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Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe To Build 100 New Homes

The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Tribal Council in respect to their administrative plan goals and objectives is proud to announce their 100 home initiative. Chairman Peter D. White says, "These first one hundred homes being built is only a start. This initiative which is part of the current Tribal Council's administrative plan will continue on in future years. This initiative is for the betterment of our people!"

With that in mind, the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe proudly announces its newest division, the

"Homeownership Program". The program is administered by the Leech Lake Business Corporation on behalf of the Band. The primary purpose of the Homeownership Program is to operate a low interest home loan program for eligible Leech Lake families that meet the requirements of the program and will operate on a first come – first serve basis.

Those three requirements are:
1) you must be an enrolled member of the Leech Lake Reservation; 2)

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Model home currently under construction.

Photo by Patsy Gordon

Northern Lights Hotel Holds Grand Opening

By Patsy Gordon

In the beautiful new lobby of the Northern Lights Hotel, the Timberland Singers started out the morning ceremony with an honor song. Gaming Director, Rodney White, followed the drum group and introduced the special guests as they got up to speak.

Leech Lake Chairman, Peter White, welcomed the audience and told them how the new Northern Lights Casino and Hotel came about. "This new facility lifts our spirits, it gives us a little elbow room, a long time ago it wasn't like that." Many of you may recall that an old strip mall was renovated and housed the old Northern Lights Casino where it was real easy to bump into your neighboring slot player or blackjack player, whichever the case may have been. White says, "We can now give our customers an adequate place to be entertained and we finally have a facility that can compete with others through out the state. I think this whole thing is awesome!" Part of White's message was to never forget the employee, no matter what level they work at. He thanked the front line employees, saying they are the ones that make a difference. Before he concluded his speech, he made a point of recognizing the housekeeping



L to R: Chairman Peter White, Lyman Losh, Arthur "Archie" LaRose, Rodney White, Luke Wilson, Richard Robinson.

Photo courtesy of Northern Lights Casino

crew who sat in the audience. The team members were applauded.

General Manager of the Northern Lights facility, George Goggleye, Jr., also commended staff for their part in the success of the new casino/hotel and said "I congratulate all of these individuals and say thank you to the dedicated staff that is creating the event center as not only an excellent and memorable concert hall, but a special arena for conventions, seminars and

trade shows. This is a proud moment for Leech Lake Gaming and an equally proud moment for the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe". He also told the audience that Northern Lights has

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Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School Adds New Program To Their Curriculum.

By Patsy Gordon

The newly opened day treatment program at the Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School is called the Wembaashing Program which in Ojibwe translates to "lifted up" or "lifted by the wind". A grand opening was held for the program at the school on September 4, 2003.

Michael Erickson has been hired to direct the program which is meant to assist students who are encountering emotional difficulties and behavioral problems. The program is two fold in that it will provide a safe learning environment for the involved students and teach them how to get along with other people.

The program employs two teachers, one social worker, and two outreach assistant/parent liasions.

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Are Your Oak Trees Dying?

By Carol Mortensen, DRM Botanist/Invasive Species Project Coordinator

The information in this column was taken from an article by Mike Albers, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources Forest Health Specialist, and from the Forest Service's Forest Insect and Disease website, www.na.fs.fed.us/spfo/pubs/fidleast.htm.

Many oak trees have died the last couple of years as a result of infestation by the **two-lined chestnut borer** (TLCB), a native insect found from eastern Canada across the US to the Rocky Mountains. Once a pest of the American chestnut tree, TLCB now attacks all Minnesota oaks, but its first choice seems to be red oak. It targets trees already weakened by some other factor such as drought or tent caterpillar defoliation, stressful conditions that can make them more susceptible to attack.

So the best thing you can do to protect your oak trees from being killed by the borer is to keep them healthy and vigorous so they are able to fight off TLCB attack. The best way to do this, for your yard trees at least, is to water them in times of drought, avoid compacting the soil, changing the soil grade or water drainage pattern through construction activities, damaging the bark, or allowing other insects such as tent caterpillars to defoliate or stress the trees. Healthy trees

can fight off the borers; trees under stress are vulnerable.

Life Cycle

Adult TLCB beetles lay eggs on weakened oaks in late May-June. Once the larvae hatch they feed on the inner bark of live branches and stems, their tunnels girdling the branches and causing the leaves to turn brown. The tunnels are visible if the bark is removed from infested branches. The larvae pupate beneath the bark and emerge as adults through D-shaped exit holes the following spring.

Identification

Adult beetles are up to ½" long, slender, and black with two golden stripes along the back. In our area they may begin to emerge around late May, peaking in mid to late June. They feed on oak leaves, mate, and lay their eggs in small clusters in cracks and crevices of the bark. The larvae hatch in 1-2 weeks and are slender, white, with two spines at the tip of the abdomen, and reach about an inch in length.

Signs of TLCB Infestation

If the oaks in your yard have been attacked, you probably noticed the first signs around mid-July. The leaves on some branches began to wilt and turn reddish-brown, while

the leaves on other branches stayed green. These browned branches are dead and won't produce leaves next year. Although trees can be killed in one year, usually the crown of the tree is attacked the first year, with the infestation working its way down the tree during the second and third years.

What You Can Do

By the time you read this article, the TLCB attack will be over with for this year and there's not much you can do for your trees until next year. Remember, two-lined chestnut borers attack stressed oaks. If your trees made it through this summer without becoming infested, you'll want to keep a few things in mind for next summer. Deep watering is very important—your trees need about an inch a week, whether from rain or a hose, from May to August. Don't use fertilizers or herbicides within 50 feet of your oaks. Don't compact or change the grade or depth of the soil under the trees. And don't bring fresh oak firewood into your yard—it may infect your trees.

If Your Trees Are Already Infested

If a lot of the oaks in your neighborhood are infested with TLCB, removing a few trees won't do much good. You can prune out infested branches in late summer by cutting beyond the last wilted leaves on each branch, then burning, chipping, or burying the infested material before the adult beetles emerge.

If you decide to remove oaks that have died or have more than 50% crown dieback, this is where it gets complicated. If done improperly or at the wrong time, the borer infestation will simply continue. This is the point at which you really need to consult an expert, even if you want to keep the wood for firewood. For information on local sources of information, call me (218-225-7428 or 800-442-3942) and I'll try to connect you with someone who can advise you.

Remember, prevention by keeping your oak trees healthy is your best bet when it comes to saving them from infestation by the two-lined chestnut borer.

FREELANCE WRITERS WANTED!

Do you have a flair for writing? The De-Bah-Ji-Mon is looking for a freelance writer(s) to write for the newspaper on a monthly/bi-monthly basis. It wouldn't call for a lot of your time, but if you are interested, please contact the newspaper office at 335-8225 for an interview or you can email us also at lltpaper@paulbunyan.net Freelance writer stipends are available.

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November 2003 issue deadline for articles is October 15th.



Letter to the Editor:

Now that the school year has started, I'd like to order 100 De Bah Ji Mon newspapers on a monthly basis, to use in my classes at Bug O Nay Ge Shig High School and Cass Lake-Bena High School this year. We write questions to go with the articles from the newspaper and the students take it with them as homework.

The students enjoy reading about what is happening around the Leech Lake Reservation, and they especially like the profiles that you write about the elders. Miigwech for your coverage of events.

Sincerely, Mike Schmid

DFL Searches for Candidates, Hold October Debate

DFL Search Committee

With the passing of summer, the Beltrami County DFL has formed a search committee to encourage interested people to run for State Representative in 2004. The committee has encouraged representation to the group from other counties, (that are part of Beltrami County's two legislative districts 2B and 4A) to participate or hold their own forums. As five persons have already expressed interest in running to varying degrees, the Beltrami DFL will hold separate debates for each district on two successive dates in October.

According to Committee Chair, Michael Meuers, a potential candidate need not be committed to running but only have interest. We are hoping anyone who has ever thought of serving in the state legislature, will contact a member of the committee to let us know of their interest, answer any questions that

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you must provide proof of steady employment for the past two years; and 3) you must provide proof of your ability to pay a mortgage every month.

Three model homes are currently under construction at this moment that will be used for interested buyers to view. If you are interested in taking a look at them, one is being built across from the Indian Hospital in between the elderly units. One is located one street back from the Business Corporation/Dairy Queen building, and the third house is located on Merve's Curve on Tract 33. A location is presently being sought for a fourth model home to be constructed also. As soon as a site is found, construction will begin on the final model home. Once construction begins on the remainder of the 100 homes, every effort will be made to employ Band members for the construction of the homes.

The short term goal of the homeownership program is to have the foundation for at least 40 homes laid before the ground freezes. A

person might have, and participate in the debate, said Meuers.

Members of the Committee include, Onen Markeson and Alan Brew of Bemidji, Steven Newby of rural Bemidji, Stephanie Cobenais of Red Lake, and John Killian of Hines. Leonard Zimmer of Cass County and John Corbid of Hubbard have also been appointed members.

The debates will be held on successive Tuesdays. Both will be held from 7:00 to 8:30 or 9:00 p.m. with a half hour social time beginning at 6:30 p.m.

On Tuesday, October 21, 2003 a forum/debate will be held for District 2B (most of Beltrami county north and west, Clearwater, the west half of Hubbard, and parts of Polk and Pennington counties) at the Red Lake Tribal Council Chambers in Red Lake. Two potential candidates have

road is being made and lots are being cleared in the Otenagen area in Inger where 8 homes will be built. In all, 31 sites have been determined where the homes will be constructed. In most cases, the applicant will be responsible to have land or a lot where they want their home to be built.

No down payment is required. An amortization schedule will be worked out for you personally once your application is accepted to determine your monthly mortgage payment.

If you meet the above listed requirements and have completed your application, you will be put on a waiting list. However, please bear in mind, simply filling out an application does not guarantee you a home. If all requirements are met, you will be scheduled for a mandatory "Homeowners Training". Topics to be discussed are credit counseling, home inspection, foreclosure prevention, the responsibilities of being a homeowner and the policies and procedures of the homeownership

expressed interest as of this writing; candidate from 2002 Mark Edevold of Bagley and Hubbard County DFL Chair Brita Sailer of Park Rapids.

On Tuesday, October 28, a forum will be held for District 4A, (the Bemidji and northern Cass County) at the Bemidji American Legion basement. Three potential candidates have said they will participate so far, Richard Chernugal,

Frank Moe, and John Persell all of the Bemidji area.

We hope to get to know interested candidates now rather than later, concluded Meuers, it would be to the candidates advantage to know their level of support by caucus time in early March 2003, and have a jump on the campaign season. Meuers can be reached at 218-444-5558.

Homeownership Program

Are You Eligible?

Are you a member of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe?
Have you been steadily employed for at least 2 years?
Do you have the ability to pay a mortgage every month?



The Leech Lake Business Corporation Homeownership Program is a program administered by the Leech Lake Business Corporation on behalf of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe. The primary purpose of this program is to operate a low interest housing loan program for Leech Lake families meeting the requirements set forth in the LLBC Policies & Procedures manual.

The Leech Lake Business Corporation will be accepting applications on October 6, 2003.

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Cass Lake, MN 56633
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FAX: 218.335.3668

program.

You are still welcome to fill out an application even though you may not meet the requirements of the program. If you do not meet the requirements, your application will be referred to the Leech Lake Housing Authority program. The program staff will be working with the Leech Lake Housing Authority staff to place those in dire need of a home as quickly as possible. If for some reason you have been deemed

ineligible for the homeownership program, you will be welcome to file an appeal with the appeals committee. The determination of the appeals committee will be final.

You may pick up an application at the Business Corporation office (located in the Dairy Queen building). Applications will also be available through your community center in the near future.

For more information, please call the Business Corporation at 1-866-289-5996 or 335-3667.

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Elementary teacher, Jennifer Durand will work with the elementary school children and Bonnie Rock will work with the grade 7 to 12 students. Jenny Sherman and Joyce Fairbanks-Blanchard are the two parent liasions and will work half time with the Wembaashing Program and half time with the entire school, and will work to form a compatible partnership between the parents and the school. Ralph Syzkowski is the social worker for the program and will offer counseling to the kids on a daily basis. All of the staff will be involved providing individual and group counseling to the students. The program has the capability to provide services for up to 20 kids.

Staff will spend the entire school day with the students and their goal is to have the students eventually work their way back into the regular school system.

One important aspect of the program is that parents will not only know when the students are not doing good, but they will know when their children are doing well also. Positive reinforcement will play a key role in the program.

A beautiful hand painted picture titled, "Legend of Grandmother Moon and the Waboose" was painted and donated to the program by Morris Blanchard and will hang on the classroom walls.



L to R: Michael Erickson, Jennifer Durand, Joyce Fairbanks-Blanchard, Jenny Sherman, Ralph Syzkowski and Bonnie Rock.

Photo by Cari Tabor

Parents: It's 10 p.m. Do You Know Where Your Children Are?

We've all heard that saying before. Curfew time for children who are 18 years old and under is 10:00 p.m. All too often, many children are not accounted for or not held accountable for their wrong doings by their parents. I'm sure most of us have witnessed instances where parents will still stick up for their children even if they absolutely know their children are in the wrong. Not holding your child accountable for

their wrongs is only doing him/her harm. It is only teaching them that they can keep doing whatever it is that they are doing wrong cause Mom and Dad will not punish them anyway.

Recently, the Dik-in-agan Childcare Center has experienced a rash of breakins and vandalism that has been a costly additional expense to the childcare center for repairs, replacements, etc. Vents

are being broken and kicked off the roof, shingles are being torn off and strewn about in front and in back of the building. A TV/VCR was stolen and the walls were painted with vulgar graffiti.

The Oak Point Community Center has also experienced vandalism over the summer months. Rocks were collected in pails and then thrown up on the roof and some shingles were torn off also. A

large window was broken. Also, the playground that was built out there for the kids to play on has been destroyed. The Leech Lake Public Works Division also experienced some extensive damage to their building and equipment.

These instances of blatant inconsideration and vandalism are not only hurting the reservation as a whole, but they hurt the individuals that do it also, whether or not they think so. Those who are damaging and destroying property like this must take an inventory of themselves and ask themselves, why? Why are you doing this? What joy or enjoyment are you getting out of hurting other people? Even little acts of inconsideration will later turn into bigger acts and you won't get away with it forever. Ask yourself, is it really jail or prison that you want to end up in?

Anyone knowing of anyone who may be vandalizing Leech Lake facilities or any other place, are asked to please report it to the Leech Lake Tribal Police at 335-8277. Your name will be kept confidential.

But parents, on a positive note, always remember to also praise your children for the good and positive things they do. Accentuating the positive goes a long way in keeping a kids self esteem up and on the right track.



Luke Wilson greets his grandson during the first day of Headstart.

Photo by Patsy Gordon



Kathy Headbird smudges Dik-in-a-gan classrooms, followed by Marilyn Bowstring.

Photo by Patsy Gordon

Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community Approves Consolidation Loan for Leech Lake

Leech Lake – Chairman Peter D. White and Secretary/Treasurer Arthur LaRose met with SMSC Tribal Council members and General membership on Tuesday, September 9, 2003. Chairman White presented a proposal that will consolidate the Leech Lake Gaming loans. The present loan with Bremer Bank & Associates was for the Northern Lights expansion that included 5 separate loans with over 100 participating banks, which also had four different interest rates of 5.7%, 7%, 7%, and 12%. The present structure of these loans would be paid off in 20 years, which included balloon payments, administrative fees, and finance charges to each bank in the present loan package.

Chairman White opened with a brief statement to the SMSC Tribal Council and General membership outlining the present financial conditions of the Bremer loan. Chairman White stated that we would need to keep our money within Indian County. The Leech

Lake Band of Ojibwe has stood side by side with the Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux and other Tribes in the battle of maintaining our gaming industry from private interests. Chairman White concluded his presentation with a chi-mii-gwitch on behalf of the Band.

Shortly thereafter, The SMSC Tribal Council and General membership privately discussed the proposal and voted to grant Leech Lake the consolidation loan. The SMSC consolidation loan will include financing for 20 years and a 6.5% interest rate that will save Leech Lake about \$30 million in principle and interest payments over the life of the old Bremer loan. The \$30 million saved will enable Leech Lake to continue on with some needed projects, such as housing and Economic Development.

On behalf of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe, we extend our sincere gratitude to the Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community and Tribal Council members for the consolidation loan. Mii-Gwitch!

Leech Lake Tribal College Receives Continued Funding for Diabetes Education in Tribal Schools

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) recently awarded a grant in the amount of \$221,979 to Leech Lake Tribal College (LLTC) to continue its Diabetes Based Science Education in Tribal Schools (DETS) program, directed by Betty Abbott, curriculum coordinator. Goals of this five-year nationally orchestrated project are to develop a diabetes-based science curriculum for Native American students in grades K-12 as well as to increase the number of Native American students entering the health or science-related professions.

Type 2 diabetes affects one

in four adults in the Leech Lake community and touches on the lives of all families. Once a dreaded disease, recent health care advances in treatment enable people with diabetes to live well. It is important to make a treatment plan a part of daily living. Support of friends and family and community is essential. This is where DETS comes in. By including practical information on diabetes in school, effective treatment and prevention of diabetes will become a way of healthy life. The age-appropriate curriculum is culturally and historically based.

ATTENTION:
attention:

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Members

Please Join the Leech Lake Tribal Council as
Chairman Peter D. White presents the

Financial State of the Band Address.

Date: Friday, October 17th, 2003
Time: 1:00 p.m.
Place: Northern Lights Convention Center

Lunch will be served after the presentation

Leech Lake Tribal College, Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Receive Federal Grant Funds

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development announced September 17th a \$400,000 grant to the Leech Lake Tribal College in Cass Lake.

The Leech Lake Tribal College was established in 1990 by the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Tribal Council. The college offers 15 two-year degree programs and provides high-quality education to underserved and economically disadvantaged individuals.

"The college is currently housed in five older buildings that are in substandard condition and are costly to lease," Congressman James L. Oberstar commented. "The buildings are inadequate for the overall needs and projected growth of the college, and construction of a new campus has been planned. Grant funds will enable the college to complete the first phase of the three-phase project."

The U.S. Department of Justice has also awarded a \$500,000

grant to the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe in Cass Lake to combat domestic violence.

"This funding will enable the Tribe to conduct a preliminary assessment of law enforcement, prosecution and advocacy agency policies, provide legal advocacy assistance to battered women's programs and conduct comprehensive training for agencies and tribal community members," said Oberstar.

"This is great news for Native American victims of domestic violence. This is the first program in Minnesota to enhance victim safety. There has been minimal involvement with county and law enforcement agencies regarding Indian women," said Adrienne Adkins, Director of Human Services for the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe. "We will be providing services to Leech Lake and White Earth reservations and to tribal and county law enforcement and prosecution."

HOPE

By Sonya Lanham

With all the drugs on the street
All the people I turn to greet,
No one can honestly come out to
say
I can stay sober and drug free today.
The hope must come from deep
within
Having to be strong just to win,
Gotta' stand proud to hold on to
hope,
Gotta' say no to all the dope.
But some days it can't be as easy as
it sounds,
Keep strong and keep your feet on
the ground.
Because you make what life you
want to live,
And you may never know what
sobriety can give,
Don't let no one deprive you of who
you really are.
You got so much and can only go so
far.
The breaking point is not that far
away.
Don't fall, because you'll live happily
day by day
Don't ever look forward to tomorrow.
Tomorrow never comes and it can
only bring pain and sorrow
And when it comes down to being
drug free,
I know that I have the hope deep
within me.

Summers of Indian Time

By Lena Rae Jesse Goose
Cass Lake Bena High School – 8th
Grade

This is after the summers of Indian
time.
This is the heart for the summer of
mine.
The summers of Indian time passes
us by.
Everybody always says hi.
After summers of Indian time is the
fall.
But next is the coldest time of all.
But for now let's just enjoy
This summer of Indian time.
For this is the summer of mine.

A Voice

By Craigalan West

In the wind
That I feel
blowing,
I hear a voice
It is calling,
Softly, silent,
quiet,
Listen...

Mother Earth

In the wind
A voice, it is
calling,
Softly, silent,
quiet,

Listen...

Mother Earth
Mother Earth,
She is not quiet,
Listen...

In our children

That I watch
growing,
I see our future
Mother Earth
calling,
Softly, silent, quiet
Listen...

LEECH LAKE ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Heating season begins October 1, 2003 and ends May 31, 2004

Are you eligible?

You must meet these
income guidelines for the past
three (3) months:

Family Size	Income
One (1)	\$4,721.00
Two (2)	\$6,174.00
Three (3)	\$7,627.00
Four (4)	\$9,079.00
Five (5)	\$10,532.00
Six (6)	\$11,985.00

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Energy Assistance has moved to the old roads
building. This building is located on Spruce
Avenue past the Cass Lake Family Center and
through the gate. Look for the yellow building
toward the back of the complex.

6530 US Hwy 2, Cass Lake, MN 56633

Health Division Now Offers Doula Services

The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe is now offering doula services. Many people have never heard the term "doula". A doula is a supporting companion, trained and experienced in childbirth, who provides continuous emotional support and physical comfort to laboring women and their families. The word "doula" comes from ancient Greek and is now used to refer to a woman who helps other women. A doula will work closely with the woman and her family. She is not meant to stand in place of any family members.

The benefits of continuous doula care are endless. Research has shown that the presence of continuous emotional support during labor can reduce a woman's need for interventions such as, artificial

oxytocin, epidurals, forceps, and cesarean sections. Research has also shown that the presence of a doula at a birth can significantly reduce the length of labor.

A doula can help a woman to make informed decisions about her birth options. She may suggest ways for her partner or family members to help the woman be more comfortable. She can communicate with the woman, the doctors and the nurses about how a labor and birth are progressing. The doula is there to give one-on-one attention and support through the birth of your child.

If you would a doula to attend the birth of your child, or you would like more information on the services offered, please call 218-335-3284.

SMSC Co-Sponsors Conference to Help Improve Cancer Survival Rate for Native Americans

The diagnosis of cancer for many American Indians can be a virtual death sentence. American Indians of the Northern Plains die from cancer at a rate significantly higher than any other ethnic group in the United States, and cancer is the second leading cause of death for American Indians. To help Native Americans and their families who are affected by cancer, the Shakopee Mewakanton Sioux Community is sponsoring a free, regional conference on October 6 and 7, 2003, called "Spirit of Eagles".

A recently released study by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention found that among Northern Plains Indians, 292 deaths per 100,000 were attributed to cancer, compared to 195 per 100,000

for non-Indians. The mortality rate for prostate cancer among American Indian men is more than double that of the national average. Abnormally high rates were also found for Northern Plains Indians for lung, colorectal, breast, and liver cancers. The Northern Plains, as defined by the CDC, consists of Minnesota, Wisconsin, South Dakota, North Dakota, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Montana, Nebraska, and Wyoming.

As an underserved population, fewer Native Americans survive cancer than any other racial or ethnic group in the United States, according to the American Cancer Society. Native Americans experience higher cancer incidence and lower survival rates than other populations in the U.S. Lung cancer mortality rates for American Indian men and women

in Minnesota are nearly double the rates for whites, according to the Minnesota Department of Health, and the rate for cancer mortality for Indians in Minnesota is 30% higher than the U.S. rate.

At the Spirit of Eagles Cancer Conference, nationally - known American Indians who are experts in the field will give presentations on such topics as causes, treatment, survivor stories, living with the disease, exercise, stress relief, traditional values, research, prevention, end of life issues, men's and women's wellness, and nutrition. Traditional Native American talking circles will help participants process information during the conference.

The Shakopee Mewakanton Sioux Community will host this second annual Spirit of Eagles conference at

Mystic Lake Casino. Co-sponsors are the National Office of the Spirit of Eagles; American Indian/Alaska Native Leadership Initiative on Cancer; University of Wisconsin Comprehensive Cancer Center; and the University of Minnesota Cancer Center.

Cancer affects people of all nationalities, leaving a wake of physical and emotional pain for the survivors, shattering families, and impacting communities innumerable ways, but in the Native American community, this disease is even more devastating. If you or someone you love is dealing with cancer, you are invited to attend this free conference. For more information or to register in advance, please call the SMSC Health Department at 952-496-6150 or go to www.shakopeedakota.org.

Women's Circle of Life Project Sponsors Breast Cancer Awareness Walk

By Patsy Gordon

Registered nurses, Josie Ricci and Amy Buckanaga, of the Cass Lake Indian Hospital were successful in writing and being awarded a grant after submitting it to the Susan G. Koman Foundation to sponsor the "Women's Circle of Life Project". The Walk/Run held on September 13, 2003, gave community members a chance to gather and walk/run for breast cancer awareness and to honor the women in our lives that have battled and/or are battling this disease.

Dr. Eugene BeGay from the Lac Courte Oreilles Indian Reservation in Wisconsin and also Josie's father, spoke as the emcee for the event. He made it a point to mention that he is not a doctor of medicine, but a doctor of law, in other words he is an attorney. Dr. Begay said, "We are here for this breast cancer walk/run cause for a cure, and we are here to serve the Leech Lake Tribe. We are here today because we are concerned about the plague of cancer amongst our Indian women!" He also said it was important to remember that breast cancer not only affects women, it can affect men too. "Males can



Walkers join in for Breast Cancer Awareness walk.

Photo by Patsy Gordon

also contract breast cancer", said Dr. Begay. Dr. Begay prayed in Ojibwe and sang an Ojibwe healing song as he drummed before the start of the walk/run. Then he jokingly said to the participants, "When he shoots his arrow, then you all take off and start running. No, I was just kidding, I think it's gonna' be a gun."

Nurses from as far away as Maine, Massachusetts, Texas, and New York from the Walking Shield organization were in attendance to

support the event also. They are currently doing work assisting doctors and nurses at the Cass Lake Indian Hospital on a volunteer basis. Leech Lake has much to thank Walking Shield for, as the organization has made other donations to the Band in the past also.

"I think this is wonderful to bring awareness to the community", said Nancy Foster, who participated in the walk and is a breast cancer survivor herself. Her breast cancer

was first detected in 1994 after having a mammogram and shortly after that a lumpectomy was performed. Nancy has been cancer free for 8 years now, she says, "I was one of the lucky ones!"

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. All women should remember to do their breast self examinations not only this month, but it is recommended to do them every month of the year. You may be responsible for saving your own life!

**YOUNG
WRITERS
WANTED**



If you are a Leech Lake Band Member who writes or have an interest in writing, the DeBahJiMon would like to publish your work. Creative writing, such as poetry and short stories, as well as non-fiction, such as news stories and feature articles are welcome. Send your work via e-mail to:

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or by post to:

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Elders Chair: Josephine Dunn Is Still Twirling Like the Wind.

By Patsy Gordon

One thing I found most interesting about Josephine Dunn and a mystery to her, is the fact that she, to this day, does not know how she ever got her name - Josephine. Her parents, Amos and Daisy Woods, taking advice from one of Josephine's Anties, named her Ge-we-tah-yoush-she-quay, which she says means "something like a twirling wind, or going around in circles". Josephine is not sure where she was born but says it was probably in Oak Point at home. Her mother told her a baby's Indian name must be given to them before they turn 4 days old. "You use someone's name who is very close to you, it gives the baby a namesake," her mother said. She was named after an elderly woman, with the name of Mrs. Stump, who lived out at Oak Point many years ago.

Josephine was born on October 28, 1932. Her birth certificate did not show her English name, it showed only her Indian name which she had been given at birth. It wasn't until she started grade school that she received the name Josephine. She says that somehow her birth certificate had been altered to show her name as Josephine, but that name is in hand writing, whereas the the rest of the original information on the birth certificate had been typed.

However, the name Ge-we-tah-yoush-she-quay seems very appropriate for Josephine since she is still going strong at seventy years old and has not yet retired. She presently works part time for the Leech Lake Elders division as an elders advocate and has been employed there since July of 2000. She also worked for Leech Lake in the Housing office, Head start, and the old Credit Union. In September of 1971, she started working with the Leech Lake Health Division and remained there for 27 years as a Community Health Representative (CHR). In 1992, her mother suffered a stroke, and Josephine took a leave of absence during a span in 1992 and

1993 to care for her elderly mother. Josephine married Richard Dunn on February 6, 1963. After many years of marriage, Richard died on March 11, 2000. Richard and Josephine always made their home in the Oak Point community. Together, they had 4 children and raised them at Oak Point, where Josephine still lives today, as do some of her children and grandchildren.

No different than most other Indian children growing up in her day and age, Josephine never learned English until she was 6 years old, at which time she learned the English language mostly from her teacher.

Josephine recalled memories of things she did when she was a young girl. "I did a lot of the same things my Mother did", she said. Camping out at Hardwood Point on Leech Lake so she could go ricing every day during the ricing season became a tradition almost every year during her youth. Her family always kept their rice and finished it themselves. She also camped out during the spring time to tap trees and make maple syrup and sugar cakes.

She ended our visit, Josephine offered these words of advice to parents out there in today's world. "If you teach your kids the right

way, they will grow up with respect. Respect has to be taught to them starting at a young age." picked berries too when they were in season. All of the berries she and her family picked were canned. She helped set net in the fall. "We never sold any of our harvests, we always kept it", she said, "we never went hungry, we had deer meat, ducks, rabbits - we made our own bread, today I still make biscuits!"

Just as her mother did, Josephine too, made moccasins, "little bitty moccasins", she said, and sold them for a quarter a pair. She tanned deer hides and still partakes in that tradition today. As a matter of fact, she has one hanging in her basement right now that keeps reminding her that it needs to be tanned and she thinks, "Gee, I should do this." Josephine knows that day will eventually come! She also used to make braided rugs and quilts. She said there were many times when she would sit up all night sewing up her blankets.

Although Josephine never seen the old building in Oak Point, her mother told her about the dance hall where the community would hold their pow-wows. She said that building was before her time but "people came from North Dakota to attend these pow-wows, it was just a dance, there was never any money involved," Josephine said.

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ELDERS SEARCH

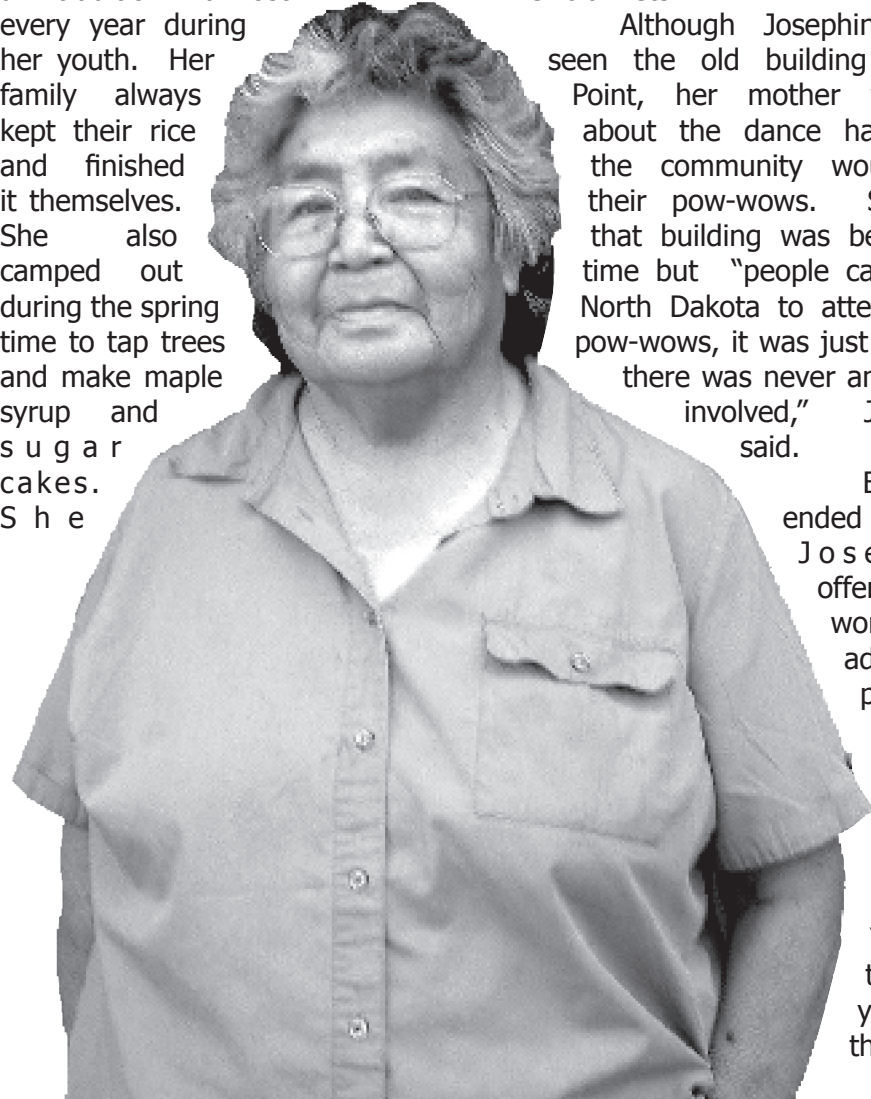
The DeBahJiMon newspaper is seeking elders to feature in a column titled "Elders Chair". If you know an elder who would be interested in being interviewed or if you are an elder who would be kind enough to share your story, please call with the name(s) and contact information:

(218) 335-8225

You can also e-mail at:

lltpaper@paulbunyan.net

The DeBahJiMon would be more than happy to travel to meet the elder(s) for the interview.



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already had the pleasue of hosting a meeting where the Governor of Minnesota, Tim Pawlenty, was in attendance.

Leech Lake Business Corporation CEO, Mike Johnson, spoke briefly and told the crowd, "We can be proud that we have the nicest hotel and destination resort in the state."

Tours of the facility were offered to those who had not yet been through the hotel. A wonderful buffet lunch was served.

Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig Family Night



Enjoying the Fun Night Meal.

Photo by Rick Kezar

The first official Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig Family Night with the children back in school kicked off Wednesday, September 17th. Families were introduced to the new staff at the school and there was a short presentation on Love and Logic, which is a philosophy of raising and teaching children which allows adults to be more skilled in their interactions with children.

Families gained much information from the wolf curriculum as well as as the trained diabetes staff that were present to take sugar counts. Activities for the evening included: juice ring toss, pin the sideburns on Elvis, and a scavenger hunt. The next Family Night will be October 23rd, where our theme will be fall festival.

New Funding Available For Home Ownership and Repair Loans

The United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, has loan funds available for low income applicants to finance the purchase or construction of a home, or for home repairs for residents of Crow Wing, Aitkin and Cass counties. If you meet income guidelines, have a good credit history, job stability, can show repayment ability for the loan amount, and be unable to obtain sufficient credit from other sources, Rural Development may be able to help you.

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Earl Hoaglund, Traditional Healer
from White Earth
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BUSINESS

Interquest Detection Canines Project Developed to Enforce Zero Tolerance at Casinos

Employees at the Gaming Division received a tri-fold informational brochure with their pay check a few weeks ago titled, "Interquest Detection Canines." This brochure announces that "Contraband is illegal on all Leech Lake Gaming division properties," said Rocky Papasodora, Investigations Director. Papasodora has been an integral component, as well as a co-developer of this program that has received national recognition and support through agencies such as the Minnesota Casino Intelligence Unit (MCIU), MN State Senate Committee on Gaming, and received approval for

implementation from MIGA in 1992. "The program started as an idea over two decades ago, and has been put into action in areas of military, police force, school systems, and most recently, other Native American casinos throughout the nation," said Papasodora. Canines can be utilized as tools to deter drugs, weapons, and other contraband. This program has been successful in other areas, and is now being introduced in casinos. You can hear Papasodora repeating his motto wherever he goes, "the casino is our most valuable industry, and we want to protect it." I'm

sure every Band member will agree that the safety of our employees and patrons is a number one priority for our security and management departments. To keep our casinos safe, random searches will be made in all areas of the casinos.

This project was initiated by an outside Task Force whose investigations were quite unfortunately, confirmed. "Indian casinos throughout Indian Country are targeted for all kinds of criminal activity," said Papasodora. This interquest detection is designed to take a proactive approach in stopping these types of criminal activities

that occur in casinos. This project coupled with current enforcement policies means that we are providing a safe casino for both employees and customers.

If anyone has any questions about this project, or has any information about criminal activity within the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe organization, please call Papasodora at 1-866-289-5996 or 218-335-4441. You can be assured that your identity will be kept anonymous and your information taken seriously.

Che-We Complex Continues With Renovations

The changes being made on the Band's Che-We Complex are being received with great enthusiasm, and can be measured by the increased consumerism. In the August issue of the DeBahJiMon, an article was published by the Business Corporation that communicated these changes, and are already

having a positive reflection on the way we do business. Part of the change includes the maintenance of the Che-We building. You may notice a crew of construction workers scaling the exterior walls, much like "Spidermen". The old siding is being replaced with new cedar siding in the upper most portion of the building

with stone on the bottom. Christine Cummings, Small Business Manager, says, "This beautiful new architecture of the building will be enhanced with new dramatic lighting, not only for aesthetic purposes, but for enhanced security as well." The black top is going to be replaced and the potholes filled, making the decision to purchase gas at the Che-We an easy one.

is because customers have been gradually changing from fuel oil to propane and natural gas. The decision to use the limited tank space for on-road diesel was based on profitability. Profitability was based on a number of factors; the quantity of on-road diesel sales exceeds the amount of #2 fuel oil, the fuel oil season is shorter than the year round on-road season, and the vast majority of our customers use #1 fuel oil therefore, the decision to eliminate the #2 fuel oil was supported by many factors.

Che-We Gift Shop Receives New Arrivals

The gift shop will be receiving the custom built shelves that were previously used in the no longer existing Ojibwe Reflections shop in Walker, and a UPS shipping station will be added. In addition to conducting business as usual, plans are underway to develop a craft show route featuring the Che-We gift shop as a unique Anishinaabe specialty shop.

2003 Heating Season Sees Decreased Demand for #2 Leech Lake Fuel Oil

Leech Lake Oil has watched the diminishing demand for #2 fuel oil over the years. The reason

Che-We Office Supply Merger

The Band's office supply store has eliminated the store front appeal of its retail operations. This is good news for customers. Che-We Supply will purchase directly from the manufacturer who assumes all warehouse fees. In addition, Che-We Supply will become a part of the central purchasing operation. Central purchasing will administer a more efficient means of procuring all purchases throughout the LLBO organization. Look for more insight about the central purchasing department in the DeBahJiMon's November issue.

Betty Blue Has Fond Memories of Being Former Editor of Debahjimon.

By Patsy Gordon

"I feel marvelous", says 83 year old Betty Blue as she sat at her daughter Liz's house in Duluth among Liz's bird collection. Betty pointed out to me that Liz collects birds, but not real ones, of course. Birds were everywhere, sitting on shelves and swinging from windchimes throughout the lovely home.

Betty parents raised her as an only child in South Dakota. When I asked her what she used to do as a kid she said, "Oh, I was a rotten kid and all I did was raise hell! I was always riding my bicycle and at ten years old I never seen my home again." Of course, she was only joking, she was just always gone on her bike. Her other favorite things to do was fishing and swimming. Betty's father was a medical doctor in Mobridge, South Dakota. A neighboring reservation at Fort Yates was not fortunate enough to have their own doctor, so patients were sent to Mobridge where Betty's father took care of them. Many times when kids had to be left there as patients with no family to visit them, her father would send Betty to visit them. Betty enjoyed the interaction with the children.

After Betty graduated from high school, she entered college in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. She majored in English and Drama. Her goal was to get a job with a newspaper office after graduating from college. So she went to the two big newspaper offices in Milwaukee every week to seek work. She landed herself a job with the Milwaukee Sentinel and worked there as a feature writer for 10 years.

When I asked Betty if she was part Native American, she said, "only in heart". She did marry Dean Blue who was a member of the Upper Sioux Reservation in Granite Falls. Her and Dean had 6 children. Betty likes to refer to them as "his, hers, and ours". She had 2 that were her biological children and Dean had 3 that were his biological children, and together they had one child. But she wanted to make it known that all of



Photo by Patsy Gordon

the children were and still are just like her own! They lived in Granite Falls, Minnesota.

Dean's job brought the family to Bemidji when he was hired by the Office of Equal Opportunity there, which set Betty in motion to find a new job in the area also.

Many of you may recall that Betty was the editor of the Debahjimon for many years and said that she enjoyed her job immensely. She wanted to give credit to all of her past newspaper helpers and listed their names for me. Rich Robinson, Jr., who you all know is now the Band's District III Representative on the Tribal Council, was her very first assistant, and at the time had just graduated from BSU with a degree in Art. Others who assisted Betty at one time or another with the newspaper included Roxanne LaRose, Linda Buckanaga, Pauline Brunette, Erv Sargent, Don Savage, Helen Blue, Laura Ware and Aaron Fairbanks.

As Betty reminisced with me about all of her fond memories with the paper and working for Leech Lake, and the people she remembered, her Home Health Aide showed up to assist Betty with her health needs. Since our visit was just about over anyway and I did not want to get in the way of her schedule, I bid her farewell. On my way out the door, Betty shouted to me. "Oh, let's not forget about Lizzie (her daughter) she takes wonderful care of me!"

"Famous Dave's" Dave Anderson Named as Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs

U.S. Department of the Interior

Secretary of Interior Gale Norton praised President Bush's intention to nominate Anderson to serve as Assistant Secretary for Indian affairs. The announcement is subject to confirmation by the U.S. Senate, once the official nomination is made by the President, which may have already taken place by the time of this reading.

Anderson, a member of the Chippewa and Choctaw Tribes and an enrolled member of the LacCourte Oreilles Lake Superior Band of Ojibwe, is a nationally-recognized business entrepreneur, expert in revitalizing failing companies, and founder and chairman of the Famous Dave's of America, Inc. — one of the nation's fastest growing chains of family restaurants.

Anderson is also known for his dedication to the American Indian community, having donated more than \$6 million to Indian advancement programs. In 1999 the Anderson Family established the YouthSkills Foundation with a \$1.4 million gift to help disadvantaged American Indian children. Proceeds from Anderson's award-winning BBQ cookbook are donated to the foundation. In 2001, Anderson also founded the LifeSkills Center for Leadership, offering life-changing programs for at-risk Indian youth and young adults.

During his business career, Anderson founded three publicly traded companies on Wall Street, created more than 18,000 new jobs, and reorganized a number of

failing businesses in Indian Country, enabling them to become financially successful operations.

In 1982, Anderson, as chief executive officer for the Lac Courte Oreilles Chippewa tribal enterprises, built a team that successfully turned reservation businesses into profitable and stable operations. Under his leadership, gross revenues increased from \$3.9 million to \$8 million. This achievement was recognized by President Reagan's Commission on Indian Reservation Economics.

Anderson received a master's degree in Public Administration from Harvard University at the John F. Kennedy School of Government in 1986. He lives in Edina, Minnesota, with his wife.

The Assistant Secretary of Indian Affairs has responsibility for fulfilling the Department's trust responsibilities and promoting self-determination on behalf of the 562 federally recognized American Indian and Alaska Native Tribal governments. The Assistant Secretary also oversees the Bureau of Indian Affairs, an agency with 10,500 employees nationwide, which is responsible for providing services to approximately 1.4 million individual American Indians and Alaska Natives from the federally recognized Tribes.

PROFESSIONAL ASSISTANTS

Join the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe at the Professional Assistants Expo 2003, October 28, 29 & 30 at Northern Lights. An informative and fun workshop, designed to bring out the best in you both professionally and personally.

Time is running out, registration space is limited, act now to attend. The guest speaker at this years event will be Tribal Chairman, Peter D. White. Discounted hotel rates are still available for Expo attendees at Northern Lights.



For more information and registration forms contact Dave Paquette at (218) 335-3771 or email at david.paquette@llojibwe.com



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ON BEHALF of the George V. Goodwin Memorial Scholarship and it's recipients, the Board of Directors would like to extend our sincere appreciation and thank you to all that helped make the 16th Annual Memorial Golf Tournament held on August 2, 2003 at the Forest Hills Golf Course in Detroit Lakes, Minnesota, possible. Your participation and contributions have allowed the scholarship to continue providing assistance to outstanding Native American students as they achieve their personal and academic goals.

SPECIAL THANKS TO: Al Goodwin for coordinating the event, for donations received from White Earth Reservation Tribal Council, White Earth, MN; Shooting Star Casino, Mahnomen, MN; Grand Portage Reservation Tribal Council, Grand Portage, MN; Bois Forte RTC, Nett Lake, MN; Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, Cass Lake, MN; MMCDC, Detroit Lakes, MN; EAPC, Grand Forks, ND; Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community, Prior Lake, MN; Leech Lake RTC, Cass Lake, MN; Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe, Onamia, MN; First National Bank, Mahnomen, MN; Mark Anderson, Jacobson/Buffalo; and Winter Brothers Construction, Waubun, MN; and many thanks also to Alice Clark, Kayla Fagre, Ramona, Lynn, Dana and Jim Goodwin for volunteering their time to help make the tournament a success.

The flights, standings, and skills competition are as follows:
Woods Flight- (Men)
1st Place: Joey Wind, Ray Pemberton, and Russ Simonson
2nd Place: Tom Burr, John Donahue and Mark Kern
3rd Place: Craig Cook, Clayton Cook, and Todd Barrett

Garcia Flight
1st Place: Mike Smith, Rick Smith and Gerald Roberts
2nd Place: Delmer Jones Jr, Howard Jones and Mark Reyes
3rd Place: Dan Stevens, Gary Donner

and Dennis Wheeler

Palmer Flight

1st Place: Alfred "Tig" Pemberton, Fred Jackson and Nickel Cook
2nd Place: Joe Nayquonabe, Sam Moose and Elmer Nayquonabe
3rd Place: Doug Clark, Orville Turner and David Skunes

Nickaulas Flight

1st Place: Nolan Nayquonabe, Robert Nayquonabe and Joe Nayquonabe
2nd Place: Ray Walker, Wally Long, Gene Long
3rd Place: A. J. Nickaboine, Tony Weous and Dan Boyd

Sorenstam Flight - (Women)

1st Place: Ann Oswaldson, Donna Burr and Ashley Burr
2nd Place: Shelly Pemberton, Rita Pemberton and Dawn Kingbird
3rd Place: Doris Jones, Julie Saice and Sue Jones

Longest Putt-Men: Roger Aitken
Longest Putt- Women: Rita Pemberton
Longest Drive in Fairway - Women: Shelly Libby
Longest Drive in Fairway - Men: Nolan Nayquonabe
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Remembering Rae
By George E. Thompson,
A friend from the Old Agency community

I came to know Ramona, but a few short years, but became fast friends. She was always respectful, showing me consideration, with kindness in her voice, just her way of being herself, never having to make amends.

When she spoke, I listened with an open mind, heart, as was my choice. I became acquainted with this quiet lady, her unassuming ways. She won me over without as much as lifting a finger, gladly I surrendered.

I shall miss her presence, remember her with great affection, the rest of my days. Her kindness, sincerity, her gentleness was shown to all, with gladness tendered. 'Bye Rae!

"Passed Into The Spirit World"

RICHARD DALE GOGGLEYE

Richard Dale Goggleye, 52 years old, was born on July 31, 1951, and died August 26, 2003.

He is survived by his mother, Maryann Goggleye-Cross, his brother Lawrence Goggleye, his sisters, Charlene, Geraldine and Barbara, his son, Ryan Goggleye of Newport Ritchie, Florida, and many friends in the Twin City area.

He was buried at the Goggleye Family cemetery in Oak Point on Leech Lake on September 5, 2003.

The Goggleye family wishes to thank all of those who showed

their support either in big or little ways during their time of sorrow.

MATTHEW GOOSE

Matthew Kenneth Goose, 31, of Cass Lake, MN, died on September 13, 2003. Traditional services were held on September 19, 2003 at the Veteran's Memorial Building with spiritual leader, Greg Kingbird, officiating. Burial took place at the Morgan Cemetery in Cass Lake under the direction of the Cease Family Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Gerald Brown Eagle, Robert Brown Eagle, Alan Monroe, Edward St. John, Gerald Kilmer, and Ernest Dunn. Honorary pallbearers were his family and friends.

He was born August 3, 1972, to Fredrick Raisch and Roxanne Goose in Minneapolis. He lived between Cass Lake and Minneapolis all of his life.

He is survived by his wife, Jacqueline Goose of Duluth; daughter, Bridget Rose Pierre of Duluth; his mother; brother Michael of Cass Lake; sisters, Brenda and Margaret, both of Duluth; several aunts, uncles, and cousins. He was preceded in death by his father, and son, Matthew, Jr.

BONNIE JEAN MORGAN

Bonnie Jean Morgan, age 43 of Cass Lake, Mn., died Tuesday, September 9, 2003 at the Cass Lake Public Health Service.

Bonnie was born September 29, 1959 in Cass Lake, Mn., the daughter of Richard and Gladys Robinson, Sr. She grew up and attended school in Cass Lake. In 1975 she married David Morgan, Jr. and made their home near Cass Lake until the present. Bonnie was busy being a mother and wife and finishing her schooling until 1992. It was at this time that Bonnie started work with the CHR program under the Leech Lake Reservation Health division. In 1995 she became the director of the CHR program and served in that capacity until her death. Bonnie had passion for working with the elders, doing things with her

children, grandchildren and family. She enjoyed the outdoors; hunting, fishing, ricing, gardening, hiking, horseshoes, and going to stock car races. Bonnie was a member of the Mokahum Bible Chapel, and had been a Sunday school teacher.

She is survived by her parents, Richard and Gladys Robinson, Sr, her husband, David Morgan, Jr., three sons; David Allen Morgan III of Cass Lake, MN., Gabriel Lee Morgan of Cass Lake, MN., Peter James Morgan of Cass Lake, Mn., one daughter, Tana Morgan (William) of Ball Club, MN., three grandchildren, Caleb Gotchie, Nikki Bebeau, and Nindaanas "Nina" Morgan, all of Ball Club, MN., four brothers; Larry "Weiner" Robinson, Martin "Mutt" Robinson (Lila), Richard "Rich" Robinson Jr., Terry "TR" Robinson, all of Cass Lake, MN., two sisters; Kelly Robinson and Sue Robinson, both of Cass Lake, and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her maternal grandparents, Martin and Mary Jane Bobolink, and paternal grandparents, Albert and Mary Robinson.

Funeral services were held Saturday, September 13, 2003 at 1 p.m. at the Veterans Memorial Building in Cass Lake with Pastor Leonard Fineday and Fr. George Ross officiating. Burial took place at the Mokahum Cemetery. Thomas-Dennis Funeral Home of Cass Lake handled the funeral arrangements.

Bonnie will be sadly missed by family and friends and all of those who loved her!

CONSTANCE M. SMITH (PAQUETTE)

Constance M. "Concho" Smith, age 45, was born September 27, 1958 and died September 19, 2003.

She is survived by husband, Marvin; daughters, Marcy and Jennie; 2 grandsons, J.J. & "G"; and many, many family members and friends.

Wake Sunday and Monday, 6 p.m. to midnight at Indian Ministries, 31st & Park Av. S. Service 10 a.m., Tuesday, at Indian Ministries.

Concho will be sadly missed by all who knew her.

Local Indian Council Meeting Schedules

All community Band members are encouraged and welcome to attend.

- Ball Club LIC – 1st Monday of every month – 7:00 p.m. – Ball Club Community Center
- S Lake LIC – 3rd Monday of every month – 7:00 p.m. – S Lake Community Center
- Deer River LIC – the last Monday of every month – 7:00 p.m. – Goodall Resource Center in Deer River
- Inger LIC – 2nd Monday of every month – 7:00 p.m. – Inger Community Center
- Winnie Dam LIC – 1st Monday of every month – 7:00 p.m. – Winnie Dam Community Center
- Sugar Point LIC – 2nd Wednesday of every month – 7:00 p.m. – Sugar Point Community Center
- Bena LIC – 2nd Tuesday of every month – 7:00 p.m. – Bena Community Center
- Kego Lake/Smokey Point LIC – 1st Tuesday of every month –

6:00 p.m. – Kego Lake Community Center

- Cass Lake LIC – 2nd Monday of every month – 6:30 p.m. – Heritage Manor Lobby
- Cass River LIC – 1st Tuesday of every month – 7:00 p.m. – Cass River Community Center
- Oak Point LIC – 1st Monday of every month – 6:00 p.m. – Oak Point Community Center
- Onigum LIC – 1st Tuesday of every month – 6:30 p.m. – Onigum Community Center
- Mission LIC – 2nd Thursday of every month – 6:00 p.m. – Mission Community Center
- Sugar Bush/Ten Lake LIC – 2nd Monday of every month – 6:00 p.m. – Is announced at previous meeting
- Leech Lake Twin Cities LIC – the last Tuesday of every month – 6:00 p.m. – MN Indian Women's Resource Center – 2300 15th Ave. So. In Mpls. – ALWAYS POTLUCK!



Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe

Quarterly Meeting

**Friday, October 3, 2003
10:00 a.m.**

**Kego Lake Community Center
Kego Lake, MN**

Everyone Welcome

Leech Lake Tribal Council Quarterly Meetings

Special meeting August 4, 2003. Northern Lights. Walker, MN.

Chairman Peter D. White calls meeting to order. Roll Call: Lyman Losh, Richard Robinson, Jr., Arthur LaRose and Burton Wilson.

Motion by Richard Robinson, Jr., second by Burton Wilson to approve agenda. Carried 4-0.

Old Business: none

New Business:

Tribal Council Resolutions:

Motion by Richard Robinson, Jr., second by Burton Wilson to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 04-11 concerning DHHS, Indian Health Service Elder Health Care Initiative. Carried 4-0.

Motion by Burton Wilson, second by Richard Robinson, Jr., to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 04-12 concerning the right-of-way on the S. Lake Project. Carried 4-0.

Motion by Lyman Losh, second by Arthur LaRose to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 04-13 establishing authority to access Leech Lake Reservation Tribal Council Account Information with respect to Trust Fund Accounts maintained at the U.S. Dept. of the Interior-Bureau of Indian Affairs Office of Trust Fund Management. Carried 4-0.

Motion by Arthur LaRose, second by Lyman Losh to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 04-01 Temporary Spending Resolution extending the date to August 31, 2003. Carried 4-0.

Motion by Arthur LaRose, second by Lyman Losh to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 04-15 concerning grant application for Bemidji Clinic. Carried 4-0.

Motion by Lyman Losh, second by Richard Robinson, Jr. to adjourn. Carried 4-0.

WE DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that this is a true record of the Leech Lake Tribal Council, Special Meeting, held on Monday, August 4, 2003, at Walker, Minnesota.


Arthur LaRose, Secretary/Treasurer

Local Alcoholics Anonymous/ Narcotics Anonymous and Alanon Meetings

MONDAY

5:00 PM - A. A. /N. A./ABO Counselor/Caregiver - Closed Safe Haven, North on Palace Drive, 1st house on the left
7:00 PM - Alanon Meeting Safe Haven

TUESDAY

7:00 PM - N.A. (young people) ALC/ DRUGS ALL AGES WELCOME St. Peters Episcopal Church, Cass Lake
7:00 PM - Chemical Dependency Support Group Old Faith Mission Church, Cass Lake

WEDNESDAY

10:00 AM - Early Bird Meeting Safe Haven
7:00 PM - A. A. Meeting Winnie Dam Community Center
7:30 PM - A. A. Big Book Study Safe Haven

FRIDAY

3:00 PM - Substance Abuse Relapse Prevention Support Group Old Faith Mission Church, Cass Lake for more information call 760-4572
9:00 PM - A. A. Candle Light Meeting Safe Haven

SATURDAY

9:00 AM - Open A. A. Meeting Onigum Community Center

SUNDAY

6:00 PM - A. A. (12 X 12) Meeting Safe Haven- North on Palace Drive - 1st house on left. 335-0147
6:00-8:00 PM Sobriety Feast every 3RD Thursday of the month

All meetings are held on a weekly basis. For more information please contact 335-2219.

Legal Notices

Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. Jesse E. Seelye, Defendant, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **Jesse E. Seelye, Defendant** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **October 21, 2003 at 1:00 P.M.**, and answer the complaint filed alleging that he committed the following violation of the Leech Lake Traffic Code:

- Chapter 200, Section 208.A.3, Speeding up to 20 mph over the speed limit.
- Chapter 200, Section 214.A, No insurance.

YOU ARE NOTIFIED BY PUBLICATION BECAUSE:

- Failure to appear in court on September 9, 2003 pursuant to the summons duly served upon you.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that if you fail to appear as required, judgment by default will be entered against you.

Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. Sharon Raisch, Defendant, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **Sharon Raisch, Defendant** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **October 21, 2003 at 1:00 P.M.**, and answer the complaint filed alleging that he committed the following violation of the Leech Lake Traffic Code:

- Chapter 200, Section 215.C, Driving after suspension.
- Chapter 200, Section 214.A, No insurance.

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Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. Joseph Jackson, Defendant, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **Joseph Jackson, Defendant** is

hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **October 21, 2003 at 1:00 P.M.**, and answer the complaint filed alleging that he committed the following violation of the Leech Lake Traffic Code:

- Chapter 200, Section 208.A.3, Speeding 1 to 10 mph over the speed limit.

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Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. Nahtanha Bellanger-Whitewing, Defendant, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **Nahtanha Bellanger-Whitewing, Defendant** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **October 21, 2003 at 1:00 P.M.**, and answer the complaint filed alleging that he committed the following violation of the Leech Lake Traffic Code:

- Chapter 200, Section 208.A.3, Speeding in excess of 10 mph over the speed limit.
- Chapter 200, Section 214.A, No insurance.
- Chapter 200, Section 215.C, Driving after suspension.

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Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. Parents of Lowell Fisher, Defendant, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **Parents of Lowell Fisher, Defendant** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court

on **October 21, 2003 at 1:00 P.M.**, and answer the complaint filed alleging that he committed the following violation of the Leech Lake Traffic Code:

- Chapter 200, Section 215.A, No driver's license.

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Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. Daniel Jackson, Defendant, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **Daniel Jackson, Defendant** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **October 21, 2003 at 1:00 P.M.**, and answer the complaint filed alleging that he committed the following violation of the Leech Lake Traffic Code:

- Chapter 200, Section 204.A.2, Failure to remain at the scene of accident not resulting in injury.

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Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. Parents of Cierra Cloud, Defendant, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **Parents of Cierra Cloud, Defendant** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **October 21, 2003 at 1:00 P.M.**, and answer the complaint filed alleging that he committed the following violation of the Leech Lake Traffic Code:

- Chapter 200, Section 215.C, Driving after revocation.

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Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. Peggy Smith, Defendant, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **Peggy Smith, Defendant** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **October 21, 2003 at 1:00 P.M.**, and answer the complaint filed alleging that he committed the following violation of the Leech Lake Traffic Code:

- Chapter 200, Section 215.C, Driving after suspension.

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Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. Marlena Cloud, Defendant, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **Marlena Smith, Defendant** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **October 21, 2003 at 1:00 P.M.**, and answer the complaint filed alleging that he committed the following violation of the Leech Lake Traffic Code:

- Chapter 200, Section 216, No seat belts.

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Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs.

Kelly Kingbird, Defendant, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **Kelly Kingbird, Defendant** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **October 21, 2003 at 1:00 P.M.**, and answer the complaint filed alleging that he committed the following violation of the Leech Lake Traffic Code:

- Chapter 200, Section 215.A, No driver's license.

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Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. Jesse Jones, Defendant, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **Jesse Jones, Defendant** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **October 21, 2003 at 1:00 P.M.**, and answer the complaint filed alleging that he committed the following violation of the Leech Lake Traffic Code:

- Chapter 200, Section 215.A, No driver's license.

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Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. Connie Thomas, Defendant, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **Connie Thomas, Defendant** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **October 21, 2003 at 1:00 P.M.**, and answer the complaint filed alleging that he committed the following violation of the Leech Lake Traffic Code:

- Chapter 200, Section 215.C, Driving after revocation.
- Chapter 200, Section

204.A.2, Failure to remain at scene of accident not resulting in injury.

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Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. Parents of Christopher Stauffer, Defendant, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **Parents of Christopher Stauffer, Defendant** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **October 21, 2003 at 1:00 P.M.**, and answer the complaint filed alleging that he committed the following violation of the Leech Lake Traffic Code:

- Chapter 200, Section 208.A.3, Speeding in excess of 20 mph over the speed limit.
- Chapter 200, Section 215.C, Driving after revocation.

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Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. Juanita Aubid, Defendant, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **Juanita Aubid, Defendant** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **October 21, 2003 at 1:00 P.M.**, and answer the complaint filed alleging that he committed the following violation of the Leech Lake Traffic Code:

- Chapter 200, Section 215.C, Driving after revocation.

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Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. Rikki Taylor, Defendant, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **Rikki Taylor, Defendant** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **October 21, 2003 at 1:00 P.M.**, and answer the complaint filed alleging that he committed the following violation of the Leech Lake Traffic Code:

- Chapter 200, Section 208.A.3, Speeding in excess of 20 mph over the speed limit.

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Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. Lorraine Hulett, Defendant, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **Lorraine Hulett, Defendant** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **October 21, 2003 at 1:00 P.M.**, and answer the complaint filed alleging that he committed the following violation of the Leech Lake Code:

- Chapter 200, Section 90.02, Illegal burning.

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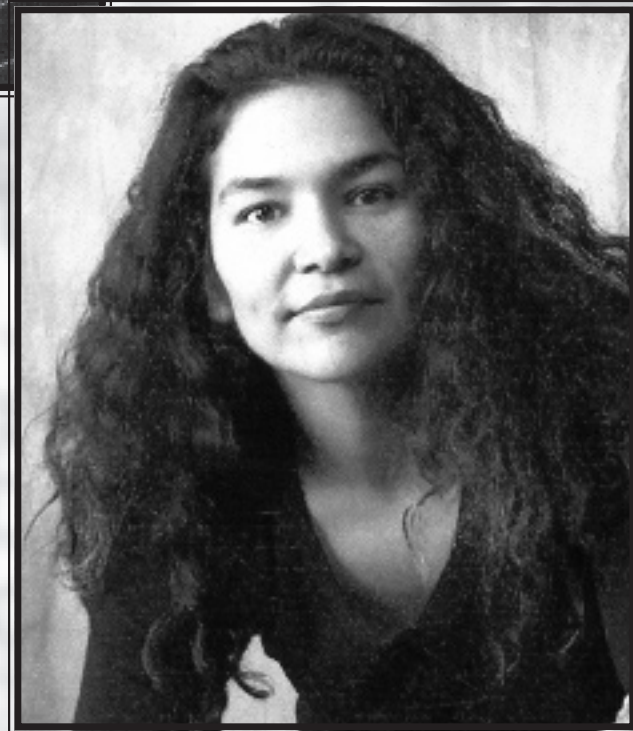
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