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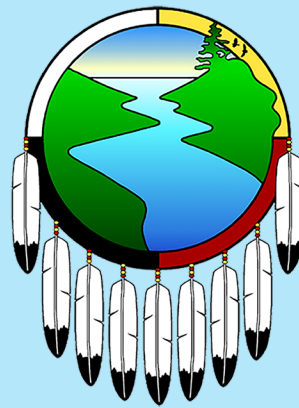
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Bedabin and Native Connections Events

JULY 2023

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Use the QR Code to register for Family Olympics or: https://forms.gle/bNc7X8f7N4TVGqD97			More information/Questions: KimberlyHinmon@lrboi-nsn.gov 231-655-3651 (desk)			1
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9	10 MIF Olympics T-shirt registration deadline Noon	11 Manistee Sewing Class 5-8PM Aki Com. Ctr	12 Drop-in sewing Gov Center Basement noon-5PM	13	14 Youth Dance @Gathering Grounds Pavilion *Organized by Tribal Council*	15 Wellness Walk 3 Fires Conference Center @ LRCR 8:15AM Registration Breakfast, Speaker, Walk to Gathering Grounds
16	17	18 Manistee Beading Class 5-8PM Aki Com. Ctr	19 Aki Community Picnic 3-6PM *Organized by LRBOI Housing*	20	21 Michigan Indian Family Olympics Shepherd, MI 9AM-3PM	22
23	24	25	26 Drop-in sewing Gov Center Basement noon-5PM	27	28 Language Camp Sunrise Ceremony 9AM-9PM http://www.anishinaabemdaa.com/kpheasant@lrboi-nsn.gov	29 Language Camp Sunrise Ceremony 9AM-9PM
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LRBOI CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT

Consumer Confidence Report Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Utility Department 2022

Is my water safe?

The Little River Band Utility Department would like to report that last year, as in years past, your tap water met all U.S Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and state drinking water health standards.

Our water system is a Community System based on the population served in accordance with the U.S. EPA guidelines. We serve approximately 3,094 customers daily.

Do I need to take special precautions?

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Water Drinking Hotline (800-426-4791).

Where does my water come from?

The Water Distribution has two (2) source wells located in Aki Madiziwiin with a 250,000-gallon spheroid storage tower, adjacent to the Justice Center, on M-22. These wells can supply over 700,000 gallons of water a day. An estimated average daily use is currently 97,191 gallons per day. The distribution system consists of PVC, HDPE, and Ductile Iron piping in various sizes. The level of water in the storage tower, which supplies the needed water pressure to your household or business, is controlled via radio telemetry. The Water Storage Tower is controlled by our staff for needed level changes due to seasonal, fire-related emergencies and/or maintenance concerns.

Source water assessment and its availability

A source water assessment completed by the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan Environmental Services Division, 3601 Mackinaw Trail, Sault Ste. Marie, MI. in October of 2002, is available for review in our office.

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Why are there contaminants in my drinking water?

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria that may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife.

Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, can be naturally occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial, or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.

Pesticides and Herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff and residential uses.

Organic Chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff and septic systems.

Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities. In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations that limit the number of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.



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How can I get involved?

Water Conservation Tips

Did you know that the average U.S. household uses approximately 400 gallons of water per day or 100 gallons per person per day? Luckily, there are many low-cost and no-cost ways to conserve water. Try one today and soon it will become second nature.

- Take short showers - a 5-minute shower uses 4 to 5 gallons of water compared to up to 50 gallons for a bath.
- Shutting off water while brushing your teeth, washing your hair, and shaving can save up to 500 gallons a month.
- Use a water-efficient showerhead. They are inexpensive, easy to install, and can save you up to 750 gallons a month.
- Running your clothes washer and dishwasher only when they are full. You can save up to 1,000 gallons a month.
- Water plants only when necessary.
- Fix leaky toilets and faucets. To check your toilet for a leak, place a few drops of food coloring in the tank and wait. If it seeps into the toilet bowl without flushing, you have a leak. Fixing it or replacing it with a new, more efficient model can save up to 1,000 gallons a month.
- Teach your children about water conservation to ensure a future generation that uses water wisely. Make it a family effort to reduce next month's water bill!
- Visit www.epa.gov/watersense for more information.

Source Water Protection Tips

Protection of drinking water is everyone's responsibility. You can help protect your community's drinking water source in several ways:

- Eliminate excess use of lawn and garden fertilizers and pesticides - they contain hazardous chemicals that can reach your drinking water source.
- Pick up after your pets.
- Dispose of chemicals properly; take used motor oil to a recycling center.
- Volunteer in your community. Find a watershed or wellhead protection organization in your community and volunteer to help. If there are no active groups, consider starting one. Use EPA's Adopt Your Watershed to locate groups in your community or visit the Watershed Information Network's How to Start a Watershed Team.

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Other Information

During the Covid-19 restrictions / stay at home orders, the Utility Department was and is still available 24/7/365. Phone numbers for water or sewer emergencies are posted at the utility infrastructure maintained by the utility.

Monitoring and reporting of compliance data violations

No monitoring or data compliance violations.

Additional Information for Lead

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Little River Band of Ottawa Indians is responsible for providing high quality drinking water but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.



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Water Quality Data Table

To ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the number of contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The table below lists all the drinking water contaminants that we detected during the calendar year of this report, unless otherwise noted. Although many more contaminants were tested, only those substances listed below were found in your water. All sources of drinking water contain some naturally occurring contaminants. At low levels, these substances are generally not harmful in our drinking water. Removing all contaminants would be extremely expensive, and in most cases, would not provide increased protection of public health. A few naturally occurring minerals may improve the taste of drinking water and have nutritional value at low levels. The EPA or the State requires us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants do not vary significantly from year to year, or the system is not considered vulnerable to this type of contamination. As such, some of our data, though representative, may be more than one year old. In this table you will find terms and abbreviations that might not be familiar to you. To help you better understand these terms, we have provided the definitions below the table.

Contaminants	MCLG or MRDLG	MCL, TT, or MRDL	Detect in Your Water	Range	Sample Date	Violation	Typical Source
Disinfectants & Disinfection By-Products							
(There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants)							
Halo-acetic Acids (HAA5) (ppb)	NA	60	14.6 ppb	NA	NA	2022	No By-product of drinking water chlorination
TTHMs [Total Trihalomethanes] (ppb)	NA	80	29 ppb	NA	NA	2022	No By-product of drinking water disinfection
Inorganic Contaminants							
Nitrate [measured as Nitrogen] (ppm)	10	10	0.74 ppm Well 1 1.2 ppm Well 2	N/A	N/A	2022	No Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits
Contaminants	MCLG	AL	Detect in Your Water	Sample Date	# Samples Exceeding AL	Exceeds AL	Typical Source
Inorganic Contaminants							
Copper - action level at consumer taps (ppm)	1.3	1.3	0.31 ppm	2022	0	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits
Inorganic Contaminants							

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Contaminants	MCLG	AL	Detect in Your Water	Sample Date	# Samples Exceeding AL	Exceeds AL	Typical Source
Lead - action level at consumer taps (ppb)	0	15	5.4 ppb	2022	0	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits

Unit Descriptions

Term	Definition
ppm	ppm: parts per million, or milligrams per liter (mg/L)
ppb	ppb: parts per billion, or micrograms per liter (µg/L)
NA	NA: not applicable
ND	ND: Not detected
NR	NR: Monitoring not required but recommended.

Important Drinking Water Definitions

Term	Definition
MCLG	MCLG: Maximum Contaminant Level Goal: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
MCL	MCL: Maximum Contaminant Level: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
TT	TT: Treatment Technique: A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.
AL	AL: Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
Variances and Exemptions	Variances and Exemptions: State or EPA permission not to meet an MCL or a treatment technique under certain conditions.
MRDLG	MRDLG: Maximum residual disinfection level goal. The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
MRDL	MRDL: Maximum residual disinfectant level. The highest level of disinfectant is allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.
MNR	MNR: Monitored Not Regulated
MPL	MPL: State Assigned Maximum Permissible Level

For more information please contact:

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 Manistee, MI 49660
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Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Education Department

Educational Activities

In addition to the Tribal Education Programs listed on this website, the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Education Department also provide several educational activities for Tribal children. While some funding limits these activities to enrolled Tribal members only, most often anyone is welcome to attend. Please watch the Little River Currents for detailed information about the events and activities and keep an eye on your mailbox for flyers and applications for some of these activities. As always, if you hear about an event or activity and have questions about it, please feel free to contact the Education Department

Education Department Programs

Higher Education Scholarship – Application - This Scholarship is available to any enrolled tribal citizen who is attending a non-profit accredited college or university, has applied for all other available financial aid, and shows unmet need. The summer semester is currently not an eligible semester for this scholarship.

College Book Stipend Program – Application - Enrolled tribal citizens attending a non-profit accredited college or university, depending on the number of credits for which they are enrolled, may receive \$200, \$300, or \$500 to assist in purchasing college textbooks and supplies per semester. This program should be viewed as a reimbursement program as it is not always possible for a student to receive a Book Stipend check before they need to purchase their books. Please print the application in color and submit the original application, not a photocopy.

Michigan Indian Tuition Waiver (MITW) – Application - The MITW is not a tribal program, but the Education Department, in combination with the Enrollment Department will process the Michigan Indian Tuition Waiver application for eligible tribal members. Those eligible are $\frac{1}{4}$ or more blood quantum, 12-month residents of Michigan, and attending a public college or university in Michigan. The MITW covers tuition only. Make sure to include a copy of your Michigan Driver's License or State of Michigan ID, Tribal ID, and if you choose, a copy of your Social Security Card.

Vocational Education Assistance Program – Application - This assistance is available to any enrolled tribal citizen who is attending a state agency-approved or accredited vocational/technical program, has applied for all other available financial aid and shows unmet need. This award can provide up to \$4,000 per semester/term/program. Please contact the Education Department to determine if the school you are considering will qualify.

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Education Department Programs

Tutoring Assistance Program – Application - This program provides up to \$500 to assist with the costs of a qualified and approved tutor for enrolled tribal citizens that meet program eligibility requirements. There are a limited number of tutoring assistance grants per year which will be distributed on a first-come-first-serve basis to eligible applicants. The Education Department asks that all tribal citizens access any free tutoring programs available in your area through the school, our department, or other agencies.

Program eligibility requirements: Elementary students must be functioning at one grade level or more below grade level in reading and/or math. Middle school and high school students must be failing two or more classes.

Tutor qualification requirements: Tutors for tutees in elementary school must have completed one year of full-time college-level courses that must include a math course and a teaching reading course. Tutors for tutees in high school and middle school must have completed one year of full-time college-level courses that must include at least one college-level course in the subject area for which they will be tutoring.

Documentation for program eligibility requirements and tutor qualification requirements must be submitted with the application.

LRBOI Student Services

Students enrolled in pre-school through 12th grade in January of a given year are eligible for student services. Services include School Clothing/Activities assistance, which is currently \$500, to be spent on either activity such as sports, camps, band, regalia, or other activities in which students participate, and school clothing. To apply for school clothing and/or activities, please print and complete the LRBOI Student Services School Clothing/Activities application available below. Our budget year does NOT follow the school year. This program is available from January 1 of a given year to December 1 of the same year. When you send the application, please attach receipts from the previous year's funding. In 2021, you may have already submitted your 2020 receipts. If so, please note that when you send in the application. When you receive your 2021 funding, hang on to the school clothing receipts to submit with the 2022 School Clothing/Activities application. If you are using part or all the funds for activities, you will need to submit a receipt to receive reimbursement or a bill or invoice for us to pay the vendor. The receipt or bill/invoice must be submitted with the request. Funding used for school clothing, receipts are due when you reapply for the next calendar year funds, so between January 1 and December 1.

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LRBOI Student Services

LRBOI Student Services School Clothing/Activities Application – Application - LR-BOI Tribal Student Services Driver's Training Assistance \$250 is available for assisting with driver's training expenses. Send a letter with the student's name, address, and tribal ID number, indicating you are seeking reimbursement or payment for Driver's Training. Must include a receipt for reimbursement or bill/invoice for us to pay the vendor. This is available one-time only.

Class Ring - \$100 toward a class ring. Send a letter with the student's name, address, and tribal ID number, indicating you are seeking assistance for a class ring. Include receipt for reimbursement, or bill/invoice for us to pay the vendor. This is available one-time only.

Student Services Senior Expenses - \$200 toward senior pictures. Send a letter with the student's name, address, and tribal ID number, indicating you are seeking reimbursement or payment for senior pictures. Must include the receipt for reimbursement or bill/invoice for us to pay the vendor.

\$125 toward cap and gown/announcements. This is typically Josten's order, so may contain additional items such as extra tassel, class key, hoodie, etc. Receipt for reimbursement, bill/invoice for payment to the vendor must be included. These items are available one-time only.

12th Grade Computer - \$1000 for a computer and accessories. This program is not available to Seniors until January of their senior year. Submit a letter with the student's name, address, tribal ID number, indicating you are requesting the 12th Grade computer funds. You must attach something that verifies enrollment in 12th grade- can include grades, or a letter from the school, or something that shows the student is enrolled in 12th grade. After the request, the student will receive a check. Receipts for purchases must be returned within 30 days to LRBOI Education Department, 2608 Government Center Drive, Manistee MI 49660.

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Peacemaking Department

The Peacemaking Program has gone through many changes over the years. We are now making another change, a change for a new generation. If you are a new employee or an employee who hasn't heard about peacemaking or what the service does. Now is the perfect time to give us a call, email or simply stop by, we will be happy to answer all your questions.

Peacemaking

Peacemaking is not a new concept; it is part of our Tribal heritage. At the core of Peacemaking the process could be described as, "Restoring Balance."

Our Tribal heritage

When there is a conflict, Peacemakers help address the problem and guide all those involved to reach an understanding and solve their problems. The key to achieving this is, Communication. Communication can be difficult; however, the Peacemaking process gives each Participant a chance to be heard and opening up those lines of communication.

The Participants are Family members, married couples, employees, community members, school students, committees and governmental departments.

Peacemaking explores the issues and possible causes of the dispute, problem or issue and helps direct the participants to understand and create a new working relationship, start the healing process, and define a new balance in their lives.

The Peacemaking Program is looking for a whole new generation of tribal members and tribal member employees to sign-up and become a Little River Peacemaker. Just make a call to 1(231) 398-2239 or Email patrickwilson@lrboi-nsn.gov



Members Legal Assistance

Members Legal Assistance Attorney

The Members' Legal Assistance Attorney is a full-time Legal Attorney who offers legal advice and helps with written legal documents. This allows legal assistance to our Tribal Members. The Members Legal Assistance Attorney urges all Tribal members to call with any legal issue you may encounter. The Attorney will meet with Tribal members in the Muskegon office with an advanced appointment.

The Attorney cannot appear in court with a Tribal member or assist with issues that involve the Tribe, but can assist with providing legal guidance and drafting up documents, including, but not limited to, the following:

1. **Estate Planning:** The Attorney can draft Wills, Power of Attorneys, Medical Power of Attorneys, and Trusts.
2. **Real Estate:** The Attorney can assist with the purchase, sale, or transfer of real estate. The attorney can assist with foreclosures for forfeitures.
3. **Landlord – Tenant:** The Attorney can assist with evictions or any other issues with a landlord or a tenant.
4. **Divorce, Child Custody, Child Support:** The Attorney can assist if a Tribal Member is involved in a divorce, has issues with child custody, visitation, or child support.
5. **Probate of Estates:** The Attorney can assist with Probating a deceased's Will in State or Tribal Court.
6. **Criminal Matters:** The Attorney can give legal advice if a Tribal Member is charged with a criminal offense and explain the legal process. This includes juvenile offenses.
7. **Civil Matters:** The Attorney can give legal advice if a Tribal member is involved in a civil lawsuit. While the Attorney cannot officially represent the Member in court, the Attorney has been successful at resolving Civil Lawsuits without appearing in court. This includes accusations of abuse or neglect of a child against a parent.
8. **Paternity, DNA testing, Birth Certificates:** The Attorney can assist Tribal Members in establishing paternity, including the use of DNA testing, and making changes to birth certificates.

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9. **Guardianships and Conservatorships:** The Attorney can assist in obtaining Guardianships and Conservatorships for minors or for persons who are unable to care for themselves.
10. **Driver's Licenses:** The Attorney can assist Tribal members who are trying to get their driver's license restored through the Secretary of State.
11. **SSI and Per Cap:** The Attorney can assist Tribal members understand how Per Cap Affects SSI and other benefits.
12. **General Legal Advice:** The Attorney can give general legal advice for any type of legal issue that a Tribal Member may have except for issues that involve the Tribe.

If you have been served with a Summons and Complaint, contact the Attorney IMMEDIATELY for Assistance.

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Special Note:

From the Members Legal Attorney:

During Government Center Closure Mary W. can meet in person with notice and advanced appointment.



Little River Holdings Update

Museum of the United States Army

The Little River Holdings LLC, a wholly owned economic enterprise of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians, would like to inform the Board that its Government Contracting Division Little River Government Contracting, an 8(a) and HUBZone Certified entity, was recently alerted about providing a multi-year sole source contract for Facilities & Maintenance Services for the National Museum of the United States Army.

This 5-year contract for \$30 Million for Facilities & Maintenance Services is in addition to the 5-year \$19.4 Million artifact cleaning contract awarded to LRGC earlier this year.

Gross Profit Breakdown conservative projections

Artifacts Cleaning: 5-year \$19.4 Million
\$350K projected annual gross profits per contract year

Facilities & Maintenance: 5-year \$30 Million (Partnering with CMS) = \$15.3 Million
\$275K projected annual gross profits per contract year

Combined annual gross profits: \$625,000

Kudo's go out to John Baily and his entire staff at LRGC. Since the Board reorganized the EDC leadership back in October of 2022 John and his team have been busy changing our contracting narrative. John and his team bring strategic partnerships from past Governmental Contracting and Military backgrounds. John and his team are all rooted in innovated thinking and a great asset to Little River Holdings. Thank you, John, Mollie, Lance and Colonel Hester, for all that you do.



Little River Holdings, LLC July 2023 Update



NEWS

Manistee Gateway Project ~

Gateway Update- LRH is in the process of working with Architects and Engineers to finalize the project concept plans. The project team will submit and apply for permits from the city very soon along with submitting our PUD application.

LRH is working with Architects and Engineers to finalize the project plans. The project team is now applying for permits from the City. Soon we will apply for funding assistance for the project from the City and State. Construction will start in 2024.

*Look for us at the 2023 Powwow!
Have a safe and enjoyable Summer!*

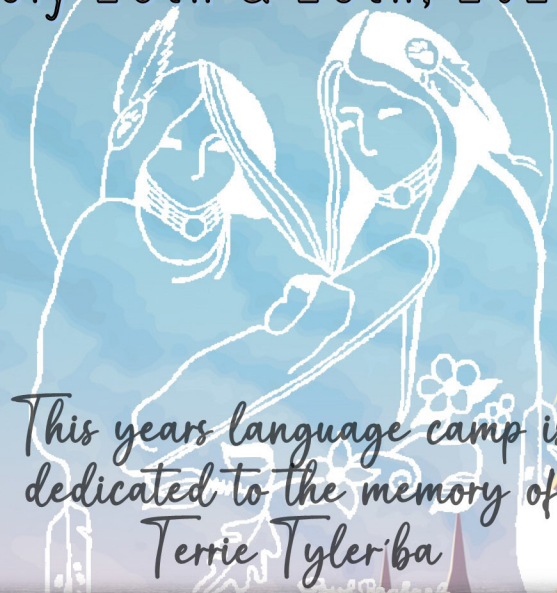
28th Annual
2023 Anishinaabe Family
Language & Culture Camp

"Celebrating the Unity of Our Language & Culture"
July 28th & 29th, 2023

**Sunrise Ceremony,
Traditional clothing with
respect for all**

**Bring your tribal flag,
giveaway gift, and feast
bundles**

**Presentations:
cultural teachings,
traditional medicines,
craft making, games, and
language learning**



*This years language camp is
dedicated to the memory of
Terrie Tyler'ba*

**2596 Loon Drive
Manistee, MI
(LRBOI Pow Wow Grounds)**

No Registration Fee

Meals Provided

**Camping available
*first come, first basis**

Restrooms/Bath House

Friday, July 28

Waabini Manidookewin
(Sunrise Ceremony)

9:00A-12:00P **Set Up Camp**

Set Up Tables, Chairs, Registration, PA
System, and Kitchen

12:00P **Lunch**

1:00P-5:00P **Presentations**

5:00P **Dinner**

7:00P - 9:00P **Talent Show**

Saturday, July 29

Waabini Manidookewin
(Sunrise Ceremony)

8:00A

Breakfast

9:00A-12:00P

Presentations

12:00P

Lunch

1:00-4:00P

Presentations

4:00P

Baseball

5:00P

Dinner

7:00-9:00P

Jiingtamok

9:00P

Givaway

Tear down, stack tables and chairs

Think Recycle, Bring your feast bundles, Tribal Flags

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Call to register so we can prepare
the meals accordingly.



More Information & updates
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed
Translations provided by Kenny Contact Kenny at Kennypheasant(
2 Let's speak our language Anishinaabemdaa	3 The male species of our nation (singular) Anishinaabe	4 The male species of our nation (plural) Anishinaabek	5 The female species of Anishin.
9 A sunrise ceremony Waabini manidookewin	10 A smudging ceremony Pkwenezige manidookewin	11 A smudge bowl Pkwenezige naagaanhs	12 A sacr Kchitwaa
16 A prayer Namewin	17 Prayers Namewinan	18 Let's pray Namaadaa	19 Pray for Nameto
23 Breakfast Kizhepaa wiisiniwin	24 Let's eat breakfast Kizhepaa wiisinidaa	25 Let's eat lunch Naakwejigedaa	26 Supper/ Naakshi w
30 They are dancing Niimwok	31 They are having a giveaway Miigwewingewok		

JULY (Berry moon)

	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>y Pheasant.</p> <p>@lrboi-nsn.gov</p>			<p>1</p> <p>The language of the Anishinaabe nation</p> <p>Anishinaabemowin</p>
<p>our nation (singular)</p> <p>aaabe kwe</p>	<p>6</p> <p>The female species of our nation (plural)</p> <p>Anishinaabe kwek</p>	<p>7</p> <p>A ceremony</p> <p>Manidookewin</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Ceremonies</p> <p>Manidookewinan</p>
<p>ed fire</p> <p>shkwaade</p>	<p>13</p> <p>A teaching</p> <p>Kinomaagewin</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Teachings</p> <p>Kinomaagewinan</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Three fires</p> <p>Nswi shkwaaden</p>
<p>r him/her</p> <p>oo maaba</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Let's pray for him/her</p> <p>Nametoowaadaa maaba</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Let's pray for them</p> <p>Nametoowaadaa gewe</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Pray for me</p> <p>Nametooshin</p>
<p>/dinner</p> <p>wiisiniwin</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Let's eat supper/dinner</p> <p>Naakshi wiisinidaa</p>	<p>28</p> <p>They are performing/entertaining</p> <p>Maajiinwok</p>	<p>29</p> <p>They are singing</p> <p>Nagaamwok</p>

Little River Band Of Ottawa Indians

25th Annual

JINGTAMOK

July 15th & 16th Grand Entries:
2023 Sat 1pm & 7pm Sun 12pm

Host Drum:
Showtime Singers, SD

CoHost Drum:
Eagle Flight, Ont, Canada

Master of Ceremonies:
Jason Whitehouse, MI

Arena Director:
Mike Medawis

Head Veteran:
Frank Lewis

Dance Competitions:

1st place - \$600
Men's Traditional 2nd place - \$400
Women's Traditional 3rd place - \$200
Women's Jingle 4th place - \$100

Teen Girls Jingle 12-17 Special sponsored by the outgoing Princess
1st place - \$300 2nd place - \$200 3rd place - \$100

For More Info Contact:
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231-330-9025

Vendor Contact:
Gary DiPiazza
231-398-6825

Princess Contest Contact:
Venus Wilson-Torres
231-398-6845

Youth Dance (July 14th) Contact:
Julie Wolfe
231-398-6834

Grass Dance Special in memory of Tahca Milk Asanpi

1st place - \$700+Jacket
2nd place - \$500+Jacket
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POWWOW SPECIALS

- Healing the Healers Special (Saturday afternoon)
- Purple Shawl Project
- Grass Dance Special in Honor of Jason "Chief" Morgan sponsored by Family & Friends
- Ironman and Ironwoman
- Woodland and Applique Specials
- Fancy Bustle Dance Special
- Contemporary Vs. Old Style Men's Traditional
- Grand Entry Champion
- Hand Drum Competition – all ages
- Team Dance
- Potato Dance
- Street Dance
- Highlighted dances
- Snake Dance
- Buffalo Dance

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Cetan "Hawk"
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- Best Western | Wayland, MI
- Bay Pointe Inn | Gun Lake, MI
- Holiday Inn Express | Hastings, MI

Campgrounds:

- Miller Lake Campground | Hopkins, MI
- Sun Retreats Gun Lake | Hopkins, MI
formerly Hidden Ridge RV Resort

SUNDAY, JULY 9
HONORING THE GRADS • 10:30 A.M.

GRAND ENTRY • 1:00 P.M.

Head Male: Tony Wahweotten
Head Female: Summer Baldwin
Head Jr. Male: Aydrion Day
Head Jr. Female: Selese Syrette



Purple Shawl Honor Song & Recognition • 4:00 p.m.

A collaborative effort between the Gun Lake Tribe Domestic Violence Program and the Gun Lake Tribe Elder Services

Masters of Ceremony: "MCs"

Shannon Martin – Gun Lake Pottawatomi & LCO Ojibway
Nathan Issac – Aamjiwnaang First Nation

QUESTIONS?

Drum space limited, Non-Invited Drums please email prior to powwow to confirm. Please contact culture@glt-nsn.gov

Vendors can apply here:

<https://tinyurl.com/2023PowwowVendor>

Camping:

- First come first served no electric or sewer hookups.*
- RV Camping
 - Rustic Camping

Drugs and alcohol are prohibited on Tribal property. 24 hour security provided by Gun Lake Tribe Public Safety Officers. No pets allowed on or near the dance arena, service animals only. Lifeguard on duty for both Saturday and Sunday; all children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by an adult. Gun Lake Tribe is not responsible for lost or stolen items. In case of emergency, contact the nurse at Nurse's Station before dialing 911. We have an ambulance on standby if needed. Please leave firearms at home.

Lawn games provided by Gun Lake Tribe. Please use the hashtag #GLTPOWWOW to share photos and videos of the event these may be used for promotional and or educational purposes.

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2023

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Joel Syrette

Arena Directors:

Waub Rainey

Mark Kingbird

Head dancers:

Mike Demain

Lavender Kingbird

Head Veteran:

Donald Chosa Jr.

Host Drum:

Warpaint

Co-Host:

Bad River

KBIC Drums:

Woodland

Loon Travelers

Grand Entries:

Friday 7pm

Saturday 1pm & 7pm

Sunday 1pm

Specials

6-17yrs, Jr. Girls Jingle \$500, \$300, \$200, \$100, \$50

6-17yrs. Jr. Boy's Woodland \$500, \$300, \$200, \$100, \$50

18+ Woman's Jingle \$1000, \$800, \$600, \$400, \$200

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Visiting Drums Split

Dancer Honorariums



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Christine Awonohopy 906-353-2626

Gabrielle Picciano 906-353-6623 ext. 4195

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39th Annual

July 28, 29 & 30, 2023

Grand Entry

Friday: 7 p.m. | Saturday: 1 p.m. | Sunday: 12 p.m.

Saginaw Chippewa Tribal Campground

7525 E. Tomah Rd., Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858

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- Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort | 1.888.732.4537
- Soaring Eagle Waterpark and Hotel | 1.877.232.4532
- The Retreat at Soaring Eagle | 1.877.232.4532

Registration:

- Registration closes on Friday at 6:45 p.m. and Saturday at 12:45 p.m.

Vendors:

- Must be approved for set up
- Please email: powwowcommittee@sagchip.org
- Or website for application: <http://www.sagchip.org/pow-wow>

Host Drum: Young Enemy

Head Veteran: Raymond Cadotte

Masters of Ceremonies:

Paul Raphael & Brian Moore

Arena Director: Mark Kingbird Sr.

Arena Director: Mike Medawis

Drum Judge: Harvey Dreaver

Male Dance Judge: Wesley Cleland

Female Dance Judge: Tracy Cleland

Head Female Dancer: Delina White

Head Male Dancer: Gerald White

Fire Keeper: Steven Oldman

Sound: Hoka Sound

• **Dance Contests:** TBA

• **Drum Contest:** TBA

• **Committee Specials:** TBA

www.sagchip.org/pow-wow

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For more information, contact: SCIT Powwow Committee at 989.775.4000 or PowwowCommittee@Sagchip.org



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1:00 p.m.

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VENDORS

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All Vendors Must be Approved

Vendor Contact: Ta'Shena Sams

TaShena.Sams@gtb-nsn.gov

(231) 313-6494

For More Information:

Aaron Chivis • (231) 534-7764

Or Reach Out On Facebook At:

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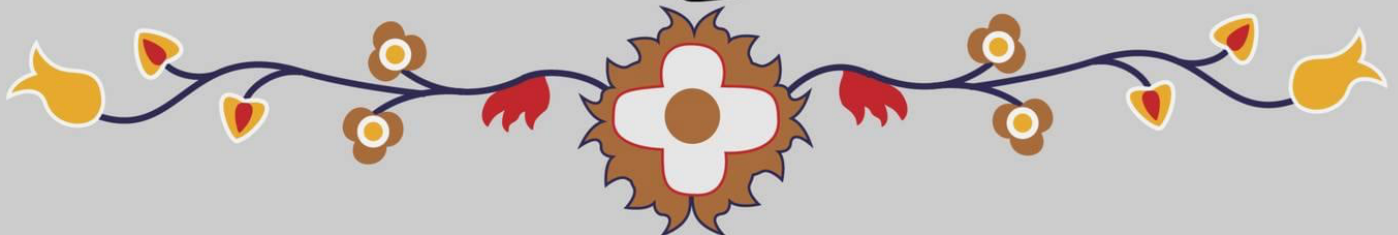
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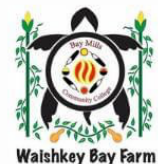
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