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Leech Lake delegation posing with newly minted Congressman Rick Nolan and holding the Leech Lake Band's Flag that stands in his D.C. office.
L to R: Jim Michaud Special Projects Director, Laura Vedder Deputy Legal Director, Pete Paquette Deputy Director, District II Rep. Steve White, Congressman Rick Nolan, Opiate Program Division Director Becky White, Dr. Russ Mangiamele Opiate M.D.

Capital Hill and the White House During Impact Week in D.C.

Newly re-elected Congressman Rick Nolan is new on the political scene, again. As some of you may know, Congressman Rick Nolan previously served as the U.S. Representative for Minnesota's 6th congressional district from 1975 to 1981. After returning to the political stage in 2011 he was nominated and then challenged Republican incumbent Chip Cravaak in the 8th District defeating Cravaak soundly last November. After his victory last fall, he has settled in and is ready to go, and it was our pleasure to meet with him during our visit. The Leech Lake delegation's meeting was very interesting indeed. The Congressman was energetic, eager, and chomping at the bit to get the ball rolling for Minnesota's 8th district, and for Leech Lake.

During our meeting, tribal roads director Art Chase discussed the new federal formula for funding tribal roads: MAP-21 (Moving Ahead Progress for the 21st Century Act) was signed into law in 2012 and was a point of interest during the meeting with Mr. Nolan. Consequently the new formula reduced the amount of funding for Leech Lake dramatically. The new formula that cut millions from Leech Lake's roads budget takes Band population more into account as opposed to the old formula which took number of miles of roads in a Tribe's inventory into account. This new version of the formula benefits large member bands and cuts funding from bands with greater numbers of roads i.e., tribes in the Midwest with larger highway infrastructure.

As the meeting progressed we mentioned our greater land management goals, how we could help get the MAP-21 formula readjusted for roads funding, what we could do to move the Bug O Nay Ge Shig School up the replacement list at the BIA, and how we could help coordinate inviting Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs Kevin Washburn to the school for a site visit.

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At the end of our meeting with the good Congressman, he mentioned to us that he was an intern for Walter Mondale when he was younger. He then proceeded to tell us about a few of the interns that he'd brought up through the years, some of them working in the Obama administration, some of them in other key roles in Federal Government, and one of them even being a candidate for the Minnesota Supreme Court. Mr. Nolan then went on to mention his idea of sponsoring an internship for an American Indian student and the room went silent for a moment. I think we were all stopped a little short and somewhat humbled by the notion. We thank Congressman Nolan and his staff for seeing us and we look forward to seeing him and working with him in the future.

As the week progressed so too did the meetings, and later in the day we got to meet with our friend and Representative Senator Al Franken. Senator Franken is quite up to date on the state of affairs regarding the Bug O Nay Ge Shig school replacement effort at Leech Lake and is one of our most vocal advocates regarding education. Mr. Franken mentioned his recent visit to the Leech Lake Tribal College and his talks with the students, Chairwoman Carri Jones and his talk with Tribal College President Dr. Don Day as being frank and open with several avenues where we can and will be working with the Senator's office including: full funding for students at LLTC, the Superfund site at Leech Lake, our loss of transportation funding and helping coordinate a site visit for Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs Kevin Washburn.

In addition to the meetings with the Representatives themselves, the Leech Lake delegation took meetings in Rockville Maryland at Indian Health Service (IHS) headquarters and at Health and Human Services (HHS) offices with key staff in order to bring some of our healthcare issues into focus on the federal stage.

During our meetings with HHS staff, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) staff and numerous others in the healthcare sector of the Federal government, we discussed opiate services regarding grant opportunities for emerging programs as well as our need to expand services to individuals under the age of 18 and possibly include in-patient care as well. Dr. Russ Mangiamele mentioned that Opiate has over 400 clients and is currently exceeding SAMSHA's average expected recovery rate. He also mentioned that we would like to explore better avenues of educating our youth about the many substances that are being abused and pushed on our kids. Becky White (Opiate Division Director)



L to R: Deputy Director Pete Paquette, District II Rep. Steve White, BIA Judy Wilson, Special Projects Director Jim Michaud, Mapetsi Lobbyist Debbie Ho

mentioned our need for expansion and that the Opiate program would like to hire a mental health expert as they have been referring individuals over to IHS for this service.

All of the staff that we met with were very encouraging and engaged with what we were discussing and several had great ideas on how to possibly expand through programs such as SAMHSA's Targeted Capacity Expansion Peer-to-Peer recovery program, that focuses on housing and transportation and possible telemedical systems as well as a program called System of Care Expansion Program

On the morning of the last day in Washington a select few were given credentials to meet with Jodi Gillette, Senior Policy Advisor for Native American Affairs and Charles Galbraith Associate Director for Intergovernmental Affairs in the West Wing of the White House.

Our meeting with Jodi Gillette and Charles Galbraith was a frank exchange of general ideas and issues that MAST and a few representatives broached such as: a continued push for the Tribal Law and Order Act, Indian healthcare funding and reauthorization, school construction, a continued nation-to-nation dialogue and a renewed spirit of partnership to help rebuild economic infrastructure in American Indian country.

We would like to thank Congressman Rick Nolan and his staff, Senator Al Franken and his staff also, as well as Congresswoman Betty McCollum, and the Mapetsi Policy Group.

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L to R: District II Rep. Steve White, Deputy Director Pete Paquette, Senator Al Franken, Special Projects Director Jim Michaud, Tribal Roads Director Art White



Ernie Stevens addressing W.H. Senior Advisors Jodi Gelllett and Charles Galbraith with District II Rep. Steve White and Chairwoman (Mille Lacs) Melanie Benjamin at the table.



Carri Jones and Congressman Noland discussing the Bug School replacement

Chairwoman Carri Jones Statement to House Interior Appropriations Subcommittee February 27, 2013

My name is Carri Jones, and I am the Chairwoman of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe (Band). Our Band is located on the Leech Lake Reservation in northern Minnesota. Chairman Simpson, Ranking Member Moran, and Members of the Subcommittee, I want to thank you for holding this important oversight hearing to examine the significant unmet educational needs of Indian children. I would like to especially thank Representative McCollum for her tireless efforts to assist our students. We are deeply grateful for her support.

My testimony is focused on the Band's long struggle to replace the Bug O Nay Ge Shig School High School (High School) facility, which is administered and funded by the Bureau of Indian Affairs' (BIA) Bureau of Indian Education (BIE).

Urgent Need to Replace High School Facility at Bug O Nay Ge Shig School

The Bug O Nay Ge Shig School (School) is located in Bena, Minnesota, operated by the Band and governed by its School Board. It is named in honor of Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig (Hole in the Day), a local Ojibwe Man who lived in the area at the turn of the century. As Eddie Benton Banai shared at the School's naming ceremony, "he fought for our land, he fought for our people, but uppermost, he fought for the future of our children." The School serves nearly 300 Indian children in grades K-12 who commute from 14 communities located within five counties within a 70-mile radius of the School. The School was founded in 1975 with 35 Ojibwe students from the Reservation in response to parental concerns that public schools were not meeting the academic and cultural needs of Ojibwe students. Since that time, the School has transformed itself into a magnet school, teaching state-approved curricula with Ojibwe cultural components. The existing enrollment is a testament to the strong educational achievement at the School given the significant deficiencies and health and safety hazards present at our High School.

The High School is in dire and longstanding need of replacement. The High

School facility is a metal-clad pole barn, and its original purpose was to house an automechanic school/bus garage. When the building was transformed into the High School, the intention was that it would only be a temporary fix. However, generations of Band students have suffered for decades in this makeshift building. The facility has serious structural and mechanical deficiencies and lacks proper insulation. The facility does not meet basic safety, fire, and security standards due to the flimsiness of the construction materials, electrical problems, and lack of alarm systems. Further, the building lacks a communication intercom system, telecommunication technology, and safe zones, which puts students, teachers, and staff at great risk in emergency situations. The police and emergency responders have dubbed the high school building as "Killer Hall" because an emergency would likely have tragic results. In addition, in high wind situations over 40 mph, the students must evacuate outside into the winds because of the structural flaws with the flat metal building. Recently the concrete in front of the High School's front doors buckled from the cold weather and blocked the doors. Had there been an emergency situation, as has often occurred in this building, our students would have been trapped.

The High School facility is a constant threat to the health of our students and faculty due to poor indoor air quality that contains mold, fungus, and a faulty HVAC system. The facility also suffers from rodent and bat infestation, roof leaks and sagging roofs, holes in the roofs from ice, uneven floors, poor lighting, sewer problems, lack of handicap access, and lack of classroom and other space. These are just a few of the facility's numerous deficiencies. Due to the unsafe and undesirable condition of the High School, many students leave after middle school to attend the public high school. Students are embarrassed about the condition of the High School, resulting in a negative image of the School in the community and a lower matriculation rate.

The High School is on the BIA's list of schools in need of replacement and has exceeded its life expectancy by decades. The BIA categorizes the high school facility as being in "poor" condition. The BIA Midwest Regional Office for the Office of Indian Education Programs compiled a report in 2007, expressing strong concerns about the electrical problems, potential fire issues, and student safety. The BIA Office of Facilities, Environmental, Safety, and Cultural Management had documented the numerous and serious deficiencies of the High School.

The BIA fully acknowledges the deplorable conditions at the High School. In response to a letter inquiring about the High School from Ranking Member Moran, former Interior Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs Larry EchoHawk stated:

The Bug O Nay Ge Shig High School shows evidence of continuing deterioration . . . Due to the type of construction of the Bug O Nay Ge Shig High School, improvements to the school such as expansion or construction of one building for classrooms or administrative space is not an optimum solution. **Preliminary evaluations indicate that the building should be replaced.** The estimated date of replacement will depend on the priority ranking of the high school and amount of funds available to correct school facility deficiencies through education construction appropriations.

Letter from Assistant Secretary EchoHawk to Congressman Moran (February 28, 2011).

The High School is among the more than 63 schools funded by the BIE that are in poor condition. There exists a more than \$1.3 billion BIE construction backlog and this backlog continues to grow. However, the BIA's FY13 budget request proposes eliminating funding for replacing BIE school facilities and focusing instead solely on facilities improvement and repair. This is unacceptable. Our High School is beyond band-aids. The High School is in such sub-standard condition that no amount of repairs or improvements will turn it into an adequate school facility. Our children



Back row: District II Rep. Steve White, Bug O Nay Ge Shig School Superintendent Cynthia Johnson, Congresswoman Betty McCullom, LLBO Chairwoman Carri Jones, Front row: Marissa Wind, Raymond Ogema, Nindonis Robinson

and our communities deserve better than this. The BIA estimates that the cost to replace the High School facility is approximately \$25 million, which includes a 42% BIA administrative cost of \$7.4 million. Our Band is well aware that all Americans are being asked to make sacrifices in these tight fiscal times, and we acknowledge the difficult funding decisions that this Subcommittee faces. However, the long overdue replacement of this dangerous building is a small price to pay for the health, safety, and future of our children. The Leech Lake people have made significant sacrifices in the form of our homelands. We only ask that the United States uphold the obligations that it incurred and, at the very least, the solemn promises made to our children.

Urgent Need to address BIE Construction Backlog

The discussion of the construction needs of Indian schools has been ongoing for more than a decade. For many years, the BIA had consistently informed us that they had no money for school construction and to talk to OMB. OMB told us that they provided funding to BIA for construction and that BIA was not utilizing the funds effectively. No solutions were proposed. Further, it has been extremely difficult navigating the byzantine BIA bureaucracy and its layers to obtain school construction information.

Now, the Administration seeks to change its policies altogether by eliminating funding to replace school facilities to instead focus solely on facilities repair and improvement. Essentially, the Administration proposes a moratorium on BIE school construction. We are alarmed by this position change of the Administration and gravely concerned that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), who appears to be dictating this approach, has a clandestine long-term goal to terminate BIE schools despite its trust responsibilities. The Administration has not consulted with tribal governments on this proposed policy change in violation of its own policy requiring government-to-government consultation and Executive Order 13592 captioned "Improving American Indian and Alaska Native Educational Opportunities and Strengthening Tribal Colleges and Universities" signed by President Obama on Dec. 2, 2011, at the White House's Tribal Leaders Conference.



Back row: Culture Director Bruce White, Rodney Johnson, Raymond Ogema, District II Rep. Steve White, Deputy Director Pete Paquette, Front row: Deputy Legal Director Lora Vedder, Chairwoman Carri Jones, Congressman Rick Nolan, Marissa Wind, Nindonis Robinson, Bug O Nay Ge Shig School Superintendent Cynthia Johnson

Without proper facilities, our children's educational opportunities are compromised. Section 7101 of Title VII of the No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB) states:

It is the policy of the United States to fulfill the Federal Government's unique and continuing trust relationship with and responsibility to the Indian people for the education of Indian children. The Federal Government will continue to work with . . . Indian tribes . . . toward the goal of ensuring that programs that serve Indian children are of the highest quality and provide for not only the basic elementary and secondary educational needs, but also the unique educational and culturally related academic needs of these children.

In accordance with its obligation to Indian children, the United States must work with us to seek a solution to ensuring that our children go to school in adequate facilities.

The President's FY13 budget request solely for school improvement and repair is \$52.866 million, which is a proposed cut of \$17.960 million from the FY12 enacted level and a cut of \$87.643 million from the FY11 actual level – both of which had included proposed funding for school and facility replacement in addition to school improvement and repair. The FY05 enacted level for Indian school construction was \$263.3 million, the FY06 enacted level was \$208.9 million, the FY07 level was \$204.9 million, the FY08 level was \$142.9 million, the FY09 level was \$128.8 million, the FY10 level was \$113 million, the FY11 level was \$140.509 million, the FY12 level was \$70.826, and, as noted above, the proposed level for FY13 is a dismal \$52.866 million limited to school improvement and repair.

The Administration's failure to request and Congress' failure to appropriate sufficient funding for BIE school construction is unconscionable in light of recent DOI Office of Inspector General reports finding "severe deficiencies" at BIE schools that "have the potential to seriously injure or kill students and faculty and require immediate attention to mitigate the problems." Department of the Interior Office of Inspector General Flash Report, Bureau of Indian Affairs and Bureau of Indian Education: Schools in Need of Immediate Action, C-IN-BIA-0008-2007 (May 2007) (emphasis added). 1/3 of the 183 BIE schools are in poor condition and in significant need of repair or replacement. Of the 4,495 education buildings in the BIA inventory, half are more than 30 years old and more than 20% are older than 50 years. On average, BIA education buildings are 60 years old, while the national average for public schools is 40 years.

Conclusion

Our students deserve the opportunity to attend school in an environment where they can focus on learning first, not their health or safety. The current facility

MN Delegation Votes Yes on Violence Against Women Act, Bachman Votes No

After the House of Representatives presented a Bill that failed to pass earlier in the month, a different more comprehensive effort passed both Houses and was sent to President Obama's desk. The previous Bill that was presented did not provide for as many protections as the new effort. Most importantly, this version goes further by offering broader protections for victims of domestic abuse, as well as allowing American Indian women to take their case to tribal courts even if their assailants are non-Indian, which -until now- have not had jurisdiction over assailants who do not live on tribal land. The previously failed House bill offered a similar provision, but also maintained that non-Indian defendants could take their case to a federal court.



Nindonis Robinson, Senator Al Franken, Marissa Wind, Rodney Johnson, Raymond Ogema

adversely impacts their self-worth, and sends a message to them that their education and their lives are unimportant. We urge the Subcommittee to work with DOI to develop a plan of action to quickly find the funding to address the construction needs at the High School. The federal government had no difficulty in taking our homelands. However, Administration after Administration has found it impossible to meet the related obligation to provide for the education of Leech Lake children.

I again thank the Subcommittee for its commitment to Indian children by holding this oversight hearing. It's my hope that the renewed spotlight on Indian education will bring about solutions to the significant problems facing our children and children throughout Indian country.



Dylan Staples, Blaze Wakefield, Elyjah Guinn, Michael LaFriniere, Myron Howard, Jerrod Moore, Riedel Bierd, James Robinson, and Terrance White, Coach Randy Johnsrud.

The Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig Boys Basketball Team completed their season in a March 4th loss to Blackduck in the first round of the section 8 playoffs. The boys finished with many great improvements from the start of the season. There is hope for the future as we lose only one senior Blaze Wakefield. We return many fine players for next season that gained valuable experience and strive for greater accomplishments in the future.

The entire Minnesota Congressional Delegation voted to support the Violence Against Women Act except for Michele Bachmann. The Sixth District's Congressional Representative Voted against the Bill that not only helps protect women and the GLBT community against violent abuse, but it also broadens Tribal Court's jurisdiction when it comes to protecting American Indian Women that are victims of abuse at the hands of non-Indians. Bachmann spokesman Dan Kotman said in an interview with the Star Tribune, "Rep. Bachmann recognizes the importance of giving local law enforcement and nonprofit programs the resources they need to fight against domestic violence and sexual assault, which is why she supported the stronger House version of the Violence Against Women Act."

The new tribal jurisdiction provisions in VAWA give authority to Tribal Governments to prosecute non-Indian defendants that are in relationships with Native women and who assault these victims within the boundaries of the reservation. Current laws do not authorize Tribal law enforcement or Tribal Courts to address any form of charges or justice against these perpetrators.

STOP Violence Against Women

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Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Job Summary

THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS CLOSE ON March 15th, 2013

Laborer ~ Tribal Roads ~ DOQ~ Job Code: 13-043
 Wireless Telecommunication Business Manager ~ MIS ~ DOQ~ Job Code: 13-042
 Sergeant ~ Leech Lake Tribal Police ~ DOQ~ Job Code: 13-041
 Project Coordinator ~ Early Childhood ~ DOQ~ Job Code: 13-040
 Office Manager ~ Early Childhood ~ DOQ~ Job Code: 13-039
 Family Support Specialist ~ Human Services ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 13-020B
 Receptionist-A&D Program ~ Human Services ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 12-190B
 CD Counselor-A&D Outpatient ~ Human Services ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 12-198B

THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS CLOSE ON March 8th, 2013

P-T Woman's Halfway House Technician ~ Women's HH ~ DOQ~ Job Code: 13-038
 Part-Time Custodian ~ Tribal Police ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 13-036
 Office Manager ~ MIS ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 13-035
 Part-Time Driver-A&D Outpatient ~ Human Services ~ DOQ~ Job Code: 12-199B
 Special Needs Teacher Asst- Sugar Pt ~ Early Childhood ~ DOQ~ Job Code: 13-015
 Pre School Teacher Assistant- Cass Lake ~ Education ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 13-025

THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS ARE OPEN UNTIL FILLED

LPN Float ~ Health ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 13-030
 2 Cooks ~ Early Childhood ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 12-161C
 Program Accountant ~ Accounting ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 12-187C
 Lead Cook-Cass Lake ~ Early Childhood ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 13-002B
 Diabetes Clinic RN ~ Health ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 12-194
 Controller ~ Finance ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 12-110B
 WIC CPA ~ Health ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 12-173

THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS ARE OPEN CONTINUOUS

Pt Cashier/ NLE ~ Business Development ~ \$9.00/hr ~ Job Code: 12-001
 Pt Cashier/Che-We ~ Business Development ~ \$9.00/hr ~ Job Code: 12-000



Congratulations to the Leech Lakers basketball team for taking 1st place in the Deer River Basketball Tournament on February 23, 2013. A special thanks to the coaches Leroy Fairbanks and Brady Fairbanks for donating their time in working with the kids.

Grades: 1st, 3rd Team Member Names:

Top Row: Wade Wilson, Richen Anwiller, Antonio Reyes, Amira LaDuke, Leroy Fairbanks IV, Sam Wilson, & Yahto Jackson.
 Bottom Row: Taryn Frazer, Maddox Humphrey, Dominic Fairbanks, & Taylor Spence.

TEP JOBS ANNOUNCEMENT

Tree Planters starting in May again
 Water Craft Inspectors needed
 Clerical positions & Garden Tillers

We encourage Leech Lake Band members college students to apply
 Sawyer training will be starting April!!!! (218) 335 - 3555

Leech Lake Band Of Ojibwe Tribal Clinics

<p>Ball Club Clinic 30995 Arctic Drive Deer River, MN 56636 (218) 246-2394 Phone (218) 246-8695 Fax Monday-Friday 10am-4pm Medical Provider 5 days a week.</p>	<p>Bena Clinic (218) 665-5303 Phone (218) 665-5304 Fax Mon - Friday 10am - 4pm Medical Proiver Monday & Tuesday only.</p>	<p>Onigum Clinic (218) 547-0521 Phone (218) 547-0522 Fax Please call for availabilty.</p>
<p>Bemidji Clinic 705 5th Street, Suite D Bemidji, MN 56601 (218) 444-7186 Phone (218) 444-2460 Fax Mon - Thurs 10am - 4pm Friday - walk-ins a.m. only Medical Provider 4 days a week.</p>	<p>Inger Clinic 53736 County Road 146 Deer River, MN 56601 (218) 659-2764 Phone (218) 659-2625 Fax Mon - Friday 10am - 4pm Medical Provider 4 days a week.</p>	<p>Nest Clinic 6055 161st Street NW Cass Lake, MN 56633 (218) 335-8315 Phone (218) 335-4578 Fax Mon - Friday 10am - 4pm Medical Proiver 3 days a week.</p>

Opinions Ranged Far and Wide at CEDS Discussions

Community members came out to voice their opinions on economic development at community meetings held in February in each of the three Districts on Leech Lake Reservation.

Meetings were hosted in Ball Club by District I Rep., Robbie Howe, in Bena by District II Rep., Steve White and in Cass Lake by District II Rep., LeRoy Staples Fairbanks III. Tribal council members joined citizens in discussions that will aid in the development of a Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) for Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe.

The CEDS provides a framework for making program and development decisions and will become a guiding document for future projects. A typical strategy focuses on enhancing competitiveness, increasing sustainable growth, and ensuring that growth includes everyone.

In Ball Club, Robbie Howe opened the meeting by welcoming attendees and explaining that LLBO Economic Development and Planning are gathering information from the community members to create a planning tool that will be an economic road map to diversify and strengthen the Leech Lake economy.

Each meeting featured a meal and small group discussion facilitated by Kim Nagle, Economic Development Director and Rita Albrecht, planner from Tribal Development.

Three questions were posed to the groups: "Who are we?" "Where does our strength come from?" and "Where should we invest to gain the most?" Themes that arose included valuing family, education, and culture. These responses were in agreement with survey responses that have been collected through MonkeySurvey® at www.llojibwe.com. Protection of natural resources, education, economic diversification and developing solutions for challenging social issues topped the list of prime investments according to 250 plus survey respondents. Additional comments suggest that 79% of LL citizens are proud of their community and 74% feel safe. An interesting result of note is 68% of citizens responding said that they would like to be self-employed or own their own business. If you have not taken the opportunity to add your input, please participate in the online survey or join us for upcoming conversations.

Stating that, "The CEDS provides a framework for making program and development choices," District III Rep. Staples Fairbanks encouraged citizens to participate because citizen ideas and opinions are valuable. Community members had lively discussions that provided thoughtful feedback that included strong opinions and also a lot of humor.

The CEDS planning process will continue through March and April to include meetings with LLBO Gaming, Housing, Division Directors and regional partners. A draft of the CEDS will be presented for community feedback in May. The final product will be printed and distributed in June.

LLBO Economic Development will continue to provide updates on the CEDS planning in the DeBahJiMon and on KOJB 90.1 throughout the process. For more information about the CEDS, the process or how to share your ideas, contact Kim at kim.nagle@llojibwe.org or call 218-335-4497.

LLTC Anwebiwin Powwow

Saturday, April 20th, 2013 Cass Lake-Bena High School
 Dancers & Drums Registration at noon **Grand Entries at 1pm and 6:30pm**
 Drum Contest Vendor info: Flower Kingbird, 335-4224

Electronic Pulltabs Failing Miserably, Revenue Projections a Pipe-Dream

By Chris Haugene

After years of projecting millions and millions of dollars that are supposedly there for the taking, we are half a year into the experiement of expanded gaming to help increase State revenue that is supposed to help curb the costs of a new Vikings staduim and the fail-safe that was to be the added revenue from electronic pull tabs is just not there.

From a vendor's perspective the electronic pull tabs come with a cost. First, there is an investment of acquiring the devices themselves, making sure you have the electronic infrastructure to support the devices and the training that is required to operate and maintain the systems as well as licensing fees. Participation is anemic at best with only a fraction of the estimated 2,500 sites that are projected to start carrying electronic pull tabs and bingo; so far there are less than 200 sites up and running.

Annual revenue projections we around \$40 million and now have been lowered to around \$17 million. I think it's safe to say that the plan to have increased gaming revenues help pay the \$348 million dollar share of the new Vikings Stadium is up for re-evaluation.

March 15th

Business Start-up 101 Hands-On Workshop



Brought to you by Leech Lake Economic Development & Leech Lake Financial Services

Are you ready to be an entrepreneur or a small business owner? Learn the basic steps to starting your own business! We'll cover:

- Personal financial readiness
- Business ideas and testing feasibility
- Basic legal and tax requirements
- Resources available through Leech Lake Financial Services & partnering small business agencies.

Location: Birch Room, Palace Casino

Time: 1-3 p.m. Class 3-4 p.m. Snack & Q&A

Get your business questions answered! 1:1 Consulting Time, too!

** RSVP with Karmen at 335-3791**

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**Leech Lake Tribal Council
Special Meeting**
July 19, 2012
MCT Conference Room
Cass Lake, Minnesota



A Special Meeting of the Leech Lake Tribal Council was called to order by Chairwoman Carri Jones at 10:18 a.m.

Present: Carri Jones, Donald "Mick" Finn, Robbie Howe-Bebeau, Steve White. LeRoy Staples Fairbanks III (late)

Motion to approve agenda with addition by Robbie Howe-Bebeau, second by Donald Finn. Motion carried 3-0-0.

10:20 a.m. LeRoy Fairbanks arrives.

Old Business:

Motion to approve the minutes of July 12, 2012 by Steve White, second by Robbie Howe-Bebeau. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2013-023** concerning reallocating TERO funds for the construction of a government center by Robbie Howe-Bebeau, second by Donald Finn. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion to approve Lobbyist contract for Mapetsi Policy Group by Steve White, second by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Wild Rice presentation.

Motion to approve Arvig Communication contract by Robbie Howe-Bebeau, second by LeRoy Fairbanks. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion to approve request from Internal Audit concerning biometrics time clock by Steve White, second by Donald Finn. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the White Earth Band of Ojibwe and the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe, in order to facilitate school entrance physical for White Earth enrolled children living on the Leech Lake Reservation by Robbie Howe-Bebeau, second by LeRoy Fairbanks. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Old Business:

TRIBAL COUNCIL RESOLUTION:

Motion to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2013-025** concerning ICWA Advisory Council Appointment by Robbie Howe-Bebeau, second by LeRoy Fairbanks. Motion carried 4-0-0

Other:

Motion to approve the Tribal Police Department – Backpack Giveaway request by Robbie Howe-Bebeau, second by Steve White. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion to appoint Mike Auger to Tax Commission by Robbie Howe-Bebeau, second by Donald Finn. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion to approve Roads Funding Agreement by Steve White, second by Donald Finn. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Human Resources:

Motion to adjourn at 11:44 a.m. by Robbie Howe-Bebeau, second by Donald Finn. Motion carried 4-0-0.

**Leech Lake Tribal Council
Special Meeting**

August 9, 2012
MCT Conference Room
Cass Lake Minnesota



A Special Meeting of the Leech Lake Tribal Council is called to order at 10:15 a.m. by Chairwoman Carri Jones.

Present: Carri Jones, Donald "Mick" Finn, Robbie Howe-Bebeau, Steve White and LeRoy Staples Fairbanks.

Motion to approve agenda by Robbie Howe-Bebeau, second by LeRoy Fairbanks. Motion carried 4-0-0

Old Business: Lucille Wakanabo land issued moved to briefing.

New Business:

TRIBAL COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS:

Motion to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2013-027** concerning LLBO DRM Water Stand Pipe Project by LeRoy Fairbanks, second by Robbie Howe-Bebeau. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2013-028** concerning Special Injury Prevention Project by Steve White, second by Robbie Howe-Bebeau. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion to table appointment of Leech Lake Representative to the State of Minnesota Indian Mental Health Advisory Council by Robbie Howe-Bebeau, second by LeRoy Fairbanks. Carried 4-0-0.

Motion to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2013-029** concerning Tribal Development USDA Loan Agreement by Steve White, second by Donald Finn. Motion carried 4-0-0.

LAND RESOLUTIONS:

Motion by Robbie Howe-Bebeau to approve the following Land Resolutions: **LD2013-10** concerning Philip Thompson, new lease, Ball Club area;

LD2013-11 concerning Cheryl R. Brown, rescind Resolution No. LD2007-81, Sugar Point area;

LD2013-12 concerning Kelly Brown-Taylor, rescind Resolution No. LD2007-59, Sugar Point area;

LD2013-13 concerning Kenneth White, Jr., rescind Resolution No. LD2006-217, Boy River area;

LD2013-14 concerning Walter S. Brown, rescind Resolution No. LD2006-216, Boy River area;

LD2013-15 concerning Sheryl Babineau, new lease, Pennington area;

LD2013-16 concerning Mary E. White, rescind Resolution No. LD2007-23, West Big Lake area;

LD2013-17 concerning Kevin W. Mountain, rescind Resolution No. LD2005-44, West Big Lake area;

LD2013-18 concerning Kenneth Harrison, Jr., rescind Resolution No. LD2004-181, Buck Lake area;

LD2013-19 concerning Linda R. Harrison, rescind Resolution No. LD2010-113, Buck Lake area;

LD2013-20 concerning Bryan J. & Morning Star W. Rock, rescind Resolution No. LD2006-224, Buck Lake area;

LD2013-21 concerning Steve O'Brien, new lease, Buck Lake area;

LD2013-22 concerning Dylan J. Adams, rescind Resolution No. LD2008-160, South Cass Lake area;

LD2013-23 concerning Bryan Archambault, rescind Resolution No. LD2005-17, South Cass Lake area. Second by Leroy Fairbanks. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Other:

Summer Summit for Local Council 9/7/2012 tentative.

Human Resources.

Motion to approve the hire of Cynthia Johnson, new Superintendent, Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School by Steve White, second by LeRoy Fairbanks. Carried 4-0-0.

Motion to adjourn at 1:17 p.m. by Robbie Howe-Bebeau, second by LeRoy Fairbanks. Motion carried 4-0-0.

**Leech Lake Tribal Council
Special Meeting**

August 16, 2012 10:00a.m.
MCT Conference Room
Cass Lake Minnesota



A Special Meeting of the Leech Lake Tribal Council was called to order at 10:17 a.m. by Chairwoman Carri Jones.

Roll Call: Donald "Mick" Finn, Steve White and LeRoy Fairbanks III. Absent: Robbie Howe-Bebeau.

Motion by LeRoy Fairbanks to approve agenda. Seconded by Donald Finn. Carried 3-0-0.

Old Business:

No action on Lucille Wakanabo's request.

Motion by LeRoy Fairbanks to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2013-30** appointing Leech Lake Representative (Lila George) to the State of Minnesota Indian Mental Health Advisory Council. Seconded by Steve White. Carried 3-0-0.

Motion by Steve White to approve the July 19, 2012 Minutes, July 20, 2012 Minutes and August 9, 2012 Minutes. Seconded by Donald Finn. Carried 3-0-0.

New Business:

TRIBAL COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS:

Motion by Donald Finn to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2013-31** to Ratify LLBO Traffic Regulation Code Title 12E: Use of handheld personal communication devices in motor vehicles and **Ordinance No. 13-1 – 12E** be it enacted by the Leech Lake Tribal Council. Seconded by Steve White. Carried 3-0-0.

Motion by Steve White to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2013-32** amending LLLBO Traffic Regulation Code Title 12C: Dog Registration and Control of Dangerous Dogs and **Ordinance No. 13-2 – 12C** be it enacted by the Leech Lake Tribal Council. Seconded by LeRoy Fairbanks. Carried 3-0-0.

Motion by Steve White to adjourn. Seconded by Donald Finn. Carried 3-0-0.

**Leech Lake Tribal Council
Special Meeting**

August 28, 2012
MCT Conference Room
Cass Lake Minnesota



A Special Meeting of the Leech Lake Tribal Council was called to order by Chairwoman Carri Jones at 10:14 a.m.

Roll Call: Donald "Mick" Finn, Steve White and LeRoy Fairbanks III. (Absent: Robbie Howe-Bebeau).

Motion by LeRoy Fairbanks to approve agenda. Seconded by Steve White. Carried 3-0-0.

No Old Business.

New Business:

TRIBAL COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS:

Motion by LeRoy Fairbanks to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2013-33** concerning signature authority for the Minnesota Arts and Cultural Heritage Grant and the Community Radio Service and Equipment Grant. Seconded by Steve White. Carried 3-0-0.

Motion by Steve White to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2013-34** concerning the 2012-2013 hunting and trapping season limits and dates. Seconded by LeRoy Fairbanks III. Carried 3-0-0.

Motion by Donald Finn to raise the price of wild rice. Seconded by LeRoy Fairbanks. Carried 3-0-0.

Motion by LeRoy Fairbanks to adjourn. Seconded by Donald Finn. Carried 3-0-0.

**Leech Lake Tribal Council
Special Meeting**

September 6, 2012
RTC Conference Room
Cass Lake Minnesota



A Special Meeting of the Leech Lake Tribal Council was called to order by Chairwoman Carri Jones at 10:10 a.m.

Roll Call: Carri Jones, Donald "Mick" Finn, Robbie Howe-Bebeau, Steve White and LeRoy Fairbanks III.

Motion by Robbie Howe-Bebeau to approve additions to the agenda. Seconded by LeRoy Fairbanks. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by LeRoy Fairbanks to approve the minutes of July 10, 2012, August 16, 2012 and August 28, 2012. Seconded by Donald "Mick" Finn.

TRIBAL COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS:

Motion by Robbie Howe-Bebeau to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2013-35** concerning Temporary Spending Ordinance. Seconded by Steve White. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Robbie Howe-Bebeau to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2013-36** concerning Small Business Development Loan for Robert Jenkins. Seconded by LeRoy Fairbanks. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Other:

Bush Foundation presentation. Discussion Tribal Development and Tribal Transit.

Shakopee Meeting scheduled for September 27, 2012.

Tribal Council to review the McGladrey LLP audit contract.

Motion by LeRoy Fairbanks to approve the purchase agreement for A & D building. Seconded by Robbie Howe-Bebeau. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Robbie Howe-Bebeau to approve Dennis Banks travel request. Seconded by Donald Finn. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Human Resources: Approved (3) temporary hires, (2) emergency hires, (6) new hires, (2) transfers, (2) increases, (1) decrease and (2) separations.

Motion by Robbie Howe-Bebeau to adjourn at 1:20 p.m. Seconded by LeRoy Fairbanks. Motion carried 4-0-0.

**Leech Lake Tribal Council
Special Meeting**

September 24, 2012
Palace - Birch Room
Cass Lake Minnesota



A Special Meeting of the Leech Lake Tribal Council was called to order at 12:12 p.m. by Chairwoman Carri Jones.

Present: Donald "Mick" Finn, Robbie Howe-Bebeau, Steve White and LeRoy Staples Fairbanks III.

Motion by LeRoy Fairbanks III to approve the agenda with changes. Seconded by Robbie Howe-Bebeau. Motion carried 4-0-0.

TRIBAL COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS:

Motion by Robbie Howe-Bebeau to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2013-37** authorizing the Chairwoman to sign the Preassessment Screen and the Notice of Intent to Perform a Natural Resources

Damage Assessment, prepared by the Natural Resource Trustee Council for the St. Regis Paper Company Superfund Site. Seconded by Steve White, motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Steve White to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2013-38** concerning Eligible Enrollments (68). Seconded by LeRoy Fairbanks III, motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Robbie Howe-Bebeau to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2013-39** concerning Relinquishment from Turtle Mountain to Leech Lake Band. Seconded by Donald Finn, motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Steve White to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2013-40** concerning Band Transfer – White Earth to Leech Lake, seconded by LeRoy Fairbanks III. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Donald Finn to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2013-41** concerning Band Transfer, Leech Lake to Red Lake. Seconded by LeRoy Fairbanks III, motion carried 4-0-0.

Other:

Motion by LeRoy Fairbanks III to approve Gordon Construction as contractor for the Government Center. Seconded by Donald Finn, motion carried 3-1-0. (for the record Steve White opposed)

Motion by Robbie Howe-Bebeau to adjourn at 12:27 p.m. Seconded by LeRoy Fairbanks III. Motion carried 4-0-0.

**Leech Lake Tribal Council
Special Meeting**

September 25, 2012
Minneapolis American Indian
Women's Resource Center
Minneapolis, Minnesota



A Special Meeting of the Leech Lake Tribal Council was called to order by Chairwoman Carri Jones at 7:27 p.m.

Present: Donald "Mick" Finn, Steve White and LeRoy Staples Fairbanks III.

Absent: Robbie Howe-Bebeau.

Motion by LeRoy Fairbanks III to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2013-42** concerning 2013 Bureau of Indian Affairs Indian Highway Safety Grant. Seconded by Steve White. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Motion by Steve White to adjourn at 7:30 p.m., seconded by Donald Finn. Motion carried 3-0-0.

**Leech Lake Tribal Council
Special Meeting**

September 27, 2012
RTC Conference Room
Cass Lake Minnesota



Chairwoman Carri Jones calls meeting to order at 10:29 a.m.

Present: Donald "Mick" Finn, Steve White and Leroy Staples Fairbanks III. Absent: Robbie Howe-Bebeau

Motion by Leroy Fairbanks III to approve agenda with change, table resolution 2 and 4, second by Steve White. Carried 3-0-0.

Old Business:

Motion by Donald Finn to approve the September 6, 2012 Minutes, September 24, 2012 Minutes and the September 25, 2012 Minutes, seconded by LeRoy Fairbanks III. Carried 3-0-0.

New Business:

TRIBAL COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS:

Motion by Donald Finn to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2013-43** concerning the Regional Native Public Defense Corporation as agent to provide Criminal and Juvenile Defense Services for Period July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013, seconded by Steve White. Carried 3-0-0.

Wilder Research Homeless Survey tabled.

Motion by LeRoy Fairbanks III to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2013-44** concerning the American Heart Association Training Center Recognition application, second by Steve White. Carried 3-0-0.

Human Services Waiver Programs tabled.

Motion by Steve White to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2013-45** concerning entering into an Architectural/Engineering subcontract with EAPC Architects and Engineers for the design of the Hospital Exam Room Addition Project, seconded by LeRoy Fairbanks III. Carried 3-0-0.

Motion by Donald Finn to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2013-46** concerning National Congress of American Indians, Tribal Enrollment, seconded by Steve White. Carried 3-0-0.

Motion by Donald Finn to table resolution concerning Halfway House building expansion, seconded by LeRoy Fairbanks III. Carried 3-0-0.

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Special Meeting
September 27, 2012

LAND RESOLUTIONS:

Motion by Donald Finn, second by Steve White to approve the following homesites:

LD2013-24 concerning Francis M. Humphrey, rescind Resolution No. LD04-174, Boy River area;

LD2013-25 concerning Terrie Temple, new lease, Boy River area;

LD2013-26 concerning Renee Norris, rescind Resolution No. LD11-45, Sugar Point area;

LD2013-27 concerning Ronald G. Burnette, new lease, Sugar Point area;

LD2013-28 concerning Theodora Redwing, rescind Resolution No. LD10-65, Football Lake area;

LD2013-29 concerning Roger Fairbanks, new lease, Football Lake area;

LD2013-30 concerning Rita Pemberton, amend Resolution No. LD09-136, Mission area;

LD2013-31 concerning LeRoy A. & Rebecca L. Fairbanks, amend Resolution No. LD06-17, Mission area;

LD2013-32 concerning John H. Fairbanks, new lease, Wilkinson area;

LD2013-33 concerning George Thompson, rescind Resolution No. LD01-67, Old Agency area;

LD2013-34 concerning Kenneth Sayers, new lease, Old Agency area. Carried 2-0-1. (For the record LeRoy Fairbanks silent)

Motion by LeRoy Fairbanks III, second by Steve White to approve the following lakeshore leases:

LD2013-35 concerning Richard & Joyce Johnson, lease cancellation, Sugar Point area;

LD2013-36 concerning Terri L. Allen, new recreational lease, Sugar Point area;

LD2013-37 concerning Jean Arntzen, lease cancellation, Chippewa Heights area;

LD2013-38 concerning William Wears, new recreational lease, Chippewa Heights area;

LD2013-39 concerning Betty Anderson, lease cancellation, Stony Point area;

LD2013-40 concerning Mary C. Wold, new recreational lease, Stony Point area;

LD2013-41 concerning Donald Lee, lease cancellation, Onigum area;

LD2013-42 concerning Maureen Headbird, lease cancellation, Onigum area;

LD2013-43 concerning Sam K. Smith, new recreational lease, Onigum area;

LD2013-44 concerning Richelle Brennan,

new recreational lease, Traders Bay PUD;

LD2013-45 concerning William & Carol Balak, amend Resolution No. LD2012-148 & LD2013-08, Traders Bay PUD;

LD2013-46 concerning James & Mavis Shannon, modify Resolution No. LD2012-116 & LD2013-08, Traders Bay PUD;

LD2013-47 concerning William & Janice Erickson, modify Resolution No. LD2012-120, Traders Bay PUD;

LD2013-48 concerning David Slupe, lease cancellation, Traders Bay area;

LD2013-49 concerning Tracy Schrafel, new recreational lease, Traders Bay area;

LD2013-50 concerning Marion Molash, amend Resolution No. LD2001-57, Tobique Rd;

LD2013-51 concerning Lorene C. Bojanczyk, lease termination, Tobique Rd;

LD2013-52 concerning Lake Country Power, Traders Bay PUD.

Carried 3-0-0.

Discussion: Lucille Wakonabo land issue, Tribal Council not interested in her land parcels at this time.

Shirley Beaulieu request.

Human Resources:

Approved (1) emergency hire, (2) new hires, (1) temporary hire, (1) temporary to regular, (2) transfers, (2) increases, (4) resignations, (2) layoffs.

Motion by Steve White to adjourn at 1:35 p.m., second by LeRoy Fairbanks III. Carried 3-0-0.

Leech Lake Tribal Council Special Meeting

October 10, 2012
RTC Conference Room
Cass Lake Minnesota



Chairwoman Carri Jones calls meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

Present: Donald "Mick" Finn, Steve White and LeRoy Staples Fairbanks.

Absent: Robbie Howe-Bebeau

Motion by Steve White, second by Donald Finn to approve agenda. Carried 3-0-0.

Old Business:

Motion by Donald Finn to approve Shirley Beaulieu request for roof repair in the amount of \$11,165.00, second by Steve White. Carried 3-0-0.

Motion by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks

to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2013-47** concerning Wilder Research Homeless Survey, second by Steve White. Carried 3-0-0.

Motion by Donald Finn to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2013-48** concerning MN Dept. of Human Services Waiver Programs, second by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks. Carried 3-0-0.

New Business:**TRIBAL COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS:**

Motion by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2013-49** concerning Tribal Officials Authorization to Conduct Business with the Office of Special Trustee for American Indians, second by Steve White. Carried 3-0-0.

Motion by Steve White to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2013-50** to establish Youth "Nelson Act Disbursement" I.I.M. Accounts, second by Donald Finn. Carried 3-0-0.

Motion by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2013-51** Updating and Adopting the 2013-2033 Twenty Year Long Range Transportation Plan, second by Steve White. Carried 3-0-0.

Discussion: Twin Cities Local Indian Council Election. Duluth Local Indian Council requests, no action taken. Tribal College request for funding, Legal will prepare a resolution.

Leech Lake Tribal Council Quarterly Meeting

October 12, 2012
Sugar Point Community Center
Federal Dam, Minnesota



Carri Jones, Chairwoman, calls meeting to order at 1:03 p.m.

Present: Donald Finn, Secretary Treasurer, Steve White, District II Representative, Leroy Staples Fairbanks III, District III Representative

Absent/Excused: Robbie Howe-Bebeau, District I Representative

Motion made by Leroy Staples Fairbanks III, second by Donald Finn to approve Agenda. Motion carried 3-0-0.

OLD BUSINESS:

Motion made by Donald Finn, second by Leroy Staples Fairbanks III to approve

the meeting minutes of April 13, 2012 and July 6, 2012. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Motion made by Donald Finn, second by Leroy Staples Fairbanks III to approve the Government Financial Report from July 6, 2012. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Motion made by Steve White, second by Donald Finn to approve the Gaming Financial Report from July 6, 2012. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Motion made by Donald Finn, second by Leroy Staples Fairbanks III to approve the Division Director reports from July 6, 2012. Motion carried 3-0-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

Carri Jones, Chairwoman, gave her report.

Donald Finn, Secretary Treasurer, gave his financial reports.

Motion made by Donald Finn, second by Steve White to approve the Government Financial Report. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Motion made by Steve White, second by Donald Finn to approve the Gaming Financial Report. Motion carried 3-0-0.

TRIBAL COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS:

Motion made by Steve White, second by Leroy Staples Fairbanks III to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2013-52** concerning Eligible Enrollments. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Motion made by Steve White, second by Donald Finn to approve Tribal Council Resolution

No. 2013-53 concerning Ineligible Applicants. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Motion made by Donald Finn, second by Leroy Staples Fairbanks III to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2013-54** concerning Ineligible Enrollment – No Parent enrolled in Leech Lake. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Introduction of new employees.

Motion made by Donald Finn, second by Leroy Staples Fairbanks III to approve the Division Director Reports. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Discussion was made concerning "Get Out The VOTE" effort by Eli Hunt.

Motion made by Steve White, second by Donald Finn to adjourn. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Leech Lake Tribal Council Special Meeting

October 16, 2012
Northern Lights
Walker, Minnesota



A Special Meeting of the Leech Lake Tribal Council was called to order by Chairwoman Carri Jones at 10:53 a.m.

Present: Donald "Mick" Finn, Steve White and LeRoy Staples Fairbanks.

Absent: Robbie Howe-Bebeau.

Motion by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks to approve agenda with additions, second by Steve White. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Old Business:

Motion by Donald Finn to approve the September 27, 2012 Minutes, second by Steve White. Motion carried 3-0-0.

New Business:

Motion by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2013-55** delegating authority to determine membership eligibility for purposes of implementing the Indian Child Welfare Act, second by Donald Finn. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Motion by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2013-56** delegating authority to provide qualified expert witness testimony for LLBO Child Protection cases (Vicki White), second by Donald Finn. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Motion by Steve White to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2013-57** delegating authority to provide qualified expert witness testimony for LLBO Child Protection cases (Earl Robinson), second by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Motion by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2013-58** to support the Leech Lake Tribal College in their pursuit of building a Leech Lake Tribal College Library, second by Steve White. Motion carried 3-0-0.

OTHER:

Motion by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks to approve ICDBG Grant for Mission Community Center, second by Donald Finn. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Motion by Steve White to approve American Disposal for demolition of old RTC building, second by Donald Finn. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Motion by Steve White to approve Platinum sponsorship 25th Annual Awards Banquet – MAICC, second by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Motion by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks to adjourn at 1:35 p.m.. second by Steve White. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Leech Lake Tribal Council Special Meeting

November 1, 2012
Cass Lake, Minnesota



Chairwoman Carri Jones calls meeting to order at 10:15 a.m.

Present: Carri Jones, Donald "Mick" Finn, Steve White and LeRoy Staples Fairbanks.

Absent: Robbie Howe-Bebeau.

Motion by Steve White, second by Donald Finn to approve agenda. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Old Business:

Motion by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks to approve the Minutes of October 10, 2012 and October 16, 2012, second by Donald Finn. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Doris Jones issue. No action, Joel Bebeau unable to attend meeting.

New Business:

Motion by Donald Finn to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2013-59** concerning Low Bid for Old Agency Community Pump House Project, second by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Motion by Steve White to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2013-60** concerning Eva White recognized as qualified teacher of the Ojibwe language, second by Donald Finn. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Motion by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks to table easement for right of way on Beltrami County Road 33, second by Donald Finn. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Motion by Steve White to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2013-61** concerning Small Business Development Loan for Debbie Gotchie, second by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Motion by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2013-62** concerning Nelson Act Distribution Setting up IMM Accounts for Minors, second by Donald Finn. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Motion by Steve White, second by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks to approve donation of wild rice for Thanksgiving. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Motion by Steve White, second by Donald Finn to adjourn. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Leech Lake Tribal Council Special Meeting

November 15, 2012
Cass Lake, Minnesota



Chairwoman Carri Jones calls meeting to order at 10:26 a.m.

Present: Carri Jones, Donald "Mick" Finn, Steve White and LeRoy Staples Fairbanks III, and Robbie Howe-Bebeau.

Motion by Robbie Howe-Bebeau, second by Leroy Staples Fairbanks III to approve agenda. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Old Business:

Motion by Leroy Staples Fairbanks III to approve the Minutes of November 1, 2012, second by Donald Finn. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Leroy Staples Fairbanks III to table easement for right of way on Beltrami County Road 33, second by Donald Finn. Motion carried 4-0-0.

New Business:

Motion by Robbie Howe-Bebeau to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2013-63** concerning LLBO to Support Forward Funding for Johnson O'Malley, second by Steve White. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Robbie Howe-Bebeau to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2013-64** concerning LLBO To Support JOM Funding to \$36 Million, second by Leroy Staples Fairbanks III. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Robbie Howe-Bebeau to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2013-65** concerning Authorizing Participation in Planning Process and Execution of Sub-Grant Agreement, second by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks III. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Steve White to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2013-66** concerning Draw-Down Funds for Distribution of Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Judgment Fund Distribution Act of 2012 Settlement Monies, second by Robbie Howe-Bebeau. Motion carried 4-0-0.

LAND RESOLUTIONS:

Motion by Robbie Howe-Bebeau to approve the following land resolutions:

LD2013-53 concerning Kenneth Lanham, rescind Resolution No. LD11-71, Inger area

LD2013-54 concerning Lyla Johnson, new lease, Inger area

LD2013-55 concerning Tarah Jackson, amend Resolution No. LD12-54, Inger area

LD2013-56 concerning Glenn Jackson Jr., amend Resolution No. LD12-53, Inger area

LD2013-57 concerning Aryn L. Tanner, rescind Resolution No. LD12-56, Track #33 area

LD2013-58 concerning Billy Joe Headbird, new lease, South Cass Lake area

LD2013-59 concerning Jolene Wilson, new lease, Buck Lake area

LD2013-60 concerning Alisa Goodshield, new lease, Buck Lake area

LD2013-61 concerning Patrice Johnson, rescind Resolution No. LD99-39, Buck Lake area

LD2013-62 concerning Chantelle Fairbanks, new lease, Buck Lake area

Second by Leroy Staples Fairbanks III. Motion carried 4-0-0

Motion by Steve White to approve the following lakeshore leases:

LD2013-63 concerning Irving R. Seelye, lease cancellation, Sugar Point area

LD2013-64 concerning Ardy & Charles Quistgard, lease cancellation, Chippewa Heights area

LD2013-65 concerning David & Diane Faldet, new recreational lease, Chippewa Heights area

LD2013-66 concerning Joseph R. James, Jr., lease cancellation, Onigum area

LD2013-67 concerning Jodi Stone, new recreational lease, Onigum area

LD2013-68 concerning Joel M. Stokka, residential lease renewal, Trader's Bay area
Second by Leroy Staples Fairbanks III. Motion carried 4-0-0

OTHER:

Motion by Robbie Howe-Bebeau to approve contract for Larry Aitken, second by Donald Finn. Motion carried 4-0-0

RTC Quarterly meeting will be held at Ball Club Community Center, January 4, 2013 @ 10:00am.

Motion by Steve White, second by Robbie Howe-Bebeau to adjourn. Motion carried 4-0-0.

I DO HEREBY CERTIFY that this is a true record of the Leech Lake Tribal Council, Special Meeting, held on **July 19, 2012** through November 15, 2012 at Cass Lake, Minnesota.

Donald L. Finn

Donald Finn, Secretary Treasurer
Leech Lake Tribal Council





912 Kids at this Years Perch Jerk

It began in 2004 with a handfull of volunteers and some eager kids that like to lice fish. This year the Leech Lake Band's biggest fishing event almost doubled the amount of kids that participated from last year. Every year the event grows and grows, from the vendors to the volunteers and prizes given away and prizes won. This year there were over nine hundred kids that participated, dozens of vendors that provided and hundred of kids that had fun all day playing games out on the ice, fishing, eating, and getting to socialize amongst their own.

From the Vendors, to the District II office and Representative Steve White to the tournament's go-to coordinator Jim Michaud, the occasion is marked by people coming together to bring our kids together for a day of fun, competition, and perch fishing. We would like to thank the aforementioned as well as the Leech Lake Tribal Cops, Leech Lake Gaming and the many vendors who gave also, including but not limited to:

Raffle Prize winners 2013 Kids Perch Jerk

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| 1 st Prize | Vizio "60 TV | Amanda Richardson |
| 2 nd Prize | HP Pavillion All-in-one Computer | Sharon Wakanabo |
| 3 rd Prize | Laptop | Joe Jackson |
| 4 th Prize | Sony Tablet | Lynn Allen |



- Biggest Fish Winners:**
- 0-5 Trevor Tellstrom 13oz
 - 6-11 Gordon Seelye 1lb 6oz Tulibee
 - 12-16 Colton Hines 3lb 2oz eelpout

WHITE OAK CASINO - Sponsor

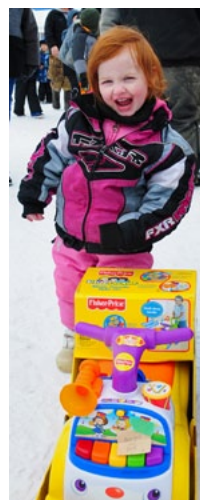
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| Boys 0-5: | Trevor Tellstrom 13oz | Girls 0-5: | Carsyn Nihart, 12.5oz; |
| 1 st \$75 | Trey Tabaka, 12.5oz; | Arlyiah LaRose, 11oz; | |
| 2 nd \$60 | Matt Antilla 10oz. | Sarah Stanglund, 8oz. | |
| 3 rd \$50 | | | |

NORTHERN LIGHTS CASINO - Sponsor

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| Boys 6-11: | Gordon Seelye 1lb 6oz Tulibee | Girls 6-11: | Sophis Finn 10.5oz |
| 1 st \$100 | Aaron Shunbon 1lb Walleye | Sophie Egan 10oz | |
| 2 nd \$80 | Antonio Hanson 15oz Walleye | Jaden Schultz 7oz | |
| 3 rd \$60 | | | |

PALACE CASNIO - Sponsor

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| Boys 0-5: | Colton Hines 3lb 2oz eelpout | Girls 0-5: | Hannah Fairbanks 2lb 2oz Pike |
| 1 st \$125 | Raseab Conner 1lb 14oz Walleye | Brandi Kilde 1lb 1oz Walleye | |
| 2 nd \$100 | Troy Finn 1lb 13oz pike | Yolanda Robinson 9oz Perch | |
| 3 rd \$75 | | | |





Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Tribal Court

115 Sixth Street NW, Suite E
Cass Lake, MN 56633
(218) 335-3682 • (218) 335-4418

Honorable Paul W. Day, Chief Judge of Tribal Court
Honorable Korey Wawassuck, Judge of Tribal Court

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

Traffic Division

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:

- 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.
- You may also be subject to one or more of the following enforcement actions without further notice:
 - Report violation to the State of Minnesota for entry on defendant's driving record;
 - Add the fine to the amount defendant must pay to renew or obtain Leech Lake vehicle registration or plates;
 - Seize defendant's vehicle registration plates;
 - Seize the vehicle driven by defendant at the time of the violation;
 - 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.
 - Garnish wages by the Leech Lake Band.

/s/ Korey Wawassuck, Judge of Tribal Court.

APPEARANCE DATE: April 16, 2013, at 2:00 p.m.

<u>Defendant</u>	<u>Case No.</u>	<u>Charge</u>	<u>Date</u>
Dunn, Sara Jean	TR-09-26	DAR/DAS	07/06/2010
Fairbanks, Lynal Lee	TR-11-13	DAR/DAS	01/31/2011
Finn, Desiree Renee	TR-11-111	Failure to Use Child Restraint Device	12/15/2011
Fisherman, Francis Leigh	TR-11-83	Failure to Use Child Restraint Device	10/22/2011
Goggleye, Vicky Gail	TR-11-86	DAR/DAS; Failure to Yield to a Motor Vehicle/Pedestrian; Motor Vehicle Insurance-Owner; Failure to Use a Child Restraint Device	01/10/2011
Greene, Marlow Royce	TR-12-29	DAR/DAS	02/04/2012
Hoffman, Corey Louis	TR-11-123	No Driver's License	12/08/2011
Jackson, Nathan Daniel	TR-11-80	Failure to Use a Seat Belt	10/19/2011
Johnson, Adria Ann	TR-11-71	DAR/DAS; Failure to Show Proof of Insurance	09/22/2011
Jones, Vydell Bernice	TR-12-06	Failure to Use a Child Restraint Device	01/09/2012
Lanham, Delores Gay	TR-10-191	DAR/DAS; Motor Vehicle Insurance-Owner	08/21/2010
Northbird, Stephanie Mae	TR-11-43	Speeding in Excess of 20 mph Over the Limit	10/15/2011
Northbird, Stephanie Mae	TR-11-91	Failure to Show Proof of Insurance	06/12/2011
Roy, Alvin Earl	TR-12-07	DAR/DAS	01/20/2012
Smith, Thelma Jean	TR-11-73	DAR/DAS	09/02/2011
Whitebird, Connie Elaine	TR-11-104	DAR/DAS	11/29/2011

APPEARANCE DATE: May 21, 2013, at 2:00 p.m.

<u>Defendant</u>	<u>Case No.</u>	<u>Charge</u>	<u>Date</u>
Belcourt, Randall Lee, Jr.	TR-11-54	Failure to Stop for School Bus	05/10/2011
Bowstring, Shanelle Rose	TR-10-185	No Driver's License	12/18/2010
Whitebird, Leroy John, Jr.	TR-12-135	Failure to Use a Child Restraint Device	09/17/2012

NOTICE OF INTENT TO PROCEED BY DEFAULT

Traffic Division

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.

/s/ Patricia Pizzala, Court Administrator.

APPEARANCE DATE: April 2, 2013, at 3:00 p.m.

<u>Defendant</u>	<u>Case No.</u>	<u>Charge</u>	<u>Date</u>
Beaulieu, Morris Isaac, Sr.	CN-12-06	Harvesting During Closed Season or Illegal Hours	08/19/2012
Beaulieu, Truman Robert, Jr.	CN-12-05	Harvesting During Closed Season or Illegal Hours	08/19/2012
Kangas, Joseph Anthony	CN-12-08	Harvesting During Closed Season or Illegal Hours	08/19/2012
Kingbird, Marcus Bradley	CN-12-04	Harvesting During Closed Season or Illegal Hours	08/19/2012
Paquette, David John, Jr.	CN-12-07	Harvesting During Closed Season or Illegal Hours	08/19/2012

APPEARANCE DATE: April 16, 2013, at 2:00 p.m.

<u>Defendant</u>	<u>Case No.</u>	<u>Charge</u>	<u>Date</u>
Dalton, Hannah Lee	TR-12-48	DAR/DAS	03/17/2012
Dalton, Hannah Lee	TR-12-119	DAR/DAS	08/25/2012
Fairbanks, Amber Seven	TR-12-120	No Driver's License	09/14/2012
Goggleye, Donald Dale	TR-12-131	Speeding in Excess of 10 mph Over the Limit	09/22/2012
Headbird, Jesse Michael	TR-12-118	Motor Vehicle Insurance-Owner; Failure to Use a Seat Belt	09/03/2012
Howard, Stanley Dean, Jr.	TR-12-132	Failure to Use a Seat Belt	10/14/2012
Kangas, Joseph Anthony	TR-12-128	DAR/DAS; Failure to Show Proof of Insurance; Failure to Use a Child Restraint Device	10/11/2012
Littlewolf, Freda Mae	TR-12-133	No Driver's License; Failure to Use a Seat Belt; Failure to Use a Child Restraint Device (3 Counts)	10/26/2012
Michaud, Charles Andrew	TR-12-124	Failure to Use a Seat Belt	08/29/2012
Mountain, Wabigwanin L.	TR-12-90	DAR/DAS; Failure to Use a Seat Belt; Failure to Show Proof of Insurance; Motor Vehicle Registration-Owner Driving	10/21/2011
Smith, Thelma Jean	TR-12-117	DAR/DAS	12/10/2011
White, Simon Anthony III	TR-12-125	Speeding in Excess of 10 mph Over the Limit	09/07/2012

APPEARANCE DATE: May 7, 2013, at 2:00 p.m.

<u>Defendant</u>	<u>Case No.</u>	<u>Charge</u>	<u>Date</u>
Fairbanks, Larry Wayne	CN-12-28	Harvesting During Closed Season or Illegal Hours	08/19/2012
Jackson Justin Fred	CN-12-29	Harvesting During Closed Season or Illegal Hours	08/19/2012
Johnson, Darrell Dean	SH-12-01	Host or Allow Consumption of Alcohol by Underage Person	07/29/2012
Littlewolf, Rebecca Marie	TR-12-97	Failure to Use a Seat Belt	05/31/2012
Whitebird, Beverly Ann	TR-12-51	No Driver's License; Failure to Show Proof of Insurance	04/02/2012

APPEARANCE DATE: May 7, 2013, at 3:00 p.m.

<u>Defendant</u>	<u>Case No.</u>	<u>Charge</u>	<u>Date</u>
Anderson, Kelly Lynne	DO-12-03	At Large Dog	04/29/2012
Davis, Rogers Kenneth	DO-12-06	Potentially Dangerous Dog	08/26/2012
Littlewolf, Connie Lynn	DO-12-07	Dangerous/Abandoned Dogs	10/16/2012

APPEARANCE DATE: May 7, 2013, at 3:30 p.m.

<u>Defendant</u>	<u>Case No.</u>	<u>Charge</u>	<u>Date</u>
Bebeau, Duane Michael	CN-12-27	Harvesting During Closed Season or Illegal Hours	08/19/2012
Bebeau, Jared Paul	CN-12-20	Harvesting During Closed Season or Illegal Hours	08/19/2012
Bellanger, Justin Antone E.	CN-12-18	Harvesting During Closed Season or Illegal Hours	08/19/2012
Garbow, Ernest, Jr.	CN-12-23	Harvesting During Closed Season or Illegal Hours	08/19/2012
Harrison, Kenneth James, Jr.	CN-12-10	Harvesting During Closed Season or Illegal Hours	08/19/2012
Howard, Eugene Paul	CN-12-17	Harvesting During Closed Season or Illegal Hours	08/19/2012
Howard, Michael David	CN-12-24	Harvesting During Closed Season or Illegal Hours	08/19/2012
Jourdain, Terrence Wayne	CN-12-21	Harvesting During Closed Season or Illegal Hours	08/19/2012
Kingbird, David Lee	CN-12-12	Harvesting During Closed Season or Illegal Hours	08/19/2012
LaRose, Franklin Wm., Jr.	CN-12-15	Harvesting During Closed Season or Illegal Hours	08/19/2012
LaRose, Sidney Timothy	CN-12-19	Harvesting During Closed Season or Illegal Hours	08/19/2012
Masten, Alfred James	CN-12-13	Harvesting During Closed Season or Illegal Hours	08/19/2012
Moose, Maureen Rae	CN-12-09	Harvesting During Closed Season or Illegal Hours	08/19/2012
Morgan, Beau James	CN-12-25	Harvesting During Closed Season or Illegal Hours	08/19/2012
Morgan, Clyde Steele	CN-12-26	Harvesting During Closed Season or Illegal Hours	08/19/2012
Morgan, Kerry Justin	CN-12-22	Harvesting During Closed Season or Illegal Hours	08/19/2012
White, Adrian Wm., Sr.	CN-12-14	Harvesting During Closed Season or Illegal Hours	08/19/2012



Ojibwe Service

**Ken Johnson
Entrepreneur
218-335-9846**

422 Basswood Ave, NWCass Lake, MN 56633

Civil Division

Karen Pagel, Plaintiff,
vs.
Donald Jasper Finn, Defendant.

NOTICE OF LEGAL PUBLICATION
CASE NO. CV-12-18

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that on May 17, 2012, a Civil Petition was filed with the Leech Lake Tribal Court alleging a breach of contract. A Default Hearing will commence on **March 22, 2013, at 1:30 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 a judgment against you, the defendant, and garnishment proceedings. The hearing may be held by telephone and you may contact the court at 218-335-3682.

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 resolution of this matter. If you, the defendant, fail to appear either in person or by telephone for this hearing, the Court may find you in default and enter an Order for judgment and garnishment. If you, the plaintiff, fail to appear either in person or by telephone for this hearing, the Court may dismiss this matter.

DATED: December 27, 2012. /s/ Patricia L. Pizzala, Court Administrator.

NOTICE OF REGISTRATION OF FOREIGN CHILD SUPPORT ORDER

Family Division

YOU, THE RESPONDENTS LISTED BELOW, ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that State Court Order Establishing Child Support has been registered with the Leech Lake Tribal Court. If you wish to contest the registration of the Foreign Child Support Order against you, you must request a hearing within twenty (20) days following the final publication of this notice. Your deadline to request a hearing is April 29, 2013. You may contact the Leech Lake Child Support Enforcement Program located at 222 Second Street, Cass Lake, Minnesota, 218-339-5640, to obtain a form to request that hearing.

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that this Order will be enforced unless you file your objection with the Tribal Court.

If you do not wish to contest the validity or enforcement of the Registration of Foreign Order and Petition for Affirmative Relief, you do not need to take any action. The Leech Lake Band will continue to withhold your wages in the same manner as your wages have been withheld in the past.

DATED: /s/ Patricia L. Pizzala, Court Administrator.

<u>Respondent</u>	<u>Case No.</u>	<u>Respondent</u>	<u>Case No.</u>
Bushey, Anthony D. Jr.	FA-12-542	LaRose, Michael Edward	FA-12-223
Cronquist, Lawrence A.	FA-12-518	Lyons, Kevin James, Jr.	FA-12-579
Guinn, Francis Lee	FA-12-443	Nevitt, Brett Alan	FA-12-132
Hoffman, Curtis G. III	FA-12-544	Northbird, Corey R.	FA-12-522

Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Finance Corporation First-Time Homebuyer Education Class

Saturday, April 6, 2013 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
The Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Building
15542 State 371 NW Cass Lake, Minnesota

First-time Homebuyer Education is a requirement of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Finance Corporation for qualified buyers. Please reserve your spot in this **FREE** class with Cindy Beaulieu at 218-335-8582 ext.150 or cbeaulieu@mnnchippewatribe.org
No Childcare is provided so please make other arrangements.

-LEGAL NOTICE BY PUBLICATION-

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Children of:
Amanda Butcher, James Lavell, and
Christopher Hardin, Parents
Court File No. CP-12-36

NOTICE
 YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on November 8, 2012, a Petition to Suspend Parental Rights was filed in Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the children of the above-named parents. A hearing will commence on April 15, 2013, at 9:30 a.m. in the Leech Lake Tribal Courtroom located in Cass Lake, Minnesota. The telephone number is (218) 335-3586 or 3682. You are served with this notice because you are a party to this proceeding. If you fail to appear for this hearing the Court may find you in default and enter an order.

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Children of:
Anita Jo Jackson and
Jeremiah Shane David Smith, Parents
Court File No. CP-12-50

NOTICE
 YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on December 20, 2012, a Child/Family Protection Petition was filed in Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the children of the above-named parents. A hearing will commence on March 11, 2013, at 1:00 p.m. in the Leech Lake Tribal Courtroom located in Cass Lake, Minnesota. The telephone number is (218) 335-3586 or 3682. You are served with this notice because you are a party to this proceeding. If you fail to appear for this hearing the Court may find you in default and enter an order.

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Children of:
Carmen Faye Monroe,
Lucas Wayne French, Sr., and
Daniel R. Brandt, Parents.
Court File No. CP-12-51

NOTICE
 YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on January 24, 2013, a Petition to Suspend Parental Rights was filed in Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the child of the above-named parent. A hearing will commence on March 11, 2013, at 1:30 p.m. in the Leech Lake Tribal Courtroom located in Cass Lake, Minnesota. The telephone number is (218) 335-3586 or 3682. You are served with this notice because you are a party to this proceeding. If you fail to appear for this hearing the Court may find you in default and enter an order.

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Child of:
Karen Rock (Mother), and
Diane Diedrichs-Stokes, Legal Guardian
Court File No. CP-12-41

NOTICE
 YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on January 3, 2013, a Petition to Suspend Parental Rights and Vacate Transfer of Permanent Legal and Physical Custody was filed in Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the child of the above-named parent. A hearing will commence on April 1, 2013, at 10:00 a.m. in the Leech Lake Tribal Courtroom located in Cass Lake, Minnesota. The telephone number is (218) 335-3586 or 3682. You are served with this notice because you are a party to this proceeding. If you fail to appear for this hearing the Court may find you in default and enter an order.

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Children of:
Regina M. White, Terry B. Kemper, and
Darrell Goodman, Parents.
Court File No. CP-12-27

NOTICE
 YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on December 20, 2012, a Petition to Transfer Permanent Legal and Physical Custody was filed in Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the children of the above-named parents. A hearing will commence on February 25, 2013, at 10:30 a.m. in the Leech Lake Tribal Courtroom located in Cass Lake, Minnesota. The telephone number is (218) 335-3586 or 3682. You are served with this notice because you are a party to this proceeding. If you fail to appear for this hearing the Court may find you in default and enter an order.

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Child of:
Thelma J. Adams, Mother; and any man who may claim
parental rights to the child, K.A., dob: 1.30.2012
Court File No. CP-12-33

NOTICE
 YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on November 28, 2012, a Petition to Suspend Parental Rights was filed in Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the children of the above-named parents. A hearing will commence on March 11, 2013, at 11:30 a.m. in the Leech Lake Tribal Courtroom located in Cass Lake, Minnesota. The telephone number is (218) 335-3586 or 3682. You are served with this notice because you are a party to this proceeding. If you fail to appear for this hearing the Court may find you in default and enter an order.

Family Division

In Re the Custody of:
Brooke Ella Bowstring, Minor Child,
DOB: 09/14/2010;
Bradley Louis Bowstring, Minor Child,
DOB: 08/31/2011.

Bradley Wayne Bowstring, Petitioner,
 and
 Denise Rose Geshick, Respondent.

ORDER FOR LEGAL PUBLICATION

CASE NO. FA-12-114

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that on May 22, 2012, a Petition for Custody and Parenting Time was filed with the Leech Lake Tribal Court. A Default Hearing will commence on **April 26, 2013, at 9:30 a.m.**, in Leech Lake Tribal Court located in the Leech Lake Facility Center, 16126 John Moose Drive NW, upper level, Cass Lake, Minnesota, to address the issue of suspension of parental rights in the above matter. The hearing may be held by telephone and you may contact the Court at 218-335-3682.

You are served with this notice because you are a party to this proceeding or you are a person whose presence is important for a resolution of this matter. If you, the respondents, fail to appear either in person or by telephone for this hearing, the Court may find you in default and enter an order suspending your parental rights to the above-named children. If you, the plaintiff, fail to appear either in person or by telephone for this hearing, the Court may dismiss this matter.

IT IS SO ORDERED this January, 2013.
 Hon. Paul W. Day, Chief Judge Leech Lake Tribal Court

Family Division

In Re the Adoption of:
J.A.D., DOB: 07/20/2004;
E.D.D., DOB: 03/25/2008.

Joseph B. Day
 & Sherry H. Day, Petitioners,
 and
 Nicole Dannette Day,
 Allen Lee Hookum,
 & Milo Thoreson, Respondents.

ORDER FOR LEGAL PUBLICATION
CASE NO. FA-12-127

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that on January 22, 2013, a Petition for Adoption was filed with the Leech Lake Tribal Court. A Default Hearing will commence on **April 26, 2013, at 11:30 a.m.**, in Leech Lake Tribal Court located in the Leech Lake Facility Center, 16126 John Moose Drive NW, upper level, Cass Lake, Minnesota, to address the issue of suspension of parental rights in the above matter. The hearing may be held by telephone and you may contact the Court at 218-335-3682.

You are served with this notice because you are a party to this proceeding or you are a person whose presence is important for a resolution of this matter. If you, the respondents, fail to appear either in person or by telephone for this hearing, the Court may find you in default and enter an order suspending your parental rights to the above-named children. If you, the plaintiff, fail to appear either in person or by telephone for this hearing, the Court may dismiss this matter.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 26th day of January, 2013.
 /s/ Korey Wahwassuck, Judge of Tribal Court

Family Division

In Re the Marriage of:
 Sadonna Lucille Rodriquez, Petitioner,
 and
 GilbertLeeRodriquez, Respondents.

ORDER FOR LEGAL PUBLICATION
CASE NO. FA-12-580

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that on December 27, 2012, a Petition for Dissolution of Marriage With Children was filed with the Leech Lake Tribal Court. A Default Hearing will commence on **April 26, 2013, at 9:00 a.m.**, in Leech Lake Tribal Court located in the Leech Lake Facility Center, 16126 John Moose Drive NW, upper level, Cass Lake, Minnesota, to address the issue of suspension of parental rights in the above matter. The hearing may be held by telephone and you may contact the Court at 218-335-3682.

You are served with this notice because you are a party to this proceeding or you are a person whose presence is important for a resolution of this matter. If you, the respondents, fail to appear either in person or by telephone for this hearing, the Court may find you in default and enter an order suspending your parental rights to the above-named children. If you, the plaintiff, fail to appear either in person or by telephone for this hearing, the Court may dismiss this matter.

IT IS SO ORDERED this January, 2013.
 Hon. Paul W. Day, Chief Judge Leech Lake Tribal Court

Need Health Insurance?

If you utilize any of the following (at either IHS or Tribal Facilities):
Out Patient or Urgent Care Visits, Pharmacy, Orthopedics, Maternity, Podiatry, Psychiatrist, Physiotherapy, Eye Exams, Dental, X-rays, Hospital Stays or Nursing Homes
then come down to the Health Division and we can help you apply for benefits that help you in obtaining any of the following:

- ~ **Medical Assistance (MA)**
- ~ **Food Support (SNAP)**
- ~ **MN Family Investment Program (MIFP)**
- ~ **Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF)**
- ~ **Emergency Assistance Programs**
- ~ **Social Security or Disability**
- ~ **MN Supplemental Aid (MSA)**
 (Disabled, Elderly or receiving SSI)

We will come to your home to assist you in filling out the application(s). If you need more information, we will be happy to assist you. All our Patients Benefits Coordinators are trained to help you with your application, just give us a call at 335-4500 and ask for:

- ~ **Carol Charnoski** ~ **Angelene Losh** ~
- ~ **Rita Pemberton** ~



Wildfire Safety Tip of the Month



Dead vegetation, leaves and pine needles can act like tinder and your house is the fuel. You can protect your home by taking these few simple steps:

- Keep your roof, rain gutters and window sills free from pine needles, leaves, twigs and other dead plant debris.
- Clear leaves and debris from underneath decks and porches.
- Clear dead trees, bushes and shrubs from around your property.

Remember to review your defensible space annually and take action to keep it survivable. Call DRM wildfire prevention coordinator Office with any questions at (218)335-7439

Interview with Fred Isham

CTAS Application 2013

Thursday, February 28, 2013



On a cold February morning, I had set out to gather some information for our grant application to the Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation, a funding source we apply for annually to supplement our Tribal courts, domestic violence assistance, child welfare and police funding. I was given the name of someone who is currently undergoing rehabilitation in the DWI Wellness Court. When I asked him for the interview, he was very happy to share his story with me. He is a White Earth enrollee in his late thirties and proceeded to tell me about his personal and spiritual growth he has encountered as a result of this program. He said his journey, however, actually began some 14 years ago when there were things happening directing him towards a better life. This began with him being awakened in the middle of the night by four crows. It was happening frequently and he found out later that the crows are symbolic in our culture as a messenger yelling at you to come back to sacred earth. Then he began having dreams about the water drum. Once he got his Indian name and began on the right path, he was told that he was supposed to go to the first degree Midewiwin, but he felt ashamed because of his past drinking and using. When he began Wellness Court, he decided it was time to pursue the Midewiwin lifestyle and teachings.

1. Tell me in what capacity you became involved in the court system?

He got his second DUI and was on probation for the first one, so it was a probation violation. Typically, for a probation violation, one has to sit 30 days in jail. The night before he was to see the judge he prayed to the creator. When he went before the judge, he was asked if he was an alcoholic. He replied, “yes”, and then was asked if he wanted to get help. He said “yes” and was given the option of Wellness Court and was released the next day. To him, it was a sign that he could live his life better.

2. What crime did you get convicted of? What was the outcome?

He got his second DUI in ten years and was offered 18 months of Wellness Court for gross misdemeanor DUI. Felony DUI offenders generally get offered 2 years of Wellness Court. The court seemed caring and believes that people can change. So far he has seen over 10 people graduate from Wellness Court since he has been in the program.

3. Were you sentenced to treatment?

Yes, outpatient.

a. If so, what was the length? He did it 3 times a week and finished his time within a couple months.

b. Have you been in treatment before? He did outpatient in the past but did not complete it because he got a job offer and his probation officer allowed him to quit the program to work.

c. What about the treatment did you find effective? Being in treatment at Leech Lake has been very effective since they take a cultural approach, rather than a clinical approach. Being introduced to cultural and traditions was helpful in his sobriety as well as spiritually.

d. What support system was provided? As part of his agreement, he goes to court every two weeks. He needs to attend support groups four times during those two weeks. Up to 2 times he can attend ceremonies instead of typical AA support groups, which he finds very beneficial. He submits to regular UAs, but notes they were more frequent in the beginning of his program, when he was more likely to drink. The first six months of sobriety was tough and if it wasn’t for the Wellness Court, he would be drinking. With the typical approach of probation it was not very helpful since they wait for you to screw up, then strike you with the consequences. In Wellness Court, the consequences aren’t as severe and they are really there to help you be successful. However certain crimes such as driving after revocation could get a person’s sentence executed and in his case, could put him in prison. So he is very careful and follows the rules diligently.

4. How has your life changed since you were sentenced?

When he was drinking he was angry a lot and didn’t like being cross with people. You can’t avoid the way you feel but you can choose how to act on those feelings. Since doing spiritual ceremonies he has been less likely to yell and listens a lot better.

5. What goals do you have for yourself at this point in your life?

The language and culture are rapidly declining here at Leech Lake. Very few people speak the language fluently, and of those that do, he became alarmed when he heard the statistics that most are elders and will soon be gone. He wants to go back to school to learn and teach Ojibwe. He’s worried about us losing the language because along with the language comes culture and identity.

He owns a A-frame house his father built and would like to finish paying it off. He would like to renovate some parts of his home and make it more comfortable for him and his family.

He will continue Midewiwin teachings to help himself and others. It is important for him to contribute to the healing of this community. He has built a sweat lodge in his backyard after having a dream about it. He was told by his mentor that he needed to get a woman’s permission to do this since the sweat lodge is symbolic of a mother’s womb, and when we go inside we are then able to be reborn. It’s a good place to meet with other men and teach each other what the man’s role is and how to be respectful towards women.

6. With more funding for the Wellness court, what are your ideas on how services can be expanded?

“They do a pretty good job,” he said, adding “I’ve seen a lot of good come from it.” He is glad the reservation is doing this approach rather than the counties. It needs to be tribally-led to infuse the culture.

7. Do you see things changing in a positive way in the community?

He said he does see some small changes occurring. He sees a lot of people coming into sobriety. “People are starting to wake up and live their lives in a better way”. He said a lot of things changed for Natives when they passed the Freedom of Religion Act, but many who grew up in the boarding school era do not feel comfortable talking about the traditions and teachings. He would like to see more value placed on elders. It was very troubling for him one day when he saw an elderly man in a walker carrying his groceries and struggling to make it across a 4 lane highway. “Where was his family?” he asked.

8. Do you know others who have gone through the Wellness Court?

Recently a non-native friend who works at the Palace Casino graduated. He said he seems very happy when he runs into him and not like before when he saw a lot of signs of depression. He also frequently checks the surrounding county jail’s

websites and doesn’t see people from the Wellness Court in custody, which is a good sign the program is working.

9. Do you have any ideas on how funding could be used to help our juveniles?

“If there was any way to implement this type of program for youth it would be successful. There’s a lot of draw to the youth towards gangs since they offer structure and other things that the youth may be missing from their home life. At home, maybe no one gives them nurturing and structure and rules which kids crave. If their mother and/or father do not care for them, gangs will, but in a perverted way.”

He would like more youth to be able to understand who they are and where they came from. Part of learning this comes in a rite of way passage where one goes out into the woods and fasts for several days. In his case, he did it later in life and spent 4 days and 4 nights in the wilderness. When the body and spirit goes through fasting, it helps the little boy spirit going into the spirit of a man. He believes this should be offered to youth as it will help them understand more about themselves since it is a physical and spiritual detoxing. Getting their Indian names is important. Some people may feel that the language and culture are dead, but it truly does help a lot of people. A lot of youth struggle with and long for identity and purpose, and in his own support groups he hears adults wanting the same thing. Programs that implement a cultural healing would be best. “We have ceremonies for everything” he said, noting that it is always important to honor the woman since they are the givers of life. “A lot of women do not understand how important they are; they lose their dignity and self respect if they are drinking and drugging and promiscuous.” “There’s a lot of healing that needs to occur in our community and getting consumed by the sadness can be detrimental. It’s important to take action. In my case, Wellness Court showed me how to find my culture.”

The Cass County/Itasca County/ Leech Lake Wellness Courts are collaborations between the Cass County and Itasca County District Courts and the Leech Lake Tribal Court. The first project started in 2005. Cass County at that time was one of the most deadly counties in Minnesota in terms of alcohol related fatalities. The Wellness Court is designed to address the problem of chronic drunken driving offenses by a combination of treatment, testing and court supervision. The Wellness Court is based on a team approach in which the prosecutor, defense attorney, probation, treatment providers and the judges work together to help offenders find solutions for their lives without mood altering chemicals. In order to graduate, participants must have had a lengthy period of sobriety and be approved for graduation by the Wellness Court team. The success of the programs can be measured by the results. During the first two and one half years of the Cass County/Leech Lake program, there was not a single non appearance by a participant for the weekly court hearings. The recidivism rate is only 6.6%, compared to a recidivism rate of more than 60% nationally and in Minnesota. The biggest impact of the Wellness Courts has been on the individual participants who have changed their lives from dangerous criminals into productive, law abiding, taxpaying citizens who have repaired family relationships and improved their community. The following interview represents a current member of the Wellness Court and his journey towards a better life.

Elder Service Providers Network

MARCH FUNDRAISERS

\$5.00

Tuesday, March 26, 2013
Facility Center Concourse
10:30 until gone

Soup(Chili, Wild Rice, or Bean),
Frybread, Beverage

Silent Auction: Close at 1:00pm

To Support Elder Activities

Minnesota State

Drum & Dance

Competition

Detroit Lake Public Schools
Detroit Lake, Mn.

Detroit Lakes Public Schools is extremely honored to be hosting this year’s **Minnesota State Drum and Dance Competition on Saturday, March 23, 2013. Grand Entry 12:00 Noon, Detroit Lakes Middle School.**

One of our main focuses this year is to have as much media coverage as possible. We want TV, newspapers and cameras from all over the state. We’re hoping to have every tribal newspaper cover this. This is a great opportunity to share our student’s culture and talents for all to see. We will have nationally recognized dancers, singers and tribal members present at the competition. We are working diligently in order to make this the greatest K-12 Drum and Dance Competition ever experienced.

Please make this a priority with your tribal newspaper/media coverage.

Miigwetch....thank you

DL Schools Drum and Dance Committee
 Tom Mason, Director of Competition/Head Coach
 Tara Mason, Regalia Mentor/Coach
 Sue Holt, PACE Coordinator
 DL HS Native American Student Council
 Joe Carrier, NA Ed. Coordinator- jcarrier@detlakes.k12.mn.us 218-847-9228 x4

Teresa Rojas, Assistant Coach
 Miriam Hanson, JOM Chair
 DL Parent Committee

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

The Cass Lake-Bena School District #115 is searching for individuals interested in the following position:

Assistant Principal – Area Learning Center

Effective 2013-14 School Year

Preference given to candidates with a minimum of 3 to 5 years of experience as a high school assistant principal and administrator. This position requires working with high needs youth in grades 7-12. Experience with diverse cultures. This individual will be supervised and reports to the Superintendent. Principal’s license with the state of Minnesota required at the time of the interview.

Send a letter of intent, resume, transcripts, working credentials and a copy of license to:

Dr. Anita Grace,
 Superintendent of Schools
 15308 State 371 NW
 Cass Lake, Minnesota 56633

For more information contact:
 Dr. Anita Grace, Superintendent of Schools
 218/335-2203, ext. 6011 or ext. 1319

Application deadline:
 4:00 p.m., Friday, March 28, 2013
 Posted: March 1, 2013

Northwest Indian OIC



FREE TAX PREPARATION

by Voluntary Income Tax Assistance Program (VITA)

Monday & Tuesday: Day Appointments Required (10am-4pm)
Thursday Evenings (4pm-8pm) & Every other Saturday (12pm-4pm) are by walk-in

What to bring:

- Photo ID
- Birthdates and Social Security numbers for you, spouse and dependents
- Income Statements W-2s for each job
- Year-end income for MFIP, SSI, MSA, GA, veteran's benefits, workers' compensation
- Last year's tax return
- Direct Deposit Info: routing # & account. #
- Receipts for dependents' K-12 educational expenses
- Tuition expense for college
- Interest statements for student loans
- Childcare expenses: providers name, address, Tax ID or social security #
- Homeowner statements: mortgage interest statement, real estate taxes paid (form 1098), Statement of Property Tax Payable in 2013
- Renter Statements: Certificate of Rent Paid

For More Information Please Contact:
Northwest Indian OIC
520 4th St. NW Bemidji, MN 56601
218.759.2022 www.nwioic.org

The **Art from Within** show features artwork that gives a personal and compelling view into the lives of **real people** whose civil liberties, protected under the Bill of Rights, have been challenged. Past exhibits highlighted works by Ojibwe artists as well as individuals impacted by incarceration.

The theme of this year's show focuses on the first 10 amendments of the U.S. Constitution, our Bill of Rights (ex: freedom of religion, freedom of expression, the right to speedy trial, due process, freedom to assemble). Art from Within will be on display for the **month of April 2013** in the Headwaters School for Music, Bemidji. For information on how to apply, please contact the Greater Minnesota Racial Justice Project North at 218-444-2285 or gmrjrp@aclu-mn.org.

Timeline: Application Deadline Extended: March 20, 2013

Art drop-off deadline: March 20, 2013

Opening Reception and Awards: Friday April 5th, 2013

Art Juried; week of April 1st, 2013

Show dates: April 5th – April 27th

Call for Minnesota Artists "Art from Within" 2013



2012 Art from Within award recipients



Gordon Van Wert, "I'm over in my Own Country" Art from Within 2012



Mel Losh, "Quill Box" Art from Within 2012

This show, in its **fourth year**, is sponsored by the Greater Minnesota Racial Justice Project North, a project of the ACLU-MN. *This activity is made possible by the voters of Minnesota through a grant from the*

Region 2 Arts Council, thanks to a legislative appropriation from the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.

This call for entries is open to emerging *or* established artists. **American Indians** from Minnesotan tribes are strongly encouraged to submit entries as well as Minnesota **youth**. If you're non-Native, you must be a resident in Minnesota. This show is open to adults and youth whose lives have been touched by incarceration *and/or* affected by the criminal justice system, directly or indirectly. Artists relationship to the title, "Art from Within" can be literal or metaphorical. Entries will be limited to three (3) pieces of artwork per person. Small cash prizes will be awarded to top entries. Art from Within is a **juried** art show.

To download an application please visit: www.aclu-mn.org For more information, please call 218-444-2285 or email gmrjrp@aclu-mn.org



Northwest Indian OIC



Boiler Engineers Class

Register Now

Deadline 19th March

March 27, April 3, April 10
8:00am - 12:00pm

Course Fee: \$270 per participant

Instructor: Robert Goggleye,

Course Description: This 12 hour course is designed to prepare the prospective engineer to execute his/her job more safely & efficiently & to prepare him/her to take the Minnesota State Boiler Engineers Exam for a Special Engineers License. This course utilizes lecture, audio & visual training methods.

Wednesday Night Drum

@ the Northwest Indian OIC

5:30pm – 7pm

You are welcomed to bring a dish to share or just come & enjoy a refreshment.

GED TUTORING & GED PRE-TESTING

Monday through Friday
2pm-4pm

We pay for testing if you are in the NWIOIC Job Placement Program

GED Testing Dates: 1st and 3rd
Wednesday of Every month

GED Testing Location: 201 15th
Ave. NW Bemidji, MN 56601
(located SE Corner of 15th & Beltrami)

For More Information Please Contact:

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520 4th St. NW Bemidji, MN 56601
218.759.2022 www.nwioic.org
We are located in the BLUE building on the corner of Mississippi Ave and 4th St., south of the Post Office)

LLBO WIC FOR MARCH 2013

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe WIC Program will be holding WIC clinics for the month of MARCH as follows:

WIC CLINICS AT THE NEST

Nutrition Education Sessions and Certifications by appointment only
8:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m. and
1:00 p.m.-3:30 p.m.

Monday: March 4, 11, 18 & 25th
Wednesday: March 6, 13, 20 & 27th
Tuesday: March 5, 12, 19 & 26th
Friday: March 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29th

WIC CLINICS AT OUTLYING CLINICS

1st Thursday, March 7th
Onigum Community Center
Appointments 10am – 12pm

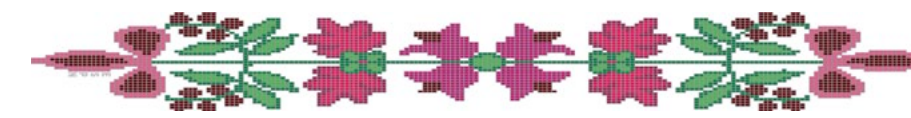
2nd Thursday, March 14th
Inger Clinic
Appointments 10am – 2pm

3rd Thursday, March 21st
Ball Club Community Center
Appointments 10am – 3pm

4th Thursday, March 28th
Bena Clinic
Appointments 10am – 12pm

If you need to schedule a WIC appointment please call
218-335-8386 or 1-866-289-5995.

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Elder Abuse Awareness Conference

Presented by the Elder Service Providers Network

April 16-17, 2013
Grand Casino Hinckley Convention Center
777 Lady Luck Dr. Hinckley, MN

Registration Forms available at the following locations:

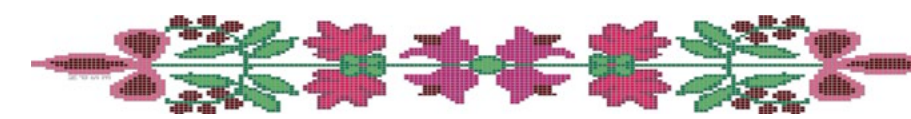
Elder Services Programs Minnesota Chippewa Tribe
Elderly Nutrition Programs

This is an Elder's Event Early Registration is Strongly Encouraged

All registrations received after April 5, 2013 will be considered as on-site registrations

Mail / Fax Registrations:
Minnesota Chippewa Tribe
Sadie Cooper PO Box 217
Cass Lake, MN 56633
Phone: (218) 335-8585
Fax: (218) 335-8496

For more information, please contact:
Fran King
fking@mnchippewatribe.org
Joanne Mulbah
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Obituaries



Audrey Lynn Swan

Audrey Lynn Swan (Paquette) was born April 17, 1964 in Minneapolis, MN to Warren Tibbetts and Celeste Fisher (Paquette). Audrey lost her fight to cancer surrounded by family, friends and loved ones at her home in Pine Point.

Funeral Services for Audrey will be held Thursday, March 7 at 11AM in Pine Point School, Ponsford. Visitation will held Wednesday, March 6 starting at 5PM in Pine Point School with the Smoky Hills Drum Group, followed by the Ojibwe Hymn Singers.

Audrey was bonded in spirit as one to Michael Swan on October 20, 2001 with a traditional Ojibwe wedding. They were again united in marriage on April 20, 2002 with a church wedding. Audrey loved her family, bingo, casino, traveling and her dogs lit Bill and Mya. She had worked at numerous jobs but loved working at the Boys and Girls Club in Pine Point, before staying at home full time taking care of the kids.

Audrey is survived by her husband Mike, children: Derek Greenfeather, James Lussier, Tricia, Derek Jr. and Nevaeh along with her mother: Celeste of Minneapolis, sisters: Carmen Roybal, Anita DeMarr (Terry) both of Cass Lake, Mary Rojas of Mankato, Shayla Perez and Deloris Tibbetts of Cass Lake, brothers: Warren "Tib" Paquette (Thalberta) of Cohasset, MN, Louie Paquette, Marc Kingbird of Cass Lake, Kenny DeMarce of Devils Lake, ND and many nieces and nephews.

Audrey was preceded in death by her father Warren (2005).



Marilyn Kingbird "Oozawaan Inaygook – brown bear"

Marilyn Kingbird, 54, of Bemidji, MN, died Wednesday, February 13, 2013, at Neilson Place in Bemidji.

Traditional Funeral Services will be 10:00 am, Friday, February 15, 2013 at the Bena Community Center in Bena with Spiritual Leader Steve Jackson officiating. A wake will begin 6:00pm, Thursday, February 14, 2013 and will continue until the time of the service. Interment will be at the Lakeview cemetery in Bena, MN under the direction of the Cease Family Funeral Home of Bemidji.

She was born on May 26, 1958, in Cass Lake, MN, the daughter of Silas Jr. and Rosemary (Lyons) Cloud. She was raised and educated in Bena, MN, and also in Minneapolis after moving there with her family during her teen years. She moved to Walker, MN, in 1984, lived in a Cass Lake for a time, and eventually moved to Bemidji. She attended the Bemidji Vo-Tech and attained certification as a CNA. She worked as a CNA at the Cass Lake IHS Hospital and was a stay at home Mom for her kids. She enjoyed playing cards, playing pool, dancing, bird watching, and being around horses. She loved spending time with her children and family.

She was survived by: her children, Gregory James Kingbird Jr. of Duluth, Larissa (Brandon) Raincloud of Ponemah, Randi Gene Kingbird of Minnesota, Mother, Rosemary Lyons Cloud of Cass Lake, Siblings, Birdena (Mike Myers) Lyons of Cass Lake, Sharlene Rose Cloud of St. Peter, Darlene Sandra Cloud of Marshall, Phyllis Ann Cloud of Fargo, ND, Janet Marie Cloud

of Bemidji, Norman Silas Cloud of Moorhead, Adopted brother, Bernard Rock of Cass Lake, Partner, Douglas Fox of Bemidji, 4 Grandchildren, 1 Great-Grandchild, numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her father, son Dustin Leigh Kingbird, siblings Richard Dean Cloud, Fayette Arlene Cloud, and Walter Eugene Cloud. Messages of condolence may be left at ceasefuneralhome.com.



Marilyn Lois Thompson-Wilke

Marilyn Lois Thompson-Wilke, 60, of Cass Lake, passed on February 9, 2013 at the Hennepin County Medical Center surround by her family and friends.

Marilyn loved playing bingo, dancing, spending time and being with her grandchildren.

She was born on January 30, 1953 in Cass Lake, Minnesota, the daughter of Charles and Sylvia (Leith) Thompson.

She was preceded in death by her parents; Charles and Sylvia, sisters; Cherly, Eliza, and Debra, sons; William and Bernard and three grandchildren; Hope, Faith, and Paul.

Marilyn is survived by her husband; John, children; George (Brian), Shelly (Charles), Rhonda (Courtney), Liz, Jackie (Sonic), Karla (Nate), Lorraine (Ron), Wynona, Raymond, Paul, brothers; Charles, Peter, Noel and Chris, sisters; Susan and Laura, numerous grandchildren and 1 great grandchild, many other relatives and friends.

A wake service for Marilyn began at 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, February 12, at the Church of Gichitwaa Kateri 3045 Park Avenue, Minneapolis. The wake will move to the Facility Center in Cass Lake on Wednesday, February 13 and will continue until the 12:00 p.m. service on Friday, February 15, at the Facility Center in Cass Lake, MN. Spiritual

leader for the service will be David "Bubba" Yates. Pallbearers Ron Hulette, Paul Phonseya, Cordney Locke, Marvin Smith, Nate Houle, Cuba Carmona, David Graves and Guy White. Honorary Pallbearers will be Rose Thompson, Danielle Bellanger, Missie Camacho, CeCe Thompson, Tammy Paquette, Terri Paquette, Rosa Brunner and Cassa Thompson. Interment will be held at the Thompsonville Cemetery in Cass Lake following the service.

Arrangements entrusted to Northern Peace Funeral Home of Walker, MN. Online condolences for the family may be given at www.northernpeace.com.



Linda S. Pelkey

Linda Surface Pelkey (Partridge) passed peacefully away in her sleep on February 17, 2013.

She was born September 2, 1946 in Cass Lake MN. She was a mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister, aunt and friend.

She is survived by her eldest son Jon Chad Pelkey (Stacy), their children: Jessica, Dawson and Jaxton. Daughter Jere' Lisa La Pierre (Joe), their children: James Jory, and Janique and grandson Raiden; son Jason Elliott Pelkey, his children: Jason Jr., Andrea and Daniel; her sister Kathleen (Partridge) Meyer (Frank), brother Jim Surface his children Diane and Jason, brother Pat Surface (Donna) and child: Trever, along with many nieces, nephews and cousins in Minnesota.

Linda, a beautiful Native American Equay, had a remarkable ability to forgive and a held an enormous amount of love for others. She touched many lives and shall be dearly missed.

A "Traveling Ceremony" was performed on February 21, 2013 at 6pm by Resident Native American David West for family members at Litewiller-Simonsen Funeral Home & Crematory.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, July 20, 2013 at Winnie Dam.

Craig Michael LaFontaine

Craig Michael LaFontaine, age 50, of Minneapolis Journeyed to the Spirit World on Monday, February 11, 2013 at Hennepin County Medical Center.

He was born on October 11, 1962 in Chicago, Illinois the son of Ernest & Sara J. LaFontaine.

Craig enjoyed teaching Early Childhood Education. He also enjoyed horses, husky dogs and writing. He was an artist and a story teller.

Survived by his father: Ernest LaFontaine of Chicago, Illinois; a brother: Bryce LaFontaine of Minneapolis, Minnesota; sisters: Debbie LaFontaine of Chicago, Illinois Karen LaFontaine of Chicago, Illinois and Patti LaFontaine of Ramsey, Minnesota; other relatives and friends.

Preceded in death by his mother: Sarah J. LaFontaine and a sister: Jacqueline Rivera and by his grandparents, numerous aunts and uncles.

Graveside Services for Craig LaFontaine will be held at St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery in Ball Club, Minnesota.

An all night wake will be held on Thursday, February 14, 2013 at The Ball Club Community Center-Lone Eagle in Ball Club, Minnesota beginning at 7:00 P.M.

Honorary Casket Bearers will be Nelson Vasquez and Michael Rivera.

Casket Bearers will be Dion LaFontaine, Tony Rivera, Eric Perez, Jason White, Gabe Benitez, Kyle Fairbanks, Kevin Fairbanks, Bryce LaFontaine and Brian Perez.

The Chilson Funeral Home in Winsted, Minnesota. Online condolences may be made to www.chilsonfuneralhome.com

The spring fire season is here ! Partnering up for Family Night

It's been a long, cold winter and with the arrival of spring the leech lake wildland firefighters are gearing up for another fire season. They have started by placing smokey fire danger awareness signs in the ball club and cass lake communities.

These signs will notify the public about the current level of fire danger, of which there are 5:

- Low – fires are not easily started.
- Moderate - fires start easily and spread at moderate rate.
- High – fires starts easily and spread at fast rate.
- Very high- fires start very easily and spread at a very fast rate.
- Extreme – the fire situation is explosive and can result in extensive property damage.

Be sure and keep these fire dangers in mind as you anxiously await to burn leaf piles and grass.

If you haven't already burning permits are available at the main office of the DRM, from the leech lake wildland firefighting manager Duane Bebeau, or from any of the leech lake reservation conservation officers.

Be safe and remember...
ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDFIRE!

The leech lake wildland firefighting prevention coordinator Robert Gotchie

It was a packed house as you walked into the Deer River High School (DRHS) commons area on the night of December 19th. The event, Family Night, was a partnership between Deer River School District's Indian Education organization and the S.T.E.P. Coalition and Movement campaign. S.T.E.P. is made up of Independent School District (ISD) 317 youth and a group of parents, business owners, and community members. Its goal is to delay and reduce alcohol use in area youth. S.T.E.P. and the Family Night were funded by a \$1 million grant through the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Division of the Minnesota Department of Human Services (MN DHS-ADAD).

Families shared a wild rice casserole and ham dinner, with cake for dessert. It was also a night full of prizes for all ages. Names were drawn to win books, gift cards and hotel stays. Young and old could put their talents to use by making dream catchers or Christmas stockings made from felt. Or, if you wanted to get your blood pumping and legs moving you could have joined in on the dodgeball tournament. Santa Claus (played by Sherman Obey) even made a showing. More than 200 people participated in the night's festivities.

"Collaboration with the S.T.E.P. Coalition is natural for our program; we have the same goals, like providing guidance and advice for our future leaders. Providing alternative activities and education for alcohol and other drug use abatement is needed in all our communities including our school," said Gerald White of the DRHS Indian Education Program.

The following adults volunteered their time to put the event together. Heather Schjenken oversaw the dodgeball and bean bag tournament. Doreen Johnson helped make Christmas stockings with the families. Lynn Evans and Beatrice Goggleye taught attendees how to make dream catchers. Singer/songwriter Anne Humphrey played musical instruments with the kids. Patty Bitner provided information on substance abuse. Other volunteers include: Tanis Henderson, Pam Thompson, Laurie Alger, Sara Wakanabo and Amanda Young Running Crane.



Families make their way through the meal line at the Indian Education/S.T.E.P. Coalition Family Night.



A large group of young people get the rules to the Indian Education/S.T.E.P. Coalition Family Night dodgeball tournament.

Entertainment

NORTHERN LIGHTS EVENT CENTER



March 16th
King of the Cage
MMA
7:00 pm
Tickets: \$29/\$38/\$47



April 20th
Gabriel Iglesias
"Fluffy"
6:30 & 9:00 pm
Tickets: \$29/\$36



May 4th
Little River Band
7:00 pm
Tickets: \$24/\$30



May 20th
T. G. Sheppard
6:00 pm
Tickets: \$11/\$16

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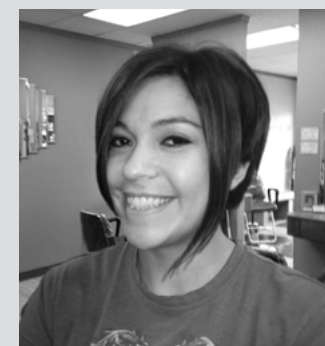
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MARCH BIRTHDAYS

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Lorraine White



Wishing you a Happy Birthday!

District I office Robbie, Penny, & Sarah