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Please send images as separate jpegs. However, we are happy to accept any content that you are unable to send digitally by **mailing to:**

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NHBP Tribal Member Joe Harris and NHBP Consultant Lee Sprague on Nottawa Creek.

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TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETINGS

Thursdays, 11 a.m., on October 20, November 10 and December 8 at the Pine Creek Community Center

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Monday, October 3, 2016

Planning & Land Use Committee	9 a.m. (Government Center, Room 121)
Tribal Emergency Preparedness Committee	10 a.m. (Government Center, Room 121)
Housing Committee	11:30 a.m. (Government Center, Room 121)
Election Board	2 p.m. (Government Center, Room 101)
Culture Committee	3 p.m. (Government Center, Room 101)

Wednesday, October 5, 2016

Education Committee	9 a.m. (FireKeepers Casino Hotel)
Enrollment Committee	Noon (Government Center, Room 121)
Journey to Wellness Committee	1 p.m. (FireKeepers Casino Hotel)
Tribal Environment Advisory Committee	3 p.m. (FireKeepers Casino Hotel)
Cemetery & Parks Committee	5 p.m. (Government Center, Room 101)
Veterans Committee	5 p.m. (FireKeepers Casino Hotel)

Thursday, October 6, 2016

Elders Committee	10 a.m. (Government Center, Room 121)

COMMITTEE VACANCIES

Tribal Emergency Preparedness Committee	One Vacancy	Open Until Filled
Education Committee	One Vacancy	Open Until Filled

Committee/Board Members receive a paid stipend of $75 for meeting attendance. Elders receive mileage reimbursement in addition to the $75 stipend. Those interested in becoming a member of these committees/board may send letters of

SEPTEMBER LUNCH & LEARN

WEDNESDAYS AT NOON • PINE CREEK COMMUNITY CENTER

Free to NHBP Tribal Elders and spouses, $3 for NHBP community members and employees, and $6 for non-NHBP community members and the public.

October 5 {Animal Companionship for Older Adults} Jane Ryan

Scientific research shows having a pet in your life brings huge health benefits. NHBP Government Center Front Desk Receptionist Jane Ryan will fill you in on the benefits of having a furry friend in your life.

October 12 {Final Arrangements} Richard A. Henry Funeral Home

When it comes to your final arrangements, shouldn't you make those decisions? Pre-arranging your service will help ease the burden of your loved ones and reflect your exact wishes and desires. The staff from Richard A. Henry Funeral Home will impart the information you need to know and answer any questions you may have.

October 19 {Dental Health} Dr. Megan Kemink

Oral health is more important than you may realize. To protect your oral health, you should practice good, daily oral hygiene. Learn what it takes to keep your mouth and teeth healthy while also welcoming NHBP General Dentist Dr. Megan Kemink.

October 26 {NHBP Tribal History} NHBP Cultural Department

Interested in learning more about NHBP Tribal history? Don't miss this presentation given by the NHBP Cultural Department. They will highlight important milestones NHBP has experienced throughout the years.

Take the P.A.T.H. to Better Health!

Personal Action Towards Health

Join us for a new Grand Rapids Diabetes PATH class!

Diabetes PATH is a workshop for adults with diabetes, their family, friends and caregivers. The workshop is open to all NHBP clinic patients and their families, and NHBP employees. It does not matter how long you have had diabetes or how well or how poorly you think you are doing with your diabetes. Anyone with diabetes can attend.

By attending, you will learn to manage your diabetes through education, nutrition, exercise and medical therapies. These techniques will help you take charge of your own health, be more independent and communicate better with your health care team. Bring a spouse, friend or caregiver to class each week. Individuals with any type of chronic disease are also encouraged to attend.

Wednesdays, October 5, 12, 19, 26 from 6 to 8 p.m.
311 State Street, Health Conference Room, Grand Rapids, MI
Dinner will be provided.

Space is limited! Call or email Lysandra Vander Hart toll-free: 888.662.2808
or email: lvanderhart@nhbp.org

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TRIBAL ENROLLMENT

Submitted by Enrollment Specialist Sandy Blair

Announcement about Limited Opening of Enrollment

- At the July 21, 2016 Tribal Council business meeting, the Tribal Council granted a limited opening of enrollment for a specific period of time from July 22, 2016 until December 29, 2016.
- Applications will be accepted only from persons who were under the age of 18 as of enrollment closure on February 6, 2010 (this means those who were born on or after February 6, 1992).
- Enrollment Applications will be furnished by the Enrollment Office.
- Please contact the Enrollment Office with any questions at enrollment@nhbpi.com or by phone at 269.729.5151

Reminder: If you have recently moved, please contact the Enrollment Office to make sure we have your current address.

High School Diploma or GED: If you have recently graduated from high school or received your GED from a certified test site, please send a copy of the document to the Enrollment Office. This information is used for per capita distributions.

Bereavement Benefits: The Bereavement Benefit program was adopted in January 2012. The Bereavement Benefit consists of $10,000 to pay funeral costs for enrolled NHBP Tribal Members. If you have not completed a Bereavement Beneficiary form or have questions, please contact the Enrollment Office. This form designates the beneficiary for your bereavement benefits.

Telephone Numbers: If you have recently changed your phone number(s), please contact the Enrollment Office with your updated information.

Missing Information: The Enrollment Office does not have current information (address) for the Tribal Members listed below. Tribal departments utilize the records in the Enrollment Office to determine eligibility for services and benefits available from the Tribe. Important notices are sent to the address currently on file with the Enrollment Office. The Tribal Members on this list may be denied services or benefits if updated address, name, and other information is not on file with the Enrollment Office. If you have contact

Justin A. Thier
Brianna G. Wesley

UNDELIVERABLE PER CAPITA

Submitted by Chief Financial Officer Stephen Blann

In accordance with the Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi's Revenue Allocation Plan, per capita payments will be held for 12 months from the date of distribution, if a current address is not on file. The Tribal Members listed below must contact the Enrollment Office to update their address. If the member fails to contact the Enrollment Office by the expiration period, the funds shall be forfeited and reverted to the per capita payment account. Contact the Enrollment Office to update your information.

Robert Osborn

Enrollment Office Hours:

Monday – Friday
8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. EST
Phone: 269.729.5151
Toll Free: 866.499.5151
Fax: 269.729.4909
Email: enrollment@nhbpi.com

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Submitted by Enrollment Specialist Sandy Blair

If you have recently graduated from high school, or received your GED from a certified test site, please send a copy of the document to the Enrollment Office. This information is used for per capita distributions.

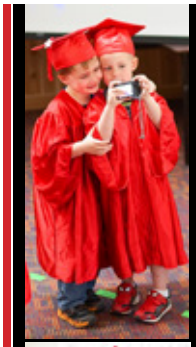
The following is the Education Requirement from the NHBP Revenue Allocation Plan:

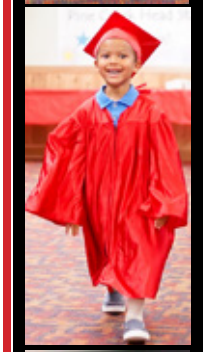
In order for an eligible Member between the ages of eighteen (18) and twenty-one (21) years of age to receive a per capita payment directly, such Member must submit to the Enrollment Office or Tribal Council, one of the following:

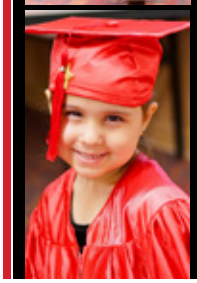
1. a copy of his/her high school diploma,
2. a copy of his/her degree or certificate equivalent to a high school diploma,
3. documentary proof of satisfactory completion of high school degree-equivalent home schooling requirements for the member's state of residence, or
4. a certification from an accredited school or schools that the member has learning or other disabilities and has attended a full twelve years of school.

Please contact the Enrollment Office with any questions at 269.729.5151

The appropriate diploma, degree, or certification must be submitted to the Enrollment Department before any particular eligible Member within this age group may have his/her per capita payment mailed to him/her. If such copy is not submitted in a timely manner, the per capita payment for such Members shall be deposited in the Member's minor trust account.







Free program! Now enrolling for the 2016-2017 school year!

Get a great start with Head Start!

We are recruiting preschoolers ages 3 to 5 for fall enrollment. We use the High Scope Curriculum and offer monthly parent training and meetings. We work in coordination with the school districts to provide services for children with physical, emotional and/or learning disabilities.

The Pine Creek Reservation Head Start program serves Athens, East Leroy, Fulton, Sherwood, Union City and the Battle Creek area.

The Huron Potawatomi Head Start serves the Grand Rapids area.

Program features!

- **Free full day program.**
- **Transportation available (within limited area).**
- **Age appropriate lessons and activities.**
- **Nutritious meals – serving breakfast, lunch and snack.**
- **Family and Health services provided as well.**

Space is limited! Contact us today - two locations!

Pine Creek Reservation Head Start
Family Service Coordinator Robert Fillmore
269.729.4209

Huron Potawatomi Head Start
Family Service Coordinator Matt Blumke
616.356.2197

SAVE THE DATE

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Saturday, November 5, 2016

Ceremony begins at 4 p.m.
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Community Health Input Luncheon

Saturday, November 12 ~ 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
FireKeepers Casino Event Center

A comprehensive Community Health Needs Assessment was conducted in March 2016. Join us as the Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Epidemiology Center shares the results of the survey. Provide valuable input into the health needs of the NHBP community. Join forces as we strive to improve health for the next seven generations.

Who can attend: NHBP Tribal Members, descendants, and adults living in a household with an NHBP Tribal Member

Please RSVP by Friday, November 4 by contacting Community Health Outreach Manager Emily Henning at 616.249.0159 or ehenning@nhbp.org.

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Be a voice for the health of your community!

NHBP Distributes Relief Funds to Area Veterans Groups

Submitted by Communications Department Staff; Photos by Jaky Replogle

NHPB recently instituted a Veterans' relief fund to serve area Veterans and their families. To support this initiative, the NHBP Veterans Committee raised funds at the Chief Moguago Golf Outing, which took place June 3 at Binder Park Golf Course. On September 6, NHBP distributed over $25,000 of these funds to area Veterans groups.

Representatives of the Veterans organizations were on hand to accept the checks. Organizations receiving the funds included Union City Post 196; South West Michigan Veterans; Post 298 American Legion Riders; Battle Creek Youth Challenge Academy; Pokagon Veterans; Gun Lake Veterans; Branch County VFW; Veterans Helping Veterans and the Bronson American Legion.

"Our goal here is to help support local Veterans and area Veterans who are in need of economic help," said NHBP Tribal Veterans Committee Secretary and Veteran Douglas Taylor. "And it's not only helping Vets, it's helping their families."

NHBP is making a concentrated effort to give back to the community and feels that helping local Veterans is the right thing to do. NHBP Tribal Council Treasurer Tony Day, who chairs the Veterans Committee, believes this relief fund will speed up the process of getting aid to Southwest Michigan Veterans and Veterans' organizations.

"I felt something more had to be done," said Day. "Where before it would take weeks for area Veterans and Veteran organizations to receive funds, now they will be able to receive funds almost immediately. It is an honor to give back to Veterans who have given so much for our country."

Union City Post 196 members displaying their $10,000 presentation check. Funds will go towards updating their Veterans Memorial Wall and other Veteran programs.

2016 Family Retreat

Submitted by Membership Services; Photos by Linda Rice and Dana Young

The NHBP Annual Family Retreat began as a way to encourage the Seven Grandfather Teachings of Debanawen (Love), Wdetanmowen (Respect), Wédaséwen (Bravery), Débwéwen (Truth), Gwékwadsewen (Honesty), Èdbésendowen (Humility) and Bwakawen (Wisdom). It is an excellent way for Tribal Members to come together as a group and fellowship with one another.

This year, around 100 members from our southern and northern locations came to Camp Timbers in West Branch, Michigan to enjoy a weekend full of outdoor experiences.

Tribal Members and their families participated in various activities to include: a scavenger hunt, s'mores by the campfire, fishing, bingo, swimming, canoeing, paddle boarding and the zip line.

"I had the most wonderful experience at the family retreat again this year," said Tribal Member Linda Rice. "I took part in the scavenger hunt, played bingo, went on the water slide and ate s'mores by the campfire, but my ultimate favorite was riding the zip line over the water! What a blast!"

While this was a new experience for those who may have never been to a rustic campground, it brought a sense of togetherness for families to do a little social bonding amongst each other.

Membership Services Staff would like to thank Michele Coy and Linda Rice for suggesting the location of this year's retreat.

Maliyah Harris paddle boards.

Linda Rice and youth have fun between activities.

Makhyes Day displays his fishing prowess while Tony Day looks on.

Migwéch to Nickole Keith and Grace Chivis!

Migéwch to Nickole Keith and Grace Chivis, for an outstanding job they did at the Gathering. These two women went above and beyond making sure they accommodated everyone. They did a great job getting the youth involved in participating in The Youth Summit and other activities. They made sure the Elders had what they needed and were taken care of.

These two spent many hours without a break shuttling everyone to and from the Gathering, stores and restaurants if needed.

We can't express our gratitude for these two amazing women who not only made sure everyone was fed and safe, they showed concern for all Members present and that their needs were taken care of.

We are thankful for the opportunity we were given to be able to participate in this event and these two made us feel welcome.

Rebecca Kladder, Lillian Zuidema and Richard Beebe

Integrated Resource Management Plan to be Developed for Newly Acquired Lands

Submitted by Chief Planning Officer Dan Green; Photos provided by Planning Department

Within the past year, NHBP has acquired over 400 acres of new land in Calhoun, Branch and St. Joseph counties —all lands are within a five-mile radius of the Pine Creek Indian Reservation. With the purchase of these lands comes the responsibility to properly plan for the land's use in a manner and process consistent with past practices of Tribal planning.

Given the amount of acreage, NHBP chose to release a Request for Qualifications to planning firms to develop an Integrated Resource Management Plan (IRMP). NHBP awarded a contract to the firm, Beckett & Raeder, Inc. Located in Ann Arbor, Michigan; Beckett & Raeder brings a diverse team of professionals who are experienced in land use planning, landscape architecture, geographic information systems and overall community development. Beckett & Raeder won the 2012 Michigan Association of Planning Daniel Burnham Award for a Comprehensive Plan of the, "Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians Community Master Plan."

The final goal of this new project is to provide a decision-making framework for NHBP with regard to the integration of natural resources and open space assets. The overall plan for the properties will be firmly rooted in, and reflective of, the preferences and priorities of NHBP.

Most of the properties are currently open spaces, many with fields, some agricultural operations, and forests – but they remain undeveloped. NHBP will collaborate with Beckett & Raeder to help inventory the properties for natural features, assess the potential uses for each site and identify a vision that considers the needs and desires of NHBP. The first stage of the project will include the inventory and preliminary analysis.

The second stage of planning will occur once base data has been collected. This will require significant contributions on behalf of NHBP members and leaders. Visioning sessions will be held and Tribal Members will be asked to help determine the future uses of these lands. Tribal Members' involvement will be essential to ensure the lands develop according to the greater vision of NHBP while offering the chance to express opinions, needs and ideas.

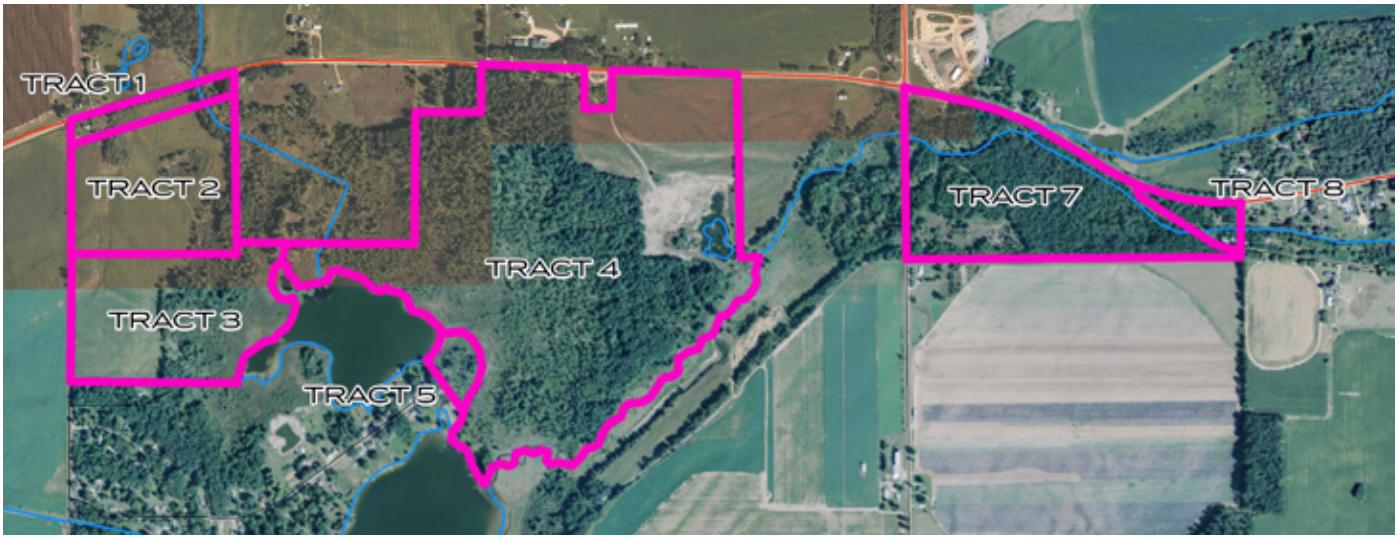
Using input from NHBP and the visioning sessions, draft designing and mapping will occur. This stage will produce conceptual designs that will lead to an overall physical master plan. Geographic datasets from the inventory stages will be further refined into final maps. Conceptual designs, final maps and previous NHBP input will together drive the final report document (IRMP).

The fourth and final stage of the project will produce the final plan, which will provide an assessment of issues and opportunities while identifying the goals, objectives and priorities of NHBP. An internal planning session will further refine these items. The final document will be sent to the Planning and Land Use Advisory Committee, Tribal Council, department directors and posted to the NHBP website for Tribal Members to view.

Please consider supporting the project by participating in the visioning sessions and check the NHBP's website to stay updated. Providing your insight for the future of these lands will benefit NHBP and the seven generations.

This is your chance to help define these lands, share your voice and assist in the planning process.

NHBP Tribal Members:
Watch for Future Land Use Visioning Sessions, coming soon!



Aerial photograph of seven of the newly acquired properties.

Tract 4 wetlands and Spencer Creek.

CASINO CONNECTION

FireKeepers Casino Hotel Spotlight Employees

Submitted by FireKeepers Casino Hotel; Photos by FKCH Staff

Bonnie Chivis
Slot Shift Manager

My first position within FireKeepers was a Slot Supervisor, in which I remained for approximately three months. During this time, I was fortunate enough to experience the construction and opening stages of the Casino. I participated in the initial programming of the slot machines, assembly of the gaming floor and the training/development of day one Team Members.

Currently, I am a Slot Shift Manager and have been in this position for approximately seven years. My primary job responsibilities include, but are not limited to: overseeing daily shift operations, guest dispute handling/resolution, time keeping, scheduling/staffing, forecasting, training/development, upholding gaming regulations and department policy & procedures.

I fully enjoy my position within the company and take pride in knowing I am contributing to the continued success of FireKeepers Casino Hotel.

A.J. Fox
Security Supervisor

I started working in July of 2009 as a Steward in the Food & Beverage Department and was quickly promoted to the position of Steward Supervisor.

I am now a Security Supervisor. I oversee the activities of our Security Officers, while providing assurance to everyone that our department will provide a safe and secure environment for patrons and employees. Another main responsibility of my position is to protect company assets and the interests of NHBP.

I like working here because of the positive morale that FireKeepers Casino has achieved with their employees. My favorite aspect about working here are the employees I work with every day. Working here is unlike any other place I have worked in the past. Listening to others complain about their jobs in factories, sales, and other casinos really makes me appreciate what I have here.

WIN A SHARE OF $40,000 OR A CHEVY SILVERADO!

TROPHY TRUCK SILVERADO GIVEAWAY

DRAWINGS: SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29

EVERY HOUR FROM 5 PM – 10 PM, FIVE WINNERS WILL BE SELECTED TO PLAY PLINKO.

The player with the highest score will receive a key for a chance to unlock a Chevy Silverado Realtree® Edition! All other players will win $500 in Red Hot Credits!

GRAND PRIZE 10:30 PM

One player will drive home in a 2017 Chevy Silverado Realtree® Edition! All other players will win $2,500 in Red Hot Credits & $2,500 CASH!

EARN ENTRIES OCTOBER 1 – 29

Receive one FREE entry by playing any slot or table game with your Red Hot Rewards Club card. Receive one additional entry for every 100 points earned.

SCARE UP SOME HALLOWEEN FUN

$11,000 PARADE AND COSTUME CONTEST

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28 • 9 PM

Put on some ghoulishly good fashion for a chance to win a share of over $11,000 in CASH & Red Hot Credits!

Plus the winner of the fan favorite from the top 7 costumes will receive an automatic spot in the top 3!

1st Place: $2,000 CASH & $3,000 in Red Hot Credits
2nd Place: $1,000 CASH & $1,000 in Red Hot Credits
3rd Place: $500 CASH & $500 in Red Hot Credits
4th – 7th Places: $500 in Red Hot Credits each
8th – 20th Places: $100 in Red Hot Credits each

REGISTER IN THE EVENT CENTER • 5 PM – 8:45 PM

All guests will receive a number and an automatic entry into a drawing to win a share of $5,000 in Red Hot Credits!

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Strengthening Families Through Tradition 2016

Submitted by Young Child Wellness Coordinator MacKenzie Stuck; Photos by Jaky Replogle and MacKenzie Stuck

Bodéwadmi Consortium Project LAUNCH sponsored its second annual Strengthening Families Through Tradition Conference August 12 to 14 at Western Michigan University's Fetzer Center. The weekend included teachings and demonstrations of dance styles including Fancy, Grass, Jingle and Traditional. Five local dancers spoke to participants about their regalia and specialized dance styles.

Participating families had the opportunity to learn from eight-time world-champion hoop dancer, Nakota Larance. Nakota spent time with the children as a group, later breaking participants in smaller groups giving each child specialized training. By the end of the weekend, the children were also able to spin and do different hoop formations. Families were able to participate in traditional crafts (beading, applique, and moccasin making). Those attending received gifts and giveaways from the Bodéwadmi Consortium Project LAUNCH.

Chi Migwéch to those who contributed!

Elliott Stuck wears his regalia.

Renee Hendrix practices with her hoops.

Hoop Champion Nakota Larance displays his skills.

Violet Pratt receives specialized hoop training.

Conference attendees outside of WMU's Fetzer Center.

McFarlen Named Michigan's Volunteer of the Year

Submitted by FireKeepers Casino Hotel; Photo by Jaky Replogle

FireKeepers Casino Hotel is pleased to announce that Chef Michael McFarlen, Vice President of Food and Beverage, has been honored with a Volunteer of the Year Award by the Michigan Community Service Commission (MCSC). The MCSC has been the state's leading agency in volunteerism since its inception in 1991. The MCSC is made up of 26 commissioners, including Governor Rick Snyder. Chef McFarlen was a top five finalist for this award in 2015. Chef McFarlen first began volunteering in the Southwest Michigan area after relocating to Marshall/Battle Creek in early 2009. McFarlen tirelessly participates in a wide variety of events and organizations to help feed children, first responders and teach adults how to prepare available foods into tasty meals. He is heavily involved with the Food Bank of South Central Michigan and serves as a member of their Board of Directors. He was also the recipient of the Food Bank Council of Michigan's "Beacon of Light" Award in 2015. McFarlen's efforts also support The Boys and Girls Club of Kalamazoo, S.A.F.E Place Shelter, March of Dimes, the Red Cross of Battle Creek, Salvation Army, Pennfield Elementary School and many other organizations throughout Southwest Michigan.

"Working for a company like FireKeepers Casino Hotel has given me the time and opportunities to pursue a long-time passion for giving back," McFarlen said. "Southwest Michigan has some amazing foundations and organizations that I am excited to help and be a part of. I am honored to have received the Governors Service Award and I will strive to continue to make my community proud."

McFarlen's vision for his newest and most impactful philanthropic endeavor, the Fire Hub restaurant, spurred FireKeepers' owners, the Nottawaseppi Huron Band of Potawatomi, to make a multi-million dollar investment in downtown Battle Creek. The Fire Hub restaurant seeks to stamp out hunger in Battle Creek through multiple creative directions while also providing the city with a much needed new commercial restaurant for breakfast and lunch. First, the rear section of the building will house a food pantry in conjunction with the Food Bank of South Central Michigan, distributing food from shelves to those less fortunate. Secondly, farmable land nearby will be cultivated and hoop houses purchased to grow food, with a goal of providing a free salad bar for schools in Battle Creek! Third is the creation of a fund to support other local charities, with 80% of all restaurant profits and an allocation of 50 cents from every restaurant check providing the monies. The remaining 20 percent of profits will be reinvested in the property.

"We couldn't be more proud of Chef Mike here at FireKeepers Casino Hotel," states President and CEO Brian Decorah. "With all of his efforts to give back to the local communities, while inspiring his team to be active in their own community engagement, I could not think of a better choice, or more deserving person to be recognized for this prestigious award."

McFarlen was honored at a special awards dinner on August 30 at the Temple Theater in Saginaw.

Volunteer of the Year, Chef McFarlen, discusses his vision for The Fire Hub during the announcement.

TO ALL NHBP TRIBAL CITIZENS, FAMILIES & INVITED GUESTS

HEALING HEARTS *for a* STRONG NATION

In recognition of Domestic Violence Awareness Month, the Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi Tribal Court invites you to Healing Hearts for a Strong Nation. At this Round Dance and Feast, we will increase awareness and understanding of domestic violence and the impact that it has on the individual victim, their family and the nation as a whole. We will also educate about the right of every person, by the laws of the Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi and the Seven Grandfather Teachings, to live free from violence.
Domestic Violence is NOT a traditional value!

Thursday, October 27, 2016

Doors open at 5:30 p.m. ◈ Dinner is at 6:30 p.m.

Pine Creek Community Center

Please RSVP for this special event by October 19 to Domestic Violence Victim Advocate Patti McClure at 269.704.8396 or pmcclure@nhbpi.com

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Meet the 2016-2017 Miss Potawatomi Nation

Submitted by Mary Shabanaa Bush; Photo by Mary Shabanaa Bush

Bozho. I'd like to introduce myself as your Miss Potawatomi Nation 2016-2017. My name is Mary Shabanaa Bush, I am a Citizen of the Gun Lake Tribe. I am currently 14 years old and am receiving my education from Wayland Union High School where I will be a freshman this fall.

I have traveled to almost every Gathering since birth and would watch the Miss Potawatomi Nation competition in awe of how one young lady would have the opportunity to be the face of our nation for a whole year. I was excited to travel to Oklahoma this year and compete for Miss Pottawatomi again. I competed last year and was first runner up, but with the attitude of not giving up, I tried again. Now, I am that young lady with the opportunity to represent the nine tribes of the Potawatomi Nation for a year. I am looking forward to being a role model for the youth, not only for my tribe but also for all the tribes this year.

I plan to travel and represent the Potawatomi Nation at more than just Pow Wows this year. I would like to use this opportunity to share with others about being Native American. Being Pottawatomi means being part of a community that cares for each other. It's more than just my immediate family, we are all family and we support and care for each other. I plan to work with the youth of my tribe and others to learn that knowledge of your language and culture gives you strength and bonds to traditions that go back hundreds of years keeping you strong as you move forward in your life.

Miss Potawatomi Nation 2016-2017
Mary Shabanaa Bush, Gun Lake Tribe

CHPO Hosts Goal Setting Community Potlucks

Submitted by CHPO Administrative Assistant Danielle Pfeifer; Photo by CHPO Department Staff

Two community input potluck dinners were held August 22 and August 29 at the Pine Creek Indian Reservation and 311 State Street in Grand Rapids. Apprximately 40 Tribal Members attended the sessions. The purpose of these sessions were for Tribal Members to define what 'culture' means to them so the Cultural Department can take these opinions and develop cultural activities our Tribal Community would like to see in the upcoming year.

The Cultural Department received a lot of good input along with excellent programming ideas. The most consistent feedback was the desire for more language classes and cultural teachings. The Cultural Department has committed to keeping Tribal Members informed and will revisit each location with a follow up of activities aimed at fulfilling their wants and needs.

The Culture Department would like to say Migwéch to all those that participated and we look forward to seeing you all at our next event.

Gwynneth Nugent and Grace Chivis enjoy the potluck.

Boys With Braids Teaching Draws Crowd

Submitted by CHPO Administrative Assistant Danielle Pfeifer; Photo by CHPO Department Staff

The Pokagon Tribe hosted the Southwest Michigan version of Boys With Braids, which is a nationwide initiative aimed at educating males, no matter their age, about hair length. Don Lyons and Sacramento Knox were the motivational speakers for the event, along with a panel of males who spoke of their experience with growing their hair long.

Tips were given about the commitment it takes in withstanding the lengthy process of growing their hair long. Participants were encouraged not to give up despite input from peers who have no understanding of the importance associated with longer hair in our culture.

Along with the panel of male speakers, a drum comprised of Potawatomi singers from each participating Tribe performed at the event. Along with the 10 NHBP Tribal Members in attendance, Athens Area Schools had two teachers in attendance. Boys With Braids provided educators with background of why long hair is important in Native American culture. Participating educators received schoolroom supplies with their attendance. The feedback from the individuals that attended was very positive. All were grateful of the knowledge they received that day.

Don Lyons presents his workshop to the crowd.

Arts and Crafts

Submitted by Northern Elders Specialist Leo Pontiac and Southern Elders Specialist Nickole Keith;
Photos by Membership Services Staff

In July, Elders in the Grand Haven area enjoyed making Corn Husk Dolls with former Northern Youth Specialist, Jonathan Rinehart. The making of Corn Husk Dolls helps Tribal Members recount the teachings of the Corn Sister.

In the teaching, the Three Sisters Corn, Beans and Squash were excited to be the sustainers of life. The Corn Sister asked if she could do more for her people. The Great Spirit said a doll could be made from her cornhusk. The doll was very beautiful and played with children from different villages. The doll was constantly told how beautiful it was and became conceited. The doll would go into the Great Spirit's Lodge and admire herself in a pool of water. The doll kept doing this and the Great Spirit warned the doll to stop admiring herself. The doll would not listen so the Great Spirit took away the doll's face. Since then, Corn Husk Dolls are made without a face to remind us to stay humble.

Later in July, Northern Youth Learn Workers: Ronny Woodring, Kelly Lynch and Sarah Day collaborated to make neck pillows with the NHBP Health Department Community Health Nurse Mary Jo Roelofs and Northern Elder Specialist Leo Pontiac. The Youth Workers learned basic sewing skills utilizing both hand and machine sewing. NHBP Tribal Members later used the completed neck pillow on the long bus journey to Oklahoma for the Potawatomi Gathering.

Jonathan Rinehart demonstrates the proper construction of corn husk dolls.

Ronny Woodring perfects his sewing skills.

Neck pillows ready for the 2016 Gathering.

Youth Learn Work Program Finishes Summer

Submitted by Human Resources Director Dane Turner; Photo by Kathy Mackety

Twelve NHBP youth between the ages of 14 and 18 participated in the 2016 NHBP Youth Learn Work (YLW) program. NHBP Government Center employed these youth in summer jobs created for the program in the following departments: Membership Services, Communications, Public Works, Environment, Government Records and Bkedé O Mshiké. This eight-week program lasted from June 20 to August 12. All youth successfully completed the program and received certificates of completion.

In addition to working these jobs, youth completed two hours of vocational training each week, which was based upon personal assessments and career interests. The youth were also trained on resume and cover letter writing as well as interview skills.

To expound on their training, the youth attended a career fair at FireKeepers Casino Hotel's ballroom, which provided them with excellent resources and information about various career paths. They were able to view opportunities in the areas of employment, development, education, skilled trades and entrepreneurship.

One interesting project YLW participants worked on this summer was through NHBP's Government Records Department. The youth working on this project went to the Willard library where they reviewed archived articles from "The Athens Times" "Indian Inkling" column dating from 1887 to 1967. The articles and pictures captured will be extremely valuable to NHBP's ability to chronicle our history. The 12 youth participating in the program did a fine job representing NHBP's next generation. The participating youth and areas worked were:

- Quentin Mandoka and Alex Mandoka (Environment)
- Destinique Iden and Journi Wilson (Communications)
- Katelyn Collyer and Kennedy Collyer (Government Records)
- Ron Woodring, Sarah Day, and Kelly Lynch (Membership Services)
- Chris Wilson and Daejion Morseau (Public Works)
- Dyami Harris (Bkedé O Mshiké)

The Youth Learn Work program is sponsored by a grant to provide participants with work experience and training to help them in their careers and life. The 2016 program was successful in providing the participating youth with these important lesson while helping them develop a foundation from which they can build.

(Back; L-R) Chris Wilson, Alex Mandoka, Ronald Woodring and Quinten Mandoka. (Front; L-R) Destinique Iden, Dyami Harris, Sarah Day, Kelly Lynch and Journi Wilson.

Announcing NHBP's Traditional Healing Program

Submitted by Traditional Helper Frederick Jacko Sr.

Traditional Healer, Harlan Downwind and his wife and helper Laura Abramson, come to us from the Ojibwa tribe. Harlan originates from the Red Lake Reservation in Minnesota. He is associated with Augimook mide and has practiced traditional medicine since 1998.

Harlan will offer Traditional Healing services monthly; upcoming dates are:

- October 27, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., 311 State St. Grand Rapids
- October 28, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Pine Creek Indian Reservation Health and Human Services Department.

Please contact Traditional Helper, Frederick Jacko Sr., at 269.729.4422 ext. 8346 to schedule an appointment. When you see Downwind for your appointment, please have enough Sema (natural Tobacco) for a pipe full. If you do not have Sema, we will provide it for you.

Please note:

- Women are encouraged to see the Traditional Healer when they are not on their moon time.
- Traditional Healing patients are encouraged to refrain from drugs and alcohol use at least four days prior to their healing appointment.
- The healer can address a variety of requests, including:
  - Names
  - Colors
  - Clans
  - Doctoring for illnesses
  - Dreams and spiritual guidance

NHBP Elders Christmas Party 2016!

Sunday, December 4, 2016 ✳ 1 to 4 p.m. ✳ FKCH Ballrooms C & D

Merry Christmas

Theme: 1950 Sock Hop!

Attire: Flashback to the 50s! Best costume wins a prize!

For more information contact Membership Services Administrative Assistant Grace Chivis at 269.704.8419 or gchivis@nhbpi.com. Please RSVP by Monday, November 21 at 5 p.m.

NHBP Youth Christmas Party 2016!

Saturday, December 10, 2016

6 to 8 p.m.

Sky Zone Trampoline Park

5103 Portage Road, Portage, MI 49002

Open to all NHBP youth, parents and siblings!
Dinner will be served! Transportation is available!

For more information contact Membership Services Administrative Assistant Grace Chivis at 269.704.8419 or gchivis@nhbpi.com

RSVP by November 21 at 5 p.m.

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NHBP MEN'S OUTING

DETROIT LIONS FOOTBALL GAME

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2016

FORD FIELD, DETROIT, MI

Kickoff time: 1 p.m.

Space is limited to the first 40 male Tribal Members over the age of 18. Registration will open to spouses and parents of enrolled Tribal Members if spots become available. You must register for this event!

Registration opens Monday, September 19, and closes Friday, October 28. Please contact Membership Services Administrative Assistant Grace Chivis at 269.704.8419 or email: gchivis@nhbpi.com.

Transportation will be available upon request.

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SPOOKY SPECTACULAR 2016 AT BINDER PARK ZOO!

Saturday, October 29
4 to 7 p.m.

Fun for the entire family!

You must register for this event! Registration opens Monday, September 12, and closes Friday, October 21. Please contact Membership Services Administrative Assistant Grace Chivis at 269.704.8419 or email: gchivis@nhbpi.com.

Transportation schedule for this event:
311 State Street, Grand Rapids - 2:30 p.m.
Pine Creek Indian Reservation - 3:30 p.m.

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This event is open to NHBP Tribal Members and their immediate family.

NHBP Welcomes TRADITIONAL HEALER
HARLAN DOWNWIND

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Friday, October 28, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Pine Creek Indian Reservation Health and Human Services Department

Please contact Traditional Helper Frederick Jacko Sr. for an appointment, or if you have any questions: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., 269.729.4422 ext. 8346

Appointments will be 30 minutes; please be advised of the following;

- Bring enough natural tobacco for a Pipe bowl full; if you are unable to do so natural tobacco will be provided for you to offer to Harlan.
- A gift for the Healer to accompany your request for assistance is welcome but is not required.
- Appropriate requests for the Healer would include requests for names, colors, clans and doctoring for illness, dreams, and spiritual guidance.
- Women on moontime cannot attend this session.
- Please refrain from alcohol and/or drugs 4 days prior to your session.
- Appointments are open to all who are eligible for care at the NHBP Health and Human Services Department.

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It's not too late to QUIT!

Register now for **Freedom From Smoking®** group commercial tobacco cessation program. The **Freedom From Smoking®** group clinic includes eight sessions and features a step-by-step plan for quitting smoking. Each session is designed to help smokers gain control over their behavior. The clinic format encourages participants to work on the process and problems of quitting, both individually and as part of a group. Come find the support and guidance you need to get through your quitting journey.

311 State Street, Grand Rapids
Tuesdays, October 4 to October 25,
2 to 4 p.m.
Thursday, October 13, 2 to 4 p.m.

To register contact Shelby Gibson at 269.729.4422 or Shelby.gibson@nhbp.org

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Education Computer Workstations Available!

Submitted by Membership Services Department; Photo by Jaky Replogle

NHBP Membership Services Department is now making workstations available for Tribal Members who need access to computers to fit their academic and work needs.

Locations:

Northern Administration Office:
311 State St., Grand Rapids, Michigan 49519

Southern Pine Creek Community Center:
1488 Mno-Bmadzewen Way, Fulton, Michigan 49052

To get started, speak to:

Camie Castaneda, Programs Coordinator in the Northern Office at 616.514.3662 or email: ccastaneda@nhbpi.com

or:

Grace Chivis, Administrative Assistant in the Southern Office at 269.704.8419 or email: gchivis@nhbpi.com

Tribal Members are welcome to drop in anytime during normal business hours:
Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., excluding holidays.

One of the new workstations in Grand Rapids.

New computer stations at the Pine Creek Community Center.

Join the **NHBP Tribal Members Only** website!

Watch Tribal Council meeting videos! View photo galleries of events! Find important documents and forms!

- To sign-up, go to: **nhbpi.org**
- Click on the **Members Only** link.
- Fill in the form.
- Accept the **Terms of Use**.
- Wait two business days for confirmation of membership by the Enrollment Department and activation of your account.

NHBP Appreciation Day at the County Fair

Submitted by Human Resources Director Dane Turner; Photos by Kathy Mackety and Claudia Houser

A fun day was had by all as over 300 Tribal Members, NHBP Employees and their immediate families enjoyed a good time at the Calhoun County Fair on August 18. Free parking and admission to the fair was provided to employees showing their NHBP employee badge to fair officials. Employees and their families then came to the registration tent where free food wristbands and free ride wristbands were distributed.

Tribal Members and NHBP Government Operations employees were graciously welcomed to FireKeepers Casino Hotel's (FKCH) large red and white tent to enjoy the wide variety of excellent food provided by the FKCH chef and staff who displayed their talents constantly cooking on the grills to provide great burgers, sausages and chicken sandwiches complemented by a variety of dishes and desserts. Tribal Members enjoyed an assortment of rides offered at the fair. Even the weather cooperated to make it a successful event and fun family day for all who participated.

This event helped to show NHBP Government Operations staff members how much they are appreciated for all the hard work they do to support the NHBP Government Operations and NHBP Tribal Members.

Leland Craun in the bounce house.

Drew, Nova and Heather Phillips are all smiles.

(Back; L-R) Noel Mangune, Kim Christie and Pennie Jewel enjoy the fair with (front; L-R) Aubrey Cole and Holly Christie.

Marcell Day receives his wristband from Dorie Rios and Christine Lanning.

Randi McKinney with granddaughter Brooklyn Goldner.

Marquis Day and Endia Day on a carnival ride.

FireKeepers staff grills up a great lunch in the private event area.

Brandon VonKutzleben, Willow Grothaus, Kathy Grothaus and David VonKutzleben enjoy a family outing at the fair.

McKenna Burlingham braves the giant slide with Kendall Goldner.

Devonne Harris takes a break from the fun and food.

Adrianna Mandoka, Breanna Wiley and Destinique Iden take advantage of unlimited rides at the midway.

Jennifer Norman enjoys the midway with her son Javier Chich.

Important Wild Rice Harvest Underway

Submitted by Communications Department Staff; Photos by Jaky Replogle

Wild Rice Camp is an educational and cultural opportunity to participate in the traditional processing of Wild Rice, which grows along the Nottawa Creek adjacent to the Pine Creek Indian Reservation.

Wild Rice is central to our migration story and was an important food source because of its easy storage and portability. NHBP feels it is important for Tribal Members to experience the collection of Wild Rice and understand how important waterways are to the history and collection of Wild Rice.

"The goal of Wild Rice Camp is for Tribal Members to experience comradery," said NHBP Consultant Lee Sprague. "For everyone to come together in a social setting to share stories, while experiencing a valuable piece of our history."

History is an important aspect to Wild Rice. During migration, ancestors looked for Wild Rice beds along the river and finding the Rice was a major stopping point during the journey.

"We were hunters and gatherers," said Traditional Teacher William J. Vandegriff. "We had to rely on everything we gathered, hunted, or planted. By doing this, we learned life, learned hard work. By doing this, we found a connection to our Mother, the Earth. It makes us understand there is no one here on Earth who needs us, but we need it (Earth) and we are destroying it. For us, we are stewards of the land, opposed to the English who wanted to own the land. We lost our Rice tradition once the English came. They took over the land and the Rice fields were destroyed. They took everything by the river, for a better view of the river."

Along with the important cultural aspect of Wild Rice, there are also significant ecological aspects of restoring and cultivating Wild Rice.

"Rice seeds are a nutritious food source for migrating fowl," said NHBP Wildlife Specialist Steve Allen. "It is also a perfect nursery location for small river fish who hide in its beds as they emerge from their eggs."

The recent rains nearly prevented the chances of having a camp this year. Recently, there have been several four to five inch rainfalls within twelve hours. Those dramatic climate changes caused floods along Nottawa Creek. Fronds were pushed down devastating Wild Rice beds. In some areas, you can still see dead leaves on the trees from the high water levels. It was fortunate Wild Rice collection teams were still able to get seeds in time for this important cultural activity.

"One of the reasons we have the land is because of Wild Rice. Wild Rice Camp is important because we are learning and keeping our culture. It is important to us for our sovereignty, keeping our ways alive and teaching it to those who come after us," said Tribal Member Charles Pfeifer.

Harvesting and making Wild Rice requires skill, hard work, equipment, and many participants. Participants who are gaining important cultural and historical knowledge on who we are and why it's important.

"Since starting Wild Rice Camp more Tribal Members have come out because they're curious," said Tribal Member Mon-ee Zapata. "Over the years people in the Tribal Community have found their roles such as dancing, winnowing and harvesting. Wild Rice is a medicine. The more people that care for the Rice and eat the Rice, the healthier we become."

Joe Harris harvests Rice on the creek.

A collection team member 'knocks' rice into the canoe.

The effects of high flood levels are still clearly visible along the banks.

Lee Sprague, Joe Harris and Brad Brooks gather collect Rice after a successful harvest.

Shoo the Flu!

Remember to get your flu vaccine for this fall!

Call the NHBP Health Department at 269.729.4422 to schedule your vaccination today!

Join us! Classes starting back up this fall!

'Sit & Be Fit' Exercise Class!

Join us this fall for a fun and easy fitness program!

The ***Sit & Be Fit*** program is designed to work on increasing muscle strength, flexibility and core strength for balance, all the while using your own body resistance, light weights and exercise bands. This exercise program provides you the opportunity to strengthen your muscles without the impact of running or intense movements. Perfect for Elders, and those with physical limitations!

Wednesdays starting September 14, 5:15 to 6 p.m.

311 State Street, Grand Rapids

In partnership with the Grand Rapids YMCA and the NHBP Health and Human Services Department!

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VA Help for Tribal Veterans

Department of Veterans Affairs Tribal Outreach Worker Michele Roe will be holding office hours at both the Pine Creek and Grand Rapids Health and Human Services Department offices.

Pine Creek Health and Human Services Department:
First and third Thursday, 9 a.m. to noon

Grand Rapids Health and Human Services Department:
Second and fourth Wednesday, 9:30 a.m. to noon

Appointments may be scheduled outside of those hours.

To schedule an appointment with Michele Roe, please call 269.832.5888.

New NHBP Employee

Submitted by Communications Department; Photo by Jaky Replogle

Kristen Gauthier

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Referral Specialist
Health and Human Services Department

The NHBP Health and Human Services Department has welcomed a new member. Kristen Gauthier recently began work as a Referral Specialist.

Prior to joining NHBP in 2015 as a contracted employee, Gauthier worked at Borgess Heart Center as a medical assistant and medical records specialist.

Gauthier attended Kalamazoo Valley Community College and Everest Institute where she is a 2009 medical assistant graduate.

Gauthier was born and grew up in Kalamazoo, Michigan and has three daughters and one grandson.

In her free time, Gauthier enjoys crafts of all kinds, especially building furniture with wood from recycled pallets.

Attention: New Health and Human Services Policy Update

New Late/Missed Appointment Policy

Due to the high number of late arrivals and missed appointments, and the impact that it has on other patients waiting to see a service provider, the Health and Human Services Department has developed a late/missed appointment policy.

Late Arrivals:

If a patient arrives more than 15 minutes late for their scheduled appointment time, they may be rescheduled for a later date and time. If the patient is rescheduled for arriving more than 15 minutes late to their appointment it will be considered a "No Show" appointment.

Missed Appointments:

If a patient does not notify the Health and Human Services Department within 8 hours of their scheduled appointment time that they need to cancel, it will be considered a "No Show" appointment.

No Show:

After obtaining three "No Show" appointments for the same service, a patient will not be able to schedule an appointment with that service for three months. The patient will only be seen as a same day/walk-in patient if time permits.

Please contact the Health Office Manager Sarah VanOostendorp at 269.704.8322 with any questions on this new policy.

CHILDCARE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Are you working or attending school?
Have you heard about the Tribal Childcare Assistance program?

This program is designed to assist in paying for licensed childcare for those who are working, attending school or training within the seven county service area.

For an application and program qualification information, please contact:

Chris Woodring
Community Resource Coordinator
cwoodring@nhbp.org
616.249.0159 Ext. 3638

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Contract Health Services

Contract Health Services is funded through a grant from Indian Health Services. It is to help pay for medical services *not* offered through the NHBP Health Clinics.

What I should know:

- Contract Health is ***not*** a health insurance, it is a grant. Funds are limited and based on medical priorities.
- Contract Health ***does not*** guarantee payment.

Who is eligible for Contract Health Services?

- NHBP Tribal members living in the 7 county CHSDA; Allegan, Barry, Branch, Calhoun, Kalamazoo, Kent and Ottawa counties of Michigan.
- NHBP descendants under the age of 19.
- A non-Indian woman pregnant with an eligible Indian's child for the duration of her pregnancy through postpartum (6 weeks).

What will CHS pay for?

- CHS may help pay for medical/dental services outside of the NHBP Health Clinics ***if*** referred by one of NHBP's providers.
- CHS may help pay for vision services.
- CHS may help pay for prescriptions.

How do I get CHS to pay for these services?

- Provide notification through Contract Health prior to any service outside the NHBP Health Clinics.
- Notify contract health within 72 hours of an emergency room visit.
- Complete your CHS registration paperwork information yearly. A letter will be mailed to you when you need to update your information. If your yearly registration requirements are not met, you will ***not*** be approved for funding.
- Apply for Medicaid or alternate resources if you do not have health insurance when applying for Contract Health. If you need help applying for Medicaid, please call Chris Woodring at 616.514.3638.

Who do I call for assistance or questions about Contract Health Services?

Call your Contract Health Specialist 269.704.8349

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New Fall Hours at the Pine Creek Clinic

Beginning September 14, evening clinic hours in Pine Creek will be switched to Wednesdays. The Pine Creek Clinic will be open until 7 p.m. to accommodate Members needing a later appointment time.

AA MEETINGS

Every Thursday, 7 to 8 p.m.

Pine Creek Community Center

1488 Mno-Bmadzewen Way • Fulton, MI 49052

Contact: Mariesha Keith

269.986.7508

"Celebrating sobriety, one meeting at a time."-MK

BNAKWI GIZES {FALLING LEAVES MOON} OCTOBER

WORD SEARCH - SHISHIBÉ WORDS WE ARE USING

K	C	S	X	W	B	A	S	M	K	É	P	O	D
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MNOKMEK - SPRING
NIBNEK - SUMMER
DGWAGÉT - FALL
BBOMGEK - WINTER
GWANKWET - IT'S CLOUDY
KSENYA - COLD
GSHATÉ – HOT
MTEKWAKIK - FOREST
GISHEK – SKY
DBEKGISES - MOON
WABOSKOKIK - SWAMP
SEN - ROCK
KCHEGAMI – OCEAN
SHOTE - HERE
ÉZHI - OVER THERE

Name:_____

Address:_____

Phone:_____

Please have your submission in before the 14th of each month for a chance at winning a gift valued at $50.
Mail to: Cultural and Historic Preservation Office 1485 Mno-Bmadzewen Way Fulton, MI 49052.
Or email your submission to: mfoerster@nhbpi.com or mzapata@nhbpi.com – **Migwéch!**

The September Word Search Winner: Leon Brown

SHISHIBÉ IS BACK!

Learn language! Win prizes! Have fun!

Thursday, October 6, 5 to 7 p.m., 311 State Street, Grand Rapids
Wednesday, October 12, 5 to 7 p.m., Pine Creek Community Center

BEGINNER PAINTING CLASS

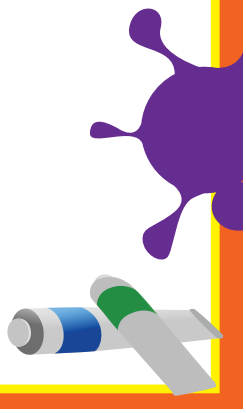
Taught by Tribal Member Nickole Keith

Friday, October 7, 5 to 7 p.m.
311 State St.,Grand Rapids

Friday, October 14, 5 to 7 p.m.
311 State St.,Grand Rapids

To register or request more information, please contact Southern Elders Specialist II Nickole Keith at 269.704.8354.

Paint supplies will be provided!



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Connecting Families to High Quality Health Coverage

Services Provided

- Health Insurance Market Place Navigation
- Veterans Benefit Information
- Medicaid Applications
- Child Care Assistance
- Social Security Benefit Information

For insurance enrollment, please bring:

- Photo ID with valid address
- Social Security cards for individuals applying
- Tribal ID

For more information, contact:

Community Resource Coordinator, Chris Woodring
Hours: Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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Fulton, MI 49052
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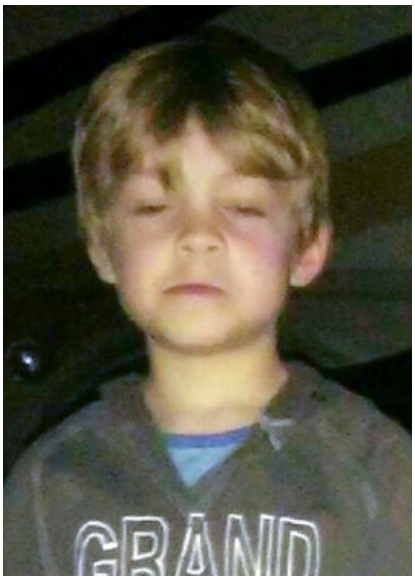
Grand Rapids
311 State Street
Grand Rapids, MI 49503

MNO DBESHKAYEN NGOM & MIGWÉCH

CELEBRATIONS!

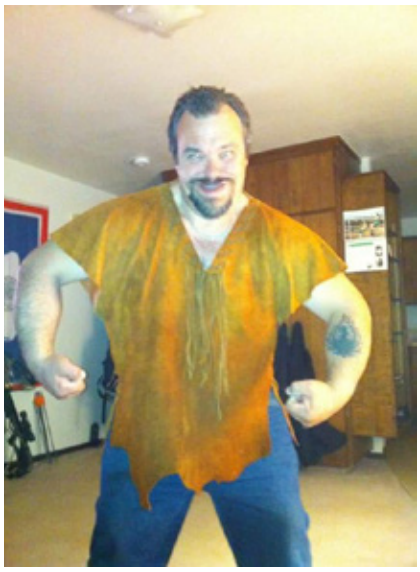
Kovu Zuidema
{September 18}
Happy belated birthday Kovu.
Love you bunches.
Love, Grandma Lilly



Jude Zuidema
{October 1}
Happy Birthday Jude.
Love you bunches
Love, Granma Z

Christine Lanning
{October 8}
Happy Birthday Mama!
We love you so much! ☺
Love, Rod, Scottie, Sara, Brad and the kitty babies

Duke Snyder
{October 10}
Happy 7th Birthday Duke Snyder!
Love always and forever,
Grandma and Grandpa Johnson



Johnny Hargis
{October 18}
Happy Birthday, Johnny!
Love, your family

Haileigh Taylor
{October 25}
Happy 17th Birthday!
Love, Mom, Dad & Bubby

A special workshop for NHBP Tribal Members!

PER CAPITA WEALTH MANAGEMENT:

Making your money work for you!

Saturday, October 22 • Noon to 2 p.m.

FireKeepers Casino Hotel • Ballroom A

Lunch will be provided. Transportation is available. Preregistration is required.

- **Topics include:** VITA Tax Services, resources available to Tribal Members, and making your money grow!
- **Presenters:** NHBP Legal Assistant/Tax Officer Rebecca Griffin, and representatives from Fifth Third Bank
- **On-site bank account set-up**
- **Child play area available**
- **Raffle prizes**

Please contact Membership Services Administrative Assistant Grace Chivis at 269.704.8419 or gchivis@nhbpi.com for more information, or to register.

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Maajtaag Mnobmaadzid is now offered to all NHBP clinic patients!

Maajtaag Mnobmaadzid is a FREE program that encourages and supports "a start of a healthy life." Pregnancy and early childhood are some of the most important stages in life. Fostering a healthy beginning makes a difference in lifelong health.

This program is designed to complement, not replace, prenatal, post-partum, and pediatric care. You will receive home visits with an experienced Maternal Child Health Nurse that will provide support and education during pregnancy and early childhood. Maajtaag Mnobmaadzid encourages women to become and stay healthy before and between pregnancies. Enjoy early childhood play groups and outings, and valuable discussion on important health topics:

- Safe Sleep
- Car Seat Safety
- Parenting Support
- Fatherhood
- Child Growth
- Developmental Stages
- Nutrition
- Healthy Communication
- Family Planning
- Early Childhood Health

We affirm the sacred role of women in the Community as givers of life, and promote understanding of the importance of family well-being throughout the lifespan. Start your little ones off on the right foot, sign up today!

Southern NHBP Health Department
Dawn Cornelius, BSN, RN
Covering: Calhoun, Kalamazoo, Branch Counties
269.729.4422

Northern NHBP Health Department
Dawn Cordero - Reyes, BSN, RN
Covering: Kent, Ottawa, Allegan, Barry Counties
616.249.0159

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Please join us!

GRAND RAPIDS PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

For all parents, grandmas and grandpas, aunties and uncles of NHBP, Match-e-be-Nash-e-Wish, and Pokagon Potawatomi children ages 0 to 8.

What: For parents to have a voice when it comes to programming for their children. **Dinner is provided.** Language class will also be offered at this time for the children/youth to participate in during the meeting time.

When: **The first Thursday of the month from 6 to 7 p.m.**

2016 Dates: October 6, November 3, & December 1

Where: **Northern Health and Human Services Department**
311 State St., Grand Rapids, MI 49503

A $20 gift card will be provided to those families enrolled in LAUNCH.

Transportation will be provided.

To register or request more information, please contact Camie Castaneda at 616.514.3662.

helping children soar
PROJECT LAUNCH

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ELDERS GIFT CARD PROGRAM

The Elders Gift Card Program was designed to help Tribal Elders by providing a $25 Wal-Mart gift card to Elders who are hospitalized with an overnight stay to help assist in purchasing needed items.

Eligibility: Any NHBP Member who is 50 years of age or older and is admitted to a hospital facility for medical care requiring at least one overnight stay. Requests for Elder Gift cards need to be submitted no later than 30 days after the date of hospitalization to be eligible per policy. You may use this program two times per year.

Contact Chris Woodring, Community Resource Coordinator, for more information: 616.249.0159

SAVE THESE UPCOMING DATES

Spirit Supper • November 5 • 4 p.m. • Pine Creek Indian Reservation

Community Health Input Luncheon • November 12 • 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. • FKCH

Men's Outing - Detroit Lions Game • November 20 • Ford Field • Detroit

Elders Christmas Party • December 4 • 1 to 4 p.m. • FireKeepers Casino Hotel

Kids Christmas Party • December 10 • 6 to 8 p.m. • Sky Zone • Kalamazoo

BNAKWI GIZES

Falling Leaves Moon {October}

Bnakwi Gizes {Falling Leaves Moon} is the time for Fall Ceremonies which features the Gamwing Feast to honor a bountiful harvest.

Full Moon: October 16
New Moon: October 30

Please save these dates:

Dgwagé Méndokaswenen
FALL CEREMONIES 2016

OCTOBER 20 to 23 • PINE CREEK INDIAN RESERVATION

NHBP Community Tribal Members will be gathering for four days of fall-time teachings. Dgwagé Méndokaswenen will begin with an 8 a.m. sunrise fire on Thursday October 20, and close with a ceremony after lunch on Sunday, October 23. The Feast will be held on October 22 at 6 p.m.

Registration for transportation assistance opens September 12, and closes October 14. Contact the CHPO Administrative Assistant Danielle Pfeifer at 269.704.8480, or email: danielle.pfeifer@nhbpi.com

Meals and transportation will be provided. Registration to camp opens September 12, and closes October 14. Please contact Director of Housing Ben Tenney at 269-704-8363, cell: 269-832-0018 or email: btenney@nhbpi.com, to make arrangements.

For more information, please contact the Cultural Historic Preservation Office at 269-729-5151.

This event is for NHBP Tribal Members and surrounding Tribal communities. NHBP staff are invited to a special healing teaching on grief and loss Thursday, October 20, all day until 5 p.m.

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OCTOBER CALENDAR of EVENTS

Monday, Oct. 3

Planning & Land Use Committee
Pine Creek Government Center
Room 121
9 to 10 a.m.

Tribal Emergency Preparedness Committee
Pine Creek Government Center
Room 121
10 to 11 a.m.

Housing Committee Meeting
Room 121
11:30 to 1 p.m.

Elders Game Day
311 State St., Grand Rapids
1 to 3:30 p.m.

Election Board
Pine Creek Government Center
Room 101
2 to 3 p.m.

Culture Committee Meeting
Room 101
Pine Creek Government Center
3 to 5 p.m.

Elders Craft Night
Pine Creek Community Center
3 to 6:30 p.m.

Kickboxing Class
Pine Creek Community Center
5 to 6 p.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 4

Elders Computer Class
Pine Creek Community Center
Noon to 3:30 p.m.

Freedom From Smoking® Group Session
311 State St., Grand Rapids
2 to 4 p.m.

Southern TYP
Pine Creek Community Center
5 to 8 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 5

Education Committee Meeting
FireKeepers Casino Hotel
9 a.m. to Noon

Whole Person Wellness
Pine Creek Community Center
11 a.m. to Noon

Lunch & Learn
Pine Creek Community Center
Noon

Enrollment Committee Meeting
Pine Creek Government Center
Room 121
Noon to 3 p.m.

Journey to Wellness Meeting
FireKeepers Casino Hotel
1 to 4 p.m.

Tribal Environment Advisory Committee
FireKeepers Casino Hotel
3 to 5 p.m.

Cemetery & Parks Committee
Pine Creek Government Center
Room 101
5 to 7 p.m.

Veterans Committee
FireKeepers Casino Hotel
5 to 7 p.m.

Beading Class
311 State St., Grand Rapids
5 to 7:30 p.m.

Elders Arts & Crafts
311 State St., Grand Rapids
5 to 7:30 p.m.

Sit & Be Fit
311 State St., Grand Rapids
5:15 to 6 p.m.

Diabetes PATH
311 State St., Grand Rapids
6 to 8 p.m.

Thursday, Oct. 6

Elders Committee Meeting
Pine Creek Government Center
Room 121
10 to 1 p.m.

Elders Drop-in Sewing
311 State St., Grand Rapids
Noon to 4 p.m.

Southern TYP
Pine Creek Community Center
5 to 7 p.m.

ShiShibé
311 State St., Grand Rapids
5 to 7 p.m.

AA Meeting
Pine Creek Community Center
7 to 8 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 7

Elders Computer Class
Grand Rapids Community College
1 to 3:30 p.m.

Beginners Painting Class
311 State St., Grand Rapids
5 to 7 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 9

Prosperity Through Sovereignty Conference
Phoenix, AZ

Monday, Oct. 10

Prosperity Through Sovereignty Conference
Phoenix, AZ

Elders Game Day
311 State St., Grand Rapids
1 to 3:30 p.m.

Elders Craft Night
Pine Creek Community Center
3 to 6:30 p.m.

Kickboxing Class
Pine Creek Community Center
5 to 6 p.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 11

Prosperity Through Sovereignty Conference
Phoenix, AZ

Elders Computer Class
Pine Creek Community Center
Noon to 3:30 p.m.

Freedom From Smoking® Group Session
311 State St., Grand Rapids
2 to 4 p.m.

Northern TYP
311 State St., Grand Rapids
5 to 6 p.m.

Southern TYP
Government Center
Room 121
5 to 6 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 12

Prosperity Through Sovereignty Conference
Phoenix, AZ

Whole Person Wellness
Pine Creek Community Center
11 a.m. to Noon

Lunch & Learn
Pine Creek Community Center
Noon

Elders Arts & Crafts
311 State St., Grand Rapids
5 to 7:30 p.m.

ShiShibé
Pine Creek Community Center
5 to 7 p.m.

Parent Advisory Committee Meeting
311 State St., Grand Rapids
5 to 7 p.m.

Sit & Be Fit
311 State St., Grand Rapids
5:15 to 6 p.m.

Diabetes PATH
311 State St., Grand Rapids
6 to 8 p.m.

Thursday, Oct. 13

Prosperity Through Sovereignty Conference
Phoenix, AZ

Grand Rapids Native American Senior Meals
1157 Northlawn St., NE, Grand Rapids
11 a.m.

Healthy Start/LAUNCH Outing
311 State St., Grand Rapids
11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Elders Drop-In Sewing
311 State St., Grand Rapids
Noon to 4 p.m.

Freedom From Smoking® Group Session
311 State St., Grand Rapids
2 to 4 p.m.

Southern TYP
Pine Creek Government Center
5 to 6 p.m.

Northern TYP
311 State St., Grand Rapids
5 to 6 p.m.

AA Meeting
Pine Creek Community Center
7 to 8 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 14

Prosperity Through Sovereignty Conference
Phoenix, AZ

Healthy Start/LAUNCH Outing
Pine Creek Community Center
9:15 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.

Elders Computer Class
311 State St., Grand Rapids
1 to 3:30 p.m.

Beginning Painting Class
Pine Creek Community Center
3 to 5 p.m.

Elders Community Dinner
Pine Creek Community Center
5 to 7 p.m.

Monday, Oct. 17

Elders Game Day
311 State St., Grand Rapids
1 to 3:30 p.m.

Elders Craft Night
Pine Creek Community Center
3 to 6:30 p.m.

Kickboxing Class
Pine Creek Community Center
5 to 6 p.m.

Elders Arts & Crafts
Grand Haven Community College
6 to 8

Tuesday, Oct. 18

Grand Rapids Native American Senior Meals
1157 Northlawn St., NE
11 a.m.

Elders Computer Class
Pine Creek Community Center
Noon to 3:30 p.m.

Freedom From Smoking® Group Session
311 State St., Grand Rapids
2 to 4 p.m.

Southern TYP
Pine Creek Community Center
5 to 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 19

Whole Person Wellness
Pine Creek Community Center
11 a.m. to Noon

Lunch & Learn
Pine Creek Community Center
Noon

Beading Class
Pine Creek Community Center
5 to 7:30 p.m.

Elders Arts & Crafts
311 State St., Grand Rapids
5 to 7:30 p.m.

Sit & Be Fit
311 State St., Grand Rapids
5:15 to 6 p.m.

Diabetes PATH
311 State St., Grand Rapids
6 to 8 p.m.

Thursday, Oct. 20

Fall Ceremonies
Pine Creek Community Center
8 a.m.

Grand Rapids Native American Senior Meals
1157 Northlawn St., NE
11 a.m.

Tribal Council Business Meeting
Pine Creek Community Center
11 a.m.

Elders Drop-In Sewing
311 State St., Grand Rapids
Noon to 4 p.m.

Southern TYP
Pine Creek Community Center
5 to 8 p.m.

AA Meeting
Pine Creek Community Center
7 to 8 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 21

Fall Ceremonies
Pine Creek Community Center
8 a.m.

Elders Computer Class
Grand Rapids Community College
1 to 3:30 p.m.

Custom Cake Designs with Andrea Roque
311 State St., Grand Rapids
5 to 7 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 22

Fall Ceremonies
Pine Creek Community Center
8 a.m.

Per Capita Wealth Management
FireKeepers Casino Hotel
Noon to 2 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 23

Fall Ceremonies
Pine Creek Community Center
8 a.m.

Monday, Oct. 24

Elders Game Day
311 State St., Grand Rapids
1 to 3:30 p.m.

Elders Craft Night
Pine Creek Community Center
3 to 6:30 p.m.

Kickboxing Class
Pine Creek Community Center
5 to 6 p.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 25

Grand Rapids Native American Senior Meals
1157 Northlawn St., NE
11 a.m.

Elders Computer Class
Pine Creek Community Center
Noon to 3:30 p.m.

Freedom From Smoking® Group Session
311 State St., Grand Rapids
2 to 4 p.m.

Southern TYP
Pine Creek Government Center
5 to 6 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 26

Whole Person Wellness
Pine Creek Community Center
11 a.m. to Noon

Lunch & Learn
Pine Creek Community Center
Noon

Elders Arts & Crafts
311 State St., Grand Rapids
5 to 7:30 p.m.

Sit & Be Fit
311 State St., Grand Rapids
5:15 to 6 p.m.

Diabetes PATH
311 State St., Grand Rapids
6 to 8 p.m.

Thursday, Oct. 27

Traditional Healer Harlan Downwind
311 State St., Grand Rapids
9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Grand Rapids Native American Senior Meals
1157 Northlawn St., NE
11 a.m.

Elders Drop-In Sewing
311 State St., Grand Rapids
Noon to 4 p.m.

Southern TYP
Pine Creek Government Center
5 to 6 p.m.

Northern TYP
311 State St., Grand Rapids
5 to 6 p.m.

Healing Hearts for a Strong Nation
Round Dance & Feast
Pine Creek Community Center
Doors open: 5:30 p.m.
Dinner: 6:30 p.m.

AA Meeting
Pine Creek Community Center
Group will join the Healing Hearts for a Strong Nation event at 5:30 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 28

Traditional Healer Harlan Downwind
Health and Human Services Center
Pine Creek Indian Reservation
10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Elders Computer Class
311 State St., Grand Rapids
1 to 3:30 p.m.

Northern TYP Haunted Corn Field
Dorr, MI
5 to 9 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 29

Spooky Spectacular
Binder Park Zoo
4 to 7 p.m.

Monday, Oct. 31

Elders Game Day
311 State St., Grand Rapids
1 to 3:30 p.m.

Elders Craft Night
Pine Creek Community Center
3 to 6:30 p.m.

Kickboxing Class
Pine Creek Community Center
5 to 6 p.m.

Punch & Kick Your Way to a Healthier Future!

Traditional kickboxing paired with high-intensity interval training

Mondays

October 3 through December 12, 2016

5 to 6 p.m.

Pine Creek Indian Reservation Community Center

No registration required: For more information please contact Health Educator Shelby Gibson at 269.729.4422 or shelby.gibson@nhbp.org.

Class is open to NHBP Tribal Members and their families, clinic patients and NHBP employees.

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NHBP Tribal Members, Spouses, Descendants & NHBP Staff - please join us:

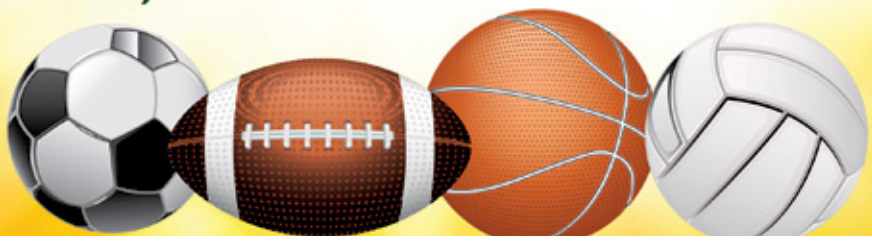
"PICK-UP" GAMES!

Let's have some fun while staying active!

LOCATION: Pine Creek Indian Reservation Recreation Field

DATES: Wednesdays, 3 to 4:30 p.m., starting August 3, 2016.
Starting September 7, 2016 the time will change to 4 to 5 p.m.

No registration required! Snacks will be provided!

For more information contact Health Educator Shelby Gibson at 269.729.4422 or shelby.gibson@nhbp.org

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