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Walter Chase administered the Oath of Office to Sec/Tres Arthur "Archie" LaRose



Steve Jackson administered the Oath of Office to DI Rep. Penny DeVault

On Thursday July 3rd, 2014 the newly elected members of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Reservation Business Council were sworn in at the Northern Lights Casino in Walker, MN. Newly Elected District I Representative Penny DeVault, District II Representative Steve White, and Secretary Treasurer Arthur "Archie" LaRose were all sworn in, making the 2014 Reservation Business Committee official with remarks by all three of the newly elected officials.



Lindsey White and Michelle Losh Administered the Oath of Office to DII Rep. Steve White.

After the swearing in there was a celebratory meal followed by a quarterly meeting that went over the last quarter of FY 2013. The event was one of two big gatherings that will be held at Northern Lights this summer. Leech Lake's State of the Band event will be held on August 21, 2014.

LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE CHAIRWOMAN CARRI JONES



FOURTH QUARTERLY REPORT 2014

A niin! Greetings from the Chairwoman's office! As we all enjoy the summer weather, the Band has many projects continuing throughout the four seasons. The fourth quarter newsletter will bring you exciting news, progress, updates, and announcements from the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe. We hope you are enjoying the warmth and sunny days that summer brings.

2014 U.S. Capitol Christmas Tree

Each year, beginning in 1970, a different national forest has been chosen to provide the Capitol Christmas Tree for Washington D.C.. Back in 1992 the Chippewa National Forest and the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe sent a white spruce to Washington D.C.. This coming Christmas 2014, Chippewa National Forest and Leech Lake will work together

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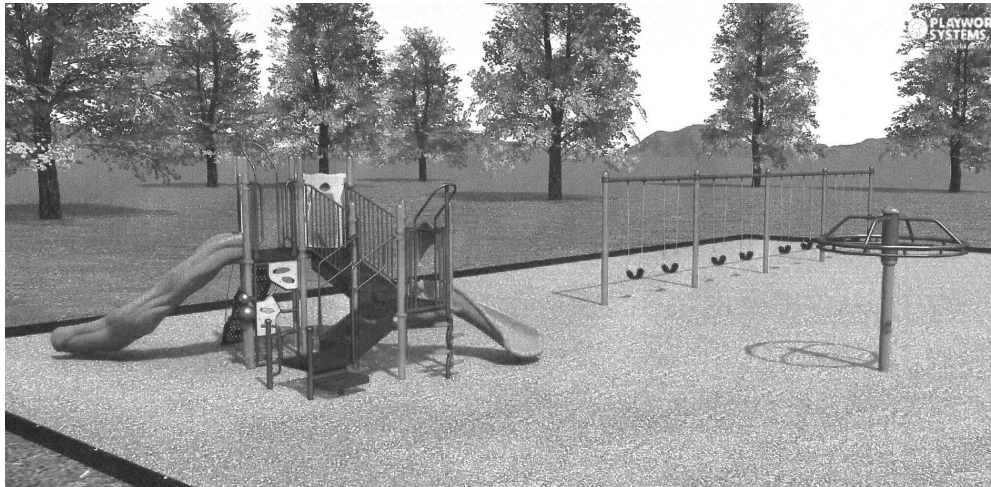


LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE
DISTRICT II REPRESENTATIVE
STEVE WHITE

Fourth Quarter Newsletter – 2014

Greetings to everyone! Summer is finally here, much more enjoyable temps and sunshine. First, I'd like to thank all my supporters for entrusting me with another term to represent our communities in the District 2 area. I look forward to the continued projects and our future endeavors.

Community Playgrounds



I am excited to report a few on-going projects that will soon begin to become visible in our communities. The Tribal Council and LLBO's Planning Department has worked diligently to secure four playground structures that will be placed in each District. The new playground in District 2 will be located in Kego Lake by the basketball court area, and just across from the community center. The tentative construction date is around mid-July and Kego Lake will be the first to be set-up. The construction crew may need community members to volunteer to assist with the set-up of these Playground structures, the District 2 office is currently planning a "community work day" and will provide beverages and lunch for volunteers and community members. Please contact the District 2 office or the Kego Lake/Smokey Point/Boy Lake Local Indian Council for updated information.

Kego Lake and Sugar Point computer accessibility project

The final details have been completed to install computers donated by the Blandin Foundation through the Quick Response grant; beginning with a need and an eager graduate of the Blandin Reservation Community Leadership Program, and life-long community member. Blandin purchased 2 new computer workstations to be installed at the community centers without computer access in the District 2 area. The District 2 office utilized MIS staff to install the workstations and provided the extra needed items. Students, youth and community members can now access the internet and printing services with more accessibility in these rural areas for job searches, homework, online courses, etc. The District 2 office would like to say Chi-Mii-Gwetch to the Blandin Foundation for partnering with the District office and community members to bring these services to our communities.



Leech Lake 2014 Graduates

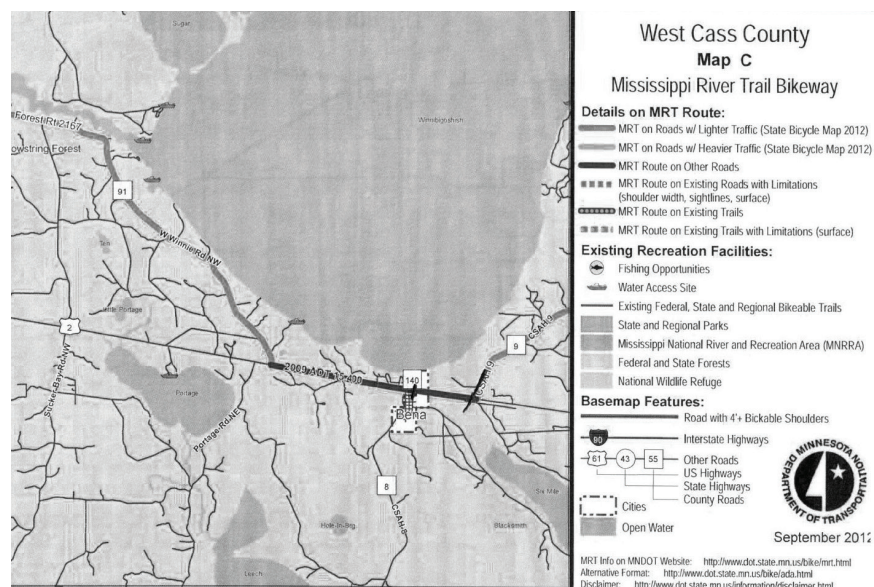
The end of spring brings a special time in education, namely graduation. I'd like to congratulate the 2014 Graduates be they from Head Start, Kindergarten, Middle School, High School or College. The Bena Head Start class had 9 graduates and there were 7 in Sugar Point. The Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School had a graduating class of 16, the Leech Lake Tribal College had a graduating class of 41. Congratulations to everyone and always continue learning. Also, I'd like to recognize the parents of all the graduates for all their hard work and dedication, as well.

Cass County Health, Human and Veteran Services Satellite Office

Through collaborative efforts between Cass County Health, Human and Veterans (HHV) Services and the Leech Lake Tribal Council, Cass County HHV Services now has a satellite office located at the Leech Lake Government Center. Clients can access services provided by Cass County HHV services such as cash assistance, food support, medical assistance, etc. This satellite office houses two eligibility workers; Robin, Adult Eligibility Worker and Katie, Family Eligibility Worker. The office is open Monday through Friday 8:00 am to 4:30 pm. The contact number for each worker is 218-335-3035 or 218-335-3027 or toll free at 1-800-442-3909. We are pleased to have this service available to the public and encourage everyone to utilize this office.

Boy River Bridge

The Boy River Bridge is nearing completion, tentatively to be complete by the end of summer 2014 due to problems that arise when trying to pour concrete in cold weather conditions as well as limitations on working in the river channel in the spring due to fish spawn, it is anticipated that final completion won't be until mid-July of 2014. The project involves replacing the existing bridge with a new bridge that will include a 10' sidewalk on the east side of the bridge and a 5' sidewalk on the west side of the bridge as well as providing for a 12' parking shoulder on the east side of the road both north and south of the bridge. A temporary two-lane bypass has been built in order to keep the roadway open to traffic and not cause delays. The District 2 office has a completion ceremony scheduled for July 18th from 1 pm to 3 pm. We will be celebrating the partnerships required to complete an infrastructure project such as the Boy River Bridge expansion. We are inviting government officials from all government entities that have been involved with this project and all band members that wish to attend. Information on the event will be in the DahBahjimon and guests of honor will receive an invite.



Bena area bike trail

An initial meeting with Ed Fairbanks, MNDOT Tribal Liaison was held on April 24, 2014 to discuss the proposed Bike Trail between Old Housing Drive and the Winnie Store. Following this meeting on June 3rd, myself and other LLBO staff attended a partnership meeting in St. Paul to discuss the Mississippi River Trail Bikeway. The proposed Bena Bike Trail would be a “link” of the MRT (Mississippi River Trail), which is a 3,000 mile network of bicycle friendly roads and multi-use paths. The unique trait of this bike trail is only 15% of the trail is located off road and 85% of the network relies on road shoulders and roads administered by several other road authorities. The MRT will continue to change overtime as other trails that can “host” the MRT are incorporated and additional off-road segments are added, such as the proposed Bena bike trail.

Bena Picnic Pavillion

The Picnic Pavillion behind the Bena Community center is in the final stages of planning and should be constructed by the end of the summer. This area would provide amenities to host family picnics and recreational activities and will consist of a pavilion, picnic tables, a walking trail, access to the lakeshore and possibly permanent charcoal grills. The Pavillion picnic area would not be possible without the help of the Land Department, Community Services and the citizens of the Bena community.

2014 U.S. Capitol Christmas Tree

The Tribal Council is pleased to announce the Minnesota Chippewa National Forest has been selected to provide our nation’s capital with the National Christmas Tree for 2014. Several LLBO staff members have been delegated to the details of this event. One large aspect of the event is we are encouraging the Local Indian Councils to become involved in the by participating in assisting the many entities called upon for the demand of 10,000 ornaments needed to decorated the 60+ foot tree and the several smaller trees that will be placed along the Mall. Ornaments need to be received by the ornament coordinator, Lynn Dee Stangel Chippewa National Forest 200 Ash Ave NW Cass Lake, MN 56633 218-335-8640, she can also be contact for more information on ornament criteria. We are encouraging the Local Indian Councils to begin fundraising to send youth to view the lighting and display of the Christmas Tree. Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe staff is currently lobbying for support from area organizations for this once in a life time experience for youth in our communities. For more information on fundraising efforts and how you can contribute please contact your District office.

We are looking forward to the many positive upcoming events and projects for the 2014-2015 year and would like to thank the community members for assisting with the positive support and input.

Leech Lake Receives Grant from Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community

Leech Lake recently received notice that a grant from the Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community was approved to help fund the Elder Assisted Care Facility that is going up in Cass Lake. The grant is in two parts for \$500 thousand dollars each over the next two fiscal years beginning October 1, 2014.

“We’re really excited,” said Chairwoman Carri Jones, “this is a really important project and we appreciate the Shakopee Communities’ help with this new facility.” On June 6, 2013, the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe RBC approved a contract with the Meyers Group, LLC to provide architectural and engineering services for an elder assisted care facility. “This is a great project and we would really like to thank the Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community,” said District II Rep. Steve White, “We have a great partnership and this will only help strengthen that bond.”

The LL Care Facility is projected to create 35-40 healthcare positions including CNA, RN, administrative, billing, food services and maintenance. Financial sustainability of the facility will be enhanced through the partner relationships, third-party billing opportunities, internal collaboration with LLBO programs and administration. Though its highest priority is to serve the elders and vulnerable adults in the community, the Care facility is projected to be self-sustaining keeping jobs and healthcare revenues in the community.

The culturally pleasing, safe and healthy 2-story Care facility will house thirty-two 400 square foot residential living units adaptable for either assisted living or skilled nursing care. There will be two units for hospice care that include family-living space. A residential dining and kitchen facility will be managed by the LLBO Health Division Elderly Nutrition Program (ENP) as this new facility will replace the current ENP kitchen and dining space in Cass Lake and provide a new space for community gatherings. Exam rooms, physical therapy and dialysis services will be co-located within the facility. Efforts with the U.S. Veteran’s Administration are under way to bring services and dedicate units for Native American veterans. Laundry facilities, beauty shop, activity rooms, cultural and spiritual spaces will be available. Exterior amenities include gardening, walking and gathering spaces.

2014 Summer Institute in American Indian Child Welfare

*“Our Children are Sacred:
Asserting Tribal Sovereignty in
American Indian Child Welfare Practice”*

**July 21-23, 2014
Northern Lights Casino
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Space is limited for this 7th Annual Summer Institute
for tribal child welfare workers and administrators.

To register, go to: www.d.umn.edu/sw/cw/SummerInstitute.html

Local Partnership Creates National Opportunities for 2014 U.S. Capitol Christmas Tree



Cass Lake, Minn. (June 6, 2014) – This week staff from Chippewa National Forest and members of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe gathered with Choose Outdoors, Inc. to further enhance their relationship as primary partners for the 2014 U.S. Capitol Christmas Tree project.

Working with the non-profit organization Choose Outdoors not only helps give the project support by working with local sponsors and companies; but also adds experience. They were the primary non-profit that successfully brought the U.S. Capitol Christmas Tree to Washington, D.C. in 2013 as well as 2012.

“Having the opportunity to work with the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe and Choose Outdoors on the 2014 U.S. Capitol Christmas Tree has been a wonderful opportunity for our communities and will only further strengthen our ties,” shared Forest Supervisor Darla Lenz.

Just over two decades ago the Leech Lake Reservation helped provide our nation’s Capital with a tree for the holiday season. “Being selected to provide the Capitol Christmas tree is an honor for the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe,” said Chairwoman Carri Jones. “It brings national exposure to our community showing the country our incredible natural resources, and continuing our partnerships with Choose Outdoors and the Chippewa National Forest will raise awareness for the community and the Band as we will be well represented at the Capital ceremonies by students from our Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig school and area youth.”

With Choose Outdoors meeting with various organizations, there was a perfect opportunity for all three partners to get together face to face. One of the highlights of the meeting was the unveiling of the official logo for the project. Highlights of the logo include important elements such as the bald eagle, traditional Ojibwe floral design, use of the Capitol building and a Christmas Tree. Other unique

features include the use of the floral pattern for the garland on the tree and the star atop representing Minnesota as “The Star of the North” – Minnesota’s state motto.

Bruce Ward, President and founder of the national non-profit Choose Outdoors said, “This 50 year old tradition, celebrating the spirit of the Christmas season, represents the epitome of partnerships that have been a hallmark of the US Forest Service. We are honored to be a private sector partner, joining forces with local volunteers, businesses and elected officials to make this the best People’s Tree ever.” In the coming weeks, a website will be released for the 2014 U.S. Capitol Christmas Tree. There Minnesotans and others across the nation can learn about upcoming events in their community, learn how preparations are progressing, and how they can help and support this once in a lifetime opportunity.

About Chippewa National Forest

Chippewa National Forest is the first National Forest established east of the Mississippi with nearly 660,000 acres at the headwaters of the Mississippi River in north-central Minnesota. Chippewa National Forest shares boundaries with the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe and contains outstanding cultural resources, premier habitat for aquatic, riparian and terrestrial wildlife and plants, leads in conservation of the bald eagle and in protection for vast wetland resources. Visit the Chippewa National Forest’s website at <http://www.fs.usda.gov/chippewa> for more information.

About Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe

The Leech Lake Indian Reservation is located in the north-central Minnesota counties of Cass, Itasca, Beltrami, and Hubbard. The reservation forms the land base for the federally recognized Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe; one of six bands comprising the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, organized in 1934. With over 864,000 original acres, nearly 300,000 are surface area of the three big lakes: Lake Winnibigoshish, Cass Lake and Leech Lake. Visit the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe’s website at <http://www.llojibwe.org> for more information.

About Choose Outdoors

Choose Outdoors is focused on connecting all Americans to our public lands through outdoor recreation activities. Through these activities Americans will seek to engage in healthy, active lifestyles, support our public lands legacy, and value our natural environment for its many uses and enjoyment. For more information visit <http://www.chooseoutdoors.org/>

Minnesota Tribes Adopt Home Visits Tailored for Native Americans

Family Spirit a program that has succeeded in other states and is designed by American Indians for American Indians is coming to Minnesota.

Minnesota tribes and organizations participating in Family Spirit include Red Lake, Leech Lake, Fond du Lac, Bois Forte, Grand Portage, Lower Sioux, Mille Lacs, and Mewinzha Ondaadiziike Wiigamig (a Native American birth center) in Bemidji. Training sessions are underway and home visits are expected to begin this winter.

The Family Spirit program includes tribal health staff, many of whom are American Indian themselves, who support young parents with 63 lessons to be taught from pregnancy up to the child’s third birthday. Starting in 1995, Family Spirit was designed and rigorously evaluated by the Johns Hopkins Center for American Indian Health in partnership with the Navajo, White Mountain and San Carlos Apache communities.

“This is a program specifically developed by native people for native people that I think will really resonate with our tribal folks,” said Jackie Dionne, MDH director

of American Indian health. MDH is committed to working with tribes to increase the health of young moms and their babies. American Indian babies die in the first year of life at twice the rate of white babies. While infant mortality rates for all groups have declined, the disparity in rates has existed for over 20 years.

“At Leech Lake, we are excited to implement this program. We’ve been getting the word out and adding our own cultural aspects to the program,” said Jackie Wright, Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Health Division. The program is open to households living on the Leek Lake Reservation or in the reservation’s four-county area. The tribe hopes to have the program up and running in April.

Family Spirit is the nation’s largest, most rigorous, evidence-based home-visiting program for Native American families. It is being offered by other tribes in California, New Mexico, Arizona, and Washington. Researchers studying family spirit initiatives have found that the program has increased parenting knowledge and involvement; decreased maternal depression; increased home safety; and decreased substance use in both pregnant and parenting women. It has been used around the nation with more than 2,500 Native American families.

The program is more flexible than other home visiting approaches and encourages home visitors to consider Native American beliefs and cultural traditions when educating clients and asking them for information, according to Karla Decker, MDH tribal nurse consultant.

In mainstream home visiting programs, Decker said it would not have been acceptable to use “smudging,” which is the burning of tobacco, cedar, sage, or other materials during home visits. But the Family Spirit curriculum makes space for traditions. “It is a ceremony that is cleansing and healing and is often done when dealing with difficult issues or seeking good influences,” Decker said.

Family Spirit also encourages a culturally sensitive style of conversation. For example, instead of starting by asking a mom whether she has a substance abuse problem. The training encourages the visitor to ask the client if she feels drugs and alcohol may negatively affect her community. “Reservation members tend to have strong ties to their community,” Decker said. “So starting the conversation by talking about the community is respectful and also opens the door for young moms to start talking about the problem of substance abuse in and outside of their families.”

The Minnesota Department of Health has been sponsoring trainings since January. Each tribal community consulted with Johns Hopkins to choose their home visitors and target clients. Johns Hopkins staff trained tribal health staff in visiting procedures and case management skills. Most tribal health offices relate that they plan to offer the program universally to all new pregnant women and those with infants.

“The Family Spirit program gives us an avenue to educate our children in a manner that keeps in consideration our cultural beliefs while teaching them ways to reduce risk that lead to negative health outcomes,” said Kathy Beaulieu-Sanders, Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Public Health Department.

The program is flexible and participants can be enrolled at any point from early pregnancy until the child’s third birthday, though the goal is to see families for that entire period.

The program is designed as a home visiting program, but the curriculum can be delivered in other venues as well, such as clinics, schools or in group settings.



News from the Office of Minnesota’s
Eighth District Congressman Rick Nolan

Rep. Nolan Announces “Native American Emerging Leaders” Internship Program

(WASHINGTON, D.C.) – U.S. Rep. Rick Nolan announced today a new internship program specifically for Native American students in Minnesota’s Eighth District.

The “Native American Emerging Leaders” program is designed to prepare Native American students to become community leaders and policymakers by exposing them to the processes by which national policies are developed and implemented on Capitol Hill and in the federal government.

Syngen Kanassatega, from the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe, is the first student selected to participate. Syngen is currently a law student at the University of New Mexico, and, throughout the summer, he will assist Congressman Nolan’s legislative staff in Washington, D.C., with legal research, with a particular focus on tribal policy issues.



“As the Representative of five of the six bands of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, it’s essential to me that our Native American students are aware of the resources they have at their disposal to influence our public policymaking,” said Nolan.

Nolan added, “It is my hope that with this program, Emerging Leaders graduates return to their communities better informed about how government works, and better prepared to become leaders, skilled analysts, and informed advocates.

“My ultimate goal is to better represent the issues of Indian Country in Congress.”

In addition to the Mille Lacs Band, Rep. Nolan represents the Fond du Lac, Leech Lake, Grand Portage, and Bois Forte Bands; students from each of these tribes will have the opportunity to be selected for the internship.

The Emerging Leaders internship comes with a small monthly stipend to help with the costs of living in D.C. Native American students interested in this program should contact their tribal leader for a recommendation.

The Affordable Care Act & The IHS Website.

For more information go to

<http://www.ihs.gov/ACA>

Journalism workshop at Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School

Note: Jayden Johnson, Michael Tanner (photograph credit), and James Robinson produced this article and photos as part of a week-long journalism workshop in June at the Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School in Bena. The workshop was taught by photographer Kyndell Harkness from the Star Tribune in Minneapolis and writer Lynda McDonnell, the retired director of ThreeSixty Journalism at the University of St. Thomas in St. Paul. Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School English teacher Laura Newton also helped with the workshop.

Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School Journalism

By Jaydyn Johnson

8th grade, Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School

When Adrian Liberty was six years old and growing up in foster homes in Minneapolis, one home stood out. At the dinner table, his foster parents spoke Ojibwe when they didn't want the kids to understand.

"I remember really liking the sound of it. It sounded so good to me. And I was like – I want to sound like that. And ever since then, I've been hungry for it."

Liberty lived with that family until he was 11, and he has been feeding that hunger for Ojibwe since high school. Now he's 48, and he is Naabekwa, (male bear) a respected teacher at Niigaane, an Ojibwe immersion school for kindergarten through 6th grade on the Leech Lake Reservation in central Minnesota. He is a traditional drummer and plays drums in a rock band. He has a goatee and a long braid down his back. He is respectful and funny with the students and elders he works with.

Liberty teaches the youngest students, and he also learns from elders like Steven Jackson, whose Ojibwe name is Akiiwenzi (Old Man). Jackson spoke only Ojibwe until he went to school when he was six.

"I remember going to school and having a tough time with the language. I had to have an interpreter. It was kind of hard growing up that way," Jackson said. He is a big, strong-chested man, and he is a good cook. When he was in the military in Vietnam, he learned how to cook.

Along with teaching Liberty, Jackson meets with boys at the school every Wednesday. The boys talk about their problems at home and at school, and the men talk to them about how they can handle them. Jackson and Liberty also tell stories from Ojibwe history and folk tales. Girls have a similar meeting in another room.

Liberty relies on Jackson and elders Gerri Howard and Leona Wakonabo to teach him the subtleties of the Ojibwe language.



"I give them headaches because I have a million questions, and I'm not afraid to ask them," Liberty said. "I just blurt them out. I think every elder I've worked with – I just drive them crazy."

Before the questions came loneliness. Liberty grew up cut off from the language and culture of his mother's people. "I didn't grow up with this culture so I know what it is to not know and what a lonely feeling that is."

Jackson felt a different kind of loneliness – having no one to share his Ojibwe language with. "I used to talk to myself. I had all kinds of time to think about my language when I was in the military. I used to go and sit in a bunker and talk to my buddy – myself. It was like I was I telling somebody – I would answer the question I thought he would ask me. I did that for a whole year."

Liberty had another way to practice. "I used to talk to my dog in it. I never used any English with her at all."

Studying and teaching Ojibwe has taught Liberty not just about language but about his culture. For example, there is no word for "goodbye" in Ojibwe. Instead, people say "giga-waabamin," which means "see you later."

"Some of the things that have surprised me - we don't really have a phrase for 'excuse me,'" Liberty said. "The teaching there is that we should act with manner where we wouldn't have to use a phrase like that."

Learning and teaching the language have changed him, he said. "When I think about how my life has changed from when I knew no Ojibwemowin to now, how different I think of things. It's amazingly different. It calms me down in ways -- I can't even articulate some of that."

Liberty worries about the hard transition for students who leave the school after 6th grade. When they take standardized tests, they don't recognize math words like "prime number" and "reciprocal" even though they learned those concepts in Ojibwe. That holds down their test scores, he said. He explained that when the program started 10 years ago, the plan was to keep students all the way through high school. But lack of funding and trained teachers has meant they just end the program, which now has a total of 35 students, at 6th grade. And rather than just translate the public school curriculum into Ojibwe, Niigaane staff develops materials that emphasize traditional culture and values.

"They're leaving us faster than we intended, so we are absolutely worried about the transition," he said. "There's no template. We're going to have to find

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our way how to do that transition.” He said the staff needs to visit other immersion programs to see how they handle it.

“There’s this challenge of reclaiming what we have to be Anishinabe Ojibwe,” Liberty said. “This isn’t only about school. This is a nation-building effort.”



* James Robinson, a 9th grader at Bug School, and writing coach Lynda McDonnell assisted with this story. Seventh grader Michael Tanner took the photos.

Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School Journalism

By Jaydyn Johnson

Namanjiins, or Lefty in Ojibwe

8th grade, Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School

For me, going to Niigaane as a five-year-old was scary at first. I didn’t know hardly anyone, including the bus driver. I only knew three Ojibwe words from my grandma -- aaniin – hi or hello, miigwech – thank you, daga – please.

Staying there, by third grade, I was more comfortable. I got used to the words and the kids I knew. I understood my culture, and I liked it.

When we get our Ojibwe name, they give us our clan – and there’s all different kinds of clans. There’s bear, turtle, otter, eagle. That’s who we are. This is us. This is what we are. When I meet others from the bear clan, I feel a closer connection because I know they are family.

Going from Niigaane to Bug School in 7th grade was easier than when I was five. I knew the kids but I didn’t know the teachers. I could speak English, of course, but writing in English was kind of hard. Now it’s really hard to keep the Ojibwe I learned because there’s no one to talk to.

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Cass Lake Contact hours are 8:00-4:30, Monday through Friday, by drop in or appointment. Both Robin and Katie determine eligibility for Income Maintenance programs. These programs include: **SNAP** (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program), **Minnesota Health Care Programs** (including Medical Assistance), **Family Cash** (including MFIP and DWP), **Emergency Assistance, General Assistance (GA) and Emergency General Assistance.**

To the People

This has been a time of transition for the new council members. I have been busy this first week in office working to find out where the band is financially as it is the end of the last fiscal year and the start of the new one. The last quarterly financial reports give us part of the picture but we won’t know for sure where exactly we ended the year financially until around mid-August with division and program final closeouts.

We know we have a cash flow shortage and a deficit with the exact amount yet to be determined. I will have a report out to the people as soon as I have the facts assembled.

We can now deal with the Native cigarette issue we have with the State of Minnesota. This is an opportunity to weigh the pros and cons of going back to it, leaving the tax agreement completely, or to consider negotiating a whole new tax agreement. Any decision or new agreement must strengthen Leech Lake and take into consideration our sovereignty and inter-tribal commerce.

I am hopeful this new council will continue the work to develop a Sovereign Economic System to broaden the Leech Lake Reservation tax system and our jurisdiction that includes inter-tribal commerce. We initiated our own tax system including passage of the Tribal Secured Transaction Act, establishment of a Leech Lake Tax Ordinance and Tax Commission, as well as a Public Utilities Ordinance and a Public Utility Commission but there is more work to do.

The council will need to still set priorities some of the many areas that need attention are employment, workforce training and education, addictions, addressing the poverty and homelessness. Another area that needs improvement is communication and making sure we keep the people informed of issues and efforts as we move forward. There is still a spending freeze in place, but we need to look at some policy changes to help free up more resources to help our Band members.

I thank you for your patience during this transition. I want to thank all the people who gave me their trust and voted for me. I take my responsibilities as the Secretary/Treasurer very seriously and will work hard for all the people.

Miigwetch

Arthur “Archie” LaRose

Thank You District I

To all of my fellow District I Community Members,

I am so very thankful for your trust in me in this new position that I will be taking. I am so honored to be the new District I Representative it is hard for me to find the words to describe the coming days and months, but let me try.

I have seen many things during my days working in the District I office. I have seen some of the progress that the Band has made, and I also see things that we need to improve upon and fix. I will work hard for the good people of District I and for all of Leech Lake. My door will always be open if anyone needs help with an issue or if anyone has a question. I don’t pretend to have all of the answers, but together I believe that we can overcome any obstacle if we work hard and if we work together.

From our youngest children to our distinguished elders, we need to be able to improve everyone’s life. We need to take a look at the entire Leech Lake Reservation so that we don’t leave anyone behind when we try and make things better, and I promise to try and never leave anyone out when it comes to this very important point.

Let me say thank you once again, and that I am very proud and humbled to represent District I.

Miigwetch

Penny DeVault



Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig Students Complete FEMA Training

Several different area community service organizations and volunteers recently came together to help train students from the Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School in emergency preparedness. The Leech Lake Ambulance Service, Cass Lake Fire department, Walker Fire Department, Remer Fire Department, Pillager Area Fire and Rescue, Remer Area Ambulance Service, Outing Quick Response Team, and The Cass County Sheriff's Office all participated in helping to prepare students in the Teen CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) program. Notable volunteers are: Bug School Staffer John Parmeter and Kerry Swenson from the Cass County Sheriff's Office of Emergency Management.

The CERT training begins with the sponsoring agency designating a team leader for the training. Next, a staging area or meeting location is selected where the response team meets and is coordinated acting as a communications hub for damage assessments and to help allocate volunteer resources efficiently.

From the staging area the Lead and departments such as Fire and Rescue and EMT units coordinate volunteer efforts. Overall needs are met through the volunteers helping in areas where the damage is more severe sending volunteers to run for resources such as medical supplies and water. The volunteers are taught to assess damage, put out small fires, as well as perform search and rescue and basic medical treatment acting as communications eyes and ears for the professional agencies that perform these tasks regularly.

Cheyenne Clark, Cody Wagner, and Austin Morgan completed the 40 hour training in May and are now certified to help in a crisis situation.

Funding for the training was partially provided by a grant from FEMA to cover the cost of the CERT Go Kits and t-shirts that each student received after completion of the course. The rest of the costs were covered by the Sheriff's Office Emergency Management budget.

There are plans to start another round of training at area schools again this fall starting with Cass Lake and Pine River to be carried through to next spring. For more information please call kerry.swenson@co.cass.mn.us or office line is 218-547-7437. John Parmeter can be reached at the Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig school at 218-665-3000.



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CHAIRWOMAN'S FOURTH QUARTERLY REPORT

with non-profit Choose Outdoors to bring another tree to the Capitol. "Being selected to provide the Capitol Christmas tree is an honor," said Chairwoman Jones, "It brings national exposure to our community showing the country our incredible natural resources, and continuing our partnerships with Choose Outdoors and the Chippewa National Forest will raise awareness for the community and the Band...". In addition to the main tree by the Capitol, Chippewa National Forest and Leech Lake will provide numerous other smaller trees to be placed throughout other government buildings. The Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School is currently working with students on creating ornaments. Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School is also planning on sending students to attend the lighting ceremony.



Student Graduations



The Leech Lake Tribal College held their graduation on May 18th, 2014 with 41 graduates and 11 with honors. Audrey Thayer was named the 2014 Faculty Member of the year. Thayer teaches Indigenous-American Leadership, U.S. and Indigenous History, Indigenous-American Philosophy, and Intro to Anishinabe Studies.

Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig High School held their graduation on May 16th, 2014 with a total of 16 diplomas given out and 2 co-valedictorians. Six students received various scholarships ranging from \$250-\$750 to continue with their higher education.

Leech Lake Head Start ended their school year with 132 children graduating. 71 children graduated from the Cass Lake center, 14 from Bemidji, 14 from Ball Club, 11 from Onigum, 9 from Bena, 7 from Sugar Point, and 6 from Inger.

Violence Against Women:

Improving Multidisciplinary Responses Conference

The Sanford Events Center in Bemidji, MN held the Violence Against Women: Improving Multidisciplinary Responses Conference on June 18-20, 2014. Chairwoman Jones was honored to give the welcoming address at this event. Leech Lake was pleased to attend as the conference emphasis focused on violence against Native American women. The main reason Congress passed the Violence Against Woman Act (VAWA) is the alarming rates of violence against Native American women on reservations. Leech Lake has implemented different strategies to address this concern including the Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) and the Domestic Abuse Re-education Program (DAR). More information is available by calling the Behavioral Health division or Women's Services at 335-3560.



Elder Assisted Care Facility Update

Members of the Reservation Business Committee (RBC) met with Chairman Charlie Vig of the Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux (Dakota) Community to discuss the Elder Assisted Care Facility project and goals in May. As a result of this meeting, the SMSC Business Council has awarded Leech Lake with a grant in the amount of \$1 million to assist with completion of the Elder Assisted Care Facility. The SMSC grant funding showcases the forward strides Leech Lake is taking to increase more services and resources for our Band members and elders. We are honored to receive this grant from the Shakopee Community and look forward to more collaboration opportunities in the future.

Cass Lake I.H.S. Renovation and Expansion

The Cass Lake Indian Health Service started their two year renovation and expansion construction project in May 2014. The I.H.S. renovation and expansion construction will add almost 28,000 feet and remodel 8,500 feet of space. Much of the interior of the current building will be updated, electrical and ventilation systems will be upgraded, and the roof will be replaced. The number of patient care rooms will be doubled and spaces for pharmacy, laboratory and physical therapy will be increased. Parking lot and underground utility construction, phase 1 of the construction timeline, is already in progress.



Tribal Administrative Internship Program 2014

Chairwoman Jones' office is hosting the second annual Tribal Administrative Internship Program this summer. 2014 high school graduates Angel Rosillo from Cass Lake-Bena and Marissa Oothoudt from Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig will be interning for four weeks. The two interns will be introduced and tour to a variety of the Leech Lake divisions including gaming, Legal Department, Department of Resource Management, and the Leech Lake Police Department. The interns will also earn college credit from the Leech Lake Tribal College by learning about Indigenous Leadership from Instructor Elaine Fleming. The T.A.I.P. 2014 offers young adults the opportunity to learn about the inner workings of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe as well as move forward with their higher education. The Tribal Administrative Internship Program is offered on a yearly basis and open to high school seniors.



-LEGAL NOTICE BY PUBLICATION-

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Child of:

Jolaine Emmanuelle Bigbear and Dennis Lee Littlewolf, Parents.

Court File No. CP-13-11

NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on September 9, 2013, a Petition to Suspend Parental Rights was filed in Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the child of the above-named parents. 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.

-LEGAL NOTICE BY PUBLICATION-

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Child of:

Sheila Renee Garbow and Lucas Wayne French, Sr., Parents.

Court File No. CP-13-23

NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on February 25, 2014, a Petition for Long-Term Foster Care was filed in Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the child of the above-named parents. 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.

LLBO Tribal Court 6530 U. S.Highway 2 NW Cass Lake, MN 56633 218-335-3682/3586

Child Protection

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Child of:

Karla J. Thompson, Gabriel J. Cortez, Nicholas A. Harvey, Samuel J. Staples III, Tony M. Winslow, Parents.

NOTICE OF LEGAL PUBLICATION

CASE NO. CP-11-44

Children: D.W.T, DOB: 08-18-2011;
A.R.T, DOB: 05-24-2008;
A.M.T, DOB: 05-15-2003; and
N.C, DOB: 07-08-2001.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an Admit/Deny Hearing on the Child/Family Protection Petition for Suspension of Parental Rights regarding the child(ren) of the above-named parent(s) will be held on **October 29th, 2014 at 9:00 a.m.**, in the Leech Lake Tribal Courtroom, Facility Center, upper level, in Cass Lake, Minnesota. The hearing will be before the Honorable Paul Day.

You are served with this notice by publication because you are a party to this proceeding or you are a person whose presence is important to a determination concerning your child. If you fail to appear either in person or by telephone for this hearing, judgment by default may be entered against you.

DATED: 07-07-2014.

LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE SUMMARY OF JOB OPENINGS

Leech Lake Band Member preference, MCT, and other Native American Indian preference apply. Please submit Cover Letter, Resume, Credentials, 3 Letters of Reference, and Transcripts for positions requiring any Degree above High School Diploma or General Education Diploma

www.llojibwe.org and may: **drop off or mail documents to:**

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe – Human Resources

115 Sixth St NW, Suite E - Cass Lake, MN 56633;

Fax documents to: 1-218-335-3697;

email documents to: andrea.jones@llbo.org

Call 218-335-3698 or toll free 1-800-631-5528 for more information.

THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS CLOSE ON July 18th, 2014

Criminal Investigator ~ Leech Lake Tribal Police ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-123

Inger Family Service Advocate ~ Early Childhood ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-120

P/T Kitchen Helper/Driver-Kego Lake ~ Health ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-117

Part-Time Kitchen Helper-Cass Lake ~ Health ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-118

Custodian ~ Leech Lake Tribal Police ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-084B

4 Mental Health Professional ~ Human Services ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-116

6 CTSS Mental Health Practitioner ~ Human Services ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-115

THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS CLOSE ON July 25th, 2014

PreSchool Teacher-Inger ~ Early Childhood ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-125

Child Protection Intake Worker/Child Protection ~Human Services~DOQ~Job Code: 14-124

Kitchen Assistant II – Cass Lake ~ Early Childhood ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-005D

THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS ARE OPEN UNTIL FILLED

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

THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS ARE OPEN CONTINUOUS

Pt Cashier/ NLE ~ Business Development ~ \$10.25/hr ~ Job Code: 14-001

Pt Cashier/Che-We ~ Business Development ~ \$10.25/hr ~ Job Code: 14-000

Community Drivers Needed:

The CHR program has expanded its transportation services to include community drivers to assist in the transport of patients to medical appointments. These appointments may include: Clinics, Optical, Dental, Specialty, Dialysis, etc. and may be local or long distance. If you are interested in being a driver for the community you live in or for the reservation as a whole please consider becoming a LLBO Medical Transportation Volunteer Driver. As a driver you are paid reimbursed .56 per mile for your travel and you volunteer your time. If you are interested in hearing more about this program and how you may become a part of it please feel free to contact Bob White at the Leech Lake Health Division:

1 (218) 335-4507.

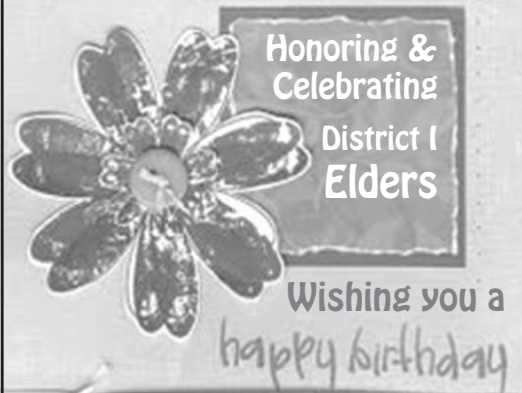


Wishing District II Elders a
Happy Birthday!

July Birthdays From District II Office Steve, Renee, & Michelle

Virginia Greene
Guy Greene
Stella Mitchell
Loretta Monroe

Connie Wheeler
Mark Banks
Marlene Mitchell



July Birthdays

Teri Perrington
Nathan Jenkins
Doreen Johnson
Spencer Shotley
Beverly DeVault
Edwin Goggeley
Ronald Wilson
Louis Boyd
Geraldine Howard
Betty Motter

From District I Office
Penny, Sarah, and Gil

LLBO WIC FOR July 2014

LLBO WIC Program will be holding WIC Clinics as follows:

WIC CLINICS AT THE NEST

Nutrition Education Sessions and Certifications by appointment only

8:15a.m.-11:30a.m. and 1:00p.m.-3:00p.m.

Monday: 7, 14, 21, & 28th

Wednesday: 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30th

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

Thursday: July 31st

WIC CLINICS AT OUTLYING CLINICS

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.

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

**REPAIR WORK TO BEGIN ON
MIGIZI BIKE TRAIL**

CASS LAKE, MN -- Chippewa National Forest officials have announced that repair work is scheduled to begin on the Migizi bike trail and Forest Road (FR) 2005, Norway Beach Campground Road, on July 9, 2014. Sections of the Migizi trail will be closed while crews complete this work. The anticipated completion date is July 18, 2014.

The repair work will include asphalt being removed and replaced in 17 separate locations of the trail. Most of the work areas are south of Hwy 2 and along the east side of Pike Bay. Work along FR 2005 will involve the repair of damaged areas along the edge of the pavement that were created by large trees that were overturned during the July 2012 storm. The road will be temporarily limited to one lane traffic through the work areas.

For more information, contact Jon Hodgson at 218-335-8687

CRISIS NUMBERS

Cass: Crisis Line (800)462-5525

Beltrami: Crisis Line (800)422-0045

Hubbard: Crisis Line (800)462-5525/
(800)422-0863

Itasca: Crisis Line/CRT (218)326-8565 or
(800)442-8565

Txt For life Info: (612)852-2206
for texting, teens can text to 839863

Nations Suicide Hotline/Teen suicide lines: (800)786-2929

Bullying: www.teensagainstbullying.org or
www.stopbullying.gov or (800) 537-2237

Native American Youth Crisis Hotline: (877)209-1266

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Gas Discount

Beginning, April 1, 2014, all convenience stores owned by the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe, will offer a \$.05 per gallon discount to enrolled Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe (LLBO) members on gasoline and diesel purchased for the member's personal use.



Obituaries



MARGARET NEADEAU Beaulieu, John C. May 29, 2014



Margaret Neadeau, age 71, of Minneapolis, MN formerly of Red Lake, MN passed away at her home on June, 19, 2014.

Margaret was born on September 4, 1942 in Red Lake, MN to Andrew Neadeau and Mercy BlackEagle. She was blessed with three children: Lisa, Dale and Edward Neadeau. Margaret was a very caring person and was always willing to help raise her family's children and offer motherly wisdom and guidance. She had a quick wit that kept everyone laughing.

She will be lovingly remembered by her daughter, Lisa Neadeau of Minneapolis, grandchildren: Robert, Todd and Dale; two sisters: Sally Mae Neadeau and Nancy Polonia; brother, Melvin May Sr., as well as numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Margaret was preceded in death by her parents, her son, Dale; and siblings: Earl Parkhurst, Daniel Parkhurst, John Neadeau, Rosetta Jourdain and Belva Smallwood.

Visitation will be held on Saturday, June 21, 2014 and Sunday June, 22, 2014 at the Red Lake Community Center. Final review will begin at Noon on Monday, June 23, 2014 at the Community Center followed by services at St. Mary's Catholic Church with Father Jerry Rogers officiating. Interment will be at St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery in Red Lake.



Beaulieu, John C. Age 69 of Fridley, MN, died peacefully at home on May 26, 2014 after a short but valiant fight with cancer. John was born September 19,

1944 in Bena, Minnesota at home in a small cabin on Waboose Bay. John is survived by his three children: Tammy, John, and Jacqueline (Robb) and grandchildren: Sabrina, Nadia, Olivia and Sofia. He is also survived by his sister, Nadine Chase (Walt); brother, Terry Hodder (Jeanette); nephews and nieces: Walter, Cheryl, and John Chase, Terry, John, Roxanne and Dale Hodder, Randy, Debra, Mike, Erich and Jaime Beaulieu, and Carmen Parsons. John joins great nephew Corey Chase in looking over the rest of us. John grew up in Bena, MN and later moved to the Twin Cities. He worked as a sheet metal worker, and later as a business agent in the Sheet Metal Workers International Association. John retired seven years prior to his passing and enjoyed his days to the fullest. He spent the last several winters in Miami, golfing and enjoying the sun. He truly lived life to the fullest, each day. Though he was no stranger to the bars in Northeast Minneapolis, and played a mean game of cribbage, he was a dedicated Dad and Grandpa, spending many afternoons with his grandkids at Chuck E. Cheese, suffering through bad pizza for the greater good. Throughout his illness he never failed to remain positive. Many friends stopped to visit with John as he made his journey home, but special thanks goes to Deb Michels, who spent many evenings comforting him, right

until the end. John was taken far too soon from us. He meant so much to so many, and will be greatly missed. Visitation at KOZLAK-RADULOVICH BLAINE CHAPEL (107th Ave. NE & Hwy. 65) Sunday from 4-7 PM. Funeral service Monday at 10:30 AM with visitation one hour prior also at the chapel. Interment Fort Snelling National Cemetery. Memorials may be made in his name to the American Cancer Society. www.kozlakradulovich.com "A Celebration of Life" 763-783-1100

Fern Pemberton



Fern R. Pemberton, 91 of Cass Lake, MN died Monday, May 26, 2014 at her home.

Mass of Christian Burial will be 11:00 am Saturday, May 31, 2014 at the St. Charles Catholic Church in Cass Lake, MN with Fr. Kuriakose Nediakala officiating. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service at the church. Interment will be at the Pine Grove Cemetery in Cass Lake, MN under the direction of the Cease Family Funeral Home of Bemidji.

Fern was born June 12, 1922 in Waubun, MN the daughter of William and Rowena (Gagnon) Boldt. She attended school in Waubun Elementary, St. Benedicts School in White Earth, Flandreau Indian School in South Dakota and graduated from Waubun High School in 1939. She married Merle Pemberton February 9, 1941 in Big Elbow Lake Village, MN. She worked for General Motors for 20 years; retiring in 1976. They lived in Wisconsin and moved back to our area in 1998 living on Leech Lake. There final move was to live in Cass Lake in 2000. She was a member of the St. Charles Catholic Church in Cass Lake. Any where they lived, she would seek out their catholic church; her Christianity was very dear to her. She enjoyed embroidery, crafts, quilting, cake decorating for family events and doing upholstery. She also spent time

visiting those in need; at the hospital or at their homes. She was a truly lovely woman, inside and out.

She is survived by her son Merle "Butch" (Kathy) Pemberton of Colorado Springs, CO; daughter Donita (Harold) Rochol of New Berlin, WI; 5 sisters Marge McKeever of Cambria, CA, Kathy (Herb) Wagner of Spokane, WA, Judy Helmuth of Spokane, WA, Donna Hayes of Topeka, KS and Billie Sue Maracua of Georgia; 6 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, son David, brother Joseph Boldt and sisters Thamer Alexander, Audrey Phitzener and Mary Helen McKeever.

Condolences may be left at ceasefuneralhome.com.

Clyde Dennis Monroe



Clyde Dennis Monroe, 68, of Onigum, passed away on Wednesday, June 18, 2014 at the Evergreen Terrace Care Center in Grand Rapids. He was born on March 16, 1946 in Cass Lake, the

son of John and Isabelle (Aitkin) Monroe.

Clyde Monroe was born and raised on the Leech Lake Indian Reservation. His family made their home in the Onigum community where he was primarily raised by his Bah-bah-naan Bill Morrell and wife Pauline and their family while his mom and siblings lived close by. Clyde was given his Indian name "Waubanoonini" or East Morning Man by an Ojibwe elder.

Clyde attended school in nearby Walker graduating in 1964. Clyde was an outstanding sportsman who excelled in sports, especially in basketball. His love for the name made a huge impact on his life as he overcame great barriers as no after school transportation was available in those days for him to get home after practice. Many times Clyde made the long walk home through extreme winter conditions from Walker to Onigum

on the ice lake road and sometimes in complete darkness. Upon graduating Clyde met the love of his life, Mary Jo Smith, and together they had four children until her death in 1983. He met Sharon Finn and together they had a daughter.

Clyde can be remembered for his outstanding basketball and softball skills where he attained numerous upon numerous trophies and awards throughout his long sports career. His children fondly remember him bringing a trophy home after a weekend of playing ball with the Onigum Nighthawks whether it was basketball or softball teams in the 1970s-1980s. In 1978/79 the Onigum Nighthawks won the National Indian Basketball Championship in Phoenix, Arizona. Up until his unofficial retirement from basketball and softball in the late 1980's Clyde still continued to play the occasional tournaments from time to time. Clyde began playing golf in the late 1980's and enjoyed playing in golf tournaments and in his free time and on his days off. One of Clyde's favorite pastimes is enjoying an evening with family and friends at the community volleyball games at the Ellis home in Onigum. Although the games were played only in fun the games were sometimes very competitive but only laughter could be heard coming from them.

Although sports was an important aspect in his life, taking care of his family was always prioritized and it came first above everything else.

Clyde worked for Housing and Manpower in his earlier years before he transferred his career to the Gaming side and was one of the original employees when Northern Lights Casino was first established in 1990 and until the time of his illness in 2008. Clyde was known as "305" over the radio and up his illness Clyde had always hoped to return to NLC but his illness prevented it. Clyde can be remembered for being a tough, but fair man. Despite being "big" and "tall" his size could be intimidating to others, but his family knew better and considered him to be a big teddy bear.

Clyde was always there for his children and if he could help them out in anyway he would. He loved deeply and cared for all of his 31 grandchildren.

Clyde returned home from work each morning and always stopped

in to check on her and to have coffee and donuts. He always made sure she was taking care of herself and taking her medications. Together Clyde had a special love and bond with his mom.

Clyde was a well respected and honored man in the community. He made many friends throughout his 68 years of life and his friends are too many to list. Clyde loved to tease and spread humor wherever he went.

Prior to his illness Clyde had completed paying the mortgage on his home on beautiful Leech Lake. Up until this time Clyde was able to establish many memories with his kids and grandkids with many dinners at his home and at other various places, Clyde's love for his family and friends was endless and his memories of good times and laughter and humor will never be forgotten. Clyde was a good man with good taste and all those fortunate to cross his path knew that once they attained Clyde as a friend knew they had a friend for life. Mii=gwetch!

Clyde was preceded in death by his wife; Mary Jo, parents; John and Isabelle, brothers; Harold and Calvin, sisters; Adeline, Tonya and an infant sister; Norma, nieces; Christina Johnson, Sherry Monroe, two infant grandchildren Mary Marie Kingbird and Jeff Kingbird, Jr., nephew; Sonnie Ringley, Bah-Bah Bill Morrell, numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, friends and a good friend Myron Ellis.

He is survived by his sons; Todd (Andrea) Smith of Cass Lake and Dennis (Regina) Smith of Onigum, daughters; Stephanie (Pedro) Raygoza-Garcia of Cass Lake, Shirley (Norman) Smith-Kingbird of Cass Lake, and Jade (significant other Chelsea) Finn of Brainerd, brothers; Roger Monroe of Walker, Edwin Monroe of Onigum, sisters; Bernice New of Minneapolis, Evie Monroe of Onigum, Darlene Monroe of Onigum and Elaine Monroe of Bemidji, special sisters; Glendora Ellis of Minneapolis and Cheryl Holk of Walker, 31 grandchildren and great grandchildren, special nephew and friend Roger "Teets" Butcher, numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives and many friends.

A wake service for Clyde will begin at 3:00 p.m., Saturday, June 21, 2014 and will continue until the 10:00 a.m. service on Monday, June 23, all at

the Northern Lights Casino, Walker. Rev. Mark R. Olson will officiate. Pallbearers for Clyde will be Devin Smith, Trevor Kingbird, Trey Kingbird, Todd Smith, Jr., Jason Silcox, Larry Johnson, Steven Kent and Corey Butcher. Honorary pallbearers will be Dennis Smith, Sr., Todd Smith, Stephanie Raygoza-Garcia, Shirley Smith, Jade Finn, Grandchildren, Great Grandchildren, Mick Finn, Roger Aitkin, Alfred "Tig" Pemberton, Frank Reese, Joe Jackson, Tony LaDeaux, Roger "Teets" Butcher, Shannon Haugen, Regina Smith, Brad Michaud, Norman Kingbird, Shannon Haugen, Northern Lights Staff, and the Onigum Night Hawks Softball and Basketball Teams. Interment will be held in the St. John's Episcopal Cemetery at Old Agency.

Clyde'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

Patricia Anderson



Patricia "Tish" Marie Anderson, 47, of Onigum, passed away at her home on Friday, May 23, 2014. Tish was born on October 20, 1966,

in Minneapolis, the daughter of DuWayne and Marlene (Partridge) Hanson.

Tish loved spending time with family, kids and animals. She also liked going to the casino and being around her friends. Tish worked as a child care provider and a personal care assistant.

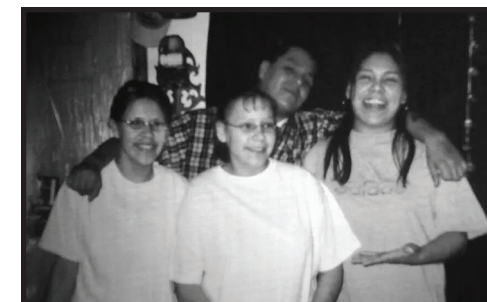
Family that went on before her include her mother; Marlene Andrews, infant brother Dean and one brother Robin.

Those she leaves behind to cherish her memory are her significant other; Aaron Osburnsen and special pet "Berto" of Walker, brother; Chad (Kathy) Hanson of Minneapolis, sister; Sharon (Rodney) Dorr of Columbia Heights, special niece; Alicia (Pedro) Dorr of Columbia Heights, nephew; Matthew Hanson, numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, other relatives and many friends.

A wake service for Patricia began

on Sunday, and will continue until the 12:00 p.m. service on Tuesday all at the Onigum Community Center at Onigum. Michael Smith and Wayne Smith will lead the services. Interment will be held in the Old Agency Catholic Cemetery at Old Agency following the service. Pallbearers for Patricia will be Ronald Partridge, Rodney Dorr, Keni-wen-ce Granroos, Henry Wiggins, Arthur Anderson and Michael Reyes. Honorary pallbearers will be Kathy Reyes, Gladys Granroos, Michelle Hunt and Jeremiah Smith.

Patricia'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



Darian James Fisherman Sr.

March 7, 1979 to June 23, 2009

*Don't think of him as gone
Always his journey's just
Begun life holds so many
Facts this earth is only one.*

*Just think of him as resting
From the sorrows and the
Tears in a place of warmth
And comfort where there
Are no days and years.*

*Think how he must be
Wishing that we could know
Today how nothing but our
Sadness can really pass
Away.*

*And Think of him as living
In the hearts of those he
Touched for nothing loved
Is ever lost and he was
Loved so much.*

Love Mom, & Son Baby Dee.

Raymond Floyd Losh



Raymond “Zam” Floyd Losh, 65, of Bena, passed away in the Evergreen Terrace Health Care Community at Grand Rapids, on Wednesday, June 18, 2014. He was

born in Cass Lake on December 11, 1948 the son of Charles and Irene (Johnson) Losh.

Zam grew up in the Bena area and entered the Army after school. He along with three of his brothers served in the Viet Nam War. The Losh family was one of the lucky families to have all four boys come back from the war. Zam lived in Bena for 65 years where he raised two boys Carl and Warren. He loved to deer hunt, go ricing, trapping, netting, camping, and spending time at pow-wows with his brother Bobby. Zam and his granddaughter Shyanne spent lots of time together riding the 4-wheeler and he loved taking rides out in the woods. In his later years he really enjoyed taking his dog Daisy to the DQ in Cass Lake to get plain burgers. Zam was always there to help anyone who needed him with whatever was asked of him.

Zam was preceded in death by his parents Charles and Irene, grandparents, sisters; Leota “Mickey” and Gloria, nephew; Darrin, numerous aunts and uncles.

He is survived by his sons; Carl (Tracy) White of Bena, and Warren White of Bena, brothers; Leonard “Beboy” (Marolyn) Losh of Cass Lake, Lyman “Dede” (Joann) Losh of Sugar Point, Melvin Losh of Bena, Robert (Peggy) Losh of Nut Hill, and Rayis “Bro” (Doreen) Losh of Bena, grandchildren; Carl White, Jr., Shyanne White, Stephen White, Vanessa White and Martin Raines, great grandchildren; Amera and Mae White.

A wake service for Zam will begin at 5:00 p.m., Monday, June 23, 2014 and will continue until the 1:00 p.m. service on Wednesday, June 25, 2014 all at the Bena Community Center. Father George Ross will officiate. Ojibwe Hymn Singers and the Young Sunrisers Drum

group will provide music. Pallbearers for Zam will be Kevin Losh, Eric White, Tyler Losh, Duane Losh, Loren Losh and Donnie Losh. Honorary pallbearers will be Carl White, Sr., Warren White, Shyanne White, Carl White, Jr., Stephen White and Vanessa White. Interment will be held in the Lakeview Cemetery at Bena.

Zam’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

Leonard O. Tanner Jr.



Leonard Owen Tanner, Jr., 61, of Duluth, MN formerly of Cass Lake, passed away unexpectedly at his home on Sunday, June 15,

2014. He was born on December 10, 1952 in Cass Lake, the son of Leonard and Leona Tanner.

Leonard enjoyed hunting, fishing, doing crossword puzzles, beading, and being on facebook. He was a simple man who cared for everyone.

Leonard was preceded in death by his wife Carolyn in 2001, grandparents on both sides, his parents Leonard and Leona and one grandson Joe Jourdain. He is survived by his step children, sisters; Lois (Bob) Jourdain of Cass Lake, and Alice Graham of Fargo, 24 grandchildren, 4 great grandchildren, and one uncle Melvin (Shelly) Goodman of Pennington.

A wake service for Leonard will begin at 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, June 17, 2014 and continue until the 10:00 a.m. service on Wednesday all at the Veteran’s Memorial Building in Cass Lake. Mike Dahl will be the spiritual leader. Interment will be held in the Tanner family cemetery at Oak Point. Pallbearers will be Tony Mainville, Kevin Mainville, Joe Jourdain, Jeremy Jourdain, Dean Jourdain and Waase Lightfeather. Honorary pallbearers will be all of his family and friends.

Leonard’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



Women’s Support Talking Circle

Join us every 1st & 3rd Wednesday for a talking circle to come

together with others starting **July 16th, 2014**. Craft supplies will be available for a therapeutic approach to living well.

When: 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the Month
Time: 4:30pm-5:30pm Where: HD2 Building
~Light Meal Provided~ 312 1st Street (Cass Lake)



Grief Support Talking Circle

“Join us every 2nd & 4th Wednesday for a talking circle to come together with others experiencing grief starting **July 23, 2014**. Craft supplies will be available for a therapeutic approach at healing.”

When: 2nd & 4th Wednesday of the Month
Time: 4:30pm-5:30pm Where: HD2 Building
312 1st Street (Cass Lake)

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Winnie Dam LIC Elections

Positions open:

1 Vice Chairperson

1 Youth Representative

August 21, 2014 at 6:00 pm

Winnie Dam Center- George Johnson Memorial

Any interested persons please attend!



EPA Begins Review of St. Regis Paper Co. Superfund Site Cass Lake, Minnesota

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is conducting a five-year review of the St. Regis Paper Co. Superfund site on the Leech Lake Reservation. This is the fifth five-year review of the site. The Superfund law requires regular checkups of sites that have been cleaned up – with waste managed on-site – to make sure the cleanup continues to protect people and the environment.

Cleanups in the 1980s under state oversight included:

- Digging up contaminated soil and placing it in an onsite containment unit.
- Installing a treatment system for contaminated groundwater.
- Providing public water to residents in the affected area.
- Creating a groundwater monitoring well network.

Since 1995, the responsible parties have continued to monitor and treat contaminated groundwater under EPA oversight, and maintain the onsite containment unit.

More information is available at the following locations:

- Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Division of Resource Management, 6530 Highway 2 N.W., Cass Lake
- Cass Lake Library, 223 Cedar Ave., Cass Lake
- Bemidji State University Library, 1501 Birchmont Drive N.E., Bemidji
- Cass Lake City Clerk, 332 Second St. N.W., Cass Lake
- Leech Lake Tribal College, 6945 Little Wolf Road N.W., Cass Lake
- www.epa.gov/region5/cleanup/stregis/index.htm.

The five-year review is an opportunity for you to tell EPA about site conditions and any concerns you have. For an interview or telephone conversation to discuss site conditions, problems or related concerns, contact:

Leslie Patterson
Remedial Project Manager
312-886-4904
patterson.leslie@epa.gov

Heriberto Leon
Community Involvement Coordinator
312-866-4360
leon.heriberto@epa.gov

You may call EPA's Chicago regional office toll-free at 800-621-8431, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., weekdays.



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6th Annual American Indian Alumni Chapter Scholarship Golf Tournament

Friday August 1st, 2014

Castle Highlands Golf Course

Turtle River, Minnesota (10 miles north of Bemidji on Highway 71)

Format: 4-person Texas-style Best Ball (use the best shot between you and your partners every time, including putting)

Schedule:

Registration 8:30 AM - 9:45 AM

Pre-Tournament Games 8:30 AM - 9:45 AM

Shotgun Start 10:00 AM

Team Entry Fee: \$400

- 18 holes of golf
- 2 Golf carts for every team
- Lunch in the clubhouse

Team Prizes:

- 1st Place: \$400
- 2nd Place \$300
- 3rd Place \$200

Course Contests:

- Closest to pin on every par 3 for men
- Closest to pin on every par 3 for women
- Longest drive for men
- Longest drive for women
- Longest putt for men
- Longest putt for women
- Prizes to the winning team

Early registration is encouraged by July 18th.

To register or donate on-line go to www.bsualumni.org/alumni/calender/

For more information contact:

Delana Smith, Alumni Chair 218-368-8179
 or Castle Highlands Golf Course 218-586-2681

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