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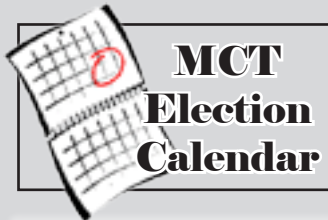
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Secretary Treasurer's Report to the People of the Leech Lake Reservation

From Michael J. Bongo, Secretary Treasurer

Greeting Fellow Band Members:

I sincerely hope that everyone had a joyous, happy and safe holiday season. I also want to apologize for not reporting sooner however with all of my other duties and responsibilities as Secretary Treasurer sometimes finding the time to write is difficult.

In early November I was able to take a few days off to spend a little time out in the woods deer hunting. I guess I am not quite sure how to explain it but as long as I can remember when the leaves begin to fall from the trees for reasons I can not explain something inside of me calls me to the woods. It is a magical time for me and it gives me a chance to get away from ringing telephones and the hustle and bustle of every day life and all of its challenges and problems and it allows me some quiet time to re-charge my batteries. As I said I really can not explain it, maybe its just the time that I get to spend with my brothers, family and friends enjoying a little quality time together in the woods hunting and teasing one another about the big buck that somehow always seems to out smart us and get away. In any event its an enjoyable and fun time and brings back many fond memories year after year.

One of the main reasons I enjoy being out in the woods is that it gives me time

Election Season is Here

By Chris Haugene

Once again it's election season on the Leech Lake reservation. Below is an election calendar that maps out every important date from now through the general elections in June. Participation in Tribal politics is growing with each election cycle, and this is crucial for the members of the Leech Lake Band so we can voice our opinions and help guide our reservation toward prosperity. Often times these local elections are decided by just a few votes so we encourage you to get involved even if that means just sitting and visiting with other Band members about our leadership and the topics of concern that have been affecting us including: Enbridge, Nelson Act settlement, natural resources preservation and land disputes, education, health care, veterans services, unemployment,

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Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Chairman's Report

Quarterly Meeting January 2010
Palace Casino

Good morning,
It is the Second Quarter of our fiscal calendar. It is also the start of a new calendar year. Every year starts with potential and opportunity. A New Year to look forward too as well as a point in time to look back, along with what we accomplished as a government. As promised, we got some money through the tax revenue sharing into our members' pockets for Xmas.

As I told you a year ago Leech Lake use to be looked upon as a role model with visionary leadership. This administration set the goal of again moving Leech Lake toward a vision of what could be and will be, a place that is known as an example of progressive tribal government with a strong commitment to cultural revitalization, a highly trained and educated workforce.

We have made some progress toward that goal and vision. But there is always room for improvement.. I need to remind myself, and you, we need patience because it will not happen in the first year or two. Over the last year and a half this administration started laying the foundation toward reaching that vision and goal.

We will be holding Band Assemblies in the near future to give a full review of current issues, projects, and goals. I am instructing our division directors and staff right now - to start preparing the agendas and timelines for those meetings.

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Fifth Annual LL Honor Guard & American Legion Awards Banquet



(Top) Family members of recently deceased veterans received plaques honoring them and thanking them for their service.

(Bottom) Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig Student Jordan Robinson received an award recognizing his participation at Boys State. American Legion Post 2001 chose him as their delegate this year.

Leech Lake Area Veterans who passed away this past year:

Samuel John Smith Jr.
DOB: 02/17/1961
DOD: 01/19/2009

Richard "Bibsy" Kingbird
DOB: 09/30/1946
DOD: 04/20/2009

Hartley Frank White Sr.
DOB: 02/10/1925
DOD: 05/05/2009

Joseph John Munnell Sr.
DOB: 01/04/1925
DOD: 05/10/2009

Donald John Staples
DOB: 12/16/1930
DOD: 06/01/2009

Joanne L. Bedeau
DOB: 12/18/1939
DOD: 06/07/2009

Bernerd Jerome Rock Sr.
DOB: 05/25/1933
DOD: 06/29/2009

Lawrence "Larry" Adams
DOB: 06/06/1928
DOD: 07/12/2009

Earl Charles Seelye
DOB: 02/03/1944
DOD: 08/13/2009

Anthony "Tony" Filmore Ledeaux
DOB: 07/10/1947
DOD: 08/25/2009

Lavern "Cubby" Smith
DOB: 02/07/1947
DOD: 10/27/2009

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We will have discussion on our Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy, our youth development plans, education and workforce development efforts. We will also review our housing needs, land acquisition, and healthcare.

In regard to gaming we have become very dependent on those revenues. We have faced threats before from the State of Minnesota including the push a few years ago to build a tribal/state casino. We are facing a very serious threat from the State of Minnesota on the opening of gaming to non-Indian entities. This was proposed last year and was defeated in the state legislature by only three votes.

Now there is a former state legislator who is working full time on this single issue – opening gaming at the race tracks, which will be the first step toward bringing gaming into bars and other outlets. We won't be hurt by gaming at the race tracks but as it grows outside the metro area we will feel the loss of revenues that could cause loss of services that we currently fund from our gaming revenues.

Therefore we have been planning on how to move to diversify away from our heavy reliance on gaming. We have completed and are implementing our Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy to start diversifying and building our economy, creating jobs and opportunity for small business development. We have been working with a number of partners including U.S. Department of Justice, Treasury Department, and Oweesta Corporation on Economic Development.

Part of this effort is working hard to capture Federal Stimulus funding and securing funding from the Obama administration on workforce development and job training. There is a committee working on a strategy for this and we will be very aggressive on going after this funding to train our people not only for the jobs of today but

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homelessness, and chemical dependency to name a few.

So, with another round of elections upon us please get out the vote and stay tuned, the Dehabjimom will have information regarding polling locations, absentee ballots, and will offer the candidates room for a 500 word submission explaining their bid for election or re-election as the case may be.

MCT ELECTION CALENDAR 2010

January 15:	Last day for sitting RTC member to give notice of resignation to file for vacated RTC seat.
January 18:	Notify MCT on choice of appellate forum.
January 18:	Selection of Election Court of Appeals Judge
January 21:	Election Announcement
January 22:	Opening of period for filing for office.
February 1:	Close of filing period
February 15:	Deadline for Notice of Certifications to TEC.
February 25:	Deadline for appointment of Election Boards.
February 25:	Deadline for appointment of Election Contest Judge.
February 26:	TEC provides ballots for Primary Election.
February 26:	Notice of Primary
March 30:	Primary
March 31:	General Reservation Election Board certifies Primary Results.
April 1:	General Reservation Election Board publishes Primary Results.
April 2:	Deadline for Request for Recount.
April 6:	5:00 p.m. - Deadline for Contest of Primary Election.
April 7:	Decision on Request for Recount and Results of Recount. (Results, if Allowed or 5 th or 6 th if earlier request)
April 16:	Deadline of Decision on Contest
April 19:	Deadline for Appeal to Court of Election Appeals.
April 22:	Record of Contest to Court of Election Appeals.
April 26:	Last Day for Hearing on Appeal
May 6:	Last Day for Decision on Appeal
May 7:	Notice of Regular Election TEC provides ballots
June 8:	General Election
June 9:	General Reservation Election Board certifies results of Election.
June 10:	General Reservation Election Board publishes Election results.
June 11:	Deadline for Request for Recount.
June 15 (5 P.M.):	Deadline for Notice of Contest.
June 16:	Decision on Request for Recount and Results of Recount, if allowed. (or 15, 14, if request for Recount is filed before deadline)
June 25:	Deadline Decision on Contest (or ten days from Notice of Contest, whichever is sooner)
June 28:	Deadline for appeal to Court of Election Appeals.
July 1:	Record of contest forwarded to Court of Election Appeals.
July 6:	Last Day for Hearing on Appeal (hearing within 7 days notice of appeal).
July 13	Winning candidates assume office by operation of law, unless sooner seated, or the election is subject of appeal to the Court of Election Appeals.
Ten days from Hearing on Appeal.	Deadline for decision of the Court of Elections Appeal
Day following Decision of office.	Winning candidate prevailing on appeal takes Appeal

Clarification on last months Article “Hunting in the Chippewa National Forest”

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe
Division of Resource Management

Last months “Hunting in the Chippewa National Forest” article mentioned that cross country travel was prohibited. These rules do not apply to Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Band (LLBO) Members. LLBO members have the right to utilize the forest for any needs.

Also mentioned was the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) rule stating times at which OHV’s maybe used, these do not apply to Band Members. Wetlands are off limits at all times to OHV use and habitat sensitive areas maybe closed seasonally to OHV use.

I hope this clarifies any issues that Band Members might have in the Chippewa National Forest. If there are any questions please feel free to contact Bruce Johnson DRM Director at 335-7400.



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Summary of Job Openings

Closing January 15, 2010

Health Division:

Child & Teen Check-up Coordinator • Job Code: 10-001
 Traditional Cultural Advisor • Job Code: 09-157
 Clinic LPN • Job Code: 09-156

Human Services:

2 FT Mental Health Therapist • Job Code: 09-155

LL Tribal Police:

Narcotics Investigator • Job Code: 10-004
 Crime Data Analyst • Job Code: 10-003

Reservation Services:

2 FT Carpenters • \$12.00/hr • Job Code: 10-002

Closing January 22, 2010

Dept. Of Public Works:

Heavy Equipment Driver/Operator • \$12.00/hr • Job Code: 10-007

Education Division:

Head Start Teacher's Assistant • Inger • \$8.40/hr • Job Code: 10-005

Human Services Division:

Training & Outreach Coordinator • Job Code: 10-006

Full Job Descriptions available at <http://www.llojibwe.org>

Leech Lake Band Member preference, MCT, and other Native American preference applies. You may request a complete job description for any position listed. All positions require a valid MN driver's license, current insurance or is insurable (Unless otherwise stated). All positions DOQ unless otherwise noted.

How to apply: Interested parties may come into the Human Resources office to pick up an application or they can download an application from our website at www.llojibwe.org. Interested parties may also send a letter of application, resume, credentials, and transcripts to:

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe HR
115 Sixth St NW, Suite E
Cass Lake, MN 56633

You may also fax your documents to HR, our FAX number is; #218-335-3697, or Email your documents to LLhumanresources@Llojibwe.com.

LLBO Policy: HR must receive your application documents before or no later than 4:30pm on the date the position is scheduled to close. Late applications received after 4:30pm on closing date will not be accepted. Call 218-335-3698 or toll free 1-800-631-5528 for more information.

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to think and contemplate my thoughts. As a person I tend to be a very logical, practical and analytical person and I try to think things through before I make decisions. My experience in life has always taught me to not make decisions based upon emotions; emotions from my perspective tend to cloud our judgment and we tend to make poor decisions when we base our decisions on emotions.

One of the other things about me is that I tend to be a very optimistic person. Where others see problems and difficulties, I see opportunity and hope. A few weeks ago Richard Johnson, a Band member stopped by my office to visit. Even though Richard enjoys giving me a hard time, I always enjoy visiting with him because he challenges my thinking. In our recent visit I shared with Richard that there are days when the job as Secretary Treasurer is extremely challenging and at times I feel as if I have my finger in the dam and it can be a bit overwhelming. Richard asked me how I deal with these feelings and I responded that I try to be mindful of something my mother use to always tell me. "Never feel sorry for yourself because no matter how bad things may seem there is always someone who has it tougher than you. Rather than feel sorry for yourself because of all the things you don't have, be thankful for the things you do have."

When some people look at the Leech Lake Reservation they tend to only see the problems and yes granted we are not without our fair share of problems and issues. However when I look at the Leech Lake Reservation I see so much hope and opportunity for a brighter future for our Reservation.

However to achieve our full potential as a nation, reservation and people we must start by letting go of our own selfishness and rather than feel sorry or angry about the things we don't have we must be thankful for the things that we do have. As a reservation and people we have much to be thankful for and we have so much opportunity and potential.

We have an opportunity to secure funding for a new Bug-O-Nay-Gee-Shig High School to better our children's future, we have an opportunity to secure funding for a new hospital to improve the healthcare of our people, we have an opportunity to settle the Nelson Act and in the process truly exercise our self-determination as Indian people by obtaining long term management control of the Chippewa National Forest. These are but a few of the many opportunities that lie before us.

For many years the Leech Lake Reservation has been characterized by some as a sleeping economic giant. During this same time the Leech Lake Reservation has also been characterized as having been its own worst enemy because of the political turmoil, infighting and instability in quality leadership.

Today as we try to move forward and attempt to fully embrace and achieve the many opportunities that have been put before us and achieve our full social and economic potential there are many, many people watching to see if we can conduct ourselves and our business affairs in a professional, ethical and responsible manner. Officials from the halls of congress, to the state legislature, to the county commissioners, to the surrounding local communities, everyone is watching to see what we do and how we do it and given the state of our nation's economy there is much at stake.

We live in a rural area with a rural economy and even under the best of circumstances rural economies by there very nature are tricky at best. Considering the fact that the Leech Lake Reservation encompasses four surrounding counties and with the continued development of Indian gaming these surrounding communities as well as others on a national scale are looking to tribes like the Leech Lake Reservation to

become an increasing part of the local rural economic solution.

In our case the Leech Lake Reservation with an annual operating budget in excess of \$200 million a year we have the potential to be a huge contributing economic engine and a significant part of the economic solution especially on a local level. However if that economic engine is broken it becomes part of the problem as opposed to part of the solution.

Our challenge is to prove that we can move forward economically and begin to achieve our full economic potential. If we can, virtually all of these institutions are ready, willing and anxiously waiting to invest in the future of the Leech Lake Reservation. They understand our economic potential as well as our ability to become a significant economic leader in the region.

As an example, to achieve one of our goals of obtaining management control of the Chippewa National Forest we will need the support of local units of government, namely that of the local surrounding county commissioners. As the counties contemplate this support they are evaluating questions and issues about the Reservation. Questions like: does tribal government on the Leech Lake Reservation possess stability in government and leadership; is tribal government properly managing the business affairs, assets and resources of the tribe; is tribal government open, honest and accountable; can tribal government on the Leech Lake Reservation work cooperatively with surrounding units of government in a government to government relationship?

We must be able to demonstrate our ability to properly manage the assets and resources of the Leech Lake Reservation. We must establish our financial priorities and then budget and allocate our resources based upon these established priorities and properly manage our budgets and in the process and most importantly deliver quality programs and services within the constraints of our limited resources.

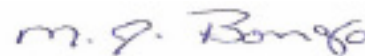
Very soon the Leech Lake Reservation will begin receiving the Enbridge funds for the recently negotiated lease agreement. This is a one time windfall for the Leech Lake Reservation. However the question remains whether we can be responsible and properly manage these assets. Recently I sent a memo to the Tribal Council proposing various options how on to best manage these resources which total approximately \$9 million. Some options that I have proposed include using the money to pay down some of our long term debt, namely the \$40 million loan with the Shakopee Sioux Community. The long term benefit of this is that it will save the Leech Lake Reservation millions of dollars in interest on the loan agreement. An additional option is to invest these resources in long term investments. As the Secretary Treasurer I have taken the liberty of securing three different bids from various banks and investment firms each with different investment strategies. Based upon these proposals investing the Enbridge funds could potentially return as much as \$500,000 per year in interest income to the Leech Lake Reservation.

The third option is to do a combination of the two, pay down some of the debt, invest some of the funds and allocate a portion of the funds as a one time payment to our Band members. Regardless of what we do, I firmly believe that we must consult our Band members through the public meeting process to discuss the various options and gain the input, support and consensus of our Band members. However the one thing I would caution against is to infuse these funds into our existing operating budget. To do so in my opinion would be disastrous from the standpoint that these are one time funds and once this money is spent we will have nothing to show for it. If memory serves me correctly, ten years ago Leech Lake was

in a similar position with a budget surplus, at that time the surplus was infused into the operating budget. Once the surplus was spent we had effectively increased our operating budget but no longer had the surplus funds to meet the increased budget needs. If nothing else I am hopeful that we can learn from our passed mistakes and not continue to make the same mistakes over and over again.

In closing as I have indicate we have a tremendous opportunity to move the Leech Lake Reservation forward and become a model tribe and economic leader both locally and regionally. However to accomplish and achieve our full economic goals will take all of us working together. It will require everyone to do their jobs to the very best of their ability, it will require all of us to be accountable and put the needs of the Reservation ahead of our own personal needs and agendas. It will require each and every one of us to be more responsible and to take responsibility for our own actions. We have the capacity and capability to achieve all of our economic goals and objectives and in the process greatly improve the lives of our people economically. However we must also be mindful of the fact that no one can do it for us, but ourselves. I always try to be mindful of what many of my elders taught me growing up, "you should never ask another man to do for you what you can do for yourself."

Thank you
Sincerely,



Michael J. Bongo
Secretary Treasurer
Leech Lake Reservation

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IN TRIBAL COURT

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Traffic Division

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

YOU (THE DEFENDANTS LISTED BELOW) ARE HEREBY ORDERED to appear before the Leech Lake Tribal Court and show cause why you should not be held in Contempt of Court for failure to pay court-ordered fines.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that pursuant to Leech Lake Traffic Code, Chapter, Section 304:

1. If you are found in Contempt of Court, you may be subject to an additional penalty not to exceed \$500.00, said penalty for contempt shall be in addition to any fines or other penalties previously assessed by this Court.

2. You may also be subject to one or more of the following enforcement actions without further notice:

- a. Report violation to the State of Minnesota for entry on defendant's driving record;
- b. Add the fine to the amount defendant must pay to renew or obtain Leech Lake vehicle registration or plates;
- c. Seize defendant's vehicle registration plates;
- d. Seize the vehicle driven by defendant at the time of the violation;
- e. Suspend defendant's fishing, hunting, trapping, ricing or other treaty rights within the boundaries and jurisdiction of the Leech Lake Band until defendant pays the fine in full.
- f. Garnish wages by the Leech Lake Band.

Korey Wahwassuck, Judge of Tribal Court.

APPEARANCE DATE: February 16, 2010, at 2:00 p.m.

<u>Defendant</u>	<u>Case No.</u>	<u>Defendant</u>	<u>Case No.</u>
Armstrong, Sandra Marie	TR-08-100	Ince Jeremy Clyde	TR-02-414
Beaulieu, Bonnie Marie	TR-08-99	Isham, Deborah Ann	TR-07-02
Bellanger, Beverly Ann	TR-02-367	Isham, Deborah Ann	TR-06-187
Cloud, Peter James	TR-09-28	Maxwell, Jonathan James	TR-08-784
Desjarlais, William Gerald	TR-05-39	Moose, Jacklyn Kay	TR-99-73
Fairbanks, Chantelle Lynn	TR-08-87	Robinson, Thomas Alfred	TR-08-79
Goggeye, Sam Joseph	TR-08-102	Rushman, Daniel Joseph	TR-09-01
Goodman, Timothy Wayne	TR-08-46	Swanholm, Scott Leonard	TR-07-174
Gotchie, Robert James	TR-08-118	Tibbetts, Sara Lu	TR-09-15
Harper Roger	TR-05-83	Wilson, Terrance Joseph, Jr.	TR-08-111
Wind, Tommi Sue	TR-08-85		

APPEARANCE DATE: March 16, 2010, at 2:00 p.m.

<u>Defendant</u>	<u>Case No.</u>	<u>Defendant</u>	<u>Case No.</u>
Birt, Stephanie Ann	TR-09-167	Mellado, Gloria Jean	TR-09-51
Bowstring, Marilyn Kay	TR-08-52	Morris, Susan Lee	TR-09-46
Bryan, Mason Joseph	TR-09-02	Roberts, Karla Rose	TR-04-671
DeVault, Penny Anne	TR-09-142	Stangel, Diana Lee	TR-09-218
Finn, Skippie Alana	TR-09-04	Staples, Clarence	TR-05-42
Gale, Matthew Lee	TR-04-758	Wright, Jacquelyn Lee	TR-09-19
Hardy, Jeffrey, Sr.	TR-01-279		

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Traffic Division

NOTICE OF INTENT TO PROCEED BY DEFAULT

YOU (THE DEFENDANTS LISTED BELOW) ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe intends to proceed by default in the Leech Lake Tribal Courtroom located at the Facility Center, upper level, 16126 John Moose Drive NW, Cass Lake, MN, with regard to the alleged violation of the Leech Lake Traffic/Conservation Code, occurring within the boundaries of the Leech Lake Reservation.

Violation of this summons is subject to proceedings for contempt of court pursuant to Tribal Code, Title 1, Part VI. The Court may find you in contempt for failure to appear at a court hearing or for failure to follow court orders.

Dated this 8th day of January 2010.

APPEARANCE DATE: February 02, 2010, at 2:00 PM

<u>Defendant</u>	<u>Case No.</u>	<u>Charge and Date</u>
Kelly L. Anderson	TR-09-170	Driver After Revocation Occurring On: 09/23/2009
Samantha J. Bowstring	TR-09-053	Driving After Suspension Failure to Show Proof of Insurance Occurring On: 03/29/2009
Anthony M. Butcher	TR-09-084	To Violate any of the provisions Of MN Statutes (§ 84.9256, subd. 3) Occurring On: 05/08/2009
Amanda L. Fairbanks	TR-09-094	Driving After Revocation Occurring On: 05/27/2009
Donald J. Finn, Jr.	TR-09-180	Failure to Show Proof of Insurance Occurring On: 10/10/2009
Benjamin L. Gotchie, Jr.	TR-09-139	No Driver's License Occurring On: 08/08/2009
Tiffany M. Hardy	TR-09-102	No Driver's License Occurring On: 06/12/2009
Rodney J. Headbird	TR-09-159	Driving After Revocation Occurring On: 09/01/2009
Eugene P. Howard	TR-09-079	Driving After Revocation Failure to Show Proof of Insurance Occurring On: 04/01/2009
Joseph E. Isham	TR-09-057	Motor Vehicle Insurance-Owner Driving After Suspension Occurring On: 03/19/2009
Joseph E. Isham	TR-09-099	Driving After Suspension Occurring On: 05/06/2009
Daniel M. Jackson	TR-09-164	Failure to Use Seatbelt/Child Restraint Device Occurring On: 09/12/2009
Kevin D. Jackson	TR-09-111	No Driver's License Reckless Driving Failure to Remain at Scene of an Accident, Result in Injury Motor Vehicle Insurance-Owner Failure to Transfer Title Failure to Obtain Registration Occurring On: 05/11/2009
Derek D. Kingbird	TR-09-147	No Driver's License Failure to Show Proof of Insurance Occurring On: 08/24/2009
Delores G. Lanham	TR-09-101	Driving After Revocation Occurring On: 05/02/2009
Jenna M. Mitchell	TR-09-092	Speeding in Excess of 10 mph Over the Limit Occurring On: 05/28/2009

David A. Morgan, Jr. Device	TR-09-158	Failure to Use a Seatbelt/Child Restraint	Linnea R. Gale	TR-09-121	No Driver's License Occurring On: 06/26/2009
		Failure to Show Proof of Insurance Occurring On: 08/22/2009	John J. Harper	TR-09-194	Failure to Use a Seatbelt/Child Restraint Device Occurring On: 10/22/2009
Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Vs. H.C.P, Minor Child; Pauline Johnston, Parent Allan W. Smith	TR-09-184	Failure to Use a Seatbelt/Child Restraint Device Occurring On: 10/17/2009	Sharlene D. Harper	TR-09-193	Driving After Suspension Occurring On: 10/24/2009
	TR-09-049	Speeding from 1-10 mph Over the Limit Driving After Revocation Occurring On: 12/10/2008	Alisha M. Hart	TR-09-087	No Driver's License Occurring On: 05/14/2009
Myron L. Thorne	TR-09-169	Driving After Suspension Occurring On: 09/02/2009	Jessica M. Head	TR-09-198	Failure to Use a Seatbelt/Child Restraint Device Occurring On: 10/12/2009
Robert W. Thunderhawk	TR-09-156	No Driver's License Occurring On: 07/23/2009	Claudette M. Jackson	TR-09-025	Driving After Cancellation Occurring On: 01/16/2009
Simon A. White	TR-09-093	Failure to Use a Seatbelt/Child Restraint Device Occurring On: 05/28/2009	Peter J. Jones	TR-09-191	Open Bottle Occurring On: 10/14/2009
Beverly A. Whitebird	TR-09-096	Failure to Use a Seatbelt/Child Restraint Device Occurring On: 04/17/2009	Beau J. Morgan	TR-09-140	Driving After Revocation Failure to Use a Seatbelt/Child Restraint Device Occurring On: 07/09/2009
Nicoa M. Wind	TR-09-145	Failure to Use a Seatbelt/Child Restraint Device Occurring On: 08/23/2009	Cody S. Seelye	TR-09-160	Speeding in Excess of 10 mph Over the Limit Occurring On: 09/06/2009
			Jennifer L. Wind	TR-09-204	Failure to Use a Seatbelt/Child Restraint Device Occurring On: 10/12/2009
APPEARANCE DATE:	March 02, 2010, at 2:00 PM				

<u>Defendant</u>	<u>Case No.</u>	<u>Charge and Date</u>
Ashley M. Brown	TR-09-183	Driving After Suspension Failure to Use a Seatbelt/Child Restraint Device Occurring On: 10/16/2009
Marcelia K. Brown	TR-09-128	No Driver's License Occurring On: 07/16/2009
Mariza R. Brown	TR-09-129	Failure to use a seatbelt/child restraint device Occurring On: 07/16/2009
Jacob M. Budreau, Sr.	TR-09-081	No Insurance Occurring On: 05/07/2009
Shaun L. Butcher	TR-09-195	Failure to Use a Seatbelt/Child Restraint Device Occurring On: 10/22/2009
Autumn R. Cambron	TR-09-022	Driving After Revocation Occurring On: 12/03/2008
David L. Chase	TR-09-200	Driving After Suspension Occurring On: 10/24/2009
Shauna M. Cooper	TR-09-069	No Driver's License Failure to use a seatbelt/child restraint device Failure to Show Proof of Insurance Occurring On: 04/01/2009
Gordon L. Dunn	TR-09-029	Driving After Suspension Occurring On: 02/05/2009
Sara J. Dunn	TR-09-026	Driving After Revocation Occurring On: 02/07/2009
Benjamin G. Fairbanks	TR-09-059	No Driver's License Failure to Show Proof of Insurance Occurring On: 03/31/2009
Eric A. Fairbanks	TR-09-138	Speeding in Excess of 10 mph Over the Limit Occurring On: 08/01/2009
John H. Fairbanks	TR-09-209	Failure to Show Proof of Insurance Speeding in Excess of 10 mph Over the Limit Occurring On: 10/05/2009
Jayne R. Finn	TR-09-206	Failure to Use a Seatbelt/Child Restraint Device Occurring On: 10/22/2009
Ernest C. Gale	TR-09-201	Driving After Suspension Occurring On: 10/24/2009

**LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE
IN TRIBAL COURT**

6530 Highway 2 NW
Cass Lake, MN 56633
218-335-3682/4418
Civil Division

Leech Lake Reservation
Housing Authority,
Plaintiff,

vs.

Gordon Dunn,
Defendant.

NOTICE OF LEGAL
PUBLICATION

CASE NO. CV-09-35

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that on June 12, 2009, a Complaint in Unlawful Detainer was filed with the Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the property with an address of 9315 Gwe We Zance Loop NE, Unit #0518, Remer, Minnesota 56672. A Trial in this matter will commence on Friday, March 5, 2010, at 3:00 p.m., in the Leech Lake Tribal Courtroom located in the Leech Lake Facility Center, 16126 John Moose Drive NW, Cass Lake, Minnesota, upper level, to address the issue of default by defendant of responsibilities included in the residential lease agreement.

You are served with this notice because you are a party to this proceeding or you are a person whose presence is important to a determination of possession of the above-reference property. If you fail to appear in person for this hearing, the Court may enter judgment against you by default.

DATED: December 21, 2009.

/s/ Patricia L. Pizzala, Court Administrator

Obituaries

MARY BOBOLINK

Mary Ann Bobolink, 49, of Bena, Minnesota passed away Wednesday, November 11, 2010 at her home.

Mary Ann was born April 30, 1960 in Cass Lake, Minnesota to William Joseph and Ima Mary (White) Bobolink.



She attended school in Remer, Minnesota through the tenth grade and then moved to Minneapolis where she lived and worked until moving back to the Sugar Point/Bena area in 1982. She has continued living, and raising her children in Bena until the present. She enjoyed netting, ricing, travelling, bough picking, and going to the casino. Attending pow wow's was also a favorite pastime, especially if her children were with her. Mary Ann was never at a loss for words, intelligent, and always stood up for herself. She had a big heart, a great sense of humor, and was generous in her love and care of others. Her family was very important to her and her presence will be missed.

Mary Ann is survived by her children; Barbara Dick, Aaron Dick, Jenny Dick, her soulmate, Arno Dick, three sisters; Gloria (Duane) Beaudreau, Marian Bobolink, Joann Staples, one brother, Bruce Bobolink, and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins. She was preceded in death by her parents, and sister, Caroline Monroe.

Funeral services were held Monday, November 16, 2010. Interment was at the Battle Point Cemetery, Battle Point. The Dennis Funeral Home of Cass Lake handled funeral arrangements.

LEANN DICK

Leann Marie Dick, 24, of Onigum, MN passed away at the Hennepin County Medical Center in Minneapolis on December 2, 2009.

She was born on June 3, 1985 in Bemidji, MN to Lester "Wheels" Dick and Carol White. She graduated from Walker Hackensack Akeley High School in 2003. She attended Leech Lake Tribal College

graduating valedictorian of Liberal Arts in 2009. Leann continued her Environmental Science Biology degree at the University of Minnesota-Morris. She was active in various academic science programs in college that allowed her to participate in internships that brought her all over the world. Leann enjoyed spending time with her family and reading. She focused most of her attention on her academics.



Leann is survived by her brother Preston John Dick of Onigum, mother Carol White of Onigum, Grandmother Shirley A. White of Onigum, 4 uncles, 6 aunts, 5 nephews, numerous cousins, other relatives and many friends.

She was preceded in death by her father Lester "Wheels", maternal grandfather Lyman White, Sr., paternal grandparents Joe and Francis Dick, and 4 baby cousins.

Funeral Services were held Monday December 7th at St. John's Episcopal Church in Onigum with Rev. John Rock, Rev. Harold Eaglebull and Intern Ellen Ayers officiating. Interment was held at St. John's Episcopal Cemetery in Onigum, MN. Pallbearers for Leann were Eric Isham, Michael White, Bradley White, Raleigh White, William Dick, Gary White, Bill Bowstring and Lyman White, Jr. Honorary pallbearers were Angela Isham, Alicia Bowstring, Carolyn White, Janelle White, Darcie Isham, Danielle Isham, Ashley Harrison, Tallie Large, Rachel Goggeleye, Lynda Morrison, Jolene Smith, Celeste Davis, Corrina Jacobs, Roxy Fairbanks, Sara Dunn and Nina Rushmeier.

Arrangements entrusted to Northern Peace Funeral Home of Walker, MN.

BARBARA DROUILLARD

Barbara Ann "Punkin" Drouillard "Anangikwe" which means Star Woman, age 33, of Cass Lake, MN, passed away on Saturday, December 12, 2009 at Neilson Place in Bemidji with her family by her side.



She was born on March 31, 1976 in Bemidji, MN to Burnham Wilson and Cecelia Drouillard. She was raised in the Bemidji, Mission and Cass Lake area. She attended Chief Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School. She worked numerous jobs around the Cass Lake area. She loved spending time with her children, nieces, nephews and friends. She liked playing dominoes, gambling, attending Pow-Wows and watching the Vikings, She had a great sense of humor and loved to joke around.

She is survived by her mother and father, sons; Nicholas, Richard Jr., Cheyenne and daughter Vanessa Budreau all of Cass Lake, brothers; Michael "Julio" Staples, Kenneth "John" Staples, Dennis "Helm" Staples, Clarence "Koosh" Staples, Darryl "Duck" (Claudette) Drouillard, Burnham "Daus" (Steph) Drouillard, James "Jim" (Ashley) Brown, Jason "Jay" (Miranda) Brown, Mark and Michael Wilson of Florida, sisters; Linda "Sis" (Gerald) Staples, Denise "Witch" (Victor) of Mpls., Louella "Anna" (Zac) Drouillard, Marilyn Jo-Jo (Robert) Staples, Brenda (Butch) Littlewolf of Cass Lake, many nieces, nephews, cousins, aunts, uncles and significant other Roger Buck.

She was preceded in death by maternal and paternal grandparents, 3 uncles, 3 aunts and a very special niece.

Funeral service was at the Veteran's Memorial Building. Interment was at the Fairbanks Cemetery in Cass Lake following the service.

Pallbearers for Barbara were Michael "Julio" Staples, Kenneth "John" Staples, Dennis "Helm" Staples, Clarence "Koosh" Staples, Darryl "Duck" Drouillard, Burnham "Daus" Drouillard, James "Jim" Brown, Jason "Jay" Brown.

Arrangements entrusted to Northern Peace Funeral Home of Walker.

JOSEPH GOOSE

Joseph Andrew Goose, 69, of Columbia Heights, MN, passed away at North Memorial Hospital in Mpls. On Saturday, December 12, 2009.

He was born August 16, 1940 in Cass Lake, MN to Paul Goose and Rose Smith. He grew up in the Cass Lake and Onigum areas. He also attended school in Duluth, MN and in the mid 1960's moved to Mpls. Joseph lived there until his passing. His hobbies were working on cars, going to the

casino and playing bingo. He had many jobs. He worked as a logger for several years and also did some landscaping. He enjoyed being in the out doors, hunting, playing with his dog Jake and spending time with his family and friends. Joseph had a great sense of humor and will be truly missed by everyone that knew him.

He was preceded in death by his mother and father, brothers; Simon T. Smith and Daniel Hardy, grandchildren Andrew J. Goose and Marlene R. Weyaus.

He is survived by his wife Judy Hunt, sons; Timothy J. Goose (Rhonda), Elias J. Raisch-Goose, Dana Wakemup-Goose, daughters; Corinne F. Goose (Jerry), Andrea R. Goose, Jolene A. Goose (Roger) Laurie M. Raisch-Goose, Shauncie and Cadence, step sons; Gary C. Hunt, Mark A. Hunt, step daughter; Sherrie Hunt-Miller, 23 grandchildren and 19 great grandchildren.

Pallbearers for Joseph will be Timothy J. Goose, Elias J. Raisch-Goose, Elias R. Goose, Quannah J. Goose, Jeff Goose, Adrian (Guy) White, Sr., Gary C. Hunt, Marvin Hanson and Myron J. Harrison, Jr. Interment will be held Ryan's Village Cemetery, Bena, MN.

Arrangements entrusted to Northern Peace Funeral Home of Walker.

ERNEST HUNT

Ernest "Ernie" Alfred Hunt, 60, of Onigum, Minnesota died Wednesday, December 16, 2009 at his home.

Ernie was born in Cass Lake, Minnesota on October 28, 1949 to James and Phyllis (Chief) Hunt, Sr. He grew up in Old Agency, and graduated from Walker High School in 1970. He attended Wadena/Staples Vot-tech for heavy equipment operator training, and had some schooling at the Tech School in Bemidji. He worked for a time as a youth lodge counselor in Cass Lake, and most recently worked with the Day Labor program in Onigum. Ernie was a sportsman, and particularly enjoyed softball, basketball, boxing, hunting and fishing. He also liked going to sweat lodges and powwows. Music was important to him, and he enjoyed dancing. Even though Ernie was a tease, his children and grandchildren knew they were greatly loved by him. He knew the value of family, and they are his legacy.



Ernie is survived by his children; Laurie Jackson ,Kenny Jackson, Cindy (Will Kingbird, Sr.)Jackson, Kerry Jackson, Kelly Jackson, Ernie Dakota, Lisa (Bruce Anginaush) Dakota, Natalie Hunt, Nathan Hunt, Roseanne Jackson, Jesse Hunt, Justin Hunt, Ryan Butcher, Irey Lyons, sisters; Janice Hunt, Peggy Hunt, brothers; Melvin Hunt, Matthew Hunt , Eli Hunt, 30 grandchildren, and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents, sisters; Judy Littlewolf, Helen Hunt, Alice Hunt, Donna Hunt, Brenda Hunt, brothers; Spencer Hunt, James Hunt, Jr., Roland Hunt, Ronald Hunt, step-daughter Tracy Dakota, and son-in-law Andrew Annette.

Funeral services were held Monday, December 21, 2009 at St. John's Episcopal Church in Onigum with Rev. Harold Eaglebull and Ellen Ayres officiating.

Pallbearers are Mike Jackson, Tim St. Clair, Derek Hunt, Jesse Hunt, Andrew Kingbird, Ducky Connors with Mike Fox and Jage Hunt as alternates. Serving as Honorary Pallbearers are the following; Kenneth Jackson, George Jacobs, Monica Johnston, Patti Rice, John Bedeau, Vernon Mitchell, Stanley Chief, Margaret Porter, Russel Porter, Joe Taylor, Will Kingbird, Sr., Calvin Day, Bruce Auginaush, and Elizabeth Drumbeater. The Dennis Funeral Home of Walker handled service arrangements. Submit on-line condolences at www.dennisfuneralhome.com

PATRICIA ANN MONROE

Patricia Ann Monroe age 58 of Federal Dam, MN died Sunday, December 6, 2009 at Garden Lane Assisted Living in Bemidji, MN. Patricia was born in 1951 and grew up in Boy River, MN, where she attended grade school and graduated from Remer High School in 1970. She later graduated from Detroit Lakes Technical College with a degree in Culinary Arts. Patricia returned to the Federal Dam area, where she lived most of her life. She enjoyed taking long walks, fishing, playing bingo and raising and watching over the neighborhood kids.

She is preceded in death by her father, Frank Godfrey; two sons, Billy Jo and Travis Monroe; sister, Norma Monroe; brother, Samuel Kevin Goose, Jr. and by her biological parents, William and Caroline Monroe.

Survived by One Daughter – Jessica Heinle of Sugar Point, MN, Three Sons – Shannon (Shaydren) Monroe of Deer River, MN, Shawn (Leah) Monroe of Sugar Point, MN, Michael Monroe of Minneapolis, MN, Mother – Irene Godfrey of Remer, MN, Six Sisters – Lorretta Monroe, Darlene Marquardt, Mary Lou Reich, Iolanthe Wilson, Eva Mangum and Carol Goose., Two Brothers – Donald Godfrey, and Rick Goose, Ten Grandchildren – Josie, Lexie, Macie, Bridgette, Torie, Logan, Gabe, Isaiah, Landon and Danica, Cory Perrington of Deer River, MN, who Patricia thought of as a son and numerous Nieces and Nephews

Funeral Service was held Saturday, December 12th at the Battle Point Community Center. Steve Jackson will officiate. Burial was in Battle Point Community Cemetery in Gould Township, MN. Arrangements by Rowe Funeral Home of Grand Rapids, MN.

THOMAS MORGAN

Thomas Henry Morgan "ANIMIKII" which means Thunderbird of the Loon Clan, 79, of Walker, formerly of Cass Lake, MN passed away on Wednesday, December 16, 2009 at the Golden Living Center in Walker, MN. He was born on May 16, 1930 at Squaw Point, MN to James and Lena (Martin) Morgan. He attended school up to the 9th grade at the Mann School, Squaw Point and Cass Lake School. He was employed with Wheelers Lumber Company for 35 years until his retirement.

He was preceded in death by his parents, nephew William St. Cyr, sisters Mary, Lucille and Dorothy Morgan, Agnes Kingbird, Rose M. M. Johnson, Fern Haugen and Frances Bellanger, brothers; Lawrence and Jerry Morgan and Richard Sailor. Cousins he was raised with James Morgan, Larry Cloud-Morgan, Reuben Morgan and John Morgan, Jr.

He is survived by siblings Elmer Morgan of Oak Point, Sophie Jenkins of Minneapolis and Leona "Cookie" Cloud of Onigum, MN, a special nephew and niece that he helped to raise, Robert Earl Morgan and Lisa Morgan. Cousins he was raised with Sophie, Cookie and Elmer. Numerous cousins other nephews, nieces, relatives and friends.



Funeral Services were held Sunday, December 20, 2009 all at the Veteran's Memorial Building in Cass Lake, MN. Interment was in the Morgan Cemetery at Oak Point, MN.

Pallbearers for Thomas will be Reuben St. Cyr, Marcus Kingbird, Darnell Johnson, Torrey Kingbird, Tyrone Morgan, Brandon Morgan, Richard Morgan, John Dunn, Darryl Kingbird, Jr.

Arrangements entrusted to Northern Peace Funeral Home of Walker, MN.

JERRY STANGEL

Jerry Allen Stangel, 58, of Bena, MN passed away on Friday, December 18, 2009.



He was born on September 26, 1951 to Felix and Rachel (Donnell) Stangel in Fosston, MN. Jerry Allen was united in marriage to Retta Jean Johnson (Freeman) in 1971 and was married for 21 years.

He attended Cass Lake High School. He moved to the twin cities where he attended Welding School. He worked different jobs until he moved with his family back to the Cass Lake area and worked as a construction worker/laborer. In the early 90's, he went to school for Archeology and worked for The Heritage Site in Cass Lake. Jerry Allen enjoyed all outdoor activities - Hunting, fishing, camping and ricing.

He is survived by his son; Jerry Allen (Laura) Stangel, Jr of Greenfield, MN, daughters; Tina Mae Haley of Sartell, MN and Linda Jean (Keig) Coss of Cass Lake, MN. Grandchildren: Savannah Haley, Raelynn Stangel, Cole and Coredeell Coss.

Jerry Allen was preceded in death by his parents, Brothers - Sonny Boy, Eldy and Andy, Sisters - Dorothy McClimek, Beverly Grandy, Shirley Matthews and Dinah Hinrichs, Granddaughter (Alyssa Nicole Stangel).

All close friends and relatives will be his pallbearers. Arrangement entrusted to Northern Peace Funeral Home of Walker, MN

ALFRED "RAY" PEMBERTON, JR.

Alfred Raymond Pemberton, Jr., 35, of Cass Lake died Friday, January 8, 2010 at North Country Regional Hospital in Bemidji.



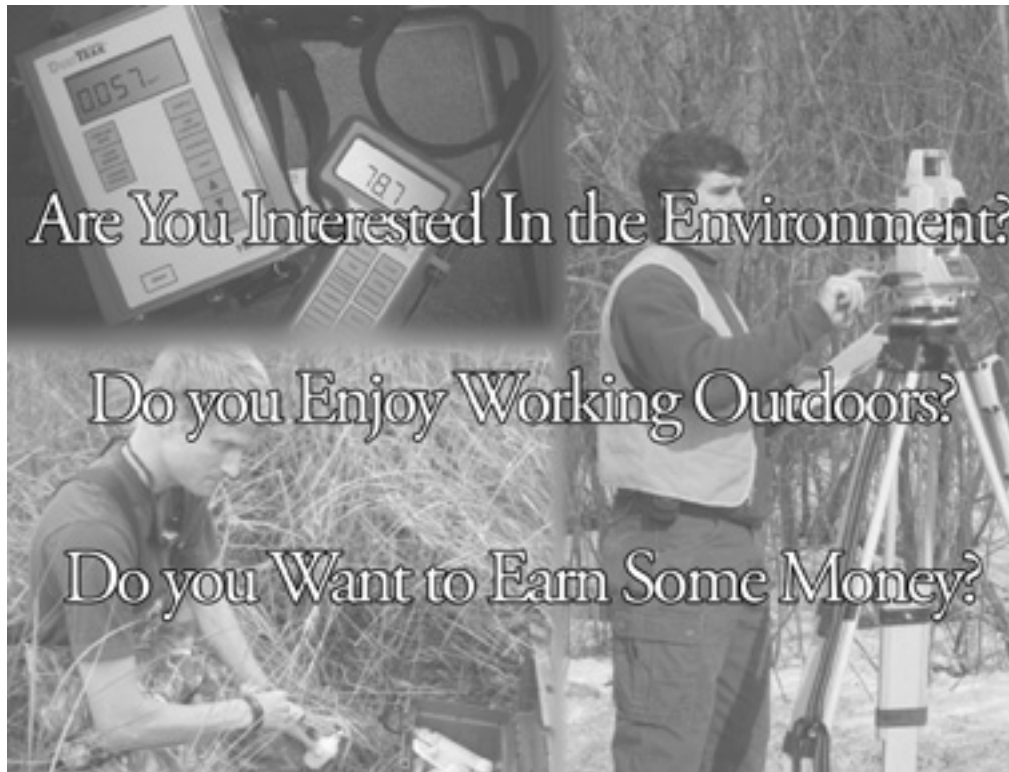
Funeral Services will be 11:00 am Wednesday, January 13, 2010 at the St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Cass Lake with Rev. John Rock and Ellen Ayers officiating. A wake will begin at 5 pm on Tuesday at the Veteran's Memorial Building in Cass Lake and will continue until the time of the service on Wednesday. Interment will be at the Thompsonville Cemetery in Cass Lake under the direction of the Cease Family Funeral Home of Cass Lake.

He was born January 25, 1974 in Bemidji, MN, the son of Sally (Thompson) and Alfred "Tig" Pemberton, Sr. He was raised in the Mission area, and educated in Cass Lake and Bemidji. He worked at the Palace Casino as a slot technician. He then became manager of the Che-We Casino for several years. Since the early 1990's, he has worked with the Leech Lake MIS Program. He loved to play golf at the local golf course and holds one of the course records. He also loved to play pool and darts, play cards at Onie's, watch football and spend time with his children.

He is survived by his parents – Sally and Alfred "Tig" Pemberton, Sr. of Cass Lake 4 children – Andrew Loewe, Jaime Pemberton, Jenika Pemberton and Jayden Pemberton all of Cass Lake A stepdaughter – Justine English of Cass Lake Significant Other – Jolene Northbird of Cass Lake 3 sisters- Shelly (Joe) Pemberton, Rita (David) Pemberton And Becky (LeRoy) Fairbanks all of Cass Lake Numerous nephews, nieces, cousins, aunts and uncles. He was preceded in death by his grandparents, uncles, cousins, sister and niece.

Honorary Casketbearers will be Ken Fahlstrom, Tim Connor, Jared Thompson, Sam Sargent, Robert Pemberton, Joe Wind, LeRoy Fairbanks, Leonard Howard and Sheri Connor. Active Casketbearers will be Peter Raish, Joe Jackson, Jeremy Ince, Matt Connor, Scotty Jackson, and Todd Barrett.

Summer Youth Environmental Experience Opportunity



The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Environmental Department is looking for individuals between the ages of 13-15 to work for two weeks alongside Environmental Department professionals.

You have the opportunity to learn hands-on how to collect and analyze water samples, basic map reading, perform basic land surveys, monitor swimming beaches, indoor air quality assessments, how to operate monitoring equipment and perform analysis, perform educational outreach, along with many other valuable skills.

With this immersion you will be better equipped for future study or employment in the Environmental and Natural Resource fields.

Learn how to become a part of the decision-making process directly pertaining to YOUR environment.

***Be Aware/ Observe
Take part
Be Involved***

Call 218.335.7417 for more information.

There is limited space for this summer experience.

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Offers Reward for Information on Wolf Killings

Killing a gray wolf is punishable by imprisonment of up to six months and a fine of up to \$25,000.



Washington, D.C.- The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, Office of Law Enforcement, is offering up to \$1,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for killing two gray wolves in Northern Minnesota.

The Service is investigating the wolf killings in conjunction with the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources and the Leech Lake Conservation Enforcement Department.

Both wolves were killed on or around Nov. 9, 2009. One wolf was shot northwest of Grand Rapids, Minn., in the Ball Club area; the second was killed northwest of Two Harbors. The wolf killed near Two Harbors had been fitted with a radio tracking collar. The gray wolf is currently listed under the Endangered Species Act as threatened in Minnesota. Killing a gray wolf is a violation of the Act, punishable by imprisonment of up to six months and a fine of up to \$25,000.

If you have any information relating to these or any other incidents, please contact either the Minnesota DNR's TIP line at 800-652-9093, or call Special Agent Ron Kramer at the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, Office of Law Enforcement's Duluth office at 218-720-5357. Callers can remain anonymous if they so choose.

-LEGAL NOTICE BY PUBLICATION-

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court
In the Matter of the Welfare of the Children of:
Cora L. Quaderer, Parent.
Court File No. CP-09-96

NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on 12-01-2009 a Child/Family Protection Petition was filed in Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the child of the above-named parent. A Hearing will commence on January 15, 2010 at 11:30 a.m. in the Leech Lake Tribal Courtroom located in Cass Lake, Minnesota. The telephone number is (218) 335-4418 or (218) 335-3586. You are served with this notice because you are a party to this proceeding or you are a person whose presence is important to a determination concerning the custody of your children. If you fail to appear for this hearing the Court may find you in default and enter an order.

Dated: December 14, 2009 by Tom Dahl, Paralegal

January is National Radon Action Month

Have you tested your Home?

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has designated January as National Radon Action Month, a time when state radon programs and other partners conduct special radon outreach activities and events across the country. The aim of National Radon Action Month is to increase the public's awareness of radon, promote radon testing and mitigation, and advance the use of radon-resistant new construction practices.

Radon gas is the second leading cause of lung cancer in the United States and the leading cause among non-smokers. If you smoke and your home has high radon levels, your risk of lung cancer is especially high. Radon is a decay product of uranium and occurs naturally in soil and rock.

You can't see or smell radon because it is a colorless and odorless gas. Radon can be a problem in all types of homes including old homes, new homes, drafty homes, insulated homes, homes with basements and homes without basements. On average 1 in 15 homes have high radon levels.

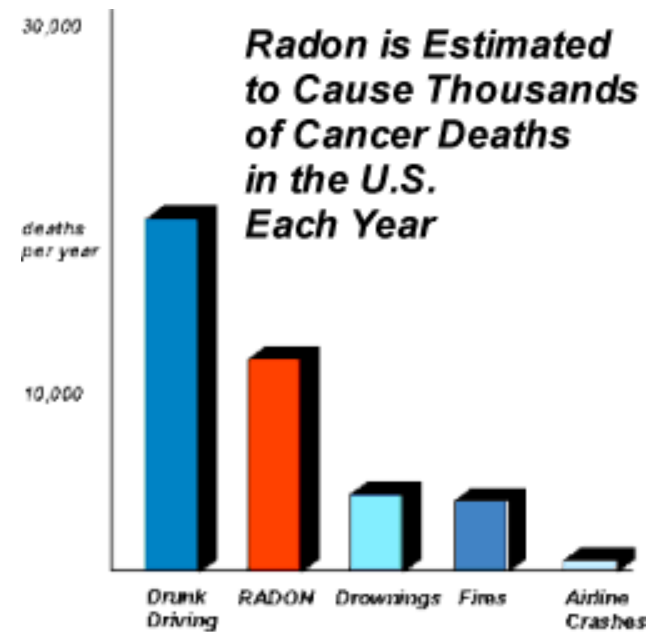
Testing your home is the only way for you and your family to know if radon levels are dangerously high. EPA's most recent health risk assessment estimates that about 21,000 lung cancer deaths each year are due to radon. Testing for measurement of this dangerous gas in the indoor air we breathe is simple, inexpensive and effective.

If elevated radon levels are detected in the home there are simple, cost effective

steps that can be taken to reduce the concentrations to USEPA acceptable levels. Protect your family. Test your home. If you haven't tested your home, do it now during National Radon Action Month. If you have further questions about Radon, please call Brandy Toft, Air Quality Specialist or Charles Woods at the Leech Lake DRM at 218-335-7429 or call the National Radon Information Line at: 1-800-SOS-RADON (1-800-767-7236).

The Leech Lake Air Program has radon kits available for testing free of charge.

Radon is estimated to cause about 14,000 deaths per year. However, this number could range from 7,000 to 30,000 deaths per year. The number of deaths from other causes are taken from 1990 National Safety Council reports.



'Tis (still) the Season for carbon monoxide risks

New report shows CO poisonings occur most often during winter

Wintertime weather can bring about more than just snow emergencies in Minnesota. Accidental carbon monoxide (CO) poisonings also peak during winter months, according to a new report on CO exposures released by the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH).

The report, entitled Minnesota Environmental Public Health Tracking: Carbon Monoxide Data and Measures 2000-2007, presents trends in unintentional CO exposures and poisonings throughout the state. Its findings include the numbers and rates of Minnesotans who are sickened by exposure to this odorless, tasteless, and colorless gas. The report was prepared by the Minnesota Environmental Public Health Tracking program (MN EPHT), which tracks environmental hazards and health in Minnesota. MN EPHT is now part of a larger network of CDC-funded states collecting data on CO poisonings, making this the nation's first consistent approach to tracking CO poisonings.

The report notes that while CO poisonings occur year-round, they occur most often during fall and winter. These colder months are when faulty furnaces and improperly maintained or operated fuel-burning devices such as non-electric space heaters and power generators are likely to be used. Hospitalizations, visits

to the emergency department (ED), and deaths due to unintentional, non-fire related CO poisonings are also more common among outstate residents compared with metro region residents.

In just a five-year period (2003-2007), unintentional CO poisonings were responsible for 61 deaths, 175 hospitalizations, and 1,261 ED visits among Minnesotans. These numbers, which refer only to incidents that are not fire-related, are even higher when incidents involving accidental fires (such as residential fires) are included. The statistics paint a grim picture, especially since most of these unintentional CO poisonings are completely preventable.

Fortunately, legislation is in place in hopes of curbing the numbers of unintentional CO poisonings in Minnesota. A new Minnesota state law requiring CO alarms in all single-family homes and multifamily apartments became fully effective on August 1, 2009. In conjunction with this legislation, MDH is collecting telephone survey data on how many homes have CO alarms. This survey data, along with future CO reports, may be helpful in measuring the effectiveness of the new CO alarm legislation.

To prevent CO poisoning, MDH recommends the following:

- Install and maintain a CO alarm within 10 feet of each room used for sleeping – it's Minnesota state law: www.dps.state.mn.us/fmarshal/CO/CO.htm.
 - Have a qualified technician check your heating systems and fuel burning appliances annually.
 - Educate yourself and family members about the signs and symptoms of CO poisoning, such as severe headache, dizziness, nausea, and drowsiness: www.health.state.mn.us/divs/eh/indoorair/co/index.html.
 - Never leave a car or truck running inside a garage attached to your house, even if you keep the garage door open. Instead, start your vehicle and back it out of the garage to let it warm up outside during cold weather.
 - Never use a generator or fuel-powered tools inside the home, garage, in enclosed areas, or near windows, doors, vents, and other openings.
- The new carbon monoxide report is available at www.health.state.mn.us/tracking/. For more information about CO poisonings, or if you have a poison emergency, call the 24-hour Minnesota Poison Control System at 1-800-222-2222.

Chairman's Report

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also for the jobs of tomorrow. A large part of this workforce preparation will be education and making sure we have the education funding available.

Looking ahead we have started and will continue to have a strong focus on investing in our Youth. We will continue to work on our youth development strategy with regional partners and our legislative representatives to develop a regional youth development strategy. We have continued to commit resources to create healthy recreational, cultural and employment opportunities through Youthbuild, WIA, summer youth employment, conservation corps, and will seek an AmeriCorps program. We will work to increase the scholarship fund and doing all we can so that our kids do not drop out of school but instead graduate and move on to college or vocational technical training.

Health care is a major issue for our people and a major cost to our government. We completed an analysis of our health related operations. And we formed a Reservation Healthcare Workgroup to look at identifying ways of controlling costs and using the savings toward improving services at our six clinics. We are also still looking at the proposed Healthcare Campus partnership with Cass County on the Ahgwahching property.

In order to more fully exercise our sovereignty and jurisdictions this RBC has become more politically pro-active at the federal, state, county, and local levels. We want to make sure that our federal issues remain at the forefront with this federal administration and congress.

We are working with Red Lake, White Earth, and other reservations on Federal and State legislative and regional issues. We have held meetings with some of the surrounding counties to improve working relationships, identify common state legislative issues, and developments. In regards to developments we have told our Division Directors and Housing Authority we



To: Chairman Archie LaRose

Date: December 4, 2009

Re: Thank You

Just a short note to let you know how much I appreciate your support and how much I look forward to working with you in the years ahead. Through your efforts in sending over 45 attendees to last summer's show, the Great Plains Indian Gaming Association had one of our most successful trade shows to date. Leech Lake has set the bar when it comes to the "buy Indian" issue and proves that when Indian people support each other we all win.

With so many challenges facing Indian Country we have to stick together and stand united in our ever constant battle to hold onto what we have and get back what we've lost. Whether it's gaming issues, hunting or fishing rights, land or water rights or helping to shape National Indian Policy, you can count on my support. When we stand united we are tough to beat. As Rick Hill once said "Our opponents have concerns about organized crime in Indian Gaming. Its organized Indians there really scared of".

Congrats to "Ribs" for getting on the NCAI board. That opens a great door for us to have our Midwest/Great Plains voices heard.

Please accept these jackets as a small token of appreciation for all your support. I will stay in touch and again look forward to working with you in the years ahead.

Sincerely,

J. Kurt Luger

Executive Director

Great Plains Indian Gaming Association

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

December 11, 2009

Dear Tribal Leader:

I want to take a moment to thank you for attending our Tribal Nations Conference on November 5, and to reiterate the importance of our working together as partners, in ongoing dialogue, to address the many challenges facing Indian Country. My Administration is committed to realizing greater tribal participation in the policy decisions that impact Indian tribes.

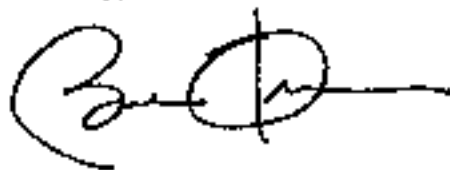
I would like to make three points about this objective. First, Kimberly Teehee and Jodi Gillette of my White House staff are working with Interior Secretary Ken Salazar and other Cabinet Secretaries on a report on the Tribal Nations Conference which I will receive in January. This report will help focus my Administration's attention on your priorities and the need to develop realistic strategies and timelines to address them.

Second, I am scheduled to receive a plan of action from each agency on February 3, 2010, which will set forth steps the agencies will take to fully implement Executive Order 13175, "Consultation and Coordination with Tribal Governments." The Presidential Memorandum, which I signed at the Tribal Nations Conference on November 5, 2009, directs each agency to develop these plans after consultation with Indian tribes.

Third, I want to emphasize that my Administration supports tribal self-determination. Enhancing the ability of tribes to build and sustain their own communities is a necessary precondition for successful and prospering communities. Meaningful dialogue plays an important role in formulating policy on economic development, job creation, and other areas, and I encourage your contribution to that exercise.

Again, thank you for your participation in this process. I hope you have a happy and restful holiday season. We have a lot of work to do next year.

Sincerely,



Chairman's Report Continued

are going to become very aggressive on addressing our housing needs. A study by our own DPW found that we have 439 sub-standard homes on the reservation. This is unacceptable and I believe we can come up with a comprehensive plan to solve this problem. In addition to the sub-standard homes we know that we don't have enough homes to meet the needs of our people which has been recently confirmed in the Wilder Study on Homelessness.

We have received a much needed \$473,000.00 grant to work on developing a reservation-wide transportation system to meet the transportation needs of our members. We have also received stimulus dollars to work on our reservation roads and improve our infrastructure.

As you all know the issue of how much land we own has been a high priority. Beginning in this New Year we are taking steps to organize our land department, create a land acquisition committee to strengthen Band ownership of our lands.

To help keep the band members informed of important events, services and issues we are improving the Debahjimon, building a Radio Station, and designing a new Band Website. Additionally a Band Resource Guide outlining our programs and services will be available this February.

These are just a few things to report. In closing I want all employees to know we expect a lot of accomplishments this year. I want to see a lot of accomplishments achieved through this calendar year. To all on behalf the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe and the RBC I wish all a wonderful New Year and good luck on the challenges we all face in life.

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Thank You



Arthur "Archie" LaRose
Chairman Leech Lake Band Of Ojibwe

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LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE WIC FOR JANUARY 2010

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe WIC Program will be holding WIC clinics for the month of January on the following days from 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. at the WIC office:

WIC Clinics at the Nest:

Voucher pick up on Mondays only:

Monday: January 4, 11, and 25

Certifications on Tuesdays and Wednesdays by appointment only.

Please call to make an appointment.

Tuesday, January 5, 12, 19 and 26

Wednesday, January 6, 13, 20, and 27

The Cass Lake WIC office is closed daily from 12:00 - 1:00

Outlying WIC Clinics will be:

1st Thursday, January 7th - **Onigum Community Center**

Voucher Pickup 10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Certifications by appointment 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

2nd Thursday, January 14th - **Inger Community Center**

Voucher Pickup 10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Certifications by appointment 10:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

3rd Thursday, January 21st - **Ball Club Community Center**

Voucher Pickup 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Certifications by appointment 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

4th Thursday, January 28th - **Bena Community Center**

Voucher Pickup 10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Certifications by appointment 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

If you are unsure of your scheduled pickup day or need to schedule or reschedule a WIC appointment please call 218-335-8386/8385 or 1-866-289-5995.

Leech Lake 6th Grade Boys place 2nd at Northwoods Basketball Tournament

By Phil Johnson

The Leech Lake 6th Grade boys basketball team traveled to Grand Rapids to participate in the Great Northwoods basketball tournament on January 9th. The team was scheduled for their first game of the day against Grand Rapids, it was a rematch of Cloquet tournament in which Grand Rapids handily defeated the boys from Leech Lake a few weeks earlier.

It was a back and forth game until Leech Lakes pressure was too much as they pulled away for the win. For the second game of the round robin the team were slated against a tough Esko team. The game was a see saw battle during the first half as Esko was up by 1 point at the half.

The second half was a different story, Leech Lake could not put any runs together as Esko pulled away for a victory. With the tournament being a round robin format, and Esko had already won their 3 games, sealing the championship. Leech Lake was scheduled for a game against Greenway, and a win would mean a 2nd place finish. Leech Lake jumped to an early lead, but Greenway proved to be a tough opponent as they stayed close throughout the game. At the end of the game free throws proved to be the game winner as Leech Lake hit key free throws down the stretch to seal the victory and the runner up prize.



TEAM MEMBERS

(Front Row)(L to R) Walter Charwood, Keith Howard, Ginew Charwood, Travis Cloud, Dylan Hardy.

(Back Row)(L to R) Coach Phil Johnson, Aaron Shearer, Ethan Hardy, Charles Raisch, Seth Fairbanks, Alvin Wind, Nate Seelye

Missing from Pic, Coaches Jon White, and Travis Deegan



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