

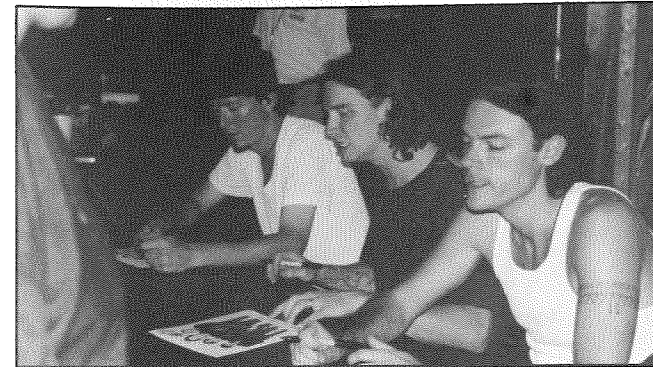
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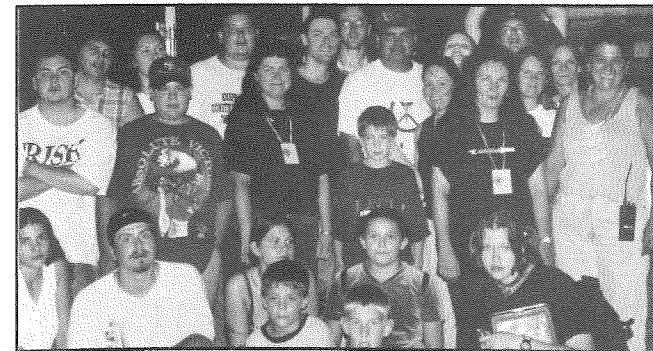
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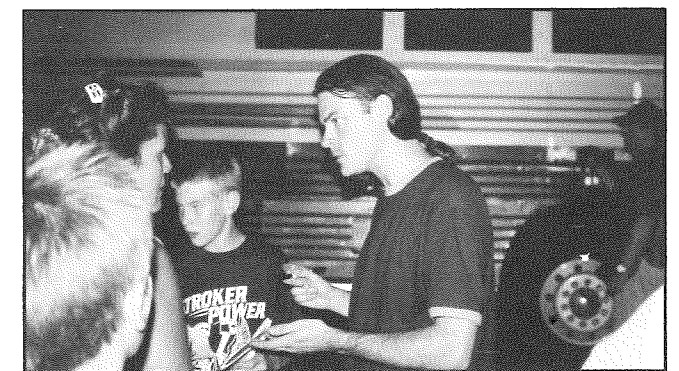
Brother Cane signs autographs before the concert.



Dead Spin puts on a show before the concert.



Scott Collier gets to know some of the members.



Scott Collier signs autographs for the fans after the Big Show.

BROTHER CANE ROCKS ST. PAT'S

TRIBAL COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS

POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS
TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 13, 1998

RESOLUTION #1 made by Mike Wesaw and 2nd by Wayne Holleman
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council approves travel by the Youth Council and Education Department staff to Sugar Island in Sault Ste. Marie, MI on June 26-27, 1998. Permission slips will be collected for all participating students. Costs, to be paid by the Education Department's Youth Programs, will include GSA vehicle transportation and some meal costs. Lodging and some meals will be provided at the Culture Camp. A list of campers and emergency contacts will be given to the education director and Tribal Council Chairperson prior to the travel.

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

RESOLUTION #2 made by Mike Wesaw and Barbara Ann Warren
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council supports Education Department staff involvement with youth activities at the 6th Annual Gathering of the Potawatomi Nations to be held in Athens, MI on August 27-30, 1998.

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

RESOLUTION #3 made by Kevin Daugherty and 2nd by Tom Wesaw
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council accepts the Substance Abuse Advisory Committee Ordinance as presented 6/13/98.

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

RESOLUTION #4 made by Wayne Holleman and 2nd by Greg Ballew
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council approves the Pokagon Band sponsorship of the 8/7/98 Brother Cain fundraising concert in conjunction with the Substance Abuse Task Force to raise money for a Tribal Substance Abuse halfway house.

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

RESOLUTION #5 made by Mike Wesaw and 2nd by Wayne Holleman
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council approves the Memorandum of Understanding between the Pokagon Band and the Inter Tribal Council as it relates to the Helping Hands Expansion Program.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: When funded, a detailed Memorandum will be reintroduced for Council approval.

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

RESOLUTION #6 made by Mike Wesaw and Tom Wesaw
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council authorizes the Community Development Director, the Resource Developer, and Enrollment Coordinator to attend a meeting with the Oneidas to be held on June 24, 25 & 26. Costs to include the use of a GSA vehicle, hotel and per diem.

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

RESOLUTION #7 made by Kevin Daugherty and 2nd by Wayne Holleman
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council approves the Tribal Council Mission Statement as

TRIBAL COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS

read by Maureen Shagonaby 6/13/98.
ALL IN FAVOR: 8 OPPOSED: 0 ABSENT: 0 ABSTAIN: 1 CARRIED

RESOLUTION #8 made by Mike Wesaw and 2nd by Tom Wesaw
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council re-appoints Maxine Margiotta and Margaret Rapp to the Enrollment Committee.

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

RESOLUTION #9 made by Maxine Margiotta and 2nd by Mike Wesaw
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: The Tribal Council accepts the application for tribal enrollment of the people presented this day 6/13/98 by the Enrollment Staff and Enrollment Committee.

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

RESOLUTION #10 made by Kevin Daugherty and 2nd by Dan Rapp
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council approves Alice Overly being added to the Constitution and By-laws Committee.

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

RESOLUTION #11 made by Mike Wesaw and 2nd by Wayne Holleman
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council agrees to abandon its plans to pursue the purchase of the "Primrose Property," also known as the "Koehlfendorfer Property," located in St. Joseph County, Indiana.

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

RESOLUTION #12 made by Dan Rapp and Kevin Daugherty
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council agrees to combine the Land/Housing Committee together until July 1, 1998, and Chairmen of both committees serve as Chairs of the Committee.

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

RESOLUTION #13 made by Dan Rapp and 2nd by Mike Wesaw
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council agrees to add to Housing/Land Committee: Bonnie White, JoEllen Leith, and Trish Williams.

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

RESOLUTION #14 made by Kevin Daugherty and 2nd by Wayne Holleman
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council retain Jacobson, Buffalo, Schoessler, and Magnuson for the work with Jim McClurken.

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

RESOLUTION #15 made by Greg Ballew and 2nd by Wayne Holleman
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council shall fill Brian Morseau's vacant seat with the Elder's Rep. with full voting rights.

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

**POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS
TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 25, 1998**

RESOLUTION #1 made by Mike Wesaw and 2nd by Dan Rapp
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council approves the Policies and Procedures presented by the Housing Department to be submitted with the Housing Plan. These Policies will be considered temporary and will be in effect on an interim basis until such time as permanent formal policies are developed.
ALL IN FAVOR: 9 OPPOSED: 0 ABSENT: 0 ABSTAIN: 1 CARRIED

RESOLUTION #2 made by Mike Wesaw and 2nd by Tom Wesaw, Jr.
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council amends resolution 9711-24-01 to read: The Tribal Council designates itself as the interim Tribally Designated Housing Entity ("TDHE") effective this date, with Indian Housing Program funding totaling \$1,973,548.00.
ALL IN FAVOR: 9 OPPOSED: 0 ABSENT: 0 ABSTAIN: 1 CARRIED

RESOLUTION #3 made by Greg Ballew and 2nd by Wayne Holleman
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council agrees to accept the Executive Board's vote to terminate the contract with Robert J. Moody, Sr., Realtor.
ALL IN FAVOR: 9 OPPOSED: 0 ABSENT: 1 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

RESOLUTION #4 made by Wayne Holleman and 2nd by Kevin Daugherty
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council agrees to send (2) two representatives from the Health Services Office to an Injury Prevention Course to be held August 4-6, 1998 in Bellaire, Michigan. Travel days to be Monday, August 3rd and Friday August 7. Cost to include use of a GSA vehicle, lodging and per diem totaling approximately \$425.00.
ALL IN FAVOR: 9 OPPOSED: 0 ABSENT: 0 ABSTAIN: 1 CARRIED

RESOLUTION #6 made by Mike Wesaw and 2nd by Wayne Holleman
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council authorizes Christine Daugherty to send Stephanie Ballew, Substance Abuse Coordinator to the Minnesota Indian Institute on Alcohol and Drug Studies August 1-7, 1998. Total costs appropriated not to exceed \$1,000.00.
ALL IN FAVOR: 9 OPPOSED: 0 ABSENT: 0 ABSTAIN: 1 CARRIED

RESOLUTION #6 made by Mike Wesaw and 2nd by Wayne Holleman
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: The Pokagon Band send up to (2) two representatives from IHS staff to attend the R. P. M. S. Diabetic Registry System Training in Green Bay, WI on July 13-17. Estimated costs for (2) two include lodging, per diem, and the use of a GSA vehicle for travel totaling \$650.00.
ALL IN FAVOR: 9 OPPOSED: 0 ABSENT: 0 ABSTAIN: 1 CARRIED

RESOLUTION #7 made by Kevin Daugherty and 2nd by Barbara Ann Warren
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council approves further negotiations for a joint venture with Garden Homes.
ALL IN FAVOR: 9 OPPOSED: 0 ABSENT: 0 ABSTAIN: 1 CARRIED

RESOLUTION #8 made by Kevin Daugherty and 2nd by Dan Rapp
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: In absence of the Tribal Operations Manager, the monthly acting facilitator for the management team shall fulfill the Tribal Operations Manager's role in the membership griev-

ance procedure.
ALL IN FAVOR: 8 OPPOSED: 0 ABSENT: 0 ABSTAIN: 2 CARRIED

RESOLUTION #9 made by Mike Wesaw and 2nd by Dan Rapp
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Tribal Council accepts the Housing Plan submitted by the Housing Director as reviewed by the Housing and Land Committees.
ALL IN FAVOR: 9 OPPOSED: 0 ABSENT: 0 ABSTAIN: 1 CARRIED

RESOLUTION #10 made by Mike Wesaw and 2nd by Wayne Holleman **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** Tribal Council accepts the recommendation of the Personnel Committee to create and post a second IHS Billing Clerk, an Administrative Assistant for the Community Development Department and the revised Resource Developer position.
ALL IN FAVOR: 7 OPPOSED: 2 ABSENT: 0 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**



Tribal Council takes their oath during the swearing-in ceremony. Council added three new faces in Shannon Hiler, John Miller and Stanley Morseau.

TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING

**SATURDAY,
SEPTEMBER 12
10 A.M.
ELDERS HALL**

This is a potluck, and the tribe will provide the meat and the beverages. Please bring a dish to pass. The Saturday meeting includes program and committee reports. The business meeting for Tribal Council will take place on Thursday, September 24, 1998.

**LOOKIN' FOR SOME
LAUGHS**

THE 2ND ANNUAL COUNCIL/STAFF/MEMBERSHIP SOFTBALL GAME IS SCHEDULED FOR **SEPTEMBER 18, 1998.**

It will take place at Lion's Park in Sister Lakes. The game will begin promptly at 6 p.m. All food will be provided, except for dessert. So, if you have a sweet tooth (and who doesn't?) please plan to bring a sweet treat. Also, if you have any softball equipment, we would appreciate it if you could bring it. And plan to bring your own lawn chairs. We'll see ya there, and if you have any questions, call the Administration Office.

POKAGON HEALTH NEWS

BASIC CONTRACT HEALTH INFORMATION

For Contract Health Services to make payments on your behalf for your health care services you must:

1. Be a Pokagon Band member.
2. Live within the Contract Health Service Delivery Area.
3. **Register for Contract Health Service benefits.** This includes providing our office proof of your insurance or if you have no insurance, you must provide to this office a copy of the denial letter from your local Family Independence Agency. **You will be asked to update your file once every 12 months and on an ongoing basis as you make requests.**
4. **Seek prior authorization at least three working days before** scheduled health care appointments. You must request CHS coverage before you go to your appointments. Seek separate authorizations for all follow-up appointments, treatment plan follow-up dates, plus any and all labs. **CHS cannot pay for health care services without prior authorization.**
5. Seek authorization **within 72 hours** of the start of **emergency or urgent** care. Elders or disabled clients have 30 days to notify our office in case of emergency care.
6. Get copies of provider bills to our office. Without the bills, payments cannot be processed.
7. IF you have health care insurance(s), you must provide copies of your insurance Explanations of Benefits (EOBS) to our CHS staff. The EOB is the paper from the insurance company, which explains what they have paid and the unpaid balance. Without an EOB, payment will not be processed.

We have Contract Health Services staff people available to assist you. Please call with your questions.

Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians Contract Health Services

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

Ongoing Program: GEROBICS Seated exercise in and around hand weights and resistance bands. Targeted participants are Elders. The classes are scheduled for Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10:00-11:00 a.m. The exercise leader is Petey Boehm, CHR, and equipment is provided. Wear loose clothing. Refreshments will be provided. The week of November 15, 1998, no Gerobics sessions will be held.

UPCOMING OFFERING: CHAIROBICS

In response to requests, an all-ages seated exercise similar to Gerobics will be offered starting September 15, 1998. This will be at Elders Hall from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. The pace is set for adolescents to adult exercisers. Yvonne "Petey" Boehm is the leader of this routine. Refreshments are available.

Upcoming New Program

CPR Instruction and Community First Aid and Safety Mark Topash, RN is completing his training through the American Red Cross to be a CPR and First Aid - instructor. He hopes to begin to offer CPR instruction to Band members in October of 1998. If you are interested in these classes, please call Mark at our office.

*Submitted by,
Christine Daugherty*

AA MEETINGS

AA Meetings are held Tuesday and Thursday at 12:00 p.m. at the Substance Abuse Program offices, 714 N. Front St. Dowagiac, MI. We also hold one evening session on Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. Please feel welcome to attend. If you have questions, please call (616) 782-1142.



POKAGON HEALTH NEWS

KEEPERS OF THE FIRE

Tribal Council passed the ordinance formalizing the Substance Abuse Advisory Committee at the June 13 meeting. We are currently seeking interested Tribal members to serve on our committee. The purpose of this committee is to assist with developing fair, ethical and proper policies in delivering substance abuse services to the Pokagon Band members, their families and the Native American community.

The committee will be composed of six voting members. Terms will be three years in length and staggered. Meetings are held on the second Monday of each month at 4:00 p.m. Any adult Tribal member interested in serving on this committee please submit your response in writing to the Substance Abuse Office, 714 N. Front Street, P.O. Box 180, Dowagiac, Michigan 49047 no later than 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 8. If you have any questions please call Jeffrey at (616) 782-1142.

A.A. MEETING SCHEDULE

A.A. Meeting times have been changed! Although we continue to meet here at the Keepers of the Fire offices, the dates and times have changed. Our meetings are at noon on Tuesdays and Thursdays and at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday evenings. For further information, please call us at 782-1142.

INTENSIVE OUTPATIENT PROGRAM

The Keepers of the Fire Intensive Outpatient Program meets on Monday and Wednesday evenings from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Please call if you are interested in attending. Because we are state licensed, our programs are accepted by all court systems and other agencies. Plus, we do not charge any fees! Please call for further information.

ANGER MANAGEMENT

Anger management group is held on an on-going weekly basis from 6:00-7:30 p.m. on Thursdays. This group is open to all adults. Please call before you come.



THIRD ANNUAL WOMEN'S HEALTH DAY SEPTEMBER 26, 1998

It's time again to enjoy the Pokagon Potawatomi Health Services and the Van Buren-Cass District Community Health Office in a day of sharing, laughter, and friendship. This year there will be a different view on supporting women's health. We will be following up with blood sugar screening and other health matters. But we will also be focusing on the Education of Traditional aspects to maintaining good health and wellbeing. This annual Health Day has been a success in bringing our community closer to the important health concerns in our lives. We want to continue sharing and supporting our neighboring Health Departments so we can maintain a healthier Pokagon Community. Come enjoy our respected guest speakers whom include Bea Pamp, Marie Myers, and more. As before, there will be gifts for all and food, food, food!!!! Join us on a day to honor our health and support each other as a community of women.

We will see you at the Pokagon Potawatomi Elders Hall on Saturday, September 26, 1998, 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. Phone the Pokagon Health Services for more information, (616)-782-4141 or 1-888-440-1234.

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 cases that clearly constitute an emergency after other funding sources have been exhausted. Sinking financial conditions, while regrettable, are not defined as an emergency. In order to help as many households as we can within our budget, there is a maximum amount that may be awarded per year, per household. The emergency fund is available in the 10-county service area (since 10/97), and cannot be used for rental deposits or used for the same thing for two years in a row. **Effective 8/24/98.**

Outreach workers are available to help with your individual situation to coordinate and link services needed to help with a long term solution by making referrals to the JTPA program, food commodities, debt counseling, Social Security, or other resources that may apply.

USDA Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR)

* **Supplemental Food** will be available at the Food Commodities Building beginning September 29th. Only available while supplies last. See insert for details. **ALL ENROLLED POKAGON BAND MEMBERS ARE ELIGIBLE, REGARDLESS OF INCOME OR COUNTY OF RESIDENCE.**

* Monthly food commodities are available to Native Americans who reside in the 10-county service area in a city of 10,000 or less and meet income guidelines set by the USDA (example: monthly net income of less than \$792 for a household of 1).

* **Reminder:** Dual participation in the FDPIR (commodities) and Food Stamp program is illegal and subject to losing benefits of both programs and/or fraud charges. There is a penalty for dual participation because the USDA is the funding source for both programs and collecting from both is considered 'double dipping'. Commodities staff can help you to switch from one program to the other if you are interested in doing so.

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. LIHEAP is available to members residing in the 10-county service area who meet the income guidelines (example: monthly gross income of less than \$1,377 for household of 1).

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! **ALL ENROLLED POKAGON BAND MEMBERS ARE ELIGIBLE, REGARDLESS OF INCOME OR COUNTY OF RESIDENCE....** 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 underemployed. Our JTPA program is specific to the Native American, Nat 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

The Indian Child Welfare Act 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 and is designed to preserve Indian tribes and families. ICWA applies to cases in state court where a non-parent seeks to remove an Indian child from the home or control of its parents or Indian custodians. This typically occurs when Child Protective Services (CPS) files a petition in court charging the parents with neglecting, abusing, or abandoning their children. Foster care or adoptive placement is often sought in these situations. The Act also applies when the child is charged with wrongdoing, which would not be considered criminal if done by an adult, such as truancy. More next month...

Mark your calendars: October 21st at 7 p.m. (MI time) at the Elders Hall in Dowagiac-

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY TO THE TRIBAL COUNCIL: ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Performs highly responsible, professional secretarial and administrative services for the Pokagon Band Tribal Council, Elders Council, and assigned committees.
- Attends Council and assigned committee meetings to take dictation and transcribe notes into meeting minutes, correspondence, etc.
- Prepares and disseminates Tribal Council packets per prescribed timeline.
- Responsible for the orderly establishment, maintenance and retrieval of filed information and correspondence on a daily basis to ensure immediate access to file data for execution of Tribal Council business.
- Prepares reimbursement requests for Tribal Council, Elders Council, and committee expense requests, per diem, conference/travel payments, etc.
- Coordinates Council and Committee calendar, including the Pokagon Band meeting and events calendar for usage of Elders Hall.
- Makes conference/seminar reservations and travel arrangements for Tribal Council, Elders Council, and committee members.
- Arranges meeting sites, conferences, special events, etc. as directed by Tribal Council.
- Maintains confidential files of Council/Committee related business.
- Reads and routes incoming Council/Committee mail according to internal policies and procedures.
- Facilitates dissemination of information to membership as directed by Tribal Council.
- Ensures arrangements are made and needs are met prior to meetings, such as appropriate materials, audio/visual equipment, coffee, food, etc.
- Ensures meeting site is back in order following use.
- Orders supplies according to internal policy and procedures for Tribal Council, Elders Hall and committees.
- Maintains confidentiality of tribal business affairs.
- May make telephone calls or personal contacts on behalf of Tribal Council as directed.
- Performs other duties and responsibilities as assigned.

MINIMUM TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE:

- Education equivalent to high school diploma.
- Knowledge at a level normally acquired through the completion of 2 years of college or a vocational technical school with emphasis on secretarial and administrative skills OR acquired while on the job in a related position for a minimum of three years, is desirable.

SKILLS:

- Strong secretarial and administrative support skills.
- Demonstrated word processing/microcomputer skills and applications.
- Transcription skills desirable.
- Excellent oral and written communication skills.
- Excellent understanding and application of proper punctuation, spelling, and grammar. Good proofreading skills.

ABILITIES:

- Work independently and accomplish tasks with minimal instruction.
- Use discretion and make sound judgments.
- Able to deal with various personalities while maintaining a professional demeanor.
- Able to work under pressure, meet deadlines and change priorities.
- Able to "anticipate" needs of the group.
- Task oriented with an excellent sense of priority, logic, and objectivity.
- Highly organized and capable of handling a number of sensitive and important issues simultaneously.

MUST BE:

- Able to adjust one's evening and weekend schedule in order to attend regular and special tribal council and/or assigned committee meetings.
- Willing to increase skills via training.
- Able to travel for training/business, including out of town and overnight.

ATTRIBUTES:

- Utmost integrity.
- Dependable, excellent attendance.
- Patient, flexible, resourceful.

SUPERVISOR: Tribal Council or its designee.

Please note: This position works directly with the Pokagon Band Tribal Council and the Elders Council in Aid To Tribal Government. This position works independently from all other governmental programs and has no supervisory authority over any other governmental position.

SALARY: Commensurate with skill level and experience.

NOTICE

The Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians has the following positions available:

RE-POSTED POSITIONS:

1. ACCREDITED RECORDS TECHNICIAN
2. MATERNAL CHILD HEALTH NURSE

*These positions will remain open until filled.

NEW POSITIONS: CLOSING DATE: 4:30 p.m., September 25, 1998

1. EDUCATION DIRECTOR
2. EXECUTIVE SECRETARY TO THE TRIBAL COUNCIL

FOR CONSIDERATION: Send a cover letter, resume, the names/addresses of 3 employment references and applicable credentials to:

The Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians
ATTN: HR
P.O. Box 180
Dowagiac, MI 49047

PLEASE NOTE: The Pokagon Band is a drug free workplace. Drug testing is a condition of employment.

EDUCATION DIRECTOR:

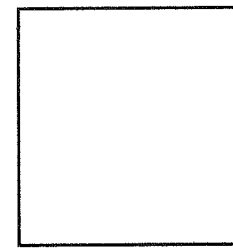
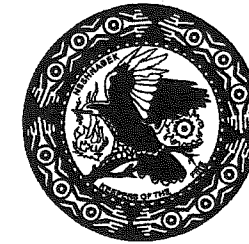
ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Responsible to promote the academic and vocational success of tribal members of all ages.
- Responsible to design and implement an educational program that promotes academic and vocational education, cultural training and other areas of individual learning.
- Encourages a philosophy of life long learning among tribal members.
- Supervises departmental staff including adult and youth employment and training programs.
- Responsible for the development and implementation of a tribal financial aid and scholarship program.
- Responsible to work in conjunction with resource development staff in order to secure alternate funding sources.
- Must keep informed of all political aspects involving Native American education by participating in state/federal level Native American Education organizations.
- Responsible to create a program which matches student needs, financial resources, and appropriate vocational or academic training opportunities.
- Reports departmental progress monthly to Tribal Council.
- Develops departmental budget in conjunction with Education Committee and Finance Director for Tribal Council review/approval.
- Processes reports, grant narratives, etc. according to written guidelines.
- Ensures rules and regulations are adhered to according to written guidelines.
- Sets goals and objectives in conjunction with other departments and Tribal Council.
- Works directly with tribal members such as teaching cultural classes, tutoring, individualized educational and training plans, etc.
- Works with other agencies and educational institutions.
- Performs other duties and responsibilities as assigned.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Bachelor's Degree in an education curricula with a teaching certificate is required.
- A Master's Degree in Educational Leadership is preferred.
- Prior work experience in the direction of educational programs and grant writing is a plus.
- Must be willing to travel throughout the service delivery area, out of state and overnight as required.
- Prior supervisory experience is preferred.
- Must be sensitive to the needs of the Native American community and must have a sincere desire to promote the educational and/or vocational success of tribal members who seek such advancement.
- Must be willing to commit to the goals of the Pokagon Band and be an advocate for its members.

Salary: Commensurate with experience and education.



in Household

Enrollment Identification # _____

SUPPLEMENTAL FOOD BASKET APPLICATION

Last Name _____ First Name _____
(Head of Household)

Address _____ City _____ State/Zip _____

Signature _____

List ALL Members In Your Household (do not list roomers or boarders)

Name	Relationship	Birthdate
_____	_____	_____
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PICK UP DAYS BEGIN SEPTEMBER 29, 1998

1998 KEE-BOON-MEIN-KAA TRADITIONAL POW WOW

HEAD VETERAN
George Martin
MASTER of CEREMONIES
Sam Bush



GRAND ENTRIES:
Saturday-
12 Noon & 6:00 P.M.
Sunday-1:00 P.M.
All are Indiana times

HOST DRUM
SMOKEYTOWN

Men's Fancy Exhibition Dancing

Saturday & Sunday, Labor Day Weekend
September 5 & September 6, 1998
St. Patrick's County Park South Bend, IN (Michigan/Indiana line)

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.
Not responsible for accidents or thefts.

September 1998


S	M	T	W	T	F	S
6 Kee-Boon-Mein-Kaa Pow Wow St. Patrick's Park	7 Offices Closed for Labor Day	8	9	10	11	12 Tribal Council Meeting 10 a.m. Elders Hall
13	14 Keepers of the Fire Sub. Abuse-4 p.m. Cult. Class-E.H.6:30-8 p.m. Health Board-5:30 p.m.	15	16	17 Elders Social Luncheon 11 a.m. E.H.	18 Council/Staff/Membership Softball Game Lions Park, Sister Lakes 5-7	19
20	21 Offices Closed for Tribal Sovereignty Day	22	23	24 Tribal Council Meeting 7:00 p.m. E.H.	25	26
27	28 Cult. Classes S.B. Century Center 6:30-8 p.m. Health Board 5:30p.m. IHS	29	30			

POKAGON SOCIAL SERVICES

Michigan Indian Legal Services (MILS) will be presenting information on the Indian Child Welfare Act followed by the Michigan Indian Child Welfare Agency (MICWA) who will discuss what is involved in being a foster family and becoming a licensed foster home. If you are interested in helping our children or just curious about these topics, Please plan to attend. Food and drinks will be provided.

I received a call from a member on 8/20/98 who asked for program eligibility and service area requirements to be noted in the newsletter. Thank you for the suggestion. All suggestions to improve and expand the Social Services Department are welcome, please call me at (800) 517-0777.

Submitted by,
Linda A. Mangus
Social Services Director



**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.

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**

SUPPLEMENTAL FOOD BASKET PROGRAM

The Food Commodity Program is going to purchase 250 food baskets from Sam's Club to be available to Pokagon Band Members. The funding for this program is limited so baskets will be available on a first come first serve basis.

Baskets per household:

1 to 4 members = 1-basket
5 to ? members = 2-baskets

What constitutes a household?

The number of people living in your household regardless of age or race, excluding Roomers or boarders. There must be an enrolled Pokagon Band member in the household.

Who is eligible?

All enrolled Pokagon Band members qualify for this program. There are no income or service area guidelines.

How do I get the baskets?

Baskets will be available at the Food Commodities Building. Just present your enrollment card and application (enclosed as an insert) upon arrival at Food Commodities and we will load the baskets in your car.

Each basket contains:

- 2- Packets of *Folgers Coffee*
- 4- *Capri Sun* drink pouches
- 1- Can *Bush's* baked beans
- 1- Can *Del Monte* green beans
- 1- Can *Del Monte* corn
- 1- Can *Starkist* chunk light tuna
- 1- Can *Campbells* Chunky beef lovers stew
- 2- Bags *Lipton* noodles & rice
- 6- Single serving *Quaker Oats* oatmeal
- 3 - Single serving bags *Keebler* pecan sandies
- 2- Boxes Kraft mac-n-cheese

**Pick up days begin
September 29, 1998**

POKAGON ELDERS REPORT

MINUTES
POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS
ELDERS COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING
JULY 2, 1998 - 11:00 A.M.

Meeting called to order by Gerald Wesaw at 11:17 A.M.
Invocation was given by Clarence White

Roll Call

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

Morris, Mary Church, Rachel Daugherty

Attendance: 30 Elders

Additions to agenda: Anniversary - Mary Church
Absentee ballots - Audrey

Huston

Marge Moody moved to approve agenda of July 2, 1998.
Mary Church seconded the motion. All in favor 'aye',
opposed 0. MOTION CARRIED

Fred Klemm moved to approve the minutes of June 4,
1998. Rachel Daugherty seconded the motion. All in
favor "aye opposed 0. MOTION CARRIED

Rachel gave her MCIA report. She stated that in 1964,
Governor George Romney appointed a study commis-
sion to look at the problems of the Indian people. The
result of the efforts of that commission was a recom-
mendation that a permanent body be established. In 1965
the first commission consisted of eleven (11) active
Members appointed by the Governor. Their purpose is
to investigate problems common to Indian residents of
the State. Matthew Wesaw is a Member of the Com-
mission in the Lansing area. Their next meeting is Au-
gust 13th and 14th. in St. Ignace, MI. One of their con-
cerns now is a census coming up. A Commission has
recently been formed in Indiana with Mike Wesaw serv-
ing as Chairperson.

Marge read the Quorum By-Law; Pg. 8 Sec. 7 (B).
She opened up discussion as to whether we want to
change the 30 minute wait in case one of us couldn't
get here on time. Membership wants to leave it as is.
Gerald asked Membership if they wanted to change the
August 13th business meeting and luncheon to August
6th. 15 voted yes. To have the August 20th social lun-
cheon, 2 voted yes.

Mary Jo Morris moved to rescind the motion made June
4, 1998, by Bonnie Parrish and seconded by Bill Klemm

to have only one meeting in August on the 13th; be-
cause of the busy month. Marge Moody seconded the
motion. All in favor "aye", opposed 0. MOTION CAR-
RIED

Joe Winchester moved to have one meeting and lun-
cheon in August on the 6th. Vic Starrett seconded the
motion. All in favor "aye", opposed 0. MOTION CAR-
RIED

Resolution #98-021, dated 6-29-98, made by Marge
Moody, seconded by Gerald Wesaw.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the El-
ders Council send our MIEA Treasurer, Clarence White;
Officer At Large, Joe Winchester; Delegate, Mary
Church; Alternate, Gerald Wesaw; Secretary of MIEA
Committee, Marge Moody; and MIEA Committee
Members John Wesaw, Jr. and Rachel Daugherty to the
MIEA Conference in Mt. Pleasant, MI July 30 and 31,
1998. Elder Members going are Bonnie Parrish and Ann
Zimmerman. All expenses to be paid out of the Elders
General Fund; plus a G.S.A. vehicle and Transporter.
All in favor: 5 Opposed: 0 Absent: 1 RESOLUTION
ADOPTED

Resolution #98-022, dated 6-29-98, made by Mary
Church, seconded by Clarence White.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Rachel
Daugherty and Marge Moody are sent as Representa-
tives of the Elders Council to the National Indian Coun-
cil on Aging, 1998 Conference; August 21-26 in
Bismark, N.D. The Elders Council is giving a majority
approval if Rachel or Marge choose to serve as an Of-
ficer on that Board. All in favor: 4 opposed: 0 Abstain:
1 Absent: 1 RESOLUTION ADOPTED

Membership agreed to an open bid auction on 8/6/98.
Mary Church brought a committee volunteer list for the
Potawatomi Gathering August 27-30, 1998. Leonard &
Mary are celebrating their Golden Wedding Anniver-
sary July 26th. 3:00-6:00 P.M. Everyone is invited.

Audrey Huston, Secretary of the Election Committee
explained the procedures for the absentee ballots and
answered questions about the upcoming election, held
July 11, 1998 at Elders Hall.

Loretta (Rita) Yount's last day as the Elders Coordina-
tor, was today, July 2, and the Elders Council and Mem-
bership honored her with a gift of a beautiful Indian
Throw.

Announcements:

Gerald asked Membership to bring to the July 16th. lun-
cheon any changes they had to the MIEA By-Laws.

Elders Council Business Meeting and only luncheon
August 6, 1998.

Luncheons volunteers for August - Mary Jo Morris,
Rachel Daugherty, Elizabeth Ballew, and Marge Moody.

Ticket volunteers for August - Mary Church and Ann
Zimmerman Gerald adjourned the meeting at 12:20 P.M.

Mary Jo Morris
Elders Council Secretary

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

RADON GAS MEASUREMENT PROGRAM

PBPI through the Michigan Inter-tribal
Council Inc. Environmental Services Division will be
conducting a radon gas measurement program in
November-December of this year for Pokagon Band
members. Members who are interested in partici-
pating in this program, may call David Alexis, Com-
munity Development Director at 616-782-1763 or
888-782-1001. The following information is provided
by Dwight Sargeant ITCM Environmental Services
Division.

Radon is estimated to cause thousands of deaths
each year. In fact, the Surgeon General has warned
that Radon is the second leading cause of lung can-
cer in the United States.

Radon is a natural occurring colorless, odorless
gas that is formed through the breakdown of Uranium
in soil, water and rock. Radon typically moves up
through the ground to the air above and into your home
through cracks and other holes in the foundation. Once
inside the home Radon gas becomes trapped and accu-
mulates.

Nearly one out of fifteen homes in the U.S. is
estimated to have elevated Radon levels. While Radon
problems may be more common in some areas, any
home may have a problem. The only way to know
about the radon levels in your home is to test!!!

A variety of methods are used to reduce Radon
in homes with elevated levels. In some cases, sealing

cracks in floors and walls may help, in other cases a
simple system using pipes and fans will remove radon
gas from below the floor before it can enter the home.
Charcoal activated test kits will be initially used to
measure the Radon levels. The Inter-Tribal Council of
Michigan Environmental Specialist will deploy and
pick-up each kit. Each kit must be left in each home for
at least four days.

Submitted by,
David Alexis

HOUSING DEPARTMENT

The Tribal Council has appointed seven new
members to the Housing Committee. The additions are
Joellen Leith, Maxine Margiotta, Mike Wesaw, Gary
Morseau, John Morseau, Corey Price and Jeff Ballew.
For the past three or four months much of my time had
been taken up by the one and five year plan. It had to be
submitted to HUD by the deadline, well that has been
done and we have an approved plan. In the very near
future we will be accepting applications for various
housing programs and repair and renovation programs.
This will be done after we get some approved policies.

During the pow wow we will have a table set
up, and we will have survey forms that we need filled
out so we can serve you better. When you fill out a sur-
vey form, you will receive a ticket good for the door
prize drawings, which will be on the last day of the pow
wow. I am not going to say what the prizes are. You
must come by the booth to see them. So, come on by, if
for nothing else than to say Hi!

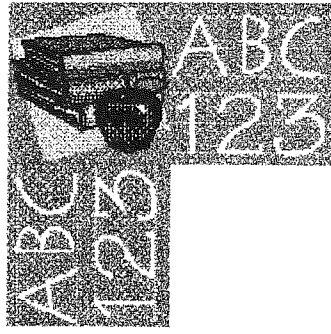
W. Jesse Howell
Housing Director

STAFF NEWS

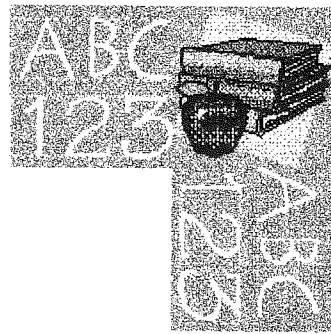
The Pokagon Band staff meeting is scheduled for the
third Tuesday of every month. The offices will be closed
down for the time period. This month we will be out
from 3-5 on September 15, 1998.

INTERIM T.O.M.

The Interim Tribal Operations Manager for the month
of September will be David Alexis.



EDUCATION REPORT



It's Back to School Time!

Some things you should know about Youth Programs:
Registration for JOM & Title IX

Native American students who are currently in public schools who have not yet registered for the JOM & Title IX programs for the 1998-99 school year are asked to contact the Education Department at 1-888-330-1234 or (616) 782-0887.

Culture Classes are back!

All Native American youth are invited to attend our bi-weekly culture classes. These classes are a time to get together to learn and share about our Native American culture. This year we will be having Potawatomi language as part of the classes. Kick-off meetings for this year are:

Michigan Participants
Elders Hall
53237 Townhall Rd.
Dowagiac, MI

Indiana Participants
South Bend Regional
Museum of Art (upstairs)
Century Center
120 South St. Joseph
South Bend, IN
Monday, September 14
Monday, October 5
Monday, October 19
6:30-8 pm

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Tutoring

The Education Department is currently in the process of establishing tutoring programs in the 10-county service area. Tutoring is open to all students in our youth programs. This includes preparation for SATs and ACTS, and brushing up on basic skills. We can help with your research papers and projects too!

Volunteers Needed

The Youth Programs Department is looking for **Culture Class Volunteers**: Do you have a skill that you would like to teach the youth. If you're interested in helping with beading, dancing, cooking, storytelling or other activities.

Tutors- If you have at least an hour a week and the desire to help a student with homework, please contact

the Education Department. Previous tutoring experience is not necessary. We can train you!

Polar Bears (not real ones)-Do you like the great outdoors, even in the winter? We're looking for enthusiastic volunteers to help with winter camping. Contact the Education Department for more details. If you are interested in any of these events, please contact Marie Wesaw at 1-888-330-1234.


Neshnabemwen

Bozho, I would like to take a moment to introduce myself. My name is John Fox, and I have recently accepted the position of Language Development Specialist. I am a Pokagon Band member, and my family and I live in Saugatuck. Judy Augusta, Majel De Marsh and myself have just returned from Haskell Indian Nations University in Lawrence, Kansas, where we participated in this year's Potawatomi Language Scholars College. This was the second year of a three-year program designed for people interested in learning and maintaining the Potawatomi language. It is important to understand how critical a language program such as this is, not only for the Pokagon Band, but for all Potawatomi bands as well. It is generally understood that there are only about 50 speakers of Neshnabemwen left nation wide. All of these speakers are elderly, and unfortunately, there is not a new generation of speakers behind them. The Potawatomi Language Scholars College is attempting to work with members from all bands and all levels of speech to help people have a better understanding of their language and work towards becoming a more fluent speaker.

In the months to come, I will attempt to develop various ways of presenting Neshnabemwen to the Pokagon Potawatomi people. I will be focusing on programs that will be user friendly, as well as practical for daily use in and around the house. Also, keep an eye out for the monthly language page in the newsletter. Migwetch!

Submitted by,
John Fox

 <h1 style="margin: 0;">NESHNABEMWEN</h1> <h2 style="margin: 0;">BODEWADMI LANGUAGE</h2> 			
Bosho wadokwuk, Ni je na? Hello friend, How are you?			
<i>Beaver</i>  Mek	<i>Squirrel</i>  Oche' demo	<i>Cat</i>  Ga shew	<i>Deer</i>  Seksi
<i>Rabbit</i>  Waboso	<i>Bear</i>  Mko	<i>Grizzly Bear</i>  Kakin geshi	<i>Raccoon</i>  Aspen
<i>Bird</i>  Penashi	<i>Fish</i>  Gigos	<i>Mouse</i>  Wawabgwenocho	<i>Turtle</i>  Mshike'
<i>Duck</i>  She she ba	<i>Butterfly</i>  Mimika	<i>Hummingbird</i>  Nano kashi	<i>Firefly</i>  Wawatesi
V O W E L S O U N D S			
A - Ah	E - Eh	I - Ee	O - Oh


 Please take a moment to look over this month's language page. You might want to clip and save it. Each month will have new information that we hope will be useful and fun to learn. Remember, there are different ways to pronounce some words, Example: Gashew, Kasho or Mayos for cat. The language department is always interested in what you have learned so please feel free to share.
Kshe' mnito kapma yawok pama mine' waje' wapte' kon.

John Fox

ENROLLMENT COMMITTEE

ENROLLMENT COMMITTEE VACANCY

The Enrollment Committee is taking names to fill a vacancy. If you are interested in joining the committee, call the Administration Office at 1-800-517-0777 to leave your name with Kelly Curran, Administrative Assistant. Please take into consideration this committee discusses confidential information. The committee meets the first Tuesday of the Month for approximately two hours. Special meetings are sometimes called.

APPEALS BOARD OPENINGS

Tribal Council is looking for Band Members to sit on an Enrollment Appeals Board. The function of this Board will be to review Tribal Council decisions on such enrollment matters as defined by the Band's Enrollment Ordinance. Because this Board has a very limited responsibility, it is not anticipated that Board participation will require more than a couple of hours a month. This Board shall remain in place until such time as a tribal court system is in place; Tribal Council, however, has not yet established term limits for Board Members. If you are interested in sitting on this Board or if you have questions about it, call Marchell Wesaw, Assistant to the Tribal Attorney, at (219) 288-1087 or call Kelly Curran at 800-517-0777 and ask her to relay a message to Marchell.

TRIBAL MEMBERSHIP CARDS

PLEASE BE ADVISED TRIBAL COUNCIL PASSED A RESOLUTION STATING THERE WILL NOT BE A FEE CHARGED FOR LEGAL NAME CHANGES, OR STOLEN, WITH PROOF OF POLICE REPORT. ALL OTHER INSTANCES A CHARGE OF \$5.00 WILL BE LEVIED, EFFECTIVE AUGUST 8, 1998.

ADDRESS UPDATE

The Enrollment Office would like to update addresses for the following Tribal members. Please remember to call the Enrollment Office each time you move. We will notify the newsletter of all changes we receive.

Adams, Lora R.
Alexander, Victor D.
Amrein, Steven P.
Anthony, Ellen M.
Ashby, Lewis H.
Barnhart, Steven B.
Brooks Jr., Carl D.
Brown, Kevin L.
Bush, Raymond L.
Campbell, Howard L.
Campbell, Jill A.
Campbell, Richard A.
Clark, John H.
Cofield, William D.
Collett, Cory M.
Collett, Jeffery A.
Collett, Stacy L.
Cushway, Robbi E.
Davis, Rhonda J.
Dodd, Patricia A.
Empson, Ann L.
Gibson, Eric P.
Gonzalez, Cindy
Goodrich, Patrick J.
Goodrich, William B.
Hamilton, Francis D.
Hamstra, Gloria A.
Hamstra, James R.
Harrelson, Eric W.
Harrelson, Jennifer L.
Heffington, Estella Y.
Henslee, Deena M.
Hicks, Jennifer J.
Hill Jr., Johnny H.
Hollars, Eddie L.
Hollars, Lillian J.
Kelley Jr., James E.
Lee, Patricia K.
Lewis, Dale W.
Lewis, James D.
Low, John N.
Mattner, Debra L.
Meier, Terina
Mix, Ronni Jo

Mix Jr., Lawrence E.
Molnar, David L.
Morris Sr., Gerald W.
Morris Sr., James E.
Morseau II, George W.
Parker, Ranella J.
Phares, Shannon L.
Pitcher, Daniel A.
Powell, Michaela M.
Rader, Bruce J.
Rader, Diana L.
Ragland, Christopher L.
Robinson, Pauline J.
Savage, Kim L.
Schoetzow, Lisa A.
Ser, Joseph J.
Shaw, Ronald A.
Smalley, Beth A.
Smith, David B.
Starrett, Donna A.
Starrett Jr., Ervin A.
Stover, Teresa A.
Sturm, Paula R.
Sullivan, Tricia A.
Swisher, Dennis R.
Thompson, Phyllis A.
Topash, John W.
Van Holt, Sandra L.
Van Steenberg, Monica
Walters, Laura L.
Walters Sr., Alvaro L.
Warren, Aaron C.
Weatherwax, Jodi K.
Wesaw, Lewaanda L.
Wesaw, Mark R.
Williams, Gail A.
Williams, John M.
Winchester, Craig F.
Winchester, Jeffrey H.
Winchester, Michele R.

POW WOW CALENDAR

Sept. 3-6 **Six Nations Annual Fall Fair & Pow Wow, Ohsweken, Ontario**
Six Nations Fairgrounds. Call Glenda Porter at (519) 445-0732 or Les Sowden at (519) 445-2027 for more information.

Sept. 4-7 **Tecumseh Lodge Labor Day Pow Wow, Tipton, Indiana**
4-H Fairgrounds. Contact Barbara Scott (317) 773-4233 for more information.

Sept. 5-6 **6th Annual "Honor Our Elders" Traditional Pow Wow, Hart, Michigan**
Oceana County Fair Grounds. For more information call Pat Beatty (616) 873-2129 or (616) 894-8361 or Emily Smith (616) 861-5352.

Sept. 5-6 **Kee-Boon-Mein-Kaa Traditional Pow Wow, South Bend, Indiana**
For more information, call the Pokagon Band at (616) 782-8998.

Sept. 5-6 **Michinenmackinong Traditional Pow Wow, St Ignace, MI**
Marquette Museum of Ojibwa Culture. For more info call, Kathleen McNeely at (906) 863-9831.

Sept. 5-7 **Labor Day Weekend Pow Wow Grave City, Ohio**
For more info, call Mark Welsh (614)443-6120.

Sept. 12-13 **37th Annual Grand Valley American Indian Lodge Pow Wow "Honoring Each Other in Friendship, Grand Rapids, MI**
Riverside Park at Monroe & 3 Mile Rd. For more information call (616) 459-6820.

Sept. 19-20 **Trail of Courage Living History Festival, Rochester, Indiana**
For more info, call Shirley Willard (219) 223-2352.

Sept. 24 **Annual Auction Dinner St. Clair Shores, MI**
Alcamo's Hall, 21801 E. Nine Mile Rd. 5-10 p.m. For more information, call (810) 756-1350.

Sept 26-27 **The 2nd Annual "Land of the Lakes, Gathering of the People" Traditional Pow Wow Warsaw, IN**
Kosciusko County Fairgrounds, Bronson Street. Contact Joe or Bev Morrow (616)849-0431 for more information.

FINANCE/PERSONNEL REPAIR & RENOVATION SOCIAL SERVICE/JTPA

P.O. Box 180
901 Spruce St.
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

Torie Nelson-September 27
 Gregory Nelson, Jr.-September 13
 Christopher Diamond, Jr.-September 21
 Love, Aunt Trudy and Uncle Dwight

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Pauline Starrett and Paul Gibson-September 5
 We love you,
 Susan and family

CONGRATULATIONS

To Ashlee Beavers and Casey Kasper for successfully completing the Babysitting Course offered by the American Red Cross. Good job, Girls!

Love, your families

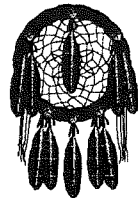
HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Ashlee Beavers
 Love, your family

CONGRATULATIONS

Jessica Brown on your new job.
 Love, your family

A time of loss is never easy to deal with, and the loss of our Mother, Grandmother, and Sister, Georgia Davidson, was and remains a very difficult time. However, this time of difficulty has been easier to deal with thanks to the wonderful kindness of many Pokagon Band Members. Therefore, the family of Georgia Davidson would like to thank all those who lent a helping hand in our time of sorrow. We appreciate the many cards, flowers, and cards that you were kind enough to send. A special thanks is given to the Elders who helped in even more difficult tasks such as food preparation and funeral arrangements. Again, the family of Georgia Davidson is extending a warm thank you to all those who helped in any way during our time of grief. Your efforts and thoughts were not forgotten and were greatly appreciated. Please continue to keep us in your thoughts and prayers.

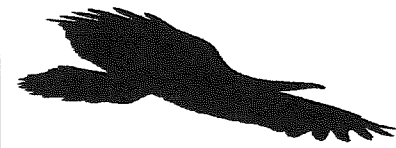


Thank You Kindly,
 The Georgia Davidson Family

A Celebration of Life Honoring Frank Bush.

March 30, 1922- September 19, 1997

MEMORIAL GATHERING SEPTEMBER 19, 1998



Bradley Indian
 Settlement
 690 128th Ave.
 Shelbyville, MI
 49344

Grand Entry 1:00pm
 Supper feast 5:00p.m.
 (Pot luck)
 Grand Entry 7:00pm
 Story Telling 1:00pm

For more info, contact: (Bring your own lawn chairs
 Carol (616) 792-0958 Vendors by invitation only
 Angie (616) 323-0254 Not Responsible for acci
 (daytime only) dents or thefts)
 No drugs or alcohol allowed

SEPTEMBER 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 birthdays to appear on the
 birthday calendar by the 20th.

September 1998

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
6 Mark Topash Paula Winchester-Geer	13 Gregory Nelson, Jr.	20 Torie Nelson	27	4 Russell Drake	11 Mike Tate	18 Ashlee Beavers
7 Morris Lewis, Jr.	14 Christopher Diamond, Jr.	21 Mike Wesaw	28	3 Chkuhmoen Topash Mno-kah Topash	10 Robert Moody, Jr.	17 Jessica Brown
8 Mark Topash Paula Winchester-Geer	15 Morris Lewis, Jr.	22 Christopher Diamond, Jr.	29	9 Chkuhmoen Topash Mno-kah Topash	16 Robert Moody, Jr.	23 John Wesaw, Jr.
5 Brenda Brown Pauline Starrett Paul Gibson John Topash Warren	12 Chris Diamond	19 Jane Shagonaby	26 Ashlee Beavers	2 John Wesaw, Jr.	9 Chkuhmoen Topash Mno-kah Topash	16 Robert Moody, Jr.