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Pokagon Band of Sagittaries Our 2002 Graduates



Nicole Anders

Nicole will graduate from Dowagiac Union High School in Dowagiac, Michigan. She is the daughter of Lesa Anders and Travis Anders.

Sarah Valdes

Sarah graduated from Southwestern Michigan College in Dowagiac, Michigan with an Associates Degree in Early Childhood Development. She is the daughter of Sue Mesko. Sarah is the Site Supervisor for the Pokagon Band Head Start program and is continuing her studies in the field of Childhood Development.

Rachel Thompson

Rachel will graduate from Lawrence High School in Lawrence, Michigan. She is the daughter of LeAnn Tate and Steve Thompson, granddaughter of Darlene Tate and great granddaughter of Ella Lewis.

Milton Edwards

Milton graduated with high honors from Huron University in Huron SD. Huron University was purchased from a Native American Tribe in South Dakota. He is the son of Glenda and Virgile Edwards. Milton plans to begin law school this fall.



Nicole Bryker

Nicole will be a graduate of Jimtown High School in Jimtown, Indiana. She is the granddaughter of Wanda Topash Campbell.

Alison Grignonis

Alison is a graduate of the Class of 2002 San Diego, California. In the fall, she will be attending the University of California, Santa Barbara as a Pre-Law major. Alison is a descendent of Cow-Tuck-Muck Frank Williams, Faye (Williams) Magnuson, Karen (Magnuson) Grignonis.



Lexie Yerington

Lexie will graduate from Hartford High School in Hartford, Michigan. She is the daughter of Pete & Debi Yerington and the granddaughter of Sam Wesaw.

Melissa Newcomer

Melissa graduated from Southwestern Michigan College with an Associates degree in Business Administration. She is the daughter of Lawrence & Marie Manley. Melissa is the Curriculum Associate at the Pokagon Band Education Department.

Donald Summers

Donald graduated from Lake Superior State University in Sault Saint Marie, Michigan with a bachelor's degree in Liberal Studies.

Greg Balley

Greg graduated with distinction from IUSB with a Liberal Arts and Sciences Degree, with a minor in History and Anthropology. He is continuing his education to attain his master's degree



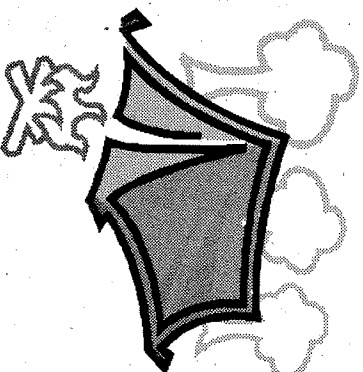
EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

ATTENTION ALL POKAGON BAND YOUTH

The Pokagon Band Youth Camp is scheduled for the week of June 16, 2002. There will be two sessions again this year. The first session will be held on June - 6th grade. The second session will be held in grades 7th - 12th (please note these grades Applications can be requested from the Education Office, 782-0887 or 1-888-330-

If you want to partake in Native Learning, get your application in for Pokagon Band come to get together with old friends!

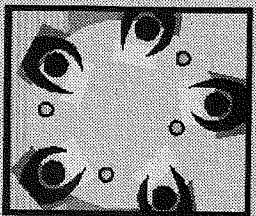
There is a **deadline** for applications; this is questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at the POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI Education Department. We hope to see many Pokagon Youth at the Summer Camp this year.



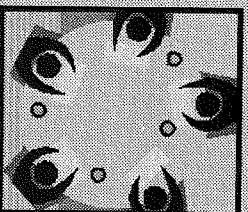
16 - June 19 for youth who will be in the 2nd on June 19 - June 22 for those who will be are for the upcoming school year.) Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians 1234.

Swimming, and Native Games make sure you Camp 2002. Come make new friends or

set for June 7, 2002. If you have any POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI Education



Youth Council



This month Youth Council is planning to help with the Spring Feast. The Youth Council members will be serving and setting up for this special occasion. Youth Council is preparing a tour of the Pokagon Band properties on June 11th and 12th. On the thirteenth of June Youth Council will be visiting the Medicine Turtle farm, the Duff residence, to check on the sweet grass that was planted earlier this spring. There will also be another Youth Council meeting on June 13, which will take place at the farm at 5:30pm.

Youth Council will also be traveling to the South Bend, Hartford, and Dowagiac area to meet. This is to benefit any Native American youth that would like to join the youth council but can't make the long trip to the education office. Our next meeting will be June 13 at Medicine Turtle Farm in Cassopolis. If you would like to join us please call the education office, (616) 782-0887, or toll free 1-888-330-1234, or for directions to the farm.

Youth Council June Important Dates:

3rd-Last Language Class at Dowagiac Education office.

7th-Camp applications are due!

11th-Tour of the Pokagon Band properties, youth council members be at education office no later than 8:45 am.

12th-Tour of Pokagon Band properties, youth council members be at education office no later than 8:45 am.

13th- Youth Council meeting, 5:30 pm in Cassopolis at Medicine Turtle Farm.

16th- Camp for the grades 2-5

19th- Camp for grades 6-12

22nd- Youth Council meeting will take place on the last day of camp at 10:15 @ Camp Friedenswald

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BEADING CLASS

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Saturday, June 15
South Bend Office
2705 Mishawaka Avenue
10:00 - 2:00
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You Are Invited To The 9th Annual Anishnaabe Family Language & Culture Camp

Dedicated to the memory of Jonnie Sam & Doris Wabisis

Where
Manistee MI.

When
July 25, 26, 27, 28 2002

Thursday July 25

Opening Ceremony at 12:00
12:30 - 1:00 Lunch
1:45 - 3:00 Presentations
3:15 - 4:30 Presentations
5:00 - 6:00 Dinner
8:00 Storytelling

Friday July 26

8:00—9:00 Breakfast
9:15 - 10:30 Presentations
10:45 - 12:00 Presentations
12:00 - 1:00 Lunch
1:15 - 2:30 Presentations
2:45 - 4:00 Presentations
4:15 - 5:00 Presentations
5:00 - 6:30 Dinner
7:00 Talent Show
9:00 Entertainment

Saturday July 27

8:00 - 9:00 Breakfast
9:15 - 10:30 Presentations
10:45 - 12:00 Presentations
12:00 - 1:00 Lunch
1:15 - 2:30 Presentations
2:45 - 4:00 Presentations
2:30 - 5:00 Ceremonies
4:15 - 5:00 Presentations
5:00 - 6:30 Dinner
7:00 Jingtamok / Powwow
9:30 Entertainment

Sunday July 28

10:00 Brunch & Social time
12:00 Closing

These workshops and presentations are for all ages. Both Anishnaabemowin and English will be used. Meals are provided and there is no registration fee. First come first serve for camping area. This event will take place at the Powwow grounds in Manistee located at the corner of M 22 & US 31 S next to the Casino. Anishnaabe showers on site.

Sponsored by the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians of the Anishnaabe Nation
For more information call

Kenny Pheasant at 888-723-8288 or at 231-933-4406 or Cell # 231-392-6421
Cell # 231-510-1324 or Email Pheasant9@AOL.com or Web site www.LRBOI.com

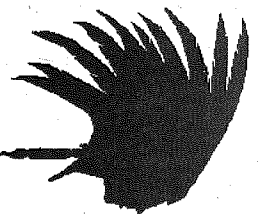


ELDERS PROGRAM

MINUTES

POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS ELDERS COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING

APRIL 4, 2002 - 11:00 a.m.



Meeting was called to order by Gerald Wesaw at 11:06 A.M.

Invocation given by Clarence White.

Roll Call

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

Quorum Present

Attendance: 26 Elders

Marge Moody moved to approve the agenda of April 4, 2002. Seconded by Clarence White. All In Favor: "Aye" Opposed: 0
MOTION CARRIED

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

Tom Wesaw informed us he is going to present a proposal to Tribal Council extending the burial fund to include the non-native spouse of the tribal member. He would like our support on this.

Cindy Rapp stated in her health report that IHS is now in the White/White Bldg. Gerobics will be held there when they get settled. Joy Duff will be having CPR classes for Elders. We can contact Joy for this class.

Kevin Daugherty informed us that the Title VI Part A grant award of \$71,420.00 was approved for the budget period of April 2, 2002 - March 2, 2003. Grant to be used for a cook, cook assistant, and daily breakfast at Elders Hall.

Historical Folder Resolution #02-006, dated April 1, 2002, made by Marge Moody. Seconded by Rachel Daugherty. NOW,
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Elders Council approves the purchase of five hundred (500) printed historical folders from the Preferred Printing Inc. Dowagiac, Michigan folders to be given away at the April MIEA Conference. Any remaining folders to be used for giveaway gifts at a later date. Approximate cost of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) to be paid out of the Elders General Fund.
All In Favor: 6 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0 RESOLUTION ADOPTED

MIEA Conference Resolution #02-007, dated April 4, 2002, made by Marge Moody. Seconded by Mary Jo Morris. NOW,
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED That the Elders Council send Delegate, Bonnie Parrish, Delegate, Joe Winchester, Alternate, Evelyn Miller, MIEA Committee Secretary, Marge Moody and MIEA Committee Members, Gerald Wesaw, Clarence White, John Wesaw, Jr. and Rachel Daugherty to the MIEA Quarterly Conference to be held at Little River in Manistee, Michigan. April 16-18, 2002. Elder Members to attend are Mary Jo Morris, Jackie Geneaux, Ann Zimmerman, Patricia Klemm, William Morsaw, Sam Wesaw, Victor Starrett, and Hal Wiggins. All expenses to be paid out of the Elders General Fund, plus a GSA Vehicle and Transporter Greg Morsaw. Any days not in attendance, lodging and per-diem needs to be returned. Trip reports upon return.
All In Favor: 5 Opposed: 0 Abstained: 0 Absent: 1 RESOLUTION ADOPTED

Burial Trust Fund Resolution #02-008, dated April 4, 2002, made by Marge Moody. Seconded by Clarence White. NOW,
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: The Pokagon Band Elders Membership proposes that Tribal Council set back the first month per capita payment from all members to go into a Burial Trust Fund starting with over a million dollars.
FURTHERMORE: The Elders stipend should be changed over to the per-capita distribution. All adult membership per capita should be the same. All In Favor: 5 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 1
Popular Vote In Favor: 22 RESOLUTION ADOPTED

Marge Moody reserved 15 rooms for Elders going to the Potawatomi Gathering in Kansas June 27-30, 2002.



MIEA CONFERENCE HOSTED BY POKAGON ELDERS & LITTLE RIVER BAND

THANKS TO EVERYONE INVOLVED-THE MIEA COMMITTEE!

INDIAN HEALTH SERVICES.

JOY DUFF LPN SPOKE ABOUT FOOT CARE AND DIABETES. STEPHANIE BALLEW TALKED ABOUT SUBSTANCE ABUSE.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT:

THROUGH THE YOUTH PROGRAM SEVERAL STUDENTS ATTENDED THE PERFORMANCE OF DALLAS CHIEF EAGLE. THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT WAS ABLE TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE COST OF THE PERFORMANCE. KATHY DEKA AND JOHN WARREN WORKED TOGETHER TO DO THE HISTORY OF OUR BAND, WITH HELP FROM STAFF MAKING COPIES AND ALSO THE TREATY MAPS. WOODEN INDIANS WITH MAGNETS, PAINT, BRUSHES AND HELP FROM EDUCATION AND THE ELDERS.

TRIBAL COUNCIL:

MADE A MONETARY CONTRIBUTION TO THE ELDERS FOR THIS CONFERENCE.

BEST SCREENING TOOL ONLINE

Social Security has an online service that can provide some real help for you; it's called the Benefit Eligibility Screening Tool (BEST). By simply logging on to www.ssa.gov/best you will find out exactly what benefits you may be eligible for and the information is made available in both English and Spanish. All you need to do is answer some questions about your age and marital status and some questions about your personal finances. These questions will help determine if you may be eligible for Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits, or if you can qualify for help with your Medicare premium. BEST takes only five to 10 minutes to complete and the great thing about it is you do not have to provide any personal identifying information, such as your name or Social Security number. Plus, once you exit this screening tool, all your answers will be permanently erased.

SSA AND THE NEW YORK FIRE DEPARTMENT

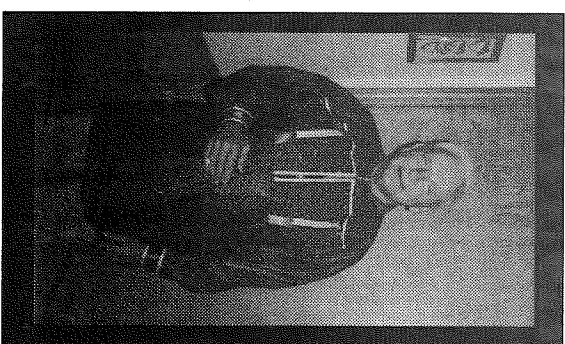
The New York City Fire Department (FDNY) is helping the Social Security Administration (SSA) deliver the message that Direct Deposit is a safe, convenient and easy way to receive Social Security and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) payments. With direct deposit, payments are deposited automatically into accounts and are readily available for immediate use. Direct deposit presents an advantage for the government as well. It costs the government 45 cents to process and mail a check while it costs only 4 cents to send a payment by direct deposit. Last year, direct deposit saved the Social Security Trust Funds approximately \$133 million.

Signing up for direct deposit is relatively simple and easy, just call SSA's toll free number, 1-800-772-1213 (or 1-800-325-0778 for TTY users), or visit the nearest local Social Security office. Banks, savings and loan or credit unions can also help people sign up for direct deposit.

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

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ELDER OF THE MONTH Frank Edward Person



Frank was born August 15, 1920 in Dowagiac, Michigan. He is the son of Frank Montell and Jennie Selner. His grandparents were Joseph and Susan Battise. His Great Great Grandparents were Levi Calvier and Elisabeth Aeachi. The Person family of six moved from Dowagiac to Mishawaka when Frank was 6 years old. Frank is the sole survivor.

He graduated from Mishawaka High School in 1940 and enlisted in the U.S. Army on January 8th, 1942. He was honorably discharged on October 31, 1945 when he held the rank of Sergeant. While in the service, he spent forty months of combat duty in the Southwest Pacific. Campaigns were East Indies; Papan, New Guinea; South Philippines; and Luzon, Manila. He has received the following Decorations and citations: Asiatic Pacific Ribbon with five battle stars, Philippine Libertarian Ribbon with one battle star, Distinguished Unit Citation with Oak Leaf Cluster, Good Conduct Medal, and Six Overseas Service Bars. Returning home he was hospitalized three months.

Frank married his childhood sweetheart, Colleen Hofmann, who has been his wife for 56 years. They have two children, a son, Gary, a Vietnam Veteran, and a daughter, Carol Ann Hope. He has two grandsons and two granddaughters, all of which are tribal members.

Frank and Colleen are members of Grace Bible Chapel. He has been retired from Unitroyal in Mishawaka after 39 1/2 years. Frank is a canoe buff and has many wilderness trips. "All part of our heritage," he says. He taught canoeing while he was a scoutmaster for the Boys Scouts. He also participated in canoe racing. He never came in first but always came in second by three seconds.

His only regret is not finding his Potawatomi family sooner. "My heart and door is always open to them."



HEALTH SERVICES

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".

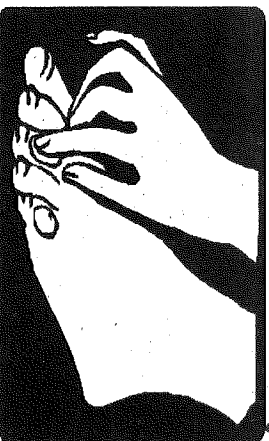
1. Has any member/s of your family been diagnosed with diabetes?
2. Have you felt more tired than usual?
3. Have you been urinating more frequently?
4. Do you have an increase in thirst, drinking more liquids than usual?
5. Have you felt light headed or shaky if you've missed a meal?
6. Have you felt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

Foot Care Clinics



Pokagon Band of Pottawatomi Indian Health Services

Pokagon Band of Pottawatomi Indian Health Services

57392 M-51 South Dowagiac, MI 49081

Phone: 616-782-4141
Fax: 616-782-8797
Toll Free: 1-888-440-1234
Cathy Joy Duff, LPN, CHR
Foot Care Specialist

(New Location !!!)
57392 M-51 South Dowagiac, MI
Second Wednesday of each month
and

South Bend Office
2705 Mishawaka Ave
Mishawaka, IN

Please Call to make YOUR
appointment today

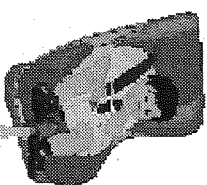
CONTRACT HEALTH SERVICES NON-COVERED SERVICES

Most of the Pokagon Band's Health Services are provided by federal funding for Contract Health Services, (CHS). The services below are NOT generally covered by CHS, although, in rare cases, they might be covered when they are considered medically necessary. Some of the services below are not covered by CHS, but are offered by the tribe. Those services are indicated on the list. Remember: To access Contract Health Services, a tribal member MUST notify the Pokagon Band Health Department three days in advance of any non-emergency appointment, or within three days following an emergency encounter.

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| 1. Long Term Care | 12. Alternative Medicine |
| a. Nursing Home | a. Acupuncture |
| b. Foster Care | (Offered for stress reduction & adjunct to sub. abuse treatment) |
| 2. Home Health Care | b. Therapeutic Massage |
| a. Skilled Nursing | 13. Workers' Comp. Injuries |
| b. Home Health | 14. Disability Evaluations |
| c. Respite Services | 15. Second Opinion, (Unless Requested by CHS) |
| d. Home Physical Therapy | 16. Dental Services |
| 3. Hospice | a. Bleaching |
| 4. Prolonged Services | b. Orthodontia, (Braces) |
| 5. Preventative Medicine Services | c. Implants |
| 6. Surgical Sterilizations | 17. Alternative Funded Service |
| a. Vasectomy | a. Out-of-Network Services |
| b. Tubal Ligation | b. Available Under Other Insurance |
| 7. Cosmetic Services | c. Immunizations - Health Dept. |
| a. Cosmetic Surgery | 18. Services to non-members |
| b. Obesity Services | 19. Artificial Insemination |
| c. Cosmetic Dental Procedures | 20. Diet Prescriptions |
| 8. Substance Abuse Services | a. Xenical |
| a. Outpatient (Offered by Tribe) | b. Meridia |
| b. Inpatient-Detoxification | c. Adipex |
| 9. Mental Health | 21. TMJ |
| a. Outpatient (Offered by Tribe) | 22. DNA Testing |
| b. Inpatient | |
| 10. Transplants | |
| 11. Selected Durable Medical Equipment | |

Attention Pokagon Band Moms!!!

We now have a certified
Child Passenger Safety Technician !



A Child Passenger Safety Tech is a person that is qualified to teach the proper installation of car seats. If you want to know if you qualify for a car seat, contact Cindy Rapp, CHR, CPST, at Pokagon Indian Health Services.
All members who receive a car seat MUST attend an instructional session to learn safe and proper installation of the car seat BEFORE it can be given out.

Pokagon Pottawatomi Indian Health Services

Contact Person:
Cindy Rapp, CHR, CPST

Phone: 616-782-4141
Fax: 616-782-8797
Toll Free: 1-888-440-1234

Remember: Click it or ticket!



A Few Painless Ways To Live A Healthier Life

Take the stairs instead of the elevator. Use olive oil and vinegar instead of ranch dressing. Walk or ride your bike instead of driving. Take a hike. Take dancing lessons. Try grilled fish instead of fried. Eat whole wheat bread. Dance to the radio. Don't buy prepared food-make it yourself! Buy fresh veggies instead of canned. Go on after dinner bike rides with your kids. Drink water instead of pop. Flavor your food with spices not salt. Eat whole wheat pasta instead of white pasta. Substitute ground turkey for hamburger when making spaghetti. Take carrots to work for snacking instead of chips. Eat dinner at least 2 hours before bedtime. Eat lowfat frozen yogurt for dessert instead of ice cream. Exercise 20 minutes a day, three times a week. Change your eating habits instead of dieting. Stock your house with healthy snacks instead of cookies. Eat breakfast every day-it starts your metabolism for the day. Eat cereal high in fiber not sugar. Meet a friend for a walk instead of pie and coffee. Use cooking spray instead of oil. If you must fry something, use canola or olive oil. If it says 'partially hydrogenated' on the package leave it at the store. Don't go to the grocery store hungry. Have a healthy positive outlook on life. Eat pretzels instead of peanuts. Use skim or 1/2% milk instead of whole milk or 2% milk. Join the fruit of the month club instead of the beer of the month club. Don't buy or eat foods high in fat. Be nice to people around you. Don't clench your teeth. Relieve stress by deep breathing several times a day. Go dancing at a powwow. Load up on veggies instead of starches. Play basketball instead of watching it on TV. Limit your use of butter. Have a light snack before exercising. Drink fruit juice or have fruit every morning. Make a serious commitment to having a healthier lifestyle. Resist the temptation to run out for fast food. Try the heart healthy menu items at a restaurant. Don't be afraid to ask for what you want at a restaurant and to ask how it is prepared. Make a food journal. Make your change in your lifestyle a permanent one



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.

ENROLL TODAY WITH CONTRACT HEALTH SERVICES!

Pokagon Health Services is encouraging members who live within the 10-county tribal area to enroll for Contract Health Services. Enrollment consists of furnishing 4 basic items: a photo i.d. from Michigan or Indiana, (drivers license), a second proof of residency, (phone bill or other), indication of other insurance, Medicaid, or Medicare, and a completed patient registration form. Please, do not wait for an emergency to present itself, as we will be unable to help with your bills if your enrollment is not current. Call Patty Peto at 888-440-1234, extension 23, and she will send you the proper forms for your enrollment with Contract 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 situations, 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 day of 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 3 business days of your request, call our office and ask to speak to a transport scheduler. It is okay to place your request weeks in advance.

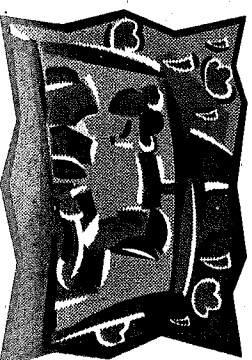
If you need to cancel your transport arrangements with us, call us as far in advance as possible. This allows us to schedule another person's transport.

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





Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indian Health Services presents:

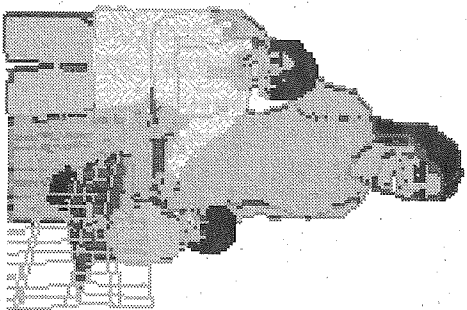
YOUTH HEALTH FAIR

Saturday, July 27, 2002

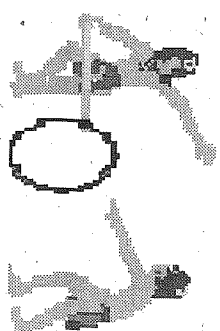
9:00 am-4:00 pm

Opening Pipe Ceremony 8:30 am

Lunch: 12:00-1:00 pm



Native Games



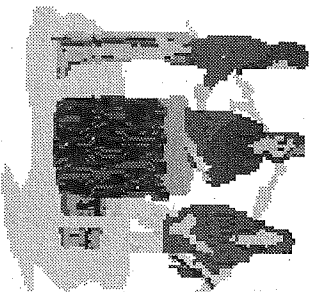
Traditional Activities

Art

Clothes Giveaway

Great Food

Dental Exams



Nutritional Counseling

Safety/ Kid ID

Head Start & Sports Physicals

Program Sign-ups

**Use your Passport to Good Health
and earn goodie bag and/ or a T-shirt**

GRAND PRIZES: Dance Shawl for Girl

Ribbon Shirt for Boy

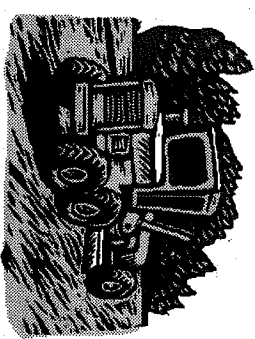
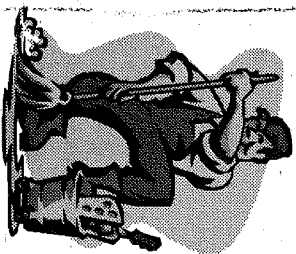
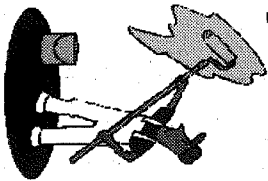


Tribal Members

If you have a contractors license we would like to know.

If you own a bonded/insured business we would like to know.

If your company can provide a service to the tribe, we would like to know.



Send replies to: Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians

attn: Maintenance Department

P.O. Box 180

Dowagiac, MI 49047



BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE

TRIBAL COUNCIL IS ACCEPTING VOLUNTEERS TO SERVE ON A BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE. THIS COMMITTEE WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR COORDINATING MEMORIAL DINNERS/MEALS DURING BEREAVEMENT TIMES, ASSISTING FAMILIES WITH IMMEDIATE NEEDS (TRANSPORTATION, HOUSE-SITTING, ETC.), AND RESPONSIBLE FOR A BUDGET TO BE DETERMINED BY TRIBAL COUNCIL. PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR NAME AND PHONE NUMBER IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN SERVING ON THIS COMMITTEE. TRIBAL COUNCIL WILL COLLECT NAMES AT THE RODGER'S LAKE LODGE UNTIL JUNE 21ST AT 5:00 P.M.

ONCE THE VOLUNTEERS COME FORTH, A MEETING WILL BE HELD TO OFFICIALLY PUT TOGETHER THE BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE AND COME UP WITH A BUDGET AND PROCEDURES TO FOLLOW. THERE MAY BE A NEED TO HAVE SUB-COMMITTEES TO COVER THE DIFFERENT AREAS. THIS IS A GREAT WAY TO LET OTHER MEMBERS KNOW YOU CARE.



TRIBAL COUNCIL MINUTES

POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS OPEN SESSION TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING FEBRUARY 28, 2002

Meeting Called to Order: 7:05p.m. by Michael Zimmerman, Sr., Acting Chairman

Invocation Given by: Clarence White - Elder

Roll Call: Michael Zimmerman, Sr., Marie Manley, Tom Wesaw, Jr., Henry White, Bill Augusta, Trudy Loeding, Cleora Morseau, Elder's Rep. I - Rae Daugherty and Faye Wesaw (arrived at 7:10p.m.).

Also In Attendance: Elder's Council - Marge Moody, Gerald Wesaw and Clarence White.

Issues at Hand

Elder's Council

Discussion was held on Elder's Council sitting at the Tribal Council table.

Revenue Sharing Plan/Per Capita

Duties of the Chairman

A handout was submitted for Tribal Council and Elder's Council to review and comment on.

Tribal Operations Center Project Overview

The Health Clinic was discussed along with the proposed Tribal Operations Center Project.

Fraud Audit Proposals

Three fraud audit proposals were reviewed.

Meeting adjourned: 8:45p.m.

POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING MARCH 9, 2002

Meeting Called to Order: 10:07a.m. by Michael Zimmerman, Sr., Acting Chairman

Invocation Given by: Joe Winchester - Elder

Roll Call: Michael Zimmerman, Sr., Henry White, Tom Wesaw, Jr., Cleora Morseau, Trudy Loeding, Bill Augusta, Marie Manley and Faye Wesaw

Also In Attendance: Elder's Council - Gerald Wesaw, Marge Moody, Mary Jo Morris and Clarence White.

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

Snow Days - Judy Winchester

The following proposed resolution was presented for Tribal Council approval:

RESOLUTION #1 made by Trudy Loeding and 2nd by Faye Wesaw

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council accepts the recommendation made by Elders membership for mileage reimbursement policy for Elders Council related travel:

- Elders Council Officers to be reimbursed mileage to attend any and all duly called Elders Council Meetings.
- 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 traveling in one vehicle, no mileage shall be reimbursed. Officers and Delegates whose attendance is mandated at a meeting shall be reimbursed for mileage.

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

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

Vietnam Wall - Trudy Loeding

RESOLUTION #2 made by Trudy Loeding and 2nd by Butch Starrett

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council agrees to donate \$500.00 to the Dowagiac Chamber of Commerce for hosting the American Veterans Traveling Wall from May 24-27, 2002.

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

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

Discussion was held on organizing a Pokagon Band Veterans Organization. Kevin Daugherty will look into this.

Donation for Hospice House - Jean Molllett

RESOLUTION #3 made by Marie Manley and 2nd by Henry White
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council agrees to donate \$500.00 to Pine Ridge - Ellen Steven Foundation.

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

ALL IN FAVOR: 6, OPPOSED: 3, ABSENT: 0, ABSTAIN: 0. CARRIED.

New Members

RESOLUTION #4 made by Tom Wesaw, Jr. and 2nd by Henry White.
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council



accepts the applications for enrollment of the people as presented this day March 9, 2002;

Drake, Kira Star	Pear, Roxanne W.
Barrick, Shayna Devyn	Marsh, Amy Marie
Price, Nadia E.	Clay, Troland Vaughn
Brown, Austin T.	Ridenour, Ryan E.
Feltner, Melanie Lynn	Brown, Taylor, B.
Rider, Daniel J.	Giamo, Emily Rose
Igert, Austin T.	Rider, Patrick W.
Hernandez, Thomas Richard	Jones, Dakota M.
Rider, Richard L.	Pear, Daniel Robert
Moor, David L.	Rider, Ricky L.
Pear, Meahgan Marie	Moor, Tiffany M.
Rider, Robert J.	Shiflett, Jordan Lee
Moor, Tyson D.	Rider, Ronald J.
Winchester-Jones, Brandon T.	Newsome, Shyanne N.
Vohwinkle, Judy	Winchester-Jones, Marcus A.

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

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

Head Start Program

RESOLUTION #5 made by Marie Manley and 2nd by Henry White
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council accepts the Executive Committee decision approving renewal of the Head Start center based wrap-a-round daycare program.

Mike Z.	Y	Henry W.	Y	Butch W.	Abstain
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: 1. CARRIED.

Road at Rodger's Lake

RESOLUTION #6 made by Marie Manley and 2nd by Henry White
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council accepts the decision made by the Executive Committee to contract with the Bureau of Indian Affairs, to provide funding for the Design and Construction of the Rodger's Lake Road, which currently is our number (1) priority of the approved Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indian Inventory.

Mike Z.	Y	Henry W.	Y
Butch S.	Abstain	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: 1. CARRIED.

Expenditures

RESOLUTION #7 Marie Manley and 2nd by Henry White
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council accepts the decision made by the Executive Committee approving General Fund expenditures from 12/05/01 in the amount of \$20,630.20 and 12/14/01 in the amount of \$1,310.30.

\$10,174.78.

Mike Z.	Y	Henry W.	Y
Butch S.	Abstain	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: 1. CARRIED.

Prokop Retainer

RESOLUTION #8 made by Marie Manley and 2nd by Henry White
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council accepts the decision made by the Executive Committee approving \$5,000.00 retainer for Raymond & Prokop, P.C. for Tax Consultant for all Michigan Tribes.

Mike Z.	Y	Henry W.	Y
Butch S.	Abstain	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: 1. CARRIED.

401K Proposal

RESOLUTION #9 made by Marie Manley and 2nd by Henry White
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council accepts the decision made by the Executive Committee approving moving forward with a defined benefit plan (401K) for employees of the Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians.

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

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

White & White Building

RESOLUTION #10 made by Marie Manley and 2nd by Henry White
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council accepts the decision made by the Executive Committee awarding renovation contract for the White & White building on behalf of I.H.S. to Fiskar's Inc. for the submitted estimate of \$150,595.

Mike Z.	Y	Henry W.	Y
Butch W.	Abstain	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: 1. CARRIED.

Personnel Handbook

RESOLUTION #11 made by Marie Manley and 2nd by Henry White
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council accepts the decision made by the Executive Committee postponing the implementation of the Personnel Policy

WAGON SYSTEM VO



Handbook until February 1, 2002 in order to correct contradictions. On February 1, 2002 or within one week following this date, Marchell Wesaw will conduct a one-day training session with all Program Directors, Department Directors, Tribal Operations Officer, and Tribal Chairman as well as staff.

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

ALL IN FAVOR: 2, OPPOSED: 3, ABSENT: 0, ABSTAIN: 4.
FAILED.

Wightman & Associates

RESOLUTION #12 made by Marie Manley and 2nd by Henry White
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council accepts the Executive Committee decision authorizing payment of past-due invoices to Wightman & Associates totaling \$62,765.14 for surveying services of non-gaming land sites. Lakes Gaming will reimburse the Tribe under the remaining portion of the non-gaming note.

Mike Z.	Y	Henry W.	Y
Butch S.	Abstain	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: 1.
1. CARRIED.

White & White Building

RESOLUTION #13 made by Marie Manley and 2nd by Henry White
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council approves the Executive Committee decision to use the White & White Building for I.H.S. offices and not to be utilized as a Health Clinic. Rescind Resolution #01-12-19-01.

Mike Z.	Y	Henry W.	Y
Butch S.	Abstain	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: 1.
1. CARRIED.

Red Road Pow Wow

RESOLUTION #14 made by Marie Manley and 2nd by Henry White
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council accepts the Executive Committee decision authorizing the Sub-stance Abuse Advisory Committee to organize and host the Red road Pow Wow on March 16 & 17, 2002.

Mike Z.	Y	Henry W.	Y
Butch S.	Abstain	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: 1.
1. CARRIED.

NAGPRA Meeting

RESOLUTION #15 made by Marie Manley and 2nd by Henry White
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council accepts the Executive Committee decision approving travel for Dan Rapp and Gary Morseau to attend the NAGPRA meeting to be held February 20th and 21st in Mt. Pleasant, Michigan. Costs include per diem, hotel, and the use of a GSA vehicle totaling approximately \$312.00.

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

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

Gathering Donation

RESOLUTION #16 made by Marie Manley and 2nd by Henry White
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council agrees to donate \$3000.00 to Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation for the All Potawatomi Gathering for 2002.

Mike Z.	Y	Henry W.	Y
Butch S.	Abstain	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: 1.
CARRIED.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 4:40P.M.

**POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS
TRIBAL COUNCIL
ADMINISTRATION/DONATIONS/CASINO/TRAVEL
CLOSED SESSION
TRIBAL COUNCIL WITH PERSONNEL ISSUES
MARCH 14, 2002**

Meeting Called to Order: 7:05p.m. by Vice-Chairman, Bill Augusta

Invocation given by: Clarence White - Elder

Roll Call: Henry White, Tom Wesaw, Jr., Bill Augusta, Marie Manley, Cleora Morseau, Butch Starrett, Faye Wesaw, and Trudy Loeding and Elder's Rep. II - Vic Starrett.

Also in Attendance: Elder's Council - Gerald Wesaw, Mary Jo Morris, Marge Moody, Clarence White, and Rob Wyre - Gaming Manager.

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

Issues at Hand
Media Resource

Discussion was held on whether to move forward with Media Resource and the Logo design or stay with Lakes choice. The trademark for the casino is on the trademark docket a Four Winds Casino and not the number 4 as presented by Media Resource. Rob Wyre was in attendance and clarified to Tribal Council that Lakes can return with more ideas. The suggestion was made to work on broader lines and a windier look.



A poll vote was taken to move forward with Lakes;
(5) in favor, (2) opposed, (1) abstain and (1) absent.
Carried.

Tribal Operations Officer Position

The Finance Board talked with Joe Ciba on possibly taking on the T.O.O. duties until a T.O.O. is in place. Joe Ciba accepted this on an interim basis.

Chairman's Duties

A meeting was scheduled for March 26th at 6:00p.m. with Tribal Council and the Wage and Salary Commission to put together a job description for the Tribal Chairman.

Newspaper Article

Tribal Council held a discussion on newspaper articles going to the media before Tribal Council has knowledge of it.

Cap on Donations

Discussion was held on placing a cap on charitable donations.

Southwestern Michigan College Intergovernmental Forum

A dinner and Intergovernmental Forum is scheduled at SMC on March 21st.

Taxation Meeting

The next taxation meeting was discussed.

Midwest Alliance of Sovereign Tribes Dues

The 2002 dues were discussed.

Head Start High Scope Training

Discussion was held on this training and who is to attend.

Secretaries Conference

Discussion was held on who is to attend this conference.

MAST Impact Week

Personnel Issues - Tom Wesaw, Jr.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 10:18P.M.

POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS

WORK SESSION

OPEN - TRIBAL COUNCIL WITH SUBSTANCE ABUSE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

SOBRY COMMITTEE

& CLOSED SESSION

TRIBAL COUNCIL/FORMER EMPLOYEE ISSUE

MARCH 18, 2002

Meeting Called to Order: 6:05 p.m. by Michael Zimmerman, Sr., Acting Chairman

Invocation Given by: Clarence White - Elder

Roll Call: Henry White, Bill Augusta, Mike Zimmerman, Sr., Marie Manley, Cleora Morseau, Faye Wesaw and Elders Rep. I - Rae Daugherty

Absent: Tom Wesaw, Jr., & Trudy Loeding - Prior Commitment and Butch Starrett - Bereavement.

Also in Attendance: Elder's Council - Gerald Wesaw, Mary Jo Morris, Marge Moody & Clarence White.

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

Issues at Hand:

Substance Abuse Advisory Committee

A closed meeting with Tribal Council was scheduled for Monday, April 15th at 6:00p.m.

Closed Session

Former Employee Issue

Glory Sawyer

Fraud Audit Presentations

North Liberty Property

Work Session ended: 7:25p.m.

POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS

WORK SESSION

TRIBAL COUNCIL

WITH EMPLOYEES

PERSONNEL HANDBOOK

MARCH 19, 2002

Work Session Called to Order: 6:07p.m. by Vice-Chairman - William Augusta

Roll Call: Tom Wesaw, Jr., Bill Augusta, Marie Manley, Faye Wesaw, Trudy Loeding and Cleora Morseau.

Absent: Mike Zimmerman, Sr., - Taxation Meeting, Henry White - Taxation Meeting and Butch Starrett - Bereavement.

Also in Attendance: Elder's Council - Gerald Wesaw, Marge Moody, Mary Jo Morris, and Clarence White.

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

Issues at Hand:

Personnel Handbook Concerns - Sharon Winters (employee speaks person)

The employees came forth with the following list of concerns regarding the Personnel Policy Handbook:

1. Why was the handbook distributed to the employees on March 11th and retroactive back to Jan. 1st, 2002?
2. Annual Leave
3. Vacation Time
4. Emergency Situations
5. Tardy Policy
6. Bereavement Policy

Tribal Council agreed to re-visit the areas of concern.



Employees left at: 7:27p.m.

Work Session Adjourned: 7:27p.m.

POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS

TRIBAL COUNCIL

WITH

WAGE & SALARY COMMISSION

"CHAIRMAN DUTIES"

MARCH 26, 2002

Meeting Called to Order: 6:14p.m. by Vice-Chairman, William Augusta

Invocation Given by: Dan Rapp

Roll Call: Butch Starrett, Tom Wesaw, Jr., Bill Augusta, Marie Manley, Cleora Morseau, Faye Wesaw, Trudy Loeding and Elder's Rep. II - Vic Starrett.

Absent: Michael Zimmerman, Sr., - ill, and Henry White - General Maximum Pricing meeting.

Also In Attendance: Wage & Salary Commission - Dan Rapp and Gerald Wesaw

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

Issues at Hand:

Duties of the Chair Person

The Wage & Salary Commission submitted their list of recommendations for Tribal Council review for the duties of the Tribal Chair person.

Meeting adjourned: 8:12p.m.

POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS

OPEN SESSION

TRIBAL COUNCIL WITH GATHERING COMMITTEE

CLOSED SESSION

TRIBAL COUNCIL WITH PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

& INTERIM TRIBAL OPERATIONS OFFICER

MARCH 28, 2002

Meeting Called to Order: 6:17p.m. by Michael Zimmerman, Sr., Acting Chairman

Invocation Given by: Clarence White - Elder

Roll Call: Tom Wesaw, Jr., Butch Starrett, Henry White, Bill Augusta, Michael Zimmerman, Sr., Marie Manley, Faye Wesaw, Trudy Loeding and Cleora Morseau.

Also In Attendance: Gathering Committee - Val Baker and Georgiana Morseau.

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

Issues at Hand:

Gathering Committee - Val Baker
Bereavement

Sick Leave

Holidays

Sick Leave/Personal Leave

Unpaid Leaves of Absence

Attendance and Punctuality

Vacation

Time Sheets

Employee Advocates

Crop Lease

Letters of Support for Casino Site

AWA GRANT

PINI Account

Meeting Adjourned at: 11:25p.m.

POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS

CLOSED SESSION

TRIBAL COUNCIL

WITH CHIEF OF POLICE INTERVIEW

APRIL 4, 2002

Meeting Called to Order: 6:10p.m. by William Augusta, Vice-Chairman

Invocation Given by: Henry White- Elder

Roll Call: Butch Starrett, Henry White, Tom Wesaw, Jr., Bill Augusta, Marie Manley, Cleora Morseau, Faye Wesaw, Trudy Loeding and Vic Starrett - Elder's Rep. II.

Absent: Michael Zimmerman, Sr. (Dr. appointment).

Also in Attendance: Elder's Council - Mary Jo Morris, Marge Moody, Gerald Wesaw and Clarence White. Tribal Member - Matt Wesaw.

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

Issues at Hand:

Chief of Police Interview

LOGO Issue - Tom Wesaw, Jr.

Conference Call with Rob Gips (TOMAC Update)

Court Clerk Job Description

Taxation Meeting

Personnel Administrative Procedures

Chairman's Duties

Meeting Adjourned: 9:45p.m.



**POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS
CLOSED SESSION
TRIBAL COUNCIL
CHIEF OF POLICE INTERVIEW
APRIL 6, 2002**

Meeting Called to Order: 10:12 a.m. by William Augusta, Vice-Chairman

Invocation Given by: Clarence White - Elder

Roll Call: Marie Manley, Trudy Loeding, Faye Wesaw, Henry White, Butch Starrett and Bill Augusta.

Also In Attendance: Elder's Council - Clarence White and Marge Moody. Interviewee - John Pokagon.

Absent: Cleora Morseau (other commitment) and Mike Zimmerman, Sr. (family obligation).

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

Issue at Hand:

Chief of Police Interview

Meeting Adjourned: 11:07a.m.

**POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS
TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 20, 2002**

Meeting Called to Order at: 10:10a.m. by Michael Zimmerman, Sr., Acting Chairman

Invocation Given by: Clarence White - Elder

Roll Call: Mike Zimmerman, Bill Augusta, Marie Manley, Tom Wesaw, Jr., Henry White, Faye Wesaw, Trudy Loeding, Cleora Morseau, Butch Starrett, Elder's Rep. I - Rae Daugherty, Elder's Council - Gerald Wesaw, Mary Jo Morris, Marge Moody and Clarence White.

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

Nominations for Vacant Tribal Council Member-at-Large Seat
Nominations for the vacant Tribal Council seat will be accepted at the next Tribal Council meeting with membership.

Approval of Minutes

None at this time.

Membership Concerns

Closed Meetings - Tina Starrett
Update on HUD Situation and Washington - Greg Ballew
New Business

Midwest Alliance of Sovereign Tribes
Legal Matters - Marchell Wesaw

Marchell reported that the ANA Grant paperwork is nearing completion for Tribal Council approval.

Closing Enrollment - Bill Augusta

Suggestion was made to cut off enrollment of new members for a period of time. Membership was not supportive of this.

Old Business

None at this time.

Frank Barker's Contract

A language contract with Frank Barker was discussed.

Election Committee - Rob Willis

Tribal Council members intending to vacate their seat needs to submit this in writing to the Election Committee by April 23, 2002.

Meeting Adjourned: 12:15p.m.

**POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS
TRIBAL COUNCIL
PER CAPITA MEETING
APRIL 22, 2002**

Meeting Called to Order: 6:12p.m. by Michael Zimmerman, Sr., Acting Chairman

Roll Call: Mike Zimmerman, Sr., Marie Manley, Tom Wesaw, Jr., Henry White, Faye Wesaw, Trudy Loeding, Cleora Morseau, Butch Starrett, Elder's Rep. I - Rae Daugherty and Elder's Council - Gerald Wesaw, Marge Moody, Mary Jo Morris and Clarence White.

Absent: Bill Augusta - ill.

Invocation Given by: Clarence White - Elder

Also In Attendance: Marchell Wesaw - Legal Assistant

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

Issue at Hand:

Per-Capita - Marchell Wesaw

Bereavement Fund

Meeting Adjourned: 10:20p.m.



POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS

**CLOSED SESSIONS
TRIBAL COUNCIL**

**PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES
PERSONNEL POLICY HANDBOOK**

**JOE CIBA
APRIL 23, 2002**

Meeting Called to Order at: 6:02 p.m. by Michael Zimmerman, Sr., Acting Tribal Chairman

Invocation Given by: Gerald Wesaw - Elder

Roll Call: Mike Zimmerman, Sr., Bill Augusta, Tom Wesaw, Jr., Trudy Loeding, Cleora Morseau, Butch Starrett, Henry White, Faye Wesaw and Elder's Rep. I - Rae Daugherty.
Elder's Council - Gerald Wesaw, Marge Moody, Mary Jo Morris and Clarence White (arrived at 6:15p.m.).

Absent: Marie Manley - Family obligation, Joe Ciba - Other commitment, just received notice of meeting that morning.

Also In Attendance: Marchell Wesaw - Legal Assistant.

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

Issues at Hand:

Personnel Policy Handbook

Personnel Administrative Procedures

Resource Developer Job Posting

Meeting Adjourned at: 9:10p.m.

**POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS
TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 24, 2002**

Meeting Called to Order: 6:16p.m. by Michael Zimmerman, Sr., Acting Chairman

Invocation Given by: Gerald Wesaw - Elder

Roll Call: Marie Manley, Mike Zimmerman, Sr., Tom Wesaw, Jr., Henry White, Faye Wesaw, Trudy Loeding, Cleora Morseau, Butch Starrett, Elder's Reps. - Vic Starrett and Rae Daugherty and Elders Council - Gerald Wesaw, Mary Jo Morris, Marge Moody and Clarence White.

Absent: Bill Augusta - Car trouble.

Also In Attendance: Gaming Manager - Rob Wyre, Tribal Attorney - Rob Gips, Marketing Resource Group (Public Relations) - Tom Shields and Legal Assistant - Marchell Wesaw.

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

Issues at Hand:

TOMAC Update - Rob Gips

Labor Agreement Status and Finalization

Health, Building Code and Environmental Ordinance Adoption

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

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: The Pokagon Band Tribal Council hereby enacts the Health, Environmental Protection and Building Codes Ordinance attached hereto applicable to Gaming and Non-Gaming Lands in trust.

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

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

Tax Negotiations Update

Constitution Update

RESOLUTION #3 made by Henry White and 2nd by Cleora Morseau.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT

a copy of the tribal Constitution attached hereto be transmitted to the Bureau of Indian Affairs for such technical advice and review for consistency with applicable laws as may be required under the Pokagon Restoration Act; and

THAT pursuant to the Pokagon Restoration Act, the Secretary of the Interior or her representative is hereby requested to conduct, by secret ballot and in accordance with the provisions of Section 476 of the Indian Reorganization Act, an election to adopt the said Constitution as the Constitution and By-Laws for the Band; and

THAT upon approval of the said Constitution by vote of the Band in such an election, the Constitution shall take effect by superseding and replacing the By-Laws as the interim governing documents of the Band, and the Secretary of the Interior is requested to give such approval to the Band's Constitution as may be required under the Pokagon Restoration Act; and

THAT upon approval of the Band's Constitution by the Secretary, or upon a Determination by the Secretary that no such approval is required, the said Constitution shall thereafter have effect, according to its terms, as the Governing document of the Pokagon Band; and

THAT this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its adoption by Tribal Council.

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

Update on Compact Fix Error

Rob Gips gave a brief update on the compact status.

Electric Power Agreement and Copper Rock Purchase Agreement - Rob Wyre

Upcoming Meetings Regarding Child Welfare Code - Marchell



Wesaw

Transitional Living Program
Chief of Police Position

Work on Per Capita

Upcoming Work

Meeting Adjourned: 9:40p.m.

Tribal Council discussed the Chief of Police position.
Meeting Adjourned: 9:16p.m.

**POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS
TRIBAL COUNCIL
WORK SESSION
TRIBAL ATTORNEY
INTERVIEWS
APRIL 29, 2002**

**POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS
TRIBAL COUNCIL
WITH GLORY SAWYER
SEARCH SOLUTIONS
MAY 2, 2002**

Meeting Called to order at: 6:25p.m. by Michael Zimmerman, Sr., Acting Tribal Chairman.

Meeting Called to Order: 6:06p.m. by Michael Zimmerman, Sr., Acting Chairman

Roll Call: Mike Zimmerman, Sr., Marie Manley, Tom Wesaw, Jr., Henry White, Faye Wesaw, Cleora Morseau, and Elder's Rep. I - Rae Daugherty Elder's Rep. II - Vic Starrett. Butch Starrett (arrived at 7:47p.m.)

Absent: Bill Augusta (car trouble) and Trudy Loeding (Dr. Appt.)

Roll Call: Mike Zimmerman, Faye Wesaw, Cleora Morseau, Butch Starrett, Henry White, Bill Augusta, Marie Manley, Elder's Rep. I - Rae Daugherty and Elder's Rep. II - Vic Starrett, Elder's Council - Gerald Wesaw, Marge Moody, Clarence White and Tom Wesaw, Jr. (arrived at 6:22p.m.)

Also in Attendance: Attorney - Fred Schubkegel, Interviewees - Scott Robertshaw, Lance Hendrickson and John Wertz.

Absent: Trudy Loeding - Dr. Appointment.

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

Also in Attendance: Glory Sawyer - Search Solutions (firm that hires our employees).

Issues at Hand:

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

Tribal Attorney Interviews

Decision on Chief of Police Position

Hiring Process

Meeting Adjourned: 9:50p.m.

Glory left at 8:33p.m.

**POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS
TRIBAL COUNCIL**

Indian Reservation Roads Inventory

The following resolution was presented for Tribal Council approval so that it can be sent on to the BIA for final approval.

**SUBSTANCE ABUSE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
WITH
APRIL 30, 2002**

RESOLUTION #1 made by Marie Manley and 2nd by Henry White.

Meeting Called to Order: 6:00p.m. by Michael Zimmerman, Sr., Acting Tribal Chairman.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: The Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians does hereby approve the current inventory and request they be added to the Indian Reservation (I.R.R.) Inventory.

Invocation Given by: Gerald Wesaw - Elder

Roll Call: Butch Wesaw, Henry White, Tom Wesaw, Jr., Mike Zimmerman, Sr., Marie Manley, Cleora Morseau, Faye Wesaw, Trudy Loeding, Elder's Rep. I - Rae Daugherty, Elder's Council - Gerald Wesaw, Mary Jo Morris, Marge Moody and Clarence White (arrived at 6:34p.m.).

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

Absent: Bill Augusta (car trouble).

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

Also in Attendance: Substance Abuse Advisory Committee - Judy Winchester, Marie Willis, Joe Winchester and Kathy Fuller.

Lakes Gaming provided the figures for the First Quarter of 2002 for Tribal Council review.

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

Chief of Police Position

An E-Mail regarding the police chief position was submitted.

Issues at Hand:

RESOLUTION #2 made by Marie Manley and 2nd by Faye



Wesaw.
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council authorizes to hire John Pokagon for the Chief of Police position.

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

ALL IN FAVOR: 5, OPPOSED: 3, ABSENT: 1, ABSTAIN: 0. CARRIED.

Meeting Adjourned at: 9:25 p.m.

**POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS
WORK SESSION
TRIBAL COUNCIL
WITH GATHERING COMMITTEE
MAY 6, 2002**

Meeting Called to Order: 7:07p.m. by Michael Zimmerman, Sr. Acting Chairman

Roll Call: Marie Manley, Cleora Morseau, Mike Zimmerman, Henry White, Butch Starrett and Trudy Loeding.

Absent: Bill Augusta (vacation), Tom Wesaw, Jr., (ill), and Faye Wesaw (bereavement).

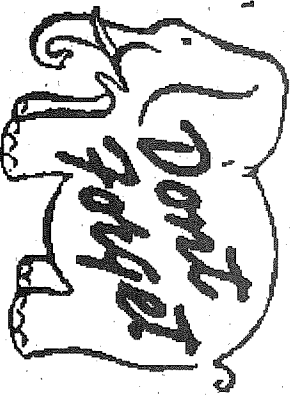
Also In Attendance: Gathering Committee - Lucinda Graverette Smith.

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

Issues at Hand:

Gathering 2002 Preparations

Meeting adjoi



There will be no Tribal Council Meeting in the month of July due to Elections.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO TAKE AN ACTIVE ROLE IN HELPING POKAGON BAND CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES?

Tribal Council has established by ordinance a Child Welfare Commission to aid the Social Service Department and the Tribal Court with child protection matters. Some of the important responsibilities of the Child Welfare Commission are:

Monitor child welfare proceedings involving tribal members in State or Tribal courts, and make recommendations to the Tribal Court regarding the need to take formal Court action to protect a child pursuant to appropriate laws of the Band;

Make case management recommendations to the Band's Social Services workers and officials regarding the care, custody and supervision of tribal children under Court jurisdiction; and

Conduct informal conferences with a child and the child's parent(s), guardian, or custodian, as provided in the Band's child welfare laws, to discuss alternatives to formal court jurisdiction for resolving concerns about the proper care and supervision of a child or to refer appropriate cases to any traditional or alternative dispute resolution body created by the Band.

Tribal Council is currently looking to appoint five (5) members to the Commission. To be appointed as a Commissioner, you must:

Be a legally competent Pokagon Band member at least eighteen (18) years of age at the time of appointment;

Must sign and abide by a statement acknowledging the standards of confidentiality required for serving as a Commissioner; and

Must submit to and pass a background security check investigating whether your past conduct would interfere with your duties as a Commissioner or would create an immediate or long-term risk for any child.

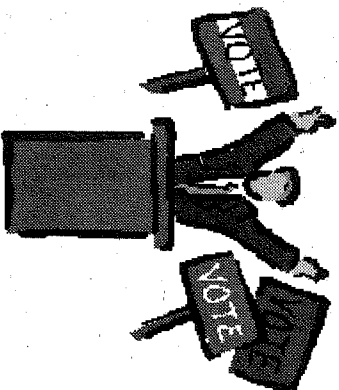
A Commissioner may **not** be:
A Tribal Council member; nor

An employee of any Pokagon Band Department or program delivering or with the potential to deliver services under a child welfare case plan, nor any spouse of such employee, nor an employee of a State agency providing child welfare services.

If you are interested in serving on the Commission, please contact Kelly Curran at 1-888-376-9988 or Bill Holmes at 1-800-517-0777 for an application form. You must have the form back to Tribal Council by June 30, 2002. Please call Bill Holmes, the Social Services Director, at the above listed number if you have any questions.



MEET THE CANDIDATES FOR TRIBAL COUNCIL



WHEN: SATURDAY, JUNE 22ND, 2002

TIME: 1:00 P.M.-3:00 P.M.

WHERE: ELDERS HALL-53237 TOWNHALL ROAD, DOWAGIAC

Pokagon Band

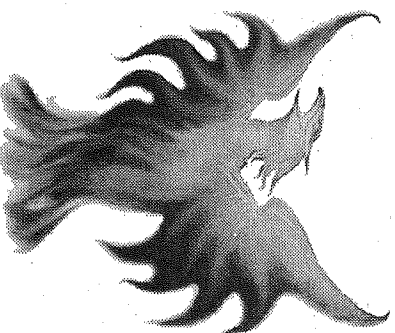
Campfire/Cookout

All Pokagon Band Members and their families invited!

*Please bring a dish to pass
(No-alcohol permitted)*

Live music provided by

**THE
DOWAGIAC
BAND**

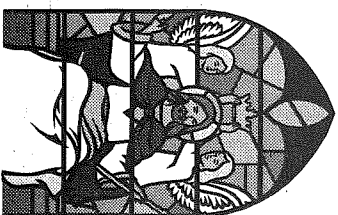


Saturday June 15th starting at 6:00pm at Rodgers

Lake located on Sink Rd. Dowagiac MI.



2000 EXPECTED TO ATTEND NATIONAL TEKAKWITHA CONFERENCE



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

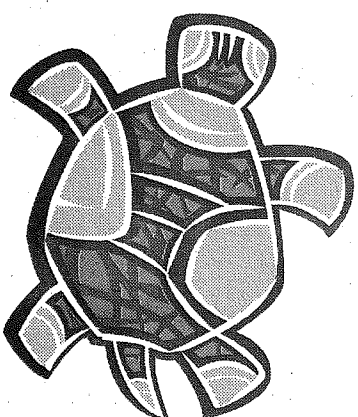
CONTACT:

Rochelle Montour

313-592-8249 or mhawk@twini.rr.com

Shirley Francis

616-459-6820 or 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.

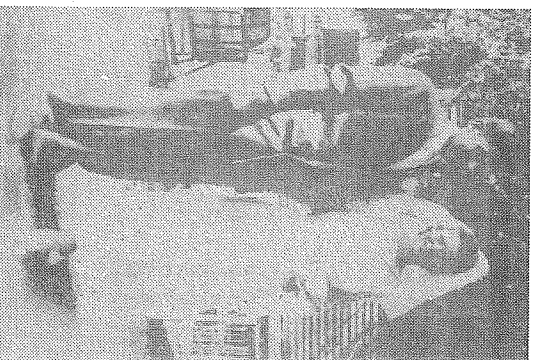
The Catholic Church is the single largest Christian group among Native Americans.

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.



Congratulations

*Gerald & Coakie (Evelyn) Wesau
On your 50th Wedding Anniversary!
We all love you- Your Children &
Grandchildren*



1952



2002



FORE!!!

ATTENTION ALL

POKAGON BAND MEMBERS & EMPLOYEES

1ST ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

JULY 20TH, 2002

PLYM PARK

NILES, MICHIGAN

SCRAMBLE - 2 PERSON FORMAT

FOR MORE INFORMATION

MEMBERS & EMPLOYEES CONTACT

STEVE HORNER AT:

(616) 782-8998 OR

(800) 517-0777

SIGN UP NOW FOR A DAY OF FUN, FOOD AND LAUGHTER!

Attention:



The Election Committee is in need of tribal members who would like to serve as poll workers for the July 13, 2002 election. Poll workers cannot be "immediate family" to any of the candidates. Poll workers will receive a modest stipend and mileage for participating. Poll workers will assist the Election Committee during polling hours and tallying votes after the polling place closes.

Contact Audrey Huston at (616) 782-7913 if you are interested.

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.

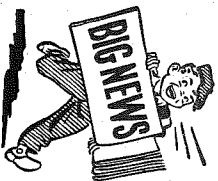
If you would like one of our forms please call at (616) 782-1763 or 1-888-782-1001.

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.

REMINDER!!!



THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS FOR THE JULY NEWSLETTER WILL BE JUNE 13TH. SEND ARTICLES OR ANNOUNCEMENTS TO :

POKAGON NEWSLETTER
ATTENTION: GINNY WESAW RICE
P.O. BOX 180
DOWAGIAC, MI 49047

POKAGON BAND OFFICES

P.O. BOX 180 DOWAGIAC, MI. 49047

TRIBAL COUNCIL

58620 SINK ROAD
(616) 782-6323 or toll free (888) 376-9988
FAX (616) 782-9625

ELDERS PROGRAM

53237 TOWNHALL ROAD
(616) 782-0765 or toll free (800) 859-2717
FAX (616) 782-1696

ADMINISTRATION/ RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT/ SOCIAL SERVICES

58620 SINK ROAD
(616) 782-8998 or toll free (800) 517-0777
FAX (616) 782-6882

HEALTH SERVICES/ BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

57392 M 51 SOUTH
(616) 782-4141 or toll free (888) 440-1234
FAX (616) 782-8797

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

901 SPRUCE STREET
(616) 782-0887 or toll free (888) 330-1234
FAX (616) 782-0985

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

109 COMMERCIAL STREET
(616) 782-0160 or toll free (800) 658-9414
FAX (616) 782-1028

ENROLLMENT

104 N. RIVERSIDE DRIVE
(616) 782-1763 or toll free (888) 782-1001
FAX (616) 782-1964

FOOD COMMODITY

52366 M-51 NORTH
(616) 782-3372 or toll free (888) 281-1111
FAX (616) 782-7814

HEAD START

709 SPRUCE ST UNIT B
(616) 783-0026 FAX (616) 782-9795

SOUTH BEND OFFICE

2705 MISHAWAKA AVENUE
SOUTH BEND, IN. 46615
(219) 234-9114 or toll free (800) 737-9223
FAX (219) 234-9306

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

56033 M-51
(616) 782-9602



"The Pokagon's Tell It"

Writer's Guidelines for Your Views (editorials)

What to do:

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

Where to send letters:

"Your Views"

C/O Pokagon Band of Potawatomi
P.O. Box 180

Dowagiac, Michigan 49047

Or email: gwesaw@pokagon.com

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

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

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

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What we look for:

Brevity: Cover the topic in the fewest possible words

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

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

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

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

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

Why do we edit letters?

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

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

Please have your letter in by the 13th of the month to assure it will be in the following month's newsletter. Call 1-800-517-0777 or e-mail: gwesaw@pokagon.com. If it's not published within that range, chances are it was not accepted for one of several reasons. Unfortunately, we cannot respond to every letter we don't accept with a reason for its rejection.

Committee Involvement:

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

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

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

JUNE 2002

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3 Gerobics@ IHS 10:00 - 11:00 am	4 Optical Day@IHS	5 Gerobics@ IHS 10:00 - 11:00 am	6 IHS/CHS @ South Bend Office	7 Gerobics@ IHS 10:00 - 11:00 am	8
9	10 Gerobics@ IHS 10:00 - 11:00 am	11 Optical Day@IHS Tribal Council Mtg w/Sub. Ab Comm. 7:00 pm @ lodge	12 Gerobics@ IHS 10:00 - 11:00 am Foot Care Clinic@ IHS by Appointment	13 IHS/CHS @ South Bend Office *last day of Voter registration	14 Gerobics@ IHS 10:00 - 11:00 am	15
16	17 Gerobics@ IHS 10:00 - 11:00 am	18 Optical Day@IHS	19 Gerobics@ IHS 10:00 - 11:00 am	20 IHS/CHS @ South Bend Office	21 Gerobics@ IHS 10:00 - 11:00 am	22 Meet the Candidates E.H 1-3:00 pm
23	24 Gerobics@ IHS 10:00 - 11:00 am	25 Optical Day@IHS	26 Gerobics@ IHS 10:00 - 11:00 am	27 IHS/CHS @ South Bend Office	28 Gerobics@ IHS 10:00 - 11:00 am	29

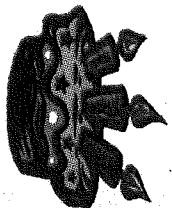


**HAPPY BIRTHDAY
CORY WESAW!**

6/10

LOVE - MOM & DAD

Happy Belated Birthday
Kenny Little 4/17
Jackson Little 5/15
We love you!
Mom, Taylor (Sissy) &
Grandma Falk

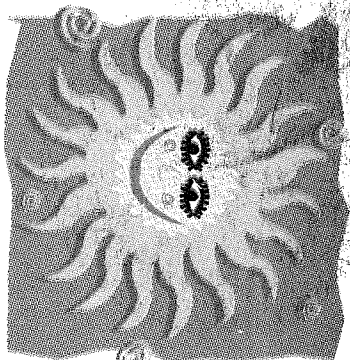


Happy 4th Birthday "Little Bear"

Joey Lynne Riley 6/30

We love you!

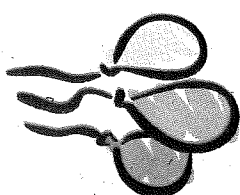
Mom, Bobby, Rhian, Casey, Loni,
Audri, the Genereaux's,
The Brown's, Big Bob, Momo, the
Bennett's, Marci & Jacob



Happy Birthday 6/19

Leona Elaine Falk

We love you! Shannon, Taylor,
Brian, Debbie and Kayleigh



Happy Birthday

Margaret O'Keefe

Leona Falk

6/10
6/19

Love Sis, Estelita

Many thanks to Cookie Wesaw
For 50+ years of happiness 6/28

Love-Gerald

Happy Birthday to:
Chakony Nelson 6/30
Lynn Nelson 6/8
Love- Dwight & Grudgy Lording

Happy Birthday 6/24

Tiffany Kugel

Love Grandma &
Grandpa Wesaw

Happy Birthday to:
Leigh Wesaw 6/10
Philip Hernandez 6/15
Travis Meyer 6/26
Minnie Jo Wesaw 6/28

Love Your Family



Happy Birthday 6/28

Brenda Hefington

Love- Grandma

Happy Birthday

Aunt Margaret 6/9

Yanqui Pierce 6/15

Bridley Piper 6/21

Love- Kim, Fred, Brittany &
Corey

Happy 15th Birthday "Rhino"
Rhian Lynne Nelson 6/22
We love you!
Mom, Bobby, Rhian, Casey, Loni,
Audri, the Genereaux's,
The Brown's, Big Bob, Momo, the
Bennett's, Marci & Jacob

Congratulations on your graduation

Alison Grigoris!



Class of 2002 San Diego, California
We are proud of you! Your Parents,
Grandparents, Aunts, Uncles and
Cousins

In loving memory of
Mary Ann Shoemaker
6/1/1914-6/28/2001



You are in our hearts and
thoughts. We miss you so much!
Love- Kim, Fred, Brittany &
Corey

Attention Mix Family!!

The Mix Family reunion is just around the corner.

The date is set for August 3rd, 2002 so hurry and get

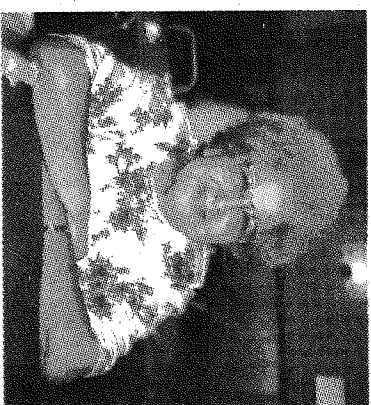
Your addresses to us so that we can mail you more

Information. Any questions please call Carol (Mix)

Collett at (616) 783-1008 or e mail

carolcollett@webtv.net

Happy 75th Birthday



Rose "Goldie" Klungius

June 19th

Love Your Family

Happy 2nd Anniversary 6/28
Kath & Rachel Wesaw

Love- Mom & Dad Wesaw

Happy Belated Birthday to:
Aunt Eva Hoekstra 4/1
Robert Hoekstra 4/25
Michelle Piper 5/6
Kelsey Gillette 5/2
Kenny Little 4/17
Jackson Little 5/15
Aunt Stella Hefington 4/4
Johnny W. Reed 5/27
We love you all! Kim, Fred,
Brittany & Corey

Congratulations

Joe Mossaw

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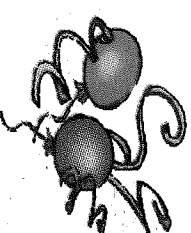
Lindsey

On your recent
engagement!
Love-Your Family

Happy Birthday 6/3

Ronald Hefington Sr.

Love- Mom



Happy Anniversary 6/11

Ed & Marcia Brown

Love- Mom

W E S A W