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Elected Officials

Ogema	District	Term	Phone	Email
Larry Romanelli	At Large	2023-2027	231-398-6824	ogema@lrboi-nsn.gov
Council	District	Term	Phone	Email
Tammy Burmeister (S)	9 County	2023-2027	231-398-6833	tburmeister@lrboi-nsn.gov
Al Metzger	Outlying	2023-2027	231-398-6869	almetzger@lrboi-nsn.gov
Misty Silvis	9 County	2023-2027	231-398-6838	mistysilvis@lrboi-nsn.gov
Ron Wittenberg	Outlying	2023-2027	231-398-6828	ronwittenberg@lrboi-nsn.gov
Gary DiPiazza	9 County	2021-2025	231-398-6825	garydipiazza@lrboi-nsn.gov
Pam Johnson (R)	Outlying	2021-2025	231-398-6836	pamjohnson@lrboi-nsn.gov
Shirley Wever	9 County	2021-2025	231-398-6802	shirleywever@lrboi-nsn.gov
Shannon Crampton*	Outlying	2021-2025	231-398-6885	shannoncrampton@lrboi-nsn.gov
Julie Wolfe	At Large	2021-2025	231-398-6834	juliewolfe@lrboi-nsn.gov

Election Board	District	Term	Phone	Email
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Kathy Gibson	At Large	2023-2027	231-398-6709	electionboard@lrboi-nsn.gov
Shawna Gonzalez	At Large	2021-2027	231-398-6709	electionboard@lrboi-nsn.gov
Lee Ivinson*	At Large	2021-2027	231-398-6709	electionboard@lrboi-nsn.gov
Janine Sam*	At Large	2021-2025	231-398-6709	electionboard@lrboi-nsn.gov

Chief Judge	District	Term
Angela Sherigan		

Associate Judge	District	Term
Caroline LaPorte**		

Appellate Judge	District	Term
Bernie Darrow		
Melissa Pope		
Bernadene Crampton		

Voting Districts

At Large means all registered voters shall have the opportunity to vote for the seat.

9 County means all registered voters who reside within the 9 County district shall have the opportunity to vote for the seat.

Outlying means all registered voters who reside outside of the 9 County district shall have the opportunity to vote for the seat.

*Finishing term that started 2021 **Finishing term that started 2019

YOUR
Vote
COUNTS

LRBOI Service Department Contacts

Education

Yvonne Parsons

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Services:

Michigan Indian Tuition V
Vocational Education Assistance
Higher Education Scholarship
College Book Stipend Program
Tutoring Assistance
Student Services School Clothing/Activities
Student Services Driver's Training Assist.
Class Ring Assistance
Senior Pictures Assistance
Cap, Gown & Announcement Assistance
12th Grade Computer Assistance



Housing

Tara Bailey

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Services:

Low Income Rentals - Elder designated housing, elder designated ADA housing, family housing, family ADA housing
Fair market housing
Section 184 Indian Home Loan Assistance
Down Payment & Closing Cost Assistance



Food Distribution

Jamie Friedel

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Services:

USDA Commodities Distribution – The Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations provides a variety of Commodity Foods to low-income households living on or near Indian reservations. Foods include fresh and canned vegetables, frozen meats, breakfast cereals, cheese, and butter. The FDPIR is an alternative to the Food Stamp Program.



Enrollment

Dianne Lonn

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Services:

Enrollment Process
Tribal Identification (ID)
Judgment Funds
Address Changes
Tribal Directory Information
Bereavement Program
Per Capita Beneficiary Form
Notary Services
Per Capita Information Services
Direct Deposit Form
Tax withholding on Per Capita

Family Services

E: familyservices@lrboi-nsn.gov

O: 231-398-6707 or 398-6651

Services:

Individual Self-Sufficiency Education & Assistance
Family Self-Sufficiency Education & Assistance
Indian Child Welfare Intervention & Reunification Services
Elder Support Services
Family Violence Protection, Education, Advocacy and Counseling
Trauma Based Counseling
Positive Indian Parenting Program

LRBOI Service Department Contacts

Health Services



O: 231-723-8299
O: 231-398-6601

Services:

Family Medicine
Foot and Ankle Clinic
Community Health Nurse
Diabetic Educator
Purchase & Referred Care (PRC)
Extended Health Assist. Program (EHAP)
Pharmacy
Fitness Center



Members Assistance

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Services:

Low Income Energy Assistance - LIHEAP
Food Assistance
Rental & Mortgage Assistance
Elder Meal Program
& Elder Chore Service
Emergency Transportation Assistance
Referral Assistance Service - help with finding assistance organization/agencies to assist with unmet needs.
Interdepartmental Referral Services - help to provide coordination and collaboration with tribal service departments.

Tax Department

Valerie Chandler

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Services:

Tax-exempt Motor Fuel Program
Tribal Certificates of Exemption for Resident Tribal Members
Tribal Certificates of Exemption for Tribal Entities
Tribal Tax Licenses
Tribal Business Licenses
Commercial and Subsistence Fishers

Members Legal Assistance

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Estate Planning, Trust Preparation & Wills
Probates of Estates
Durable Power of Attorney
Durable Power of Medical Attorney
Real Estate
Land-Lord Tenant Matters
Divorce, Custody and Support
Criminal and Civil Matters
Paternity & DNA Testing
Birth Certificates
Guardianships & Conservatorships
Driver's Licenses
General Legal Advice

The attorney cannot appear in court with a tribal member or assist with issues that involve the Tribe. Attorney can assist with providing legal advice and drafting of documents.

Note that some of the assistance programs offered through Members Assistance is available to citizens living within the 9 county service area. Contact Members Assistance for details and possible referrals to help at other organizations and agencies.

LRBOI Service Department Contacts

Manistee

Government Center

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians
2608 Government Center Drive
Manistee, MI 49660
Main: 231-723-8288 / 888-723-8288

Little River Health Service Center

2608 Government Center Drive
Manistee, MI 49660
Main: 231-723-8299 / 888-382-8299
Office: 231-398-6601
Pharmacy: 231-398-3853

Food Distribution

2690 Dontz Rd
Manistee, MI 49660
Main: 231-723-8288 / 888-723-8288
Office: 231-398-6716 / 231-655-1041

Housing Department

2953 Shaw Be Quo-Ung
Manistee, MI 49660
Main: 231-723-8288 / 888-723-8288
Office: 231-398-6875 / 231-398-6879

Aki Maadiziwin Community Center

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Manistee, MI 49660
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Justice Center

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Manistee, MI 49660
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Natural Resources

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Muskegon

Tribal Office

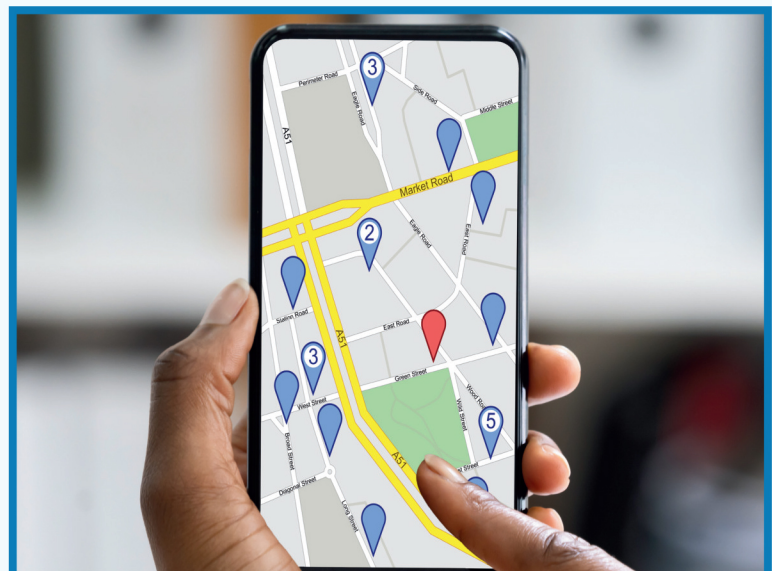
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Muskegon, MI 49441
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Little River Health Service Center

4905 S. Harvey St.
Norton Shore, MI 49441
Main: 231-723-8299 / 888-382-8299
Office: 231-398-6601
Pharmacy: 231-398-3853
Services include Family Medicine,
Pharmacy and Radiology.

Little River Health Center of Ellis

1478 E. Ellis Rd
Muskegon, MI 49444
Main: 231-723-8299 / 888-382-8299
Office: 231-398-6601
Pharmacy: 231-398-3853
Services include Behavioral Health,
PRC Dept., Admin Center, Dictation
Center, Laboratory Facility, and Foot
& Ankle Clinic.



Upcoming Tribal Events

Check the LRBOI Government Facebook page for more details and updates.

Elder's Meetings meet the first Saturday of every month, beginning at noon with luncheon at the Aki-Maadiziwin Community Center, unless otherwise scheduled. Elder's watch your mail for updates. Events occur in Manistee unless otherwise noted.

September

- September 7, 2024 - Elder's Picnic at the Gathering Grounds
- September 7, 2024 - Sturgeon Release

October

- October 4, 2024 - Ogema's Fall Meet & Greet
- October 5, 2024 - Fall Membership Meeting
- October 6, 2024 - Elder's Meeting (10am)

November

- November 1, 2 & 3, 2024 - Elder's Conference & Christmas Party

December

- December 5, 2024 - Children's Christmas Party

Tribal Government Holiday Observances

Our tribal government offices close for certain holidays. Below is the list of observed holidays and closures for the remainder of 2024. Holidays that fall on a Saturday are observed on Fridays and those falling on Sundays are observed on Mondays. Our Ogema may declare additional holidays and closures. Updates will be shared on our government Facebook page and in the Currents newsletter, whenever possible.

LRBOI Reaffirmation Day

When: September 21.

Observed: Friday, September 20, 2024.

Veteran's Day

When: November 11.

Observed: Monday, November 11, 2024.

Thanksgiving

When: Fourth Thursday in November.

Observed: Thursday, November 28, 2024.

Native American Heritage Day

When: Friday after Thanksgiving.

Observed: Friday, November 29, 2024.

Christmas Eve Day

When: December 24.

Observed: Tuesday, December 24, 2024. Half day closure. Closed Noon-5pm

Christmas Day

When: December 25.

Observed: Wednesday, December 25, 2024.



Tribal Council Meetings



Meetings occur Wednesdays at 10am (eastern) on the following dates.

September 11	October 2	November 6	December 4
September 18	October 9	November 13	December 11
September 25	October 16	November 20	December 18
	October 23	November 27	

Tribal Council Meeting & Work Sessions

Tribal Council publishes to the website, a weekly calendar of upcoming work sessions. Tribal Council uses the same On-Line Zoom link for their meetings and work sessions. All citizens are encouraged to attend meetings and work sessions.

Attend a Tribal Council Meeting

In-Person: 2608 Government Center Drive, Manistee, MI 49660
in the lodge located on the 2nd floor.

On-Line: Zoom Web Link: <https://tinyurl.com/2dobwevj>
Zoom Call-In Number: 1-929-436-2866
Zoom Meeting ID: 997 0579 6129
Zoom Passcode: 1836

Etiquette for On-Line Attendance

Identify Yourself: When asked to do so, share your first and last name along with your tribal ID number.

Mute Your Device: When you join the meeting, please mute your device. Mute again after you've spoken.

Raise Your Hand: When you want to be placed in the queue to speak, use the Zoom control to virtually raise your hand.

Tribal Council Meetings



A Guide to Using Zoom!

The following excerpts were sourced at <https://support.zoom.com>

How do I sign up for Zoom?

You can sign up for a free Zoom account at <https://zoom.us/signup#/signup>

How to download the Zoom client.

You can download the Zoom Desktop Client for macOS, Windows, Linux, and ChromeOS. Download the Zoom Mobile App for iOS and Android, from our Downloads page or your app store.

Create your own account.

To sign up for your own free account, visit the Zoom sign-up page and enter your email address. You will receive an email from Zoom (no-reply@zoom.us). In this email, click Activate Account.

How to sign into your Zoom account on the web

You can sign into your Zoom account on the web at any time, at zoom.us/signin. Once you're logged in, use the panel on the left side to navigate the Zoom web portal. You can update your profile, schedule a meeting, edit your settings, and more.

How to update your profile

You can update your profile by adding a profile picture, set your time zone, update your password and more. To access your Zoom profile, sign into the Zoom web portal and click Profile.

How to join another user's meeting

There are many ways to join a meeting, but the easiest way is to click the join link that the meeting host provided. You can also click Join in your Zoom client and enter the meeting ID. You may also be prompted for a meeting passcode, so keep the meeting invite information available. You can join a meeting by clicking the meeting link or going to join.zoom.us and entering in the meeting ID.

Election Board Meetings



Election Board Open Meeting Schedule

Meeting Dates | Submit Questions Deadline

Sep 19 | Sep 16 Oct 17 | Oct 14 Nov 21 | Nov18

Engage with the Election Board

Open Election Board meetings provide an opportunity for tribal citizens to engage with the election board, ask questions, and stay informed about the electoral process within our community. All open meetings will begin at 7:15pm. If no one joins the meeting by 7:30 pm, the open session will adjourn and transition into a closed session. To partake in the open meetings, please ensure your questions are submitted by Monday of the week of the meeting you plan to attend. This allows the election board ample time to prepare and address inquiries effectively. Stay engaged and informed about the process in our community by attending the LRBOI Election Board open meetings. Your participation matters!

Attend an Election Board Open Meeting

On-Line: Zoom Web Link: <https://tinyurl.com/2dobwevj>
Zoom Call-In Number: 1-929-436-2866
Zoom Meeting ID: 9998 0833 8390
Zoom Passcode: 743234

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Election Board Meetings



Statement from the Election Board

Dear Citizens during the implementation of the change for voter registration in the regulations, it was brought to the Board's attention that there were areas that were not clear regarding the regulatory requirements for registration. We have adopted clarifying language to address these concerns:

- 1) The voter registration change enacted will not affect the October 2024 Membership meeting. Citizens have until November 1 to register, which is clearly after the date of the membership meeting, but the Board added language to clarify that this voter registration process will apply for the April 2025 membership meeting.
- 2) Tribal ID expiration dates will not impact voter registration eligibility until July 2025. This language was added to clarify that any citizen that files a voter registration within the timeline will not be rejected for an expired tribal ID. The addition of the effective date provides citizens and the Enrollment department a full year to update any expired tribal ID.
- 3) The Board added language allowing up to 50 days prior to an election as the filing deadline for any voter registration forms. That means the deadline to register for the Primary and Regular Elections is now November 1, 2024, and if a citizen misses the November 1 deadline, they can still vote in the Regular Election by making sure to file their registration form by February 14, 2025. However, there will be no time left to fix a registration form that may need attention if the forms are sent in at the last minute and received on February 14th. Please make sure to send your registration forms in asap.

The regulation changes are immediately in effect, as the Board approved the clarifying language on July 26, 2024.

Anyone that has not filed the voter registration form must do so to ensure they will be eligible to vote in 2025 Primary and Regular elections.

Cooking Matters!



This summer, participants in the "Cooking Matters!" series at the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians (LRBOI) campground embarked on a culinary adventure, learning the timeless skill of cooking over an open fire. From June through August, six interactive sessions brought together community members eager to expand their culinary knowledge and embrace traditional cooking techniques.

Each session was more than just a cooking class; it was an experience steeped in culture and community. Under the guidance of experts from MSU Extension, participants learned to prepare and cook a variety of meals using open-fire methods. The series highlighted the versatility and flavor that open-fire cooking brings to food, allowing participants to connect with nature while honing their skills.



Cooking Matters!

This series was made possible through the support and collaboration of several dedicated LRBOI team members; Jamie Friedel from the LRBOI Food Distribution & Nutrition Center, Victoria Wells, the Elders Meals Coordinator, Holly Lindsey and Stephanie Persenaire from Family Spirits.



The Cooking Matters! series not only equipped participants with practical skills but also fostered a sense of community and cultural pride. Those who attended left with new recipes, greater confidence in their cooking abilities, and memories of shared meals and laughter around the fire.



As the series concluded in August, it was clear that Cooking Matters! had a lasting impact. Participants expressed their appreciation for the opportunity to learn, connect, and enjoy the rich flavors of open-fire cooking. The success of this series serves as a testament to the power of coming together to share knowledge, preserve traditions, and celebrate the simple joy of cooking and eating good food in the great outdoors.

Celebrating Achievements At The 36TH Annual MIFO



The 36th Annual Michigan Indian Family Olympics (MIFO) took place with much excitement and enthusiasm, bringing together Indigenous athletes from across Michigan. Hosted by the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe at Central Michigan University, this year's event was a testament to the strength, skill, and community spirit of its participants.

Our tribe placed sixth out of nine places. We had 44 register and 38 competed. Among the standout competitors were members of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians, who showcased their athletic prowess across a range of events, earning accolades and making their community proud. Here are the highlights of their achievements:

Bradley Paul Dominates the Track

Bradley Paul was a force to be reckoned with, earning first place in multiple track events. His impressive performances included:

- 1 Mile Run, Male ages 19-24: 1st Place
- 100 Meter Run, Male ages 19-24: 1st Place
- 400 Meter Run, Male ages 19-24: 1st Place
- Long Jump, Male ages 19-24: 3rd Place





Rising Stars in Track Events

Levi Wakemup shone in the 100 Meter Run, securing 3rd place in the Male ages 13-15 category. He also demonstrated exceptional skill in the Lacrosse Speed Shot, winning 1st place in his age group.

Raylee Wakemup delighted the audience with her performance in the 20 Meter Tot Trot, earning a 3rd place finish in the Female ages 3-4 category.

Mastery in Archery

Kenneth Snyder exhibited remarkable precision in the Archery competition, placing 2nd in the Male ages 25-32 category.

Scott Wahr demonstrated his archery skills, finishing 3rd in the Male ages 41-54 category. Additionally, Scott secured 2nd place in the Bean Bag Toss and 3rd place in the Lacrosse Speed Shot within his age group.

Roger Shalifoe also showed his expertise in archery, taking 2nd place in the Male ages 55-64 category. Roger continued to impress with a 3rd place finish in the Basketball Shot and 1st place in the Lacrosse Speed Shot in his age group.

Young Athletes Making Their Mark

Kiwedanung Lee displayed remarkable talent across multiple events, including a 3rd place finish in the Fitness Circuit and Jump Rope (Female ages 5-6), 1st place in the Obstacle Course, and 3rd place in the Softball Throws.

Waawaate Shotgun excelled in the Bean Bag Toss, earning 2nd place in the Male ages 1-2 category.

Noteworthy Performances in Various Events

Tavar Wahr showcased versatility by securing 2nd place in both the Basketball Shot (Female ages 41-54) and Bean Bag Toss (Female ages 41-54).

Lawrence Wakemup achieved 3rd place in the Lacrosse Speed Shot for Male ages 33-40.

Tom Shepard rounded out the list of achievers with a 3rd place finish in the Softball Throws for Male ages 65+.

The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians community is immensely proud of all the athletes who participated and demonstrated the values of sportsmanship, dedication, and excellence. Their achievements at the 36th Annual Michigan Indian Family Olympics are a source of inspiration and pride for all.

We look forward to seeing even more incredible performances and new records set in the future. Congratulations to all the participants and winners for their hard work and determination!

Community Garden Blossoms



The Aki Community Center was abuzz with activity as families and community members came together to create a vibrant community garden. Organized by Family Spirit and Family Services, the gardening series brought participants of all ages together from June through August.

The community garden initiative was more than just an opportunity to plant and harvest; it was a space where families could connect, learn, and grow together. Each session was filled with hands-on activities, from planting seeds and tending to the growing plants to harvesting fresh produce and engaging in creative crafts. The garden quickly became a place of learning, relaxation, and shared joy.



Community Garden Blossoms

Participants took pride in seeing the fruits of their labor as the garden flourished under their care. Children and adults alike marveled at the transformation of the garden beds as they nurtured the plants from seedlings to mature vegetables. Alongside the gardening activities, the series also featured craft projects that allowed participants to express their creativity and bond with one another.



The event was truly family-friendly, welcoming people of all ages and experience levels. Whether someone was an experienced gardener or planting seeds for the first time, there was something for everyone. The series provided a unique opportunity for the community to come together, share knowledge, and build lasting connections.



As the final session conclude participants reflected on the growth of not just the garden, but also the community spirit that had been cultivated throughout the summer. The success of the community garden project at the Aki Community Center highlighted the power of working together to create something beautiful and nourishing for all. Family Spirit and Family Services extend their heartfelt thanks to everyone who participated in and supported the community garden series.

LRCR 25th Anniversary

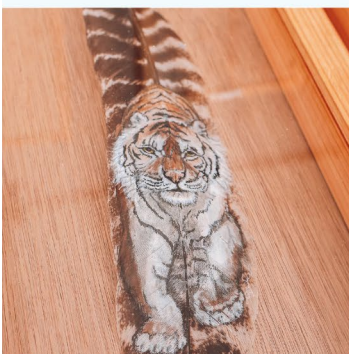
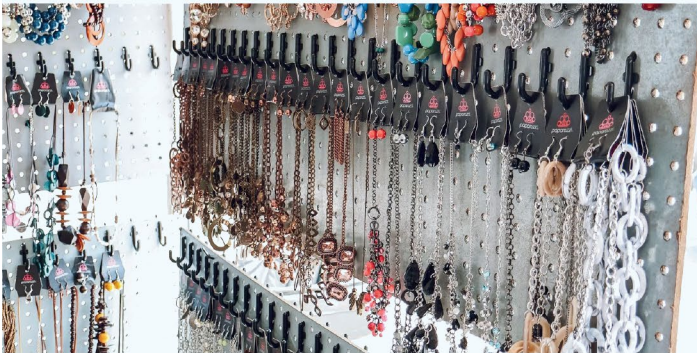
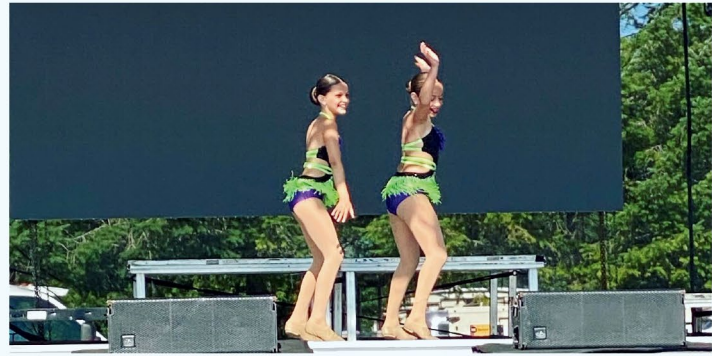


The Little River Casino Resort celebrated its 25th anniversary with a spectacular three-day event from July 19 to July 21. The celebration was a huge success, attracting visitors from all over, who enjoyed a mix of entertainment, food, and fun activities.

The festivities kicked off on Friday, July 19, with DJ Rhet setting the tone from 10 am to 6 pm. The Conservatory of Dance captivated the audience with a special performance from 10 am to 11 am. Throughout the day, attendees enjoyed a variety of vendor offerings including Zkede Indigenous BBQ & Catering, Bennett's Concessions, CBD products by Marie Shuey Fay, caricatures by Paul & Dave, a photo booth by Russell Johnson, jams and jellies by Jan Labrenz, and much more. The evening featured free outdoor concerts by DSB, a Journey tribute band, at 9 pm, followed by Prince Again at 11 pm.

Saturday, July 20, continued the celebrations with DJ Rhet once again providing music and the vendors opening at 10 am. The highlight of the day was the outdoor concerts featuring Dirty Americans at 6:30 pm and the legendary Queensryche at 8 pm, drawing large crowds and rave reviews.





The final day, Sunday, July 21, saw the vendors open at 10 am and a series of prize drawings inside the casino from 12 pm to 4 pm. The highlight of the day was the grand prize drawing for a 2024 Harley-Davidson CVO Street Glide motorcycle, providing an exhilarating conclusion to the weekend's festivities.

Feedback from attendees was overwhelmingly positive. Social media was abuzz with praise for the well-organized event. Many visitors took to platforms like Facebook, TikTok, and X (formerly Twitter) to share their experiences. Posts highlighted the enjoyable performances, delicious food, and the overall festive atmosphere.

Social media was abuzz with positive feedback from attendees. One Facebook user shared, "The 25th anniversary event at Little River Casino Resort was unforgettable! The live music, great food, and friendly atmosphere made for a perfect weekend." Another attendee posted on Instagram, "Queensryche rocked the night! What a fantastic show to celebrate the casino's milestone."

Overall, the 25th-anniversary celebration was a huge success, reflecting the vibrant community spirit and the exceptional entertainment offerings of Little River Casino Resort. For more information about upcoming events and promotions, visit their lrcr.com



2024 Peacemaking Conference

Peacemakers for a New Generation



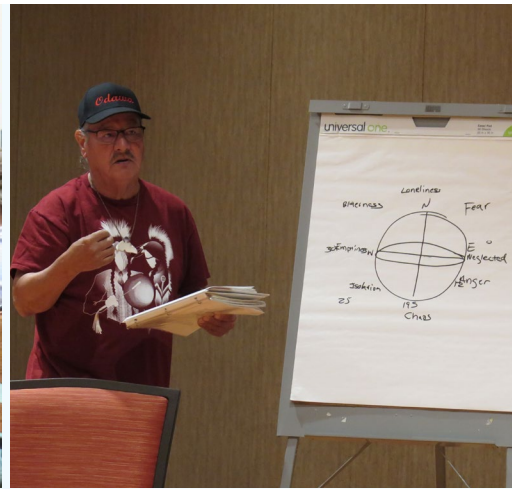
Patrick D. Wilson
Peacemaking/Probation Department Director



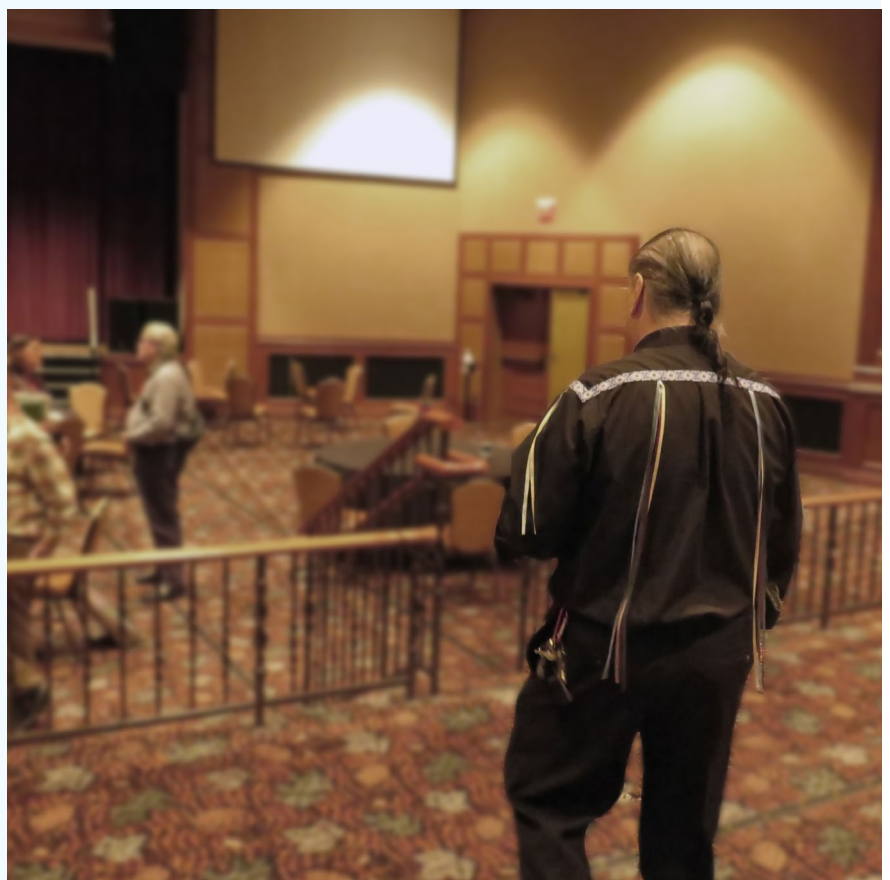
The 2024 Peacemakers Conference "Peacemakers for a New Generation" took place from August 14 to August 16 at the Little River Casino and Resort in Manistee, Michigan. Hosted by the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians' Peacemaking Probation Department, the event focused on promoting traditional indigenous methods of conflict resolution. It aims to engage tribal communities and the public in discussions about peacemaking practices and bring in a new generation of tribal Peacemakers.

The conference had many engaging presentations over the multi day event. Presenters included Judge Timothy P. Connors, Margret Connors, Joanne Cook, Juan "Chico" Dimas, Belinda Dulin, - Natasha Gourd, Jackie Hallberg, Brandy Hill, Brett Lee Shelton and Paul Raphael. Comedians Marc Yaffee and Homer Shadowhart provided comedic entertainment for the event.









Tribal Discounts At Little River Casino Resort



Little River
CASINO RESORT

The Little River Casino Resort offers a range of exclusive discounts for tribal citizens to enhance their stay and experience. A valid tribal ID is required to be shown for each and every purchase where the tribal discount is applied.

Hotel Accommodations

Tribal citizens can enjoy a special rate of \$89 plus taxes per night for a standard hotel room and \$139 plus taxes per night for a suite. These rates are subject to change, and a valid tribal ID must be presented at check-in. Please note that tribal discounts are not available during the July 4th weekend or on December 31.



Tribal Discounts At Little River Casino Resort

Gift Shop

At the White Pine Boutique, tribal citizens receive a 25% discount on most purchases. This discount does not apply to alcohol, tobacco, consignment merchandise, gift cards, or gift certificates. A valid tribal ID must be presented at the time of purchase. The tribal discount is unavailable during the July 4th weekend or on December 31.

Dining Discounts

Tribal citizens can enjoy daily dining discounts at the River Rock Sportsbook & Grill, Rapids Bistro, and Big Lake Buffet. A 20% discount is available for the tribal citizen and one guest, with additional guests charged at full price. This offer is valid for both dine-in and take-out, provided a valid tribal ID is shown at purchase.

Every Thursday, a special 50% dining discount is available for tribal citizens and up to five guests per tribal citizen, with additional guests charged at full price. This offer also applies to both dine-in and take-out orders, with a valid tribal ID required at purchase.

Notice Regarding Tribal Citizen Discounts

Please note that tribal citizen discounts cannot be combined with other offers, comps, coupons, or discounts at the Little River Casino Resort. The dining discount does not apply to conferences, banquets, or weddings, nor to food or beverages at the Little River Trading Post. Tribal discounts do not cover alcohol, tobacco, or gratuity. These discounts are not available during the July 4th weekend or on December 31.

For any questions regarding tribal citizen discounts, please contact a member of management at Little River Casino Resort for more information. Enjoy your discounts!

ALWAYS BE KIND TO TEAM MEMBERS AT LITTLE RIVER CASINO RESORT



Employee Discount At Little River Trading Post

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Team Member Discount

Motor Fuel @ Little River Trading Post

Save 5 cents per gallon.

Available to all Little River Band of Ottawa Indians team members, including team members working at Little River Casino Resort. Valid employee ID must be presented at time of purchase. Team member discount MAY be used with the Tribal citizen tax exemption.

Notice Regarding Team Member Discount

Please note that committee members, commission members and board members are not eligible for the team member discount.

Little River Trading Post Motor Fuel Cash Discount

Motor Fuel @ Little River Trading Post

Save 5 cents per gallon.

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Tax Exempt Purchases At Little River Trading Post

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Tribal citizens may utilize tax exempt purchasing on motor fuel and tobacco products at Little River Trading Post. A valid tribal ID is required to be shown for each and every tax exempt sale



Motor Fuel

Tribal citizens are exempt from the pre-paid sales and road taxes imposed by the state of Michigan on motor fuels when purchased from the Little River Trading Post. This exemption applies to both diesel and gasoline. Pre-paying for fuel is not allowed, you must pump fuel first. A valid tribal ID must be presented at the time of purchase. Eligible tribal citizens may purchase up to 175 gallons per month of gasoline, diesel, or a combination of the two. Tax-exempt purchase limits may change without notice. To complete a tax-exempt purchase, the following information must be logged: date, citizen ID number, citizen signature, license plate number, and fuel type (diesel or gasoline).



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Tobacco Products

Cigarettes

Tribal citizens are exempt from the \$2 excise tax imposed by the state of Michigan on cigarettes when purchased from the Little River Trading Post. A valid tribal ID must be presented at the time of purchase.

Eligible tribal citizens may purchase up to 70 packs of cigarettes per month for personal use. Non-resident tribal citizens will see \$2.12 off per pack on their receipt due to an additional 6% tax on the \$2.00 tax exemption. Resident tribal members do not pay this sales tax, so the system does not charge tax on the exemption.

The following information must be logged: date, citizen ID number, citizen signature, number of packs, and brand of cigarettes.

Other Tobacco Products (OTP)

Tribal citizens are exempt from some of the taxes imposed by the state of Michigan on OTP, which includes cigars, loose tobacco, snuff, and cigarillos (excluding hemp products, vape products, rolling papers, rolling devices, and other non-tobacco



Important Information

All purchases must be for personal use only. Fuel tax exemptions will not be given for two separate vehicles at one time. According to tribal tobacco and motor fuel regulations, purchasing for non-LRBOI tribal citizens is a civil infraction and may result in a civil penalty of \$100 per transaction. All tribal citizen vehicles must be registered with the tax office. Any changes in vehicle or license plate require a new registration with the tax office.

For questions, concerns or comments regarding tax exempt purchases, please contact the Tax Office at 231-398-3874 or 231-398-6856.

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Join us in building a vibrant legacy for the next seven generations by working for your tribe.

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Cooking Matters: Cooking Classes

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9/25/24, 5-7 p.m.

10/2/24, 5-7 p.m.

10/9/24, 5-7 p.m.

LOCATION:

1478 E Ellis Road
Muskegon, MI 49444

CONTACT US:

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PROGRAM SUMMARY:

Each class provides participants with education about how to prepare healthy meals on a limited budget. These one-time sessions are intended for parents, caregivers, and seniors. Kids are welcome.

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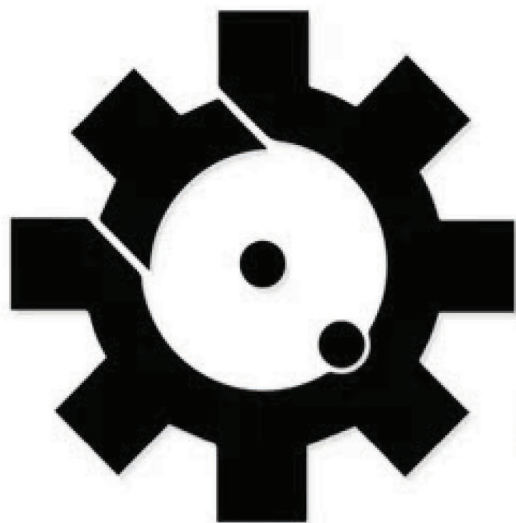
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3. CPL Certification Class

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