

**The Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe (MLB)**  
**April/May 2016 Urban Update**

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Next 2 Per Cap Distribution days: May 5 & June 2,  
8am - 3:30pm \*\*\*Must have proper Identification\*\*\*

Circle of Health staff at Urban office May 5, 11am-2pm.  
Call for appt or stop by. Bring your questions, health  
insurance info & medical bills.

Honoring Native Am Veterans Plant Fundraiser Sale May 6, 9am  
-2pm at MAIC. To donate a plant please drop off 4/29 or 5/5

MLB Offices: Closing April 25 for Art Gahbow Day; Closing at  
Noon on May 13 & May 27; Closing May 30 for Memorial Day.

***URBAN UPDATE!***      ***Urban Community Meetings: April 28 & May 26, 2016***

**URBAN OFFICE:** Current job postings/job fairs, information & applications for Band services including: emergency services, home loans, housing, scholarship, enrollment, personal & discretionary loans, Tribal ID's, DNR Licenses, Notary Services; Band & local news|events|powwows|resources|support services & referrals in the community |■**Anangoog Nandoné & UHOPS:** Recognition award programs for students who do well in school, send in students successes, deadline to sign up is June 10 |■**Traditional Healer Herb Sam** is available in the urban area on Fridays, call 612-799-2698 to schedule a time to meet with him, or stop by the Powwow Grounds 10am-12N |■**2016 MN Twins Tickets:** Sign up for a chance to win tix in May-9,10, 20, 20, 24, 25. Drawings by lottery/2 tix per adult Band member. Deadline to sign up 5pm April 28 |■**Ceremonial Dance Dates:** Spring 2016/Mille Lacs-May 6, 7, 20, 21/East Lake-May 13, 14/Lake Lena-May 6, 7, 13, 14 |■**Am Indian Homeless Hotline: 612-719-3859.** Am Indian Community Dev Corp is collecting information on Am Indian individuals & families |■**MLB Minor Trust Training:** Questions about your Minor Trust Payment? Event at GCML, April 27, 9:30am-2pm. Call Jana Sam at 320-532-7466 |■**21st Annual Am Indian Wellness Fair:** April 27, 11am-3pm, Indian Center. Over 60 exhibitors, free health assessments, healthy food demos, community feast, door prizes |■**19th Annual Powwow & Craft Fair:** Sunday, May 1st, GCML Events Center, hosted by GCML & AMVets Post 43. Arts & Craft show 10am-7pm, Grand Entries 12pm & 5pm. FREE to the public. |■**Powwow for Hope:** May 7, Base Camp Facility, 201 Bloomington Rd, Mpls 55111, Celebrating 5 yrs of Dancing for Life, Love & Hope |■**Mobile Mammogram Day:** May 11, NACC, 1213 E Franklin Av. Reserve your 30" appt, Sarah Morris 612-843-5924 |■**ATV Class:** May 28, 10am-12N, Metro Gun Club, 10601 Naples St NE, Blaine 55449. Prior to class -complete one of the MN ATV/OHM Rider's Safety Class online. Must be 11yrs old, register, bring your own helmet, 4-Wheeler provided by MLB DNR, [Anthony.Erholtz@millelacsband.com](mailto:Anthony.Erholtz@millelacsband.com) FMI call Urban office

## URBAN UPDATE

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### Urban Community Meeting: Thursday, April 28, 2016

The next Urban Community meeting is at 5:30 p.m. on April 28, 2016 at All Nations Indian Church, 1515 E. 23rd St., Mpls., MN 55404. We will share with you the local news, events and happenings in the community. On the Agenda: City of Minneapolis Public Works Recycling Program with Kellie Kish, Recycling Coordinator. Some freebies on hand. They will also be sponsoring American Indian

Month kick-off event on May 2 by making it zero-waste. ■*Indian Month Kickoff Event: 10am-Opening Ceremony -Cedar Field-Little Earth, 10:30 Parade of Nations, 11:30 Community Speakers, 12N Community Feast at Indian Center.*

On the menu is chicken marsala, garlic mashed potatoes, french green beans, mixed greens salad/vegetable tray, fruit tray, fusion fruit H2O, coffee, bottled water.

We wrap up the evening with fun door prizes.

### Elder News

The All District Elder meeting is at 11:30 a.m. on May 19, 2016 at Hinckley ALU. Lunch is provided and Bingo after the meeting. Agenda involves local and non-local presenters on beneficial information to assist MLB Elders.

The Elder Abuse Conference is June 7-8, 2016 at Grand Casino Mille Lacs. On June 7, sessions are a.m. and p.m. and on June 8, session in the a.m. Dave Sam is the Elder Abuse Advocate. Any questions, please call.

The Wisdom Steps Conference is June 14-16, 2016. Participants had to have completed the blue walk brochure and health screening card. Fill these forms out and turn in by December 31, 2016 to be an eligible participant for the Wisdom Steps Conference in 2017. FMI call Barb at the Urban office or Renee Bruneau at CSS Elder Services.

The Grand Celebration Powwow is June 17-19, 2016 at Grand Casino Hinckley. Hotel Room sign up: now until May 13, 2016. Check in at 4 p.m. on Friday. Saturday night coupon/dine at the Hinckley Buffet, and Sunday coupon \$5 off provided for breakfast. *If you have a room for Hinckley, you cannot sign up for room at the Mille Lacs Traditional Powwow August 19-21, 2016.*

The National Indian Council on Aging, Inc. (NICOA) Conference is September 13-15, 2016: From September 12-16, 2016, Elder Services and the Chief Executive are planning this Elder trip to Niagara Falls, New York. The deadline to sign up is May 30, 2016. Any questions, please call Doreen Mitchell at 320-532-7532.

The 17th annual Urban Elder Fishing Trip is cancelled, after much consideration...to do our part to protect the lake's famed-but fragile walleye population. Other ideas for an alternative outing will be checked into.

*In our every deliberation, we must consider the impact of our decisions on the next seven generations. Iroquois-Maxim (1700-1800)*

### In Partnership w/Cheerful Givers: Birthday Gifts to Families

Cheerful Givers is a charitable nonprofit organization established 21 years ago to provide birthday gift bags to families in need. Birthday bags contain an assortment of small new toys, books (from Scholastic Books), crayons, school supplies, funny nose & glasses, smile stickers, a paddle ball, misc., for children ages 3-12. If you would like to pick

up a birthday bag(s), stop by during office hours. The Urban Office has partnered with Cheerful Givers, and we hope you will enjoy helping to bring smiles to more children in need! Miigwech to the Founder Robin Steele of Cheerful Givers.

