



**NATIONAL CENTER FOR GREAT LAKES NATIVE AMERICAN CULTURE, INC.**  
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### **16<sup>th</sup> Annual NCGLNAC Gathering of Great Lakes Nations**

**Portland, IN.** Make plans today to attend the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Gathering of Great Lakes Nations Pow Wow hosted by National Center for Great Lakes Native American Culture on June 8 and 9 at the Tri-State Antique Gas Engine Association Grounds, 1010 Morton Street in Portland. This event is sponsored in part by the Jay County Visitor and Tourism Bureau and First Bank of Berne.

The 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Gathering of Great Lakes Nations Pow Wow is a celebration of Great Lakes Native Americans and their culture. It features Native American drums, singers and dancers from 1 to 4:30 p.m. and from 6 to 9 p.m. Saturday June 8 and from 12 noon to 4 p.m. Sunday June 9.

A flute and hand drum contest will be at 12 noon Saturday and 11 a.m. Sunday. Other activities on both days include Native American vendors from Indiana, Ohio, Michigan, Illinois and Wyoming, Native American foods, a pre-1840 re-enactment camp, and artisan demonstrations. Special dances open to all are a senior dance (50+) Saturday, a kid's candy dance Sunday and intertribal, two step and potato dances both days. All activities are included in the gate admission of \$3 per person, children under 12 are free with a maximum of \$12 per carload for families. Parking is free. Bring lawn chairs.

In addition, 10% of the gate admissions will be donated to the Jay County Humane Society to help find forever homes for area homeless pets. The higher the attendance, the higher the donation to the Jay County Humane Society! So come out to a great family-oriented entertainment opportunity and help support the Jay County Humane Society at the same time.

National Center for Great Lakes Native American Culture, Inc. was formed as a not-for-profit 501(c)3 educational organization. The Center is composed of Native and non-Native members whose mission is to continue and preserve traditional Great Lakes Native American art, history and culture by helping pass those traditions on to Native People and by educating the general public about the importance of Great Lakes Native peoples, their art, history and culture. NCGLNAC owns nearly 30 acres (generously donated by the Jay County Fair Board) of beautiful, wooded land, complete with pond and wetlands, located just north of the Jay County Fairgrounds in Portland. The first ethno-botanical hiking trail was opened to the public in 2008. A stone parking lot was finished in 2014. Construction of the walking bridge over Miller Branch was completed in 2015. Construction of a second bridge over the pond spillway will begin this year. An educational gazebo is in the planning stages.

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Intertribal Dance led by Tim Samaniego, Lena Miles and Ian Winningham