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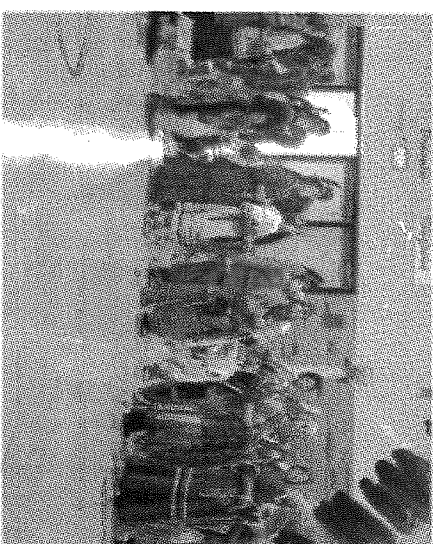
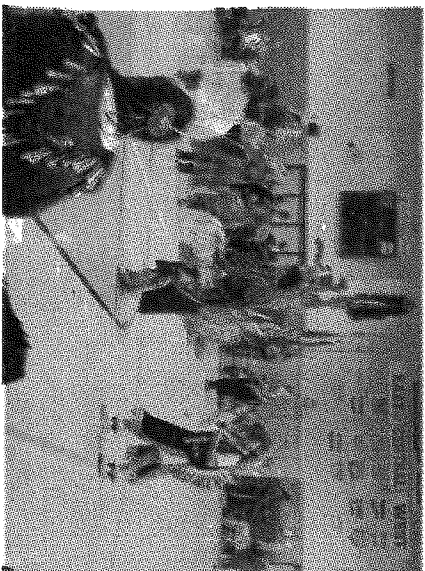
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*"The Pokagon's Tell It"*

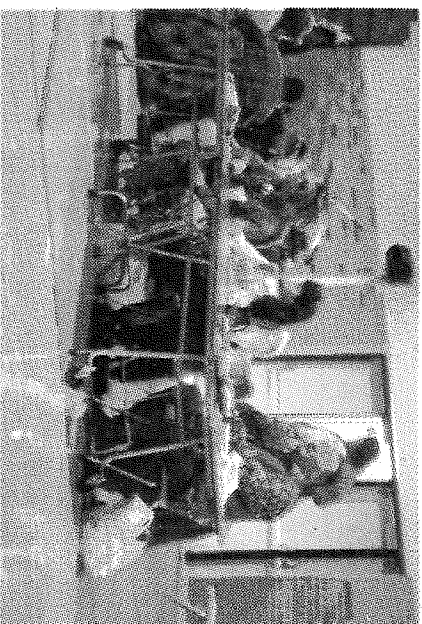
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Highlights from....  
The 10th Annual  
Traditional  
**RED ROAD  
POW WOW**  
"Honoring our vision, a  
group transitional house!"  
March 16-17, 2002





# Talking Circle



Native American Community Services  
"The Healthy Start Project"

**FOR WHO:** Community and Family Members who are interested in increasing the health of native babies and their mothers.

**WHEN:** April 10<sup>th</sup>, from 3:30 pm to 5:00 pm  
(There will be a craft, please RSVP by 4/3/02)  
Snacks and refreshments will be provided.

**WHERE:** N.A.C.S. Office -- Community Room  
671 Davis NW, Grand Rapids

We will be finishing up our baby moccasins. For those who are finished, we will be working on either a *Creative Memories Page* or a "A Start of a New Life" Picture frame.

Please come and join us and bring your pictures.

For more information or to RSVP, please feel free to contact the Healthy Start Staff Darlene VanOveren, Tina Horne or Stephanie Snyder at 458-4078.

## From the Gun Lake Tribe Social Services Office

### Native American AA Open meeting

Meetings will be held weekly at  
1123 129<sup>th</sup> Ave, Shelbyville (Ampro Building) upstairs  
1:00-3:00pm and 7:00-9:00pm on Tuesdays

This is an **NO** smoking meeting  
Coffee and snack will be provided  
Please let me know if you need childcare

### Native American AL-ANON

To support the ones we care for an Al-non meeting will be held weekly at 1123  
129<sup>th</sup> Ave, Shelbyville (Ampro Building) downstairs  
1:00-3:00pm and 7:00-9:00pm on Tuesdays

This is an **NO** smoking meeting  
Coffee and snack will be provided  
Please let me know if you will need childcare.

### Parent/Child Playgroup

We will be getting together to play every week  
At 1123 129<sup>th</sup> Ave, Shelbyville (Ampro Building)  
Everyone is welcome to come and play.

9:30-11:00am on Thursdays

We will have Story time, Playtime and  
a craft or cooking activity each week.

For Questions or more information please call

Carolyn Bush at 1-616-792-9118 office  
or 1-616-650-2616 cell phone

## POKAGON BAND OFFICES

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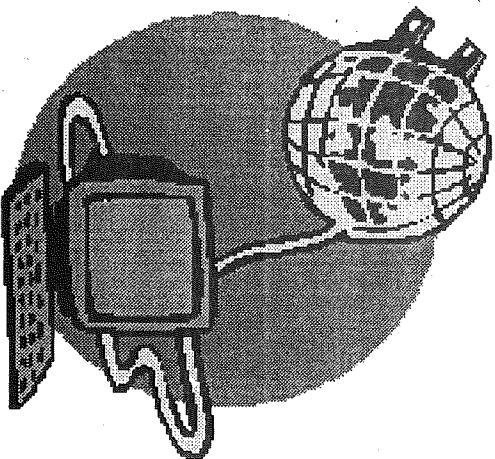
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INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
56033 M-51  
(616) 782-9602







The Pokagon Band IT Department will be offering basic computer classes during the month of April. These are the perfect classes for anyone who has not had the opportunity to become familiar with using a computer. The class will introduce Windows, Internet, E-mail, and printing. More advanced topics will be covered in future class offerings.

Thursday, April 4 - 5:30pm to 7:00pm  
Tuesday, April 16 - 5:30pm to 7:00pm  
Tuesday, April 30 - 5:30pm to 7:00pm

Classes will be held at the Pokagon Band Education Department. Contact the IT Department at (616) 782-9602 to reserve your seat.

## REMINDER!!

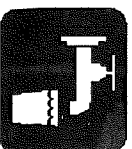
THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS  
FOR THE MAY NEWSLETTER WILL BE  
APRIL 13<sup>TH</sup>. SEND ARTICLES OR ANNOUNCEMENTS TO:

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ATTENTION: GINNY WESAW

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## IHS SEWER SANITATION PROJECT



Families with satisfactory environmental conditions in their homes, which include safe water and sewerage systems, require approximately 75% fewer medical services and place fewer demands on the Indian Health Service (IHS) and tribal primary health care delivery system. The Indian Sanitation Facilities Act, P.L. 86-121, authorizes the IHS to provide essential sanitation facilities, such as safe drinking water and adequate sewerage systems, to Indian homes and communities.

Currently the Pokagon Band has a contract with IHS to provide essential sanitation facilities to existing homes and new home construction. This is not an emergency repair or replacement program. However, we are able to replace wells and septic systems to those who qualify. There are no income guidelines.

*If you are having problems with your sanitation facilities please contact:*

Rebecca Fisher at the Administration Office, 58620 Sink Road, Dowagiac, MI 49047, telephone (616) 782-8998 or toll free 1-800-517-0777 for further details.

## Address Changes

Before any updates can be made the office must receive:



A *notarized* statement 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 one of our forms please call at (616) 782-1763 or 1-888-782-1001.

## Photo ID Cards

- New Members ages 14 and Older will receive a Photo ID.
- New applicants of Enrollment, or replacement cards will not have the option to choose whether they want a Photo ID or not.
- Members living outside the service area must submit a notarized picture and signature to be scanned. (call the office for a form).
- Members must *schedule an appointment* to replace a card.
- Appointments at the discretion of the Enrollment office.
- Members 60 and Older will receive a scheduling preference, but must surrender the existing card.
- All existing cards must be returned when receiving a replacement card.
- A fee of \$5.00 levied for all lost cards as resolved 08/08/98.

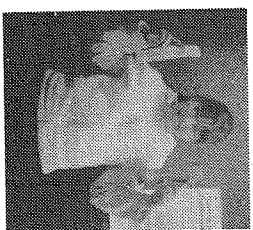
Call (616) 782-1763 or 1-888-782-1001 to schedule an appointment.



# EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

## STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

\*Crystal Morseau, a fifth grade student at Patrick Hamilton School in Dowagiac took part in the elementary level Science Olympiad at Southwestern Michigan College. Crystal entered two projects in the competition. Her projects took First and Third Place.



Crystal Morseau

\*Derek Hiler and Skylar Herman recently competed in the Michigan Area Lutheran School Spelling Bee.

\*Danielle Rapp made the honor roll at Clay Middle School in South Bend.



## ALL JOM PARENTS

Do you have a child who has or is expected to be awarded special academic or sports activity recognition for the 2001-2002 school year? We would like to know what awards your child will be receiving or has already received. The Education Department is planning an awards program to recognize those students who have achieved recognition over the year. The ceremony will be held at the end of the school year. The date, time, and place for this event are yet to be announced. If you have any questions, contact the Education Department, 1-888-330-1234 or 782-0887

## Pokagon Band Summer Youth Camp



### BEADING CLASSES

This year, camp will again be held at Camp Friedenswald in Cassopolis. Sessions begin on Sunday, June 16<sup>th</sup>.

Students in grades 2-5 will attend camp from June 16-19 and grades 6-12 will attend from June 19-22.

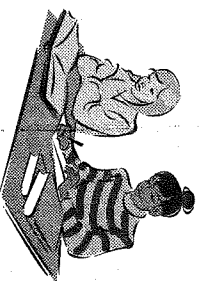
Registration forms for campers may be picked up in the Education Department beginning April 15. That is also the date on which those who are interested in working as camp counselors may pick up their applications.

.....  
Saturday, April 6  
..... South Bend Office  
..... 2705 Mishawaka Avenue  
..... 10:00 - 2:00

..... Saturday, April 20  
..... Dowagiac  
..... Education Department  
..... 901 Spruce Street  
..... 10:00 - 2:00  
.....



The Education Department is asking for all graduating seniors to submit their pictures and graduation information to the Education Department. There will be a special ceremony held for graduating seniors. The ceremony will be held at the end of the school year. The date, time, and place for this event are yet to be announced. If you have any questions, contact the Education Department, 1-888-330-1234 or 782-0887.



## DALLAS CHIEF EAGLE TO PERFORM AT MIEA CONFERENCE YOUTH INVITED

Dallas Chief Eagle, the hoop dancer who teaches at the Pokagon Band Summer Youth Camp, is coming to Manistee, Michigan on Wednesday April 17, 2002. Dallas is performing at 7:30 pm at the Michigan Indian Elders Association Annual Meeting. He will be at the Little River Band conference center.

The Education Department is trying to organize students in order to provide rides for Johnson-O'Malley youths in grades 2-12. The elders have invited us to attend his hoop dancing performance.

We would leave Dowagiac after school on April 17 and drive to Manistee, a three-hour drive. We would eat on the road, watch the performance and return to Dowagiac that same evening. The schedule is tight but this is an opportunity to see one of our favorite Native American dancers. The Education Department staff is putting together a list of students interested in attending. Please call us by Monday, April 8<sup>th</sup> to let us know if you would like to go.

## The Leprechaun



Once I was walking down a street. I went to the hill on the playground. No one was there. Except a little guy in green.

I said, "Why do you wear green?"

"Ash, it reminds me of me country."

I said, "Where is your country?"

"In Ireland."

"You're a leprechaun. Where is your pot of gold?"

"One is in me pocket."

"Let me have it," I said.

But he got some powder and threw it on the ground. He was gone. So I looked up to the sky. He was flying. I jumped up and got him.

He said, "Okay, you win." And he gave me his pot of gold.

"Wa!" I said. "What'll I tell my parents?!"

By: Michael Newcomer  
St. Mary's School  
Niles, Michigan.

## Youth Council Meets

On March 14, the Pokagon Band Youth Council met in the Education Department to plan future events and elect officers. Council membership will include Johnson O'Malley students in grades 7-12. If you are interested in joining us please call if you are interested in joining.

## Next meetings:

Thursday, April 11<sup>th</sup>  
5:00 - 7:00 pm

Education Department

Saturday, April 27

10:00 am

Rodgers Lake

(volleyball game after meeting)

## LANGUAGE CLASSES RESUME

Beginning Monday, April 8 Potawatomi Language classes will be held on Mondays and Wednesday classes will run for eight weeks. Monday classes at Dowagiac at the Education Department and Wednesday classes are at the Pokagon Band office in South Bend.

For details call:

782-0887 or 888-330-1234



The Pokagon Band Youth Council met on March 14, 2002 at 5:00 pm. We discussed issues concerning conferences and activities for the youth. Youth Council has decided to elect Aaron Horner as the chair, Christie Duff as vice chair and Ashley Horner as the secretary. In attendance to the meeting was David Helmke. Youth Council would like to start meeting on the second Thursday of the month between 6 and 7:30 and last Saturday of the month between 10:00am and 12:00pm. The Saturday meetings will be held out at Roger's lake. We will be playing volleyball out a Roger's lake, on Saturday meetings only, for all Youth Council members who would like to play.

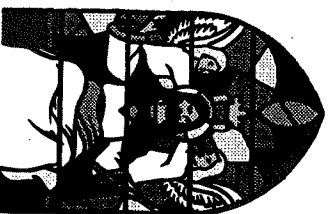
***SPECIAL activities that are coming up are:***

- College Visitation April 1-3.
- Language Classes begin at the Education office in Dowagiac from 6pm to 8 pm on April 8, 2002.
- Youth Council Meeting April 11, 2002 at 6:00pm at the Education Office
- MIEA conference, Dallas Chief Eagle will be in Manistee for the conference, (please call the Education Office for more information).

Youth Council Meeting April 27, at 10:00am out at Roger's Lake

## 2000 EXPECTED TO ATTEND

## NATIONAL TEKAKWITHA CONFERENCE



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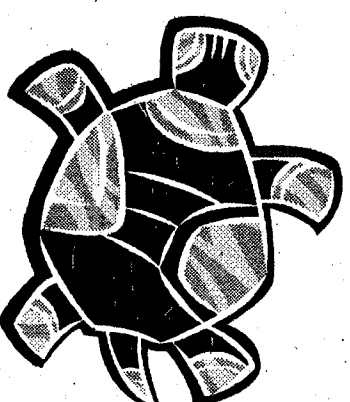
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Shirley Francis

616-459-6820 or [oewkc@aol.com](mailto:oewkc@aol.com)



GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN - Close to 2000 Catholic Native Americans will gather at Michigan State University for the 63rd Annual Tekakwitha National Conference from July 31 to August 4, 2002. This conference is open to all people.

Attendees look forward to learning more about Native Americans and to experience Native Spirituality. Some 250 tribes from all over the United States and Canada will be represented at the Eucharistic Liturgies, Sunrise Ceremonies, workshops, and a traditional meal and powwow. This is a family event with special activities for the children from ages three to 17.

Keynote speaker, Archbishop Charles Chaput (Potawatomi) will address the blessing of baptism and how it links to Native Spiritual beliefs. Adam Cardinal Maida of Detroit, Bishops Donald Pelotte (Abnaki), Carl Mengeling of Lansing and Robert Rose of Grand Rapids will also take part in the conference.

The conference is named in honor of Mohawk Kateri Tekakwitha (1656-1680) who was declared venerable by Pope Pius XII on January 3, 1943. Pope John Paul II beatified her June 22, 1980. Kateri's beatification was significant for Native Americans because it honored a holy Indian woman but also demonstrated the Church's love and respect for Indian peoples and their heritage.

All seven dioceses of Michigan are sponsoring this event. Any parish, group, or individual interested in financial sponsorship of attendees, or wanting further information, is asked to contact the committee chairs listed above.

The Catholic Church is the single largest Christian group among Native Americans.

Of 2 million Indians in the United States, about one-fourth are Catholic. Please pray for all of us - Native and non-Native - as we gather to honor a spiritual ancestor.

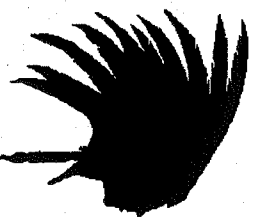




# ELDERS NEWS

## MINUTES

### POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS ELDERS COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING MARCH 7, 2002 - 11:00 a.m.



The minutes for the newsletter were unapproved.  
Meeting called to order by Gerald Wesaw at 11:00 A.M.  
Invocation given by Clarence White.

#### Roll Call

Present: Gerald Wesaw, Marge Moody, Clarence White,  
Mary Jo Morris, Rachel (Rae) Daugherty, Victor Starrett  
Quorum Present  
Attendance: 24 Elders

Marge Moody moved to approve the agenda of March 7,  
2002. Seconded by Clarence White. All In Favor: "Aye"  
Opposed: 0 MOTION CARRIED

Clarence White moved to approve the minutes of February  
7, 2002. Seconded by Marge Moody. All In Favor: "Aye"  
Opposed: 0 MOTION CARRIED

Yvonne (Petey) Boehm passed out information on LIHEAP  
and the Food Commodities Program. Anyone interested in  
the Foster Grandparents Program or volunteering for  
Medicaid/Medicare counseling, contact Petey.

Cindy Rapp, CHR informed us that the Health Office and  
Behavioral Office are now located at the future Group  
Home on M-51 South, Dowagiac. At the Women's Heal Fair,  
held March 2<sup>nd</sup>. Judy Augusta won the Pendleton blanket.

MIEA Committee Trip Resolution #02-004, dated March 7,  
2002, made by Rachel Daugherty. Seconded by Mary Jo  
Morris. NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: The Elders  
Council sends the MIEA Committee to Muskegon, Michigan  
on March 5, 2002 for a one (1) day meeting with Little  
River Steering Committee to discuss plans for our April  
Conference. Committee members attending were Chairman,  
Gerald Wesaw; Treasurer, Clarence White; Secretary, Marge  
Moody; Alternate, Evelyn Miller; Rachel Daugherty; and  
John Wesaw, Jr. GSA vehicle was provided with Gerald  
Wesaw as the driver. All In Favor: 6 Opposed: 0  
Abstain: 0 Absent: 0 RESOLUTION ADOPTED

Mileage Recommendation Resolution #02-005, dated March  
7, 2002, made by Marge Moody. Seconded by Clarence  
White. NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Elders Member-  
ship recommends to Tribal Council the following mileage  
reimbursement policy for Elders Council related travel:  
1. Elders Council Officers to be reimbursed mileage to  
attend any and all duly called Elders Council Meet-  
ings.

2. Any Elders Council Officer or Elders Council Members  
as per Elders Council Ordinance, to be reimbursed at  
the federal rate up to 200 miles for Elders Council  
related travel. Anything over 200 miles shall be  
reimbursed at 50% of the federal rate. Travel to be  
approved in advance by the Elders Council Officers,  
provided that if fewer than three people are travel-  
ing in one vehicle, no mileage shall be reimbursed.  
Officers and Delegates whose attendance is mandated  
at a meeting shall be reimbursed for mileage. All In  
Favor: 6 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 0

Popular Vote In Favor: 11 Opposed: 5 Abstain: 4  
RESOLUTION ADOPTED

#### Announcements:

Elders Social Luncheon March 21, 2002 Elders Hall, 11:00  
a.m.

Open Officers Meeting on April 1, 2002 at Dowagiac City  
Hall, 10:00 a.m.

Elders Council Business Meeting on April 4, 2002 at Elders  
Hall, 11:00 a.m.

Marge Moody moved to adjourn at 11:55 a.m. Seconded by  
Mary Jo Morris  
All In Favor: "Aye" Opposed: 0 MOTION CARRIED

Mary Jo Morris, Elders Council Secretary, March 12, 2002

## SOCIAL SECURITY INFORMATION REPORTING CHANGES

If you're receiving Supplemental Security Income payments, be sure to let  
Social Security know about any changes that could affect the amount of  
your payment. This could include returning to work, a change in your  
other income or leaving a nursing home. Be sure to notify Social Security  
within 10 days after the month in which the change occurred.

### SOCIAL SECURITY NOT JUST FOR THE ELDERLY

Did you know you don't have to retire to get Social Security benefits?  
Each year, millions of people who are unable to work get regular monthly  
checks from Social Security. Youngsters get benefits, too, because a par-  
ent has died or is disabled or retired. And mothers and fathers get pay-  
ments, as parents with dependent children of deceased workers in their  
care. Divorced spouses and disabled widows get Social Security pay-  
ments, too. Social Security covers more than nine out of every 10 work-  
ers and their families against loss of income because of death, disability or  
retirement. In fact, Social Security offers a whole package of protection  
for people of all ages. For more information, visit [www.ssa.gov](http://www.ssa.gov) the next  
time you're on the Internet.

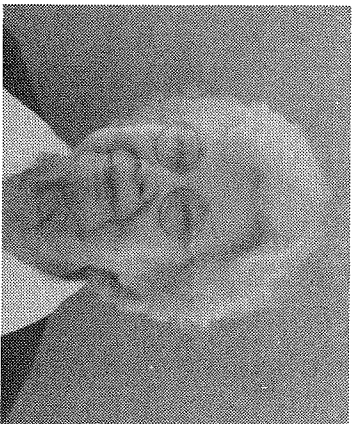
### BENEFITS FOR GRANDCHILDREN

Did you know Social Security pays benefits to grandchildren in some cases?  
That's right—grandchildren. Of course, the youngster must live with the  
grandparents and depend on them for at least one half of his or her sup-  
port. The child's parents must be either deceased or disabled. And the  
grandchild must have begun living with the grandparent before the age of  
18. For more information, call Social Security at 1-800-772-1213.

*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.*



## Elders of the Month



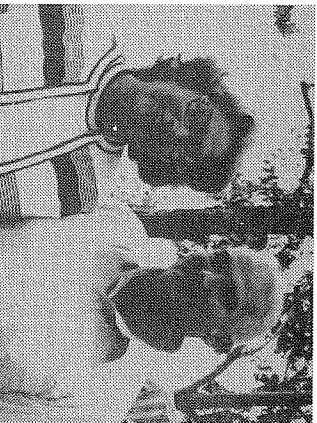
### Rae Daugherty

Rae Daugherty was born in Dowagiac on March 22, 1920. Rae's first years were spent in Dowagiac and Buchanan, and then moved with her parents, Michael B. Williams and Ceceila Topash Williams, and her family to South Bend. Rae is a proud graduate of South Bend Central High School, Class of '38. She worked as a dressmaker and seamstress in local garment shops during the World War II years.

Rae met her husband, Mike Daugherty, in 1945 on a blind date, and they were married two weeks later. They spent many happy years together, raising a family first in Niles and then in the Dowagiac area. With Mike she became very active in community and political organizations, particularly the Democratic Party in Van Buren County and in southern Michigan. Mike and Rae both served on several occasions as delegates to both the state and national Democratic conventions.

Rae also grew up in a family involved in Pokagon Band tribal politics. Her father served the Band for many years, including as Tribal Chairman in the 1950s and '60s, and her mother was the first woman to serve as Tribal Chair in the early 1970s. Rae herself was Tribal Treasurer for 17 years in the 1980s and '90s, during the period the Band acquired Elders Hall and carried forward the struggle for federal recognition. She says her proudest moment in tribal politics was testifying on behalf of the tribe in front of the House Indian Affairs Committee during the recognition hearings.

Today Rae enjoys a very busy retirement. She is active with the Elders Council, being elected by the Elders to be the Elders Representative to Tribal Council. Rae is active with the Basket Co-op, and she puts her seamstress skills to use helping her grandchildren with their dance regalia. She is much loved by her children Michaelann Gartner, Frances Dostal, Christine Daugherty, and Kevin Daugherty, and devotes many hours to entertaining and being entertained by her grandchildren Casey, Michael, and Corinne.



Rae and Mike Daugherty



The Daugherty Family

### Jeanne Urch

Jeanne was born in St. Joseph, Michigan, an original "Sand Rabbit". Her parents were Butch and Bonnie Klemm "Wesaw".

She was not told of her native heritage until she was in high school in an effort to save her from the prejudice that was prevalent at that time. She graduated from Benton Harbor High School and has a one year degree from Lake Michigan College. She was a student teacher at Stern Brown School in Benton Harbor, and chose to get married and raise a family.

In 1970, she married Walter L. Urch, Sr. He has five children, six grandchildren, and one great-grandchild. She has been active with the church choir for many years as choir soloist. She has two children, Darrell Dettmann, a lawyer and sitting judge from Marquette, Michigan, and Bill Dettmann, a truck driver from Cassens. She has three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

In 1989, she had her first heart attack and stroke. She has been bedridden since. Through all this illness she says that she has "learned who and what is important".

My Indian family has been a beacon in the storm, always there, always dependable, always loving and gracious. Your smiling faces coming in and bringing good cheer and help.

I can't begin to say how grateful I am.

I feel so detached from everything and everyone, then one of your smiling faces comes through my door and pull it all back together again.

Thank you so much for being my family and friends.

- Jeanne A. Urch



# HEALTH SERVICES

## CLIENT TRANSPORTS

**Purpose:** The purpose of the Health Care Transport program is to serve the Pokagon Band of Potawatomi community by reducing transportation needs as a barrier to care.

**Policy:** Client transport is by pre-arranged appointment. Transport is for routine, scheduled health care events. This service is provided on a last resort basis. You must exhaust all other means of transport including public transit, your own resources, family and friends before requesting this service from our office.

Transport may be provided to health-related appointments, scheduled Mondays through Fridays during our business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Transports are scheduled for appointments on days that Pokagon Band Health Services are open for business.

**This is not an emergency medical transport service.** In cases of emergency: any life- or limb-threatening situation such as airway obstruction, major bleeding, chest pain, labor or delivery **CALL 911 IMMEDIATELY.**

**Procedure:** Make your transport requests by contacting our transport schedulers at least 3 business days before the appointment you want transport assistance for.

Our goal is to resolve your transport request within 2 business days. If you have not heard back from our staff within 2 business days of your request, call our office and ask to speak to a transport scheduler. It is okay to place your request a few weeks in advance.

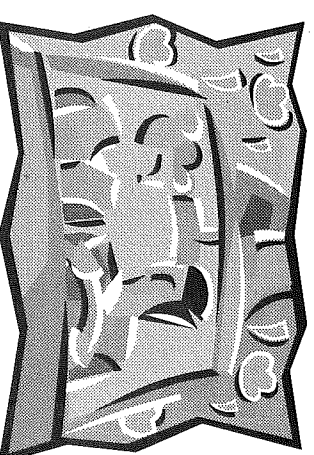
If you need to cancel your transport arrangements with us, call us as far in advance as possible. This allows us to schedule another person's transport.

If you do not keep two consecutive transports without notifying our office in advance, you may become ineligible for transport for two months.

**No one under the age of 18 will be transported without the supervision of an adult or guardian. Our transporters cannot be that designated adult or guardian. Emancipated minors are exempt from this restriction.**

1. Seat belts and child restraints must be used in accordance with State Laws.
2. No alcoholic beverages or other illicit substances are allowed in transport vehicles.
3. No smoking, drinking alcohol or using illicit substances is allowed in transport vehicles.
4. Transport staff may refuse to transport abusive or intoxicated clients.
5. Transport staff may refuse to transport clients during extreme or hazardous weather.
6. Exceptions to these policies are made with Health Director approval only.

*\*These policies are subject to revision.*







## ATTENTION!! ATTENTION!! TO ALL POKAGON BAND MEMBERS

Did you know that Diabetes is being referred to as an epidemic in Native American Communities? Have you wondered if undiagnosed Diabetes is affecting your health? To assess your risk, answer the following 6 questions either "yes" or "no".

1. Has any member/s of your family been diagnosed with diabetes?
2. Have you felt more tired than usual?
3. Have you been urinating more frequently?
4. Do you have an increase in thirst, drinking more liquids than usual?
5. Have you felt light headed or shaky if you've missed a meal?
6. Have you felt compelled to keep a closer watch on your blood sugar level?

If you have answered "yes" to 3 or more of these questions, you may have conditions of high or low blood sugar levels, or hyperglycemia and hypoglycemia. These are conditions associated with Diabetes.

Want to know what more you can do to find out about your risk for Diabetes? Call Pokagon Indian Health Services Diabetes Program and make an appointment to have your blood sugar checked. This is a simple test with results within seconds. We can see you in our office or in your home. Please phone our office at 1-888-440-1234 or 782-4141 and ask for one of our outreach staff people.

Want a fun activity to help you delay or halt the onset of Diabetic complications? We offer a low impact seated aerobics class. Gerobics Classes meet Monday, Wednesday, and Friday each week from 10:00-11:00 a.m. at the Elders Hall outside Dowagiac. Call our office and ask for our Gerobics instructor, Cindy Rapp, CHR.



## OPTICAL UPDATE

Optical services are scheduled every Tuesday, 8:00 AM-12:00 PM, 1:00 PM-5:00 PM. This is the designated day for you to choose your frame styles or pick up your glasses.

To make your appointments, phone our Optical Dispenser, Cindy Rapp, CHR at 782-4141, or 1-888-440-1234, ext. 30. If Cindy is unavailable leave a message on her voicemail and she will return your call.

## We're moved in!!!

**The Health Services & Behavioral  
Health Departments  
are now moved in to the new building**

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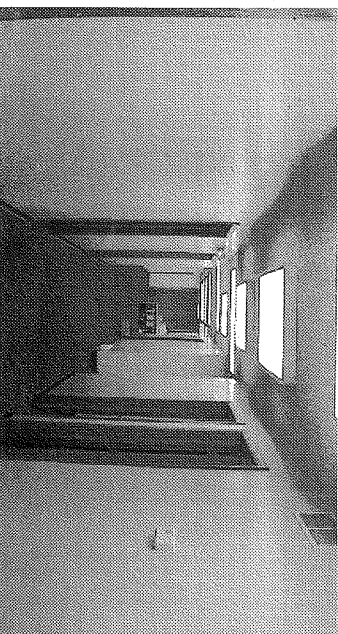
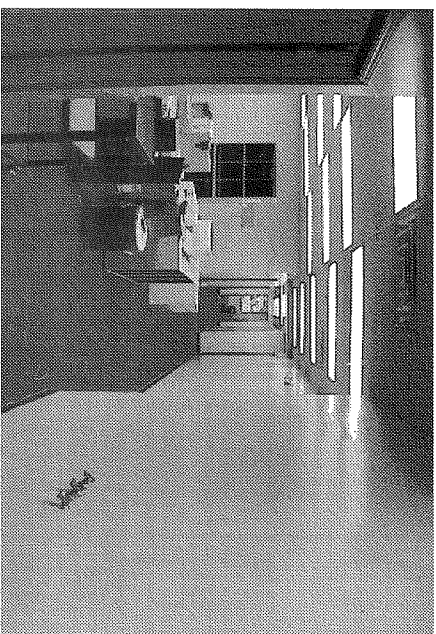
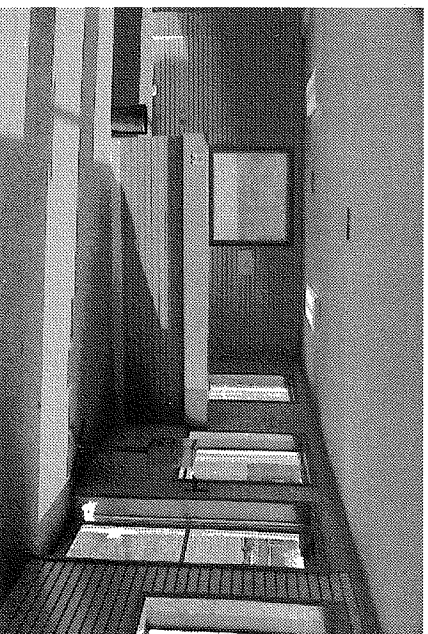
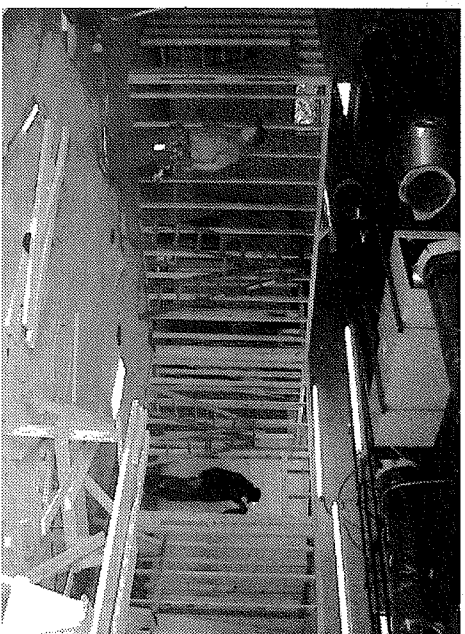
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**TRIBAL COUNCIL  
W/MEMBERSHIP  
ELECTION PROCEDURES  
AND  
MEMBERSHIP CONCERNS  
FEBRUARY 7, 2002**

**Meeting Called to Order:** 7:12 p.m. by Michael Zimmerman, Acting Chairman

**Invocation Given by:** Michael Zimmerman

**Roll Call:** Michael Zimmerman, Bill Augusta, Marie Manley, Tom Wesaw, Jr., Henry White, Trudy Loeding, Cleora Morseau, Elder's Rep. I - Rae Daugherty and Faye Wesaw (arrived at 7:20p.m.).

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

**Issues at Hand:**

**Election Procedures**  
Discussion was held on the Election procedures followed. Particular procedures regarding the Recall of Tribal Council Members.

**Land in Trust Meeting**

**RESOLUTION #1** made by Marie Manley and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tom Wesaw, Jr.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** Tribal Council approves travel for Mike Zimmerman and Henry White to attend the Non-Gaming Land in Trust meeting on February 5<sup>th</sup> to be held in Washington, D.C. Costs include airfare, hotel, per diem and cab fare totaling approximately \$1700.00.

Mike Z.	Abstain	Henry W.	Abstain
Bill A.	Y	Faye W.	Y
Marie M.	Y	Trudy L.	Y
Tom W.	Y	Cleora M.	N

**ALL IN FAVOR: 5, OPPOSED: 1, ABSENT: 0, ABSTAIN: 2. CARRIED.**

**Meeting adjourned at:** \_8:55p.m.

**TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING  
FEBRUARY 9, 2002**

**Meeting Called to Order:** 10:08p.m. by Michael Zimmerman, Sr. Acting Chairman

**Invocation Given by:** Joe Winchester - Elder

**Roll Call:** Michael Zimmerman, Sr., Bill Augusta, Marie Manley, Tom Wesaw, Jr., Henry White, Cleora Morseau, Faye Wesaw, Trudy Loeding and Elder's Rep. I - Rae Daugherty.

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

**Old Business**

**Wage and Salary Commission - Lucinda Graveret Smith**

**RESOLUTION #1** made by Marie Manley and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trudy Loeding

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** Tribal Council directs the Chairman to develop a comprehensive description for the Chairman position. The description to have input from Tribal Council Wage and Salary Commission and the Executive Secretary to Tribal Council. Completed description be presented at Tribal Council meeting on March 2002.

Mike Z.	Abstain	Henry W.	Y
Bill A.	Y	Faye W.	Y
Marie M.	Y	Trudy L.	Y
Tom W.	Y	Cleora M.	Y

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

**Bowling Cutting - Larry White**

**RESOLUTION #2** made by Marie Manley and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trudy Loeding

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** Tribal Council approves to fund the Bowling Alley project to take place on March 24, 2002 and pay for meat tray veggie tray and bowling expenses not to exceed \$500.00.

Mike Z.	Y	Henry W.	Y
Bill A.	Y	Faye W.	Y
Marie M.	Y	Trudy L.	Y
Tom W.	Y	Cleora M.	Y

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

**Dissolve the Housing Board of Commissioners**

**RESOLUTION #3** made by Tom Wesaw, Jr. and 2<sup>nd</sup> Henry White

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:**

1. That the Prior Housing Ordinance be as it hereby is rescinded and the Housing Authority is dissolved:
2. That the Band establish a Housing Department administered under the authority and supervision of the Tribal departments, and subject in all respects to the Tribal Council; and
3. That all employees of the Housing Authority shall be transferred to the Housing Department; and
4. That all assets of the Housing Authority shall be transferred on the books and records of the Band to the Housing Authority.

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5. Department of the Band; and  
That the Finance Department shall segregate and manage all such assets as of the date of this resolution [, as well as all future assets administered by such Housing Department,] discretely from other assets of the Band, so that any persons entitled to limited recourse against assets of the Housing Authority under limited waivers of Tribal sovereign immunity executed by the Housing Authority pursuant to and in accordance with the Prior Housing Ordinance, if any, may result recourse against the same pool of assets to which may have been entitled under such limited waivers; and
6. That the Band be substituted for the Housing authority in all contracts properly entered into by Housing Authority, provided that such substitution shall not constitute a waiver of Tribal sovereign immunity; and That the Band be substituted for the Housing Authority in all pending administrative proceedings and litigation to which it is a party; provided, however, that the sovereign immunity of the Band shall not be waived by such substitution or any other provision of this Resolution, and the Band's sovereign immunity remains in full force and effect as to liabilities of the Housing Authority and the Housing Department subject only to limited waivers of Tribal sovereign immunity executed by the Housing Authority pursuant to and in accordance with the Prior Housing Ordinance, if any; and
8. That each Commissioner of the Authority, acting singly, is authorized and directed to execute and deliver to the Band such deeds, bills of sale and other instruments as may be necessary or convenient to evidence the transfer of assets from the Authority to the Housing Department in accordance with this Resolution; and
9. That the Commissioners and other officers, employees and agents of the Housing Authority are authorized and directed to deliver to the Tribal Operations Officer all computers, cell phones, books, records and other tangible physical property of the Housing Authority, and to cooperate fully in the transfer of the assets and operations of the Housing Authority to the Housing Department; and
10. That this Resolution take effect immediately.

Mike Z.	Y	Henry W.	Y
Bill A.	N	Faye W.	Abstain
Marie M.	Abstain	Trudy L.	N
Tom W.	Y	Cleora M.	Y

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

Break at: 12:10p.m.

Faye Wesaw and Trudy Loading left at 12:10p.m.

Meeting resumed: 12:50p.m.

The continuation of the meeting was conducted as a work session due to lack of quorum.

Finance Report - Tom Wesaw, Jr.

Membership Concerns

By-Laws - Lucinda Graverette Smith

Elder's Rep. sitting on Tribal Council

Sanitation Issue - Gerald Wesaw

Emergency Monies - Gerald Wesaw

LIHEAP Procedures - Greg Ballew

Respect for Elder's - Matt Wesaw

Committee Reports

Title VI Grant - Henry White

SAPC - Judy Winchester

Gathering Committee - Logo Design - Lucinda Graverette Smith

Legal Matters - Marchell Wesaw

Announcements

March 2<sup>nd</sup> - Women's Health Fair - Cass - Van Buren Department of Public Health in Dowagiac

March 16 & 17 Red Road Pow Wow - Dowagiac High School

Next Meeting

Feb. 19<sup>th</sup> Tribal Council /Law Enforcement with Matt Wesaw

Feb. 21<sup>st</sup> 6:00p.m. Tribal Council with Lakes Gaming

Work session ended at: 1:48p.m.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**FEBRUARY 18, 2002**

Meeting Called To Order: 1:00p.m. by Michael Zimmerman, Sr., Acting Chairman

Roll Call: Mike Zimmerman, Tom Wesaw, Jr., Bill Augusta

Absent: Marie Manley

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





**Issues at Hand:**

NAGPRA MEETING

Meeting adjourned at: 1:04p.m.

TRIBAL COUNCIL  
MEDIA RESOURCE LOGO PRESENTATION  
CLOSED SESSION  
TRIBAL COUNCIL  
WITH

FORMER BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
FEBRUARY 19, 2002

Meeting Called to Order: 6:09p.m. by Michael Zimmerman, Sr., Acting Chairman

Invocation Given by: Henry White - Elder

Roll Call: Henry White, Tom Wesaw, Jr., Michael Zimmerman, Sr., Marie Manley, Faye Wesaw, Rudy Loeding, Cleora Morseau and Elder's Rep. I - Rae Daugherty. Bill Augusta (arrived at 6:15p.m.).

Also in Attendance: Media Resource - Ron Tomisini, Rich Dumke and Jay Asher. Stephen Blann - Rehmann, Robson (arrived at 7:20p.m.). Former Housing Board of Commissioners Paula Winchester Geer, Carol Martin, Tina Starrett, and Pam Mersereau (arrived at 8:25p.m.).

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

Issues at Hand:

**Media Resource Presentation**

Media Resource concluded at 7:05p.m.

Break at: 7:05p.m.

Meeting Resumed at: 7:20p.m.

**Results of Audits Since Federal Recognition**

Stephen left at approximately 7:45p.m.

**Results of HUD Audit**

Results were not available due to audit not yet completed.

Break at: 8:10p.m.

Meeting resumed: 8:25p.m.

**Former Housing Board of Commissioners**

Paula Winchester Geer left at approx. 9:20p.m.

Meeting adjourned at: 9:35p.m.

**TRIBAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS**

When membership meetings are held the second Saturday of the month Tribal Council will furnish the meat for the luncheon and membership is asked to bring a dish to pass. Over the years we have gotten away from the potluck luncheon at these meetings and would like to reinstate this.

Thank you for your cooperation. Hope to see you at the next Tribal Council meeting!

Sincerely-  
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# SOCIAL SERVICES

## Indian Child Welfare

The Social Services Department monitors the well being of Pokagon Band children and families within state protective services and foster care programs. The department has become increasingly involved and takes an active role in these cases through the provision of a variety of outreach services, as well as working closely with state and private agencies. Outreach services, through the Social Services Department, work in conjunction with community prevention services to ensure continued family progress and stabilization. The department also provides a variety of services to individuals and families residing in the service area, to those temporarily residing in emergency housing units, and to tribal elders. While family reunification and stabilization are always the primary goals with Indian Child Welfare cases, at times reunification may be judged by a court to not be in the best interest of the children or parents. As such, family, extended family and tribal members are looked to for the care of these children. The Social Services Department is actively involved with public and private child welfare agencies to aid in locating both foster and permanent homes for these children, and is capable of providing referrals to individuals interested in providing care. There is an active need for Native American foster and adoptive homes. Anyone interested in helping to provide this needed care should contact the Social Services Department at (616) 782-8998 or the Michigan Indian Child Welfare Agency (MICWA) at 1-800-880-2089.

## Indian Child Welfare Commission

The Tribal Council of the Pokagon Band has recently established the Pokagon Band Indian Child Welfare Commission. Whereas the care and custody of Pokagon Band children are vital to the continued existence and integrity of the Band, the welfare of its children are of paramount importance to the Band. Therefore, the Pokagon Band Indian Child Welfare Commission has been established for the purpose of working with the Pokagon Band Tribal Council, Tribal Court when established, Social Services Department, and when appropriate, state judicial and administrative bodies, with regard to child welfare matters. Anyone interested in learning more about the Commission or becoming a member of the Commission is encouraged to contact the Social Services Department for information at (616) 782-8998.

## Child Care Development Fund

Participation in the Child Care Development Fund is steadily increasing. Members throughout the service area are encouraged to apply for this unique program. Applications can be obtained at the Administrative/Social Services office or can be mailed or faxed to anyone interested. The purpose of this program is to enable parents to receive childcare payment assistance while participating in productive employment, an approved educational plan or while training for employment. With the summer season approaching, and children being home from school, this program can be especially beneficial to parents who work or who are furthering their education.

### General Requirements:

1. Parents must be employed, participating in a job training or education program, or actively involved in documental 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, Koscusko, La Porte, Marshall, St. Joseph, Starke, or Van Buren counties.
4. A parent or child must be a member the Pokagon Band.

### Verification Eligibility

#### 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.

#### 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 childcare may be established as soon as the student registers for new classes.

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 unlicensed relative care will not be covered as yet. A sliding fee scale will determine each family's contribution to the cost of childcare based on income and the size of the family. The Social Services Department will work with each family to facilitate the program application process and aid in locating licensed childcare. For more information, please contact the Social Services Department.

#### Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program

#### ((LIHEAP):

The Social Services Department will continue to process applications for the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) through the end of April, to assist eligible members meet their heating needs through the 2001-2002 winter season. Those who have not applied to this program are encouraged to do so now. All members within the entire service area are encouraged to apply even if they have already received services. Eligible members will be able to again receive assistance with their general heating needs, as well as receive assistance with shut-off notices. The department is currently accepting applications from all income eligible members. Applications are available at the Social Services/Administrative Office. Applicants will need to bring the heating bill and a copy of their most recent filed income taxes for processing. Payments will be made for the amount of the heating bill up to the maximum amount allowable through the program. Payments will not be exceeding the amount due the utility provider.

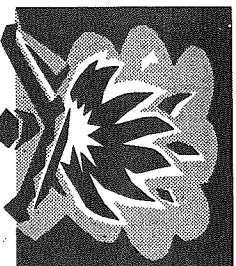
A staff member from the Social Services Department will be available in the South Bend Office every Tuesday. Members are encouraged to stop by and fill out applications for LIHEAP and Child Care Assistance if they have not already done so. A staff member will be available to help with completing these applications and to answer any questions regarding the department and available services.

## Food Commodities Program

In an effort to better serve Band members who may work varying shifts, the Food Commodities Program hours of operation have been changed. Starting immediately, the hours of operation will be from 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM, Monday through Friday. These hours will hopefully allow members to better utilize this service both before and after work. Commodities are now being ordered through a new distributor with the program receiving all name brand products. Recently, more shelving/storage area was installed to allow even more efficiency when filling orders for the membership.

A staff member from the food commodity program will visit the South Bend Office every Tuesday and visit the Allegan area once a month. Members are encouraged to stop by the South Bend office and fill out an application for this program if they have not already done so. Those residing in the Allegan area are encouraged to call and request an application and to place orders. Those Allegan area participants will also be able to verify the time and place for delivery at that time. Once enrolled in this program, participants can fax, mail, or call in their orders to the Food Commodities Office at (888) 281-1111. Their orders will then be transported to the South Bend Office and Allegan area, and made available for pick up. In addition, bread is available in the South Bend office each Tuesday, and in the commodities office each Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.

Due to program changes and in an effort to better serve members throughout the entire service area, those who may have previously applied for food commodities and been turned down due to their area of residence are encouraged to reapply. These changes will allow a greater number of members to receive commodities throughout the entire area.



# Neshnabémwen Mzen'egen

Native Language Page

by J.P. Montano

April 2002

**DopweneK: At the table**

## Vowel Sounds

<b>a</b>	<i>sounds like</i> swān
<b>é</b>	<i>sounds like</i> nēst
<b>i</b>	<i>sounds like</i> skī
<b>o</b>	<i>sounds like</i> snōw
<b>oo</b>	<i>sounds like</i> lo <u>op</u>
<i>before 'n':</i> <i>sounds like</i> pīn	
<b>e</b>	<i>before 'g' or 'k':</i> <i>sounds like</i> sūn
<i>all other times:</i> <i>sounds like</i> pūt	

## Shke-kedwenen New Words

### Byénenen!

We can use this word when we are telling someone sitting at the table with us to pass or hand something to us. When used alone, Byénenen can mean "Pass it!". We can just motion towards the object that we want the other person to pass to us.

**Byénenen zitagen!** Byénenen bdekché'gen!  
Pass the salt! Pass the fork!

**Byénenen wasgek!** Byénenen émkwanés!  
Pass the pepper! Pass the spoon!

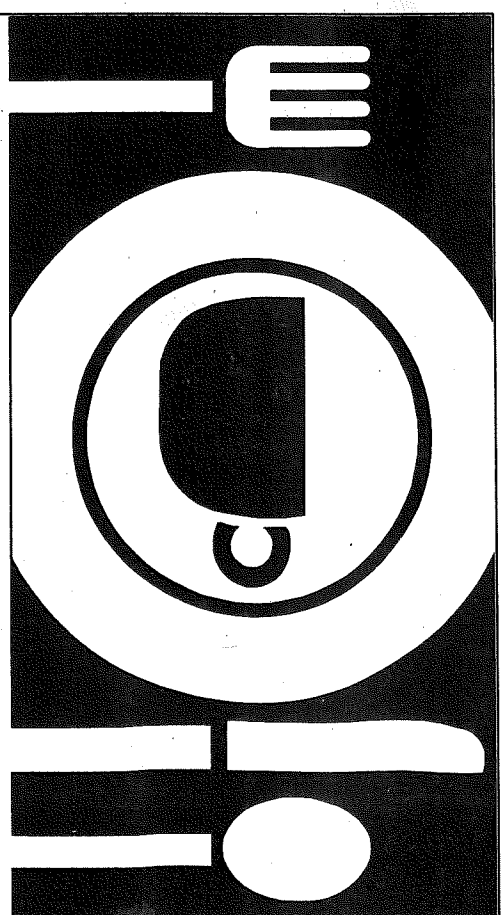
**Byénenen gwabgas!** Byénenen koman!  
Pass the cup! Pass the knife!

**Byénenen gzinjé'gas!** Byénenen wisnwen!  
Pass the napkin! Pass the food!

**Byénenen nagen!**  
Pass the plate!

**Byénenen mbish!**  
Pass the water!

**Byénenen nagas!**  
Pass the bowl!



## NESHNABÉMWEN WORD SEARCH PUZZLE

c é n é k g i o n d s y a a e k b  
f g z i n j é g a s c o k d c y  
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t d z n n s h w z d n a g a s g  
b y a a n w i s n e k h z e j i n  
g h e z e t o o z g e w k a n e  
k o m a n h i o a e o o h k e z

<b>ACROSS</b>	<b>DOWN</b>
-napkin	-knife
-fork	-plate
-water	-Come, eat! (to one person)
-cup	-Are you hungry?
-spoon	-Pass it!
-salt	-food
-bowl	
-Come, eat! (to more than one)	

**Gbekdé ne?**  
*Are you hungry?*

**Byan, wisnen!**  
Come, eat! (speaking to one person only)

**Byak, wisnek!**  
Come, eat! (speaking to more than one person)



# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

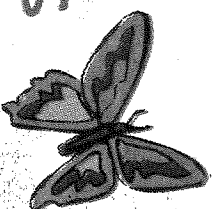
## APRIL 2002

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Gerobics@ E.H. 10:00 - 11:00 am	2 Optical Day@IHS	3 Gerobics@ E.H. 10:00 - 11:00 am	4 IHS/CHS @ South Bend Office	5 Gerobics@ E.H. 10:00 - 11:00 am	6 Womens Health Fair 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
7	8 Gerobics@ E.H. 10:00 - 11:00 am	9 Optical Day@IHS	10 Gerobics@ E.H. 10:00 - 11:00 am Foot Care Clinic @ IHS Office	11 IHS/CHS @ South Bend Office	12 Gerobics@ E.H. 10:00 - 11:00 am	13 Tribal Council Mtg. Lodge@ 10:00 am
14	15 Gerobics@ E.H. 10:00 - 11:00 am Council Closed Mtg w/Sub. Ab. Comm. 6:00 pm @ Lodge	16 Optical Day@IHS	17 Gerobics@ E.H. 10:00 - 11:00 am	18 IHS/CHS @ South Bend Office	19 Gerobics@ E.H. 10:00 - 11:00 am	20
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# April Announcements

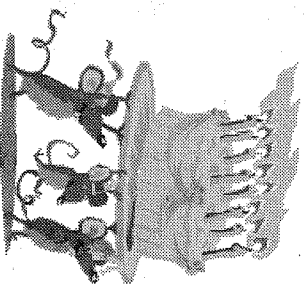


Happy Birthday 4/22  
*Danielle Wesaw*  
 Love You! Dad

Happy Birthday 4/10  
*Kathryn Miller*  
 Love-Mom, Dad, Isabella  
 Steven, Grandma Miller  
 & Uncle Gizmo

Happy 13<sup>th</sup> Birthday  
 April 30<sup>th</sup>  
 Christopher Jeffington  
 Love-Mom & Dad

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**  
**RECHELE HERMAN**  
**APRIL 16TH !!!**  
**LOVE YA OL' GIRL,**  
**MELISSA**



Happy Birthday 4/13  
 Brian Wesaw  
 Love-Grandma Cookie  
 & Grandpa Gerald

Happy Birthday  
 Christopher Jeffington 4/30  
 Tabitha Brown 4/30  
 Love- Great Grandma

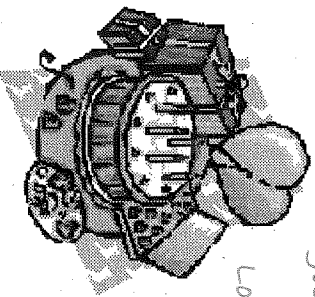


Congratulations to Brandon Rapp for  
 passing his A+ Hardware exam.  
 - Pokagon IT Department

Happy Birthday:  
 Carl Wesaw 4/5  
 Cathy Wesaw 4/11  
 Joseph Wesaw 4/29

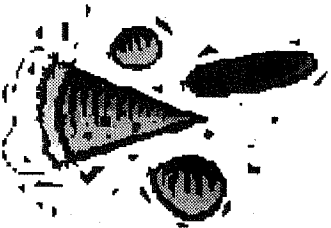
Love Your Family!!

Happy Belated Birthday  
 Gerald Wesaw 3/2  
 Cookie Wesaw 3/13



Happy Birthday 4/10 Sue Jeffington Love-Mom

**Happy 7<sup>th</sup> Birthday**  
**April 29<sup>th</sup>**  
**Joseph Wesaw**  
**Love-Mom & Dad**



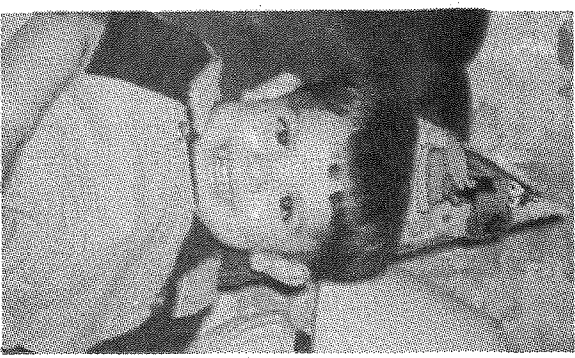
Happy Birthday 4/11  
 Megan Soters (in Arkansas!)

We love you Angel,  
 Granny & Papa



Congratulations Michael Newcomer!!  
 On having your art project on display  
 at Lake Michigan College's Mendel Cen-  
 ter in April. We are also so proud of your  
 story that was picked for the school  
 newsletter.  
 Love-Mom, Dad, Richard, Grandma and  
 Grandpa Mawles

Happy Birthday Blaine!



The Big 4!  
 Love-Mommy, Daddy & Darin