

Gíiwose Dibaajimowinan

(Hunter Stories)



When: Monday, October 20, 2014 (Please note date change)
Start 10:00am – Finish when we are finished

Where: Red Cliff Reservation – Legendary Waters Resort

Who: Tribal elder hunters and others who want to learn from them, especially children

Purpose: The stories held by our elders are disappearing as our elders walk on. Some of these stories are sacred stories passed on through the generations (aadizokan). Other stories are personal stories of experiences enjoyed by the hunter (dibaajimowin). Many of these stories are humorous and make us laugh. Others provide lessons as to how we should treat each other and our animal relatives. All of these stories are fun to tell and to listen to. The Red Cliff Tribe and the Great Lakes Indian Fish and Wildlife Commission would like to invite tribal hunters, especially elder hunters, to come to Red Cliff to enjoy a day of feasting, singing and storytelling. Especially stories of deer hunting and deer hunters are welcome. This will be a time for giiwosewininiwag to thank waawaashkeshi for all they have done for the Ojibwe.

Logistics: The format of the day will be to start at about 10 am with a welcome from Red Cliff, an opening ceremony, prayer, and some songs. We would have a feast at around noon and afterwards gather for storytelling. The stories will go on until we are finished. Food will be available in the lodge through the afternoon and evening. The evening time will continue with the gathering of elders and others who want to talk about their experiences. It will be a full day for everyone.

In order to facilitate the travel of elders to Red Cliff, GLIFWC will cover up to \$500 for gas and room costs for each tribe who wishes to send deer hunters. This funding is intended to offset the cost of gas to drive to Red Cliff and a night stay at the beautiful Legendary Waters Resort. Lunch and dinner on October 20th will be provided.

In order to help plan for this event each tribe should provide the name(s) of the people who are attending by October 13, 2014. This information can be sent to either:

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