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(Moon of the Leaves Turning Color)

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Groundbreaking and blessing ceremony held for new Tribal school/Recreation project

NATALIE SHATTUCK

Editor

It's a dream coming to fruition. A groundbreaking and blessing ceremony was held for the new Tribal school/Recreation project on Thursday, July 28, immediately following the annual Homecoming Meeting at approximately 1:30 p.m. on the property.

The property is located on Remus Road, between Leaton and Shepherd roads.

The facility, which will be named Wii Maagiikwad (to grow as people, for them to grow), will be approximately 69,000 sq. ft.

The building will be entirely dedicated to youth services.

A large crowd gathered to join Tribal Council, Administration, Public Relations, Tribal Education, Recreation, the Language Program, Youth Council and those playing a role in this project.

Chief Theresa Jackson provided a welcome and a thank you to all involved.

"A special thank you to all the parents out there that support your children in their education," Jackson said. "As we know, they will be our future and they're the ones that will continue to lead our Tribe, keep us strong and grow in culture and education."



Observer photo by Natalie Shattuck

Tribal community members gather to participate in the groundbreaking and blessing ceremony for the Tribal school/Recreation project on the grounds on Thursday, June 28 following the annual Homecoming Meeting.

Bonnie Ekdahl, consultant for the youth education project, spoke at the groundbreaking and said the project has been a 'labor of love' that began generations ago.

"When I looked at all of the drawings and plans that had been done previously, it's back at least 30 years," Ekdahl said. "So, we pulled those ideas. We didn't throw any of them away, we reviewed all of that material because all of that material indicated what they envisioned for this community."

Ekdahl continued, "This has been a long project and I was hired in 2013... the review process went through five Tribal Councils, a variety of staff members – because people change jobs but every time that happened, you get new ideas. You always embrace those creative and beautiful ideas. They're speaking on behalf of the community, they're

speaking on behalf of their children and their grandchildren."

At the groundbreaking ceremony, many young children were in attendance with their families.

"I was telling the young people today that this is yours and you're going to be running it in 15-20 years, so get ready," Ekdahl said of the to-be-constructed Tribal school and recreation center.

There was a sacred fire offering that day from 2 to 3:30 p.m.

"We have survived a lot, no doubt about it," Ekdahl said. "As we continue to lift each other up in that way, that's what this building's going to be about. We can make sure that we embrace those values of caring and kindness towards each other. One of the things that's important

to me is to have the ground blessing. So I always bring my semaa. When I offer my semaa to that fire, I'm going to be asking all these plants to forgive us for invading this area, but please help us. Help us to heal the things that need to be healed in our community. We will be making this into a good place."

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Observer photo by Natalie Shattuck

The official breaking of ground commences.

Annual Homecoming Meeting held during powwow week

NATALIE SHATTUCK

Editor

The annual Homecoming Meeting was held on Thursday, July 28 at 10 a.m. in the Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort's Entertainment Hall.

The event began with a welcome by Public Relations Director Erik Rodriguez and a grand entry, with Anishinabe Ogitchedaw Veterans and Warriors Society members,

performed by Onion Creek Drum.

After breakfast, Chief Theresa Jackson delivered the homecoming address, followed by remarks from Tribal Council members.

Youth Council and Co-President Mgizi Wemigwans provided an update and shared a slideshow.

Craig Graveratte, benefits manager, provided a Tribal Member healthcare update.

Ag Marvels/MAK Enterprises CEO Mike

Klumpff discussed the hemp project.

Other updates included from Migizi EDC. CEO Bob Juckniess, Soaring Eagle Gaming Enterprises CEO Melinda Coffin and the treasurer's report from Tribal Council Treasurer Gayle Ruhl.

The meeting concluded with a travel song, by Onion Creek Drum, and attendees were invited to attend the groundbreaking of the Tribal school/Recreation project immediately following.



Observer photo by Natalie Shattuck

Chief Theresa Jackson delivers the 2022 homecoming address at the annual meeting on Thursday, July 28.

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Tribal Members may view the Homecoming Meeting in its entirety by logging in at <http://www.sagchip.org/start.aspx>



Josiah Jeremiah "Nigamat Makoonhs" Hernandez-Wemigwans

October 4, 2005 – August 16, 2022

Josiah Jeremiah "Nigamat Makoonhs" Hernandez-Wemigwans, age 16, of Mount Pleasant passed away unexpectedly Tuesday, Aug. 16, 2022.

Josiah was born on Oct. 4, 2005, in Mt. Pleasant, son of Alexandro Hernandez Sr. and Suzanne Wemigwans.

In grade school, Josiah enjoyed wrestling for the Shepherd Wrestling Team, while being coached by his uncle, Casey Smith. He recently graduated from Mt. Pleasant High School at the age of 16, with the Class of 2022.

Josiah was an aspiring hip-hop musician and loved to perform. He loved his family and was proud to become a father to his amazing daughter, Selena. Josiah was a pure soul and loved everyone he came across. He was equally loved in return.

Josiah is survived by his daughter, Selena Emory Hernandez-Wemigwans; special friend, Rachel Howard; mother, Suzanne Wemigwans; father, Alexandro Hernandez Sr.; sister, Sara Wemigwans and Waasnodeh Davis-Hernandez; brother, AJ Hernandez Jr.; grandparents, Harold Bruno Wemigwans, Jacqueline Wemigwans; aunts, Carrie Wemigwans, Marilee Fleming, Marie Fleming, Julianne (Ogema) Taylor, and Geraldine Fleming; uncle, Bruno (Joleen) Wemigwans, Keeshta (Courtney) Wemigwans, and special uncle, Philemon "Bean" Sprague; many cousins, including Martha (John) Wemigwans; extended family, Cheyenne and Jason Flores; and many friends and family that cared for him from Canada to Wisconsin.

Josiah was preceded in death by his grandma, Paula Hart; great-grandparents, John and Joyce Hart, Walter and Geraldine Trepanier; uncle, Patrick Trepanier, Joseph Trepanier; great-aunts, Francine Trepanier, Jolene Wilson; cousins, Daniel Wemigwans, Jordan Wilson, Donald Miller III, Debiziikwe Renae Wemigwans, and Anthony Jones.

Funeral services were held at the Tribal Gym on Saturday, Aug. 20, 2022, at 2 p.m. with Rev. Doyle Perry officiating. Interment followed in Woodland Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to family.

"If you can't make it through the night, there's always a brighter day."



In loving memory of Natasha House

Missing you always baby girl.
Love you, Mom
Natasha House, 4/14/81- 9/22/2017

Missing you always daughter

Another day goes by without you
Another day to reminisce
About all the times we shared together
And everything I miss

Flowers by your graveside
Photos in a frame
I still feel you all around me
But nothing feels the same

If I could see you for a minute
I know what I would do
I'd freeze that moment in a heartbeat
So I could stay with you

I know someday we'll be together
In a place not far away
And my heart will not be broken
Like it is today

Author unknown



Richard William Moggo

May 30, 1943 – August 4, 2022

Richard William Moggo, of Reese, Mich., passed away on Thursday, Aug. 4, 2022, at the age of 79.

Richard was born in Saginaw on May 30, 1943, to the late William and Myrtle (Ruffertshofer) Moggo, and was a 1962 graduate of Buena Vista High School. Richard married Theodora Joan Wolinski on Nov. 21, 1964. She preceded him in death on May 16, 2003.

Richard spent his working years as a tool and die grinder, retiring from Bell Engineering. He was an outdoorsman in his free time; enjoying hunting and fishing, and was a longstanding member of the Frankenmuth Gun Club, joining in 1977.

Richard enjoyed traveling to the casino and going on Tribal trips, as well as playing country music on his guitar and singing Johnny Cash. He is remembered as being a kind and gentle but outgoing man who loved spending time with his family more than anything else.

Richard is survived by his sons William Moggo and Joel Moggo; grandson Evan Moggo and his children Leah and Dominic; granddaughter Alyssa (Brad) Adamczak and her children Jason, Justin, John and Joe; sisters Rose Greenwald, Mary Ann Reis and Jody Wojcik; sister-in-law Carol Ott, and Kris (Dave) Jackson; and brother-in-law Dan (Sue) Wolinski; as well as many nieces, nephews, other family members, and friends.

Richard was preceded in death by his parents William and Myrtle Moggo; brothers Fred Moggo, Lewis Moggo and Gerald Moggo; sister Betty Gould; and grandson Justin Moggo.

Funeral services took place at 2 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 11 at W.L. Case & Co. Funeral Home, 5700 Dixie Highway, Saginaw. Pastor Donald Dinninger presided, with burial following at Eastlawn Memorial Garden. Visitation took place on Thursday at the funeral home from 10 a.m. until the time of service.

Those wanting to make a show of their sympathy may wish to consider a contribution to the family discretionary fund c/o Joel Moggo.



Marjorie Ann Gordon

December 14, 1929 – August 23, 2022

Marjorie Gordon, 92, of Lansing, passed away peacefully at home on Monday, Aug. 22, 2022.

Marjorie was born on Dec. 14, 1929, in Rosebush, daughter of the late Fred and Cora (Neyome) Jackson. She worked for Michigan State University for 20 years in the food and nutrition department.

Marjorie was a member of the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe in Isabella County. She enjoyed cooking, beading, and making blankets. She will be greatly missed by many.

Marjorie is survived by her son David Miller of Lansing; eight grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; two great-great grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by both parents; sons, Robert Penrose, Ronald Moore and Steven Moore; daughter-in-law, Laura Miller; brothers, Ronald Jackson, Leo Jackson, Terry Maki, Jerry Henderson and John Henderson.

Her funeral was celebrated at 11 a.m. Friday, Aug. 26, 2022, at Charles R. Lux Family Funeral Home with Saginaw Chippewa Elder Joseph Sowmick officiating. Immediately followed was a luncheon in the Lincoln Reception Center (attached to the funeral home). Interment was in Woodland Cemetery. The family received friends one hour prior to the service.



Saginaw Chippewa Tribal Libraries

Now resuming regular hours
Monday – Friday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Contact information:

• Phone: 989-775-4508

• Email: AHeidemann@sagchip.org
KCondon@sagchip.org
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•••• Labor Day ••••

Family Picnic

Monday, Sept. 5, 2022 | 1-5 p.m.

Saginaw Chippewa Tribal Campground

- Family bingo (1 p.m.)
- Door prizes
- Bag and sack race
- Emcee Joe Sowmick
- Egg toss
- Side attractions
- Musical chairs



Food served at 1 p.m.

Bean Bag Tournament starts at 1:30 p.m.

- 16 team limit, single elimination, players must be at least 13 years of age
- Two players per team, prizes for the final four teams
- Contact Bernie Sprague at 989.775.5309 for more info

For more information, please contact:

Recreation staff at Recreation@sagchip.org

New Tribal Operations Hours

In an effort to reduce costs, it is consensus of Tribal Council to conduct a trial period of a four 10-hour work day schedule.

Tribal Operations will uniformly be closed on Mondays from Aug. 1, 2022 through Sept. 30, 2022. Business hours will now be 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Tuesday - Friday.

Nimkee Clinic hours

Nimkee Clinic will keep the hours of operation:
Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Nimkee Fitness hours:
Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.



Human Resources Satellite Office Hours

Tuesday - Friday: 8 a.m. – 6 p.m.
*Beginning Aug. 1, 2022

Location: Directly next door to Legends Diner on the Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort gaming floor.

For more information, please call:

Frances Mena: 989.775.5648 | Nicole Chippewa: 989.775.5654

Save the Date

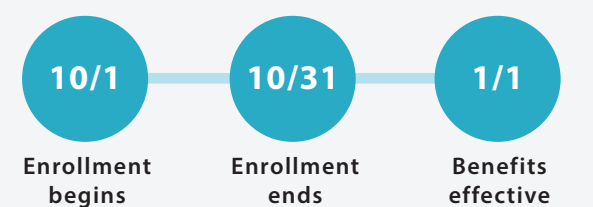
Open Enrollment is Approaching for Tribal Members Health Plan

October 1 – October 31, 2022

Open Enrollment is your once-a-year chance to adjust your health plan coverages. Upon electing benefits, you will not be able to make changes until the next open enrollment period, unless you experience a qualifying life event. **Please note: ALL Members must complete an enrollment form to have benefits.**

- Review benefit choices
- Share options with family
- Mark your calendar

Your Enrollment Timeline



For additional information, contact:

Lisa Ayling
989-775-4943
layling@sagchip.org

Craig Graveratte
989-775-4942
cgraveratte@sagchip.org



Be on the lookout for more information about your benefit offerings and how to enroll. Please reach out to Lisa and Craig with any questions you have at this time.



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Attention Tribal Members Tribal Council Regular Session Meetings are held at 9 a.m.

Regular Tribal Council Sessions

- ▶ First Tuesday of each month at 9 a.m.
- ▶ Inside the Council Chambers of the Black Elk Government Complex
- Meetings are open to Tribal Members
- Anyone wanting to be added can call (989) 775-4004

Regular Council Session Dates

- Sept. 6 • Oct. 4 • Nov. 1

ACFS - Foster Care Program



Saturday, Nov. 26, 2022

9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | Set up begins at 8 a.m.

SECR Black River Ballroom

6800 E. Soaring Eagle Blvd., Mt. Pleasant, MI

- ▶ **Vendors:** 8'x8' space is available for \$50 and includes two 8-foot tables and two chairs, if needed.
- ▶ All proceeds benefit ACFS Foster Care Program



For more information, or to purchase a vendor space, please contact: ACFS at 989.775.4991

Conservation Committee Seats

The Planning Department is soliciting letters of interests for adult Tribal Members interested in serving on the Saginaw Chippewa Conservation Committee for a Tribal Council appointed two year term beginning Nov. 15, 2022. Per Ordinance 11, section 102, subdivision 2 and the approved Ordinance 11 Committee By-Laws.

Please submit a letter of interest along with your qualification and experience to:

Donald Seal
Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan
Planning Department
7500 Soaring Eagle Boulevard
Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858
dseal@sagchip.org



All letters of interests must be received no later than: Friday, Oct. 21, 2022 at 3 p.m.

Community Wi-Fi now available

At the Native Farmers Market Pavilion, SCA parking lot and Housing Pavilion.

- **Network name:** SCITCommunity
- **Password:** community

COVID-19 & Flu Vaccination Clinics

Wednesday, Sept. 7 & 21, 2022
Nimkee Public Health | For 6 months and older

Wednesday, Sept. 14, 2022
Nimkee Public Health | For 5 years and older

By appointment only

To schedule appointment call:
989-775-4695 or 989-775-4629

Vaccines available:

- **Moderna for ages 12 and up:** First, second, third (for immunocompromised) and boosters
- **Pfizer for ages 12 and up:** First, second, third (for immunocompromised) and boosters
- **Pfizer 5 and up:** First and second doses and boosters
- **Pfizer 6 months to 4 years:** First, second, third doses

- **Please protect our community:** If you currently have COVID-19 (under quarantine) or are feeling ill please wait for your immunization until recovered.
- Please bring your vaccination and insurance cards.
- Bring reading glasses if needed for forms.

▶ To look up your vaccine history or download vaccination proof, please visit the Michigan Immunization registry at: <https://mdhhs.mimmsportal.state.mi.us/>

▶ For updated information about vaccines, please see: www.CDC.gov



Public notice of unclaimed per capita disbursements for deceased Tribal Members

The following is a list of unclaimed per capita disbursements for deceased Tribal Members. Any person who has been court appointed as the member's Personal Representative of the Estate can contact the Per Capita Office to claim the funds. All monies must be claimed within two years from their date of death, or such monies will be forfeited and returned to the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe's Per Capita Trust.

Tribal Member Name	Date of Death
Bailey, Robert Harold	01/13/2022
Chippeway, Ryan Douglas	07/05/2021
Coleman, Lisa Renee	01/30/2022
Conway, Mariah	10/10/2020
Cyr Sr, Norman Joseph	10/26/2021
Davis, Adelaide Darlene	10/17/2020
Davis, Tony Craig	04/25/2022
Holbrook, Tammie Carlene	12/24/2021
Hoon, Virginia Mae	11/07/2021
Jackson, Clara Elizabeth	02/01/2022
Kellogg, Laura Levone	03/06/2022
Lautner, Toby Joe	03/17/2021
Maki, Terry Lee	02/23/2022
McDonald, James Allan	10/08/2020
Moses Jr, Garland Roy	11/26/2021
Nahgahgwon Jr, Lawrence	06/12/2021
Nelson, Phillip Louis	01/27/2022
Pamp, Matthew John	10/15/2021
Pamp, Shane Leonard	10/10/2021
Pamp Crooker, Betsy Lynn	11/24/2021
Perez, Nicki	01/10/2021
Rubin, Ann Margaret	12/07/2021
Rubin, Theresa Ann	01/09/2021
Rueckert Sr, Dolly Ann	12/02/2020
Seger, Beatrice	11/11/2020
Shambo, Jeannette Marie	04/21/2021
Smith, Jesse Davis	02/25/2022
Sprague, Jeffrey Charles	10/04/2020
Stevens, Paul Leroy	11/20/2020
Stone, Domic Ambrose	01/04/2022
Verga Sr, Lawrence David	12/17/2021
Weaver, Laura Beth	12/13/2021
Witting, Anikka	12/09/2020



It's been since Sept. 8, 2021 that our adoption went through and I thank God every day that I get to spend it with you.

I love you
Billie Jo Jackson



Happy Birthday

to my
brother Karter,
we love you!

(September 9th)



Happy Heavenly Birthday

We miss you more than you know!"
(September 20th)

SCIT Tribal Scholarship DEADLINE

Anything postmarked on or before Oct. 15, 2022 will be accepted. To find out what you need to turn in, please contact Olivia Manitowabi, post-secondary support specialist, at omanitowabi@sagchip.org or 989-775-4505.

Migratory Bird Season 2022/2023

Per Tribal Ordinance 11, Section 109 Subdivision 3 the 2022/2023 Migratory Bird Season shall begin Thursday, Sept. 1, 2022, and will close on Sunday, Jan. 31, 2023, unless ordered otherwise.

The 2022/2023 Migratory Bird Season will allow for the bag limit as listed. Non toxic shot only.

Migratory bird season daily bag limit:

- Ducks: 20*
- Canada Geese: 20**
- Mergansers: 10***
- Woodcock: 10
- Common Snipe: 16
- Mourning Dove: 25
- Coots & Gallinules: 20
- Sandhill Cranes: 1
- Sora and Virginia Rails: 20

* Ducks 20 per day, including no more than five each of the following species: hen mallard, wood duck, redhead, scaup, black duck, pintail and canvasback. Possession limit is not to exceed two times the bag limit.

** 20 per day Canada Geese aggregate. Coot, gallinule, sora and Virginia rail is 20 in the aggregate.

***No more than 5 hooded mergansers in the aggregate.

Reporting within 72 hours of harvest is mandatory per Tribal Ordinance 11, Section 109, Subdivision 5(B).

A small game license is also required as per Tribal Ordinance 11, Section 109, Subdivision 2.


Licenses and harvest tags will be available starting upon the USFWS Final Rule Publication date at the Tribal Planning Department office. Fee is \$10 per license.

• "Other Indians" may not hunt on Tribal Trust or Tribal owned Fee Land. Other Indians as defined in Tribal Ordinance 11, Section 104 subdivision 52.

• Please Refer to the Ordinance 11 on the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe website for rules and regulations. Hunters must observe all other basic Federal Migratory bird hunting regulations in 50 CRF part 20.

Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe

Community Engineer Donald L. Seal, Planning Department

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Andahwod Elder Services Raffle





Prize: Schwinn Electric 26" Bicycle
Drawing: Friday, Sept. 9 at 3 p.m.
Tickets: \$10 each

- Please see Marie Kequom, Flossie Sprague, Gilbert Hendrickson, Kathy Hart and Carole Tally for tickets.
- Tickets also available at Andahwod!

*Proceeds benefit Elder Services activities

For more information, please contact:
Andahwod at 989.775.4300




Tribal Membership Rotation Positions

These positions will be rotated around the following departments:

- ▶ Bingo
- ▶ Finance
- ▶ Slots
- ▶ F & B
- ▶ Hotel
- ▶ Security
- ▶ Marketing
- ▶ Table Games
- ▶ EVS Facilities
- ▶ Guest Experience
- ▶ Inventory Control

Open to SCIT Tribal Members:

- Applications available at: www.sagchip.org/careers
- Must be 18 years of age or older
- Four spots available for this pilot program.
- Learn line level skills in order to be a successful employee.
- Discover which department is the best fit.

For more information, please contact:
Human Resources 989.775.5600

The Seven Grandfather TEACHINGS

Nbookaawin – Wisdom
To live with wisdom is to acquire and use experiences as guides for making equitable and mature decisions.

Zaagidowin – Love
To live our lives with love is to understand our capacity to realize, empathize, and nurture the needs of others.

Minaadendamooing – Respect
To live with respect is to give mutual consideration for shared and differing ideas as well as for the world around us.

Zoongide'ewin – Bravery
To be brave and have courage is to recognize our moral and mental strength and to do what is appropriate.

Gwekwadiziwin – Honesty
To be honest is to recognize that we have the ability to live our lives with honor and integrity.

Dibaadendiziwin – Humility
To live with humility is to recognize that we are all equal, we all make mistakes, we all like to have our success rewarded and to put others before ourselves.

Debwewin – Truth
To live in truth is to recognize the difference between right and wrong and to be faithful to ourselves as well as the world around us even when the right way is not the easiest way.

TRIBAL YOUTH Healing Walk

Saturday, Sept. 17, 2022

10:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

- ▶ Walk begins at Eagles Nest Tribal Gym
- ▶ Ends at 7th Generation

Join our Tribal Youth Healing Walk on the Rez!

- For all youth dealing with anxiety, depression, suicidal ideations, mental health issues, addiction, abuse and trauma.
- Hosted by Project Venture Tribal youth program.
- Mental health resources will be available.
- Stations to make medicine pouches, T-shirts, beading and other crafts.
- Energy Healing will be available.
- Local organizations will provide resources and information on mental health and where to reach out for help.

For more information, contact:
Dolores Winn, Youth Program Coordinator
• Phone: 989.775.5804 • Email: DWinn@sagchip.org




Attention Tribal Members:
Find the latest information by creating an account and logging into sagchip.org in the Tribal Members only section.

To create an account, go to:
www.sagchip.org/user/signup.aspx

NF Nimkee Fitness

Monday – Friday
8 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Yoga Class
Wednesdays at 5:15 p.m.

For more information: Nimkee Fitness at 989.775.4690

TRIBAL OBSERVER

Boozhu! The Tribal Observer, a monthly newspaper, is published on the first of each month.

- To contact Tribal Observer staff, please call 989-775-4096 or email observer@sagchip.org.
- To change your mailing address, please contact the Tribal Clerk's office at 989-775-4055.
- Community advertisements will not be accepted over the phone.

Submissions from the Tribal community are encouraged and can be sent to:

Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe
c/o Tribal Observer
7500 Soaring Eagle Blvd.
Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858

Subscription rates are \$30 per year.

Story ideas, articles and photographs from the community are always welcome. The Tribal Observer reserves the right to edit and/or refuse any submissions or advertisements for publication. The Tribal Observer is published by the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan and is subject to an editorial review process.

The views expressed within the Tribal Observer do not necessarily reflect the views of the Tribal Observer, the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe, the Saginaw Chippewa Tribal Council, Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort or its employees or any other enterprise of the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe. The Tribal Observer works to uphold the highest integrity in news reporting and supports the Indian Civil Rights Act of 1968.



Tribal Observer Advertising

To place an advertisement, please contact the Tribal Observer at 989-775-4096 or Observer@sagchip.org for more information.

Announcements - Including birthday, wedding, engagement, congratulations, etc., costs \$10 and is open to Tribal Members, community members and employees. Double-sized announcements are \$20.

Political ads - All political ads will be 1/4 page and have a red border stating as such. The cost is \$250. Political ads may include, but are not limited to, any opinion or advertisement that is political in nature and/or any Letter to the Editor that does not conform to guidelines.

Tribal Observer Subscription Form

Please send \$30 for the annual subscription. Make checks out to SCIT.

Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Please mail form to:
Tribal Observer
7500 Soaring Eagle Blvd.
Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858

Contact Information:
• Phone: 989-775-4096
• Email: Observer@Sagchip.org
www.Sagchip.org/TribalObserver



Rental Assistance for Housing for Client Hardship

Behavioral Health wishes to provide assistance to persons who are at risk of losing their housing. Behavioral Health's rental/mortgage assistance may be used to help individual households afford housing costs in the form of rent or mortgage. The maximum number of months allowed is three months in a 12 month span. Help with security deposits are not permitted under this assistance. With that in mind, the policy of Behavioral Health is to help all prospective applicants regardless of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status, national origin, age, creed, sexual orientation, gender identity, marital status, and status with regard to public assistance. In addition, Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan complies with local fair housing and civil rights laws and will help with reasonable rent/mortgage payment for applicants if they or any family member has a disability or handicap.

Property Priorities/Eligibility Screening Process

- Clients must be a SCIT member or direct descendant in order to be eligible for assistance with housing. Clients are also eligible if they are members of a federally recognized tribe and are residing in the defined service areas of Isabella, Midland, Clare, Missaukee, or Arenac counties.
- SCIT Behavioral Health will determine the individual's housing status, tribal affiliation and whether or not the tenant is able to abide by the terms of this agreement and could benefit from rental assistance for housing or from assistance with paying their mortgage payment.
- When rental/mortgage assistance funds are used to pay rent on units, the lease/mortgage must be between the program participant/applicant and the landowner.
- The participants must use the rental/mortgage assisted unit as their primary and only residence.

- Rent will be paid month to month and will not be paid in advance for future months.
- If approved, assistance is permitted for a maximum of three months out of a 12 month time span.
- Individuals who are deemed eligible to receive assistance must have a means to pay for a portion of their monthly rent. The portion one must pay will be 40 percent of the monthly rent/mortgage fee. The funding source through Behavioral Health pays for 60 percent of the rental/mortgage monthly fee.
- Assistance for furniture, security deposits, utilities such as electric, water, and heat are not permitted through this funding source.
- Participants must meet with Behavioral Health on a monthly basis to determine steps taken by the applicant to secure other financial means to pay for their rent/mortgage. If the participant misses these required appointment(s) for any reason, any further assistance toward rental payments may be terminated/ended.
- Behavioral Health is not responsible for locating or securing housing. Each participant is responsible for finding housing for themselves.

Application Procedure

- An applicant must submit a completed application to be considered for rental/mortgage assistance. Applications can be located at Behavioral Health by calling 989-775-4850 or by stopping by the front office. Staff from Behavioral Health will assist potential applicants with filling out the application if needed.
- The completed application should be submitted to Behavioral Health for initial screening and eligibility determination.
- Rental/Mortgage Assistance from Behavioral Health does not automatically guarantee continued placement in an apartment or house beyond the 3 months rental assistance that's provided.



Tuesdays • June 7 - Oct. 4

10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Farmers Market Pavilion

Corner of Broadway and Leaton roads

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New Research Center Hours:
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Community Elder Representative VACANCY

Seeking letters of interest from SCIT Members who are interested in helping the Data Governance Board (DGB) serve its mission.

The mission of the Data Governance Board is to protect the Tribal community and assert data sovereignty. The Board will respect, preserve, develop, and share Tribal information, knowledge, and practices in alignment with the overall vision of the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan.

Preferred qualities include:

- Interest in data and research
- Knowledge of Tribal programming (governmental and/or gaming sides)
- Ability to occasionally facilitate DGB meetings and take minutes

- ▶ Must commit to attendance at regular meetings, currently DGB meets virtually every other week.
- ▶ This is a Tribal Council appointed Board and there is one current vacancy for Community Elder Representative.

Letters of Interest can be sent to:
DataGovernanceBoard@sagchip.org

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Great turnout for 2022 Summer Youth Worker Program

BETSEY ALONZO

Tribal Development Coordinator

SCIT Summer Youth Worker Program 2022, what a turnout!

This season we had a total of 62 youth workers, headed by two crew leaders. Together the youth earned just over 8,360 hours from June 20 - Aug. 12, what an accomplishment.

Along with their individual departmental duties this season, the youth workers participated in a series of workshops which included cultural, financial, volunteer work, community outreach and higher education aspects.

Tribal Chaplain Alice Jo Ricketts led the cultural workshop this season where the youth beaded their very own work badge reels. Carrie Heron from ACFS put on a two-day financial workshop for the youth titled, Financial Skills for Native Teens.

The youth workers then volunteered and participated in the Michigan Indian Family Olympics, winning their division in the 12-17 tug of war for SCIT.

The youth went on to do some community outreach at the July Community Meeting where they shook hands with community members, answered questions about the program and gave away 100 Pepsi Frisbees (donated to the youth by SECR Marketing) and lots of hot Cheetos and Mountain Dew.

Saginaw Chippewa Tribal College took the youth on an exciting and inspirational college expo where the youth had the opportunity to visit the new SCTC campus and community garden.

During this season, we also had many youth workers who participated in community teachings and events during their work days, these events included Storytelling, Native Fest, SECR Family Fun Day



Photos courtesy of Betsey Alonzo

and Unity. During their work days, youth were also able to attend credit recovery provided by the SCIT Education Department; this gave our youth the opportunity to earn needed school credit and together the youth workers worked just over 100 hours at credit recovery.

Lastly, the youth finished with an end-of-the-year awards banquet at Celebration Cinema, which included an opening prayer from our tribal chaplain, a presentation from the youth's Crew Leader Mgizi Wemigwans, some kind words from Chief Theresa Jackson, Tribal Council Secretary Martha Wemigwans, CEO of Migizi Robert Juckniess, General Manager of Soaring

Eagle Waterpark and Hotel Bonnie Sprague and many more Tribal department representatives.

During the ceremony, the youth received awards consisting of program completion, Above and Beyond, Never Missed a Workshop, Most Credit Recovery Hours Earned (Jimaganish Martell at just over 28 hours earned) and first (Kaden Fair), second (Joseph Swink), and third (Izabella Benzinger) to complete all 160 hours (completed all hours allotted in under six weeks).

After the awards ceremony and all door prizes were received, the youth and their guests enjoyed pizza, popcorn, pop, and cupcakes while viewing the movie, "The Bad Guys."

Thank you to all of the youth and their families for all of their hard work and dedication to the Tribe this season, and a special thank you to our workshop hosts and the 26 Tribal departments that stepped up and mentored our youth this season. You guys rock – your time with our youth this season has a huge impact on the choices they will make for their individual career journeys, thank you for giving them this opportunity to learn from you and your department.

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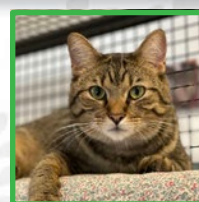


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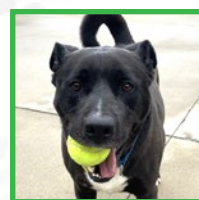


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Cooper

Cooper is a 2-year-old male Domestic Shorthair mix. Cooper loves getting head scratches and cuddles. He is pretty vocal and is not afraid to let you know when he wants some attention. He loves to play and would enjoy another active feline friend. Some of his favorite things are wet food, fluffy beds and toys.



Rex

Rex is a 4-year-old male Labrador Retriever mix. Rex is smart and friendly! He loves a good game of fetch with a tennis ball and going for car rides. He walks well on a leash and goes to the park regularly with volunteers. He is better suited for a home with older kids or just adults. He is housetrained and knows basic commands.

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Detroit Lions announce partnership with Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort

DETROIT LIONS COMMUNICATIONS

DETROIT – The Detroit Lions announced, on July 29, a partnership with Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort which includes partnership on the upcoming “Inside the Den” television specials, weekly “Inside the Pride” episodes for the 2022 season as well as Power Hour presented by Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort at Ford Field on Detroit Lions gamedays.

“Soaring Eagle Gaming is honored to join forces with the Detroit Lions in a multiyear partnership that will bring excitement to Lions fans,” said CEO of Soaring Eagle Gaming Melinda Coffin. “Soaring Eagle Gaming is eager to

bring excitement to fans with our support of Power Hour, our Fan Cave experience and gaming related offers from all of our properties.”

Power Hour, presented by Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort, will continue to feature Spin It to Win It and Roar-aoke, now with prize on behalf of Soaring Eagle, including a free night stay at their property, free play, concert tickets, resort credit and more. A Fan Cave on the 300-level concourse and a sweepstakes during the pre-season for a chance to win an on-field experience at a 2022 home game are other fan-facing elements of the partnership.

Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort will also be the presenting partner of “Inside the Den” on the newly-created Lions TV

Network. The popular digital series, which delves into the behind-the-scenes stories within the Lions organization, will come to life for the TV audience through three installments during the off-season. The first begins airing this week on Lions TV Network affiliate stations and the following two specials aired during the week of Aug. 15 and will air the week of Sept. 5.

“It’s exciting to not only debut the Lions TV Network in its latest iteration, but to kick it off with such an engaging and fan-focused partner as Soaring Eagle,” said Detroit Lions Director of Broadcasting Carl Moll. “We are looking forward to continuing to evolve our television content this season and beyond.”



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The new Lions TV Network is comprised of seven affiliate stations in media markets throughout Michigan and northern Ohio. Lions TV Network programming includes pre-season game broadcasts, “Inside the Den” TV specials and the soon-to-debut “Inside the Pride” weekly TV show.

“Inside the Den” presented by Soaring Eagle Casino and Resort can be found on:

- Detroit (WJBK-TV)
- Grand Rapids-Kalamazoo-Battle Creek (WXMI-TV)

- Flint-Saginaw-Bay City (WNEM-TV)
- Lansing (WSYM-TV)
- Traverse City-Cadillac (WFQX-TV)
- Marquette-Escanaba (WJMN-TV)
- Toledo, OH (WUPW-TV)

Check local Lions TV Network affiliate listings for air dates and times. “Inside the Den” presented by Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort will also re-air on Bally Sports Detroit across Michigan in each of those respective weeks.

Groundbreaking

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The building will hold precisely 15 public spaces, Ekdahl said during last year’s Homecoming Meeting.

The Little Nest classroom, as part of Sasiwaans Immersion School, will have classrooms, with some possibly containing a one-way

window for parents to observe their children.

The Saginaw Chippewa Academy, kindergarten through fifth grade, will have six classrooms dedicated for their spaces. Spaces will be dedicated to serve middle and high school students. Other features include a multi-media center, library, reading room and a STEAM room (science, technology, engineering, art and math).

There will also be a stage area, designed to host music lessons. The stage can also be used for large events and performances. There will also be a studio with broadcasting capabilities.

Other features will include a centrally-located kitchen, large weight room to be available



Observer photo by Natalie Shattuck

Bonnie Ekdahl, consultant for the youth education project, shares some history on the project’s progress.

to the community seven days a week, rooms for infants and toddlers to be cared for, and swipe-badge security.

Gikendaaso Way (Educated Way) will be the name of the



Observer photo by Natalie Shattuck

Young community members and Tribal and Youth Council break ground on the property off of Remus Road, between Leaton and Shepherd roads.

road leading to the school.

The project’s committee is working with an architectural firm out of Grand Rapids, Mich.

called Design Forum Inc.

It is with hope the building will be ready for use by Spring 2024.

Editorial: The hardest lesson I ever had to learn

CHARLES H. BENZ II

Contributing Writer

I cannot drink. I cannot drink like a normal person.

I hated this with a passion.

How in the hell can you do this, and I can’t?

How in the hell can you only have one, and that’s it?

It’s simple: I’m an alcoholic and you’re not.

I’ve overstepped those boundaries and that fine line between social drinking and alcoholism and you haven’t.

No matter how hard I try to control this, the precautions I take, it’s inevitable; I will mess up.

Maybe not the first time, maybe not the second, but eventually, I can guarantee with 100 percent certainty, I will mess up somehow some way. That’s how baffling it is.

Complacency is my enemy, comfort is complacency’s ally; they lie and wait together, the same way a snake lies and waits for its prey.

It is so cunning that it only takes one bite to succumb to the venom of alcoholism.

That one bite can be a simple thought or memory that can trigger a reaction that will lead to certain insanity or death.

It’s the insanity of those thoughts that make me want it,

crave it and justify it, even when history has shown me over and over what the outcome will be, that’s powerful.

Some can’t comprehend this lesson because they won’t look deep into themselves and take responsibility for their actions.

Blame is the defensive mechanism that justifies so many alcoholic actions.

So much has been lost because of this lesson not learned. It takes time, constant learning and practicing those new habits to achieve a whole new way of life.

I hope and pray that I have finally learned this lesson to its entirety. It was a constant struggle that I battled fiercely. I was scared to death to face my fears and my demons. But, I finally stood up and took charge.

To this day, I still battle those demons but I have an advantage. I have a strong support system, I ask for help, I don’t intermingle with drinkers, and I steer clear of situations that present a danger of drinking.

The most important measure that keeps me sober today...
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CERA Program Applications

The last day the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe CERA Program will be accepting applications will be Friday, Sept. 2, 2022 by 5 p.m.

This will give our staff enough time to go thru all the CERA applicants we receive.

CERA application

- Applications can be picked up at the Housing address: 2451 Nish Be Anong Rd. Mount Pleasant, MI 48858
- Or they can be emailed to you

After completing the CERA applications:

- Applications can be dropped off at the Housing office
- Emailed to: CERAP@sagchip.org
- Faxed to: 989-775-4580
- Please do not mail these applications back because it may get lost in the mail.



For more information, please contact:
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Qualifying ACCESS Club members can pick up their surprise gift each week on Sunday from 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. May only claim one gift per week.



SUNDAYS
8:00 A.M. - 11:59 P.M.

The first 1000 guests who earn 1000 points from 8:00 a.m. - 11:59 p.m. will receive a gift! Each week will feature a different piece of Kathy Ireland's Sunday Dinner set!



FRIDAYS
12:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M.

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Recovery, sobriety celebrated during Freedom Walk on July 30

MATTHEW WRIGHT

Staff Writer

Community members came together for a celebration of recovery and sobriety during the Freedom Walk on Saturday, July 30. Held during powwow weekend, the annual event began with breakfast served at 7:30 a.m. in the Eagles Nest Tribal Gym.

Chief Theresa Jackson provided a welcoming statement.

“I would like to say a special thank you to everyone who put this together, and all participants. Without you we wouldn’t be a community,” Jackson said. “We appreciate you supporting each other, supporting your community members and supporting your family. We all have times that we need somebody; so please feel free to reach out and talk to somebody. We are all there for each other.”

Eight individuals were honored during the Freedom Walk. They were selected for being an individual in recovery who has embodied and demonstrated what it means to walk a life on the Red Road to wellbriety. This included Tim Davis II, Guadalupe Gonzalez, Carole Tally, David Perez Jr., Lacey Mandoka, Teri Anglin, Gegek Pamp and Ernie Chookomoolin.

The Snowbird Singers provided a migizi honor song prior to the walk, which began at 9 a.m.



Observer photo by Matthew Wright

Chief Theresa Jackson welcomes participants to the Freedom Walk on the morning of Saturday, July 30.

Freedom Walkers began by heading south on Leaton Road. The route would continue south until the walkers reached Tomah Road. From there, they proceeded east until reaching the powwow grounds at the Saginaw Chippewa Tribal Campground.

The Saginaw Chippewa Tribal Police and Tribal Fire Department first responders worked together to secure a safe route on the 1.5-mile journey from the Tribal Gym to the Powwow Grounds.



Observer photo by Matthew Wright

Freedom Walk participants stand in solidarity to support sober lifestyles at the Saginaw Chippewa Powwow Grounds.



Observer photo by Matthew Wright

Eight individuals are recognized for embodying and demonstrating what it means to walk the Red Road to wellbriety. (Left to right: Tim Davis II, Guadalupe Gonzalez, Carole Tally, David Perez Jr., Lacey Mandoka, Teri Anglin, Gegek Pamp and Ernie Chookomoolin).



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The walk begins at the Native Farmers Market, moving southbound on Leaton Road and taking a left turn on Tomah Road to proceed to the powwow grounds.



Observer photo by Matthew Wright

The event begins with breakfast served in the Eagles Nest Tribal Gym at 7:30 a.m.

Observer photos by Matthew Wright





RezBall 2022, three-on-three basketball tournament, held Aug. 10

MATTHEW WRIGHT

Staff Writer

The Recreation Department hosted RezBall 2022, a three-on-three basketball tournament, on Wednesday, Aug. 10. The annual event was held in

Nimkee Fitness' parking lot and outdoor basketball courts.

Players received a free lunch and event T-shirt.

Teams from six different divisions vied for the first-place trophies. Second-place finishers were also awarded medals for their efforts.

RezBall 2022 results

5th and under division:

- **First place:** My Brother's Keeper (Jurome Pringle, Devonte Whiting, Anthony Carson and Dai'vin General)
- **Second place:** (Marcelino Botello, Alejandro Teneyuque, Kameron Carruth and Braylon Shaw)

6th – 8th grade division:

- **First place:** LiL Bears (Aiden Raphael, Trey Bross, Grady Gartwell and Tommy Hohlbein)
- **Second place:** A-Team (Kya Rose, Kyven Rose, Natalia Martin and Sierra Wohlscheid)

Girl's high school division:

- **First place:** Quakers (Leah Palacios, Kristy Palacios, Avyanna Vidal and Sam Conkright)

Boy's high school division:

- **First place:** TNT (Kenneth Wemigwans, JJ Wemigwans, Josh Wemigwans and Brandon Wemigwans)
- **Second place:** Armed and Dangerous (Amare Kendall, Damon Green, Eli Morey and Jaylen Cook)

Women's division:

- **First place:** The MOMstars (Morgan Trepanier, Aleigha Owl, Andee Raphael, Sam Chippeway, Lydia Judson and Christina Otto)
- **Second place:** Moms R Us (Monica Gonzalez, Betsey Ekdahl, Jessica Sprague and Ashley Bennett)

Men's division:

- **First place:** Busby Eagles (Rashaun Redstar, Alex Weatherby, Daniel Wemigwans, Mason Wojtusik)
- **Second place:** The OG's (Charlie Isham, Gene Vasquez, Kyle Ready Sr. and Devin Sprague)

Observer photos by Matthew Wright





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apaabowe	season
gekinoo'amawind	student
oshki	new
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giwe niibin	late summer
bimiwanaan	backpack
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Anishinaabemowin CROSSWORD

Miijim Emawn-doon-gaa-dek

(Foods that are Gathered)

Word Bank

- Saaswemin
- Miinwaang
- Mshiiimin
- Jiisenhs
- Mndaamin
- Jiis
- Netaawgeng
- Mshkiigimin
- Pin
- Wiigwaasmin
- Kosmaan
- Bigaan

Across

2: Vegetables
4: Cranberry
5: Potato
7: Pumpkin/squash
8: Chokecherry
9: Nut
11: Apple

Down

1: Corn
3: Cherry
4: Fruit
6: Carrot
10: Turnip

Anishinaabe Language Revitalization Department,
Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan

Answers

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9. Nut (Bigaan)
11. Apple (Mshiiimin)

Down
1. Corn (Mndaamin)
3. Cherry (Wiigwaasmin)
4. Fruit (Miinwaang)
6. Carrot (Jiisenhs)
10. Turnip (Jiis)



Beautiful weather and turnout for 38th annual Saginaw Chippewa Powwow

NATALIE SHATTUCK

Editor

It was a weekend full of beauty – beautiful weather, dancing, regalia, reunions and much more – this year at the 38th annual Saginaw Chippewa Powwow: Mnadenmaadaa Gdo-demnaanik (Let's Honor Our Clans).

This year's powwow was held July 29-31, with grand entry at 7 p.m. that Friday, 1 p.m. on Saturday and noon on Sunday. It was, again, held on the SCIT Powwow grounds, near the Tribal Campground, at 7525 E. Tomah Road in Mount Pleasant.

Each of the grand entries were led by Head Veteran Raymond Cadotte and the Anishinaabe Ogitchedaw Veterans and Warriors Society, followed by members of Tribal Council, Male Head Dancer Wesley Cleland, Female Head



Observer photo by Natalie Shattuck

Head Veteran Raymond Cadotte (far right), along with Chief Theresa Jackson (forth from left), members of Tribal Council and the Anishinaabe Ogitchedaw Veterans and Warriors Society members lead the Saturday, July 30 afternoon grand entry.

Dancer Lisa Hill and each of the dancers.

This year's masters of ceremonies included Vince Beyl and Jason Whitehouse. Arena directors were RJ Smith and Walker Stonefish.

The host drum was Smokey Town and sound was provided by Hoka Sound.

The dance judges were Joe and Heather Syrette, and the drum judge was Harvey Dreaver.

Some of the contests throughout the weekend included: men's traditional, women's traditional, men's grass, women's jingle, men's fancy and women's fancy. The weekend offered a variety of different competitions in several age groups including platinum/golden age, adults, juniors and teens.

A special held on Friday evening was the Quincy Antoine-Jackson Family Graduation Grass Dance Special. A Saturday special was held for



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Head dancers Lisa Hill (left) and Wesley Cleland (right) lead the dancers in the Saturday afternoon grand entry.

Nangohns Massey to recognize Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women. A Lisa Hill Head Dancer Special was also held on Saturday.

Specials on Sunday included the Shelby Bointy Graduation Special and the Lil Elk Special (honoring of Eli Thomas) – men's traditional.

The fry bread contest was held at 2 p.m. on Saturday.

Dance contests involved payouts of \$1,100 for adults, \$400 for teens and \$200 for juniors in first place. The drum contest included \$8,000 for first place,

\$6,000 for second place, \$5,000 for third and much more.



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Spectators check out vendors set up at the 38th annual Saginaw Chippewa Powwow.



Observer photo by Natalie Shattuck

Chief Jackson (right) participates in Saturday afternoon's grand entry alongside Ogitchedaw members.

Powwow Committee offers big "chi-miigwetch" to the community

POWWOW COMMITTEE

Boozhoo! The 2022 Powwow Committee would like to say a big "chi-miigwetch" to all those who helped make the Saganing Traditional Powwow and the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe's 38th annual powwow a remarkable success!

"We would like to start with a chi-miigwetch to our dignitaries at the Saganing Powwow: Jason Whitehouse, Dave Merrill, Ray Cadotte, Southern Straight, Painted Rock, Spirit Bear, and Nishinabe Nijii," said Darcy Pilar, member of the Powwow

Committee. "Also, miigwetch to our (Saginaw Chippewa Powwow) 38th annual dignitaries: Vince Beyl, Jason Whitehouse, RJ Smith, Walker Stone Fish, Raymond Cadotte, Harvey Dreaver, Joe Syrette, Heather Syrette, Wayne Cleland, Lisa Hill, flag carriers, and Anishinaabe Ogitchedaw Veterans Warrior Society (AOVWS)."

The Powwow Committee also wishes to thank visiting drums which included Smokey Town, Crazy Spirit, Indian River, Eagle Flight, Bear River, and Young Enemy. Special thanks to the Sacred Fire Keepers Steven and Stevie Oldman.

"The Powwow Committee would also like to thank the Tribal Campground employees for taking such great care of powwow grounds and Director of Utilities Shannon Peters for assisting with all our last-minute needs," Pilar said. "Miigwetch to Tribal Council, Tribal Police, Tribal Fire for their continued support of the powwows and Tribal Court for the donation of water through community service hours."

Corporate sponsorship is essential in helping the cultural events and Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort Marketing offered their support by

sponsoring four committee specials. Tribal Council, Soaring Eagle Waterpark, Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort and Tribal Operations provided assistance as well as the donations received from the various SCIT Departments.

"Gnaajwi Pego served as the powwow T-Shirt design artist and the Powwow Committee would like to thank everyone who supported our raffles throughout the year, and to all our hardworking powwow employees," Pilar said.

Other sponsors included Saganing Eagle Landing Casino & Hotel, Soaring Eagle Casino

& Resort, Beads & Powwow Supply, Ramsay Group, J.W.A., O&O Advertising & Media Services, Standish Family Dental, Just Fab Graphics, Complete Battery, Greentree Co-op Market, Northwood Building Products, Frank's Great Outdoors, Cattail Kayak Rental, and Standish Chamber of Commerce.

This year's Powwow Committee included Darcy Pilar, Carla Bennett, Elizabeth Chivis, Noelle Wells, Jackie Mannie, Elizabeth Smith, Courtney Kahgegab, Chloe Wemigwans, Niibin Sprague, and Dabian Sprague.



38th Annual Saginaw Chippewa POW WOW

Mnadenmaadaa Gdo-demnaanik (*Let's Honor Our Clans*)





Annual Wewebanaabiiwin Youth Fishing Tournament held Aug. 19

MATTHEW WRIGHT

Staff Writer

The second annual Community Wewebanaabiiwin Youth Fishing Tournament was held on Friday, Aug. 19.

Young anglers took to the shores, with some using canoes to fish the deeper water of Grewes Lake at the Soaring Eagle Hideaway RV Park.

The annual tournament was open to the Tribal community and RV Park patrons. Trophies were awarded for three age groups.

The event was held as part of American Indian Sobriety Month.

Tribal Elder Joseph Sowmick, public relations manager, kept the music rolling and said he thoroughly enjoyed being emcee for the second annual event.

“The Creator blessed the event with good weather and it was amazing to see all the families who came out to cheer on the kids,” Sowmick said. “The excitement of the boys and girls was resonating all over Grewes Lake and having the Soaring Eagle Hideaway RV Park mascot, Mukwa, come out made the event special. Central Michigan University’s Bass Fishing Club had a steady stream of anglers come by and they certainly measured a lot of different species of fish the kids brought over to them.”

The CMU Bass Fishing Club shared a thankful message on

their Facebook page after participating in the event.

“We were very excited to help out at the youth tournament. It was a great day helping kids enjoy the outdoors through fishing,” the post read. “Huge thanks to Coach Ricketts and the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe for putting this together and allowing us to help show fishing to so many youths!”

Event Coordinator Kevin Ricketts was said he was thankful for all of the departments and corporate sponsors who donated items, time and services to the event. However, there is one person that really made it all come together.

“I truly believe that if it wasn’t for General Manager Bonnie Sprague and our friends at the Waterpark and the Hideaway RV Park, this event wouldn’t have happened,” Ricketts said. “We sure appreciate her effort and all the devotion and dedication shown that day by her wonderful team.”

Sprague joined Ricketts during the trophy presentation to the winners.

Many Tribal departments collaborated to make the event a success, including the Tribal Court, Behavioral Health, Seventh Generation, Recreation, Youth Council, Saginaw Chippewa Tribal College, Peer 360 Recovery Alliance, Project Venture, Tribal Police, Tribal Fire, Migizi EDC., and the Soaring Eagle Hideaway RV Park.



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Age 14-17 division winner
Nate Koster



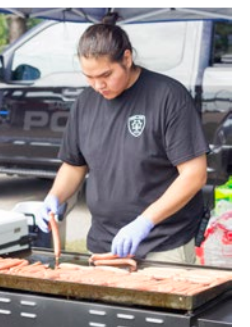
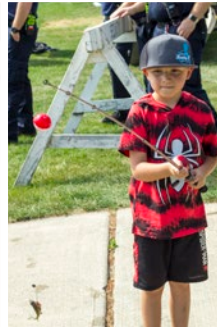
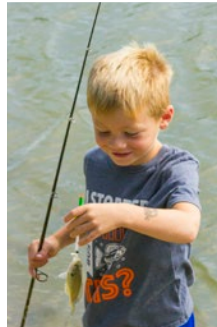
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Age 10-13 division winner
Shad Traver



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Age 5-9 division winner
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September 2022

Tribal Elder Birthdays

- 1) Timothy Walraven
Timothy Pete
- 2) Jamie VanDerSteen
- 3) Deanna Campbell
Joyce Ervin
Diane Leksche
Mark Ojeda-Vasquez
Nancy Coleman
Bonnie Jackson
Michelle Yoder
Doyletta Good
- 4) Laura Schaad
- 5) Genevieve Chippeway
Camille Grice
Ronald Jackson
Lance Peters
Arthur Steele
Jacqueline Baker
Sherry Obrecht
Tracey Olivier

- 6) Andrew Naganashe
Christopher Fallis
- 7) Mark Chapoton
Elizabeth Hughes
Salina Jackson
Dianna Goodwin
Forrest Jackson
Robert Wayne Jr.
- 8) Barbara Bennett-Fleming
Sharon Cole
Florence White
Amelia Hinton
- 9) Michelle Colwell
Wilma Bennett
David Chatfield
- 10) Dawn Briggs
Judith Hunt
Kimberly Lewis
Patricia Tarkowski

- 11) Darlene Watkins
- 12) Myria Carr
Wayne Dutton
Michael Chamberlain
Jeffrey Pigeon Jr.
David Stevens
- 13) Louanna Bruner
Shellie Pelcher
Darci Tucker
Loralee Werth
- 14) Doreen Eggleston
Jeffrey Brown
Eugene Ives Jr.
Julie Treib
- 15) Gary Rueckert Sr.
Andrew Byce Sr.
Rodney Dutton
- 16) Tonya Fallis
Karen Gibson
Evelyn Grills
Sharll Hudson
Richard Nahgahgwon
Joseph Smith Sr.
- 17) Roger High
Jon Beaulieu Sr.

- 18) Delmar Jackson Sr.
- 19) Brenda Gardner
- 20) Charles Jackson
- 21) Perry Bailey Jr.
Michael Bearden
Brian Peters
- 22) Melissa Chippeway
Lori Nahdee
Angela Peters
Jacqueline Ortiz
- 23) Judith Mays
Louise Smith
- 24) Jerry Douglas
Maurice Pego Jr.
Theodore Stevens Sr.
Garry Douglas
Jennifer Jones
Selene Moore

- 25) Cherin Rossbach
Sandra Rubin-Warner
Cynthia Floyd
L. E. Reed Jr.
Rita Bills
Mark Godbey
Kevin O'Brien
Rose Raslich
Richard Starkey
- 26) Matthew Seger
Martin Curry
Lucinda Graverette-Smith
Janet Kerns
Alexander Walraven
- 27) Sheridan Pelcher
David Wilson
Tonia Bliss
- 28) Fitzgerald Stevens
- 29) Agnes Flynn
Dianne Nelson
Jerome Pigeon Jr.
Marcella Wing
- 30) Donald Chippewa Sr.
Sonja Sowmick
Thomas Kerns Jr.



Saganing Eagles Landing Casino & Hotel employees awarded for years of service

MATTHEW WRIGHT

Staff Writer

The Saganing Eagles Landing Casino & Hotel recognized its employees for achieving years of service on July 20.

Held in the Saganing Tribal Center in Standish, Mich., the event honored employees who have achieved five, 10, 15, 20, and 25 years of service.

The program began with a message from Chief Theresa Jackson. The message was read by Sub-Chief Jennifer L. Wassegijig:

“It is a great honor to recognize all associates in the Tribe’s Saganing district. Tribal Council would like to thank you all for your hard work, dedication and time. It is your contribution that makes Saganing Eagles Landing Casino & Hotel a wonderful place to visit. I personally love and enjoy visiting. We wish you many blessings and hope to see each one of you for many years to



Observer photo by Matthew Wright

Saganing General Manager Robert VanWert (center) accepts his 20 years of service alongside CEO Melinda Coffin (left) and District Two Tribal Council Representative Ron Nelson (right).

come. Enjoy your day, and be proud of yourselves. I look forward to seeing your smiling faces. Chi-miigwetch.”

A list of all the award recipients is shown below.



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Antoinette Frydel
20 years of service



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Aaron Barber
20 years of service



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Christopher Hawkins
20 years of service



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Anthony Gonzales
20 years of service



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David Heppner
20 years of service



Observer photo by Matthew Wright

Marie Roseberry
20 years of service



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Edward Pfund
20 years of service



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Debra Maczik
20 years of service



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Michael Peruski
20 years of service



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Peter Kopp
20 years of service



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David Hooper
20 years of service



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Clinton Cloutier
(Tribal Operations)
15 years of service



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Susan Duranczyk
10 years of service



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Kenneth Protasiewicz
10 years of service



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Christine Gosen
10 years of service



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Justin Shelvin
10 years of service



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Robin Warner
10 years of service



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Jennifer Bishop
10 years of service



SAGANING EAGLES LANDING CASINO & HOTEL

YEARS OF SERVICE RECOGNITION AWARDS

5 YEARS

Zachariah Patten	Security	Richard Plashek	F&B
Katherine Lamont	Slots	Justin Marchand	Security
Jeremy Anderson	Inventory Control	Louise VanAuker	Security
Brittney Day	F&B	Taylor Pettingill	F&B
Daniel Shannon	Facilities	Krystal Church	F&B
Gail Powell-Rowbottom	F&B	Steven Vary	Guest Services
Jaime Guzman	Finance	Crystal Odell	F&B
Amanda VanHorn	Security	Emily Seach	F&B
Roderick Swalley II	Slots	Messina Bordeaux	F&B
Laura Ziembo	F&B	Edmun Cornell	Finance
Sabrina Branda	Slots	Geraldine Droptiny	Facilities
Kayla Branda	Finance	Dawn Wisenbaugh	Facilities
Jordan Irish	Surveillance	Autumn Hampton	F&B
Christine Edwards	Slots	Carmen Ingersoll	Slots
Christine Philpot	Slots	Tiffany Plashek	F&B

10 YEARS

Allison Smith	Slots	Christine Gosen	F&B
Cortni Ordiway	Finance	Tammy Riley	Security
Kenneth Protasiewicz	Facilities	Robby Rybkowski	Surveillance
Jessica James	Slots	Della Brandel	Surveillance
Cami Green	F&B	Rebecca Coyer	F&B
Brittany Bender	F&B	Sheri Branda	Facilities
Justin Shelvin	F&B	Robin Warner	F&B
Susan Duranczyk	Security	Jodi Smith	Slots
Tammy Mansfield	Guest Services	Brandon Koth	Finance
Byron Middleton	Facilities	Jennifer Bishop	Finance
Kristie Maillette	Finance		

15 YEARS

Carol Plashek Security

20 YEARS

David Hooper	Security	Antoinette Frydel	Hotel
Peter Kopp	Facilities	Debra Maczik	Finance
Edward Pfund	Slots	Mary McEachern	Accounting
Tina Myers	F&B	Rachel Rhines	C. Admin
Robert VanWert	C. Admin	Christopher Hawkins	Surveillance
David Mann	Finance	Michael Peruski	Security
Marie Roseberry	Surveillance	Anthony Gonzales	Finance
Aaron Barber	C. Admin		
Richard Hoover	Security		
David Heppner	Surveillance		

25 YEARS

Shawn Huber Slots Barbara Trombley Slots



Blake Shelton, with opening artist Justin Moore, delivers country music hits

NATALIE SHATTUCK

Editor

Country music superstar Blake Shelton, along with opening artist Justin Moore, brought live country music hits to Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort's outdoor summer concert series on Saturday, Aug. 13.

Musician and TV personality Blake Shelton had the spotlight on him and his guitar when he joined his bandmates on stage a few seconds after they entered. The band then launched into "Neon Light," "All About Tonight," "Sure Be Cool If You Did" and "Honey Bee."

Shelton has charted 40 singles, including 28 number ones.

Songs performed included: "Hell Right," "A Guy With a Girl," "Sangria," "Hillbilly Bone," "Mine Would Be You," "I'll Name the Dogs," "Came

Here to Forget" and more.

If you happened to see a Facebook post from Pizza Sam's in Midland, Mich. being shared, it was, indeed, pop superstar Gwen Stefani who stopped in for some pizza. Gwen was in the area for her husband Blake's concert. They are also co-stars on NBC's talent competition show "The Voice."

With the audience's roaring approval, Gwen joined Blake on stage for a couple songs near the middle of the show.

When it was time for Gwen to exit the stage, Blake joked for the audience not to be too disappointed and that he would have to carry on without her.

Blake said he would perform a selection of his older songs. This included "Home," a cover of Michael Bublé's hit he recorded; "Austin," Blake's 2001 debut single that spent five weeks on the Billboard Hot Country Songs chart and

"Ol' Red."

After belting out the country tunes and keeping the audience laughing at his wit in between songs, Blake ended his show with hits including "God's Country," "Boys 'Round Here" and "God Gave Me You."

Country music singer-songwriter Justin Moore was the opening act for Shelton, performing from 8 to 9 p.m.

A few songs into Blake's set, Blake joked that he "knew the crowd loved Justin Moore, but he couldn't have the media talking about that this was the Justin Moore show." Blake was jokingly begging the audience to pretend to like him.

Justin Moore has released six studio albums.

Justin's one-hour set featured performances of some of his best-known hits including: "Til My Last Day," "You Look Like I Need a Drink," "The Ones That Didn't Make



Observer photo by Natalie Shattuck

Country music superstar Blake Shelton performs on Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort's outdoor stage on Saturday, Aug. 13.

It Back Home," "Somebody Else Will," "If Heaven Wasn't So Far Away," "Bait a Hook," "Small Town U.S.A.," "Why We Drink," "Backwoods" and more.

Journey brings beloved, timeless hits to Soaring Eagle outdoor stage

MATTHEW WRIGHT

Staff Writer

The Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort welcomed Rock and Roll Hall of Famers Journey on Friday, Aug. 5. The group brought their signature blend of anthemic rock and timeless balladry to the outdoor concert stage.

Journey began with the hit songs "Only the Young" and "Stone in Love."

The buzz and excitement in the audience was matched by the stage presence of lead singer Arnel Pineda. He brought an incredible amount of energy, running and leaping around the stage while belting out lyrics.

The crowd roared as the opening piano riffs of the beloved hit single "Don't Stop Believin'" rang out. The early

set list placement of the timeless hit seemed to catch many off guard.

This was followed by more fan favorites with "Lights," "Send Her My Love" and "Escape."

Journey kept the hits coming with "Dead or Alive," "Who's Crying Now" and "Let It Rain."

The hit song "Lovin', Touchin', Squeezin'" was followed by the power ballad duo of "Open Arms" and "Faithfully."

The fans were treated to more doses of nostalgia as the band transitioned into longtime favorites "Girl Can't Help It," "Wheel in the Sky" and "Separate Ways (Worlds Apart)."

To close out the night, Journey performed "Be Good to Yourself" and "Any Way You Want It."

Detroit-based rock and roll band Mac Saturn opened for



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Journey lead singer Arnel Pineda performs during their Aug. 5 concert at the Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort.

Journey. The band thrilled concertgoers with their unique blend of classic rock, blues,

funk and soul music.

For more information on upcoming shows at the Soaring



Observer photo by Joseph Sowmick

Neal Schon, lead guitarist and founding member of Journey.

Eagle Casino & Resort, visit its website at www.soaringeaglecasino.com.

SECR hosts WPBA Soaring Eagle Masters on July 22-24

MATTHEW WRIGHT

Staff Writer

The Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort welcomed the WPBA (Women's Professional Billiard Association) Soaring Eagle Masters on July 22-24. The

tournament featured 48 of the best women's professional players in the world, battling it out for a near \$60,000 purse.

Fans were able to watch all of the excitement and technical proficiency of pro billiards, and even meet and get autographs from their favorite players.

The three-day event featured matches running all day on Friday and Saturday. The Sunday event showcased the final eight competitors battling it out.

The finals featured a repeat clash of Jasmin Ouschan and

Kelly Fisher, the number one ranked player in the world. The two had previously met in the final eight, with Ouschan taking a close win.

In the final match, Ouschan again toughed out a close win over Fisher. The

upset win was made even more considering that Fisher had won the five straight previous events.

The rest of the top four consisted of Margarita Fefilova in third place, and Kaylee McIntosh finishing in fourth.

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Jasmin Ouschan toughed out a close win during the final match of the Soaring Eagle Masters on July 24.



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Number one ranked player Kelly Fisher sizes up a shot during the finals.



Zac Brown Band brings Out in the Middle Tour to Soaring Eagle on July 30

NATALIE SHATTUCK

Editor

Whether it was a fan's 100th time or first time seeing Zac Brown Band, they were in for a real treat. A truly talented front man and his bandmates, Zac Brown Band, amazed the crowd during the Out in the Middle Tour stop at Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort on Saturday, July 30.

Throughout three sets and over two-and-a-half hours, the country music band covered their greatest hits and even cover tunes from the 1970s.

The current lineup consists of Zac Brown (lead vocals/guitar), Coy Bowles (guitar/keyboards), Clay Cook (guitar/keyboards/mandolin/steel guitar), Daniel De Los Reyes (percussion), Jimmy De Martini (fiddle), Chris Fryar (drums), John Driskell Hopkins (guitar/banjo/ukulele/upright bass), Matt Mangano (bass guitar) and country musician Caroline Jones recently joined the tour as an honorary member.

Zac Brown Band has had 16 singles on the Billboard Hot Country Songs or Country Airplay chart, of which 13 have reached number one.



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Members of the Zac Brown Band are photographed while performing during the Saturday, July 30 concert as part of the Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort's outdoor summer concert series.

Set one included "Toes," "Free"/ "Into the Mystic," "Whiskey's Gone," "Homegrown," "Neon"/ "Isn't She Lovely," "Goodbye in Her Eyes" and "Same Boat."

Those opening songs were performed on a stage transformed into a small bar.

The energy never stopped. The band delivered an energetic, entertaining set two.

Set two included "Keep Me In Mind," "Out in the Middle," "Sweet Annie," "The Comeback," "Jump Right In,"

"Wild Palomino," "As She's Walking Away," "GA Clay," "Knee Deep"/ "You Are the Best Thing" and ended with The Charlie Daniels Band cover of "The Devil Went Down to Georgia."

Set three opened with a mesh up of hits that involved KC & The Sunshine Band's "That's The Way (I Like It)," The Commodores' "Brick House," Rick Astley's "Never Gonna Give You Up," Journey's "Don't Stop Believin'" and more.



Observer photo by Natalie Shattuck

Front man Zac Brown performs lead vocals and guitar during the show.

The band continued on with a Silk Sonic cover, "Fly as Me."

The show ended with "Colder Weather"/ "Take it to the Limit," "America the

Beautiful" and "Chicken Fried," the band's first chart single, as well as their first number-one hit on the Billboard country charts.

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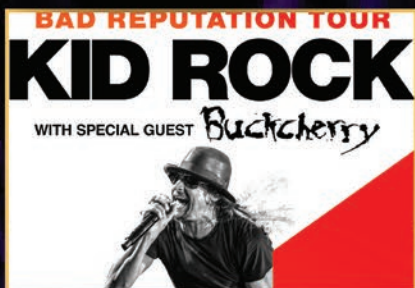
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Anishinaabe Kwe Waabanoqua (Judy Pamp) selected to lead SCA as new principal

JOSEPH SOWMICK

Public Relations Manager

On Aug. 17, the Saginaw Chippewa Academy announced SCIT Anishinaabe Kwe Waabanoqua (Judy Pamp) was selected as the new school principal.

“I have been helping to guide our educational programs for over 20 years as a teacher, principal of the Montessori Middle School, Tribal Education Advisory Board chairwoman and member, and the Project AWARE community project manager,” Pamp said in an email. “I look forward to helping your child be successful on their educational journey at the Saginaw Chippewa Academy, spark the passion of lifelong learning and create a solid Anishinaabe identity.”

As an Anishinaabe Kwe who has lived in this community for quite a while, Pamp explained her hopes for transitioning to principal.

“I bring a love for our children, our Anishinaabe culture and language along with a strong knowledge of our community and history,” she said. “Many elders from our community shared their lives and Anishinaabe knowledge with me across my life span and I bring into our schools their collective knowledge. They hoped our youth would understand our strengths and resilience as an Anishinaabe.”

Pamp continued, “Our elders also understood our youth



Courtesy of Judy Pamp

Anishinaabe Kwe Waabanoqua, Judy Pamp, photographed with her granddaughters at the SCIT Powwow, is now serving as her new role as principal for the Saginaw Chippewa Academy.

need the academic, social and emotional skills to live the Anishinaabe Bimaadiziwin life in today’s global world.”

Pamp will be helping Tribal Education Director Christina Sharp and the Education Department, Tribal Educational Advisory Board and community build a quality Anishinaabe Educational Program.

Pamp believes there are the inherent strengths that exist for SCA students that will prepare them for success in middle and high school.

“Our students are surrounded by our Anishinaabe culture and language, which transfers our Indigenous world views and fosters their Anishinaabemowin skills,” Pamp said. “Their strength is knowing and

SCA classroom staff assignments for the upcoming academic year:

- **Susan Jeffrey:** Kindergarten kinomaage kwe (*teacher*)
- **Nathan Isaac:** Kindergarten culture/language kinomaage nini (*teacher*)
- **Shaila Sentes:** Kindergarten kinomaage kwe (paraprofessional (*teacher*))
- **Bambi Howard:** 1st grade kinomaage kwe (*teacher*)
- **Cecilla Stevens:** 1st grade culture/language kinomaage kwe (*teacher*)
- **TBD:** 1st grade e’aankemaaged (*paraprofessional*)
- **Karyn Spickerman:** 2nd grade kinomaage kwe (*teacher*)
- **Matthew Sprague:** 2nd grade culture/language kinomaage nini (*teacher*)
- **Kayleen Toner:** 2nd & 5th grade kinomaage kwe (*paraprofessional/teacher*)
- **Chris Farrier:** 3rd grade kinomaage nini (*teacher*)
- **Wesley Hale:** 3rd culture/language kinomaage nini (*teacher*)
- **Maria Stebbins:** 3rd grade kinomaage kwe (*paraprofessional/teacher*)
- **Cicilee Chivis:** 4th grade kinomaage kwe (*teacher*)
- **TBD:** 4th grade culture/language kinomaage (*teacher*)
- **Jesus Garcia:** 4th grade kinomaage nini (*paraprofessional/teacher*)
- **Michael Ireland:** 5th grade kinomaage nini (*teacher*)
- **Aaron Chivis:** 5th grade culture/language kinomaage nini (*teacher*)
- **Kayleen Toner:** 2nd & 5th grade kinomaage kwe (*paraprofessional/teacher*)

For more information on SCA, please call the main number at 989-775-4523.

appreciating the diversity of the world while having a solid identity as an Anishinaabe Citizen. They will be our future leaders.”

One of the SCA priorities this year is found in kinoomaagegaamik enjibendaagoziyining (school, the place where we all belong).

“Together we will build a safe, nurturing school family where students are supported while they bravely learn new things,” Pamp said. “We are also committed to building healthy relationships within

our school and community, growing our Anishinaabe culture and language skills along with our knowledge of the world, our community and one another.”

Pamp said the SCA staff can use their Native heritage to promote students in learning how important families are in the community.

“I can bring the knowledge to students of how our culture, language and connection with family and community members helped build my resiliency

to follow my dreams and goals in life,” she said. “It was my family and the elders in our community who helped me understand that I could keep my cultural knowledge and also reach my life goals.”

“Our families are vital to the success of our students and our SCA school family and I look forward to getting to know them and working with them in supporting their child on their educational journey. I humbly look for their guidance and collaboration.”

Saginaw Chippewa Tribal Police host youth police academy

NATALIE SHATTUCK

Editor

The Saginaw Chippewa Tribal Police hosted its Tribal Youth Police Academy for Tribal community youth, 12-18 years old. The academy was held Tuesday, July 26 and Wednesday, July 27 at the police department from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day.

An optional ORV safety class was held Thursday, July 28.

The academy’s activities included: a driving course using golf carts, shooting courses using non-lethal ammunition, K-9 demos, and equipment and tool displays.

The event concluded with a cookout and fun kickball game with the youth and Tribal police participating.

Photos courtesy of Chris Beman





Intertribal Open Golf Tournament held during powwow weekend

MATTHEW WRIGHT

Staff Writer

The Intertribal Golf Open Tournament added to all of the excitement surrounding powwow weekend. The 2022 edition of the annual event was held at the Pleasant Hills Golf Club on the morning of Friday, July 29.

The tournament featured a three-person scramble format, with 87 participants forming 27 teams.

Golfers were treated to goodie bags, door prizes and a banquet following the tournament.

The event was organized by the SCIT Recreation Department. Sponsors included Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort and the Pleasant Hills Golf Club.



Observer photos by Matthew Wright

Tournament results: Championship Flight

- **1st place:** Bear Raphael, Steve Wassegijig, Rubon Moore
- **2nd place:** Erik Rodriguez, Chase Owl, Shane Kelly
- **3rd place:** Kashtin Owl, Trever Carson, Joe Hafer

First Flight

- **1st place:** Marshall Funmaker, Albert King Jr., Desmond Madera
- **2nd place:** Kevin O'Brien, Randi Wynne-Parry, Mike McCreery
- **3rd place:** Howard Webkamigad, James Smith, Ogeema Anziano

CRUISE IN



CAR & BIKE SHOW



Observer photos by Joseph Sowmick

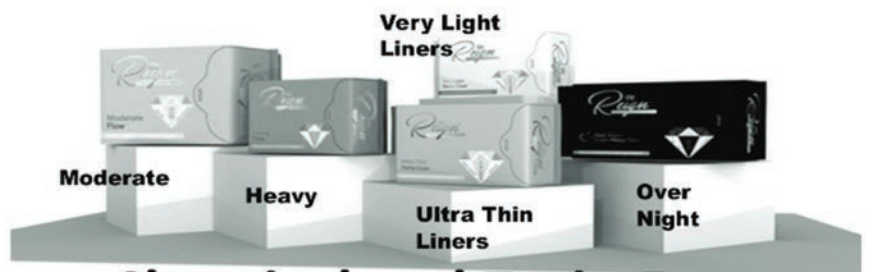
During the second Friday of each month in May through August, Andahwod CCC & ES held the Cruise In Car & Bike Show in its parking lot and lawn area. From 5 to 7 p.m. on May 13, June 10, July 8 and Aug. 12, classic cars and motorcycles were parked for spectators to view. The event was free and open to the public.

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Thirteenth annual Central Michigan HIV/AIDS 5k to be held Sept. 24

CENTRAL MICHIGAN DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT



Central Michigan District Health Department is hosting the 13th annual Central Michigan HIV/AIDS 5k walk/run on Saturday, Sept. 24 at Island Park in Mount Pleasant.

The annual 5k fundraiser is aimed to educate the community, reduce HIV/AIDS related stigma, and raise funds to help people who have been diagnosed and are living with HIV/AIDS within the Central Michigan area.

This family-friendly fun-run is a great opportunity to help

give back and take part in our community.

To register, please visit: <https://runsignup.com/13thcentralmichiganhiv5k>

There is a \$25 registration fee for participants 18 years and older. Children aged 17 and younger earn a

free registration by bringing a donation for those in need for the Mt. Pleasant Care Store on race day.

The option to participate in this year's 5k virtually is available by visiting the race website and registering for the "VIRTUAL 13th Annual Central Michigan HIV/AIDS 5k" sign up link.

Proceeds from this event will help provide comprehensive support including harm reduction programming and education, HIV medical care, case management, social service referrals to address needs such as insurance, primary medical care, food, housing, transportation, and counseling. CMDHD is committed to

the belief that all people have dignity and worth and are entitled to the highest quality of life by providing a voice, leadership and education for those

people affected and living with HIV/AIDS.

More information is available by calling Anna Reetz at 989-773-5921 ext. 1480.

Nimkee Clinic hosts a kids' vaccine clinic



The Nimkee Clinic hosts a children's vaccine clinic.

"A second booster is available after four months for over 50 or those over 12 that have either a high risk condition or contact," said Sue Sowmick, RN, public health nurse at Nimkee Clinic. "If you would like an appointment for the vaccine, please call 989-775-4695."

The Covid testing center has moved. Testing is now done right in vehicles in the alley behind Nimkee Public Health.

"If you are an employee, talk to your supervisor to set up testing," Sowmick said. "Nimkee clients please call 989-775-4626 to set up an appointment. Please be patient as both our testing and vaccination crew can be busy at times."

Photos courtesy of Sue Sowmick

CDC GUIDELINES: Effective Aug. 11, 2022

If you test POSITIVE:

- Isolate for five days
- If you have no symptoms or your symptoms are mostly resolved after five days, you may return to work with approval from Occupational Health — all positive cases with symptoms past five days will isolate for the full 10 days.
- Must wear a surgical mask, worn over the nose and mouth — no cloth masks during this time.
- If you have a fever, you may not return to work until your fever resolves.

If you were exposed:

After being exposed to COVID-19:

- ▶ **START PRECAUTIONS** immediately
- ▶ **Wear a mask as soon as you find out you were exposed**
- ▶ **Start counting from Day 1**
 - Day 0 is the day of your last exposure to someone with COVID-19
 - Day 1 is the first full day after your last exposure
- ▶ **CONTINUE PRECAUTIONS**
 - Ten full days, you can still develop COVID-19 up to 10 days after you have been exposed
- ▶ **Take precautions:**
 - **Wear a high-quality mask any time you are around others inside your home or indoors in public**
 - **Watch for symptoms:**
 - fever (100.4°F or greater)
 - cough
 - shortness of breath
 - other COVID-19 symptoms — see policy for full list
 - **If you develop symptoms:**
 - isolate immediately
 - get tested
 - stay home until you know the result

GET TESTED:

- Get tested at least five full days after your last exposure, test will be day six
- Test even if you don't develop symptoms
- If you already had COVID-19 within the past 90 days, manager to consult with Occupational Health for testing recommendations.

IF YOU TEST:

- ▶ **Negative:** Continue taking precautions through day 10. Wear a high-quality mask when around others at home and indoors in public. You can still develop COVID-19 up to 10 days after you have been exposed.
- ▶ **Positive:** Isolate immediately

If you develop symptoms:

Staff should not report to work if experiencing symptoms — staff are required to notify management immediately — management will send staff for testing

Staff test on their own:

If staff test on their own outside of Nimkee, lab results (this does not include discharge instructions or discharge summaries) are required to be sent to the cvdnotify group within five days of the test and RTW slip is also required per current HR policy prior to returning to work. The RTW can be provided by Occupational Health Nurse.

** Home tests are not accepted.

COVID-19 Update Clarifications:

- Continuing to promote the importance of being up to date with vaccination to protect people against serious illness, hospitalization, and death
- Vaccination status is no longer considered for testing
- Instead of quarantining if you were exposed to COVID-19, you wear a high-quality mask for 10 days and get tested on/after day five, regardless of vaccination status
- Regardless of vaccination status, you should isolate from others when you have COVID-19
- In order to maintain a safe working environment, contact trace 48 hours from the onset of symptoms or if no symptoms, 48 hours from the test date
- Home tests are not accepted for work purposes
- Those with a positive COVID test within 90 days will be assessed by the Occupational Health Nurse to determine the need for testing if no symptoms are present
- If staff test on their own, they will need to send actual lab results to the cvdnotify group within five days of the test. The occupational health nurse can provide a return to work date.

OBSTACLES to Recovery

Overcome an obstacle course around the reservation together

Saturday, Sept. 24, 2022

Broadway Park

Obstacle course

- ▶ 15 different stations (designed for all ability levels and ages)
- ▶ Each station symbolizing steps to the recovery process
- ▶ First wave begins at 11 a.m. and continues every 15 minutes until 1:30 p.m.
- ▶ 2-5 people per team
- ▶ Please show up 20 minutes prior to your start time

Long sleeve T-shirts for the first 150 registrants

To register a team, contact:
Jaden Harman, Fitness Coordinator
 989.775.4694 | JHarman@sagchip.org

Post event activities

- ▶ Lunch for all
- ▶ Bounce house
- ▶ Door prizes



SEPTEMBER 2022 | Tribal Community Event Planner

Ask Auntie

- Sept. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | **12 - 1 p.m.**
- SCTC East Building, Room 2
 - SDeaton@sagchip.org or 989-775-4846
 - Life skills for everyone

Community Sewing Nights

- Sept. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | **5 - 8 p.m.**
- Seventh Generation
 - TJackson@sagchip.org or 989-775-4780

Euchre Nights at Andahwod

- Sept. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | **5:30 - 7:30 p.m.**
- Andahwod CCC & ES
 - depelcher@sagchip.org or 989-775-4339

Labor Day Family Picnic

- Sept. 5 | **1 - 5 p.m.**
- Saginaw Chippewa Tribal Campground
 - Recreation@sagchip.org
 - Food served at 1 p.m.
 - Bean bag tournament at 1:30 p.m.
 - Family bingo starts at 1 p.m.
 - Door prizes, bag and sack race, egg toss, musical chairs, side attractions and more
 - Bean bag tournament starts at 3 p.m., call 989.775.5309 for more info.

Spirit Bear Meeting: AA Talking Circle

- Sept. 3, 10, 17, 24 | **1 p.m.**
- Andahwod, south Birch Lodge fire pit
 - 989-944-1937

Sewing Club at Andahwod

- Sept. 5, 12, 19, 26 | **3:30 - 6 p.m.**
- Andahwod Craft Room
 - depelcher@sagchip.org or 989-775-4339

Eagle Feather Teachings

- Sept. 7, 14, 21, 28 | **1:30 - 3 p.m.**
- Behavioral Health Lodge
 - SWinchell@sagchip.org or 989-775-4887
 - With Tribal Elder Joseph Sowmick

COVID-19 & Flu Vaccination Clinics

- Sept. 7 & 21 | **For 6 months and older**
- Sept. 14 | **For 5 years and older**
- Nimkee Public Health
 - By appointment only
 - 989-775-4695 or 989-775-4629

Traditional Healing with Joe Syrette

- Sept. 8, 9 | **8 a.m. - 5 p.m.**
- Behavioral Health
 - *Schedule an appointment: 989-775-4850 or DePeterson@sagchip.org*
 - Traditional services include: Teachings, spiritual guidance, traditional healing, Anishinaabe names, colors and clans.

Grandparents Day Celebration

- Sept. 9 | **3 - 6 p.m.**
- Andahwod CCC& ES
 - 989-775-4300
 - Featuring the Whispering Pines Mobile Zoo
 - Food, lost and found items and bingo

Artist in Residence: Teen ribbon skirt making with Glenna Jenkins

- Sept. 13-16 | **6 - 9 p.m.**
- Ziibiwing Center
 - Only 15 spots available
 - *Registration: mLhadden@sagchip.org or 989-775-4751*
 - Teen participants will learn to make a ribbon skirt
 - All material and light meal provided

Tribal Youth Healing Walk

- Sept. 17 | **10:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.**
- Begins at Eagles Nest Tribal Gym
 - Ends at 7th Generation
 - DWinn@sagchip.org or 989-775-5804
 - For all youth dealing with anxiety, depression, suicidal ideations, mental health issues, addiction and trauma

Who's Your Caddy Open Golf Tournament

- Sept. 23 | **9 a.m. shotgun start**
- PohlCat Golf Course
 - *Registration: Recreation@sagchip.org or 989-775-4121*
 - \$75 per player, \$300 per team (30 team max)
 - Must have two of the following per team: any Tribal Member descendant of any recognized tribe, or a SECR/Migizi/SELCH/Tribal Ops employee

Obstacles to Recovery

- Sept. 24 | **11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.**
- Broadway Park
 - *Registration: JHarman@sagchip.org or 989-775-4694*
 - Overcome an obstacle course around the Reservation together



Artist in Residence: Beaded hat class with Alice Jo Ricketts

- Sept. 27-30 | **6 - 9 p.m.**
- Ziibiwing Center
 - Only 20 spots available
 - *Registration: mLhadden@sagchip.org or 989-775-4751*
 - Bead the rim of Tribal logo hat (provided)

DK-12 Education Homework Lab

- Monday - Thursday | **3 - 6 p.m.**
- Next to the Eagles Nest Tribal Gym
 - dsmith@sagchip.org or 989-775-4071
 - Homework assistance and tutoring

SEPTEMBER 2022 | Tribal Community Calendar

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat./Sun.
 <p>Check out the Tribal Observer ONLINE</p> <p>www.sagchip.org/tribalobserver</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● SECR Payroll ● SCIT Per Capita ● SCIT Payroll ● Curbside Recycling ● Waste Collection* <p><small>*Bins must be curbside by 6:30 a.m.</small></p>	<p>1 Sacred Fire Only 7 a.m. - 4 p.m. 7th Gen</p> <p>Acupuncture 4-6 p.m. B. Health</p> <p>End of Summer Potluck 12-1 p.m. Saganing</p> <p>Recovery on the Rez 6 p.m. B. Health</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Peer 360 Recovery on the Rez 11:30 a.m. B. Health</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Peer 360 Fireside on the Rez 6 p.m. B. Health</p> <p>4</p>
<p>5</p> <p>Tribal Ops Closed Labor Day</p> <p>Recovery Drop In 1-2 p.m. B. Health</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Drums Out 7-9 p.m. 7th Gen</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Recovery Group 1:30-2:30 p.m. B. Health</p> <p>Drop In Basketball 5:30-8:30 p.m. Tribal Gym</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Sacred Fire Lunch 12-1 p.m. 7th Gen</p> <p>Acupuncture 4-6 p.m. B. Health</p> <p>Recovery on the Rez 6 p.m. B. Health</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Peer 360 Recovery on the Rez 11:30 a.m. B. Health</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Peer 360 Fireside on the Rez 6 p.m. B. Health</p> <p>11</p>
<p>12</p> <p>Recovery Drop In 1-2 p.m. B. Health</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Drums Out 7-9 p.m. 7th Gen</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Recovery Group 1:30-2:30 p.m. B. Health</p> <p>Drop In Basketball 5:30-8:30 p.m. Tribal Gym</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Sacred Fire Only 7 a.m. - 4 p.m. 7th Gen</p> <p>Acupuncture 4-6 p.m. B. Health</p> <p>Recovery on the Rez 6 p.m. B. Health</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Tribal Observer Deadline</p> <p>Peer 360 Recovery on the Rez 11:30 a.m. B. Health</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Peer 360 Fireside on the Rez 6 p.m. B. Health</p> <p>18</p>
<p>19</p> <p>Recovery Drop In 1-2 p.m. B. Health</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Drums Out 7-9 p.m. 7th Gen</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Recovery Group 1:30-2:30 p.m. B. Health</p> <p>Drop In Basketball 5:30-8:30 p.m. Tribal Gym</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Sacred Fire Lunch 12-1 p.m. 7th Gen</p> <p>Acupuncture 4-6 p.m. B. Health</p> <p>Recovery on the Rez 6 p.m. B. Health</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Tribal Ops Closed Michigan Indian Day</p> <p>Peer 360 Recovery on the Rez 11:30 a.m. B. Health</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Peer 360 Fireside on the Rez 6 p.m. B. Health</p> <p>25</p>
<p>26</p> <p>Recovery Drop In 1-2 p.m. B. Health</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Drums Out 7-9 p.m. 7th Gen</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Recovery Group 1:30-2:30 p.m. B. Health</p> <p>Drop In Basketball 5:30-8:30 p.m. Tribal Gym</p>	<p>29</p> <p>Sacred Fire Only 7 a.m. - 4 p.m. 7th Gen</p> <p>Acupuncture 4-6 p.m. B. Health</p> <p>Recovery on the Rez 6 p.m. B. Health</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Peer 360 Recovery on the Rez 11:30 a.m. B. Health</p>	



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Tribal Operations

ACFS Director

Open to the public. Master's degree in social services, human services or related field. Full licensure required. Five years social services experience. Three years experience in a supervisory capacity. Experience working with tribal communities or other diverse, minority or disenfranchised groups. Experience with budget administration, operation, reports, contract management and development.

Interim Prosecutor

Open to the public. Juris Doctor from an ABA accredited law school. Minimum of three years experience as a practicing attorney. Minimum of one year experience as a prosecuting attorney. Member of a State Bar Association and in good standing. Understanding of all codes and professional standards applicable to the conduct of prosecutors.

Prevention Specialist

Open to the public. Associate degree in human services or related field. Bachelor's degree in counseling, social work, human services, or related field preferred. One year experience in program planning and presenting prevention education preferred.

SCTC Tutor

Open to the public. At least 60 completed credits towards a College degree with an overall GPA of 3.0 or above. Strong mathematics background/ability to demonstrate competence in SCTC MTH 230, MTH 120, or equivalent highly preferred.

Student Support Tutor

Open to the public. High school diploma or GED. College level math. Must be able to pass math test with a score of 70 percent or better. Experience working with youth preferred.

Police Officer - Isabella

Open to the public. High school diploma or GED. Must be a U.S. citizen and at least 21 years of age. Must be able to pass departmental fitness evaluation.

Full Stack Developer

Open to the public. Bachelor's degree in information technology, computer science, or related field. Two years web development experience.

Waste Water Operator II

Open to the public. Bachelor's degree in information technology, computer science, or related field.

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Open to the public. High school diploma or GED. Five years' experience in wastewater/water field or directly related experience in plumbing or mechanical plant operations.

Victim Services Coordinator

Open to the public. Master's degree in social work, counseling, or human services related field. Four years

of program related experience, two years experience in domestic violence. One year of supervisory experience.

SCTC Supplemental Instructor

Open to the public. At least 60 completed credits towards a College degree with an overall GPA of 3.0 or above.

Patient Registration Specialist

Open to the public. High school diploma or GED. Must be at least 18 years of age. Proficient with various computer software applications.

Community Project Manager - AWARE

Open to the public. Bachelor's degree in education, social work, counseling, or human services related field. Experience in project management, communications and working with school systems and community collaborations and partnerships.

School Based Consulting Clinician

Open to the public. Master's degree in counseling, social work, human services, or related field. Two years' experience in mental health services working with children and families of children with severe emotional disturbances.

Clerical Pool

Open to SCIT Members only. High school diploma or GED. Must be at least 18 years of age.

Portfolio Manager

Open to the public. Bachelor's degree in accounting, economics, finance, business administration or related field. Seven years investment analysis, investment management, investment strategy and investment research.

Pharmacy Technician

Open to the public. High school diploma or GED. Pharmacy Technician License. Basic computer skills and typing experience. One year experience working in a pharmacy.

Victim Services Counselor

Open to the public. Master's Degree in social work, counseling, or human services related field or have a limited license in the State of Michigan and gain full licensure within two years from the date of hire.

Leadership Apprentice

Open to SCIT Members only. High school diploma or GED. Must have satisfactorily completed 12 credit hours. Must be a full-time college student.

Technical Services Technician I

Open to the public. High school diploma or GED. Must be at least 18 years of age. Bachelor's degree in information technology, computer science, or related field. Experience with Windows Server and Desktop OS and Microsoft Office Suite.

Administrative Assistant II

Open to SCIT Members only. High school diploma or GED. Two years administrative support experience. Must be able to complete and pass a typing test at 30 wpm, with 70 percent accuracy.

Certified Nursing Assistant

Open to the public. High school diploma or GED. One year nursing experience preferred. Experience with older adults preferred.

Registered Medical Assistant

Open to the public. Registered or Certified Medical Assistant License. One year experience working in an outpatient or clinic setting.

Registered Medical Assistant (Grant)

Open to the public. High school diploma or GED. Registered or Certified Medical Assistant License. One year experience working in an outpatient or clinic setting.

Resident Care Manager

Open to the public. Registered nurse. Bachelor's degree in nursing preferred. Three years long term care experience. One year in a supervisory capacity.

General Labor Pool

Open to SCIT Members only. Must be at least 18 years of age.

Soaring Eagle

Function Service Person FT

Open to the public. One year customer service experience and/or the ability to successfully pass in-house training.

Environmental Services Attendant

Open to the public. Must be at least 18 years of age.

Line Server FT

Open to the public. Must be able to work weekends, holidays, and graveyard shifts.

Line Server PT

Open to the public. Must be able to work weekends, holidays, and graveyard shifts.

Building Maintenance Worker

Open to the public. One year of experience in a building maintenance, technical, manufacturing or similar position.

Call Center Agent PT

Open to the public. High school diploma or GED. Must be at least 18 years of age.

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Open to the public. High school diploma or GED. Must be at least 18 years of age. One-year customer service and cash handling experience.

Concierge PT

Open to the public. High school diploma or GED. Must be at least 18 years of age. One-year customer service and cash handling experience.

Security Officer PT

Open to the public. Must be at least 18 years of age. Must pass a typing test. Security or surveillance experience desired. First Aid and CPR certification.

F&B Chef

Open to the public. High school diploma or GED. Must be at least 18 years of age. Four years of upscale, high volume, hotel kitchen experience, or similar restaurant experience. Two years supervisory experience.

Painter

Open to the public. Must be at least 18 years of age. High school diploma or GED. Three years of experience as a commercial painter or five years of

experience in a building maintenance environment with a heavy focus on building finish or substrate repairs.

F&B Host/Hostess

Open to the public. Must be at least 18 years of age.

Bartender

Open to the public. Must be at least 18 years of age. Bartending experience preferred.

F&B Cashier

Open to the public. High school diploma or GED. Must be at least 18 years of age.

Cosmetologist PT

Open to the public. High school diploma or GED. Must be at least 18 years of age. State of Michigan license in Cosmetology must have 1600 training hours, followed by completion of state license with two-year renewal required.

Massage Therapist PT

Open to the public. High school diploma or GED. Michigan massage certification with 600 total hours required for massage certification.

Inventory Control Warehouser

Open to the public. High school diploma or GED. Experience with operating warehouse equipment including forklifts and riding cleaning machines.

Beverage Waitstaff

Open to the public. Must be at least 18 years of age. Serving experience preferred.

Line Cook

Open to the public. Must be at least 18 years of age. Six months of restaurant cooking experience with increasing levels of responsibility, or six months of SECR internal Culinary training.

Sous Chef

Open to the public. High school diploma or GED. Culinary degree from an ACF accredited school preferred. Three years kitchen experience in a quality operation specializing in food production.

Front Desk Agent PT

Open to the public. High school diploma or GED. One-year customer service experience and cash handling experience.

Kitchen Equipment Technician

Open to the public. High school diploma or GED. Must be at least 18 years of age. Three years of experience in commercial food equipment repair.

Line Cook

Open to the public. High school diploma or GED. One year of restaurant cooking experience with increasing levels of responsibility, or six months of internal culinary training.

Waitstaff PT

Open to the public. Restaurant server experience preferred.

Laundry Mechanic Technician

Open to the public. High school diploma or GED. Must be at least 18 years of age. Must have at least five years' experience in a building maintenance position.

Culinary Supervisor

Open to the public. Three years of restaurant or banquet cooking experience. Must be at least 18 years of age.

Stewarding Supervisor

Open to the public. High school diploma or GED. Must be at least 18 years of age. Associate degree in hospitality or related field preferred.

Journeyman Plumber

Open to the public. High school diploma or GED. Seven years of experience working as a plumber.

Server Assistant

Open to the public. Must be able to pass background check to meet the employment eligibility requirements.

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Line Cook

Open to the public. Six months of restaurant cooking experience with increasing levels of responsibility, or six months of internal Culinary training.

Senior Accountant

Open to the public. Bachelor's degree in accounting. Four years of experience in accounting; casino or hospitality accounting preferred. Proficient with Microsoft Office and accounting software.

Security Officer PT

Open to the public. Must be at least 18 years of age. Must pass a typing test.

Food & Beverage Supervisor

Open to the public. High school diploma or GED. Must be at least 18 years of age. Three years experience.

Culinary Supervisor

Open to the public. High school diploma or GED. Must be at least 18 years of age. Three years of restaurant or banquet cooking experience.

Guestroom Attendant FT

Open to the public. Must be at least 18 years of age.

F&B Attendant

Open to the public. Cash handling, banking, or accounting experience.

Beverage Waitstaff PT

Open to the public. Must be at least 18 years of age. Bartending experience.

Waitstaff FT

Open to the public. Must be at least 18 years of age. Serving experience.

Waitstaff PT

Open to the public. Must be at least 18 years of age. Serving experience.

F&B Cashier

Open to the public. High school diploma or GED. Must be at least 18 years of age.

Laundry Attendant

Open to the public. Must be at least 18 years of age.

Technical Services Tech II

Open to the public. Bachelor's degree in information technology, computer science, or related field or three years IT support desk experience.

Finance Cashier PT

Open to the public. Must be at least 18 years of age.

F&B Custodial Worker

Open to the public. Must be at least 18 years of age.

Players Club Representative

Open to the public. Must be at least 18 years of age.

Transit Driver PT

Open to the public. Must be at least 21 years of age.

Bartender PT

Open to the public. Must be at least 18 years of age.

Local Foods Tribal Extension Educator

MSU Extension is seeking candidates for Local Foods Tribal Extension Educator position that will focus on leadership and educational programming expertise to enhance local food development efforts in collaboration with the Saginaw Chippewa Indian community. Please visit careers.msu.edu and search for posting #805919 to learn how you can become the next SPARTAN WHO WILL! MSU is an affirmative-action, equal-opportunity employer.



Ziibwing's NativeFest Car Bingo, Music & Comedy Night held July 26-27

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Editor

The Ziibwing Center held its annual NativeFest: A celebration of North American Indian Culture on July 26-27.

Honk your horn when you bingo! Indian Car Bingo was held on Tuesday, July 26 from 6 to 9 p.m. in the Ziibwing Center's parking lot. The event was \$25 per person and open to the public. The grand prize included \$1,200 in gift cards.

Live Music & Comedy Night was held on Wednesday, July 27 from 6 to 9 p.m. in Ziibwing Center's front lawn.

From 6 to 7:30 p.m., the Anishinabe Performance Circle graduation was held. The graduates received recognition and displayed their newly-learned skills, under the director of Raymond Cadotte, visitor



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Stand-up comedian Stephanie Pangowish performs during the NativeFest Live Music & Comedy Night on Wednesday, July 27.



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Indian Car Bingo takes place on Tuesday, July 26, in the Ziibwing Center's parking lot.



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The Anishinabe Performance Circle graduates perform during the Music & Comedy Night.

services representative for the Ziibwing Center.

From 7:30 to 8 p.m. Joseph Sowmick, public relations manager, emceed the comedy slam contest. Participants could take a turn at the microphone

and try their luck at telling a winning joke.

From 8 to 9 p.m., a live performance by Stephanie Pangowish was held. Pangowish is an Anishinaabe kwe from Wiikwemkoong on Manitoulin Island. She is a stand-up comedian, Northern Style women's traditional

dancer, educator, back-up singer and an avid beader.

NativeFest was sponsored by the Ziibwing Center, Project AWARE, Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort, Soaring Eagle Waterpark and Hotel, The Mahoney Group and Saginaw Chippewa Housing.

All event proceeds support

education and cultural programming at the Ziibwing Center.

A NativeFest golf outing fundraiser was held Friday, July 15 at Pleasant Hills Golf Club at 9 a.m. The event also raised funds by hosting paid games on the golf course, a 50/50 raffle and prize raffles for tickets purchased.

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