information, Please Call
Jim Bussler, Maternal Child Health Nurse
782-4141 or 1-888-440-1234

Do you know your blood cholesterol/glucose or hemoglobin level?

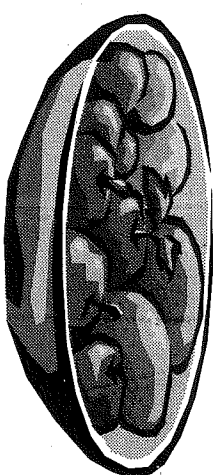
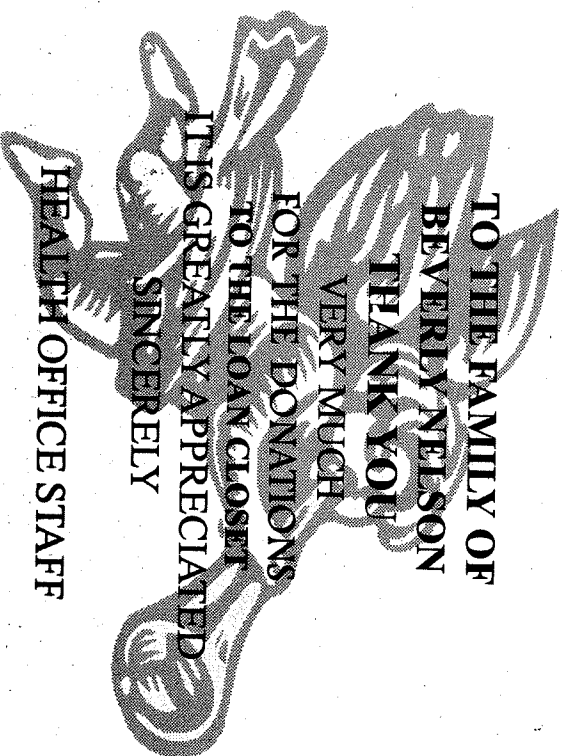
Are You Diabetic and want to know your hemoglobin A1C?

If not, we can measure these levels and more for you for **FREE**
in less than 15 minutes.

In 15 minutes and less, we can give you your current total cholesterol including HDL (good), LDL (bad), triglycerides, total cholesterol/HDL ratio, your glucose (blood sugar), your hemoglobin (detects anemia or low iron) and your hemoglobin A1C. Knowing these levels can help you understand and take control of your health.

We have special programs set up for people with a diabetes diagnosis and impaired glucose tolerance. We can supply a new glucometer to those who qualify. Our Health Staff is trained to work with you and your family towards your goal of health. Please call to set up an appointment. Call, 782-4141 or 1-888-440-1234, Ext. 24.

Rebecca Price, RN
Community Health Nurse/Diabetic Coordinator



Nancy Appel, R.D. Public Health Nutritionist

For individualized nutrition counseling call Nancy @ Health
Services: (616) 782-4141/ (888) 440-1234, ext.36

Offering Nutrition Services for Members:

- Diabetes Management
- Learn how to improve your blood sugars by using diabetic meal planning.
- Weight Management

Learn weight loss strategies, what your required caloric intake should be, and how exercise and other metabolism-boosting strategies can help.

- Diet Therapy for nutrition-related disease (eg: high cholesterol; heart disease; cancer; GI problems)
- Meal Planning for the entire family

We have ordered some great cookbooks with nutrient analysis to assist you!

- Infant/Child Nutrition
- Nutrition during pregnancy
- Head Start

Parents of Head Start children: Come join us for classes on various infant and child nutrition topics every other month.
*Dates and times to be announced.

Nutrition classes also being offered to Elders
4th Wednesday of each month
11:00 a.m. @ Elders Hall

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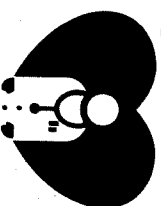
Exercising to help Manage Stress

Date: July 18th, 2001

Time: 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

Place: Elder's Hall

Speaker: John Aldred B.S., C.H.H.P.



A snack and drink will be provided. Plan to participate. Please call 1-888-440-1234 extension 26 if you are planning on attending the seminar. Thank you, we look forward to seeing you there.



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BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

NEWS! NEWS! NEWS! NEWS! NEWS! NEWS! NEWS! NEWS! NEWS! NEWS!

Youth Groups

Daisy has been facilitating our youth groups for approximately one month. It is not too late for your child/youth to join. The youth group is for anyone from the ages 8-10 and is held on Tuesdays after school. The adolescent group is for anyone from the ages 11-16 and is held on Wednesdays after school. Transportation may be available for your child. The focus of each group is to learn socialization skills, alcohol/other drug prevention and fun! Once a month cultural teachings will be offered by John Warren our cultural coordinator. Please call us if you are interested in sending any family members.

Driver's License Reinstatement

We are licensed by the state of Michigan to perform assessments for the reinstatement of your driver's license. We do not charge for this service and would be glad to be of assistance to those of you who have lost your license due to use of alcohol. You will need to bring proof of a sober lifestyle which could be inpatient or outpatient treatment, or AA meeting attendance. Please call to schedule an appointment.

Intensive Outpatient Program

Twice a week we offer our Intensive Outpatient Program. This program is designed for those who need more support than counseling, but do not necessarily need inpatient treatment for alcohol/other drug use. Our program meets the requirements of those who are court ordered to this type of program. We do not charge for this program but we do request an assessment that enables us to receive state funding. The program is thirteen weeks long and during this time we meet twice a week, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5:00-8:00 p.m. Transportation may be available. If you are interested please call us.

Assessment and Referral

If you need assistance with admission to New Day or Three Fires we can help! If you need assistance to other treatment programs we can still help you make the appointment with the local agencies to begin the process and may be able to assist with transportation to that appointment and/or to treatment. Please call if you are interested.

Counseling

Our staff can help you with outpatient counseling. We offer a full range of outpatient services for both substance abuse and mental health issues. We counsel individuals, couples and families. In addition to our regularly scheduled hours we also offer evening appointments. On Thursday mornings we are in the South Bend office for the convenience of those living in Indiana. If you want to make an appointment for the South Bend office, please call our office in Dowagiac to schedule in advance. At times we may be able to make a home visit. Please call us to schedule an appointment, or to just ask questions. We'll be glad to help. Our phone number is (616) 782-1142 or 1-877-622-2663.

**Mass at
Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Silver Creek MI**

For the Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians

July 29, 2001

11:30 a.m.

Everyone welcome

Rush Lake Cemetery Committee will be selling:

Fry bread & Indian taco's
Arts & Crafts

Any questions call Jeanie Mollett (616) 463-5355 or Tom Wesaw (616) 621-0371

Committee Involvement:

Tribal Members wishing to become more involved within the tribe are encouraged join a Committee. If you know of a Committee you would be interested in serving on please contact the Chairperson of that Committee at the following toll-free number for information.

<i>Constitution Committee</i> 888-376-9988	<i>Legislative Committee</i> 888-376-9988
<i>Education Committee</i> 888-330-1234	<i>Personnel Committee</i> 800-517-0777
<i>Election Committee</i> 800-517-0777	<i>Pow Wow Committee</i> 800-517-0777
<i>Enrollment Committee</i> 888-782-1001	<i>Strategic Action Plan Committee</i> 888-376-9988
<i>Health Board</i> 888-440-1234	<i>Substance Abuse Advisory Committee</i> 877-622-2663
<i>Housing Board of Commissioners</i> 877-983-0385	<i>Traditions/Repatriation Committee</i> 888-330-1234
<i>Land Committee</i> 888-376-9988	<i>Treaty Committee</i> 888-330-1234
<i>Language Committee</i> 888-330-1234	<i>Wage and Salary Commission</i> 800-517-0777



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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Radon Facts

Protect your Family

What is Radon? Radon is a natural occurring gas that comes from the down (decay) of Uranium in soil, rock, and water. Radon cannot be smelled, seen, or tasted therefore left undetectable by humans.

How's does Radon enter the home? Radon can enter the home through cracks or small openings in your foundation, walls, or floors.

What is the danger of living with Radon? Radon is a cancer-causing gas. Radon is estimated to cause as many as 14,000 cancer deaths a year. In fact, the Surgeon General has ruled radon is the second leading cause of Lung Cancer in the United States. Making the risks even higher for Smokers exposed to high levels of radon.

Who is at risk of being exposed to high levels of radon? Any homeowner along with their family members. High levels of radon have been found in homes through out every State.

How can you determine your risk to exposure? Volunteer to have your home tested. With the goal of helping our Band members protect their health, the Pokagon Band applied and received a grant from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to implement a screening program designed to measure the levels of radon with in member's homes. We will be serving those in the 10 county service area and adjacent counties.

How does the testing work? A Pokagon Band Radon Assistant will be coming to your home to set up a small packet and will return in 4 to 7 days to retrieve the device. We will then send it to a laboratory for analysis. The results of the test will be sent to you.

For further information regarding participation and sign-up contact April Shepard at (616) 782-8998

SAPC UPDATE

The SAPC continues to meet on the first and third Wednesdays of each month to discuss tribal planning. These are open meetings and all tribal citizens, their families, and tribal employees are welcome. The meetings are held at the PBHA office in Dowagiac and start at 6:00 p.m. MI time and

GARDENING UPDATE

Community Development Department wishes to thank all of our tribal citizens that returned the recent gardening survey. Due to circumstances beyond our control, planning for personal and community gardens took much longer than originally thought. Community gardens will not be established this season, but the Tribal Council has approved personal gardens for those still interested. The Band will provide untilled field space at the Dowagiac, Hartford, and North Liberty tribal lands. Please contact Thomas Morris at the South Bend office for further information. Again, thank you for your interest.



Bay Mills Indian Community
Brimley, Michigan 49715

Grand Traverse Band
of Ottawa & Chippewa Indians
Suttons Bay, Michigan 49682

Hannahville Indian Community
Wilson, Michigan 49896

Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe
Mt. Pleasant, Michigan 48858

Little Traverse Bay
Bands of Odawa Indians
Petoskey, Michigan 49770



Keweenaw Bay Indian Community
L'Anse, Michigan 49946

Lac Vieux Desert
Indian Community
Watersmeet, Michigan 49969

Sault St. Marie
Tribe of Chippewa Indians
Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan 49783

Little River Band
of Ottawa Indians
Manistee, Michigan 49660

Potawatomi Indian Nation
Dowagiac, Michigan 49047

PROJECT FRESH PROGRAM **ANNOUNCEMENT**

PROGRAM START DATE: JUNE 1, 2001

PROGRAM END DATE: OCTOBER 31, 2001

YOUR TRIBAL CONTACT PERSON IS: (Get Application Here)

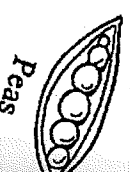
YVONNE BOEHM TELE: (800) 517-0777 / (616) 782-8998

1. **SENIOR PROJECT FRESH** is sponsored by USDA and the Inter-Tribal Council of MI, Inc.
2. **ELIGIBILITY.** Native American Tribal Elder; Age 55 or older.
3. **APPLICATIONS.** Get an application from the tribal worker listed above.
4. **COUPONS.** If eligible, you are sent \$100. - in Project FRESH Coupons. The coupons can be sent at any Participating Farmers Market in MI. The coupons are valid through October 31, 2001.
5. **INCOME GUIDELINES.**

HH SIZE	INCOME LIMIT (185% of Federal Poverty Guidelines)
1	15,448
2	20,813
3	26,178
4	31,543
5	36,908
6	42,273

6. **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION.** Contact the tribal worker, or Inter-Tribal Council of MI, 1-800-562-4957, Ext. 3038. (leave a message if worker is unavailable)

This is an Equal Opportunity Program. If you believe you have been discriminated against because of race, color, national origin, age, sex, or handicap, write immediately to Administrator, Food and Nutrition Service, 3101 Park Center Drive, Alexandria, VA 22302.



**POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS
TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING**

MARCH 22, 2001

Meeting Called to Order at: 7:04p.m. by John Miller, Tribal Chairman

Invocation Given by: John Miller

Roll Call: Ernie Daisy, Alice Overly, Marj Reno, Tom Wesaw, Jr., John Miller, Marie Manley, Faye Wesaw, Henry White, Trudy Loeding and Elder's Rep. - Rae Daugherty

Absent: John Warren (Rome marathon).

Minutes Taken by: Marie Manley, Tribal Council Secretary and Kelly Curran, Executive Secretary to Tribal Council.

Bowmaking Instructor - Marie Willis

RESOLUTION #1 made by Marie Manley and 2nd by Marj Reno
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council approves the proposed lodging expense for Jerry Cochran who will teach a bow making class at Elder's Hall on Saturday, April 7, 2001. Total cost for one night's stay in Niles, Michigan to be \$50.00. This expense will be paid by the Education Department.

John M.	Y	Henry W.	Y
Faye W.	Y	Marie M.	Y
Ernie D.	Y	Trudy L.	Y
John W.	Absent	Alice O.	Y
Tom W.	Y	Marj R.	Y

ALL IN FAVOR: 9, OPPOSED: 0, ABSENT: 1, ABSTAIN: 0. CARRIED.

Summer Youth Program - Marie Willis

RESOLUTION #2 made by Marie Manley and 2nd by Faye Wesaw
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council supports the funding of the Summer Youth Employment Program for six (6) Pokagon youth for seven (7) weeks of employment. Each student to be paid \$6.50 an hour for 24 hours a week. The funds will be paid from BIA 638 funds. The total cost for employment for six (6) youth will be \$6,552.00.

John M.	Y	Henry W.	Y
Faye W.	Y	Marie M.	Y
Ernie D.	Y	Trudy L.	Y
John W.	Absent	Alice O.	Y
Tom W.	Y	Marj R.	Y

ALL IN FAVOR: 9, OPPOSED: 0, ABSENT: 1, ABSTAIN: 0. CARRIED.

Enrollment of New Members - Alice Overly

RESOLUTION #3 made by Alice Overly and 2nd by Henry White
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council accepts the applications for enrollment of the people as presented this day March 22, 2001.

Beeney, Donald G.	Nevenhoven, Logan R.
Feathers, Charlyn A.	Northrup, Austin L.
Moore, Edward W.	Reed, Johnny W.
Moore, Savannah R.	Williams, Justin E.
Moore, Storm T.	Yazel, Shevin M.

John M.	Y	Henry W.	Y
Faye W.	Y	Marie M.	Y
Ernie D.	Y	Trudy L.	Y
John W.	Absent	Alice O.	Y
Tom W.	Y	Marj R.	Y

ALL IN FAVOR: 9, OPPOSED: 0, ABSENT: 1, ABSTAIN: 0. CARRIED.

Secretaries Conference - Kenneth Antisdell

RESOLUTION #4 made by Marie Manley and 2nd by Alice Overly
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council approves travel for Tammy Wesaw to attend the 8th Annual Secretaries Conference to be held in Reno, Nevada from April 22nd-27th, 2001. Costs include airfare, per diem and lodging totaling approximately \$940.00. Registration to be paid for by Falmouth due to volunteering to help with registration.

John M.	Y	Henry W.	Y
Faye W.	Y	Marie M.	Y
Ernie D.	Y	Trudy L.	Y
John W.	Absent	Alice O.	Y
Tom W.	N	Marj R.	Y

ALL IN FAVOR: 8, OPPOSED: 1, ABSENT: 1, ABSTAIN: 0. CARRIED.

Diabetes Grant - Becky Price

RESOLUTION #5 made by Marie Manley and 2nd by Henry White
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council approves the continuation proposal for the Pokagon Band Health Services Diabetes Program. The funding for the year, beginning 6-01-01 to 5-31-02, is \$38,680. This award incorporates bringing to completion many of the program goals defined when the Health Services Department received initial funding for this five-year project in 1998.

John M.	Y	Henry W.	Y
Faye W.	Y	Marie M.	Y
Ernie D.	Y	Trudy L.	Y
John W.	Absent	Alice O.	Y
Tom W.	Y	Marj R.	Y

ALL IN FAVOR: 9, OPPOSED: 0, ABSENT: 1, AB-STAIN: 0. CARRIED.

Strategic Action Plan Committee Farming/Gar-dening Surveys - Tom Morris

Alice Overly
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council accepts the Executive Committee decision to pay NIGA (National Indian Gaming Association) dues for the year 2001 in the amount of \$800.00.

RESOLUTION #6 made by Marj Reno and 2nd by Faye Wesaw
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council accepts the recommendation by Strategic Action Plan Committee to send "Gardening and Farming" surveys to all households within the Pokagon Band including a self addressed stamped en-velop. Costs to be born out of 638 contract funds.

John M.	Y	Henry W.	Abstain
Faye W.	Y	Marie M.	Y
Ernie D.	Y	Trudy L.	Y
John W.	Absent	Alice O.	Y
Tom W.	Y	Marj R.	Abstain

ALL IN FAVOR: 7, OPPOSED: 0, ABSENT: 1, AB-STAIN: 2. CARRIED.

Hartford Life Insurance - Ernie Daisy

RESOLUTION #10 made by Trudy Loeding and 2nd by Henry White

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council approves Kenneth Antisdell to acquire insurance for Tribal Council members and Elder's Council Representative as presented and attached.

John M.	Y	Henry W.	Y
Faye W.	Y	Marie M.	Y
Ernie D.	Y	Trudy L.	Y
John W.	Absent	Alice O.	Y
Tom W.	N	Marj R.	Y

ALL IN FAVOR: 8, OPPOSED: 1, ABSENT: 1, AB-STAIN: 0. CARRIED.

Bingo Survey - Tom Morris

RESOLUTION #7 made by Marie Manley and 2nd by Trudy Loeding

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council approves of the Strategic Action Plan Committee mailing the attached BINGO survey to the head of Pokagon Band households.

John M.	Y	Henry W.	Y
Faye W.	Y	Marie M.	Y
Ernie D.	Y	Trudy L.	Y
John W.	Absent	Alice O.	Y
Tom W.	Y	Marj R.	Y

ALL IN FAVOR: 9, OPPOSED: 0, ABSENT: 1, AB-STAIN: 0. CARRIED.

Motion to adjourn was made by Trudy Loeding and 2nd by Alice Overly with voice approval at 9:08p.m.

POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS

TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 26, 2001

Meeting Called to Order at: 7:13p.m. by John Miller, Tribal Chairman

Invocation given by: John Miller

Roll Call: Ernie Daisy, Alice Overly, Tom Wesaw, Jr., John Warren, John Miller, Marie Manley, Faye Wesaw, Trudy Loeding, Henry White and Rae Daugherty - Elder's Rep.

Absent: Marj Reno (ill).

Minutes Taken by: Marie Manley, Tribal Council Secretary and Kelly Curran, Executive Secretary to Tribal Council.

Food Commodities - Becky Fisher

RESOLUTION #1 made by Alice Overly and 2nd by John Warren
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council

John M.	Y	Henry W.	Y
Faye W.	Y	Marie M.	Y
Ernie D.	N	Trudy L.	Y
John W.	Absent	Alice O.	Y
Tom W.	Y	Marj R.	Y

ALL IN FAVOR: 8, OPPOSED: 1, ABSENT: 1, AB-STAIN: 0. CARRIED.

Executive Committee Resolution - Marie Manley

RESOLUTION #9 made by Marie Manley and 2nd by

attend the National Association of Food Distribution Programs on Indian Reservations (NAFDPIR) to be held in Denver, Colorado2. June 4-7. All expenses to be paid by the Pokagon Band USDA budget. Total costs approximately \$1300.00. Report to be submitted upon return.

the Finance Board's oversight authority.

That pursuant to Article IX of the Housing Authority Ordinance, the Council send to the Housing Authority, and its Board of Commissioners, the following proposed amendments to the Housing Authority Ordinance:

**ALL IN FAVOR: 8, OPPOSED: 0, ABSENT: 1,
ABSTAIN: 1. CARRIED.**

Finance Board - Alice Overly

RESOLUTION #2 made by Alice Overly and 2nd by Faye Wesaw

WHEREAS: Through its passage of the Finance Board Ordinance, the Tribal Council intended to give the Finance Board the power and duty to oversee financial and accounting activities of agencies and instrumentalities of the Band, other than the Gaming Enterprise; and

WHEREAS: It is the view of Tribal Council that its intent when passing the Finance Board Ordinance was to include the Pokagon Band Housing Authority (the "Housing Authority") within the Finance Board's oversight authority; and

WHEREAS: The Chairperson of the Housing Authority, has informed the Tribal Council Chairman by letter, that if the Housing Authority Board of Commissioners is concerned that exercise by the Finance Board of such oversight authority over the Housing Authority would be contrary to certain provisions of the tribal ordinance creating the Housing Authority (the "Housing Authority Ordinance"), and

WHEREAS: The Finance Board has asked Tribal Council to clarify its intent regarding the oversight authority of the Finance Board, and Tribal Council desires to do so; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the Tribal Council hereby reaffirms that it was the intent of Tribal Council, in passing the Finance Ordinance, to give the Finance Board the power and duty to oversee financial and accounting activities of agencies and instrumentalities of the Band, other than the Gaming Enterprise, to the extent provided in the Finance Board Ordinance, and that it was, and is, Tribal Council's intent that the

1. "Article IV, Section 1 of the Housing Authority, be amended by the addition of new first and third sentences, so that Article IV, Section 1 will, as amended, read as follows:

The affairs of the PBHA shall be managed by a Board of Commissioners (the "Board") composed of seven (7) persons (the "Commissioners"). The Board is hereby delegated the power to manage and control the business, property and affairs of the Authority. Notwithstanding the foregoing, an notwithstanding anything to the contrary elsewhere in this Ordinance, the PBHA shall be treated as an agency or instrumentality of the Band for purposes of the Finance Board Ordinance, and the power and authority of the Band shall be subject to the same level of oversight authority of the Finance Board, as set forth in the Finance Board Ordinance, as any other agency or instrumentality of the Band; and in the event of any conflict between powers and duties of the PBHA as set forth in this Ordinance and powers and duties of the Finance Board as set forth in the Finance Board Ordinance, the Finance Board Ordinance shall control. In the management of and control of the business, property and affairs of the PBHA. (continue on with existing Article IV).

2. **New definitions be added to Article III of the Housing Authority Ordinance, as follows:**

"Finance Board" shall mean the Finance Board, created by the Finance Board Ordinance, as a standing committee of the Band.

"Finance Board Ordinance" shall mean the Ordinance of the Band establishing the Finance Board and setting forth its powers and duties, as now existing and as amended in the future.

**ALL IN FAVOR: 8, OPPOSED: 1, ABSENT: 1,
ABSTAIN: 0. CARRIED.**

Cinco de Mayo Scholarship Dinner - John Warren

RESOLUTION #3 made by John Warren and 2nd by Tom Wesaw, Jr.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council approves purchasing a table at the Cinco de Mayo Scholarship Dinner on May 4th, 2001 in the amount of \$700.00.

ALL IN FAVOR: 7, OPPOSED: 0, ABSENT: 1,
ABSTAIN: 2. CARRIED.

Executive Committee Resolutions - Marie Manley

Department of Justice Meeting

RESOLUTION #4 made by Marie Manley and 2nd by Alice Overly
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council accepts the Executive Committee's decision approving travel for three (3) Executive Committee members to Washington on 4/4/01 to meet with Department of Justice. Costs to include airfare, per diem and cab fare totaling approximately \$1800.00.

ALL IN FAVOR: 9, OPPOSED: 0, ABSENT: 1,
ABSTAIN: 0. CARRIED.

Bill J. Sanders Lease

RESOLUTION #5 made by Marie Manley and 2nd by Faye Wesaw
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council accepts the decision of the Executive Committee approving the lease with Bill J. Sanders as recommended by the Information Technology Department and as hereto attached.

ALL IN FAVOR: 9, OPPOSED: 0, ABSENT: 1,
ABSTAIN: 0. CARRIED.

Law Enforcement Department

RESOLUTION #6 made by Marie Manley and 2nd by Henry White
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council approves the Executive Committee decision to establish the Pokagon Law Enforcement Department to exercise, for the support of Tribal Sovereignty, such enforcement authority and general police powers as may be prescribed by Tribal or Federal Law to benefit and protect the peace, health, safety and general welfare of the Pokagon Band, its citizens and resources.

ALL IN FAVOR: 9, OPPOSED: 0, ABSENT: 1,
ABSTAIN: 0. CARRIED.

Tribal Resource Police Program

RESOLUTION #7 made by Marie Manley and by Henry White
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council accepts the Executive Committee decision approving the submission of the proposal to the Community Oriented Policing Services Tribal Resources Grant Program 2001 requesting support for nine police officers, equipment and five vehicles for

the Pokagon Band Law Enforcement Department for 2001-2004, with total project costs of approximately \$1,300.00.

FURTHERMORE: This proposal includes an Establishment Plan for the Department as a start-up agency with a statement of Current Enforcement and Inadequacies, a Retention Plan committing the Band to maintaining the officers on staff after expiration of the grant, and a Request for Waiver of Local Match.

ALL IN FAVOR: 9, OPPOSED: 0, ABSENT: 1, ABSTAIN:
0. CARRIED.

Advance in Indian Health Training

RESOLUTION #8 made by Marie Manley and 2nd by Henry White
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council accepts the Executive Committee decision approving travel plans for Rebecca Price RN, to attend the "Advance in Indian Health" to be held May 2-4, 2001 in Albuquerque, NM. As the CHN/CHR Coordinator, this training will be very beneficial to Rebecca and will allow her to accrue the necessary CEU's needed toward maintaining her license. There is no registration fee to attend this meeting. Total cost to be approximately \$750.00 which will include airfare, hotel and per diem.

ALL IN FAVOR: 8, OPPOSED: 1, ABSENT: 1, ABSTAIN:
0. CARRIED.

Nutrition and Dietetic Training

RESOLUTION #9 made by Marie Manley and 2nd by Henry White
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council accepts the Executive Committee decision approving the May 7-11th travel plans for Nancy Appel, Public Health Nutritionist, to attend the I.H.S. NUTRITION & DIETETIC TRAINING to be held in Albuquerque, New Mexico. There is no registration fee for this training since the Pokagon Band has not withdrawn their tribal shares from the Indian Health Services. Total cost to be approximately \$1050.00 and will include airfare, lodging and per diem.

ALL IN FAVOR: 7, OPPOSED: 2, ABSENT: 1, ABSTAIN:
0. CARRIED.

Health Director Association Meeting - Christine Daugherty

RESOLUTION #10 made by Marie Manley and 2nd by Henry White
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council approves the travel plans for Christine Daugherty to attend the Michigan Tribal Health Director's Association meeting to be held May 16-17th, 2001 in Hannahville, Michigan. Price to include three nights lodging, per diem, and use of a GSA vehicle. Approximate cost \$350.00.

APRIL 30, 2001

ALL IN FAVOR: 9, OPPOSED: 0, ABSENT: 1, AB-STAIN: 0. CARRIED.

Tennis Shoes - Joellen Leith

RESOLUTION #11 made by Marie Manley and 2nd by Alice Overly
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: The Pokagon Band Tribal Council approves the letter requesting gift certificates from Target Stores for 30 pairs of tennis shoes.

ALL IN FAVOR: 9, OPPOSED: 0, ABSENT: 1, AB-STAIN: 0. CARRIED.

Sleep Safe Program - Joellen Leith

RESOLUTION #12 made by Marie Manley and 2nd by Ernie Daisy
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: The Pokagon Band Tribal Council approves the Letter of Interest to the Department of Health and Human Services, for the Sleep Safe Program. The program will provide two 10-year lithium battery photo electric smoke detectors for 36 of the 37 Headstart children's homes (73 total detectors for 36 homes with a second floor and one detector for the home with one level), training for the project director, injury prevention specialist and training modules for the parents and children on what to do if an alarm goes off in their home. There is no cost to the tribe for any of the devices, trainings and training modules.

ALL IN FAVOR: 9, OPPOSED: 0, ABSENT: 1, AB-STAIN: 0. CARRIED.

Proposed Constitution Schedule - Kevin Daugherty

RESOLUTION #13 made by John Warren and 2nd by Faye Wesaw
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council approves the Constitution proposed schedule as presented 4/26/01.

ALL IN FAVOR: 9, OPPOSED: 0, ABSENT: 1, AB-STAIN: 0. CARRIED.

Motion to adjourn was made by Henry White and 2nd by John Warren with voice approval at 9:08p.m.

POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS
CLOSED SESSION

7:00P.M.

TRIBALCOUNCIL

SOCIAL SERVICES DIRECTOR INTERVIEW

8:15P.M.

OPENED SESSION

KEVIN DAUGHERTY

ANA GRANT FINALIZATION

Meeting Called to Order: The meeting unofficially began at 7:10p.m. due to lack of quorum.

Invocation Given by: John Miller

Roll Call: Ernie Daisy, Alice Overly, Tom Wesaw, Jr., John Miller, Marie Manley, Faye Wesaw and John Jr. Wesaw, Elder's Rep. II.

Absent: Marj Reno (medical), John Warren (speaking engagement), Henry White (out of town) and Trudy Loeding (funeral).

Also in Attendance: Bertha Lieb - Interviewee

Minutes Taken by: Marie Manley, Tribal Council Secretary and Kelly Curran, Executive Secretary to Tribal Council.

Administration for Native Americans Grant - Kevin Daugherty

This session ended at 8:16p.m.

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CLOSED SESSION

TRIBAL COUNCIL

TRIBAL OPERATIONS OFFICER

JOB DUTIES

MAY 2, 2001

Meeting Called to Order at: 6:22p.m. by John Miller, Tribal Chairman

Invocation Given by: John Miller

Roll Call: Ernie Daisy, Alice Overly, Tom Wesaw, Jr., John Warren, John Miller, Faye Wesaw, Marie Manley and Elder's Rep. I - Rae Daugherty.

Absent: Marj Reno (medical), Trudy Loeding (ill) and Henry White (out of town).

Minutes Taken by: Marie Manley, Tribal Council Secretary and Kelly Curran, Executive Secretary to Tribal Council.

Motion to Adjourn was made by John Warren and 2nd by Alice Overly with voice approval at 7:52p.m.

POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS

CLOSED SESSION

TRIBAL COUNCIL

WITH ROB GIPS

MAY 7, 2001

Meeting Called to Order at 6:15p.m. by John Miller, Tribal Chairman

Invocation Given by: John Miller

Roll Call: Ernie Daisy, Alice Overly, Tom Wesaw, Jr., John Warren, Marie Manley, Rae Daugherty, Henry White, Faye Wesaw, Trudy Loeding and John Miller.

Minutes Taken by: Marie Manley, Tribal Council Secretary and Kelly Curran, Executive Secretary to Tribal Council.

Also in Attendance: Rob Gips, Tribal Attorney.

Motion to adjourn was made by Henry White and 2nd by Alice Overly with voice approval at 9:05p.m.

Moody and Mary Jo Morris.

Minutes Taken by: Marie Manley, Tribal Council Secretary and Kelly Curran, Executive Secretary to Tribal Council.

John Miller announced the resignation of John Warren, Vice Chairman on Thursday, May 10th.

Review of Constitution

Motion to adjourn was made by Henry White and 2nd by Faye Wesaw with voice approval at 9:35p.m.

POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS CLOSED SESSION TRIBAL COUNCIL WORKSESSION MAY 15, 2001

POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS CLOSED SESSION TRIBAL COUNCIL AUDIT ISSUE MAY 10, 2001

Meeting Called to Order at: 7:05p.m. by John Miller, Tribal Chairman

Invocation Given by: John Miller

Roll Call: John Miller, Tom Wesaw, Jr., Faye Wesaw, Alice Overly, Henry White, Trudy Loeding, Marie Manley, and Elder's Rep. I - Rae Daugherty.

Absent: John Warren and Ernie Daisy (uncused).

Also In Attendance: Joe Ciba - Finance Director and Stephen Blann - Rehmann Robson

Minutes Taken by: Marie Manley, Tribal Council Secretary and Kelly Curran, Executive Secretary to Tribal Council

Motion to adjourn was made by Henry White and 2nd by Alice Overly with voice approval at 7:52p.m.

Minutes Taken by: Marie Manley, Tribal Council Secretary and Kelly Curran, Executive Secretary to Tribal Council.

Business Board - Ernie Daisy Broader Scope of Internet Policy Drug Testing Policy Editorials to Newsletter Policy for Directors

Motion to adjourn was made by Trudy Loeding and 2nd by Henry White with voice approval at 6:30p.m.

POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS TRIBAL COUNCIL WITH CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE MAY 14, 2001

Meeting Called to Order at: 7:05p.m. by John Miller, Tribal Chairman

Invocation Given by: John Miller

Roll Call: John Miller, Tom Wesaw, Jr., Ernie Daisy, Alice Overly, Marie Manley, Faye Wesaw, Trudy Loeding, Henry White and Elder's Rep. I - Rae Daugherty.

Also In Attendance: Marchell Wesaw - Legal Asst., Greg Sample - Attorney, and Constitution Committee members - Kevin Daugherty, Marge

POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MAY 15, 2001

Meeting Called to Order at: 7:00p.m. by John Miller, Tribal Chairman.

Roll Call: John Miller, Marie Manley and Tom Wesaw, Jr.

Motion to adjourn was made by Tom Wesaw, Jr. and 2nd by Marie Manley with voice approval at 7:05p.m.

POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS CLOSED SESSION TRIBAL COUNCIL

**WORKSESSION
MAY 17, 2001**

Meeting Called to Order: 7:08p.m. by John Miller, Tribal Chairman

Invocation Given by: John Miller

Roll Call: Ernie Daisy, Tom Wesaw, Jr., John Miller, Marie Manley, Henry White, Faye Wesaw, Trudy Loeding, and Elder's Rep. I - Rae Daugherty.

Absent: Alice Overly (ill) (conferenced in).

Also in Attendance: Rick Landers - Tribal Operations Officer.

Minutes Taken by: Marie Manley, Tribal Council Secretary and Kelly Curran, Executive Secretary to Tribal Council.

Issues at Hand:

Pokagon Village Site

Emergency Food & Shelter Program

Inter-Tribal Resolution Re: Block Funds

Language Classes for Non-Members and Non-Member Employees Attending Meetings

Motion to adjourn was made by Henry White and 2nd by Trudy Loeding with voice approval at 7:20p.m.

**POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
MAY 17, 2001**

Meeting Called to Order at: 7:30p.m. by John Miller, Tribal Chairman

Roll Call: John Miller, Tom Wesaw, Jr. and Marie Manley

Minutes Taken by: Marie Manley, Tribal Council Secretary and Kelly Curran, Executive Secretary to Tribal Council.

TITLE IX GRANT

Motion to adjourn was made by Marie Manley and 2nd by Tom Wesaw, Jr. with voice approval at 7:32p.m.

**TRIBAL COUNCIL
MEMBERSHIP MEETING
MAY 19, 2001**

Meeting Called to Order at: 10:15p.m. by Marie Manley, Tribal Secretary

Invocation Given by: Clarence White

Roll Call: Marie Manley, Tom Wesaw, Jr., Henry White, Ernie Daisy, Alice Overly, Faye Wesaw, Trudy Loeding and Rae Daugherty - Elder's Rep. I.

Absent: John Miller - Death of a friend.

Minutes Taken by: Marie Manley, Tribal Council Secretary and Kelly Curran, Executive Secretary to Tribal Council.

Issues at Hand:

Cultural Museum History Center

By-Law Change to Chairman's Duties

Committee Handbook - Marchell Wesaw

Housing Issue/Finance Report - Tom Wesaw, Jr.

Motion to adjourn was made by Alice Overly and 2nd by Henry White with voice approval at 2:43p.m.

**POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS
TRIBAL COUNCIL
WITH CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE
MAY 21, 2001**

No quorum was established for this meeting.

Roll Call: Ernie Daisy and Rae Daugherty - Elder's Rep. I

Absent: Alice Overly (ill), Marie Manley (ill), Tom Wesaw, Jr. (other commitment), John Miller (wake), Henry White (wake), Faye Wesaw (family illness) and Trudy Loeding (family illness),

Also in Attendance: Marchell Wesaw - Legal Assistant and Constitution Committee - Kevin Daugherty

Minutes Taken by: Kelly Curran, Executive Secretary to Tribal Council.

Kevin Daugherty announced the resignation of Mary Jo Morris from the Constitution Committee as of Saturday, May 19 2001.

Issues at Hand:

Review of the Constitution

Due to lack of quorum because of family illness

POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS

and funerals, this session was concluded by Ernie Daisy at 7:21p.m.

POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS
TRIBAL COUNCIL
WITH
CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE
MAY 21, 2001

No quorum was established for this meeting.

Roll Call: Ernie Daisy and Rae Daugherty - Elder's Rep. I

Absent: Alice Overly (ill), Marie Manley (ill), Tom Wesaw, Jr. (other commitment), John Miller (wake), Henry White (wake), Faye Wesaw (family illness) and Trudy Loeding (family illness),

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An Open Letter To Membership

Hello Everyone,

My Name is Trudy Loeding and I am a Member At Large on Tribal Council. I am writing this letter on behalf of my Aunt, Faye Wesaw (who is also on council), and myself.

As some of you may have heard, my mother, Faye's sister, recently passed away after a battle with cancer. Her name was Beverly Nelson.

She was in the hospital for over a week before she passed. Our family spent the last part of her stay at the hospital by her side for many hours each day. As you also may know, we currently have only eight council members. The open seats will not be filled until the election in July. Because of this, whenever two or more of us can't make it to a meeting, we have to cancel because of lack of quorum.

This happened a few times while we were spending time at the hospital, and then her funeral a week later. We had to cancel meetings on, Wednesday May 23rd and Thursday May 24th. My mom had went into seizures on the 23rd. The doctors said that either the cancer had reached her brain or she'd had a stroke. They said it would only be a matter of days, if that. I know that everyone would understand our wanting to spend as much time as possible with someone we loved knowing that our time was limited.

We took mom home on Friday the 25th where she would be more comfortable. Before she was left unable to communicate with us anymore she had adamantly expressed her desire to go home. On Saturday morning, around 3:00 a.m., she passed away. So the next week, we had to cancel a meeting on Tuesday, May 29th, because of mom's visitation.

We just wanted to let the membership know that were it not a life and death situation, we would have attended those meetings. Our responsibility to the membership is not taken lightly. We want to apologize to anyone who was caused any hardship over these canceled meetings. We would also like to thank everyone who showed their support during a very stressful time. There are many wonderful people in this world and in times like these we are reminded of that fact. God bless you all and we wish you peace in the future.

Respectfully Submitted,
Trudy Loeding and Faye Wesaw



Pokegnuk Yajdanawa-"The Pokagon's Tell It"

BINDER'S PROGRAM

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FIX

Almost all individuals who receive Social Security, Supplemental Security Income and/or Title VIII Special Veterans benefits will receive a one-time payment to compensate for a consumer price index error made by the Bureau of Labor Statistics. The error affected calculations for the cost-of-living adjustment for the year 2000, and beneficiaries received a 2.4 percent increase instead of a 2.5 percent. The payment should arrive by the end of July.

For most of the 45 million Social Security and six million SSI beneficiaries, the amount of the payment will be between \$12 and \$19, covering benefits paid from January 2000 through July 2001. (The shortfall for the majority of beneficiaries was \$1 per month.)

Regular monthly benefits, if affected, will be adjusted beginning with the payment received in August 2001.

Beneficiaries will receive a written explanation of their one-time payment and an explanation about their adjusted monthly benefit by the end of July 2001. Beneficiaries do not need to take any action to receive their adjusted benefits.

For eligible beneficiaries who have since died, their one-time payment generally will be made to an eligible spouse or child.

For more information, log onto Social Security's website, www.ssa.gov.

John Coupe is the district manager of the Social Security office in Benton Harbor. You can write to him c/o Social Security Administration, 455 Bond St., Benton Harbor MI 49022. You can also call the national office at (800) 772-1213 from 7am to 7pm weekdays. If hearing impaired, call (800) 325-0778.

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PRESIDENT BUSH ANNOUNCES SOCIAL SECURITY COMMISSION

President Bush announced the establishment of a 16-member, bi-partisan Social Security Commission to develop a proposal to modernize and restore Social Security's fiscal soundness. The final report, due in the fall, will include recommendations on how to strengthen Social Security with personal retirement accounts.

NEW ADA GUIDE AVAILABLE FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES SEEKING JOBS

A new guide explains the rights of individuals with disabilities who are seeking employment. The guide explains their employment rights under the Americans with Disabilities Act, the meaning of "reasonable accommodation" and how to request it, and appropriate action to take if they think their rights have been violated.

SOCIAL SECURITY'S CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FIX

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July 2001 - Elder's Hall Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	GEROBICS 2 10:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M. TRIBAL COUNCIL w/ Constitution Comm. 7 P.M.	3	4 TRIBAL OFFICES CLOSED	5 ELDERS BUSINESS MEETING AND LUNCHEON CANCELLED	6	7
8	GEROBICS 9 10:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M. TRIBAL COUNCIL w/ Constitution Comm. 7 P.M.	10	11 GEROBICS 10:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M. FOOT CARE 9:00 - 2:00	12	13	14 TRIBAL ELECTION AT ELDERS HALL
15	16 GEROBICS 10:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.	17	18 GEROBICS 10:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.	19 ELDERS LUNCHEON PENDING, DUE TO MIEA CONFERENCE	20	21
22	23 GEROBICS 10:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.	24	25 GEROBICS 10:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M. NUTRITION CLASS 11:00 - 12:00	26 TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING 7:00 P.M.	27	28
29	30 GEROBICS 10:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.	31				

ALL POKAGON BAND TRIBAL OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED ON JULY 4TH.

Bodéwadmimwen Mzenegen

(Potawatomi Language Page)

by JP Montano and Frank Barker

a - like *ah* in "swan" é - like *eh* in "sap" i - like *ee* in "sweetgrass" O - like *o* in "snow"
E - like *ih* in "dish", or like *uh* in "sign" OO - like *oo* in "soup"

Greetings

Hello.

What is your name?

My name is _____.

Boozhoo.

Ni je ézhnekazyen?

_____ ndézhnekaz.

How are you?

And you?

I am doing well.

I am tired.

I am sick.

Ni je na gin?

Gin je?

N mno bmaðes.

Nde yékwes.

Nde yaknogé

Where are you from?

I am from Dowagiac.

I am from _____.

Ni pi je wéj bya yen?

Dowagiac ndoj bya.

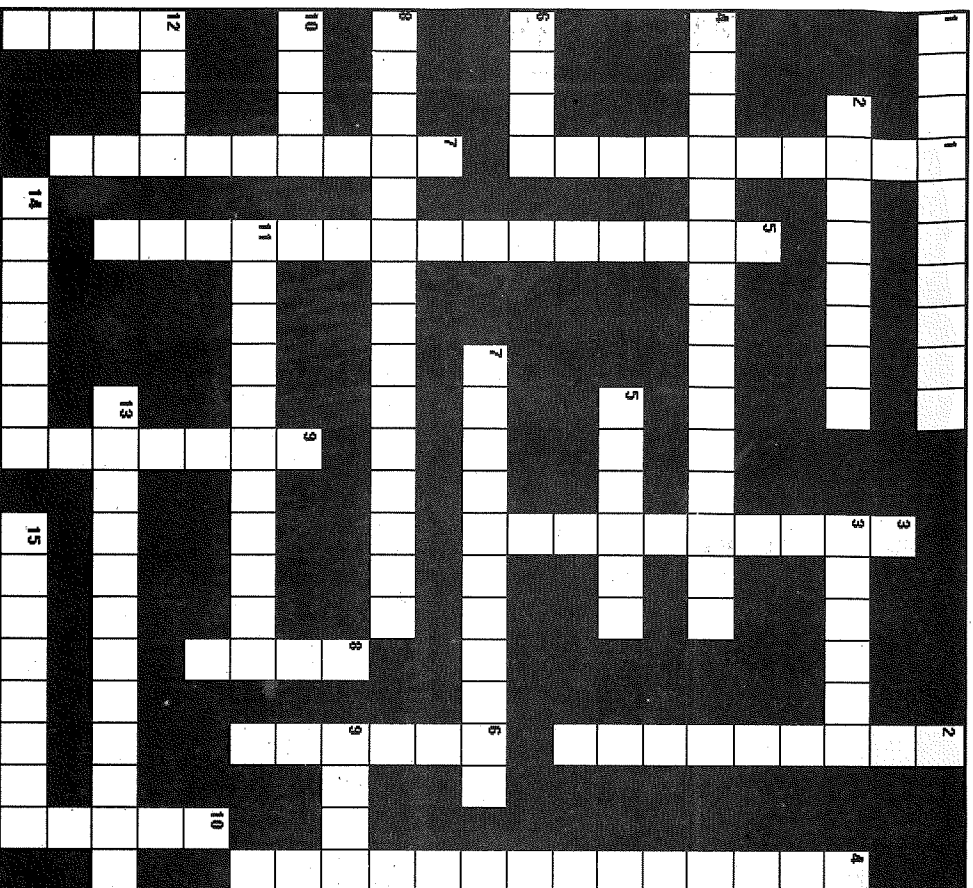
_____ ndoj bya.

I'll see you later.
I'll see you again.

Bama pi.

Bama mine.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE



ACROSS

- 1 fifty
2 thirty
3 ten
4 I'm from Dowagiac.
- 5 I'll see you later.
6 nine
7 seventy
8 Where are you from?

- 9 two
10 three
11 ninety
12 seven
- 13 eighty
14 eight
15 I'll see you again.

Numbers

One ngot

Two nish

Three nswe

Four nyew

Five nyanen

Six ngotwatso

Seven noeg

Eight shwatso

Nine zhak

Ten mdatto

Eleven mdatto shej ngot

Twelve mdatto shej nish

Thirteen mdatto shej nswe

Fourteen mdatto shej nyew

Fifteen mdatto shej nyanen

Sixteen mdatto shej ngotwatso

Seventeen mdatto shej noeg

Eighteen mdatto shej shwatso

Nineteen mdatto shej shak

Twenty nish waptek

Thirty nswabtek

Forty nyew wabtek

Fifty nyanomdene

Sixty ngotwatsomdene

Seventy noegsomdene

Eighty shwatsomdene

Ninety zhaksomdene

One Hundred ngot wak

Down

1 twenty

2 six

3 I am doing well.

4 nineteen

5 What is your name?

6 five

7 How are you?

8 four

9 Hello.

10 And you?

12 one

Happy 14th Birthday "Rhino"
 Rhian Lynne Nelson 6/22
 We love you- Mom, Bobby, Joey, Casey,
 Lori, Audi, Grandma Paula,
 Grandma (Gwen) Genevieve, The Browns,
 The Linns and The Bennetts

Happy 3rd Birthday
 Joey Lynne Riley 6/30
 We love you- Mom, Bobby, Rhian, Casey,
 Lori, Audi, Grandma Paula,
 Grandma (Gwen) Genevieve, The Browns,
 Big Bob, Mom, Marc, Jacob and The
 Bennetts

Tina Barger is 39 and holding... Yikes!
 Happy Birthday Love-April, Scott,
 Andrew & Miss Bunny

HAPPY 2ND BIRTHDAY
DEACON TOPASH VARGA 7/24
LOVE-MOM & DAD

Happy Birthday
 Gerome & Jeffrey Williams 7/5
 Ed Williams 7/23
 Joshua Williams 7/22
 Julius E. Williams, Sr. 7/28

Congrats! Nathan Orvis
 On your high school graduation &
 Happy 18th Birthday July 4th

We love you- Mom, Dad, Dean,
 Matt, Bennie, Liddell, Lisa and
 "Bugs"

Happy 17th Birthday
Jeffrey T.C. Winchester
Love-Mom, Dad, Mike,
Erik, Michael James, Rose,
Tony & Julian

Happy 1st Birthday
Samantha Jo Bunn
Love- The Wesau Family

Iguen! (Thank You) Anisfinabe People!
from my humble heart for your support and help during the passing of my significant
other, Brian Bodtke. A Big Iguen to the drum for the honor songs sang, may the Great
Spirit guide your precious moccasins.
Georgianna Morseau

Happy Birthday 7/7 Denise Marks

Happy Birthday to my July Babies!
 David Maleski 7/6
 Tammy (McMurtie) Sorters 7/24
 George McMurtie Jr. 7/1
 Love ya ever ever- Mom & George

Congratulations Rhonda Purcell
On your 34 G.P.A and being on the
honor roll all year!
Your Family is proud



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July Announcements

Happy Birthday:
 July 23 Uncle Price Parker
 July 3 Dylan Johnson
 We love you, Kim, Fred,
 Brittany, Corey and Scotty

Happy Birthday to:
7/3 Rachel Reed-love Grandma
7/9 Eric Brown-love Grandma
7/26 Shari Carroll-love Mom

Happy (belated) 3rd Anniversary
Liddell and Lisa Adair
Love-Mom & Dad Rose and Boys

Happy 24th Birthday 7/31
 Gregory M Winchester
 We love & miss you-Mom, Dad, Jeff,
 Erik, Rose, Michael James, Tony &
 Julian

HAPPY BIRTHDAY 7/30
JOHN MELVIN WESAW
LOVE-YOUR FAMILY

Happy 16th Birthday
 Crystal Morseau
 Love- your Aunties

Happy Birthday Brother 7/14!
 Ken Rader 64 yrs. Old
 We love ya- Fred & Sarah

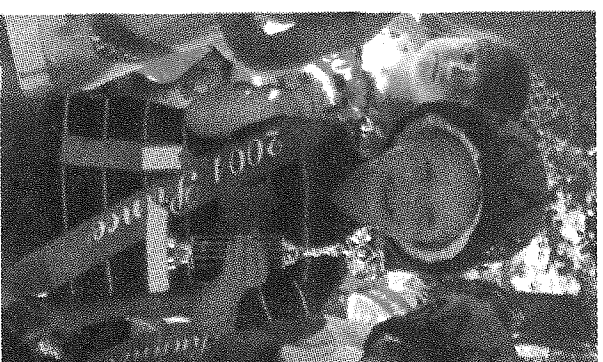
Congrats John Boy Morseau
on your State Certification
in the
Michigan D.A.R.E. program
We're proud of you!!
Love-Aunties

Happy Belated Birthday
 to Anthony Nelson,
 June 30
 Love ya, Uncle Dwight &
 Aunt Trudy

In Loving Memory of Beverly (Linn) Nelson
May 19, 1938 to May 26, 2001
Godspeed Mom, We'll miss you
Dwight & Trudy

The Family of Beverly Nelson would like to thank
everyone who pitched in and helped out, and those
who showed their concern and support through-
out a very difficult time. It was much appreci-
ated. God bless you all.

Congratulations Skylar Daisy
2001 Harford Strawberry
Festival Prince



Happy 15th Birthday
Kyle Carlock 7/30
Love- Mom, Steven,
Madelyn & Family

Happy Belated Birthday
 Anthony Nelson 6/30
 Love- Aunt Trudy & Uncle
 Dwight

The family of Steven Tate, Sr.
would like to thank the Pokagon
Community for all of your sup-
port during out time of need.

The Family of Tom Rader would like to extend their gratitude to all who attended
and helped us honor him at his memorial service.

Special Thanks to:
The Mrs. Aggie Rapp, Grace & Bud Pego, George Rapp, Clarence White, The U.S
Colony of Battle Creek, Sister Monica, Brenda Black, Rebecka Sherman, Ginny
Wesau, Lorraine Gideon, Kelly Curran, John Warren, Roger Rader, Peter Boehm,
Gerald Cooke Wesau, George McWorter and Louis Wesau.

We love you and thank you all from the bottom of our hearts!