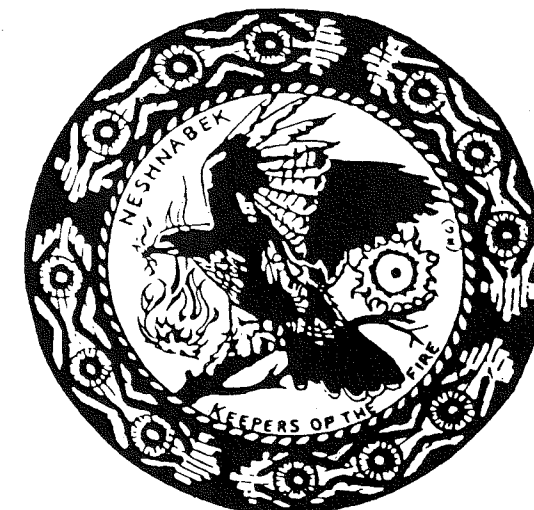


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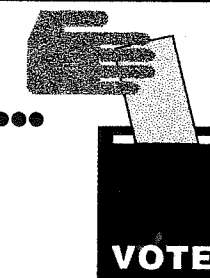
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## AND THE VOTES ARE IN....



**T**he Pokagon Band has a new vice-chairman. John Miller won the position over Donald Summers. John is from Hartford, MI, and he works as the site supervisor for the food commodities program.

John replaces Dan Rapp as vice-chair. Dan served for two years in that position, however he has been on Council for many years. Dan also is involved with many committees and projects on which the tribe has worked.

Shannon Hiler and Stanley Morseau, Sr. also captured the at-large seats. Both ran un-opposed. Shannon is from Dowagiac, and she works in the Social Services Department of the Pokagon Band.

This was the first year for the absentee ballots and voter registration. This was a chance to implement the process and work out any problems that can occur. There were a few wrinkles in the balloting process, but for most who voted, it was relatively easy. Of course, for some things did not go as smoothly.

The tribe is continually growing and facing many decisions that will affect its membership for years to come. John says it is a honor to be elected to tribal council. He believes he can represent the membership with great integrity and respect, while helping the tribe to move forward and be productive for members.

Some of John's concerns are land acquisition and job creation.

"I would like to venture into profit making re-

gardless if it is gaming oriented or not," says Miller. "Let's create jobs for people regardless of their educational background."

John also says he hears people say nearly every job posting requires a college degree, and these people would like to work for the tribe if there were jobs for that member's educational/experience background.

"There are just two things I want to see done," says Miller. "But it's not about me, or what I want.

"It's about you and what you want. Your concerns are my concerns.

"I will always be available to talk to. Just pick up the phone and call."

In next month's edition, we will learn more about the other new Council members. The new Council members will be sworn in at the Saturday meeting on August 8, 1998 at 10 a.m. in Elders Hall.



## TRIBAL COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS

### POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING MAY 21, 1998

**RESOLUTION #1** made by Mike Wesaw and 2nd by Wayne Holleman.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** Tribal Council approves sending Rebecca Price to Oklahoma City, Oklahoma from June 2-6th to attend Diabetes in Native Americans Seminar. The cost of the trip to be born by the Diabetes Grant.

**ALL IN FAVOR: 7 OPPOSED: 0 ABSENT: 1 ABSTAIN: 1 CARRIED**

**RESOLUTION #2** made by Mike Wesaw and 2nd by Wayne Holleman.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** Tribal Council approves sending Rebecca Price to Aberdeen, South Dakota as part of the Healthy Start Grant to coordinate Healthy Start activities from June 8-11th. Costs for airfare to be paid by the Healthy Start National Program, per diem and hotel to be reimbursed.

**ALL IN FAVOR: 7 OPPOSED: 0 ABSENT: 1 ABSTAIN: 1 CARRIED**

**RESOLUTION #3** made by Mike Wesaw and 2nd by Kevin Daugherty.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** Tribal Council approves sending Christine Daugherty to Lansing, Michigan on June 11 & 12 to attend Healthy Babies/Healthy Mothers Conference. Travel to be paid for by the Healthy Start Project. Christine only able to attend June 12

**ALL IN FAVOR: 7 OPPOSED: 0 ABSENT: 1 ABSTAIN: 1 CARRIED**

**RESOLUTION #4** made by Mike Wesaw and 2nd by Wayne Holleman.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** Tribal Council approves sending Christine Daugherty to inter-tribal efforts to deliver health care outside of the CHSDA to be held in Mt. Pleasant on June 11th.

**ALL IN FAVOR: 7 OPPOSED: 0 ABSENT: 1 ABSTAIN: 1 CARRIED**

**RESOLUTION #5** made by Dan Rapp and 2nd by Kevin Daugherty.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** Tribal Council accepts the addition to the Funeral Leave Policy of the Personnel Policy Handbook as presented, with the following revision to read: "In the event of death in an employee's extended family, the employee may be granted up to two (2) days off with pay to be with family and attend the funeral service. The employee's extended family is defined as, aunt, uncle, niece, nephew, and first cousin. In addition to the employees' spouses parents, brothers, sisters, aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and first cousins."

**ALL IN FAVOR: 6 OPPOSED: 1 ABSENT: 1 ABSTAIN: 1 CARRIED**

**RESOLUTION #6** made by Dan Rapp and 2nd by Kevin Daugherty.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** Tribal Council agrees to add grandparents of the spouse to the "Funeral Leave" policy under Section B.

**ALL IN FAVOR: 6 OPPOSED: 1 ABSENT: 1 ABSTAIN: 1 CARRIED**

## TRIBAL COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS

**RESOLUTION #7** made by Dan Rapp and 2nd by Wayne Holleman.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** Tribal Council accepts the Management Team Rights and Authority Policy as recommended by the Personnel Committee.

**ALL IN FAVOR: 6 OPPOSED: 0 ABSENT: 1 ABSTAIN: 2 CARRIED**

**RESOLUTION #8** made by Dan Rapp and 2nd by Mike Wesaw.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** Tribal Council accepts the Contract Health Billing Clerk position as recommended by the Personnel Committee.

**ALL IN FAVOR: 7 OPPOSED: 0 ABSENT: 1 ABSTAIN: 1 CARRIED**

**RESOLUTION #9** made by Mike Wesaw and Dan Rapp.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** Tribal Council approves sending Linda Mangus to the Western States Tribal Welfare Reform Conference from June 1-4 in Billings, Montana. Approximate cost \$1700.00.

**ALL IN FAVOR: 7 OPPOSED: 0 ABSENT: 1 ABSTAIN: 1 CARRIED**

**RESOLUTION #10** made by Mike Wesaw and 2nd by Dan Rapp.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** Tribal Council authorizes the Social Services Director in conjunction with the Tribal Operations Manager to determine who is to attend the Case Management for the Elders Population Seminar on June 7, 8, & 9 in Albuquerque, New Mexico. In addition the Tribal Operations Manager will include the Health Director to determine if any medical personnel should attend.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** The Tribal Operations Manager and directors involved shall select the most economic alternative in determining how any employee is to attend these conferences.

**ALL IN FAVOR: 6 OPPOSED: 1 ABSENT: 1 ABSTAIN: 1 CARRIED**

**RESOLUTION #11** made by Mike Wesaw and 2nd by Wayne Holleman.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** Tribal Council approves sending Linda Mangus and/or Shannon Hiler to ICW Permanency Planning Seminar in Prior Lake, Minnesota on June 22-25. Cost not to exceed \$950.00 and the use of a GSA vehicle.

**ALL IN FAVOR: 7 OPPOSED: 0 ABSENT: 1 ABSTAIN: 1 CARRIED**

**RESOLUTION #12** made by Wayne Holleman and Mike Wesaw.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** Tribal Council approves sending Jesse Howell to a HUD orientation meeting held on May 26, 1998 in Chicago.

**ALL IN FAVOR: 7 OPPOSED: 0 ABSENT: 1 ABSTAIN: 1 CARRIED**

**RESOLUTION #13** made by Wayne Holleman and 2nd by Mike Wesaw.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** Tribal Council approves sending Jesse Howell to Chicago, Illinois to attend a workshop training at the Midland Hotel on May 27 & 28. Travel expenses, hotel and per diem to be paid by the Housing Committee.

**ALL IN FAVOR: 7 OPPOSED: 0 ABSENT: 1 ABSTAIN: 1 CARRIED**

**RESOLUTION #14** made by Wayne Holleman and Mike Wesaw.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** Tribal Council agrees to send Jesse Howell, Keith White and one Tribal Council Member or Housing Committee member to the National American Indian Housing Annual Con-

vention being held in Tampa, Florida on June 7-June 11.

**ALL IN FAVOR: 7    OPPOSED: 0    ABSENT: 1    ABSTAIN: 1    CARRIED**

**RESOLUTION #15** made by Mike Wesaw and 2nd by Wayne Holleman.

**WHEREAS:** Tribal Council called for Absentee Voting in Tribal Council Resolution 97-11-08-10;

**WHEREAS:** The Pokagon Band Election Committee has determined Voter Registration be necessary to implement Absentee Voting;

**WHEREAS:** Article III Section 8 (c) be of the Pokagon Band By-Laws, as amended May 09, 1998, calls for voting in person only; and

**WHEREAS:** The By-Laws make no mention of voter registration;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** That the current language in Article III Section 8 (c) be stricken and Sec. 8 (c) be amended to read: "in order to vote, each eligible voter must be registered to vote in accordance with Pokagon Band election procedures and policies."

**ALL IN FAVOR: 7    OPPOSED: 0    ABSENT: 1    ABSTAIN: 1    CARRIED**

**RESOLUTION #16** made by Greg Ballew and 2nd by Dan Rapp.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** Tribal Council shall fill Brian Mosrseau's vacant seat with the Elders Council Representative.

**ALL IN FAVOR: 6    OPPOSED: 1    ABSENT: 1    ABSTAIN: 1    CARRIED**

**RESOLUTION #17** made by Tom Wesaw and 2nd by Maxine Margiotta.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** Tribal Council directs the Tribal Attorney to contact the BIA for an opinion on employees serving on the Tribal Council, per Article 3, Section B of the By-laws. Tribal Attorney will report to the Tribal Council at the next Council meeting and the Tribal Council will abide by the BIA opinion.

**ALL IN FAVOR: 2    OPPOSED: 4    ABSENT: 1    ABSTAIN: 2    FAILED**

**RESOLUTION #18** made by Kevin Daugherty and 2nd by Wayne Holleman.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** Tribal Council shall continue to pursue the 135 acres at North Liberty owned by Ed Wolfe.

**ALL IN FAVOR: 7    OPPOSED: 0    ABSENT: 1    ABSTAIN: 1    CARRIED**

**RESOLUTION #19** made by Kevin Daugherty and 2nd by Mike Wesaw. **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** Tribal Council adds Judy Augusta to the Land Committee.

**ALL IN FAVOR: 7    OPPOSED: 0    ABSENT: 1    ABSTAIN: 1    CARRIED**

If you are interested in receiving a full set of minutes,  
please call Kelly Curran at the Administration Office.

**(616) 782-8998 or 800-517-0777**

## POKAGON HEALTH NEWS

### Contract Health Service Payment Process

If you feel you are experiencing slow CHS payments to your providers, call the CHS staff at the Health Office. If you call after business hours, leave a message on the machine and someone will return your call as soon as possible.

**PLEASE REMEMBER IF** to be eligible for CHS, you must be:

- ✓ A Pokagon Band member
- ✓ Live in the 10-county service area.
- ✓ You must register and complete your file.
- ✓ You must tell CHS staff that you want CHS coverage at least three business days *BEFORE EACH AND EVERY HEALTH APPOINTMENT or SERVICE* for which you want to have CHS funds pay.

**Without the bill or the EOB (current proof of denial), Contract Health Services staff CANNOT process payments on your behalf.**

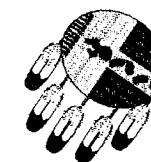
### Eyewear Program

On Wednesdays Trish Williams and Susan Beavers scheduled hours to help our eligible clients choose eyewear according to your optometrist or ophthalmologist's prescriptions. We have more than 140 frames to choose from, including safety frames. Call for hours and program guidelines.

*Submitted by,  
Christine Daugherty  
IHS Director*

### AA MEETINGS

AA Meetings are held Wednesday evenings at 7:30 p.m. at Substance Abuse Program, 714 N. Front St. Dowagiac, MI. Please feel welcome to attend. If you have questions, please call (616) 782-1142.



### To: Medicare Eligible Pokagon Band Members

Effective July 1, 1998 Medicare will pay for Diabetic Supplies such as Glucometer Test Strips and Lancets. They will also cover Insulin. It will be necessary for you to obtain these items at the pharmacy you use. When you call into the C.H.S office for prescription refills, please make sure to order these at the same time. Obtaining your Diabetic Supplies must be done through the pharmacy to insure proper billing to Medicare and our CHS office.

Medicare will not cover the Insulin Syringes or Alcohol Prep Pads. Therefore, however you were getting them from the IHS office before, you will continue to do so now.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office at any time and speak to a CHS staff person.

### NOTTAWASEPPI HURON BAND OF POTAWATOMI

respectfully announces Indian Health Services are now available to **ANY member of a federally recognized tribe who has a tribal identification card** (or, for Huron Band Members only, have a tribal ID # that can be verified by our tribal health clerk).

These services can be obtained if you:

1. Have completed patient registration forms
2. Reside within the seven county **Contract Health Services Delivery Area** (CHSDA), which is comprised of Allegan, Barry, Branch, Calhoun, Kalamazoo, Kent, and Ottawa.

Further information regarding these services are available by calling or visiting the Huron Potawatomi Health Services Offices nearest you.

HPI, IHS	HPI, IHS
Athens (Main) Office	Grand Rapids Office
221 1 1/2 Mile Road	528 Bridge St. NW
Fulton, MI 49052	Grand Rapids, MI
	49504

616-729-5151	616-451-4925
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Toll Free Health Service Numbers

<b>Athens</b>	<b>Grand Rapids</b>
1-888-662-2808	888-662-2809

POKAGON SOCIAL SERVICES

EMERGENCY FUNDS

The emergency fund is available to help families and individuals through emergency or disaster situations to regain self-sufficiency. The fund is to be used only in case of an emergency after other funding sources have been exhausted. In order to help as many households as our budget will allow, there is a maximum amount that may be awarded per year, per household. Following an emergency, each individual's needs are different, therefore it must be stated in the application what your needs are. The fund can no longer be used for rental deposits. To reduce dependence on this fund so that it may be used for situations that it was intended, the fund cannot be used for the same thing two years in a row.

Effective 8/24/98.

- A new application using an enrollment number to identify the member is in use (since 6/30/98). Revisions are being made to finalize the form.
- Due to the BIA requirement to exhaust community resources, outreach staff is putting together a list of resources (agency address, phone, contact person, & what is available) for each county to link members in need with these resources. Available in August.

USDA Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR)

- \*Details for the Supplemental Grant are being finalized in July and will be available in August.
- \*Next we will be planning fresh produce program.
- \*Reminder: Dual participation in the FDPIR and Food Stamp program is illegal and subject to losing benefits of both programs and/or fraud charges. The penalties are so harsh for dual participation because the USDA provides the funding for both programs, so using both is considered 'double dipping'. By 'double dipping', you are then taking away food from another family that is also in need.
- \*Commodities staff will be attending a FDPIR Certification and Eligibility meeting from 8/31-9/3 held at the USDA regional office in Chicago, IL. During this time, the regular issuance and/or emergency assistance will continue but there will be no new certifications or re-certifications.

LIHEAP

The energy assistance program had a positive closure 6/1/98 after exhausting funding for the program year. Over 140 families utilized the program, which included more than 445 household members. This program will be available again in October 1998.

INJURY PREVENTION

Fire extinguishers are still available in the Social Services Office. Tell your friends and family! We hope that you will never have to use them but, as they say, better safe than sorry! The only criterion is that you must be an enrolled member of the PBPI. .... in order to maintain some semblance of order; please plan to pick up (only) your own fire extinguisher. Thank you for your cooperation.

JTPA

The JTPA program is a job-training program for individuals who may be economically disadvantaged, unemployed, or under-employed. Our JTPA program is specific to the Native American, native Alaskan or native Hawaiian population in the service delivery area. Interested? Please see Mike Zimmerman, Senior Training Specialist in the Social Services Department or call (800) 517-0777.

ICWA

Did you know that ICWA is an acronym for the Indian Child Welfare Act? ICWA is a federal law passed by Congress in 1978 to protect Indian families and tribes from the removal of their children in state court proceedings. Congress found state social workers and court systems did not understand or consider the unique culture of Indian families and the importance of tribal relations. The very existence of Indian tribes and culture was threatened by the wholesale removal of Indian children from their homes and placement in non-Indian settings. ICWA is designed to preserve Indian tribes and families. NOTICE: We are recruiting members residing in Michigan who may be interested in becoming a foster family for our Indian children. The Michigan Indian Child Welfare Agency (MICWA) will be giving a presentation at the Elders Hall in Dowagiac about what is involved in being a licensed foster family. If you are interested or just curious about helping our children, please plan to attend the meeting. The meeting will take place in late October- more information will be provided in the next newsletter.

Rita Yount will be sorely missed! She retired from the Elders Coordinator position on 7/2/98.

I welcome your suggestions to improve and expand the Social Services Department. I can be contacted at (800) 517-0777. Or come see us at the KEE-BOON-MEIN-KAA POW WOW (we will have a table set up)!

Submitted by,  
Linda A. Mangus  
Social Services Director

August 1998

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2	3	4 Exercise w/Mark Topash Elders Hall 10-11 a.m. 6-7 p.m.	5	6 Elders Council Meeting 11 a.m. Elders Hall Exercise-E.H. 10-11 a.m.; 6-7 p.m.	7	8 Tribal Council Meeting 10 a.m. Elders Hall Swearing-in Ceremony
9	10 Health Board 5:30 p.m. Health Office	11 Exercise at E.H. 10-11 a.m. 6-7 p.m.	12 Plant Fiber Pouch Making Elders Hall Cont. thru 8/14/98	13 Exercise-E.H. 10-11 a.m. 6-7 p.m.	14	15
16	17	18 Pokagon Staff Meeting E.H. 3:30-5:30 Exercise at E.H. 10-11 a.m., 6-7 p.m.	19	20 Exercise-E.H. 10-11 a.m.; 6-7 p.m. Tribal Council Meeting 7 p.m. E.H.	21	22
23	24 Health Board 5:30 p.m. Health Office	25 Exercise at E.H. 10-11 a.m. 6-7 p.m.	26	27 Potawatomi Gathering Athens, MI thru 8/30/98 Exercise-E.H. 10-11 a.m.; 6-7 p.m.	28	29
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**WILDLY EXCITING!**

## **FAMILY FEST**

**CARNIVAL DAYS AT THE ZOO**

**AUGUST 20,21,22,23  
11:00 A.M. - 7:00 P.M. DAILY**

**ENJOY RIDES FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY**

**FOOD BOOTHS, GAMES, FACE PAINTERS**

**CRAFT BOOTHS, FREE ENTERTAINMENT**

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AND**

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**GENERAL ADMISSION APPLIES AT THE GATE**

**( ALL PROCEEDS GO TO SUPPORT THE POTAWATOMI ZOO )**

**Native American Dancing and Drumming  
Provided By the Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians  
Education Department**

### ***Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians – Veterans Information***

*This questionnaire is being forwarded to develop a database of Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Veterans (living and deceased) in order to develop programs that will focus on serving and honoring those that served in the armed forces. It is also important to obtain information from surviving spouses and dependents.*

*Please complete the information requested below and upon receipt a tribal veteran patch will be mailed to the qualified veteran for display at his/her discretion.*

#### ***I. Veteran Information:***

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date of Birth** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date of Death** \_\_\_\_\_

**City/State/Zip** \_\_\_\_\_ **Tribal Membership #** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number** \_\_\_\_\_ **Male** \_\_\_\_ **Female** \_\_\_\_

**Cemetery Name and Location** \_\_\_\_\_

**Branch of Service** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date of Discharge** \_\_\_\_\_

**Rank at time of Discharge/Retirement** \_\_\_\_\_

**Was discharge under honorable conditions?** \_\_\_\_yes \_\_\_\_no

**Primary Duties (MOS)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Duty Stations** \_\_\_\_\_

**War-time duty** \_\_\_\_\_

**Medals/Awards** \_\_\_\_\_

*Please send a copy of DD Form 214 or copy of discharge when returning this questionnaire. Surviving spouse and dependents information on reverse side.*





# Just for Kids!

## July & August



Please call 1-888-330-1234 to sign-up for these events.

Just for Kids Game Day  
Monday, July 20th  
9:00 a.m. - Noon

Just for Kids Beginner Class  
Tuesday, July 21st  
9:00 a.m. - Noon

Just for Kids Internet Class  
Wednesday, July 22nd  
9:00 a.m. - Noon

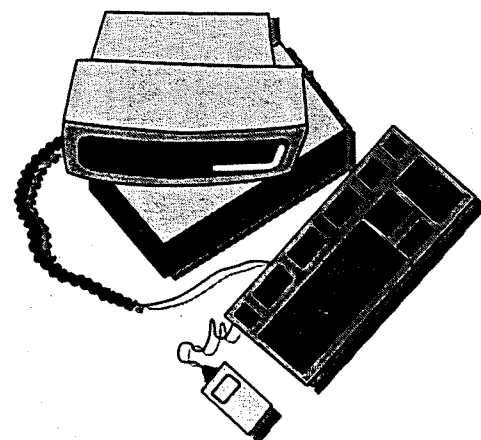
Dowagiac Family Fun Fest  
Dodd Park  
July 23rd - 26th

Summer Camp  
2nd - 6th Grade  
July 26th - 28th

Just for Kids Game Day  
Monday, August 10th  
12:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Just for Teens Game Day  
Tuesday, August 11th  
12:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

MORE TO BE ANNOUNCED...



### II. Surviving Spouse and dependents.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Marriage \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Remarried? ☐ yes ☐ no

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Number of children from veteran \_\_\_\_\_

Names and Addresses and Ages

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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*If any dependents are enrolled in colleges or universities, please provide name of schools:*

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

*Additional Information:*

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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*Thank you for your time and attention to this questionnaire. There are a variety of programs designed to assist veterans and their families. The information obtained from this questionnaire will provide a foundation to pursue grants and obtain information necessary to develop programs within the tribal government to assist those that served in the armed forces. If there are any questions, please call Michael Zimmerman at 1-800-517-0777 for assistance.*

# Sixth Annual Gathering of the Potawatomi Nations

Hosted by: Nottawaseppi Huron Potawatomi  
Pinecreek Reservation  
Athens, Michigan

August 27 thru 30, 1998

"Welcome Home"

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Forest County Potawatomi Community  
Hannahville Indian Community  
Nottawaseppi Huron Band of Potawatomi  
Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians  
Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation  
Walpole Island First Nation



For more information: Contact HBPI 1-888-662 2808

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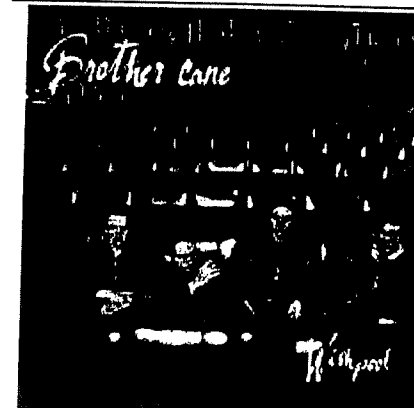
Also appearing:  
Big Hate and Dead Spin

AUGUST 7TH, 1998

ST. Patricks County Park

Robert J. Fischgrund Center for Performing Arts  
Stateline Rd. & Laurel Rd.  
South Bend, IN.

Gates open at  
5:00 p.m.  
Indiana Time



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3737 Lincolnway E., Mishawaka, IN.

Orbit Music - State Rd. 23, South Bend, IN.

Disc Go Round - 4219 Grape Rd., Mishawaka, IN.

Casey's Mini-Mart - U.S. 31 S., Lakeville, IN.

Ground Zero - 119 W. Mishawaka Ave., Mishawaka, IN.

Music Matters - Division St., St. Joseph, MI.

Pokagon Band Admin. Office - 901 Spruce St., Dowagiac, MI.



# POKAGON BAND EDUCATION NEWSLETTER

Pokagon Band Education Department, 901 Spruce Street, Dowagiac, MI 49047

July/August issue

## Now is the time!

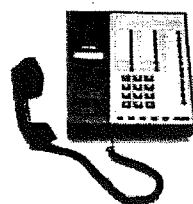
The Pokagon Band Education Department is offering the membership an exciting new program to help them prepare for their G.E.D. exam. This is a FREE service that we are providing on Thursday evenings between 6 and 8 o'clock. We can also make an appointment for you to try this software during a time that is more convenient for you.

This software can also be used as a refresher for those who want to brush up on their math, reading, or writing skills.

- ◆ Get Your G.E.D.
- ◆ Computer Classes
- ◆ Just for Kids
- ◆ Internet for Kids
- ◆ Seniors Get Ready
- ◆ Tribal Scholarships
- ◆ Culture

### How to contact us:

Phone#  
1-616-782-0887  
or Toll-Free#  
1-888-330-1234



## ATTENTION

Your children may be eligible to enroll in the Johnson O'Malley or Title IX programs for Native American children. Please call us for enrollment forms if your children live in the following counties and are not enrolled.

Michigan - Allegan, Berrien, Cass and Van Buren

Indiana - Elkhart, Kosciusko, La Porte, Marshall, Starke and St. Joseph

Hey Kids! Join our Youth Council. The next meeting is at 7 p.m. on July 22nd.

## POKAGON ELDERS REPORT

### POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI ELDERS COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING JUNE 4, 1998 - 11:00 A.M.

Meeting called to order by Gerald Wesaw at 11:20 A.M.  
Invocation was given by Clarence White

#### Roll Call

Present: Gerald Wesaw, Marge Moody, Clarence White, Mary Jo Morris, Mary Church  
Absent: Rachel Daugherty - excused - trip

Attendance: 24 Elders

Addition to agenda - Huron Potawatomi Gathering volunteers

Bill Klemm moved to approve the agenda of June 4, 1998.

Fred Klemm seconded the motion. All in favor "aye", opposed 0. Motion carried.

Fred Klemm moved to approve the minutes of May 7, 1998.

Ann Zimmerman seconded the motion. All in favor "aye", opposed 0. Motion carried.

Mary Church stated the Huron Band has a sign up sheet for the Potawatomi Gathering, August 26th-30th. They need volunteers for everything.

Clarence White gave his Elders fund budget report.

The MCIA report will be given at next month's Business Meeting.

Marge Moody stated that Tribal Council passed the resolution for the Mission Statement that was presented to them.

A resolution was omitted at the last Business Meeting May 7th. Resolution #98-016, dated 4-9-98, made by Marge Moody, seconded by Gerald Wesaw.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the El-

ders Council include sending Bonnie Parrish and Fred Klemm to the MIEA Conference in Watersmeet, MI. April 13, 14, 15, 16, 1998. Mileage for one car, motel and per diem to be paid out of the Elders General Fund. All in favor: 5 Opposed: 0 Absent: 1 RESOLUTION ADOPTED

A Committee was formed for the Elders logo. Fred Klemm is the Chairman; two other members are John Wesaw, Jr. and Frank Person.

Officers and Committee Members attending the MIEA Conference.

August 6th & 7th are: Clarence White, Joe Winchester, Mary Church, Gerald Wesaw, Marge Moody, Rachel Daugherty and John Wesaw, Jr. Membership attending is Ann Zimmerman & Bonnie Parrish.

#### Announcements:

Copper workshop, sponsored by the Education Department, June 17th. 10:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M. Rush Lake, Watervliet, MI.

Elders Social Luncheon & silent auction - June 18th at 11:00 A.M. Elders Hall.

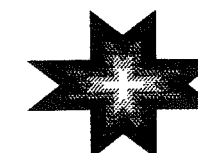
Traditions & Women, sponsored by the Education Department on June 18th. 4:00 - 8:00 P.M. Elders Hall

Luncheon volunteers for July - Harry & Ann Zimmerman

Ticket volunteers for July - Tom & Bonnie Parrish

Gerald adjourned the meeting at 12:10 P.M.

Submitted by,  
Mary Jo Morris  
Elders Council Secretary





# 1998 KEE-BOON-MEIN-KAA POW WOW

HEAD VETERAN  
George Martin



MASTER of CEREMONIES  
Sam Bush

Saturday & Sunday, Labor Day Weekend  
September 5 & September 6, 1998

St. Patrick's County Park  
South Bend, IN  
At the Michigan/Indiana line

## GRAND ENTRIES:

Saturday-12 Noon & 6:00 P.M.  
Sunday-1:00 P.M.

Native American Arts & Crafts.  
Native American Traders ONLY.  
No Imports or Manufactured Items or  
No Outside Raffles

For More Information,  
Contact: Pokagon Band of Potawatomi  
(616) 782-8998

No Drugs or Alcohol Allowed  
Admission: Adults-\$3.00; Students-\$1.00 w/ID  
Veterans, Seniors and Handicapped-\$1.00;  
Children under five are free

## September Culture Activities Kee Boon Mein Kaa Pow Wow

### Hoop Dancing Starting Thursday, September 3, 1998


All youth are invited to learn how to hoop dance starting Thursday, September 3rd 4:00 p.m. till dusk. Friday, September 4th, at 4:00 p.m. there will be more instruction and maybe a live performance for the local news stations. Saturday, youth may participate in a hoop dance performance in the afternoon session, evening session, and one performance Sunday, at Kee Boon Mein Kaa Pow Wow at St. Patrick's County Park, South Bend.

### Kee Boon Mein Kaa Pow Wow Flint Napping


For those who are interested in learning the basics of making arrowheads, flint knives, and spearheads, there will be a well nationally known flint napper available to teach during the Kee Boon Mein Kaa Pow Wow. He is willing to instruct individuals anytime during the Pow Wow.

### Cradleboards September 16, 1998 Elders Hall 53237 Townhall Rd. Dowagiac, MI 49047

There will be a workshop on the history and making of cradleboards at Elders Hall starting at 5:00 p.m. till 8:00 p.m. All those in attendance will be instructed on the making of cradleboards and can make a doll size or a wall hanging cradleboard. For information on any of these events, contact John Warren, Cultural Coordinator at 1-888-330-1234 or 616-782-0887



## FIRE EXTINGUISHERS AVAILABLE



There are still fire extinguishers available. Any household who is in need of a fire extinguisher is eligible to receive one. Please come in or contact the Social Services Department at 901 Spruce St., Dowagiac, MI 49047. Call (616) 782-8998 or 800-517-0777.

## INDIGENOUS GAMES

The Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians is looking for Anishnabe Youth to participate on Team Michigan and compete in the 1999 North American Indigenous Games. Tribes from around the state are looking for interested youth and adults to participate in a variety of athletic events. Try-outs for Boy's and Girl's Basketball and Girl's Volleyball will be held August 15 and 16 at the Sault Tribe and Bay Mills facilities. Try-outs for boy's baseball will be announced. Sign up sheets for Individual events, Archery, Track and Field, Golf, Canoeing, Swimming, Tae Kwon Do and more are available. Please call Marie Wesaw or Donald Sumners at (616) 782-0887.

## REPAIRS AND RENOVATION

For those who qualify for any of the funding for repair and renovation there are some restrictions. Just because there is a cap of \$35,000 per home does not mean that you will receive all of the funding at once. The funding is spent according to the availability of funds, and the number of members on the waiting list. It may take a year or two to get all of your priority list done. Applications will be updated yearly. Please call Keith White if you have questions or concerns.

**(616) 782-8998**  
or  
**1-800-517-0777**

## POW WOW COMMITTEE

### ATTENTION

The Pow Wow Committee would like to hear from anyone who is interested in doing the meals at Kee-Boon-Mein-Kaa Pow Wow. The pow wow is Labor Day weekend, September 5 & 6, 1998. The Committee is accepting bids for the Saturday evening meal which feeds about 800 people. You would also be responsible for the Sunday brunch. That feeds about 400 people. Please send the bids to Maureen Shagonaby at P.O. Box 180, Dowagiac, MI 49047 by **AUGUST 20, 1998.**

## T-SHIRT DESIGN

### WE ARE LOOKING FOR A T-SHIRT DESIGN FOR THE 1998 KEE-BOON-MEIN-KAA Pow Wow.

Please submit those designs by August 10, 1998. Send them to Maureen Shagonaby, P.O. Box 180 Dowagiac, MI 49047

## LATE OR MISSING NEWSLETTER NOTICE

If you are not receiving the monthly newsletter with the first two weeks of the month or at all please notify Ginny at the Administration office (800) 517-0777 or (616) 782-8998. Also, notify your local post office or postal carrier. We have purchased a new mailing system this year and are still trying to work out the bugs but are experiencing problems with the actual post offices as well. As always it is **imperative** that you keep your addresses updated with our enrollment department. We get our addresses from them and if they don't have a correct address for you, chances are we don't either. If you are aware of a family member or any household that doesn't receive the newsletter, please have them contact the tribal enrollment office to ensure a correct mailing address.

## POW WOW CALENDAR

August 1-2  
**Heart Pow Wow "Honoring the Purple Heart Recipient"**  
Call Gene Ried (616) 689-0344 for more info.

August 7-8  
**"The Place Where Eagles Dance" Pow Wow Watersmeet, MI**  
Old Indian Village Rd., Co. Rd. 210. For info, contact Delores Williams (906) 358-4226 x317 or (906) 358-4801 hm.

August 8-9  
**Blue Water Indian Celebration Port Huron, MI** Pine Grove Park. For info, call Anna Garrett (810) 982-0891.

August 14-16  
**"Strengthening the Circle, Honoring the Youth" Peshawbestown Annual Pow Wow Suttons Bay, MI**  
For more info, call Tom Shomin (616) 271-7277 or (616) 271-4966.

August 15-16  
**The 7th Annual MSU American Indian Heritage Pow Wow East Lansing, MI**  
Valley Court Park. Contact Mico Slattery (517) 353-9757 for more info.

August 15-16  
**16th Annual Traditional Pow Wow Lebanon, Indiana**  
Boone County 4-H Grounds. For info, contact Susie Deem (317) 545-5057 or Nancy Malatterre (765) 482-3315.

August 21-23  
**9th Annual Traditional Pow Wow Rapid River, MI**  
Contact George Antiano (906) 786-0556 for info.

August 22  
**2nd Annual Traditional American Indian Pow Wow New Boston, MI**  
Outpost, 18855 Wahram. Contact Mary (734) 753-0522 or Vicky (313) 487-8678.

August 22-23  
**Rocky River Rendezvous & Two Worlds Lodge Pow Wow Three Rivers, MI**  
Memory Isle Park. For info, call (616)344-7111 or (616) 279-9069.

August 22-23  
**Potawatomi Trails Pow Wow Zion, IL** Shiloh Park. Call Bill Brown (847) 746-9086.

August 22-23  
**Summer Pow Wow Climax, MI**  
For more info, call Karen (313) 763-8631 or Sue (616) 964-1506 or Kerri (616)381-1307.

August 22-23  
**Three Fires Homecoming Pow New Credit Reserve, Ontario** New Credit Ball Park. Call Carolyn King for info at (905) 768-5147.

**Whitecloud Annual Purple Heart Pow Wow "Honoring the Purple Heart Recipient"**  
**Whitecloud, MI**

**"The Place Where Eagles Dance" Pow Wow Watersmeet, MI**

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## FINANCE/PERSONNEL REPAIR & RENOVATION SOCIAL SERVICE/JTPA

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Dowagiac, MI 49047  
(616) 782-8998  
1-800-517-0777  
FAX (616) 782-6882  
FAX: (616) 782-6027 (Soc. Services)

## INDIAN HEALTH SERVICES

210 Front St.  
Dowagiac, MI 49047  
(616) 782-4141  
1-888-440-1234  
FAX (616) 782-8797

## EDUCATION

P.O. Box 180  
Dowagiac, MI 49047  
(616) 782-0887  
1-888-330-1234  
FAX (616) 782-0985

## ENROLLMENT

104 N. Riverside  
Dowagiac, MI 49047  
(616) 782-1763  
1-888-782-1001  
FAX (616) 782-1964

## SUBSTANCE ABUSE

P.O. Box 180  
714 N. Front St.  
Dowagiac, MI 49047  
(616) 782-1142  
FAX (616) 782-1653

## FOOD COMMODITY

52366 M-51 North  
Dowagiac, MI 49047  
(616) 782-3372  
1-888-281-1111  
FAX (616) 782-7814

## ELDERS HALL

P.O. Box 180  
Dowagiac, MI 49047  
(616) 782-6323  
FAX (616) 782-9625

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Michael Nelson-August 19  
Greg Nelson-August 21  
Love, Trudy and Dwight

## CONGRATULATIONS

Joe, Jeffrey, Rhian, and Megan Riley on the arrival  
of Joey Lynne  
Born June 30, 1998

## CONGRATULATIONS

Jennifer Genereaux and grandma Sonya Temple on  
the arrival of  
Philip Michael Genereaux

## HAPPY 25th ANNIVERSARY

Karl & Ruth Hewitt  
August 25

## HAPPY 50th ANNIVERSARY

Leonard and Mary Church  
July 17  
Love, your family

## CONGRATULATIONS TO

Marta Baker and Mark Parrish who were married  
May 23, 1998.  
Love, Mom and Dad

## HAPPY BELATED BIRTHDAY

Shane Rummage  
July 23

## HAPPY BELATED BIRTHDAY

Dean and Dale Lewis  
From, Uncle Rick & Aunt Lori  
HAPPY BELATED BIRTHDAY  
Lauren Maddux  
June 23  
Love, Jackie

## HAPPY BELATED BIRTHDAY

Mike Parrish  
June 16

and Melissa Parrish  
June 22

## HAPPY BELATED BIRTHDAY

Misty Rae Dixon  
July 19

## CONGRATULATIONS TERRY DIXON, JR.

Terry has joined the Army on May 19 and graduated on  
July 23. He will then go to Fort Gordon in Georgia to  
complete his AIT. His training will be in communica-  
tions. He is a 1996 graduate of Hartford High School  
and a member of its last undefeated and playoff bound  
football team. After attending Grand Valley for two  
years, Terry enlisted. His hobbies include hunting, fish-  
ing and attending pow wows. He was a camp counselor  
for two years and enjoyed his experiences. He wishes  
he could have been there this year. Terry's proud par-  
ents are Terry Sr. and Adeline Dixon. His grandparents  
are Geraldine Sturgeon and Mitchell Lewis. Way to go  
Terry, we are proud of you.

## TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING SATURDAY, AUGUST 8, 1998

10 A.M.  
ELDERS HALL

## AUGUST 20, 1998 DEADLINE FOR NEWSLETTER ITEMS

Please submit the newsletter articles to  
Maureen Shagonaby  
P.O. Box 180  
Dowagiac, MI 49047  
FAX (616) 782-4573

Please submit bithdays to appear on the  
birthday calendar by the 20th.

August 1998

S	M	T	T	W	T	F	S
			4 Terry Dixon, Jr. Jean Miller	5 Jessica Wesaw			1 Debi Yerington
2	3				6	7 Melody Dixon Sonya Morseau	8
9 Geraldine Sturgeon	10	11 Joe Riley	12		13 Julie Rodriguez	14 Jessica Hargett	15 Chris Gattis Joan Olds
16	17	18	19 Seth Hargett Michael Nelson Madolyn Wesaw	20		21 Fred Wheatley Greg Nelson	22 Jennifer Genereaux J.R. Olds
23 Sam Wesaw	24 Larry Thomas	25 Jackie Hewitt	26 Jordan Brown	27	28		29
30 Tamara Piper Candy Brumley John Day	31 Teresa Empson						