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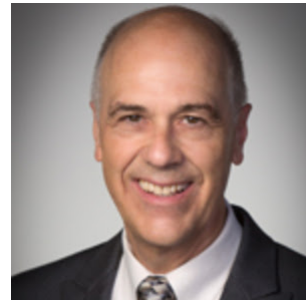


### ACCOLADES AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

#### David Strubler's Tiny Home Apprenticeship Program

The following article, written by Andrea Peck, was recently published on The Detroit News website.

Pontiac — A tiny house could lead to big changes in the skilled trades industry, thanks to one man's idea. It all started when Dave Strubler, a Lake Orion resident and Oakland University professor, wanted to build a unique vacation home for him and his family. Strubler's son introduced him to the concept of tiny homes, which are houses of less than 1,000 square feet for people who want to downsize their living space. Strubler knew he could use the project as a way to help provide apprenticeships, or on-the-job training, in skilled trades. "I saw that there was a shortage of workers in skilled trades," He told the Oakland Press. "I started thinking about apprenticeships and what could fill the gap."



Strubler's opportunity came when he found a Rochester-based company, Cool Tiny Homes, which could build a compact vacation home for him. When he began talking with the company, a mutual desire to implement apprenticeships and help teach skilled trades was discovered. Together with

Scott Baker of Cool Tiny Homes, Strubler put together a team of apprentices looking to learn construction trades. The apprentices, led by Father Shaun LaDuc of Church of the Advent of Rochester Hills, began working on the home in August. And many of them have found new jobs in the skilled trades industry because of it.

Baker said he plans to continue using apprentices on each of his building projects. "They're learning several different types of construction trades," Baker said. "It's kind of a win-win." Baker said he hopes to have one or two apprentices on future projects, so they can learn from more experienced crew members. "We want to build a model for apprenticeship," Strubler said. "It's a great training ground. It's kind of an experiment to see how it would work." Strubler said he hopes his tiny home can be used as a building block for future apprenticeships. "My dream is to restore apprenticeships to Michigan," he said.

## IN THE NEWS

### Native American Heritage Month

November is [Native American Heritage Month](#). The ERL will have books written by and about Native Americans on display for the rest of November.

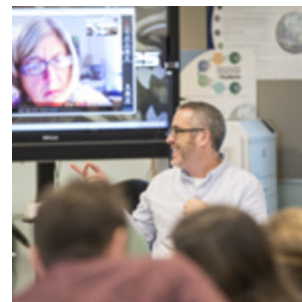
When searching a library catalog for books about Native Americans, be sure to use the official Library of Congress subject search phrase of "Indians of North America." You can also do a subject search by the name of the tribe. An extra note has been added in the ERL catalog records with the phrase "Native American" to help with results in your keyword search.



### MiPN Fall Convening at Oakland University

The Michigan Program Network (MiPN) recently held their fall convening at Oakland University on November 16-17. The MiPN is a collaboration of six teacher education institutions across Michigan (Grand Valley State, Oakland, Spring Arbor, Central Michigan, Eastern Michigan, and Michigan Tech) and the TeachingWorks center at the University of Michigan.

This is the third year of the group's ongoing work to build and enact a pedagogy of practices-based teacher education. Dr. Tuf Francis (pictured on the right) lead the group in a simulation approach in practices-based teacher education called rehearsal. This type of professional develop work is for teacher educators, and is a hallmark of the MiPN and part of the rich learning opportunities to work across institutions provided by the network. Those attending from SEHS include faculty and staff, as well as school-based clinical teacher educators from various P-12 settings.



## CELEBRATIONS



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## UPCOMING EVENTS



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