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Head Dancers Carla Collins and Miengun Pamp with their son Wahsnoday

KEE-BOON-MEIN-KAA 2001 POW WOW A SUCCESS

The Kee-Boon-Mein-Kaa Pow Wow was a great success this year, with an excellent time had by participants, visitors, and the Pokagon community. As always, the Pow Wow could only have run as smoothly as it did with the help of many people.



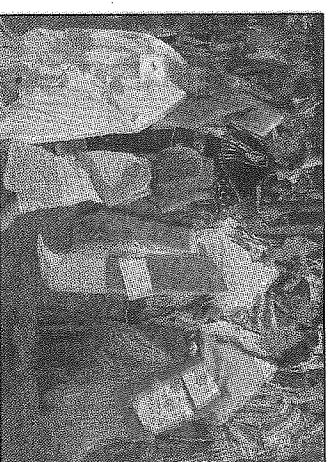
Stanley "Junior" Morseau and his son Mark

All the drummers and dancers did a great job, and special thanks go to Head Vet George Martin, Head Dancers Carla Collins and Miengun Geshik Pamp and Junior Dancers John Morseau and Danielle Rapp. Arena Director David Shananaquet also did a fine job, and Emcee Leonard Malatere had some wonderfully bad jokes this year. It was especially nice to see all the drums this year.

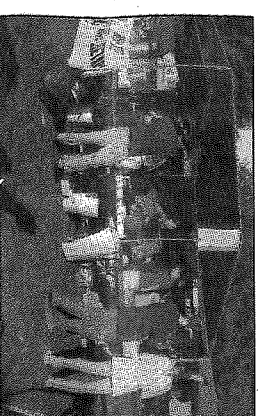
The Pow Wow Committee wishes to thank:
(in no particular order of importance)

The Pokagon Band Education Department, The Pokagon Band Health Department and Ed Newington, The Pokagon Band Elders, Lawrence Manley, Harold Grabenmeyer, St. Patrick's County Park, Charlie Wesaw, George Morseau, Sam Olds, Aay's Rentals, Michigan Department of Natural Resources, Roddy Helsell, Vic Wesaw and Josh, Andy and Marty Cherrone and the security crew, Electro-Voice, The South Bend Tribune, the *Herald Palladium*, and *Michiana Now!*, Channel 22, The Whitpool Native American Employees Organization, Will Dempster, Larry Todt, Dan Mc Kee, Chris Ballew, Ron Waitles, John Miller, Bob Moody, The Pig, Lakes Gaming, Kelly Curran, Kenneth Antisdell, Francis and Michael Kasper, The volunteer Gate Attendants, The volunteers at the Bikini Booth, Maie Willis and the volunteers from St. Mary's College, Mary Lewis, Bill Lewis, Renda Ballew, Gary, Taylor, and Stefan Morseau.

This list only touches on all the help and effort that went into the Pow Wow. To those who aren't listed, it doesn't mean your help isn't appreciated. Thanks to all.



"The Big Girls" Georgie Morseau, Val Baker, Lucinda Smith and Cleora Morseau



Rush Lake Indian Cemetary Food Booth



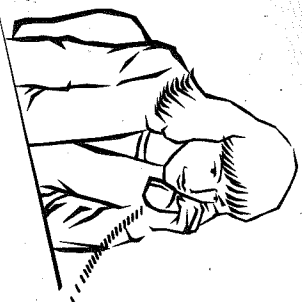
Northern Sky Singers

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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 Mishawaka 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.

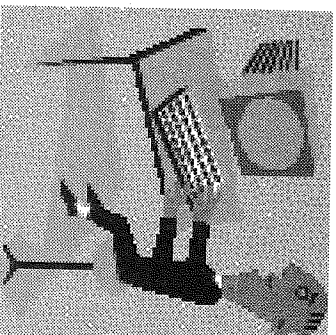
This is an excellent opportunity for our Membership to occasionally supplement their income, gain experience while aiding us to continue smooth delivery of our services.

Interested Tribal Members send your resume and a 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



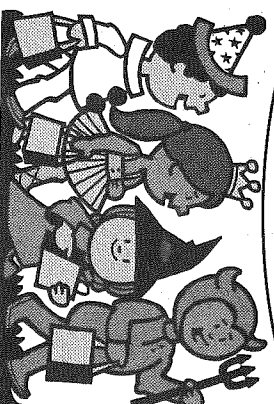
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information on:
Employment, Office contacts,
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www.Pokagon.com



Send your **November**
newsletter items to:

Pokagon Band Newsletter
P.O. Box 180
Dowagiac, MI 49047

Newsletter Deadline is October 13th





HEAD START



Pokagon Band Head Start and Early Head Start Programs

Has openings for the school year 2001-2002

- *We provide limited transportation
- *Healthy, nutritious meals
- *Trained and qualified staff
- *Fun, loving environment

Head Start services all children with disabilities
Children from other federally recognized tribes and non-natives are accepted thereafter

If you are interested, please contact Trish Sterling, Site Supervisor at 616-783-0026
or simply return your completed application.

Submitted by the Pokagon Head Start Staff

Mother Earth and Her Sons

Adapted from a Cherokee Indian Story

Mother Earth had 4 sons: Sun, Wind, Rain, Snow and they fought all the time. Each one of the sons thought that they were the most important and would always make one of his other brothers go away. For example, Sun would be out playing and along comes Rain. And then Wind would want to play and of course Snow wasn't to be left out. When all four of Mother Earth's sons came out to play, Animal, Bird, Flower, Insect and Anishnabe people would run and hide because all four sons fought for attention at the same time. It turned stormy and was dangerous to be outside.

One day, Mother Earth became very angry with her sons and sent them all away from each other. She sent Snow to North Spirit to be taught about his great gift of covering; Rain to West Spirit to be taught about his great gift of watering Flower and giving Fish somewhere to live and Animal and Anishnabe something to drink; Sun to South Spirit to be taught of his great gift of warmth; and Wind to East Spirit to be taught about this great gift of travel.

Well, for a while, Mother Earth had peace. No body was fighting, there was no yelling, no storms, no sun, no rain, no wind, snow, there was no anything.

Mother Earth began to notice other things too. There were no flowers blooming, no trees with leaves, no animals, no birds,

no fish. Flower hung his brown, dried head and cried because he brought color to Mother Earth and happiness to Bird and Insect. Without Flower, Bird and Insect had nothing to eat. So even they cried and hung their heads.

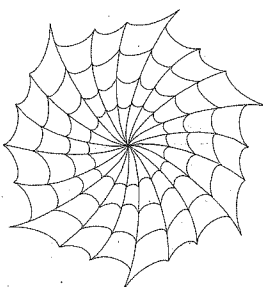
She talked to each one of her sons and asked them to get along for the animals sake. Bird was lonely and Flower was weakening, so very close to death. She told them they had to take turns being the center of attention and that each one of them had great gifts to offer.

Animal, Bird, and Flower needed each one of her sons equally. They needed Sun for warmth, they needed Rain to get water so they could drink, they needed Wind so their seeds could travel and create more Flowers and Trees, and they needed Snow so they could have covering while they rested in Winter.

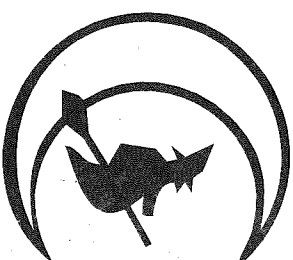
So, the sons agreed to share the spotlight for Flowers sake. Every once in a while you can still see them fighting for attention. And when they all come out to play, it storms.



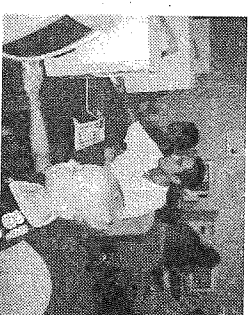
EDUCATION DEPARTMENT



Attention Parents:
Pick up backpacks and school supplies in the Education Department. These items are provided for students ages 3 through grade 12 through our Johnson-O'Malley program.



After School Computer Lab



Tuesdays and Thursdays
2:30 - 5:00
Education Department

Scholarship Opportunity
Oklahoma State University-Okmulgee
Engineering Technologies Division

Electrical-Electronic studies
\$2100.00 per year

Contact: Dawn Sawtelle
(918) 293-5374 or
dsawtel@osu-okmulgee.edu

Youth Halloween Party

right around the corner!!

- **When:** Oct. 20th.
- **Time:** 12:00 pm - 3:00 pm
- **Where:** At the Gage St. property (by the cabin).

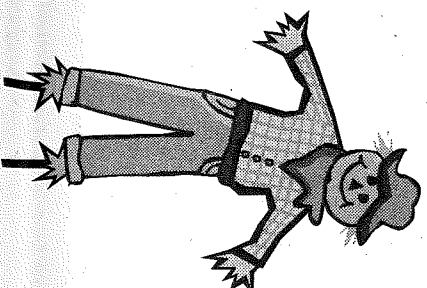
- We will have tons of games, pumpkin painting, a pinata full of goodies, snacks, sloppy joes, costume awards for the different age groups, and much more. All children are welcome and children under 5 must be accompanied by an adult. We hope to see you there!!

Seeking Language Instructor

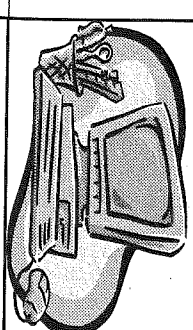
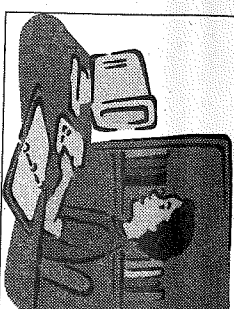
As fall approaches we find ourselves looking for an Instructor to teach Potawatomi Language classes.

For those who wish to apply for the Language contract, we are looking for a person with teaching credentials who has had formal Language training. They must be willing to work evening hours and conduct classes in both the Fall and Spring. A course curriculum is necessary.

If you are interested in teaching classes, please contact the Education Department 616-782-0887 or 888-330-1234 by October 5.



Computer Open Labs	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Computer Crafts/ Desktop Publishing • Entertaining Games • Educational Software • Typing Tutor Software • Access to the Internet. 	Lab Hours: 2:30-5 P.M., Tuesdays 2:30-5 P.M., Thursdays
For Information contact the Pokagon Band Education Department	



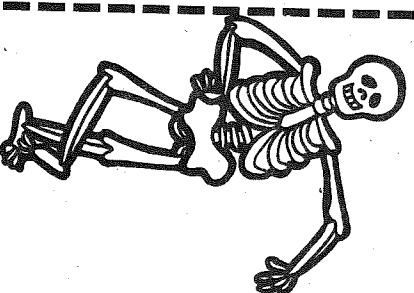
Tutoring Available

The new school year has fallen upon us again. And once again we have started tutoring for the students. Open tutoring and also the computer lab will be available from 2.30 to 5.00 pm, on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Students are welcome to come in after school or we can provide transportation. Tutoring request forms were available for all parents at the pow wow. If you didn't receive one, you can stop by at the Education Department.

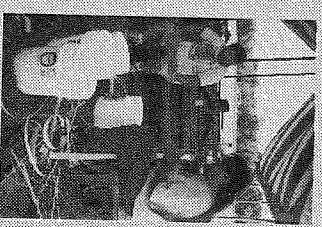
Beading Class

With Linda Yazel
Saturday, October 20
Education Office
Dowagiac, MI

10:00 am - 2:00 pm



Everyone joined John Pigeon when he taught Black Ash Basket Making at the Pokagon Band of Potawatomi picnic on July 21.



B o d é w a d m i m w e n M z e n e g e n

(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 "song"

e - like *ih* in "dish", or like *uh* in "sun" OO - like *oo* in "soup"

Review of September newsletter:

Wéni je ode? Who is this?
Wégwni je ode? What is this?
Wéni je o? Who is that?
Wégwni je i? What is that?

Gdanes ode. This is your daughter.
Dopwen ode. This is a table.
Nmeshomes o. That is my grandfather.
Waséchgen i. That is a window.

Gegwédwéwenen (Questions)

Who are these? Wéni je gode?
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Who are these? Wéni je gode?

These are my friends.
These are men.
These are my daughters.
These are my grandfathers.

Nikanek gode.
Nenwek gode.
Gdansk gode.
Nmeshomesek gode.

We can say "gode" to mean these when we are talking about ANIMATE things - like people or animals.

What are these? Wégwni je node?
What are these? Wégwni je node?
What are these? Wégwni je node?
What are these? Wégwni je node?

These are tables.
These are chairs.
These are windows.
These are knives.

Dopwenen node.
Pedyéwenen node.
Waséchgenen node.
Komanen node.

We can say "node" to mean these when we are talking about INANIMATE things - like chairs or tables.

Who are those? Wéni je gi?
Who are those? Wéni je gi?
Who are those? Wéni je gi?
Who are those? Wéni je gi?

Those are Native people.
Those are White people.
Those are women.
Those are babies.

Neshnabék gi.
Chmokmanek gi.
Kwék gi.
Benojéyek gi.

We can say "gi" to mean those when we are talking about ANIMATE things.

What are those? Wégwni je ni?
What are those? Wégwni je ni?
What are those? Wégwni je ni?
What are those? Wégwni je ni?

Those are spoons.
Those are dishes.
Those are doors.
Those are knives.

Émkanen ni.
Nagenen ni.
Shkwadémen ni.
Komanen ni.

We can say "ni" to mean those when we are talking about INANIMATE things.

In our Neshnabé language, when we say that something is ANIMATE, we are saying that it is alive, or that it is sacred. The English language does not work like this. This is one of the big differences between our language and English. This is important to know, because when we are talking about more than one ANIMATE thing, we usually add some form of «-k» to the end of the word. But, when we are talking about more than one INANIMATE thing, we usually add some form of «-n» to the end of the word. Since «my friend» is ANIMATE, we add «-ek» to the end of «Nikan», and we say «Nikanek» to mean «my friends». But, when we are talking about a «dish», which is INANIMATE, we add «-en» to the end of «Nagen» and we say «Nagenen» to mean dishes.

How would you fill in these blanks?

- 1) Wéni je gode? Nenwek gode. Who are these? These are _____.
- 2) Wégwni je node? _____ node. What are these? These are tables.
- 3) Wégwni je ni? Waséchgenen _____. What are those? Those are windows.
- 4) _____? Shkwadémen node. What are these? These are doors.
- 5) _____? Gdansk gode. Who are these? These are your daughters.
- 6) Wéni je gi? Neshnabék gi. Who are those? Those are _____.
- 7) What are two ways we can say these ? _____.
- 8) What are two ways we can say those ? _____.

Answers:

- 1) *men*
- 2) *Dopwenen*
- 3) *ni*
- 4) *Wégwni je node*
- 5) *Wéni je gode*
- 6) *Native people*
- 7) *gode , node*
- 8) *gi , ni*



INDIAN HEALING SERVICES

Contract Health Services

Update

Contract Health Services is now running at full speed. Sharon Winters has returned from training, so we'll be able to move the bills a little faster through the process. If your last name starts with A through M, Sharon is the right person to call with billing and pharmacy questions. Patty is still in charge of patient registration, and she can answer your questions about registering for health services and your annual updates. J. P. keeps the appointment book, so if you need a number, give J. P. a call. Our extension numbers are J. P. - #0, Patty - #23, Sharon - #27 and John - #34.

John plans to be at the South Bend Office on October 11th and October 25th to answer questions about contract health services, and to process any paperwork that you may wish to drop off. Because of the heavy workload back in Dowagiac, these visits will be limited to mornings only. Hopefully, we can get back to full days in South Bend by the first of the year.

New Health Board member

Health Board seeking an Additional Volunteer

Larry White was recently sworn in as the newest member of the Pokagon Band Health Board. Larry is a former employee of the Band and he has chosen to continue his involvement with the Band by volunteering for this Board. Thank you, Larry.

The Board still has one vacant seat. The role of the Board is to provide community input to help shape fair and equitable policies for health care delivery. If you are interested in volunteering for the Board, please inform any Health Board member of your interest. Or you can call the Health Office at (616) 782-4141 or (888) 440-1234 and leave a message for Pat Wattles or Christine Daugherty.

Current Health Board members are: Gerald Wesaw, Alice Overly, Marie Willis, Larry White, Pat Wattles and Christine Daugherty. In the past, the Board has met quarterly and as often as twice a month.

What Shape are you in?

Cerobics

Exercise Class

MONDAYS & WEDNESDAYS
10:00-11:00 A.M.

Elder's Hall

- 1. Low Impact
- 2. Low Year
- 3. Back Support
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Call Linda at 782-4141 or 888-440-1234

Tuesday Optical Day

PLEASE NOTE DAY CHANGE

Call Linda at 782-4141 or 888-440-1234 for Appointment

Pokagon Health Services
(616) 782-4141 or 1-888-440-1234

Pokagon Cooking Class

Open to Everyone!

Wednesday's (After Gerobics)
Oct. 3, '01 - Nov. 7, '01

Elder's Hall
11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Need Help? Call Paula Hill @ (616) 782-4141 EXT. 32



SOCIAL SERVICES



Child Care Assistance And

Individual Development Program

This is a new program that the Social Services Department plans on implementing in the near future. The purpose of the Child Care Assistance and Individual Development Program is to enable parents to receive child care assistance while participating in an approved educational plan or in productive employment or while training for employment.

General Requirements:

1. Parents must be participating in a job training or education program, employed, or actively involved in documented job searches.
2. Children must be 12 years or younger. Those with 3 or more children will be given priority.
3. Must reside within Allegan, Berrien, Cass, Elkhart, Kosciusko, La Porte, Marshall, St. Joseph, Starke, or Van Buren counties.
4. Parent must be a member of a federally recognized tribe or state historic tribe. Documentation is required.

Verification Eligibility For Education Purposes:

1. Must have proof of registration in a post-secondary school or proof of involvement in a high school or GED program.
2. Must have a copy of official class schedule listing courses being taken, including times and days of classes.
*Grades must be submitted at the end of each quarter to continue to be eligible for the next term. Preliminary verification and official number of hours to be paid for child care may be established as soon as the student registers for new classes.

For Employment Purposes:

1. Documentation of employer, job site, telephone number and name of immediate supervisor. Information provided on application must be verifiable.
2. Salary and length of scheduled training time must be provided in the case of a training program.

The Social Services Department has a list of licensed providers for each area. The providers will include center-based and group home care for full-day and before-and-after school care. In-home care will not be covered as yet. A sliding fee scale will determine each family's contribution to the cost of child care based on income and the size of the family. The Social Services Department will work with each family to facilitate the Childcare Assistance and Individual Development Program application process and aid in locating licensed childcare. For more information, please contact the Social Services Department.

Food Commodity Program:

Commodities will now be ordered through a new distributor and the program will receive all name brand products. Recently, more shelving/storage area was installed to allow even more efficiency when filling orders for the membership. In an effort to better serve Band members who work during the day, the hours of operation have been changed to 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM, Monday through Friday. These hours will hopefully allow members to better utilize this service after work throughout the week.



Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program LIHEAP

Due to a recent carryover of funds in the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), the Pokagon Band Department of Social Services is currently able to assist eligible members meet their heating needs. Currently, the department is accepting applications from those members who have received shut-off notices and who are income eligible. Applications for eligible members are available at the Social Services office. Applicants will need to bring the shut-off notice and a copy of last years filed income taxes for processing. Assistance will occur on a first come first serve basis. Please note that assistance is currently only for those who have received shut-off notices. It is anticipated that the regular LIHEAP program will start once again in the near future to assist all eligible members with their heating needs. Notice of the regular program start-up will be given at that time.



ELDERS PROGRAM

ELDERS COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

AUGUST 2, 2001 - 11:00 A.M.

*The minutes for the newsletter were unapproved.

Meeting called to order by Gerald Wesaw at 11:18 A.M.

Invocation given by Clarence White.

Roll Call

Present: Gerald Wesaw, Marge Moody, Clarence White, Mary Jo Morris,

Rachel (Rae) Daugherty, John Wesaw, Jr.

Quorum Present

Attendance: 27 Elders

Additions to agenda: Part-time jobs for Elders, Tom Wesaw, Elders Fund.

Marge Moody moved to approve the agenda of August 2, 2001 with additions. Seconded by Clarence White. All in favor: "aye" Opposed: 0.

MOTION CARRIED

Marge Moody moved to approve the minutes of June 7, 2001. Seconded by Rae Daugherty. All in favor: "aye" Opposed: 0. **MOTION CARRIED**

Amanda Proctor, Housing Director and John Allegretti, Architect from St. Joseph, MI. were here to get input from the Elders on the housing they are planning to build. Of the sixteen (16) living units, eight (8) units would be for Elders. They would be low income rentals, with 100x 150ft. lots, 60 ft. between, \$110,000.00 stick built homes. They would be approximately 1500 sq. ft., single floor. Four (4) units would be for the disabled. The Elders informed Amanda they prefer single dwelling homes away from the playground and on a separate tract of land.

Gerald Wesaw reminded us of the September election for Vice-Chair, Treasurer, and Second Representative on Tribal Council.

Resolution #01-009, dated July 12, 2001, made by Marge Moody. Seconded by Mary Jo Morris. NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the Elders Council and MIEA Committee Secretary, Marge Moody, Alternate, Ann Zimmerman and MIEA Committee Members, Gerald Wesaw, John Wesaw, Jr. and Rachel Daugherty to the MIEA Quarterly Conference to be held at Bay Mills in Brimley, MI. July 16-17-18-19-20, 2001. Elder Members to attend are Sam Wesaw, Jackie Genereaux, Rose Mangus, Henry White, Evelyn Miller, William Morsaw, Victor Starrett, Harold Wiggins, Fred Klemm and Patricia Klemm. All expenses to be paid out of the Elders General Fund plus a GSA vehicle and Transporter Yvonne Boehm. Any days not in attendance, lodging and per-diem needs to be returned. Trip reports due upon return. All in Favor: 6 Opposed: 0. **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

Marge Moody informed membership that according to the MIEA By-Laws we will have an election for two (2) delegates and one (1) alternate. This will be held at our Annual Meeting September 6, 2001.

Resolution #01-010, dated July 30, 2001, made by Marge Moody. Seconded by Clarence White. NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Elders Council approves the cost of motel accommodations at Lakeside Inn, Parry Sound, Ontario, Canada for Evelyn Miller, Bonnie Parrish, William Morsaw and Victor Starrett attending the Potawatomi Gathering August 2, 3, 4 & 5th, 2001. Cost of \$1,120. Canadian Dollars to be paid from the Elders General Fund. Trip report upon return. All In Favor: 5 Absent: 1 **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

Resolution #01-011, dated July 30, 2001, made by Rachel Daugherty. Seconded by Marge Moody. NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Elders Council approves the cost of \$122.87 for giveaway gifts for the Potawatomi Gathering

being held in Parry Sound, Ontario, Canada August 2, 3, 4, & 5th, 2001. Cost to be paid from the Elders General Fund.

All in Favor: 5 Absent: 1 **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

Resolution #01-012, dated July 30, 2001, made by Marge Moody. Seconded by Rachel Daugherty. NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Elders Council approves the cost of purchasing one hundred items for the Kee-Boon-Mein-Kaa Pow Wow held at St. Patricks Park, South Bend, Indiana September 1-2, 2001. Cost to come out of the Elders General Fund, not to exceed \$200.00. All In Favor: 5 Absent: 1 **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

Yvonne (Petey) Boehm informed membership of the raised income guidelines for the Project Fresh Program, for ages 55 or older.

Announcements:

*Elders Social Luncheon August 16, 2001 Elders Hall 11:00 A.M.

*Officers Open Meeting August 27, 2001 Dowagiac City Hall 10:00 A.M.

*Elders Council Annual Meeting & Luncheon September 6, 2001 Elders Hall 11:00 A.M.

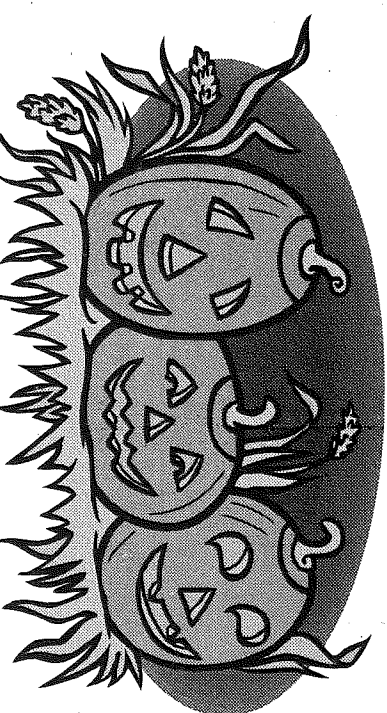
Rae Daugherty moved to adjourn at 12:47 P.M. Seconded by Marge Moody. All In Favor: "aye" Opposed: 0. **MOTION CARRIED**

Mary Jo Morris, Elders Council Secretary
August 22, 2001

SENIORS WARNED ABOUT MISLEADING SOLICITATIONS

Senior citizens should exercise great caution when responding to solicitations promising additional Social Security benefit payments. An investigation conducted by Social Security's Office of the Inspector General confirmed that over 25,000 individuals had been duped by anonymous hoax flyers promising extra Social Security benefit payments and/or slave reparations from the federal government in exchange for supplying sensitive personal information.

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.





MEDICARE TO HELP BENEFICIARIES ACHIEVE DRUG SAVINGS

By: John Coupe, District Manager

A new Medicare-endorsed prescription drug discount card program will help Medicare beneficiaries lower their out of pocket drug costs.

Discount cards are expected to save some 10 to 25 percent on prescription drug prices. Medicare serves about 40 million beneficiaries, and an estimated ten million of them do not have prescription drug coverage in addition to their Medicare coverage. Under the Medicare-Endorsed Rx Discount Program, people with Medicare will have the opportunity to learn about and join existing prescription drug discount card organizations. In turn, with larger memberships, the discount card organizations will be able to secure discounts and negotiate significant rebates from drug manufacturers, just as large insurance plans do. By giving people with Medicare easier access to information about the available discount card programs and the discounts they can get, they will have the opportunity to choose the card that best fits their prescription drug needs. A central feature of the Medicare Rx Discount Card Program will be the publication of comparative information, including drug prices available under each individual program.

The program is scheduled to begin in the late fall of 2001. More specifics on the program will be available in the coming months as part of a larger Medicare education campaign scheduled for this fall. The latest information will be made available on Medicare's website at www.medicare.gov or you may call the toll-free helpline, 1-800-MEDICARE, for further updates.

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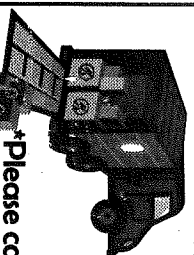
ATTENTION

THE FOLLOWING OFFICES HAVE MOVED

The **ELDERS OFFICE** is now located at:

53237 Townhall Road
Dowagiac, MI 49047
(616) 782-0765
fax: (616) 782-1696

The **NEW SOUTH BEND AREA OFFICE** is located at:



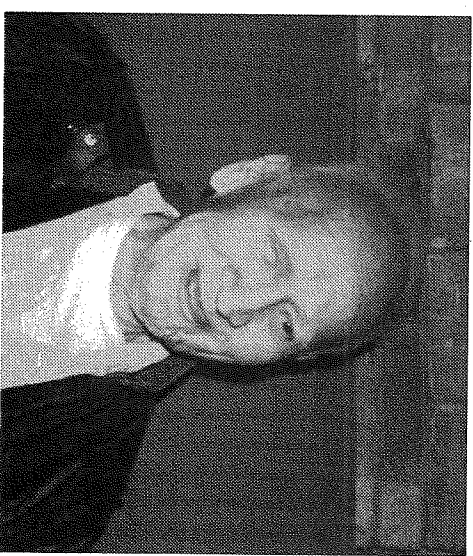
*Please call the South Bend Office for directions.

2705 East Mishawaka Avenue
South Bend, IN 46615
(219) 234-9114
TOLL FREE (800) 737-9223
fax: (219) 234-9306

ELDER OF THE MONTH

Martin Wesaw, Sr.

Born August 5, 1919



Martin Joseph Wesaw Sr. age 82 is currently residing in Watervliet with his daughter Cathy. Martin was born in Hartford on August 5th, 1919 to Louis and Mary (Pamp) Wesaw. He lived in Hartford until he moved to Grand Rapids in about 1960.

Martin and his wife Viola had 15 children. He still has 12 living, they are: JoEllen, Martin Jr., (Sonny), David, Jeannie, Carl, Carolyn (Candi), Mary, Cathy, Sylvester, Liz, Greg, and Teresa. He has 37 grandchildren, 35 greatgrandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Martin served his country in the Navy and was stationed Africa during WWII. Afterward he spent many years as a taxi cab and truck driver. He was great at getting around and giving directions!! He loves going to Pow Wows to visit with friends also, eating fry bread and corn soup! Another one of his favorites is drinking coffee and eating plain donuts!! Nismabe people always stopped in to visit him in at his home in Grand Rapids. They enjoyed listening to his stories and hearing him speak Potawatomi. Many have learned from him. He loves to play cards, poker, pedro, and is also a big Notre Dame fan. Martin still enjoys watching Westerns and listening to Big Band music and Connie Francis.

Presently, Martin's health has confined him to a hospital bed but, he still has his sense of humor! (as always) The family welcomes visitors, cards or calls. Martin would love to see or hear from friends and family. His address is 7746 Red Arrow, Apt. D52, Watervliet, Michigan 49098, 616-463-5494.

Feel free to send pictures to the family, they have made a picture board that Martin likes to look at.

Martin's family would like to thank those who have already sent cards, called, or visited.



POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS

WORK SESSION

**TRIBAL COUNCIL WITH
CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE**

JULY 30, 2001

Work Session began at: 7:07p.m..

All In Attendance: Ernie Daisy, Alice Overly, Tom Wesaw, Jr., Henry White, Trudy Loeding, Elder's Rep. I - Rae Daugherty and Faye Wesaw (arrived at 7:12p.m.).

Absent: John Miller- Family matter and Marie Manley - Representing Tribal Council at the Gathering in Ontario, Canada.

Also in Attendance: Legal Assistant - Marchell Wesaw and Greg Sample, Attorney (teleconferenced in), and Constitution Committee - Kevin Daugherty.

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

Issues at Hand:

Constitution Review- Kevin Daugherty

Article XIV - Membership Petition, Initiative and Referendum

Article XV - Recall, Removal, and Vacancies

Work session ended at: 9:30p.m.

POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS

CLOSED SESSION

**TRIBAL COUNCIL WITH ROB GIPS
AND LAKES GAMING**

**JULY 31, 2001
5:30P.M.**

Work session began at: 5:52p.m.

Meeting Called to Order at: 6:00p.m.
by John Miller, Tribal Chairman

Invocation Given by: John Miller

Roll Call: Ernie Daisy, Alice Overly, Tom Wesaw, Jr., John Miller, Henry

White, Faye Wesaw, Trudy Loeding and Elder's Rep. I - Rae Daugherty.

Absent: Marie Manley - (Gathering)

Also in Attendance: Rob Gips - Tribal Attorney

Minutes Taken by: Kelly Curran - Executive Secretary to Tribal Council

Tim Cope, Rob Wyre and Joe Galvin joined the meeting at 7:50p.m.

Tim Cope, Rob Wyre and Joe Galvin left the meeting at 9:10p.m.

Motion to Adjourn was made by: Trudy Loeding and 2nd by Alice Overly at 9:25p.m. with voice approval.

POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS

CLOSED SESSION

**TRIBAL COUNCIL WITH
LARRY ROSENTHAL REPUBLICAN LOBBYIST**

INTERVIEWS

AUGUST 1, 2001

Work Session began at: 5:15p.m. with Rob Lillich - Hanscomb giving a construction update.

Meeting Called to Order at: 6:45p.m. by John Miller, Tribal Chairman

Invocation Given by: John Miller

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

Absent: Marie Manley (Gathering in Ontario, Canada).

Also in Attendance: Rob Wyre - Gaming Manager, Rob Gips - Tribal Attorney, Larry Rosenthal - Democratic Lobbyist and Wilson Pipestem - Democratic Lobbyist.

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

Motion to Adjourn was made by Alice Overly

TRIBAL COUNCIL MINUTES



and 2nd by Faye Wesaw with voice approval at 9:15p.m.

POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS

CLOSED SESSION

TRIBAL COUNCIL WITH

LARRY ROSENTHAL, REPUBLICAN LOBBYIST

INTERVIEWS

AUGUST 2, 2001

Discussion started at 6:15p.m.

Meeting Called to Order at: 6:40p.m. by John Miller, Tribal Chairman

Invocation Given by: John Miller

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

Absent: Marie Manley (Gathering in Ontario, Canada).

Also in Attendance: Larry Rosenthal - Democratic Lobbyist for the Band, Rob Gips - Tribal Attorney and Rob Wyre - Gaming Manager.

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

This meeting was called to continue the Republican Lobbyist Interviews

Motion to Adjourn was made by Henry White and 2nd by Faye Wesaw with voice approval at 9:13p.m.

POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS

CLOSED SESSION

TRIBAL COUNCIL WITH

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

AUGUST 7, 2001

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

Invocation Given by: John Miller

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

I, Trudy Loeding.

Absent: Faye Wesaw (Housing Board of Commissioners Meeting).

Also in Attendance: Dan Rose - Attorney, Personnel Committee - Karen Winchester, Bill Regenos, Julie Stauffer, Legal Assistant - Marchell Wesaw, Newly Elected Tribal Council Members - Jefferson Ballew IV and Cleora Morseau.

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

Issues at Hand:

Review of the Personnel Handbook.

Motion to Adjourn was made by: Tom Wesaw, Jr. and 2nd by Henry White with voice approval at 9:55p.m.

POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS

CLOSED SESSION

TRIBAL COUNCIL WITH

MATT WESAW, LAW ENFORCEMENT

AND PRE-SITE SITE WORK

PHIL FREDRICKSON & BOB LILLICH

AUGUST 8, 2001

Meeting Called to Order: 7:06p.m. by John Miller, Tribal Chairman

Invocation Given by: John Miller

Roll Call: Ernie Daisy, Tom Wesaw, Jr., Henry White, John Miller, Alice Overly, Marie Manley, Trudy Loeding and Elder's Rep. I - Rae Daugherty and Faye Wesaw (arrived at 7:08p.m.).

Also In Attendance: Matt Wesaw - Law Enforcement Consultant, Cleora Morseau and Mike Zimmerman - Newly Elected Tribal Council members and Phil Fredrickson and Rob Lillich - teleconferenced in.

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

Issues at Hand:



Law Enforcement - Matt Wesaw

Budget Submitted for the Cops Grant

Job Descriptions

Background Investigations

Bid Award Selection - Phil Fredrickson and Rob Lillich

Motion to adjourn was made by Henry White and 2nd by Marie Manley with voice approval at 8:51p.m.

**POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS
TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 11, 2001**

Meeting Called to Order at: 10:10a.m. by John Miller, Tribal Chairman

Invocation Given by: John Miller

Roll Call: Alice Overly, Tom Wesaw, Jr., John Miller, Marie Manley, Henry White, Trudy Loeding, Mike Zimmerman, Jefferson Ballew IV, Cleora Morseau, Bill Augusta and Elder's Rep. I - Rae Daugherty and Faye Wesaw (arrived at 10:14p.m.).

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

Executive Committee Resolution - Marie Manley

*RESOLUTION #1 made by Marie Manley and 2nd by Alice Overly
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council accepts the decision made by the Executive Committee approving a donation of \$300.00 for Dowagiac Little League Champs State Competition.*

John M.	Y	Henry W.	Y
Mike Z.	Abstain	Bill A.	
Abstain			
Alice O.	Y	Jefferson B.IV	
Abstain			
Marie M.	Y	Faye W.	Y
Cleora M.	Abstain	Tom W.	Y
Trudy L.	Y		

*ALL IN FAVOR: 7, OPPOSED: 0, ABSENT: 0,
ABSTAIN: 4. CARRIED.*

Appointment of Chairperson to the B.O.C. - John Miller

*RESOLUTION #2 made by Marie Manley and 2nd by Alice Overly
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council appoints Pam Mersereau as Chairperson for the Housing Board of Commissioners.*

John M.	Y	Henry W.	Y
Mike Z.	Y	Bill A.	Y
Alice O.	Y	Jefferson B.IV	Y
Marie M.	Y	Faye W.	Abstain
Cleora M.	Y	Tom W.	Y
Trudy L.	Y		

*ALL IN FAVOR: 10, OPPOSED: 0, ABSENT: 0,
ABSTAIN: 1. CARRIED.*

1999 Indian Housing Plan - Amanda Proctor

*RESOLUTION #3 made by Marie Manley and 2nd by Trudy Loeding
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council approves the 1999 Indian Housing Plan as presented with amendments this date 8/11/01.*

John M.	Y	Henry W.	Y
Mike Z.	Y	Bill A.	Y
Alice O.	Y	Jefferson B.IV	Abstain
Marie M.	Y	Faye W.	Abstain
Cleora M.	Y	Tom W.	Y
Trudy L.	Y		

*ALL IN FAVOR: 9, OPPOSED: 0, ABSENT: 0,
ABSTAIN: 2. CARRIED.*

Health Board Appointment - John Miller

*RESOLUTION #4 made by Jefferson Ballew IV and 2nd by Marie Manley
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council accepts the Pokagon Band Health Board's recommendation and appoints Lawrence "Larry" James White to serve as a member if the Health Board. Mr. White's term of office to be three years and to commence August 11, 2001.*

John M.	Y	Henry W.	Abstain
Mike Z.	Y	Bill A.	Abstain
Alice O.	Y	Jefferson B.IV	Y



Marie M. Y	Faye W.	Y
Cleora M. Y	Tom W.	Y
Trudy L. Y		

ALL IN FAVOR: 9, OPPOSED: 0, ABSENT: 0,
ABSTAIN: 2. CARRIED.

Junior Olympic Softball

RESOLUTION #5 made by Marie Manley and
2nd by Henry White

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council approves a donation of \$1200.00 to cover a Junior Olympic softball team from Sept. 9th - Oct. 2001.

John M. Y	Henry W.	Y
Mike Z. Y	Bill A.	Y
Alice O. Y	Jefferson B.IV Y	
Marie M. Y	Faye W.	Y
Cleora M. Y	Tom W.	Y
Trudy L. Y		

ALL IN FAVOR: 11, OPPOSED: 0, ABSENT: 0,
ABSTAIN: 0. CARRIED.

Cedar Run for Kee-Boon- Mein- Kaa Pow
Wow - Kathy Deka

RESOLUTION #6 made by Marie Manley and
2nd by Henry White

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council approves the proposed travel to Cadillac, MI for Roger Rader and two (2) Pokagon Band of Potawatomi youth. They will help harvest cedar for the arbor at "Kee-Boon-Mein-Kaa" Pow Wow. This trip will take place from August 25, to August 26, 2001. Costs will include GSA vehicle, mileage, lodging and per diem totaling \$389.00. Costs to be paid by the Education Department.

John M. Y	Henry W.	Y
Mike Z. Y	Bill A.	Y
Alice O. Y	Jefferson B.IV Y	
Marie M. Y	Faye W.	Y
Cleora M. Y	Tom W.	Y
Trudy L. Y		

ALL IN FAVOR: 11, OPPOSED: 0, ABSENT: 0,
ABSTAIN: 0. CARRIED.

Motion to Adjourn was made by Jefferson Ballew IV and 2nd by Trudy Loeding with

voice approval at 12:00p.m.

POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS
CLOSED SESSION

6:00P.M. TRIBAL COUNCIL WITH RICK
LANDERS

8:00P.M. TRIBAL COUNCIL WITH CARL WESAW
AUGUST 13, 2001

Meeting Called to Order at: 6:07p.m. by
John Miller, Tribal Chairman

Invocation Given by: John Miller

Roll Call: Jefferson Ballew IV, Cleora Morseau, Tom Wesaw, Jr., Bill Augusta, John Miller, Marie Manley, Henry White, Trudy Loeding, Elder's Rep. I - Rae Daugherty, Alice Overly (arrived at 6:20p.m.) and Faye Wesaw (arrived at 6:35p.m.).

Absent: Mike Zimmerman (teaching a class).

Also in Attendance: Rick Landers - Tribal Operations Officer, Christine Daugherty - Health Director and Carl Wesaw - Tribal Member.

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

Healthy Start Program Grant - Rick Landers/
Christine Daugherty

Health Clinic - Rick Landers

Health Policy and Billing Project; 2001-
2002 - Rick Landers

Billing Issues

Pilot Agreement - Rick Landers

General Discussion - Rick Landers

Policies - Rick Landers

Indiana Governor's Council - Alice Overly

Hiring Process - Rick Landers

Expanding the Service Area - Rick Landers

USDA -Rick Landers



Cooperation Agreement - Rick Landers

Jack John's Property - Alice Overly

Carl Wesaw Issue

Motion to Adjourn was made by Alice Overly and 2nd by Faye Wesaw with voice approval at 9:14p.m.

POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS
TRIBAL COUNCIL
WITH URBAN DESIGN GROUP
& ARTIST - MIKE LARSON
AUGUST 14, 2001

Meeting Called to Order at: 7:10p.m. by John Miller, Tribal Chairman

Invocation Given by: John Miller

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

Absent: Mike Zimmerman - (class), Jefferson Ballew IV - (Family commitment), Bill Augusta (ill) and Faye Wesaw (B.O.C. meeting).

Also in Attendance: Ron Armstrong and John Novak - Urban Design, Rob Wyre - Gaming Manager, Mike Larson - Artist, Phil Fredrickson, Rick Brostrom, and John Burns - Christman, Kraus-Anderson, Rob Lillich - Hanscomb, Nigel Nightingale - Lakes Gaming & Faithful & Gould, Carl Wesaw - Tribal Member.

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

Building Official (Request for Proposals)

RESOLUTION #1 made by Marie Manley and 2nd by Henry White
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council accepts the recommendation submitted by Lakes Gaming to hire Fire Protection Management, Inc. as the Building Official & Inspector for the casino project.

Mike Z.	Absent	Bill A.	Absent
Alice O.	Y	Jefferson B.	IV Absent
Marie M.	Y	Faye W.	Absent
Cleora M.	Y	Tom W.	Y
Trudy L.	Y		

ALL IN FAVOR: 7, OPPOSED: 0, ABSENT: 4,
ABSTAIN: 0. CARRIED.

Motion to adjourn was made by Henry White and 2nd by Trudy Loeding with voice approval at 9:16p.m.

POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS
TRIBAL COUNCIL
WITH
MEMBERSHIP
PER CAPITA DISCUSSION
AUGUST 15, 2001

Meeting Called to Order at: 7:09p.m. by Bill Augusta, Vice-Chairman

Invocation Given by: Henry White - Member at Large

Roll Call: Mike Zimmerman, Alice Overly, Cleora Morseau, Tom Wesaw, Jr., Bill Augusta, Marie Manley, Henry White, Faye Wesaw, Trudy Loeding, and Elder's Rep. I - Rae Daugherty and Jefferson Ballew IV (arrived at 7:59p.m.).

Absent: John Miller (ill).

Also in Attendance: Approximately 12 Tribal Members.

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

Per Capita Issue or Discussion - Alice Overly

Motion to adjourn was made by Henry White and 2nd by Trudy Loeding with voice approval at 8:23p.m.

POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS
TRIBAL COUNCIL
WITH CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE
AUGUST 20, 2001



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

Invocation given by: John Miller

Roll Call: Mike Zimmerman, Alice Overly, Cleora Morseau, John Miller, Marie Manley, Rae Daugherty, Henry White and Trudy Loeding.

Absent: Tom Wesaw, Jr. (other commitment), Faye Wesaw (family obligation), Bill Augusta (medical), and Jefferson Ballew IV (family matter).

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

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

Continuation of Constitution Review - Kevin Daugherty

ARTICLE XV - RECALL, REMOVAL & VACANCIES

ARTICLE XVI - CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS

ARTICLE XVII - CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND CODE OF ETHICS

Meeting ended at ARTICLE XVIII - SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY

Motion to adjourn was made by Alice Overly and 2nd by Trudy Loeding with voice approval at 9:33p.m.

POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS

CLOSED SESSION

TRIBAL COUNCIL WITH RICK LANDERS

COOPERATION AGREEMENT

& FINANCE ISSUES

AUGUST 21, 2001

Meeting Called to Order at: 6:02p.m. by John Miller, Tribal Chairman

Invocation Given by: John Miller

Roll Call: Mike Zimmerman, Jefferson Ballew

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

Absent: Bill Augusta (medical), and Cleora Morseau (unexcused).

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:

Cooperation Agreement - Rick Landers

Rick began with a short overview of the changes made to the Cooperation Agreement via the last meeting.

New Procedures for Surplus Property - Rick Landers

Appointment to Finance Board - John Miller

This was tabled until the Thursday night Tribal Council meeting due to Cleora not being present to accept the appointment.

Tribal Members on Finance Board

Motion to adjourn was made by Henry White and 2nd by Jefferson Ballew IV with voice approval at 6:50p.m.

POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS

TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING

AUGUST 23, 2001

Meeting Called to Order at: 7:07p.m. by Marie Manley, Tribal Council Secretary.

Invocation Given by: Rae Daugherty - Elder's Rep.

Roll Call: Mike Zimmerman, Jefferson Ballew IV, Cleora Morseau, Tom Wesaw, Jr., Marie Manley, Faye Wesaw, Trudy Loeding and Elder's Rep. I - Rae Daugherty.

Absent: Alice Overly (ill), Bill Augusta (medical), Henry White (taxation meeting), and John Miller (taxation meeting).



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

Addition of New Members - Trudy Loeding

RESOLUTION #1 made by Trudy Loeding and 2nd by Jefferson Ballew IV

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council accepts the applications for enrollment of the people as presented this day August 23rd, 2001.

Alexis Kyah Griffith	K r i s t i n a
Elizabeth Green	
Elizabeth Rose Fulton	Matthew Dale
Williamson	
Jenna Rayann Martin	Tonda Marie Daisy

John M.	Absent	Henry W.	Absent
Mike Z.	Y	Marie M.	Y
Alice O.	Absent	Jefferson B.IV	Y
Bill A.	Absent	Faye W.	Y
Cleora M.	Y	Tom W.	Y
Trudy L.	Y		

ALL IN FAVOR: 7, OPPOSED: 0, ABSENT: 4, ABSTAIN: 0. CARRIED.

Removal of a Black Ash Tree from Gage Street - Tom Wesaw, Jr.

RESOLUTION #2 made by Tom Wesaw, Jr. and 2nd by Jefferson Ballew IV

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council agrees to allow John Pigeon to remove one (1) Black Ash Tree from the Gage Street property for personal use.

John M.	Absent	Henry W.	Absent
Mike Z.	Y	Marie M.	Y
Alice O.	Absent	Jefferson B.IV	Y
Bill A.	Absent	Faye W.	Y
Cleora M.	Y	Tom W.	Y
Trudy L.	Y		

ALL IN FAVOR: 7, OPPOSED: 0, ABSENT: 4, ABSTAIN: 0. CARRIED.

Cleora Morseau Finance Board Appointment - Marie Manley

RESOLUTION #3 made by TomWesaw, Jr. and 2nd by Trudy Loeding

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council appoints Cleora Morseau to the Finance

Board as of 8/21/01.

John M.	Absent	Henry W.	Absent
Mike Z.	Y	Marie M.	Y
Alice O.	Absent	Jefferson B.IV	Y
Bill A.	Absent	Faye W.	Y
Cleora M.	Abstain	Tom W.	Y
Trudy L.	Y		

ALL IN FAVOR: 6, OPPOSED: 0, ABSENT: 4, ABSTAIN: 1. CARRIED.

DCI Leadership Training - Trudy Loeding

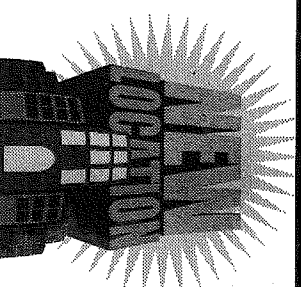
RESOLUTION #4 made by Trudy Loeding and 2nd by Jefferson Ballew IV

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council approves of travel for up to seven (7) Tribal Council members to attend the Third Annual Leadership Conference from Oct. 9-12th to be held in Honolulu, Hawaii. Costs include airfare, hotel, per diem, registration fees and (2) rental vehicles totaling approximately \$15,000.

John M.	Absent	Henry W.	Absent
Mike Z.	N	Marie M.	Y
Alice O.	Absent	Jefferson B.IV	Y
Bill A.	Absent	Faye W.	Y
Cleora M.	Y	Tom W.	N
Trudy L.	Y		

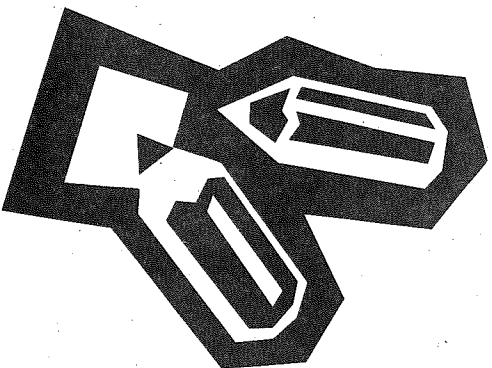
ALL IN FAVOR: 5, OPPOSED: 2, ABSENT: 4, ABSTAIN: 0, CARRIED.

Motion to adjourn was made by Trudy Loeding and 2nd by Jefferson Ballew IV with voice approval at 7:50p.m.



The Tribal Council has moved to the Rodgers Lake property

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Dowagiac, MI 49047
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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13TH **TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING**

The Saturday, October 13th Tribal Council Meeting is being rescheduled for Saturday, October 20th at 10:00a.m. at Elder's Hall. Please mark your calendars. Hope to see you there!

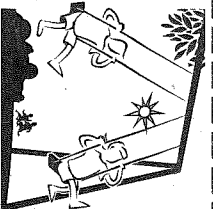


To the Pow Wow Committee, Elders and volunteers, Tribal Council would like to express their appreciation of all of the hard work, long hours, and dedication and preparation to make the Pow Wow a huge success. Every one had a wonderful time this year. We hope to see you all next year!

Thank You

Tribal Council

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- *Storytime & Singing
- *1st & 3rd Shift
- *Safe Environment

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Pokagon Band Member

FIREWOOD AVAILABLE

Firewood is available for tribal members at the Sassafra Lake property north of Hartford. Tribal members may collect firewood from the designated areas for personal use.

The previous owner of the property cleared a section of woods on the south side of the lake, and left several piles of logs. Tribal members can cut and haul away what they need for firewood from the piles of downed logs in the marked-off areas only. Members are discouraged from collecting firewood from other areas.

Tribal Council policy states that members should get a permit from the tribal offices before collecting any type of resources from tribal land. Please contact Mark Parrish at (616) 782-8998 or (800) 517-0777 to obtain a permit.



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"YOUR VIEWS" (EDITORIAL)

The Ways of the Heart

My friends how desperately do we need love and to be loved. When Christ said that man does not live by bread alone, he spoke of hunger. This hunger was not the hunger of the body. It was not the hunger for bread. He spoke of a hunger that begins deep down in the very depths of our being. He spoke of a need as vital as breath. He spoke of our hunger for love. Love is something you and I must have. We must have it because our spirit feeds upon it. We must have it because without it we become weak and faint. Without love our self-esteem weakens. Without it, our courage fails. Without love we can no longer look out confidently at the world. We turn inward and begin to feed upon our personalities, and little by little we destroy ourselves. With it we are creative. With it we march tirelessly. With it, and with it alone, we are able to sacrifice for others.

-Chief Dan George

submitted by:

Donald James Summers

**We would like to take a moment to say
"Igwie"**

To Jim Bussler and Christine for taking such good care of us all at the Potawatomi Gathering. Jim and his wife did a great job in keeping up with our crew. Also, thank you to Tammy Wesaw for her help in making the accommodations for the trip and to Marie Manley, Tribal Council Secretary.

**May the Creator Guide your helpful Moccasins!
Respectfully Submitted-
Cleora & Crew**

Bozho !

My name is Jerry Cochrane...I teach flintknapping to the children at the Kee Boon Mein Kaa for the last four years now...and I thought it would be important for me to pass on some information about these young children and how they are learning to make these arrowheads.

There are a good number of children that sit with me and try to make arrowheads. Among these are Taylor Morseau, Stephan Morseau, Gary Morseau, Angus Bush and his friend David. All of these children have a very sincere desire to make the arrowheads and they work very hard at it.

I must tell you that Taylor has been the most persistent student for these years and this year he has produced his first, really incredible arrowhead. I was awestruck when I saw this little Gem. I would ask you to give him the recognition he deserves and perhaps others might want to see this beautiful point, made of agate which is one of the hardest materials we can make arrowheads from.

He was hesitant all weekend, which is not like him. It took some coaxing to get him started and when he finished this magnificent point it was at the last few minutes of the Pow Wow and it was too late for me to do anything about it with the Committee for his efforts so I ask you to do this.

I feel he will inspire the other children to stick to it and bring this ancient Tradition to his Brothers and Sisters....I am very Proud of Taylor and I hope all others will we feel the same way.

Bamapi Jerry Cochrane

October 2001 - Elder's Hall Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Gerobics 10-11:00 a.m.	2	3 Gerobics 10-11:00 a.m. Healthy Cooking Class 11:30-1:30 p.m.	4 Elders Council Meeting & Luncheon 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.	5 CHR Meeting 10-11:00 a.m.	6 29th BASKET CO-OP 12:00 p.m.-5:00p.m.
7	8 Gerobics 10-11:00 a.m.	9	10 Gerobics 10-11:00 a.m. Healthy Cooking Class 11:30-1:30 p.m. Footcare 9:00-2:00 p.m.	11	12 CHRMEETING 8:00-12:00 p.m.	13 TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING 10:00 a.m.
14	15	16	17 Healthy Cooking Class 11:30 -1:30 p.m.	18	19 CHRMEETING 8:00 -12:00 p.m.	20 29th BASKET CO-OP 12:00 p.m.-5:00p.m.
21	22 Gerobics 10-11:00 a.m.	23	24 Gerobics 10-11:00 a.m. Health Cooking Class 11:30-1:30 p.m.	25 TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING 7:00 P.M.	26 CHRMEETING 8:00-12:00 p.m.	27 29th BASKET CO-OP 12:00 p.m.-5:00p.m.
28	29 Gerobics 10-11:00 a.m.	30	31 Gerobics 10-11:00 a.m. Health Cooking Class 11:30-1:30 p.m.			



Happy Birthday 10/13
Fred Rader
 Love Your Friends From
Mole Hill

OCTOBER ANNOUNCEMENTS



Happy SWEET SIXTEEN Brittainy Rangel, October 31! I love you so much, boob, and hope this is a great year for you, reminder- you will be driving nothing but a skateboard, ha ha- we'll see! Love you, Mom

Happy 15th birthday Corey Rangel, October 9, 2001! I love you so much and hope this is a great year for you, too. (ps- you already have the skateboard you need to get around so don't get any ideas! ha ha-kidding!) Love you-Mom

HAPPY BIRTHDAY
CHERYL MORSEAU 10/31
JEFFREY MORSEAU 10/18
LOVE U-
THE BIG GIRLS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY 10/21
SARAH (GIDEON) RAMOS
LOVE- YOUR FAMILY,
RAMBO & PAGO

Happy Birthday
 "Gonnora" Drake
 10/26
 Love- Your Girls

Happy Birthdays
10/6
Gammys Wescus

Happy Birthday to:
 Freddy Rader 10/16
 Haley "Fl" Rader 10/16
 Joshua Rader 10/07
 Haley "H2" Rader 10/12
 Love your Pair Paw

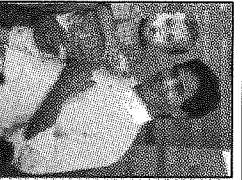
Congratulations Christopher & Michelle Taylor
 On your new bundles of joy!
 Twin girls born 8/31/01
 Brianna Jacqueline 4lbs. 15 oz. 16 inches
 Christina Valarie 4lbs 2 oz 16 inches
 May the Great Spirit watch over and bless you all!

Happy Birthday
 Patti Hacker Oct. 13
 Lynn Heffington Oct. 14
 Lisa Brown Oct. 28
 Love- Mom

HAPPY (belated) Birthday to:
 MICHAEL NELSON 8/19
 GREGORY NELSON 9/13
 TORIE NELSON "SWEET SIXTEEN" 9/27
 CHRISTOPHER DIAMOND JR. 9/21
 LOVE- UNCLE DWIGHT AND AUNT TRUDY

Happy Belated Birthday 8/28
Christopher Taylor
 And Congratulations on Graduating
 from Electrical Technician School
 Love-Your Family

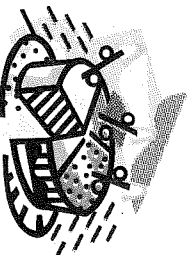
Kathy Blevins is the big
 5-0
 9/13/01
 Hope you have good
 health and happiness as
 an upcoming Elder!
 Love- Your Sis, Petey



Happy Belated Birthday
Devin Wyld Boehm- 2 Years Old 9/1
 and his Daddy
David Boehm- The Big 3-0 9/12
 Love you- Mom and Grandma Petey

Congratulations
Sonnet (Caitan) & Bob Smith
On Your Wedding 9/20/01
Love, Your Family

Happy Birthday 10/5
Kristoffer Geneaux
Love-Your Family



Happy belated Birthday
 Brenda Brown 9/5
 Jessica Brown 9/24
 Love your Family



HAPPY BIRTHDAY 10/30
BRANDI MARIE SWISHER
LOVE ALWAYS- MOM, DAD,
GRANDPA AND UNCLE

Happy Birthday to:
Edward Brown, Jr. Oct. 2
Anthony Heffington Oct. 7
Jercny Heffington Oct. 11
Ryan Spicher Oct. 17
Matthew Spicher Oct. 21
Steven Black Oct. 21
Lindsey Woodard Oct. 12
William Brown Oct. 28
Jesse Brown Oct. 21
Love-
Grandma

Shaer-Scoutlet
 On July 31st on the West Indies Island of Jamaica, the Breezes Resort was the tropical setting for the wedding of Sham Shaer and Jill Scarlet. An outdoor wedding with cake and champagne were enjoyed with a horse drawn carriage ride to complete the ceremony. The happy couple honeymooned for a week and returned to their home in Daouagiac, Michigan. Sham is the son of Ellie and Pat Shaer.



Announcing the Birth of
Inteus Manuel Dixon
 Born 8/31/01 * 9lbs 2oz * 20 inches
 Son of Melody Dixon
 Grandson of Adeline & Terry Dixon
 Great Grandson of Geraldine Sturgeon & (late) Mitchell Lewis

Happy Birthday 10/31
Zachariah Gibbons-Ballex
Love- Dave, Mary Jo and
Deacon