

# DeBahJiMon

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## Pete White Live on KAXE Radio

The Great Gathering room of the new American Indian Resource Center located within the campus of the Bemidji State University was the setting for the live KAXE radio broadcast. Pete White was invited to fill the new academic home of BSU's Native American students with the pounding of his hand drum and melodies of our traditional Anishinaabe songs. This gave Pete an opportunity to discuss some of the issues that have been on his mind, and to send his message to a large listening audience. Some of the issues he shared with the listeners was his belief in Anishnaabe people as warriors. "Although we have experienced many atrocities that have been a part of the U.S. government's plan to terminate Indians, such as boarding schools and relocation, we have always persevered as a nation rich in culture, because of the way we have been taught to perceive and handle difficult situations. The White Man thought they were really getting something good when they took our land and put us on Reservations. But today, they are looking at what we



fought hard to keep, and they want that too...our hunting, fishing, and harvesting rights." Pete said there are many differences in the way the dominant culture perceives Indians and vice versa. "We couldn't understand how they could buy and sell land, and they couldn't understand why our culture was so important to us. It has always been our way of life. We sing songs about everything. I sing everyday," said Pete. This hand Dewe'igan Exhibition is a rare opportunity, and it is something

we do for ourselves, but everyone is invited to come and hear our songs.

The live radio broadcast was designed to promote our 3rd Annual Dewe'igan Anishinaabe Hand Drum Exhibition. This gala event is scheduled for Saturday night, February 28, 2004, and is co-sponsored by the Bemidji State University's American Indian Student program. Delina White, Director of Cultural Arts & Tourism says the event has a history of being a special night for the area's Anishinaabe residents, "we have always had a capacity crowd." This year's event is also projected to be sold out. "This will be our first year performing in the new American Indian Resource Center, and BSU said it would be an honor to have us dedicate the new building by holding our event there." Be sure to register early because there is limited seating of 150. Advance registration is \$5, and \$10 at the door. Contact Delina White at 335.4425, or [delina.white@charterinternet.net](mailto:delina.white@charterinternet.net) to purchase your tickets.

## Help Needed In Identifying Veterans Graves

Post 2001 and the Leech Lake Honor Guard have been performing Memorial Day services on Memorial Day each year since 1985 for many of the Leech Lake Reservation cemeteries where American veterans are buried. The Honor Guard will also provide honor services for individual burials when requested by family members of the deceased Veteran.

In doing so, they have noticed that many Veterans do not have flag stars or memorial plaques. The Honor Guard has taken it upon themselves to help the families obtain markers and are placing Veterans stars for flags by the grave marker of the Veteran and cementing them in.

Every year, about a week before Memorial Day, the Honor

Guard tries to place flags on all Veteran's graves that they know that the local cemetery committees or Legions have not already done so. The flags are recollected a week later. However, since they are not aware of all Veteran's graves, some graves may be missed because they are not properly marked.

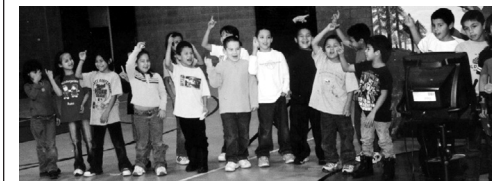
The Honor Guard is requesting the help of the Local Indian Councils, elders, church and cemetery groups, and anyone else who might know of unmarked Veteran's graves, by informing them of such, so that all deceased veterans are recognized for their service by ensuring that their graves are marked with a Veteran's flag star and a plaque if eligible. The rules for getting a burial plaque have

changed, so those Veteran's that were previously turned down, and in many cases not helped by the VA service officers, now may be eligible for a burial plaque.

A list of all cemeteries where the honor services are performed and individual veterans name can be obtained by contacting the Honor Guard (number listed below). Honor

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## News Briefs



The Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School recently hosted a student talent show. All of the performers were students from the school. The audience was treated to students from K-12 as they showed off their creative talents by performing plays, poems, musical numbers and solos.

### Student Opportunity

The U's 2004 Northern Stars Leadership Conference is now accepting nominations. This conference recognizes high school sophomores from across the state who are leaders in their schools and communities and who have demonstrated a strong commitment to academics. Selected students will attend a daylong leadership conference on the Twin Cities campus on April 17, 2004. To nominate a high school sophomore student leader, contact Sarah Kussow in the Office of Admissions at 612-626-4741 or [kusso001@umn.edu](mailto:kusso001@umn.edu).

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# Leech Lake Anishinaabeg Artists Demonstrate their Talents at this Year's Northern Woodland Winterfest



Bonita Desjarlait painting a work in progress.



Ernie Dunn signs print for admiring art collector.



Bert and Lucy Gale.



Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School Silver Eagle Dance Group.

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## Letter to the Editor: A Perspective On Blood Quantum

I Love De-Bah-Ji-Mon!  
I am about 1/8<sup>th</sup> Native blood, so I can't be a full Tribal member. I could have been if I had been born before '66 (so many funny enrollment details). Anyway, I guess I could potentially be put on an ancillary roll as a descendent. I guess you get some of the same benefits, but you can't vote. I've kinda got a 'thing' about the enrollment situation right now. I hate that you are defined a Native American only by the Tribal enrollment process. I still have Native blood! I am still a Native! I don't care about any Tribal fund give outs (we have enough to take care of ourselves), but am unhappy that 'they' define my Indianess or lack of it! It is very exclusionary to people who deserve to be connected to their cultures. The American Indian has been separated, torn, and defeated by many, and for 'them' 'us' to do it to our own children is sad. I don't think my full blood ancestors would have wanted me to be 'excluded' from the Tribe even if I have other ancestry too.

Kim Strand

## Leech Lake Annual Trust Evaluation Passes Inspection

In accordance with the provisions of the Tribal Self-Governance Act of 1994, the annual trust evaluation of the Leech Lake Band's performance of trust functions assumed under its self-governance annual funding agreement with the Department of the Interior was performed by the Office of Trust Review and Audit (OTRA) on May 20, 2003. The OTRA was represented by Brad Williams who reviewed the Band's real estate services, wildlife and parks, forestry, and wildland fire management programs. The trust evaluation consisted of an entrance interview with the Band's Natural Resources Director and forestry and

realty staff. Interviews focused on management practices related to trust resources. A review of trust transaction files was conducted as part of the evaluation process and an on-site field inspection was conducted.

It was reported that no requests were filed during the funding year for the waiver of federal regulations and no ordinances or resolutions had been adopted by the Nation that would directly affect the administration of an assumed trust resource program. The Band's draft Integrated Resource Management Plan has not yet been finalized as various entities within the Band

continue to refine the document.

Real Estate Services, Wildlife and Parks, Forestry, and Realty Services trust accounts of the DRM Division of the Band were reviewed.

Accompanied by the Band's forester and forestry technician, a field inspection of trust resources were conducted. Three onsite inspections were examined: a home site lease, the Pug Hole area, west of the town of Pennington, where the Band leases recreational home sites along the Turtle River; and Stoney Point, along the southeast shore of Cass Lake, where the Band assigns home sites to Band members. The areas appeared well managed and

there were no obvious indications that trust resources were in any jeopardy of being diminished or wasted.

Based upon the results of the annual trust evaluation completed on May 20, 2003, for the Leech Lake Band, it has been determined that 1) the trust evaluation revealed no indication of imminent jeopardy to any trust resources assumed by the Band under its 2002 annual funding agreement; and 2) the Band satisfactorily performed all trust functions assumed pursuant to the terms of the 2002 annual funding agreement with the Department of the Interior.

## McDonnell Registers Campaign Committee

Ken McDonnell, Jr. of Ward 4 in Bemidji officially registered his campaign committee on December 4, 2003. McDonnell is seeking the DFL endorsement for State Representative in District 4A. District 4A consists of the city of Bemidji and townships west in Beltrami County as well as all of the Leech Lake Indian Reservation in Cass County.

McDonnell is a counselor with Upper Mississippi Mental Health Center. He is married to Shelly (Weis) and they have four daughters age

4, 8, 13 and 16. Past experiences include; serving on Bemidji's Charter Commission, Customer Relations, Manufacturing Management, and Union involvement. He has a Bachelors degree from BSU in Psychology, and is currently working on his Masters Degree. McDonnell ran for Bemidji City Council in 2001 losing to the current office holder by a mere three votes. "Many things need to be changed in the state, and if the DFL chooses me to be their candidate, I will knock on every

door in the district to unseat the incumbent", said McDonnell, "we need to have representation in St. Paul that will care about education, local government, good paying jobs, not just the status quo." McDonnell said.

Voters can contact McDonnell by writing People for Ken McDonnell, P.O. Box 541, Bemidji, MN 56619-0541, phone 755-1385, cell phone 218-766-5758 or email at peopleformcdonnell@hotmail.com

McDonnell says he intends to visit with as many people as he

can over the holidays, and on to the endorsing convention in March or April. He encourages anyone wanting to know more about his background or issues to call or write.

## Citizens Review Board Remains Active

The Leech Lake Tribal Council is charged with the responsibility of representing the Band's many interests, while still being responsive to the concerns of individual Band members and citizens. The Leech Lake Tribal Council recognizes that in discharging the duties of their office that at many levels there is potential for real, and perceived, conflicts of interests. With that in mind, the Tribal Council introduced and passed a resolution allowing the Tribal Council to provide an independent and unbiased forum to hear allegations of civil rights violations carried out by Leech Lake Tribal police officers, as well as hearing complaints of other law enforcement agencies and bringing those complaints to the attention of

their chief law enforcement official.

The Tribal Council previously established a five (5) member volunteer Citizens Review Board comprised of Leech Lake Band members who are given the authority to hear, investigate, and issue findings in the alleged civil rights violations. All members continue to serve until their successors have been appointed.

The Citizens Review Board meets once every month at regularly scheduled times and places for the purpose of conducting evidentiary hearings and/or to conduct any other business necessary to the operation of the Citizens Review Board. The Board may meet at such additional times and places deemed necessary by its members, or on the call of the

Chairperson.

All Board members do have complaint forms available to the citizens of each district within the Leech Lake Reservation. The Board has been represented at all Local Indian Council meetings over the past 18 months and has made all Councils aware of the Board and its purpose.

The purpose of the Board is to investigate allegations of misconduct on the part of officers of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Tribal Police/Conservation department. The Citizens Review Board shall use the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Public Safety Division, Special Investigations Unit to conduct the investigation into complaints against Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe law enforcement officers.

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## New Diabetic Retinal Examination Program for Leech Lake

The Leech Lake Health Division Telemedicine Program recently finished installation of a computerized digital retinal imaging system. This new program in collaboration with the Indian Health Service is grant funded through the Joslin Vision Network. Joel Stokka, Telemedicine Program Coordinator and Dr. Hudson, Indian Health Service

Staff Optometrist, coordinated the grant application process and were instrumental in receiving funding for this new Tele-Ophthalmology program. "This new technology will advance our treatment of diabetes and diabetic eye disease, the leading cause of blindness in adult Americans. The early detection of diabetic retinopathy will reduce

severe vision loss in our people with diabetes," said Joel Stokka.

This new equipment captures photographic images of the interior of the eye without need for dilation. The system generates a computer medical record and transmits the images to the reading center in Phoenix, AZ where certified and licensed optometrists process this

information for diagnosis. They then provide recommendations to both the patient and the patient's referring primary care physician.

Non-dilated digital eye examinations are available on a walk-in basis at the Cass Lake Indian Health Service Diabetes Center or you can also call 335-3200 for an appointment.

## Obesity in American Indian Children: Prevalence, Consequences, and Prevention

Source: Preventive Medicine - Vol 37 (Suppl. 1) (pp \$3-\$12), 2003. Authors: Story M.; Stevens J.; James J.; Stone E.; Rock BH.; Ethelbah B.; Davis S. Institution: Dr. M. Story, Division of Epidemiology, School of Public Health, University of Minnesota

Background. American Indians of all ages and both sexes have a high prevalence of obesity. The health risks associated with obesity are numerous and include Type 2 diabetes mellitus, hypertension, dyslipidemia, and respiratory problems. Obesity has become a major health problem in American Indians only in the past

few generations and it is believed to be associated with the relative abundance of high-fat, high-calorie foods and the rapid change from active to sedentary lifestyles. Methods.

The authors reviewed selected literature on prevalence of obesity in American Indian children, and health consequences of obesity.

Results: Obesity is now one of the most serious public health problems facing American Indian children, and it has grave implications for the immediate and long-term health of American Indian youth.

Unless this pattern is reversed, American Indian populations will be burdened by an increased incidence of chronic diseases. Intervention

studies are urgently needed in American Indian communities to develop and test effective strategies for obesity prevention and treatment. Conclusions: To be effective, educational and environmental interventions must be developed with full participation of the American Indian Communities.

## "Angels Among Us"

In May of 2001, Elaine Tibbetts, a receptionist for Leech Lake Social Services and her daughter, Lauren Purley, a dispatcher for the Leech Lake Tribal Police, made a decision to open their home to foster children in need. Both women understood the need for young children to have a safe and loving home, and both were willing to share and provide what they could.

The very first addition to their home was a little baby girl just under two months old at the time of placement. Angel Marie Germaine Ann Kate Redfox adapted instantly to her new surroundings. Angel was immediately welcomed with loving arms into the home where she has since been provided with an over abundance of love and nurturing from Elaine, Lauren, and their extended family. Over the course of her first year, her biological mother and three brothers visited Angel.

Angel's birth mother voluntarily relinquished parental rights in December of 2001. Prior to the relinquishment of parental rights, there were conversations between Angel's biological mother and her foster parents about the possibility

of adopting Angel, thus allowing Elaine and Lauren the opportunity to continue providing Angel with a structured and loving home. The love and care that Elaine and Lauren have provided Angel shows in this very bright little girl that people seem to fall in love with, the first time they lay eyes on her.

Elaine, Lauren, and Angel have made court appearances and follow-up hearings with Cass County Judge, Michael Haas, throughout the past two years in regards to the care and well being of Angel Redfox. On December 15, 2003, Elaine, Lauren, and Angel made their final appearance before the now retired Honorable Judge Haas. With the assistance of Frank Bebeau, Tribal Attorney, and Tim Crawford, Cass County Veterans Office, Cass County Health and Human Services, Elaine and Lauren received the best Christmas gift anyone could ever receive. They were elated with the decision that the adoption of Angel was final. Angel Redfox became Angel Marie Tibbetts in the records of Cass County, and the State of Minnesota.

Over the past two years,

Elaine and Lauren have also opened up their hearts and home to provide a loving home for 14 other foster children as well.

Elaine and Lauren would like to share their heartfelt thanks and gratitude to the Honorable Judge Haas, Frank Bebeau, Lindsey Emerson and Tim Crawford of Cass County Social Services. Special

thanks to Lillian Reese, Leech Lake Social Services, and the Leech Lake Tribal Council.

This happy ending proves that there are good outcomes for Social Services. All too often, it's only the negative that is heard; rarely do we hear the good stuff!

Congratulations to the Tibbetts Family!



**Angel and Elaine Tibbetts, Judge Michael Hass, Lauren Purley and Frank Bebeau at Final Hearing.**

## Scholarships Available Through Migizi Communications

### The Walter Porky White Scholarship Fund

This annual award is available to a Native student who is enrolled in an environmental or natural resources program at the undergraduate level. MIGIZI Communications, Inc. honors in perpetuity the memory of Walter Porky White, renowned Ojibwe spiritual leader and teacher. Throughout his life, he was a student of the environment, an expert in many areas related to conserving natural resources, and a believer in the oneness of human beings with all that exists in the natural world.

Scholarships are open to students enrolled in an accredited institution of higher education in the U.S., pursuing a graduate or undergraduate degree in environmental science, natural resource management, biology, marine biology, or related disciplines. Recipients are eligible for one year of support.

Supports and promotes innovative research or study that seeks to respond to the most pressing conservation needs of American Indian tribes.

Eligibility and deadline: Submit Tribal enrollment documentation with the application. Submit proof of acceptance into an eligible program. The deadline for applications is February 1, 2004.

Requirements: Applicants

must have a cumulative 3.0 grade point average at an accredited four-year college or university. Candidates must submit a resume, letters of recommendation, an essay describing a high interest in environmental conservation as a career field, samples of their work and a copy of a current transcript. Special consideration given for prior work in a Tribal forestry or fisheries program.

### The Madeline Moose Scholarship Fund

An annual award of \$1,000 will be made to a Native student who is enrolled in an Ojibwe Language and Culture program at the undergraduate level.

On December 18, 2000, Madeline M. Moose passed into the spirit world at the age of 71 years. Madeline had been the MIGIZI SugarBush camp co-director with Porky White from 1986 to 2000. She was the lead American Indian cultural teacher for the MIGIZI Summer Leadership Camps in the Boundary Waters. She taught thousands of American Indian student's cultural lessons in food production, survival, food and plant gathering, and how leading others begins with leading oneself.

MIGIZI Communications created the Madeline N. Moose scholarship fund for enrolled American Indian students who are studying Ojibwe

language and culture in American colleges and universities, particularly tribal colleges and universities.

Submit Tribal enrollment documentation with the application. Submit proof of acceptance into an eligible program. The deadline for applications is February 1, 2004. Awards will be determined by the Moose Family Scholarship Committee.

Requirements: Applicants must have a cumulative 3.0 grade point average at an accredited four-year college or university. Candidates must submit a resume, letters of recommendation, an essay describing a high interest in environmental conservation as a career field, samples of their work and a copy of a current transcript. Special consideration given for prior work in Ojibwe language and/or culture programs and schools.

### The First Person Journalism Scholarship Fund

An annual award to a Native Student who is enrolled in a journalism program at the under-graduate or graduate level. MIGIZI Communications, Inc. is dedicated to expanding job opportunities for tribally enrolled American Indian journalism students. MIGIZI annually awards an undergraduate or graduate scholarship to students committed to journalism

careers. Scholarship awardees may apply for more than one award and they are eligible to receive a final scholarship for completion of one year of a paid print, broadcast or on-line position at selected news organizations ranging from small American Indian-owned newspapers to major market dailies and broadcast outlets.

The scholarship is awarded in the name of the news service First Person Radio and First Person Productions, so named in honor of the name many Tribes have for themselves, that of "first peoples" or "first persons".

Eligibility and deadline: Submit Tribal enrollment documentation with the application. Submit proof of acceptance into a journalism program. The deadline for applications is February 1, 2004.

Requirements: Applicants must have a cumulative 3.0 grade point average at an accredited four-year college or university. Candidates must submit a resume, letters of recommendation, an essay describing a high interest in journalism as a career field, samples of their work and a copy of a current transcript. Special consideration given for prior work on a student newspaper or broadcast outlet or web site.

If interested, contact the MIGIZI Communications, Inc. website at [www.migizi.org](http://www.migizi.org)

## The Barbara Jordan Health Policy Scholars Program is now accepting applications for the summer of 2004

The Scholars Program brings talented African American, Latino, Asian/Pacific Islander, and American Indian/Alaska Native college seniors and recent graduates to Washington, D.C., where they work in congressional offices and learn about health policy. The application deadline is January 30, 2004.

The Kaiser Family Foundation established the Scholars Program to honor the legacy of late U.S. Congresswoman Barbara Jordan, who was a Foundation Trustee, and to ex-

pand the pool of students of color interested in the field of health policy.

Through the nine-week program (June 1 - July 30, 2004), Scholars gain knowledge about federal legislative procedure and health policy issues, while further developing their critical thinking and leadership skills. In addition to an internship in a congressional office, Scholars participate in seminars and site visits to augment their knowledge of health care issues, and write and present a health policy research paper. The program is based

at Howard University.

Eligible candidates must be U.S. citizens who are members of a racial/ethnic minority group and will be seniors or recent graduates of an accredited U.S. college or university in the fall of 2004. Candidates are selected based on academic performance, demonstrated leadership potential and interest in health policy.

Scholars receive approximately \$5,000 in support, which includes a stipend, daily expense allowance, airfare and lodging.

Application forms and additional information about the program are available online at: <http://www.kff.org/docs/topics/jordanscholars.html>. All application materials are due by January 30, 2004. For further information, contact program manager Jomo Kassaye at 202-865-4827 or [jkassaye@huhosp.org](mailto:jkassaye@huhosp.org).

All application materials are due by January 30, 2004.

# Celebrating The Native Child

## Making Native Children a Priority - One Community At A Time

North American Council on Adoptable Children (NACAC) recognizes that Native American Indian Tribes and First Nations have an inherent right to self determination and exclusive jurisdiction regarding the welfare of their children who are at risk and in need of special services. NACAC also supports the notion that federal, state, and provincial laws do not eliminate or lessen indigenous rights. Federal, State, and Provincial laws must be adapted so that indigenous rights receive full consideration in the child welfare system and in the courts. (Policy Statement-March 15, 1998).

Minnesota has two projects which address recruitment and support for Native families wishing to care for their children. Each project has an experienced foster and or adoptive parent from the Native Community to address the needs of these special children.

The MN Adoption, Support and Preservation Parent Liaison is Mary Lyons, a Leech Lake enrollee, with 30 years plus knowledge of Child Advocacy. MN Recruitment Project's Parent Resource Developer is Shelli

Pittman, a White Earth enrollee with 20 years plus knowledge of Child Advocacy. These two projects have unified to bring you a series of information within your area to address "Native Children's Issues".

Mary Lyons states, "We cannot tell a community what to do, we can only utilize the services within their communities to tell them what they are doing right. We are here to assist in enhancement and to provide information they might use."

"We are members of action teams that are willing to utilize our professional and personal networks to raise awareness of the needs of children in care in their community. We are here to provide presentations and active participation in other forms of outreach, such as raising relevant issues with leaders and decision makers in the community, as well as in work and social situations, and a commitment to advocate for children and families touched by foster care and adoption whenever opportunities present themselves," says Ms. Pittman.

We would like to invite all interested people who work with chil-

dren that have experienced foster or adoption to join us in several roundtable discussions and a day of enriching awareness and information. We are focusing on the past 50 years of the displaced Native child. We have a family that has experienced, foster care, relative care, and adoption, that have recently been reunited within the past ten years, their ages range from 46 to 56. Their story will be the base of the day, have we as Native people cared for our children?

The reason we chose to use our regional mini-conference on this subject is because we need to address what happens to our children once they age out of the system. We would like to share some quotes from several adult adoptee's and adult foster care individuals.

"Why does everyone think the magic age is 18? First, your family abandons you for alcohol and/or drugs, then the welfare system abandons you once you turn 18! The pain just never goes away and they tell you to "trust", this is very difficult. When the foster care monies and adoption monies run out, so do the people who care for you. Who do we

talk to that will understand?"

"The environment (society) expects you to move on socially after you turn of age, but what they don't realize, we cannot move on emotionally!"

"Someone told me I have Reactive Attachment Disorder, I have been in 27 foster care homes. I was returned to my family only to be taken away not twice but 4 times. Who's fault is it, it's not mine."

"First my family rejected me, now my Tribe has rejected me too. My anger I have learned to suppress. Life is what I make of it and I choose to stay the furthest away from the people who hurt me the worst, I am alone."

I hate mother's day and father's day at school, it makes me cry." Quote from a 10 year foster care child.

With these words from just a small portion of our children, how could you not be involved in our native existence! Join us and let us work together. January 14 & 15, 2004. Palace Casino & Hotel. Free Registration, contact: Marvaleen at (651) 644-3036.

# Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig Students Participate in Radiothon to End Child Abuse

For the third year in a row, the Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School was invited to participate in the Radiothon to End Child Abuse. This year, the third grade, accompanied by Priscilla Smith and Jessica Miller, classroom teachers, Doreen Lynch, special education teacher, Gill Applebee, music teacher, Rick Kezar, speech and language teacher and photographer, and Dan Fairbanks,

diabetes educator, sang at the Paul Bunyan Mall in Bemidji.

The students sang a medley of songs to the mall audience, met with KB 101 radio personalities and are currently recording a compact disc of the songs for Christmas presents. They were also featured on television and on the radio the day of the event.



Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School Students Sing at Radiothon To End Child Abuse.

# Bug O Nay Ge Shig School Holds Princess/Brave Contest

Bug O Nay Ge Shig School recently chose their Junior and Senior Princess and Brave representatives for the 2003-2004 school year. They will serve as Goodwill ambassadors for the school at many events, and are expected to represent the school in a good way at conferences, com-

munity events, and pow-wow's. Selection criteria included: grades, behavior, a written essay, leadership qualities, dancing ability, and knowledge of pow-wow etiquette. A large number of participants sought out the titles. Results are as follows:



**Junior Princess: Cheyenne Wilson**  
1st Runner Up: Cassandra Simmons  
2nd Runner Up: Lakeisha Young  
3rd Runner Up: Amber Dunn



**Junior Brave: Emery Jenkins**  
1st Runner Up: William Jones  
2nd Runner Up: Dylan Staples  
3rd Runner Up: Daniel Jones



**Senior Princess: Ingrid Mesarina**  
1st Runner Up: Tina Brown  
2nd Runner Up: Danielle Sherman  
3rd Runner Up: Sonia Lightfeather



**Senior Brave: D. J. Wakanabo**



L-R Jr. Princess Candidates; Amber Dunn - 3rd, Lakeisha Young Running Crane - 2nd, Cassandra Simmons - 1st Runner-up.

## Veterans/Page 1

Guard member, Ted Bogda is trying to ensure that all Veteran's graves are recognized with the appropriate Veteran grave markers. Also, in the three cemeteries that are located in Onigum, there are some graves that are marked only with the Veteran star and no marker. Anyone with information on these Veteran's graves are asked to inform Bogda of that information also, so appropriate measures can be taken to have these graves properly marked. This information will also be helpful in obtaining burial plaques for them.

The rules have recently been changed for receiving burial plaques also as mentioned earlier in this article. Now Veterans who have a marker can also get a Veteran's plaque. This change just recently went into effect and will run for five

years. The Veteran's full name, date of birth and death, social security number, service number, service dates (approximate, if actual is not known), and the branch of service are needed for requesting a plaque. Discharge papers have all this information listed on them and would be the easiest way of routing that information to the Honor Guard.

Your help is also requested in identifying Leech Lake Band members who were missing in action/killed in action, and where they are buried so that the appropriate plaque can be obtained that indicates the deceased Veteran was awarded the Purple Heart and KIA or MIA.

Any information you have that may help with this endeavor, or if you have questions, can be directed to Ted Bogda at 218-665-2318.

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# Elders Chair: Mary Bellanger Loons Springs to Life at the Sound Of Ojibwe

By Patsy Gordon

Todd Therringer, Mary Bellanger Loon's grandson, thinks that Mary may very well possibly be the oldest living member of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe. She is 95 years old and was born on May 11, 1908 in Onigum, Minnesota. Mary now lives in Akeley, Minnesota with two of her sons and one daughter.

Because Ojibwe is Mary's primary language, Helen Cummings, another Leech Lake elder, who is fluent in Ojibwe, and gracious enough to assist, came with me to conduct the interview with Mary. Mary's grandson, Todd says, "She comes to life when she hears Ojibwe."

Mary seemed to be in very good shape physically and was very cordial with Helen and I. However, when Helen and I went to interview Mary, we were unable to get much information from her because unfortunately, Mary's memory has begun to fade and she could not remember a lot of her past. So much of Mary's story has been contributed by Todd. A special thanks goes to him for his help.

Born as an only child to John Bellanger and Mary King, Mary's parents hid her from authorities and never sent her to school because they didn't trust the teachers. Todd was not sure why Mary was kept hidden, and when Mary was asked she was not able to recall why either. Consequently, Mary never attended school. She grew up speaking only Ojibwe, although she did pick up some broken English over the years. Mary was lucky enough to have many extended family, that she has considered like brothers and sisters, as her parents took in other children in need in the Onigum area. That was the way things were done in those days. Some of you may remember Leech Lake elder, Josette Johnson, who passed away recently. Mary's parents raised Josette.

Mary gave birth to her first child, a son, when she was very young, then later gave birth to a daughter, Luella. In her late teens, she married Lawrence Loons who was

originally from Fond du Lac. Lawrence died in 1985. She says, "I still miss him once in awhile, he helped me all the time." Together they had their children, Cecilia, (who was named after the St. Cecilia Catholic Church in Onigum that is now burned down), Louise, David, George, John, Jim, Joann, Dorothy, and Robert. She has outlived her husband and five of her children. Mary has been blessed with 27 grand children and 5 great grand children.

Mary was able to recall her experience with her oldest daughter, Luella, who was born with a cleft palate. Mary said she had a hard time feeding her daughter as a baby and little girl because of this. When the Doctor at Onigum sent Luella to St. Paul for surgery, he told Mary she would not be able to accompany Luella to the hospital. Mary was devastated that she was not able to go and be with her daughter.

Unfortunately, alcoholism destroyed the lives of many of Mary's other children. Todd says, "Alcoholism shouldn't be viewed as an individual weakness, because it takes a village to provide the conditions that contribute to an individual's alcoholism."

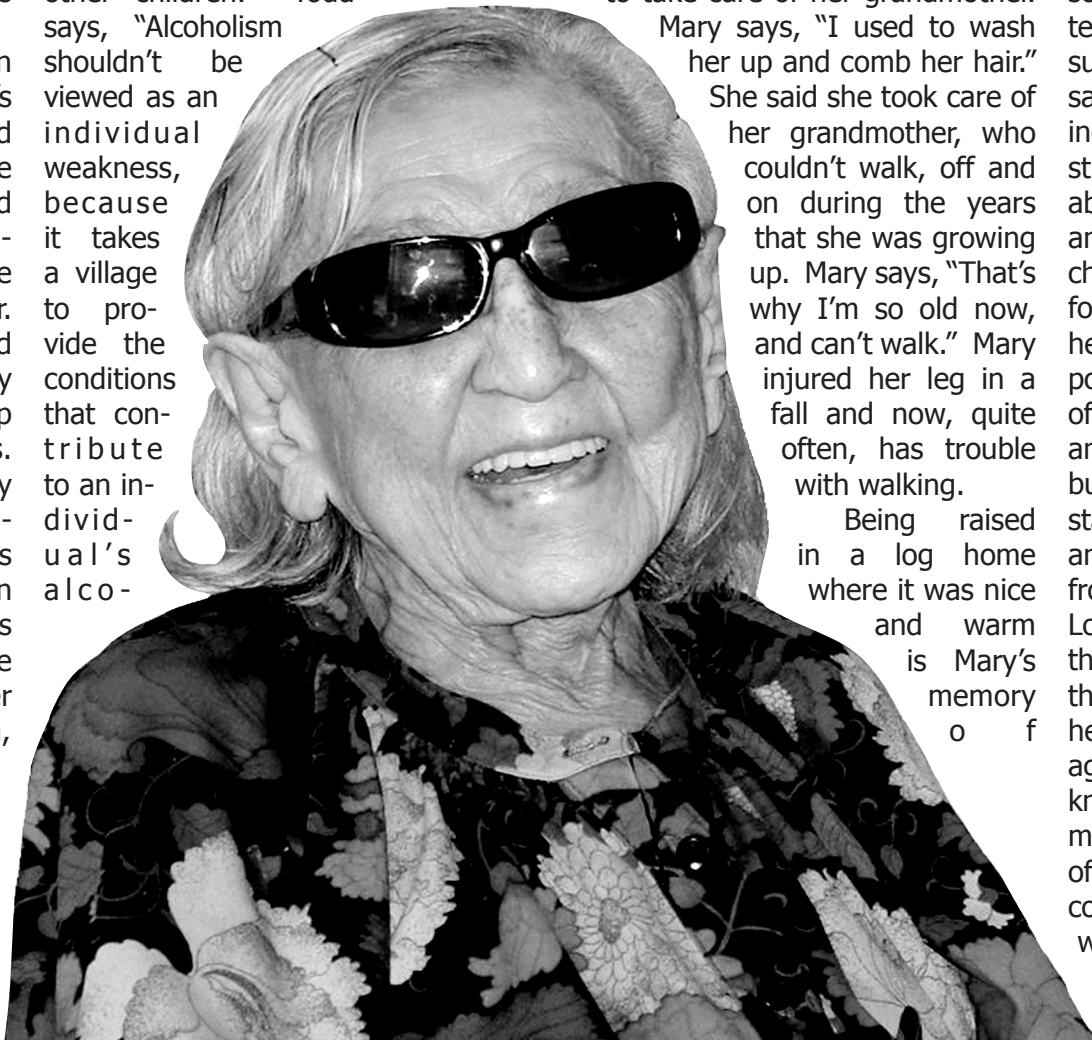


Photo by Patsy Gordon

holism and the spread of the disease. It starts out a societal problem, but ends tragically as an individual problem."

Mary, as a young woman, used to run to the St. Cecilia Catholic Church whenever it started thundering during a storm. Incidentally, during a thunderstorm this past summer in Akeley, Mary went outside her trailer home and made an offering of tobacco and said some Indian prayers and to the surprise of everyone in the trailer, the thunder stopped. Mary's daughter, Louise, said, "the thunder quit just like that!"

As we mentioned before, Mary comes to life when she hears the Ojibwe language being spoken, her eyes light up and she becomes very talkative, which was proven during the interview that took place between Mary, Louise, Helen, and I. Todd says she is normally very reserved when it comes to speaking English.

Mary recalled how she used to take care of her grandmother.

Mary says, "I used to wash her up and comb her hair." She said she took care of her grandmother, who couldn't walk, off and on during the years that she was growing up. Mary says, "That's why I'm so old now, and can't walk." Mary injured her leg in a fall and now, quite often, has trouble with walking.

Being raised in a log home where it was nice and warm is Mary's memory of

## 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: **ltpaper@paulbunyan.net**

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

growing up. She said, "My Dad watched me, took care of me, he was nice to me."

She has lived in Akeley since the early 1960's. Mary lives with her sons, David, and Robert, and daughter Louise, (who take care of her) in a standard single trailer home that, sadly, has holes in the floor and ceiling, that could easily collapse with a strong wind. Mary is very adamant about staying in the trailer though and does not want to move. Mary's children have plans to move but fear for her safety, so they dare not leave her alone. Recently, while boiling potatoes on the stove, the sleeve of Mary's blouse touched a burner and caught fire. Mary's arm was burned extensively which required a stay in the hospital for several days and a skin graft. Doctors took skin from Mary's leg to repair her arm.

Louise said, "She gets up at 4:00 in the morning and starts cooking and then I have to get up too to watch her," for fear of Mary burning herself again. Mary kept repeating, "Robert knows how to cook, he can cook for me." I believe this was Mary's way of reasoning with her children so she could remain in her trailer under the watchful eye of her son, Robert.

# Remembering Sitting Bull

By Dorreen Yellow Bird – Columnist Grand Forks Herald

It might have been snowing when Tribal police set out to arrest Sitting Bull on December 15, 1890, at the Grand River in South Dakota. He was one of the chiefs and holy men of the Hunkpapa Lakota people. He was killed at a place where I've spent a week every summer for the past 11 years.

There are conflicting stories among those who write about Sitting Bull, but this is the most common and is my edited version.

Most reports of that fateful day say James McLaughlin, who was superintendent of the Standing Rock agency, sent about 43 Lakota police officers to arrest Sitting Bull at his cabin near the Grand River. He was dragged from his cabin and in the fray, shot and killed.

His crime? Fear among the whites that he would instigate another uprising like the 1876 Battle of the Little Big Horn, where the Lakota fought and defeated Lt. Col. George Armstrong Custer. Most experts will tell you Sitting Bull may have been at the battle, but he was not the war chief. It was, however, his vision of soldiers falling from the sky, foretelling the Lakota victory, that provided the warriors with inspiration.

After the battle, Sitting Bull and a small band of his people moved to Canada out of the way of the gathering U.S. military

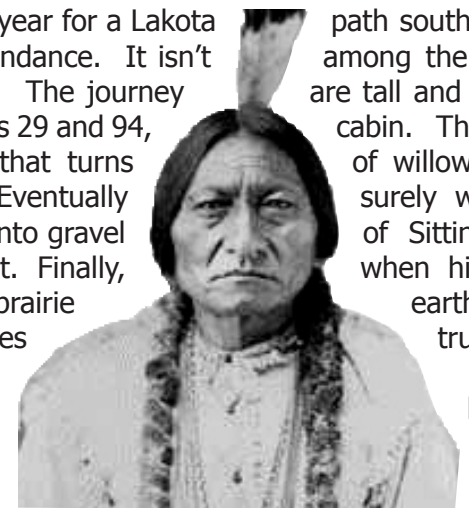
forces. When he returned from Canada, he was ordered to stay on the reservation. In 1885, he was allowed to join Buffalo Bill's Wild West Show, where he earned \$50 a week for riding once around the arena. He was billed as "the slayer of General Custer."

Ironically, William F. Cody, "Buffalo Bill", the owner of the show, was an Army scout after the Battle of the Little Big Horn. He also bragged that he killed 4,280 buffalo in 17 months. The wanton killing of the buffalo on the plains caused famine among the Indian people. That slaughter was one of the reasons the Lakota went to war. Sitting Bull only stayed with the show for four months. He couldn't tolerate white society, reports said, but he did shake hands with President Grover Cleveland. He took that as evidence that he still was regarded as a great chief.

It is said Sitting Bull's only wish was to be left alone and to be able to live peacefully with his two wives and children. His cabin near the Grand River seemed to provide that solace.

Even though he chose not to learn the white man's ways or be a part of their Christian religion, he did send his children to a nearby Christian school to be educated because he wanted them to learn to read and write. I travel to that place where

he was killed every year for a Lakota ceremony called Sundance. It isn't an easy pilgrimage. The journey beings on interstates 29 and 94, then onto a road that turns into two lanes. Eventually the two lanes turn into gravel and then graded dirt. Finally, you take a winding prairie dirt road that weaves sideways and up and down through the bench lands above the Grand River.



I imagine Sitting Bull must have been most impressed with that first view of the place where he was born. You stand hundreds of feet above the valley. When it rains, that steep downhill road of clay and gumbo turns into a muddy slide. There are plum, buffalo berry and chokecherry trees on each side. The pungent smell of brush sage tickles your nose as does the dust that the car kicks up.

Sitting Bull's cabin sits several feet from the river. When we're there in the summer, the river is small and girlish. It giggles and runs a winding

path south. The log cabin sits among the trees. Some trees are tall and reach far above the cabin. There are good stands of willow, too. These trees surely witnessed the killing of Sitting Bull – the time when his blood turned the earth red beneath their trunks.

The Sundance leader is one of Sitting Bull's relatives. He had a vision that would turn Sitting

Bull's old homestead a site of a Sundance. That was many years ago. The ceremony is sustained by the prayers of those faithful to the Sundance. That was a time in history for Indian people that is painful – though I do wonder sometimes if the enemies of Sitting Bull's time were easier than they are today. Indians knew the enemy by name back then and how to deal with them.

Today, our enemies are subtle. They are diseases such as diabetes, cancer and alcoholism and social ills such as racism.

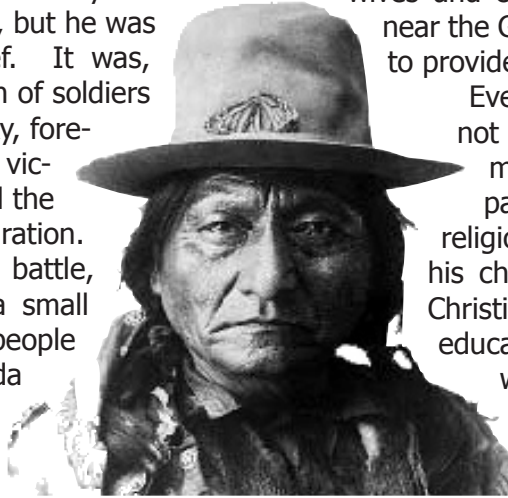
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## New Initiatives to Expand the Jurisdiction of the Tribal Court

Submitted by Carol White

The Tribal Court applied for a grant entitled "Tribal Court, Tier III, Implementation, Enhancement & Continuing Operation Project". This Bureau of Justice Assistance grant was sought aggressively by many Tribal Courts in the United States therefore making it very competitive. Margaret Treuer, Leech Lake Chief Judge submitted a concept paper in response to the 2001 Tribal Court Solicitation Announcement. Leech Lake was selected and advanced to the next phase by completing a full application which Leech Lake was awarded \$220,000. .

In addition, The Tribal Court applied for and received another grant in the amount of \$165,000. This award was a supplemental grant from the Bureau of Justice Assistance for the purpose of continuing the overall project summarized below. This grant will enable the Tribal Court to continue to conduct in-service training as needed, pay per-diem for facilitators, peacemakers and payees, pay costs for mandatory training of Tribal Court staff, upgrade our present courtroom recording system, and purchase furniture for the courtroom, office supplies, printing and subscription expenses.

### Tribal Court Grant for Implementation, Enhancement & Continuing Project

Through this grant we proposed to expand the jurisdiction

exercised by the Tribal Court to include certain classes of juvenile offenses, child protection cases, addressing problems of family violence, financial abuse of elders and implementing a peacemaker tribunal. Grant funds will also be used for the continuing operation and enhancement of our current Tribal Court activities such as; purchasing computer equipment, case management software for the court, office supplies and subscription for computerized legal research.

The following activities associated with the grant are summarized below. For more information you may contact the Tribal Court at 335.3682.

#### A. Juvenile Justice

This grant will enable the Band to exercise its jurisdiction in the areas of truancy, curfew and drug/alcohol abuse by minors. Under federal law the state cannot enforce curfew laws against Indian youths on the reservation. The state also cannot enforce truancy laws without consent of the Band. Alcohol and drug use by minors are recognized to be a major problem on the Leech Lake Reservation. Through this grant the Band will implement a juvenile justice division in our own Tribal Court. The main objectives are to: 1) Better meet the needs of Indian children who are found to have used drugs or alcohol by providing for speedy evaluations and treatment

for chemical dependency, using graduated sanctions, and promoting family accountability for supervision of their children. To address unsupervised youth the Juvenile Code will also contain curfew and truancy provisions.

A proposed Juvenile Code has been drafted and the Tribal Court is in the process of reviewing the draft Juvenile Code with key Band staff before final adoption by the Tribal Council. We will then conduct meetings with Band Divisions, State Court Personnel, Local Indian Councils, and area schools to inform them of these initiatives. We will provide in-service training for Band Divisions and area school representatives. We will arrange printing in the Band's newspaper, and distribute to reservation community centers.

#### B. Child Protection Code

The Child Protection Code was adopted by the Tribal Council on December 23, 2002. Since then we have met with key Band staff concerning this new initiative and will submit revisions to the Child Protection Code and present amendments to the Tribal Council for adoption in January 2004. In January 2004, we plan to meet with county social services, Band social services, state court judges and prosecutors regarding the provisions of the Code and procedures for implementation. Also, the Tribal Court will provide in-service training for Band social services staff and other Band personnel who will be involved in the process. The Tribal Court will recognize and acknowledge tribal customs and traditions and will utilize family conferencing whenever applicable to promote the well-being of Indian children who come before the Juvenile Division. Lastly, we will be soliciting applications from interested community members who would like to be a "family conferencing facilitator". We will provide training to those individuals. See flyer in this publication.

#### C. Adoption of a Domestic Violence Code

This Code will concentrate on prevention of acts of domestic violence in family households by empowering the Tribal Court to issue orders for protection and/or supplementary orders to state court proceedings in cases where the family home or place of employment is on trust land. The Tribal Court will collaborate with Band social services, Battered Women's program, and Chemical Dependency programs to order treatment and rehabilitation for offenders and victims. Currently, the Domestic Violence Code is under review by key Band staff.

#### D. Adoption of a Peacemaker Tribunal

The purpose of the Peacemaker Tribunal is to provide a non-adversarial way to resolve disputes between people by establishing justice through healing and restoring harmony to the parties, their families and the community. The Tribunal is intended to reflect the Band's tradition of using respected members of the community to heal conflicts among its members by offering a just and speedy determination of disputes that are referred to the Peacemaker Tribunal for resolution. We will be collaborating with Local Indian Councils to recruit and select a peacemaker panel. We will also be providing training for those individuals. See flyer in this publication for more information.

#### E. Adoption of an Elder Financial Abuse Code

This Code will address protection of elders who are either Band members or are Indian persons who reside within the boundaries of the reservation from incidents of financial abuse. Victims of financial abuse can file a petition in Tribal Court for judicial protection and relief. The Tribal Court will collaborate with Local Indian Councils to recruit and select elder payees and conduct in-service training on the responsibilities of payees. See flyer in this publication.

## "Peacemaker Tribunal" New Initiative in Tribal Court

The Tribal Court plans to develop a "Peacemaker Division" for the purpose of providing a non-adversarial means of resolving private disputes between individuals in keeping with Ojibwe traditions and culture. We are looking for interested individuals to sit on the peacemaker Tribunal.

The purpose of the Peacemaker Tribunal is to provide a non-adversarial way to resolve disputes between people through healing and restoring harmony to the parties, their families and the community. The Tribunal is intended to reflect the Band's tradition of using respected members of the community to heal conflicts among its members. The peacemaker Tribunal may be used to resolve any civil dispute between parties or a pending civil action in Tribal Court who desires to have the dispute or action resolved by the peacemaking process.

The Peacemaker Tribunal shall be composed of one or more persons and is appointed by the Reservation Tribal Council or by the Chief Judge to conduct peacemaking conferences. Each person appointed shall file with the Clerk of Court acceptance of her or his appointment including a statement that they meet the qualifications and are willing and able to perform the duties of a Peacemaker.

**Peacemaker Qualifications:** Be at least 25 years of age, Known and respected for her or his integrity, honesty, humanity and ability to work with Band members and resolve local

problems.

**Disqualification:** If she or he has been convicted of a felony or of a misdemeanor involving violence during or within the last three years prior to her or his appointment.

**Duties of a Peacemaker:** Shall work to resolve non-violent civil disputes between family members, neighbors, and others within the community, Conduct informal conferences of the parties and participants to the dispute, Ensure in each such conference that all relevant facts are presented and that all parties and participants have an opportunity to speak and are encouraged to do so, Encourage the parties to reach an agreement that is acceptable to all of them and which also tends to heal the conflict leading to the dispute, Writing the terms and conditions of any such agreement and make certain that it is understood and consented to by each of the parties and that they have executed the same and have received a signed copy. Date, sign and file the original agreement with the Clerk, Furnish the Chief Judge with written or oral reports of the status of disputes as are pending for resolution before the Peacemaker and Attend training at Court expense as requested by the Chief Judge.

Appointed peacemaker panel member will be compensated with a stipend plus travel expenses for services provided. Interested persons can contact the Tribal Court for more information at 218. 335.3682 or 1.800.442.3909, Ext. 3682.

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## Now Recruiting Elder Financial Payees

The Tribal court is developing an Elder's Financial Protection advocacy service and is currently seeking persons to be a Financial Conservator or "Payee". The purpose of this service is to protect elders who are either Band members or are Indian persons residing within the boundaries of the Leech Lake Reservation from incidents of financial abuse, and to afford judicial protection and relief to those who seek or are in need of protection from financial abuse.

What is a Financial Conservator or Payee?

A person appointed by the Court to manage the funds, property, or other resources of an elder in need of financial protection who either seeks and/or consents to such an appointment or is determined by the Court to be incapacitated and whose funds, property, or other resources require management by a financial

conservator.

Who can be a Financial Conservator or Payee?

Any person who accepts the appointment by the Court to provide services to an Elder or other Indian person residing within Leech Lake Reservation.

Must be bondable, or a bond in a suitable amount and form may be required to be filed with the Clerk and approved by the court prior to the issuance of letter of Financial conservatorship.

Known and respected for her or his integrity, honesty and humanity.

Payees will be compensated with a stipend plus travel expenses for services provided.

For further information contact the Leech Lake Tribal Court, 6530 US 2 NW, Cass Lake, MN 56633. Phone 218-335-3682, toll-free 1-800-442-3909 ext. 3682 and fax 218-335-3685.

## Seeking Family Conferencing Facilitators

The Leech Lake Tribal Council adopted a Child Protection Code in the past year that authorizes tribal social services to initiate child protection petitions in Tribal Court. Part of this new initiative the Tribal court will implement "family conferencing" with regard to child placement by keeping with our Ojibwe culture and traditions. In the past, these decisions were made by county social service and a judge, whereas, we believe that child placement should, whenever possible, be made by the families involved and/or extend family members.

Responsibilities of Family conferencing Facilitators. The Tribal Court wishes to recruit "facilitators" who are knowledgeable about Ojibwe

culture. These persons would meet with extended family of the child to develop a placement plan. The plan would then be presented to the Tribal Court which could accept or reject it. Also, parents whose children are removed would be given an opportunity to develop a culture-based plan for regaining custody of their children. Such plan will include access to elders and spiritual leaders and, immediate opportunity for a chemical dependency evaluation and treatment. Facilitators will be compensated with a stipend plus travel expenses provided. The Tribal Court will provide in-service training. For more information contact the Leech Lake Tribal Court at 218-335-3682.

### Thank You

The Leech Lake Head Start Abinojii Oshki Bimadiziwin Center Parent Committee would like to thank the following parents for helping in the Home & Garden Fundraiser:  
**Marilyn Day (Tanner LaDuke), Michelle Ortley (Abrianna Ortley), Crystal Jones-Desjarlais (Robert Desjarlais), Tammy LaRose (Tiana LaRose), Teresa Moen (Abbigail Moen), Destiny Anderson (Hayden Campos), Chris Connor (Mikaela Wind) and Chris Fineday (Samuel Fineday).**  
The money will be used towards Christmas gifts for the children. Thank you for the help and the extra time that was needed is greatly appreciated!

### Thank You

Words cannot express our deep appreciation for the many kindnesses, thoughts, and prayers given to us on the passing of our father, brother, nephew. May the Lord bless each one of you. Also, Raelyn was found thanks to the DeBahJiMon staff for their help. Chi-mi-gwitch!  
The family of George T. Tiokasin

## Auntie Beta

In Loving Memory of Bonita Leah Cloud  
November 7, 1969 - November 19, 1993

By Ashley Cloud - 12th Grade  
Deer River High School

Ten years passed by.  
At first, when you left us, the question was WHY?  
Even today I try hard not to cry.  
Sorrow has filled my heart.  
Hate and sadness was ripping me apart.  
Many nights I cried alone in the dark.  
I had to be strong.  
I didn't want my tears to make your journey too long.  
I hope by now you're in a better place.  
Remembering you and your smiling face.  
The memories of you that we have, cannot be erased.  
I pray to God everyday, when I feel the sun's first ray.  
I know in my heart he heard what I had to say.  
Through all these years we've shed our tears.  
I just wanted to let you know...  
Forever, we'll love you so.


## Wakanyaja: Voices of Native Child

Dora Baker, Age 16  
West Valley High School

### I am

I am a curious Athabaskan  
I wonder why people choose to drink  
I hear people yelling  
I see people crying  
I want people to change  
I am a curious Athabaskan  
I pretend that none of this exists  
I feel like I'm losing my mind  
I touch the empty beer bottles  
I worry about people making the

wrong decisions  
I cry about what they do to themselves  
I am a curious Athabaskan  
I understand that no one is perfect  
I say I don't want to go there  
I dream my whole family is sober  
I try to be strong and hang in there  
I hope that someday this will be over  
I am a curious Athabaskan



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## Wasted Time

Anonymous

The time I've wasted is my biggest regret,  
Spent in these places I will never forget.  
Just sitting and thinking about the things I've done,  
The crying, the laughing, the hurt, and the fun.  
How it's just me and my hard driven guilt,  
Behind a wall of emptiness, I allowed to be built.  
I'm trapped in my body, just wanting to run,  
Back to my youth with it's laughter and fun.  
But the chase is over, and there's no place to hide,  
Everything is gone, including my pride.  
With reality suddenly right in my face,  
I'm scared, alone, and stuck in this place.  
Now the memories of the past flash through my head,  
And the pain is obvious by the tears that I've shed.  
I ask myself why, and where I went wrong,  
I guess I was weak, when I should have been strong.  
Living for drugs, and the wings I had grown,  
My feelings are lost, afraid to be shown.  
As I look at my past, it's so easy to see,  
The fear that I had, afraid to be me.  
I pretend to be rugged, so fast, and so cool,  
When actually lost, like a blinded old fool.  
I'm getting too old for this tiresome game,  
Of acting real hard with no sense of my shame.  
It's time that I change, and get on with my life,  
Fulfilling my dreams for a family and wife.  
What my future will hold, I really don't know,  
But the years that I've wasted are starting to show.  
I just live for the day when I'll get a new start,  
And the dreams I still hold deep in my heart.  
I hope I can make it, I, at least, have to try,  
Because I'm heading towards death, and I don't want to **DIE!!**

The JOM/Title VII Planning Team Committee would like to invite your student to participate in an

## Art Contest

**Theme: Education-Embracing Global Cultural Perspective**

We are asking students to design a logo that will be used at the 22nd Annual JOM/Title VII Indian Education Conference on April 29 & 30, 2004.



We ask that students submit their artwork in black and white and on plain paper that is 8"x11" or smaller.  
There is not a limit to the number of entries.  
**The deadline for submission is February 6, 2004.**  
The winner will receive \$50.00 (donated by Fond du Lac Reservation).

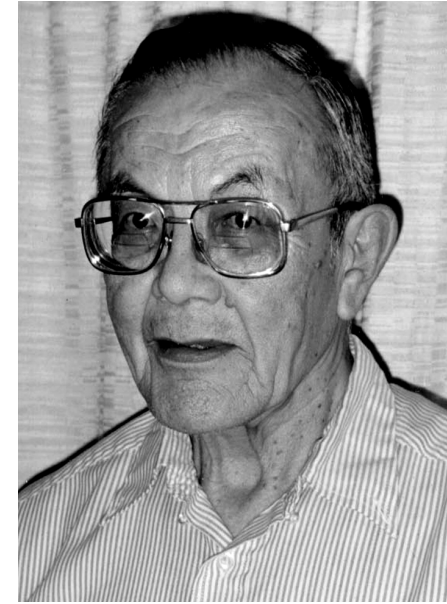
**Mail submission to:**  
Minnesota Department of Education  
Office of Indian Education  
1500 Highway 36 West  
Roseville, MN 55113-4237  
651-582-8831 or 1-800-657-3927

Congratulations!! to last year's winner **Bryan Hascall** of Biwabik Northland Learning Center.

**Note: Artwork will not be returned. Lined paper will not be accepted.**

## "Passed Into the Spirit World"

ROGER D. HARPER



Roger D. Harper went home to be with the Lord December 6, 2003 at North Country Regional Hospital. Roger was born October 17, 1934 in Cloquet, MN to John G. Harper and Mattie Harper. He attended elementary and high school in Cass Lake, MN and was a graduate of Gustavus Adolphus College in St. Peter, MN. He was also a U.S. Army Veteran. His lifelong career was in accounting. He was a member of the Board of Trustees of the Chippewa Bible Church at Oak Point. He was also the church treasurer. He was a loving husband, father and grandfather who loved to spend time with his family and friends. He loved listening to gospel music and attending the Cass Lake Community singspirations.

Roger is survived by his wife, Violet of Cass Lake, MN., one son, David (Mary) Harper of Ponsford, three daughters; Rachel and Mary Harper of Cass Lake and Joy Ann (David) Dus of Richmond, MA., 6 grandsons; Christopher and Roger Dale Harper II of Cass Lake, MN., Jaime (Danielle), Jeremy, and David Harper II of Ponsford, Ronald Fox of Cass Lake, MN., 5 granddaughters, Jennifer (Robert) Webber and Rebecca Harper of Crookston, MN., Leigh and Jeanenne Harper of Ponsford, Anna (Matthew) Shepherd of Detroit Lakes, brothers, Colin (Janice) Harper, Wellington Harper, Henry Harper, Dennis (Judy) Harper and Charles Harper of Cass

Lake and Francis (Julie) Harper of White Bear Lake; 9 great-grandchildren, numerous nieces, nephews and cousins. Preceding him in death were his parents, John and Mattie Harper, a brother John; and granddaughter, Bethany Joy.

Memorial services were held at the Christian Missionary Alliance Church in Cass Lake on December 9, 2003 with Pastor James Moses officiating. Pallbearers were John Annette, Robert Durant, Henry Harper, Jeffery Harper, Dennis Harper and Francis Harper. Honorary Pallbearers were Colin Harper, Wellington Harper, Charles Harper, Myron Peterson and the Chippewa Bible Church Trustees; Paul Connor, Earl Johnson, Simon Blakely and Francis Isham. Interment is at the St. John's Cemetery, in Onigum, MN. Thomas-Dennis Funeral Home of Cass Lake handled funeral arrangements.

### ALVIN JOSEPH JOHNSON

Alvin J. Johnson, age 42, of Walker, Minnesota passed away at the Cass Lake Hospital on December 3, 2003. He was born in Cass Lake on August 26, 1961 to Harry and Lillian Johnson. Alvin enjoyed singing and playing guitar, fishing on Leech Lake and being around his family and friends. Alvin will be remembered for his wonderful smile and sense of humor. He will be missed by all of his loved ones.

Alvin is survived by son, Eliott Johnson, girl friend, Edith Hawk, brother, Darrell Johnson, sisters, Rosetta (Patrick) Howard and Harriet Johnson and many uncles, aunts, nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his parents, Harry Johnson and Lillian Bellanger and sister, Debra Lynn Johnson.

A wake was held at the Onigum Community Center that began on Saturday, December 6, 2003 and continued until the time of the service. The funeral was held December 8, 2003 at the Onigum Community Center. Father Fredrick Method officiated. Interment was at Old Agency Catholic Cemetery in Onigum.

The Thomas-Dennis Funeral Home of Walker handled arrangements.

## Local Indian Council Meeting Schedules

Oak Point LIC – 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of every month – 6 p.m. – Oak Point Community Center

Ball Club LIC – 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of every month – 7 p.m. – Ball Club Community Center

Kego Lake/Smokey Point LIC – 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of every month – 6 p.m. – Kego Lake Community Center

Onigum LIC – 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of every month – 6:30 p.m. – Onigum Community Center

Cass River LIC – 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of every month – 7 p.m. – Cass River Community Center

Winnie Dam LIC – 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of every month – 7 p.m. – Winnie Dam Community Center

Sugar Bush/Ten Lake LIC – 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of every month – 6 p.m. – Is announced at previous meeting

Cass Lake LIC – 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of every month – 6:30 p.m. – Heritage Manor Lobby

Inger LIC – 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of every month – 7 p.m. – Inger Community Center

Bena LIC – 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of every month – 7 p.m. – Bena Community Center

Sugar Point LIC – 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of every month – 7 p.m. – Sugar Point Community Center

Mission LIC – 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of every month – 6 p.m. – Mission Community Center

S. Lake LIC – 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of every month – 7 p.m. – S. Lake Community Center

Deer River LIC – the last Monday of every month – 7 p.m. – Goodall Resource Center in Deer River

Leech Lake Twin Cities LIC – the last Tuesday of every month – 6 p.m. – MN Indian Women's Resource Center – 2300 15<sup>th</sup> Ave. S. In Mpls. – ALWAYS POTLUCK!

## Leech Lake Tribal Council Meetings

**Special Meeting  
Tribal Chambers**

**Thursday, October 9, 2003  
Cass Lake, MN**

Chairman Peter D. White calls meeting to order.

Roll Call: Arthur LaRose, Lyman Losh and Richard Robinson, Jr.

Burton Wilson, travel (excused).

Motion by Richard Robinson, Jr., second by Lyman Losh to approve agenda. Carried 3-0.

### Old Business:

Motion by Arthur LaRose, second by Richard Robinson, Jr. to approve the minutes of July 22, 2003 and September 16, 2003. Carried 3-0.

### New Business:

Motion by Lyman Losh, second by Arthur LaRose to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 04-36 concerning Designate Signatory Authority and Establishing Authority to Access Leech Lake Reservation Tribal Council, Account Information with Respect to Accounts Maintained at Wells Fargo Bank. Carried 3-0.

Motion by Richard Robinson, Jr., second by Lyman Losh to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 04-37 concerning applying for funds to provide accessible family planning services on the reservation. Carried 3-0.

Motion by Lyman Losh, second Richard Robinson, Jr. to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 04-38 to establish an Indian Child Welfare Act Commission and is not in support of Terminal of Parent Rights with changes. Carried 3-0.

Motion by Lyman Losh, second by Arthur LaRose to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 04-39 concerning Restructuring Elders Division with changes. Carried 3-0.

Motion by Arthur LaRose, second by Richard Robinson, Jr. to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 04-40 concerning Restructuring Youth Division with changes. Carried 3-0.

Motion by Lyman Losh, second by Richard Robinson, Jr. to approve tribal Council Resolution No. 04-41 concerning Self-Governance Compact. Carried 3-0.

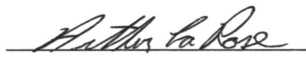
Motion by Arthur LaRose, second by Lyman Losh to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 04-42 concerning approval of 2004 budget. Carried 3-0.

Motion by Richard Robinson, Jr., second by Lyman Losh to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 04-43 approval of Centralized Purchasing. Carried 3-0.

Land Resolutions: Polly Johnson  
Motion by Lyman Losh, second by Richard Robinson, Jr. to approve the following Land Resolutions:  
[LD2004-79](#) concerning Phyllis Clark, rescind Resolution, Boy River area;

LD2004-80 concerning Janice Gale, rescind Resolution, Sugar Point area;  
 LD2004-81 concerning Ronald Gale, new lease, Sugar Point area;  
 LD2004-82 concerning Josette White, new lease, West Boy River area;  
 LD2004-83 concerning Jeffery Hardy, rescind Resolution, Mission area;  
 LD2004-84 concerning Laura Brown, new lease, Mission area;  
 LD2004-85 concerning Ray Brown, Jr., lease renewal, Sugar Point area;  
 LD2004-86 concerning Dallas Pemberton, residential lease, Onigum area;  
 LD2004-87 concerning Richard Block, rescind Resolution, Chippewa Heights area;  
 LD2004-88 concerning Bruce & Renee Vaaler, new lease, Chippewa Heights area;  
 LD2004-89 concerning James & Virginia Grassman, new lease, Trader's Bay area; Carried 3-0.  
 DRM: John Ringle  
 Motion by Richard Robinson, Jr., second by Lyman Losh to approve Professional Services Contract – EPA. Carried 3-0.  
 ACCOUNTING: Veldon Barid  
 Motion by Arthur LaRose, second by Richard Robinson, Jr. to approve the proposal 2003 audit – Joseph Eve & Company. Carried 3-0.

Motion by Richard Robinson, Jr., second by Arthur LaRose to adjourn. Carried 3-0.  
 I DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that this is a true record of the Leech Lake Tribal Council, Special Meeting, held on October 9, 2003, at Cass Lake, Minnesota.



Arthur LaRose, Secretary/Treasurer  
 Leech Lake Reservation

**Special Meeting  
 Tribal Chambers  
 November 5, 2003  
 Cass Lake, MN**

Chairman Peter White calls meeting to order.  
 Roll Call: Arthur LaRose, Burton Wilson, Lyman Losh, and Richard Robinson, Jr.  
 Motion by Richard Robinson, Jr., second by Lyman Losh to approve the agenda with changes. Carried 4-0.

**Old Business:**

October 9, 2003 minutes tabled.  
 Motin by Arthur LaRose, second by Burton Wilson to approve the minutes of October 13, 2003 and October 14, 2003. Carried 4-0.

**New Business:**

Tribal Council Resolutions:  
 Motion by Richard Robinson, Jr., second by Burton Wilson to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 04-46 concerning N.C.A.I. Membership. Carried 4-0.  
 Motion by Richard Robinson, Jr., second by Lyman Losh to approve Tribal Council

Resolution No. 04-47 concerning Tribal Membership with Intertribal Monitoring Association on Indian Trust Funds (ITMA). Carried 4-0.

Motion by Arthur LaRose, second by Burton Wilson to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 04-48 concerning Small Ambulatory Grant. Carried 4-0.

Motion by Arthur LaRose, second by Richard Robinson, Jr. to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 04-49 concerning changing the name of Leech Lake Gaming Account Information with respect to accounts maintained at the First National Bank of Cass Lake. Carried 4-0.

Motion by Lyman Losh, second by Richard Robinson, Jr. to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 04-50 concerning Designate Signatory Authority and Establishing Authority to Access Leech Lake Reservation Tribal Council, Account Information with Respect to Accounts Maintained at Wells Fargo Bank. Carried 4-0.

Motion by Richard Robinson, Jr., second by Lyman Losh to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 04-51 concerning Gaming Ordinance and Gaming regulatory Board to be presented for approval. Carried 4-0.

Motion by Lyman Losh, second by Arthur LaRose to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 04-52 concerning ICWA Representative. Carried 4-0.

Land Resolutions:  
 Motion by Burton Wilson, second by Richard Robinson, Jr. to approve the following Land Resolutions:  
 LD2004-90, Linda Turney, rescind resolution No. LD200-75, Whipholt area;  
 LD2004-91, Walter Jackson, new lease, Whipholt area;  
 LD2004-92, Rita Washington, new lease, Mission area;  
 LD2004-93, David Jones, rescind Resolution No. LD98-45;  
 LD2004-94, Rebecca Northbird, new lease, Stony Point area;  
 LD2004-95, Delbert W. Rushman, new lease, Buck Lake area;  
 LD2004-96, Leon Butcher, new lease, Smoky Point area;  
 LD2004-97, Cheryl Kangas, rescind resolution No. LD98-65, South Cass Lake;  
 LD2004-98, Marti A. French, rescind resolution No. LD96-106, Lost Lake area;  
 LD2004-99, Robert Hurd, rescind resolution No. LD96-24, Lost Lake area;  
 LD2004-100, Marti A. French, new lease, Lost Lake area;  
 LD2004-101, Donald J. White, rescind resolution No. LD99-58, Football Lake area;  
 LD2004-102, Donald J. White, new lease, Town Line Lake area;  
 LD2004-103, Aaron White, new lease, Town Line Lake area;  
 LD2004-104, Mary A. Briseno, rescind resolution No. LK98-104, South Cass Lake area;  
 LD2004-105, Mary A. Briseno, new lease,

South Cass Lake area;  
 LD2004-106, James Rogers, new lease, Cass Lake area;  
 LD2004-107, Geraldine & Phillip Wade, Sr., amend resolution No. LD99-76, Buck Lake area;  
 LD2004-108, Joseph White, new lease, Town Line Lake area;  
 LD2004-109, Allen Hiatt, amend resolution No. LD2004-54, Town Line Lake area;  
 LD2004-110, Rebecca & Robin Windom, new lease, Wilkinson area.  
 Carried 4-0.

Motion by Lyman Losh, second by Richard Robinson, Jr. to approve the following Land Resolutions:  
 LD2004-111, Val O. Erion, rescind resolution No. LD97-116, North Cass Lake area;  
 LD2004-112, Sonja J. Tanner, new lease, North Cass Lake area;  
 LD2004-113, Josephine Lee, lease/assignment termination, Stony Point area;  
 LD2004-114, Michael & Jennifer French, new lease/assignment, Stony Point area.  
 Carried 4-0.

Motion by Lyman Losh, second by Arthur LaRose to approve Land Resolution No. LD2004-115, Crystal Greene, new lease, Sugar Point area with change. Carried 4-0.  
 Motion by Richard Robinson, Jr., second by Burton Wilson to approve Land Resolution No. LD2004-116, LLHA, new lease, 4-plex project, Cass Lake area. Carried 4-0.

Social Services: Lillian Reese  
 Motion by Richard Robinson, Jr., second by Lyman Losh to approve the following Child Care & Foster Care licenses:  
 Janice Morgan, Child Care renewal license; Paulette Stone & Veronica Jurina (1) year foster care license;  
 Mary LaDeaux (2) year foster care license; Eli Hunt, relative foster care;  
 James & Kathy Littlewolf (2) year foster care license;

Ernest & Lillian Garbow (2) year relative foster care license;  
 Diane Goodman (2) year relative foster care license;  
 Oras Smith (2) year relative foster care license;  
 Anna Sheffield (2) year regular foster care license;  
 Maxine Johnston (2) year foster care license;  
 Lila George (2) year relative foster care license;  
 Guy & Brenda Greene (2) year relative foster care license.  
 Carried 4-0.

Other:  
 Motion by Arthur LaRose, second by Burton Wilson to approve the Joseph Eve & Company Audit Engagement Letter. Carried 4-0.

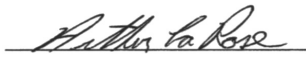
Motion by Richard Robinson, Jr., second by Burton Wilson to approve the Benefits Plan Renewal for January 2004. Carried 4-0.

Motion by Lyman Losh, second by Arthur LaRose to Recommend to Support the Board of Trustee's action concerning the Tribal College President. Carried 3-1.  
 Burton Wilson opposed.

Discussion: Lifetime Licensing Sticker for Trailers (resolution to be drafted). Waiver of Fees paid to Leech Lake Department of Motor Vehicles, all divisions to be consistent.

Motion by Arthur LaRose, second by Burton Wilson to adjourn. Carried 4-0.

I DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that this is a true record of the Leech Lake Tribal Council, Special Meeting, held on Wednesday, November 5, 2003, at Cass Lake, Minnesota.



Arthur LaRose, Secretary/Treasurer  
 Leech Lake Reservation

**Congratulations! Congratulations! Congratulations!**



*Congratulations!*  
 to Kimberly Hare and her  
 new baby girl,  
 Dalee Hazel May Hare Morris.  
 Dalee was born on December 8, 2003,  
 weighing in at a whopping  
 4 lbs. & 13 ozs. Dalee is the great  
 granddaughter of the late Hazel Hare  
 and granddaughter of Linda Morris  
 of Cass Lake.

## Legals

**Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. Carrie Goose, Defendant, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that **Carrie Goose, Defendant** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **January 20, 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.
- Chapter 200, Section 214 C, Failure to show proof of insurance.
- Chapter 200, Section 216 B, Failure to use seat belts or child restraint devices.

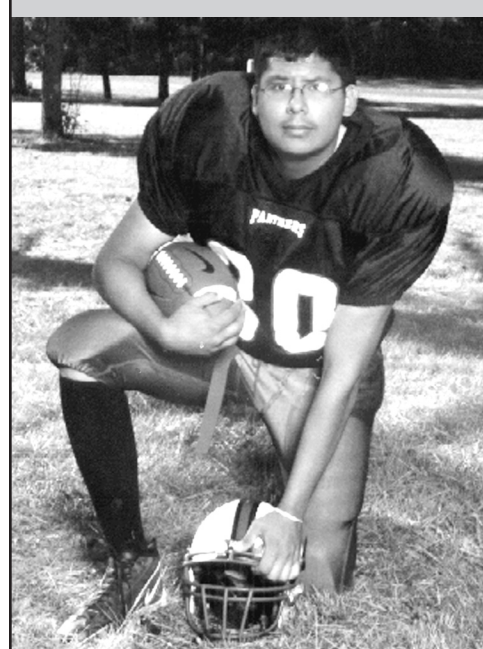
**YOU ARE NOTIFIED BY PUBLICATION BECAUSE:**

- Failure to appear in court on December 2, 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. David Meader, Defendant,**

**Happy 18th Birthday  
 Michael G. Robinson Jr.**



**January 8, 1986**

**Love Always,  
 The Family**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that **David Meader, Defendant** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **January 20, 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. (C) Speeding in excess of 20 mph over the limit.
- Chapter 200, Section 215 C, Driving after revocation.
- Chapter 200, Section 213 A&B, Expired registration.
- Chapter 200, Section 214.A, No insurance.
- Chapter 200, Section 216, Failure to use seat belts.

**YOU ARE NOTIFIED BY PUBLICATION BECAUSE:**

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**Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. Herschel Ogema, Defendant, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that **Herschel Ogema, Defendant** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **January 20, 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 216, Failure to use seat belts.

**YOU ARE NOTIFIED BY PUBLICATION BECAUSE:**

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**Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. Mindy Ruby, Defendant, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that **Mindy Ruby, Defendant** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **January 20, 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, Expired driver's license.

**YOU ARE NOTIFIED BY PUBLICATION BECAUSE:**

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**Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. Paul Wakonabo, Defendant, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that **Paul Wakonabo, Defendant** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **January 20, 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. (C) Speeding in excess of 20 mph over the limit.
- Chapter 200, Section 215 C, Driving after revocation.

**YOU ARE NOTIFIED BY PUBLICATION BECAUSE:**

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**Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. Gloria Fineday, Defendant, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that **Gloria Fineday, Defendant** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **January 20, 2003 at 1:00 P.M.**, and answer the complaint filed alleging that she committed the following violation of the Leech Lake Conservation Code:

- Section 7.2, Burning without a permit.

**YOU ARE NOTIFIED BY PUBLICATION BECAUSE:**

- Failure to appear in court on December 2, 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.

## Local Alcoholics Anonymous/ Narcotics Anonymous and Alanon Meetings

### MONDAY

**5:00 p.m. – A.A. / N.A. / ABO**  
 Counselor / Caregiver – Closed  
 Safe Haven, North on Palace Drive,  
 1<sup>st</sup> house of the left  
**7:00 p.m. – Alanon Meeting**

### TUESDAY

**7:00 p.m. – N.A. (young people)**  
 ALC/Drugs All Ages Welcome  
 Old Faith Mission Church, Cass Lake  
**7:00 p.m. – Chemical Dependency**  
 Support Group  
 Old Faith Mission Church, Cass Lake  
**7:00 p.m. – A.A. / N.A.**  
 Ahnji-Be-Mah-Diz Center

### WEDNESDAY

**10:00 a.m. – Early Bird Meeting**  
 Safe Haven  
**7:00 p.m. – A.A. Meeting**  
 Winnie Dam Community Center  
**7:30 p.m. – A.A. Big Book Study**  
 Safe Haven

### FRIDAY

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

### SATURDAY

**9:00 a.m. – Open A.A. Meeting**  
 Onigum community Center  
**6:00 p.m. – A.A. / N.A.**  
 Ahnji-Be-Mah-Dis Center

### SUNDAY

**6:00 p.m. – A.A. (12x12) Meeting**  
 Safe Haven – North on Palace Drive  
 – 1<sup>st</sup> house on left. 335-0147  
**6:00-8:00 p.m. Sobriety Feast**  
 Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month

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



# Leech Lake Tribal College

## 2004 Spring Semester Schedule

Spring semester begins January 12, 2004

January 12	Classes begin and last day to register for classes
January 19	No classes - Martin Luther King Jr. Day
January 20	Last day to add/drop
February 9	Last day to make-up incompletes from Fall Semester
February 16	No classes - President's Day
March 15	Last day to officially withdraw
March 15-19	No classes - Spring Break
March 22	Classes resume
May 7	Last day of regular classes
May 10-14	Finals week
May 14	Spring Semester ends
May 19	Graduation
May 21	Grades mailed

Regarding	Contact	Title	Direct Number
Admissions	Christine Fineday	Enrollment Manager	(218) 335-4222
Financial Aid	Barbara Carlson	Financial Aid Director	(218) 335-4224
Financial Aid	Lisa Hemachandra	Financial Aid Clerk	(218) 335-4228
Degree options/ Advising	Nicole Powers	Recruitment/Retention	(218) 335-4225
Degree options/Advising	Terri Dahl	TRIO Counselor	(218) 335-4218

\*Career Development Center located across from Cass Lake First National Bank.

Course ID	Course Title	CR	Day	Start	End	Instructor
ACCT 102	Principles of Acct. II	3	T	3 p.m.	4:20 p.m.	Cunning
ANI 100.1	Intro to Anish. Studies	3	T & R	4 p.m.	5:30 p.m.	Jourdain
ANI 100.2	Intro to Anish. Studies	3	M	6 p.m.	8:50 p.m.	W. Cyr
ANI 100.3	Intro to Anish. Studies	3	T&R	10:30 a.m.	11:50 a.m.	W. Cyr
ART 100	Intro to Trad./cont. Art	3	T&R	9 a.m.	10:20 a.m.	Goodwin
ART 103	Jingle Dress	3	R	6 p.m.	8:50 p.m.	Littlewolf
ART 104	Moccasin Making	3	M&W	1 p.m.	2:20 p.m.	Goodwin
ART 107	Drawing I	3	M&W	2:30 p.m.	3:50 p.m.	Goodwin
ART 110	Oil Acrylic Painting	3	T&R	1 p.m.	2:20 p.m.	Goodwin
BIO 102	General Biology II	3	M	6 p.m.	8:50 p.m.	Lueck
BIO 102L	General Bio II Lab	1	M	4:30 p.m.	5:30 p.m.	Lueck
BIO 200	Ethnobiology	3	T&R	1 p.m.	2:20 p.m.	Lueck
BIO 204	Environmental Science	3	M&W	2:30 p.m.	3:50 p.m.	Lueck
BLTD 112	Construction Est & Pln	2	T&R	11:30 a.m.	12:59 p.m.	Carpender
BLTD 210	Blueprint Reading II	2	T&R	3:30 p.m.	5:30 p.m.	Nason
BUS 151	Management	3	M	6 p.m.	8:50 p.m.	Baird
BUS 180	Casino Management	3	W	6 p.m.	8:50 p.m.	Baird
BUS 250	Business Law I	3	T	4:30 p.m.	7:30 p.m.	Thibault
Bus 299	Business Internship	3		Arrange		Thompson
CARP 116	Footing & Foundations	2	T&R	3 p.m.	4 p.m.	Carpender
CARP 118	Interior Finish I	6	M,W,F	9 a.m.	4 p.m.	Carpender
CARP 122	Exterior Finish	2	T&R	1 p.m.	1:59 p.m.	Carpender
CARP 124	Deck Construction	2	T&R	2 p.m.	2:59 p.m.	Carpender
CARP 226	Interior & Exterior Fin.	4	T&R	10:30 a.m.	3:29 p.m.	Nason
CARP 226L	Res. Carpentry Lab	6	M,W,F	9 a.m.	4:30 p.m.	Nason
ECE 111	Child Develop Assoc. I	3	T	5:30 p.m.	8:30 p.m.	Norby
ECE 113	Child Dvlp As Renewal	1	W	5:30 p.m.	6:30 p.m.	Norby
ECE 113P	CDA III	1	W	7 p.m.	8 p.m.	Norby
ECE 170	Exceptional Child	3	W	9 p.m.	11:50 a.m.	Crismar
ECE 200	Preschool Curriculum	3	R	1 p.m.	4 p.m.	Norby
ECE 205	Children & Literature	3	M	5 p.m.	8 p.m.	Norby
ECE 210	Creat. Act. for young C	3	T	1 p.m.	4 p.m.	Norby
ECE 240	Child, Fam & Comm	3	M	9 a.m.	11:50 a.m.	Crismar
ED 499	Internship Elem.Sch.	12		Arrange		Downwin
ELEC 210	Industrial Writing I	4	M,T,W	8 a.m.	9:30 a.m.	Schoec
ELEC 210L	Indust. Writing I Lab	8	M,T,W	9:40 a.m.	3:30 p.m.	Schoec
ELEC 210L	Indust. Writing I Lab	8	R	10 a.m.	4:30 p.m.	Schoec
ELEC 210L	Indust. Writing I Lab	8	F	8 a.m.	2 p.m.	Schoec
ELEC 214	Electrical Blueprints III	1	R	8 a.m.	9:59 a.m.	Schoec
ENG 096.2	Writ. & Reading Skills	3	T&R	9 a.m.	10:20	Jourdain
ENG 090	Study Skills	1	R	1 p.m.	1:50 p.m.	Dahl
ENG 096.1	Writ. & Reading Skills	3	M&W	9 a.m.	10:20 a.m.	Jourdain
ENG 101	English Comp. I	3	T&R	10:30 a.m.	11:50 a.m.	Jourdain
ENG 102.1	English Comp. II	3	R	6 p.m.	8:50 p.m.	Aenne
ENG 102.2	English Comp. II	3	M&W	10:30 a.m.	11:50 a.m.	Staff
ENG 150	Tech.&Prof. Writing	3	R	6 p.m.	8:50 p.m.	Cronin
ENG 220	Creative Writing	3	M&W	10:30 a.m.	11:50 a.m.	Fleming
ENG 250	Cont. Am. Indian Lit.	3	T&R	1 p.m.	2:20 p.m.	Carney
F&N 200	Food&Safety Microbio	3	T&R	9 a.m.	10:20 a.m.	Knaelbe
F&N 240	Contemporary Health	3	M&W	9 a.m.	10:20 a.m.	Knaelbe
GEO 200	Sense of Place	3	M&W	10:30 p.m.	11:50 a.m.	W. Cyr
HEA 100	CPR/First Aid & Health	3	T	6 p.m.	8:50 p.m.	Staff
HIS 101	US History	3	M&W	1 p.m.	2:20 p.m.	Fleming
ITECH 090	Computer Skills	3	M&W	1 p.m.	2:20 p.m.	Shimer
ITECH 100	Intro. to Computing	3	M&W	9 a.m.	10:20 a.m.	Shimer
ITECH 100	Intro. to Computing	3	T&R	1 p.m.	2:20 p.m.	Torma
ITECH 108	Prof. Office Procedures	3	T&R	10:30 a.m.	11:50 a.m.	Shimer
ITECH 150	Intro. Microcomputer	3	M&W	2:30 p.m.	3:50 p.m.	Torma
ITECH 283	A+ Cert. Oper. Sys. core	3	W	6 p.m.	8:50 p.m.	Crampt
LE 210	Juvenile Law	3	W	6 p.m.	8:50 p.m.	Garbow
LE 211	Police & the community	3	T	1 p.m.	4 p.m.	Staff
MAT 093	Math Skills	3	M&W	1 p.m.	2:20 p.m.	Lueck
MAT 094	Algebra Skills	3	M&W	1 p.m.	2:20	Torma
MAT 150	College Algebra	3	T&R	4 p.m.	5:20 p.m.	Nipp
MAT 180	Pre-Calculus	3	M&W	4 p.m.	5:20 p.m.	Nipp
MUS 105	Music Appreciation	3	M&W	10:30 a.m.	11:50 a.m.	Steinba
MUS 160	Chorus	2	T&R	11 a.m.	12 p.m.	Wasseg
MUS 250	Hist. Anishinaabe Music	3	T&R	4 p.m.	5:20 p.m.	Wasseg
OJI 101.1	Speaking Ojibwe I	4	M,T,W,R	1 p.m.	2:20 p.m.	Wasseg
OJI 101.2	Speaking Ojibwe I	4	M,T,W,R	6 p.m.	6:50 p.m.	Jourdain
OJI 102	Speaking Ojibwe II	4	M,T,W,R	2:30 p.m.	3:20 p.m.	W. Cyr
OJI 111	Speak Ojibwe w/Child	2	T&R	9:20 a.m.	10:20 a.m.	Wasseg
OJI 201	Speaking Ojibwe III	4	M,T,W,R	9 a.m.	10:20 a.m.	W. Cyr
PHI 200	Anishinaabe Philosophy	3	M&W	3 p.m.	4:20 p.m.	Wasseg
PHY 100	Inro to Physical Science	3	T&R	9 a.m.	10:20 a.m.	Torma
PHY 100L	Physical Science Lab	1	W	9 a.m.	10:20 a.m.	Torma
POL 225	Treaty Law&Tribal Sov.	3	T	6 p.m.	8:50 p.m.	Gawbow
PSY 220	Abnormal Psychology	3	M&W	4 p.m.	5:20 p.m.	George