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Native Nations Night at the Sanford Center in Bemidji

For the second year in a row the Sanford Center in Bemidji honored its relationship with American Indian people. "We have a great relationship with Sanford, and I am really happy that things like this are continuing. It's important that we all recognize our time and place in history and the lessons that can emanate from coming together and partnering," said Chairwoman Carri Jones, a Bemidji State Graduate.

Native Nations Night was Friday February 28, 2014. The night's events featured discount tickets for all tribal members as well as a ceremonial puck-drop with the three top leaders from the closest reservations to Bemidji which included Chairwoman Carri Jones from Leech Lake, Chairwoman Erma Vizenor from White Earth, and Chairman Floyd Jourdain from the Red Lake Reservation. It was a festive evening with Ojibwe dancers and drummers to help usher in an evening of a more cultural atmosphere. In addition to Native Nations night, the Sanford Center continued its welcome for the area's American Indian population and edification of the non-Indian community by participating in Bemidji's Ojibwe Language Project. Specifically, there are Ojibwe/English words posted throughout the center marking entryways, bathrooms, and in the parking lot in the form of animal names.

Along with the cultural aspect of paying homage to two cultures and continuing relationships and partnerships, a special guest was invited to help underline the evening's theme. Former American Indian hockey legend Henry Boucha, of Warroad, was a special guest. An Olympic champion, Boucha had a large booth filled with hockey memorabilia and he did a book signing. Mr. Boucha was a silver medalist with the men's US hockey team in 1972.

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Chippewa National Forest Extends Accolade



A National Partnership Award was bestowed upon the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe from Kathleen Atkinson this past March. The award is an indication of the growing relationship that has been fostered by both the Chippewa National Forest (CNF) and the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe.

Kathleen Atkinson is the Eastern Region's new regional forester for the CNF located in Milwaukee Wisconsin, Atkinson transferred to the regional office from the Forest Service's national headquarters in Washington, D.C. where she served as associate deputy chief for business operations.

Tribal Gathering Rights

Leech Lake Division of Resource Management

Recently there have been concerns over Band member's right to gather firewood. It is important for Band members to remember that our rights are not granted by any government. The Leech Lake Division of Resource Management has been delegated the authority to enforce tribal laws within the exterior boundaries of the Leech Lake Indian Reservations.

A treaty is "not a grant of rights to the LLBO but a grant of rights from them." The purpose of a treaty was not to give rights to the LLBO but to remove rights they had. LLBO have many rights in addition to those described in treaties. In fact, any right not expressly extinguished by a treaty or federal statute is reserved to the tribe. This fundamental principle of Indian law is known as the "reserved rights doctrine." When Band members exercise their rights we are also preserving those rights and it is the responsibility of all Leech Lake Band members to protect these rights. The LLDRM has always had the policy of developing laws that are relevant to tribal use and impacts to our resources that make sense to the way we are using our resources.

The Division of Resource Management has received calls from citizens asking if they can harvest firewood for personal use. The ANSWER to that question is tribal members can lawfully gather firewood for personal use on all public lands (LLBO, State, National Forest, County, Etc...) within the exterior boundaries of the Leech Lake Indian Reservation. If any individual has any questions about this issue or is interfered with while exercising these rights please contact Levi Brown at (218)308-0806 or Jaime Mitchell (218) 368-4767.

Miigwetch,
Levi Brown, Director
Environmental-Land Department
Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe

ELECTION CALENDAR 2014

- March 31:** Notify MCT on choice of appellate forum.
- April 1:** **Primary (Polling places open from 8am until 8pm)**
- April 2:** General Reservation Election Board certifies Primary Results. (Prior to 8:00 p.m.)
- April 3:** General Reservation Election Board publishes Primary Results.
- April 4:** Deadline for Request for Recount. (Filed with General Election Board prior to 5:00 p.m.)
- April 8:** 4:30 p.m. - Deadline for Contest of Primary Election. (Filed with Reservation Election Judge and Executive Director of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe).
- April 9:** Decision on Request for Recount and Results of Recount. *(Results, if allowed or 7th or 8th if earlier request)*
- April 18** Deadline of Decision on Contest *(or 10 days following the day the Notice of Contest was Filed):*
- April 21 (or within 3 days of decision on Contest)** 4:30 p.m. - Deadline for Appeal to Court of Election Appeals. Tribe and with reservation tribunal rendering decision.
- April 24** Record of Contest to Court of Election Appeals. *(or with 3 days upon receipt of Notice to Appeal):*
- April 28:** Last Day for Hearing on Appeal (hearing within 7 days notice of appeal).
- May 8:** Last Day for Decision on Appeal (10 days from hearing on appeal).
- May 9:** Notice of Regular Election TEC provides ballots
- June 10:** **General Election (Polling Places open from 8am until 8pm)**
- June 11:** General Reservation Election Board certifies results of Election. Prior to 8:00 p.m.
- June 12:** General Reservation Election Board publishes Election results.
- June 13:** Deadline for Request for Recount. (Filed with General Election Board prior to 5:00 p.m.)
- June 17:** 4:30 p.m. - Deadline for Notice of Contest. (Filed with Reservation Election Judge and Executive Director of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe.)
- June 18** Decision on Request for Recount and Results of Recount, if allowed. *(or 17, 16, if request for Recount is filed before deadline):*
- June 27,** Deadline Decision on Contest *(or ten days from Notice of Contest, which-ever is sooner):*
- July 1 (or within days of decision** 4:30 p.m. - Deadline for appeal to Court of Election 3 Appeals. Filed with Executive Director of the

on Contest): Minnesota Chippewa Tribe and Reservation Tribunal rendering Decision

July 5 Record of contest forwarded to Court of Election Appeals. *(or within 3 days upon receipt of Notice to Appeal):*

July 8: Last Day for Hearing on Appeal (hearing within 7 days notice of appeal).

July 8: Winning candidates assume office by operation of law, unless sooner seated, or the election is subject of appeal to the Court of Election Appeals.

10 days from Hearing on Appeal:

Deadline for decision of the Court of Elections Appeal.

Day following Decision of Appeal:

Winning candidate prevailing on appeal takes office.

The following LLBO candidates were certified to run for the office of:

Secretary/Treasurer

Donald J. Finn
 Arthur "Archie" LaRose
 Eugene "Ribs" Whitebird
 Faron Jackson, Sr.
 Noel "Ole" Thompson, Sr.
 Donald J. Headbird
 Louise "Weedy" Masten
 Lance A. Kingbird
 Jennie (Wind) Reyes
 Nancy Beaulieu
 Rebecca Chase
 Herschel J. Ogema, Sr.

District I Representative

Burton "Luke" Wilson
 James Howard
 Penny DeVault
 David A. Cronin
 Milton Gotchie
 Lisa Kingbird Gullickson
 Roseanne Wilson
 Phillip Johnson
 Christina Bowstring
 Tami K. Jackson (Bowstring)

District II Representative

Steven W. White
 Arnold J. Dahl
 Thomas Chase

Bug O Nay Ge Shig School

4 positions opening for the 2014 Election.

District I has 1 position opening
District II has 1 position opening
District III has 2 positions opening

LL Housing Authority

3 positions opening for the 2014 Election

District I has 1 position opening
District II has 1 position opening
District III has 1 position opening

The School board & Housing - elections will be held in conjunction with the Leech Lake General Election on June 10, 2014 at the precinct polling sites from 8am to 8pm.

The timeline to sign-up is from April 7 through May 9, 2014. Candidates may sign-up at the Tribal offices.

Approved Forms of Voter Identification

Photo Identification:

(ID must be valid)

- Tribal ID with current address
- State ID with current address
- If Tribal or State ID has a former address, you may bring a recent utility bill to use with your ID
- Id issued by the U.S. government
- U.S. passport
- U.S. Armed forces ID
- Student ID
- Employee ID

Non-photo Identification:

(ID must show name and current address of the voter)

- Current Utility Bill
- Current Bank Statement
- Current Paycheck
- Government Check

Utility bill must come from utility company, have your name, current address, and be due within 30 days of the election. Utility bills may be for electric, gas, water, solid waste, sewer, telephone, or cable TV.

PRIMARY ELECTION NOTICE

A Primary Minnesota Chippewa Tribal Election of the LEECH LAKE Reservation Business Committee a/k/a Tribal Council will be held on April 1, 2014 to fill the following positions:

ELECTION DATE:

April 1, 2014

POLLS OPEN: 8am- 8pm

Will be open (the enrollment office too) from 8:00am to 4:30pm
 Saturday March 22, 2014

POLLING PLACES:**DISTRICT I:**

Inger – Community Center
 Ball Club – Community Center
 Squaw Lake – Community Center

DISTRICT II:

Bena – Community Center
 Sugar Point – Community Center
 Smokey Point/Kego Lake -
 Community Center

DISTRICT III:

Cass Lake – **Dikinaagan Center Mission – (has changed)**
Ten Lakes Town Hall
 Onigum – Community Center
 Cass River – Community Center
 Oak Point – Community Center

*** GENERAL RESERVATION ELECTION BOARD**

ABSENTEE VOTING

Che-Wa-ka-E-Gon Complex
 6530 Hwy 2 NW Cass Lake, MN 56633

BEMIDJI VOTING PRECINCT

Bemidji City Hall Council Chambers
 317 4th St. NW Bemidji, MN 56601

TWIN CITIES VOTING PRECINCT

Minneapolis American Indian Center
 1530 E. Franklin Minneapolis, MN

DULUTH VOTING PRECINTC

202 W. 2nd St. Duluth, MN 55802

DULUTH VOTING PRECINCT

The Leech Lake Band opened at new satellite office in Duluth MN, located at 202 West 2nd Street. Initially the office is offering intake documentation so the location can designate needed services to the Band members in Duluth.

A voting precinct for Leech Lake Band members living in the Duluth area is being organized and will be located in the same building as the new Leech Lake office at 202 West 2nd street in Duluth for the April 1st primary.

- You will not be able to vouch for individuals if they do not have an ID
- Campaigning/Electioneering (Candidates included)
will not be allowed within 200 feet of ANY polling precinct
or the Cass Lake Election Board Office!

Elect Jennie (Wind) Reyes

For Secretary/Treasurer

Ahneen, my name is Jennie (Wind) Reyes and I am running for Secretary/Treasurer of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe. A vote for me is a vote for YOU, and this I mean.....you will all be kept updated and involved in decisions that affect each and every one of us. I have 35 years experience with budgets and accounting.

I am tired of being sad and broken hearted from all the deaths of our YOUNG CHILDREN. I say young because they are dying before their time. We shouldn't be burying our young from drugs/alcohol/gangs.

We all should want to create an open and ethical government that our people can be proud of---one that treats all our people fairly and with dignity. My visions for Leech Lake:

- Treatment Center on our reservation-help/guide/love our addicts with the whole family involved.
- Elders—free plowing, garbage, lower rent, heating, food
- Youth—every opportunity to succeed in whatever they choose.
- Drug Free Community—safe for everyone
- Solar Heat----other sources of Heating, Environmental friendly
- Update our programs to deal with—chronic social problems which have plague our people.
- Land—Businesses, Treatment Center, Housing complexes for our elderly & young families, single mothers/fathers.
- Tribal Members WORKING
- Our hunting, fishing, gathering and bartering rights.....rights which we NEVER GAVE UP.

Working together with members of the Tribal Council, employees, other government entities and caring community members can make our visions become reality.

Please join me in OUR quest for a brighter future! It is a rough road that leads to the heights of greatness! I'm just so excited to know that WE can change and make a lot of different. So many ideas I have and I know you have great ideas. Your opinions, your dreams, your heartbreaks, your setbacks, your victories, your hopes..... I take to my heart!

Migwetch

Want to talk, I'll listen!! My cell # 556-8628.



Donald "Mick" Finn

For Secretary/Treasurer

Re-elect Donald "Mick" Finn LLBO Secretary-Treasurer on April 1st & June 10th.

Working together for a brighter future

People of Leech Lake:

It has truly been a humbling and honorable experience serving as **YOUR** Secretary/Treasurer, and I am very hopeful that you will entrust me to continue in this office so we can continue to work together to create the bright future we deserve.

Since I was elected 2 ½ years ago, we have made strides in moving Leech Lake forward, but we must continue. It is not my job to please everyone; it is my job to make decisions that are in the best interests of Leech Lake. That is the way I have conducted myself in office. I am not beholden to anyone except the electorate of the Leech Lake people. I do not "owe" my office to any individual or private business. I owe it to the good people of Leech Lake. I have not forgotten that, and I continually work for all of you.

I am always open to new ideas and suggestions from our people. Please call me at (218) 760-8071 if you have anything you would like to discuss. I know candidates are running around promising the world. I have only ever promised that I would do the best job I could for the people. I have always and will continue to fulfill that promise as long as I am Secretary/Treasurer.

Nobody is perfect and there is always room for improvement. But we have come a long way. I am not in this race for personal gain. I am in this race to continue the work of uniting our people toward the goal of stronger, vibrant communities through strengthening our sovereignty and creating lasting reform. I believe we are on the cusp of achieving stability and growth within the next two elections.

Now is not the time to look back. Now is the time to look toward the future with hope and optimism. Re-elect Mick Finn Leech Lake Secretary/Treasurer.

Miigwech!



Noel "Ole" Thompson

For Secretary-Treasurer

I would like to begin by giving a big thank you to all of those I have met and have invited me into their homes during this election season. It has been a pleasure and very enlightening to interact with the community and discuss our thoughts and ideas. When elected as your Secretary/Treasurer I will continue to interact with our community

and bring your concerns to the council and we will all work hard as a team to make our reservation thrive. I, Noel "Ole" Thompson am here to work for you, I will be your voice. As I mentioned before, I am not running for office for my own personal

gain. I am here to serve our great community and our wonderful people in order to help us become more progressive and thrive as a reservation. To show this I will donate half of my salary when elected to the trust accounts set up for the Leech Lake youth. The children are our future and it is important to help them any way we can to be successful. I want to bring more locally operated business to the area to create jobs for our people and to keep our money in the community. Together as a team, we can do great things! So on April 1st 2014 vote Noel "Ole" Thompson Secretary/Treasurer!

Please feel free to contact me anytime if you would like to know more about my ideas and I would sure like to hear yours as well. Ole #218-390-9246.



REBECCA CHASE

FOR LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE
SECRETARY-TREASURER

Vision: Strong Foundation, Economic Growth, Fiscal Responsibility, Education, Accountability, Integrity, Growth, and Prosperity Using Knowledge, Experience, and Hard Work.

I respectfully ask for your support and vote during this upcoming election for the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Secretary-Treasurer. My solid education and experience in Finance will help in achieving and setting goals. I will establish programs for personal development, personal finance, and job skills trainings. It is difficult to accomplish goals without a plan. We need to develop short and longer terms goals, we must develop strong financial, economic, and social plans so our people can grow and prosper.

STRONG FOUNDATION: In order to achieve success we must build a strong foundation for our communities, government, and enterprise. Focusing on the people will guide our tribal government to work for the community.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: We must strengthen and expand our current businesses so they are self sufficient and revenue generating and put new emphasis on other profitable business ventures.

FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY: We must become fiscally responsible in commerce and allocation of our resources. Our economic goals must not be the status quo, but growth.

EDUCATION: Scholarships funding is a priority issue and I will ensure resources by collaborating with existing vendors whom we conduct business with to invest in scholarship programs.

ACCOUNTABILITY: We must all be accountable in our positions and making sure we are making decisions that benefit all band members.

INTEGRITY: Our core values revolve around integrity and honor. I will keep the Anishinabe values in mind and work together with other Tribal Council representatives to refocus our attention to better serve our great nation.

Contact Information: Cell: 218-407-5623

Email: chase.rebecca@gmail.com

Facebook: Vote Rebecca Chase

"We will never influence the world by trying to be like it" - Unknown



Faron Jackson, Sr.

For Secretary-Treasurer

We are at the crossroads of another important election. Let us think about our children and grandchildren. Let us make good decisions today, so they will have a better tomorrow.

I.C,W.A. has to be revamped. Our people should be running our program; people that understand our culture, our family ways. That law was lobbied for by Indian people in Washington; they worked hard to get that law established. It was enacted to keep our families together, not separate them.

Let us make a new choice; be the change we want for Leech Lake Vote for the one you feel would be fair, honest and respectful to you and your family, and make good decisions for Leech Lake.

We have come to a fork in this road again; we can go on the same road we are on now, we can go left which is the direction we came from, or we can choose to turn right and start a new path.

What we decide today, could influence our choices tomorrow. Many decisions we make as Leech Lakers are linked over time. Let's stop complaining, get involved, set a new path. The time has come to select a new leader.

Set your aspirations high, don't settle for the status quo, with the same results. The ability to make smart choices is a fundamental life skill. It's the upbringing that was instilled in us by our parents.

We must all decide what direction is best for Leech Lake and ultimately ourselves and our families. Let us together be the change we want for our families and Leech Lake.

As your Secretary-Treasurer I would protect and carefully manage our finances and our assets, which include our people.

Let's not get fooled again on April 1st. Vote Faron Jackson, Sr. an honest man.



Christina Bowstring

For District I Representative

Iam running for Leech Lake Reservation District 1 Representative because many changes are occurring in Indian country. I believe now is the time to embrace the voice of the people, unify our strengths and work collectively to build healthy communities. Our families and children need strong communities in order to grow in a healthy manner.

I am the mother of four sons and one daughter, and grandmother to two beautiful grandchildren. I live in Inger village and am currently employed as a Family Support Specialist in the Child Protection program, Leech Lake Department of Human Services. Every day I see the adversities our community members face. I can relate to their difficult living conditions and economic hardships that result from limited resources because I endured those same circumstances with my own family.

I am actively involved in our community. I have been serving on the Chippewa National Forest Resource Advisory board for the last 4 years, and will continue to serve another two years. I've also been a member of the Itasca Area Initiative for student success for the last four years, and two years as a member of the Circle of Healing, which focuses on Historical Trauma amongst Native American peoples.

It is my greatest hope to be able to serve in this leadership capacity to create a stable and secure future for our next seven generations. We must hold true to our traditional and cultural values, keeping them at the forefront as we move confidently forward developing and strategizing together to ensure we achieve our dream of communities that are healthy in all ways: emotionally, mentally, physically and spiritually.

I look forward to serving the people of District One in Leech Lake. I encourage all members of the community to exercise your right to vote and be heard.

Penny De Vault

For District I Representative

Aaniin,

If elected my first priority would be to assure that all members of District I are treated with respect and receive fair treatment in our various programs. To achieve success I would like to propose and develop a satellite office in a central location in District I to operate on a daily basis.

I will be present at various meetings to promote self awareness of our heritage and our many gifted and talented people of District I. We have educated band members that are qualified to be directors and managers. I would like to see our band member preference exercised more often and foremost. Should I be elected I would have the authority to address policies of all divisions concerning the treatment of our employees and services provided to our people.

I was employed at LLTC where I went from a federal work study student answering phones to Dean of Student Services, at the Health Division I started as the Office Manager and later became the Health Director. As District I Executive Assistant for over six years I've gained knowledge and firsthand experience that I feel is necessary to effectively represent the people of District I.

I'm concerned about the health and well being of our elders. As a child I spent a lot of time with my grandparents. I was taught that they are a very important part of our culture. In hindsight I became aware of their special needs as they aged as well as the wealth of knowledge they hold. I would like to evaluate and enhance programs that are critical of their needs and include them in important decisions in our District.

Last but not least, we have to invest in our most valuable asset which is our children, I was told by my grandmother they are not ours they are gifts from the creator in which we care for a treasure. I would like to review and evaluate our current programs such as Youth Division and ICWA and hopefully make many improvements.

*Miigwetch
Penny De Vault*



James Howard Sr.

For District I Representative

Ahneen, my name is James Howard Sr. I reside on the Leech Lake Reservation near the village of Inger, MN. My family includes my wife, Laura and 5 children and 2 grandchildren. I am currently employed by the Leech Lake Gaming Division as the manager of the Transportation Department.

First of all, I would like to thank all the people of District One for the support of the candidate of their choice. It is very important that we all support people that can and will present our views in tribal office. I would like the opportunity to promote your concerns as District One Representative.

I have decided to run for this elected position because of my concerns for our future and the future of our children. Also, I am very concerned about the state of the Band and will work hard for the betterment of all.

Issues and Concerns

Economic Development and Planning: Leech Lake Reservation needs a proactive and viable program to address our needs. We need insure there is enough trained labor, look at development of cottage industries and lure more businesses to our reservation. And it cannot happen without full cooperation from the elected tribal council and the employees of the band.

Education: Band members trained and educated are important for the advancement of the Band. From Headstart to the Tribal College, all should have equal opportunities to get a good education. Additionally, with the rising cost of postsecondary education, we need to allocate enough funding to our Tribal members so they may achieve their goals.

Housing: Improving and new construction.

Enrollment: The requirements of enrollment in our tribe needs to be reviewed. The future of our Band depends on the enrollment of our children.

Other issues include employment opportunities, protecting our natural resources, the dangers of drugs and alcohol abuse, building up of our land base.

Thank you for your time and would appreciate your support in the upcoming election.



Phillip Johnson

For District I Representative

Hello my name is Phillip Johnson and I humbly ask you for your support in the upcoming election.

My mother is Betty Jenkins (Johnson) and father is Nathan Jenkins, I grew up in the Winnie Dam and Inger area. I am married to Lacy(Gotchie) and together we have 4 children, Kionna ,Kaelynn, Kendall, And Kaison. My children and wife are my inspiration.

I believe in the open door policy and will always be available to listen to your concerns. Each community has it's own identity and needs.

I would push for upgrades in the Inger and Ball Club community centers, with access to technology for community members and youth. New centers are also needed in S-Lake and Winnie Dam.

My main concern is the growing drug program in our communities, we must work together to fight this growing problem. Everyone is affected in one way or another by it, and we need to work together and pool our resources against it.

I encourage everyone to vote and to have a voice, regardless which way you go. Bringing a positive change for our reservation begins and ends with you.

I will be honest and work hard if elected. I will represent Leech Lake in a positive respectful manner and with a clear voice that represents the many, not just the few. If you have any questions or concerns please contact me anytime, 218-360-9489.

Miigwetch!!

Burton “Luke” Wilson

Dear Friends and relatives of District 1:



It is again a pleasure for another opportunity to include my education and work experience throughout my life. I am a high school graduate of Deer River High School, an AA degree in Accounting and Business Administration from Globe Business College and a Mechanical Engineering degree from North Hennepin Community College. I have had several training courses and certificates for management, ethics, computers, suicide prevention, chemical dependency, Adolescent Development, Train the Trainer offered by the Minnesota Human Services Native American Department. My employment experience began with two years working with the City of Mpls in Accounting, 31 years as mechanical, design engineer and general manager of Nystrom Constructors Inc. and Fabrico Inc. in the twin cities.

I have worked as Facility Manager for Leech Lake for two years before being elected as District 1 Rep. from 2001 – 2006. I developed Leech Lake's first Adolescent Chemical Dependency Outpatient program in 2006. I have since worked as Addictions and Dependencies Operations Manager, Rule 25 Assessor and Men's Halfway House Manager. I am a licensed Chemical Dependency Counselor, CADC I with 33 years sobriety.

Currently I am the Ball Club Local Indian Council Chairman. I have been married 47 years to my beautiful wife Linda “Gotchie” Wilson and have five children. I started Winnie Dam AA in 1999 and since moved it to Ball Club. My initiative is to create better resources on and off the reservation for District 1 membership. I will concentrate on economic development, employment, transportation and housing. I will start with the poorest that have been overlooked. I am an elder that will listen and take action.

I am requesting your vote in this very important primary election on April 1st. Please contact me at (218) 360-1557 or email burtonlwilson218@yahoo.com.

Mii gwetch,

Burton “Luke” Wilson,

District 1 Representative Candidate

Elect Rose Wilson

District 1, LLBO, RTC

(Mino Bimaadizhiwin)



I am a member of the LL Band of Ojibwe and I believe that the people of our communities should be the voice. I have 21 years of work service on the LL Reservation and served on several committees to show my full dedication to our people. I have experienced first, hand the hardships that all of you have faced, but I am fully aware of the beauty of the people and the culture that yet is, to be truly revitalized. We will walk together as our ancestors did, no, one, will be left behind. Dedication will be to its fullest by experience of my accountability, responsibility, visibility and reliability.

There are many issues that will be focused on. Your ideas are the most important and will be acknowledged. All will be notified by website/newsletter and phone. If I gain the honor of Dist. 1 rep. I will ensure that our people here and off reservation are not forgotten.

I will offer up a percentage of my income in revitalize the traditions and culture that kept our people healthy and happy for generations. Beginning with ojibwe language, will work and maintain language tables as well as focusing attention on cultural gifts of beadwork, birch bark, drum/dance, singing, the cultivation and harvesting of wild rice/syrup. Important to establish market line for our people that manifest these gifts to create income and economic development that draws from and stays in the community. We have lost and are losing too many people to substance abuse, will be a primary focus to revitalize language, culture and the identity. Bring renewed positive, energy of biimaadizhiwin (life) back and be proud. It would be my honor to take on the responsibility of being accountable and to allow your voice to become our voice, we can create a positive change together. I will show you that accountability, unity, caring, selflessness, and community are not just ideas of the past, but can be brought to life again today. Chii-Miigwitch, Rose Wilson

Your vote is greatly appreciated, Chii-Miigwitch, Rose Wilson



Milton Gotchie

For District 1 Representative

Hello, my name is Milton Gotchie. I am a graduate of Deer River High School and the Leech Lake Tribal College. I'm currently finishing my Degree in the Social Work program at Bemidji State University.

My parents are Phyllis Gotchie and the late Leo Gotchie Sr. I have lived in District One (1) most of my life with my two (2) sons, Sevron and Skye. I was raised in a family with my ten (10) siblings, this is where I feel I have obtained my

values and beliefs.

I've had the opportunity to work in a variety of positions for the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe. My opportunities were in the following; Leech Gaming (Blackjack Department), Planning Division, Youth Division, Internal Audit, and my current position, Job Counselor with Leech Lake Employment Services program.

I had the pleasure of serving as the Chairman of the Ball Club Local Council. Also, I

have been alcohol and drug free for the past 13 years.

One priority is we need to find responsible ways to manage our money so we can provide our band members more than a \$200 tax rebate.

We need to find better ways to invest in our future with new business opportunities to put more funds into our programs.

- Keep an open door policy for all district members so they can come and visit with District representative.
- JOBS-We need to offer more hands on employment opportunities, such as manufactory jobs
- Recognize our elders and develop more support services for them. Our elders should be on our priority list of services given.
- Continue to give support to our youth and identify more funding for youth programming.
- Build an inpatient treatment center that can offer treatment to individuals who choose to live chemical free. A treatment center can generate needed revenue through billing for services rendered.
- Let's look into Constitutional Reform. We need to look into parts of our constitution that requires a closer look at revising.

Mii-Gwitch

Steve White

District II Representative

In my last submission I talked about things that have been happening since I was elected in 2010 like: the new Sugar Point community center, new Boy River bridge, new head-start at Sugar Point, two wage increases for LLBO employees, one in 2010 and one that just got started on March 9, the new natural resources sub-committee for MCT that I chair.

These are some of the things that I have been working on for District II in the past few years. I also have been active with Leech Lake Housing and advocating for employees whenever I can help out our hard working band members.

I have noticed people walking along Hwy 2 in Bena and I would like to get a walking trail put in alongside that road. It is very dangerous, and I don't want to see anyone get hurt there. Along with that I am in the process of getting the dirt roads in Bena paved so that they are safer for travel.

Also, the area of District II is very rural, and I would like to see a convenience store at the intersection of Hwy 8 and 200. Band members have to travel very long distances to find essential supplies and this would cut that travel in half mostly. This would also help generate revenue as the only stores along this stretch are in Remer and in Walker.

We have several accomplishments to celebrate but we also have many projects we need to complete and obstacles to overcome. I have been grateful to have such cooperative advisors in each community. Our LIC's continue to thrive each meeting and have become a valuable asset by providing accurate and adequate representation for each unique area. I would love to have the opportunity to build on these relationships and use our knowledge and networking to achieve positive things for our people.

One emphasis I will continue and will always hold as a priority is providing communities with events to bring us together in a positive aspect. Such as the recently held District 2 Winter-Fest, the Kids Perch Jerk and other community based activities held in the past.



Arnold J. Dahl

For District II Representative

I am honored for the opportunity to run for District II. I currently own the Winnie Store in Bena and reside there. I learned how hunting, fishing, ricing and berry picking could help and sustain our families, and how important sovereignty laws were to all of us. I learned from my elders how to sustain our history without sacrificing our futures, and the importance of Community.

I graduated Cass Lake High School in 1989 and continued on with my education and graduated Bemidji State University with an Associate of Arts Degree in 1995. Other educational training courses I received are Child Development and Special Education, Tribal Law, Public Speaking, Corporate Budgeting, Business Management, Microsoft Excel Spreadsheets and Design and Human Relations. I have been active in Public Speaking for Minority Issues, Equality Rights and Anti-Bullying.

For many years I have been continuously working for the betterment and safety of our community and our tribe. I have implemented several successful charity events such as WinnieFEST, Nightscreams and Help Santa Help Others. All of these events have helped our Youth, our Homeless and our Elders. Not only were we able to assist these charities, but were also able to bring forth much needed positive media to our developing community.

I believe in community working together and making a difference. I do not assume to know "what is good for my community" if I do not listen to the needs of the people. That's why I want to work closely with the people in my district. I look forward to working with you, the L.I.C., our youth, our families and our elders. I have been proudly serving our community for several years already, and I look forward to working with you for our future.

Mii-Gwitch



Food Distribution Eligibility

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All persons residing within the Leech Lake reservation boundaries, as well as any person enrolled in a federally recognized Indian tribe residing near the reservation boundaries. Enrollment must be verified. Food Distribution Is an alternative to SNAP (supplemental nutrition assistance program).

Eligibility requirements: Effective Oct. 1st 2013

Household Size	Monthly Income Limit
1	\$1,110
2	\$1,445
3	\$1,780
4	\$2,126
5	\$2,489

Each additional member add \$335

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- Address- must verify residency.
- Income- most current taxes, check stubs, etc.
- Social Security Number(s)
- Tribal identification (if applicable)
- Legal land description of residence (if not a tribal member)

Deductions: **Must have proof that current payment has been made.

**Dependent care deduction are allowed for actual costs paid monthly to a non-household member.
 **Legally required child support payments to non-households members, documentation required.
 **Medicare, part B (medical insurance) and Medicare part D (prescription drug premiums).
 **Medical expense for elderly or disabled who incur out of pocket expense paid in excess of \$35.
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Tribal College Basketball Teams Finish Inaugural Year

There are challenges and growing pains with building a basketball team from the ground up. There are basic questions of infrastructure, personnel, and travel to name just a few. If you are tasked with starting a new team, the Leech Lake area is a great place to start. For the last twenty years Cass Lake-Bena High School has turned out a steady stream of winning teams and talented players on the Men's and Women's side, and other area schools have turned out talented athletes as well. "This is a chance for our local stars to come and not only get an education," said head coach Brady Fairbanks, "but to showcase their basketball talents as well." Fairbanks knew it was going to take a lot of work to build a successful program, and he had some ambitious goals for the team, which joined the National Junior College Athletic Association Division III level and play in the Northern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (NIAC).

The short recruiting period between the decision to launch the teams and the start of the school year led to some growing pains. "Most of the players we're recruiting this year have been out of school for quite a while and that's a challenge. A lot of our student athletes are faced with working full time, having kids, and family obligations as well as school and homework.

Our player age range is 19 years old to 35 years old. The Women's team, in some games, played with just five players, and they affectionately became known as "The Iron Five" on campus. According to women's head coach Michael Reyes, "Despite these challenges, the Lady Lakers compete hard every night, and we are growing stronger as a team."

The Lady Lakers finished with a 3-13 record, with all 3 wins coming in conference play. The Lady Lakers battled hard all year, and showed their dedication and resiliency after a tough start by battling back to earn 3rd place in the conference, and win 3rd as well in the NIAC end of the year tournament.

The Men's Team finished 13-7 with 8 wins in the conference. When the final buzzer sounded in the last regular season game, the Lakers walked off the court with a NIAC conference championship in their first season. Coach Brady Fairbanks touched



on this historic win. "It means a lot to win the conference. It was our goal from the beginning of the season and it feels good to accomplish that goal with hard work and dedication." The Lakers completed a historic first season by taking 3rd place in the conference tournament.

Once the NIAC season was over, the accolades started to roll in for the teams inaugural season.

The Lady Lakers placed three players on the All-Conference Team: Danielle Staples 21ppg 15rpg 10 bpg (Cass Lake-Bena class of 2010), Justine Jourdain 10 ppg (Cass Lake-Bena 2013), and Sam Rambeau 15ppg (Fernley High School 2009).

The Men's Team also placed three players on the All-Conference Team: Kyle Raisch 12 ppg 8rpg (Cass Lake-Bena 1999), Brandon Masten 15ppg (Cass Lake-Bena 1999) and Martin Wind 19ppg 4.4 apg (Cass Lake-Bena 2010).

In addition to the All-Conference selections, the Laker's took home the NIAC Player of the Year in Martin Wind and the NIAC Coach of the Year for Coach Brady Fairbanks. Most importantly, nearly all student-athletes on both teams are doing very well academically. The teams collectively placed 8 athletes on the Dean's List (GPA of 3.0-3.9) and 2 people on the Presidents List (GPA of 4.0) for Fall Semester.

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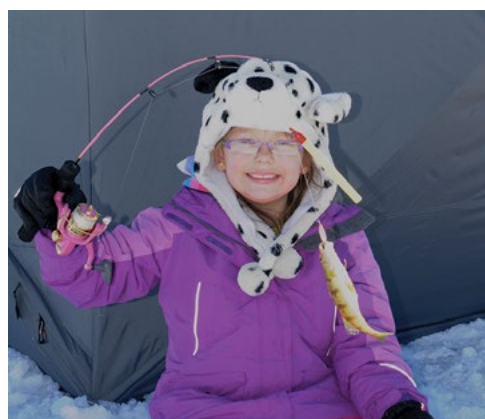
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Special Thanks to all Volunteers: Jamie Mitchell, Patti Pittner, Rory Haaland, Sarah Wakanabo, Dean Kvalevog, Phillip Gavere, Hershhal Ogema, Yvonne Hardy, Tracy Gale, April Beaulieu, Ryan White, Becky White, Trish Serfling, Marilyn Wind, Jody Wind, Bev Beaulieu, Stephanie Losh, Peggy Losh, Laura Hughes, Kenneth Hanson, & Jon Finn.



Kids Perch Jerk Results

The weather was mild and the participants came out in big numbers for the 2014 Kids Perch Jerk fishing contest. Looking back on this winter's weather some were predicting a blustery day for everyone on Winnie, but the weather turned out to be quite cooperative for everyone.

"We had a really fun day; the kids, the adults, and all of the volunteers that helped out were really thrilled with the turn-out," said District II Rep. Steve White. "The volunteers really pulled through for us again and it was fun to see the little ones running around having a blast all day. I'm glad we got lucky with the temps."

The tournament registered over 800 participants this year adding to the average of around a thousand each year for the past few years now.

The winners:

Biggest Fish

0-5 Natalie Vredenburg (11lb 12 oz northern)

6-10 Madison Korthes (11lb 8 oz northern)

11-16 Cassidy Anderson (8 oz perch)

0-5 Boys

1st Chance Shady

2nd Trevor Tellstrom

3rd Arian Whitefeather*

6-10 Boys

1st Reichen Anwiller

2nd Antwon Wade

3rd Chase Holmbech

11-16 Boys

1st Tyler Curtis

2nd Nick Michaud

3rd Matthew Grife

0-5 Girls

1st Micheala Johnson

2nd Sadie Preston

3rd Tailyann Pemberton

6-10 Girls

1st Jadarose Anderson

2nd Sophia Egan

3rd Lysie Niemela

11-16 Girls

1st Cassidy Anderson

2nd Larissa Huelett

3rd Daleana Smith

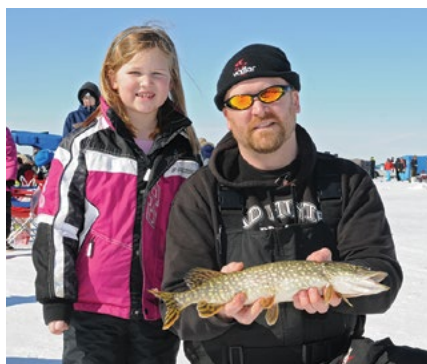
*Arian Whitefeather needs to claim prize and trophy still, contact D2 Office 218335-8202



Over 1000 participants (including volunteers and non-registered guests) in the 2014 Perch Jerk



Divisions that assisted LLBO Temporary Employment Program, Opiate Treatment Program, Tribal Police Department, Ambulance Service, Department of Resource Management, Internal Audit, RTC Administrative offices, Department of Public Works, Dababajimon, and Leech Lake Gaming.





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Monday: 7, 14, 28th

Wednesday: 2, 9, 23, 30th

Tuesday: 1, 8, 15, 22, 29th

Friday: 4, 11, 25th

WIC CLINICS AT OUTLYING CLINICS

1st Thursday, 3rd - Onigum Comm. Ctr. Appointments 10a.m. - 12p.m.

2nd Thursday, 10th - Inger Clinic Appointments 10a.m. - 2p.m.

3rd Thursday, 17th - Ball Club Comm. Ctr. Appointments 10a.m. - 3p.m.

4th Thursday, 24th - Bena Clinic Appointments 10a.m. - 12p.m.

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Bemidji, MN 56601
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Driver ~ Veterans Services ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-042

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ARMHS Practitioner ~ Human Services ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-040

Leech Lake Emergency Manager ~ Tribal Police ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-016C

Family Service Advocate-Inger ~ Early Childhood ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-026

Kitchen Ast. II – Cass Lake ~ Early Childhood ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-005B

Solid Waste Operations Mgr. ~ Dep. Public Works ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-014

Training Center Coord.-Ambulance ~ Health ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 13-223B

Radio Station Chief Engr. ~Management Information Systems~DOQ~Job Code:14-019

THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS CLOSE ON March 28th, 2014

Case Manager-Child Welfare ~ Human Services ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-049

Econ. Dev. Specialist ~ Economic Development ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-048

Infant/Toddler Team Leader ~ Early Childhood ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-047

Infant/Toddler Teacher-Bena ~ Early Childhood ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-046

Archeological Collections Mgr ~ Resource Management ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-045

Pre-School Fam. Srv. Advocate ~ Early Childhood ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-003B

Pre-School Teacher ~ Early Childhood ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-006B

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Court Clerk ~ Tribal Court ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-043

SPF-TIG Project Director ~ Human Services ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 13-245

Department of Revenue Director ~ RTC ~ Job Code: 14-013

Controller ~ Finance ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 12-110B

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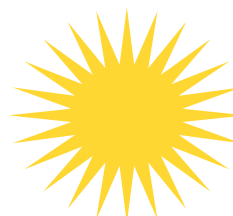
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Leech Lake Tribal Council Special Meeting

Friday, October 11, 2013

RTC Conference Room
Cass Lake, Minnesota



The meeting was called to order at 1:18 p.m. by Carri Jones, Chairwoman.

Roll Call:

Present: Chairwoman Carri Jones, Sec/Trea. Donald Finn, DII Rep. Steve White.

Absent/excused: DI Rep. Robbie Howe, DIII Rep. LeRoy Staples Fairbanks,

Motion by Steve White to approve the agenda with changes, second by Donald Finn. Motion carried 2-0-0.

Old Business:

Motion by Donald Finn to approve the September 30, 2013 Minutes, second by Steve White. Motion carried 2-0-0.

Motion by Steve White to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2014-38** concerning amendment to Resolution No. 2014-28 Priscilla Fairbanks' recognition as a qualified teacher of American Indian language and culture, second by Donald Finn. Motion carried 2-0-0.

New Business:

TRIBAL COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS:

Motion by Donald Finn to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2014-39** concerning field vehicles for forestry department, second by Steve White. Motion carried 2-0-0.

Motion by Steve White to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2014-40** concerning continued employment of Forestry Technicians, second by Donald Finn. Motion carried 2-0-0.

LAND RESOLUTIONS:

Motion by Steve White to approve the following home site resolutions, second by Donald Finn:

LD2014-42 concerning James Smith, new lease, Boy River area;

LD2014-43 concerning Clarence Dickens, rescind Resolution No. LD2007-83, Boy River area;

LD2014-44 concerning Joan Wade, rescind Resolution No. LD2002-16, Kego Lake area;

LD2014-45 concerning Matthew Gale, amend Resolution No. 2014-06, Sugar Point area;

LD2014-46 concerning Tina Headbird, new lease, Buck Lake area;

LD2014-47 concerning Greg & Kim Haubrich, recreational lease cancellation, Sugar Point area. Motion carried 2-0-0.

Motion by Donald Finn, second by Steve White to approve the following lake-shore leases:

LD2014-48 concerning Scott & Andrea Hellickson, recreational lease cancellation, Traders Bay area;

LD2014-49 concerning Joe & Renee Nelson, new recreational lease, Traders Bay area. Motion carried 2-0-0.

Motion by Steve White, second by Donald Finn to approve Land Resolution No. **LD2014-50** concerning Cass County Parcel #29-0210-1001, County Rd#146 (property between LLHA Fox Creek & CLB School). Motion carried 2-0-0.

Other:

Motion by Donald Finn to approve Advisory Board for KOJB, second by Steve White. Motion carried 2-0-0.

Motion by Steve White to adjourn at 2:23 p.m., second by Donald Finn. Motion carried 2-0-0.

Leech Lake Tribal Council Special Meeting

October 31, 2013

RTC Conference Room
Cass Lake, Minnesota



The meeting was called to order at 10:18 a.m. by Chairwoman, Carri Jones.

Roll Call:

Present: Chairwoman Carri Jones, Sec/Trea. Donald Finn, DII Rep. Steve White. DIII Rep. LeRoy Staples Fairbanks.

Absent/excused: DI Rep. Robbie Howe, Motion by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks to approve the agenda, second by Donald Finn. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Old Business:

Motion by Donald Finn to approve the October 24, 2013 Minutes, second by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Motion by Donald Finn to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2014-42** concerning the A & D Program and Ahnji Mah Diz building expansion, second by Steve White. Motion carried 2-1-0. (*For the record LeRoy Staples Fairbanks is opposed.*)

Motion by Steve White to approve Opiate Treatment Program Building & Program Expansion, second by Donald Finn. Motion carried 2-1-0. (*For the record LeRoy Staples Fairbanks is opposed.*)

New Business:

TRIBAL COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS:

Motion by Steve White to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2014-43** concerning Indian Reservation Road Inventory, second by Donald Finn. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Motion by Donald Finn to approve

Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2014-44** to adopt the 2014-2017 Roads (TTIP), second by Steve White. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Motion by Donald Finn to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2014-45** to update and adopt the 2014-2034 – 20 year long range transportation plan, second by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Motion by Steve White to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2014-46** entering into a Government to Government Agreement for the 2014-2015 Indian Reservation Roads funding, second by Donald Finn. Motion carried 2-0-0.

LeRoy Staples was not in the room 11:00 a.m. – 11:01 a.m.

LAND RESOLUTIONS:

Motion by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks, second by Steve White to approve the following home sites:

LD2014-51 concerning Corrine Nason, new lease, Ball Club area;

LD2014-52 concerning Lila George, new lease, Ball Club area;

LD2014-53 concerning *Joseph D. White, new lease, Football Lake area;

LD2014-54 concerning *Dustin Chase, new lease, West Big Lake area;

LD2014-55 concerning Daniel J. Hardy, Jr., rescind Resolution No. LD2011-49, Buck Lake area;

LD2014-56 concerning Alisa L. Goodshield, rescind Resolution No. LD2013-60, Buck Lake area;

LD2014-57 concerning Alisa L. Goodshield, new lease, Buck Lake area;

LD2014-58 concerning David J. Staples, rescind Resolution No. LD2012-38, North Cass Lake area;

LD2014-59 concerning Wayne M. Smith, rescind Resolution No. LD2009-26, North Cass Lake area;

LD2014-60 concerning Jenny G. Fisher, new lease, North Cass Lake area. Motion carried 3-0-0.

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

LD2014-61 concerning Raymond Smith, recreational lease cancellation, Stony Point area;

LD2014-62 concerning Joel D. Smith, new recreational lease, Stony Point area;

LD2014-63 concerning Christopher Opheim, recreational lease cancellation, Onigum area;

LD2014-64 concerning Frank Bibeau, new recreational lease, Onigum area. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Leech Lake will designate (10) ten acres for Veterans Memorial Cemetery.

Other:

Motion by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks to approve the Early Childhood Development Internal Operating Policies, second by Donald Finn. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS). A resolution will be presented at the November 14, 2013 meeting. A blessing ceremony will take place on the future assisted living facility site. Kim Nagel will work out the date. The ground-breaking will be at a later time, March – April 2014.

Motion by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks to adjourn at 1:28 p.m., second by Steve White. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Leech Lake Tribal Council Special Meeting

November 14, 2013

RTC Conference Room
Cass Lake, Minnesota



Carri Jones, Chairwoman called the meeting to order at 10:38 a.m.

Roll Call:

Present: Chairwoman Carri Jones, DI Rep. Robbie Howe, DII Rep. Steve White, DIII Rep. LeRoy Staples Fairbanks.

Absent/excused: Sec/Trea. Donald Finn, Motion by Robbie Howe to approve agenda with addition of ICWA Commission seat, second by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks. Motion carried 3-0-0. Old Business:

Motion by Steve White to approve the October 31, 2013 Minutes, second by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Motion by Robbie Howe to table the Larry Aitken contract until further review, second by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks. Motion carried 3-0-0.

New Business:

TRIBAL COUNCIL RESOLUTION:

Motion by Robbie Howe to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2014-047** concerning Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS), second by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks. Motion carried 3-0-0.

LAND RESOLUTIONS: Fee to Trust

Motion by Robbie Howe, second by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks to approve Land Resolution **No. LD2014-065** concerning Cass County Parcels #49-005-2200, #49-005-2400, #49-005-4001, Hard Rock Subdivision (Prescott) Undeveloped Parcels, South Cass Lake. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Motion by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks, second by Steve White to approve Land Resolution No. LD2014-066 concerning Cass County Parcels #49-005-2300, #49-006-4200, #49-006-4100, #49-005-3200, #49-005-3100, #49-005-3300, #49-005-3400, #49-005-4300, #49-005-4402, Hard Rock Subdivision (Prescott), LLHA Units and Individual Leased Home sites on Parcels South of Cass Lake. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Motion by Robbie Howe, second by Steve White to approve Land Resolution No. LD2013-067 concerning Cass County Parcel #45-006-3301, Breezy Point Circle – LLHA Units on Parcel, Walker. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Motion by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks, second by Steve White to approve Land Resolution No. LD2014-068 concerning Cass County Parcel #07-001-3100, Ghe We Zance Lane – LLHA Units on Parcel, Boy River. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Motion by Robbie Howe, second by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks to approve Land Resolution No. LD2014-069 concerning Cass County Parcel #29-008-2202, Thunder in the Sky, LLHA Units on Parcel, West Cass Lake. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Other:

Resolution to create and endowment fund for the purpose of holding trust annual distributions of per capita payments made to Leech Lake Band Members under the age of eighteen (18). Update at the next briefing November 26, 2013.

Motion by Robbie Howe, second by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks to approve the upcoming Election Calendar 2013-2014. Motion carried 3-0-0. *Note: Carri asked that any upcoming election dates be added to the Agenda as an FYI to the Council.

Turkey & wild rice distribution will be November 21, 2013.

Motion by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks, second by Robbie Howe to distribute 3.5 million dollars from Salazar funds with the Tax Rebate December 5, 2013 to Leech Lake band members. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Motion by Steve White, second by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks to approve Option #2 for RTC employees Christmas bonus on December 12, 2013. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Next "RTC Quarterly Meeting" will be Friday, January 3, 2014 at the Palace Bingo Hall per LeRoy Staples Fairbanks.

A resolution will be drafted for LeRoy Staples Fairbanks to sit on the ICWA Commission Council seat.

Motion to adjourn by Robbie Howe, second by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks at 1:39 p.m. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Leech Lake Tribal Council Special Meeting

November 21, 2013

RTC Conference Room
Cass Lake, Minnesota



Carri Jones, Chairwoman called the meeting to order at 10:48 a.m.

Roll Call:

Present: Chairwoman Carri Jones, Sec/Trea. Donald Finn, DII Rep. Steve White.

Absent/excused: DI Rep. Robbie Howe, DIII Rep. LeRoy Staples Fairbanks.

Motion by Donald Finn, second by Steve White to approve the agenda with addition of Christmas bonus date. Motion carried 2-0-0.

Old Business:

Motion by Steve White, second by Donald Finn to approve the November 14, 2013 Minutes. Motion carried 2-0-0.

New Business:

TRIBAL COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS:

Motion by Donald Finn, second by Steve White to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2014-048 appointing Child Welfare Commission members. Motion carried 2-0-0.

Motion by Steve White, second by Donald Finn to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2014-049 concerning PayPal Use for Ojibwe Wild Rice Enterprise. Motion carried 2-0-0.

Motion by Donald Finn, second by Steve White to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2014-050 to authorize BIA Climate Adaption Grant Proposal to Study Snowshoe Hare. Motion carried 2-0-0.

Motion by Steve White, second by Donald Finn to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2014-051 to authorize Management of Snowshoe Hare and their habitat for current and future generations. Motion carried 2-0-0.

LAND RESOLUTIONS:

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

LD2014-070 concerning Sarah Bement, new lease, Buck Lake area;

LD2014-071 concerning Daphne Sanchez, new lease, Buck Lake area;

LD2014-072 concerning Frederick Littlewolf, new lease, Buck Lake area. Motion carried 2-0-0.

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

LD2014-073 concerning Richard Schulman,

lease assignment to Western Bank, Stony Point area;

LD2014-074 concerning Peter Armstrong, lease cancellation, Pug Hole area;

LD2014-075 concerning Rebecca J. Kummer, recreational lakeshore lease, Pug Hole area;

LD2014-076 concerning Brian & Lisa Breidenback, lease cancellation, Chippewa Heights;

LD2014-077 concerning Peter W. Blue, recreational lakeshore lease, Chippewa Heights. Motion carried 2-0-0.

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

LD2014-078 concerning KOJB Radio Station, amend Resolution No. LD2011-66, West Cass Lake;

LD2014-079 concerning designation of land for Veterans Memorial and Veteran Cemetery, West Cass Lake;

LD2014-080 concerning Ahnji Bi Mah Diz Halfway House, lease on current property, West Cass Lake.

Motion carried 2-0-0.

Motion by Steve White, second by Donald Finn to approve Land Resolution No. 2014-081 concerning Potlatch Pre-Purchase Agreement 2014-2019. Motion carried 2-0-0.

Other:


Motion by Donald Finn, second by Steve White to approve the letter of support for the Mino-Bimaadiziwin Project presented by John Gonzalez. (Legal to work on MOU) Motion carried 2-0-0.

Three options were presented to the Tribal Council for the Justice Center.

Date on the Christmas bonus. July 1, 2013 to November 2, 2013.

Motion by Donald Finn, second by Steve White to adjourn at 1:45 p.m. Motion carried 2-0-0.

I DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that this is a true and accurate record of the Leech Lake Tribal Council, Special Meeting, held on October 11th & 31st and November 14th & 21st, 2013 at Cass Lake, Minnesota.


Donald Finn, Secretary/Treasurer
Leech Lake Tribal Council



Tribal members from the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe have hand harvested wild rice for generations. This is an Ojibwe right of passage handed down from our elders to our youth to help ensure one of our most important cultural traditions. Our wild rice is 100% natural and 100% organic. Revenues from the sale of wild rice goes toward purchasing next years crop from tribal members.



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 Megan E. Treuer, Associate Judge of Tribal Court

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 Code/Conservation Code/Dog Ordinance/Social Host Ordinance, 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/ Samantha Jasi, Court Administrator.

APPEARANCE DATE: April 1, 2014, at 2:00 p.m.

<u>Defendant</u>	<u>Case No.</u>	<u>Charge</u>	<u>Date</u>
Bowstring, Natasha Marie	TR-13-106	No driver's license	08/22/2013
Croaker, Marcus Lee	TR-13-92	Speeding from 1 to 10 mph over the limit; Failure to use a seat belt	07/12/2013
Dunn-Haugen, Jason Lee	TR-13-89	Failure to use a seat belt	07/18/2013
Fineday, Delores June	TR-13-84	DAS/DAR; Motor vehicle registration- Owner	07/07/2013
Northbird Finn, Mikele Lucille	TR-13-96	Speeding in excess of 10 mph over the limit; Failure to show proof of insurance; DAS/DAR	03/20/2011
Folstrom, Francis Paul	TR-13-90	Failure to show proof of insurance	07/15/2013
Gale, Leroy Eason, Sr.	TR-13-99	DAS/DAR; Failure to use a seat belt; Failure to use a child restraint device	05/10/2013
Gould, Laura Lynn	TR-13-101	Speeding in excess of 10 mph over the limit	07/10/2013
Jackson, Curtis Alfred	TR-13-100	DAS/DAR	05/18/2013
Jenkins-Bowstring, Carol Sue	TR-13-88	Failure to use a child restraint device	07/15/2013
Jordan, Robin Lee	TR-13-104	Speeding in excess of 10 mph over the limit	08/08/2013
Myers, Robyn Lynn	TR-13-85	DAS/DAR	05/28/2013
Reyes, Randi Kay	TR-13-93	Failure to use a seat belt	07/15/2013
Rice, Jonathan James	TR-11-89	DAS/DAR; Failure to Use a Seat Belt	10/14/2011
Rice, Johnathan James	TR-13-87	Speeding in excess of 10 mph over the limit	07/20/2013
Robinson, Andrew Martin	TR-13-102	Failure to use a seat belt	08/04/2013
Tibbetts-Grandy, Wesley Buck	TR-11-106	No driver's license; Failure to show proof of insurance; Motor vehicle registration - Owner	11/29/2011
White, Cheryle Lee	TR-13-94	Speeding from 1 to 10 mph over the limit	07/12/2013
Wind, Alaina Sue	TR-13-83	No driver's license	06/27/2013
Wind, Franklin Dale Cody	TR-13-32	Failure to use a seat belt	04/05/2013

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/ Megan E. Treuer, Associate Judge of Tribal Court.

APPEARANCE DATE: April 15, 2014, at 2:00 p.m.

<u>Defendant</u>	<u>Case No.</u>	<u>Charge</u>	<u>Date</u>
Anderson, Kelly Lynne	DO-12-03	At Large Dog; Dangerous Dog	04/29/2012
Blue-Robinson, Rikki Sue	TR-13-45	Failure to show proof of insurance	04/09/2013
Conger, Dawn Marie	TR-13-27	Failure to use a seat belt; Failure to show Proof of Insurance.	04/05/2013
Dunn, Aundria Lynn	TR-12-68	Failure to use a child restraint device; Failure to use a seat belt.	06/01/2012
Dunn, Sloane Marie	TR-13-40	Failure to use a seat belt.	04/11/2013
Fisher, Edward Charles	TR-13-35	Failure to use a seat belt.	04/08/2013
Folstrom, Francis Paul	TR-13-38	Failure to use a seat belt; Failure to show Proof of Insurance.	04/11/2013
Goggeye, Kyle Ray	TR-13-29	Failure to use a seat belt.	04/05/2013
Haugen, Barbara Jean	TR-13-17	No driver's license.	03/04/2013
Humphrey, Esther Christine	DO-13-02	At large dog; Dangerous dog.	02/08/2013
J.P.J., Minor Child	TR-13-21	No Driver's License	
c/o Jones, James Louis, Jr.			03/05/2013
Mountain, Wabigwaninzs	TR-12-90	DAS/DAR; Motor Vehicle Registration Littleflower -Owner; Failure to use a seatbelt; Failure to show proof of insurance.	10/21/2011
Munnell, Kari Ann	TR-10-110	Failure to show proof if insurance; Failure to use a child restraint device; Motor Vehicle Insurance - Owner	07/16/10& 07/23/10
Munnell, Kari Ann	TR-10-178	Motor Vehicle Insurance - Owner	12/07/2010
Ortley, Samuel David	TR-13-44	To violate any of the following	

Raschke, Justin Lee	CN-12-16	provisions of Minnesota Statutes. 04/18/2013
		Harvesting during closed season or illegal hours. 08/19/2012
Taylor, Clinton Lavern	DO-13-05	Dangerous/Abandoned Dogs/At Large Dogs; Improper Use of Registration Tags. 04/09/2013
Taylor, Clinton Lavern	TR-13-37	Failure to use a seat belt. 04/10/2013
Waukanabo, Eric James	TR-13-28	No driver's license; Open bottle; Failure to show Proof of Insurance. 04/05/2013
White, Russell Dean	TR-13-68	Speeding in excess of 10 mph over the limit. 05/28/2013
Wilson, Todd James	TR-10-85	Speeding in excess of 10 mph over the Limit; Failure to show proof of insurance 06/01/2010

-LEGAL NOTICE BY PUBLICATION-

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Child of:

Regina White, Parent.

Court File No. CP-14-04

NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on January 30, 2014, a Child/Family Protection Petition was filed in Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the child of the above-named parent. Please contact Leech Lake Tribal Court Administration for the next hearing date and time. 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.

-LEGAL NOTICE BY PUBLICATION-

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Children of:

Elizabeth Jones, Parent.

Court File No. CP-13-21

NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on March 4, 2014, a Petition for Alternative Relief was filed in Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the children of the above-named parent. Please contact Leech Lake Tribal Court Administration for the next hearing date and time. The telephone number is (218) 335-3682 or 3586. 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.

Leech Lake Tribal Council Special Meeting

December 10, 2013

RTC Conference Room
Cass Lake, Minnesota



Carri Jones, Chairwoman called the meeting to order at 10:12 a.m.

Roll Call:

Carri Jones, Chairwoman	Present
Donald Finn, Secretary/Treasurer	Present
Robbie Howe, DI Rep.	Present
Steve White, DII Rep.	Present
LeRoy Staples Fairbanks, DIII Rep.	Present

Motion by Robbie Howe, second by Donald Finn to approve the agenda with addition. Motion carried 4-0-0.

OLD BUSINESS:

Motion by Donald Finn, second by Robbie Howe to approve the Minutes of November 21, 2013 Minutes and December 3, 2013. Motion carried 4-0-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

TRIBAL COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS:

Motion by Donald Finn, second by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2014-054 to open an investment account with Franklin Templeton Investments for the purpose of holding and investing annual allocations made to Leech Lake Band members under the age of eighteen (18) and contract. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Other:

Discussion: U.S. Treasury

– Technical Assistance.

Discussion: Local Indian Councils
– Christmas funds, list at the next meeting.

Motion by Steve White, second by Robbie Howe to approve \$5,000.00 towards the New Years Eve Safe & Sober for Kids. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Approval of moving forward with Global Cash Access Master Services Agreement and Global Cash Access ATM Services Schedule. Lenny Fineday to work on two year contracts.

Discussion on Canterbury Park Simulcasting Proposal, meeting on Thursday, December 12, 2013 at Mystic Lake.

Lee Turney update on Youth Division.

Motion by Steve White, second by Donald Finn to approve John Herrera contract. Motion carried 4-0-0.

AIA Document B101-2001. Previously approved A & E (for opiate) Contract on June 14, 2013. Tribal Council reaffirmed this decision.

Motion by Robbie Howe, second by Steve White to adjourn at 1:17 p.m. Motion carried 4-0-0.

I DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that this is a true and accurate record of the Leech Lake Tribal Council, Special Meeting, held on December 10, 2013 at Cass Lake, Minnesota.


Donald Finn, Secretary/Treasurer



**Leech Lake Tribal Council,
Leech Lake Gaming Division,
Leech Lake Housing Authority,
Employees, Vendors and Volunteers**

**Thank you for organizing and hosting
the annual "Perch Jerk" fishing tourney.**

**We appreciate the time and resources
that was given towards this
family-oriented event.**

A good time was had by all!

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Quarterly Meeting

Bena Community Center

Friday, April 4th, 2014 9:00 a.m.

No Open Forum

All Leech Lake Band Members and Employees are welcome to attend

A light meal will be served



Obituaries




Eli Owen Hunt

On March 5th, 2014 the world lost a great man. Eli

Owen Hunt began his spiritual journey on Wednesday afternoon at St. Mary's Hospital in Duluth with his family by his side. He was born on June 13, 1953 in Cass Lake, Minnesota, one of twelve children, to James Joseph and Phyllis Louise (Chief) Hunt.

From the point of graduation Eli headed into the world full steam. He graduated from Walker High School and from there began his education that ranged from the Brown Institute in Minneapolis for Radio/Television Broadcasting, University of Minnesota Crookston for Business Management, and finally Bemidji State University for General Studies. Once done with his studies, Eli took every opportunity to further himself. He started his career as the History Curriculum Writer for the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe. From there Eli was the Talent Search Coordinator for the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, Job Developer for Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe, Grants and Contracts Officer for the Leech Lake Tribe, Math/Science Tutor for Heart of the Earth School, Summer Youth Program Manager for Rural Minnesota CEP, Vocational Instructor for the Bemidji Technical Institute, Grant Writer/Planner for the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe, Tribal Health Director for the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe, FSNE Program Manager for the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe and Chairman of the Leech Band of Ojibwe from 1996 to 2002.

Eli was a very family oriented man; his loved ones were the "rock of his

being" all of whom he loved all dearly. Eli loved to spend time with his family, especially the young children. Every time they would walk into the room he would acknowledge them and make them feel special. He was very proud that he raised several children who include; James Garbow, Crystal "Nellie" Hunt, Regina (Dennis) Smith, Keith Tucker, Lavonne Hunt and Phyllis "Chocie" Hunt. Eli was a well-loved and respected man. His departure from this life has devastated all the people who knew him. Eli was loved by many as a brother and he will be sorely missed by those he helped and inspired. His family, and everyone else he touched in his life will miss Eli's helpful, caring way. We are all blessed and privileged to have known such a great man and a very dear friend.

Eli was characterized as having high ethical standards. He was very honest, factual and punctual. He would always take time to sit and listen to others, engaged in their conversations, never judgmental and always accepted others for whom they are. He had a great sense of humor never poking fun of anybody nor holding any resentments and always quick to forgive!

There will never be another Eli.

The family that Eli is reunited with are his parents; James and Phyllis Hunt, brothers; Roland Hunt, James Hunt, Jr., Ronald Hunt, Ernest Hunt, sisters; Donna Hunt, Brenda Hunt and Judy Littlewolf, son; Russell Tucker, and one nephew Dicky Doo Littlewolf.

Those family and friends he leaves behind to miss his spirit are his ex wife and good friend Susan McMurrin, sisters; Janice (Darwin) Hunt and Peggy Hunt, brothers; Melvin Hunt and Matthew (Ruth) Hunt all of Old Agency other relatives and numerous friends and acquaintances.

A wake service for Eli will begin at 12:00 p.m., Monday, March 10, 2014

and continue until the 9:00 a.m. service on Tuesday all at the Northern Lights Casino Event Center in Walker, MN with Father Nick Hill and Father George Ross officiating. Pallbearers helping to lay Eli to rest include Edward Fairbanks, Keith Tucker, Melvin Durant, Jr., Dennis Smith, Sr., Tim St. Clair, Robert Elmberg and Daniel Hunt. Honorary pallbearers will be Luke Wilson, Jeff Moreno, Ribs Whitebird, Gary Johnson, Merrill Cloud, Bill Butcher, Ernest Dakota, Brad Walhof, Stan Chief, Steve Smith, Gary White, Jage Hunt and Gerald White. Eli's final resting place will be in the St. John's Episcopal Cemetery at Old Agency, Minnesota immediately following his service.

Eli's care has been entrusted to Northern Peace Funeral Home of Walker, MN. Online condolences for the family may be given at www.northernpeace.com



Kari Michelle Nordmarken "Annie"

Kari Michelle Nordmarken "Annie", 43, of Minneapolis, Minnesota

journeyed home to be with her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, on Tuesday, March 4, 2014. She was born on April 21, 1970 in South Minneapolis, Minnesota to Charles and Hazel (Reese) Nordmarken.

Kari liked her music and dancing. She had a very big heart for her friends and family. Throughout her life she touched a lot of peoples hearts. Kari always had a smile on her face and would help everyone if she could. She was a very genuine person and was not shy to tell you like it was, she either liked you or she didn't and you always knew where you stood. Kari was a happy-go-lucky kind of person, loving daughter, sister and "Annie" to many nieces and nephews that she loved so much. She had many friends and relatives that she cared for deeply & we will miss her dearly.

Those who passed on before her

were her father; Chuck Nordmarken, a brother; Chuck Nordmarken, Jr., an uncle; Sam Reese, her cousin Georgia Reese and her best friend Cheryl Thompson.

She leaves behind her mother; Hazel Nordmarken of Onigum, her sisters; Krisi Nordmarken and Kim Brown both of South Minneapolis, brothers; Jay Nordmarken and Walter Brown both of South Minneapolis and Bobby Brown of Cass Lake, significant other, Darrin Olson of Fond-Du-Lac, many nieces and nephew and a lot of cousins and friends.

A Mass of Christian burial will be held Saturday, March 8, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. at St. Agnes Catholic Church in Walker, Minnesota. The wake for Kari will begin at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 6, 2014 at the Onigum Community Center in Onigum and continue until the funeral mass on Saturday. Father George Zeck will be officiating. Casketbearers for Kari will be Justin Nordmarken, Tony Brown, Eugene Olson, Sam Reese, Bobby Jones and T.J. Brown. Her honorary casketbearers are all her family and friends. Interment will be in Old Agency Catholic Cemetery at Old Agency, Minnesota immediately following her funeral mass.

Arrangements for Kari have been entrusted to Northern Peace Funeral Home of Walker. On-line condolences be left for the family at www.northernpeace.com



Joseph Russell James

Joseph Russell James, 86, died on Tuesday, March 4, 2014, at his home in rural Walker, MN.

Joe was born on March 4, 1928 in Walnut Ridge, Arkansas to William Roland and Alta (Manus) James. He lived in Portia, Arkansas, until, when he was 15, his family moved to Lawndale, California, where he graduated from high school at the age of 17. Upon graduation, Joe joined the U.S. Marine Corp, and was stationed in China during World War II.

When he returned from the war, he began working for Thrifty Drug Store in Lawndale. It was at Thrifty Drug Store that he met his future wife, Rose. Joe married Rose Phyllis Adams Johnson on January 22, 1949 in Kingman, Arizona. They raised four children in Lawndale, where they continued to live for 40 years. Joe worked for a time as a machinist for North American Aviation, but returned to Thrifty Drug Store and worked as a district manager in retail management until he retired in 1972, due to health issues. He and Rose then moved to Onigum, east of Walker, MN. They have continued to live there the rest of Joe's life. He is well known in the Walker community.

Joe is fondly remembered as a strict but kind father with a very good sense of humor. He was dedicated to the U.S. Marines throughout his life, and was a volunteer driver for area veterans for 12 years. He enjoyed fishing, deer hunting, the Minnesota Twins and Minnesota Vikings, watching western movies, listening to country music, and he loved reading western novels. (He always wanted about eight more books than he was allowed to check out from the Walker Library)! Joe especially liked to help others and, his family recalls "he had a heart bigger than himself."

He is survived by his wife, Rose; two sons, Joseph R. (Mary Ellen) James, Jr. and Charles R. (Loretta) James; a daughter, Celesta R. (Lavern) Nelson; 17 grandchildren; 28 great-grandchildren; a brother, Jack V. James; and a sister, Mary (Dan) Peterson.

He was preceded in death by his parents, William and Alta; two sisters, Martha Sue Thompson, and Melba Jean Davis; two brothers, Bob James, and Lonnie James; and daughter, Marlene Cabrera.

Funeral services will be held at 1:00 p.m. Saturday, March 8, 2014, at the Dennis Funeral Home in Walker with Fr. George Ross officiating. Visitation will also be at the funeral home, one hour prior to services. Interment will be in Fort Ripley Cemetery in Little Falls, MN. Arrangements are being made with Dennis Funeral Home of Walker. (www.dennisfuneralhome.com)

Red Lake Tribal Council Member Shooting

On Saturday March 8th, Red Lake tribal police received a call about a shooting at a house in Red Lake. When on the scene Tribal Police found Donald May Jr., 58, dead with what looked like a gunshot wound.

There was a 47-year-old female that was taken into custody and faces charges of third-degree assault, domestic violence, and disorderly conduct. The case remains under investigation by Red Lake police and the FBI.

Councilman May was elected to the Red Lake Tribal Council three separate times in 2004, 2008 and again in 2012.

Minnesota Chippewa Tribe MNSure Navigators

The Minnesota Chippewa Tribe (MCT) is pleased to announce the availability of two MNSure Outreach Specialists. The MCT Outreach Specialists are trained MNSure Navigators who are prepared to assist MCT members with the MNSure application process, and answer questions specifically related to health care for American Indians.

Watch for announcements for upcoming Information Events and Enrollment Events for the MNSure health insurance marketplace.

MCT MNSure Outreach Specialist for Leech Lake, Fond du Lac, Grand Portage, Bois Forte and Duluth: **Priscilla Fairbanks, 218-335-8586, ext. 128**
pfairbanks@mnchippewatribe.org

MCT MNSure Outreach Specialist for White Earth, Mille Lacs and the Minneapolis/St. Paul Metro Area: **Joni Hilliard, 218-335-8586, ext. 129**

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Leech Lake Legacy 2014 Events*

*As of the date of this printing, all events are scheduled to be held at the Leech Lake Tribal Police Headquarters in Cass Lake. However, additional locations may be added so please check the Leech Lake website for the most current schedule.

January Saturday, January 4 Puppy Roundup	February Saturday, February 1 Puppy Roundup	March March 21-22 Spay/Neuter Clinic Vaccination/Wellness
April Saturday, April 19 Puppy Roundup Vaccination/Wellness	May May 16-17 Spay/Neuter Clinic Vaccination/Wellness	June Saturday, June 7 Puppy Roundup Vaccination/Wellness
July July 11-12 Spay/Neuter Clinic Vaccination/Wellness	August Saturday, August 16 Puppy Roundup Vaccination/Wellness	September September 12-13 Spay/Neuter Clinic Vaccination/Wellness
October Saturday, October 11 Puppy Roundup	November Saturday, November 15 Puppy Roundup	December Saturday, December 13 Puppy Roundup

For additional information, please contact us at: leechlakelegacy@gmail.com or 612-437-9073 or visit our website at www.leechlakelegacy.org

Elder Abuse Awareness Conference

Presented by the EAAC Committee

April 22 & 23, 2014

Northern Lights Casino & Event Center
Walker, MN

Registration Forms available at the following locations:

Elder Services Programs Minnesota Chippewa Tribe
Elderly Nutrition Programs


This is an Elder's Event

Mail / Fax Registrations:

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

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**Wishing District II Elders a
Happy Birthday!**

April Birthdays From District II Office Steve, Renee, & Elise

Dennis Banks 12 th	April Greene 22 nd
Michael Mathison 13 th	Helen Tibbetts 29 th
Leota White 16 th	Shirley Young
Patti Giffen 19 th	

Leech Lake Earth Day April 22nd, 2014 3-6pm



Honoring & Celebrating
District I
Elders

Wishing you a
happy birthday

From District I Office
Robbie, Penny, & Sarah

April Birthdays

Darwin Wilson	Bruce Baird
George Donnell	Marlene Stately
Patrick Murphy	Donald Munnell
	Burton Wilson
	Douglas Othoudt
	Robert Lyons
	Simon Garbow
	Samual Jenkins Jr.
	Franklyn Sherman
	Leonard Seelye
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	Walter Brown
	Hal Bowstring
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