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2014 Leech Lake Headstart Graduation



Ma'iingan Students left to right are: Elston Yost, Angelo Yanez, Layla Porter, Anthony Perez, Kylie Northbird, Josephine Myers, Tavion Lehti, Dominic Kingbird, William Johnson Jr., Cameron Hill, Nishiime Cloud, Kenneth Cloud Jr., Aiyahna Charette, and Curtis Buckanaga Jr.

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Outstanding American Indian Students Honored at BSU Ceremony



Paris Nicazio and Enrique Goose are two highly motivated academic achievers that were recently honored at the 34th annual American Indian Student Awards Recognition Banquet. On April 15th the selected pair of students were distinguished because they partner together to organize a weekly Ojibwe Language table, they participate in the Ojibwe College Quiz Bowl, and they volunteer for the Council of Indian Students as well as offer their time as American Indian Peer Advisors.

Paris and Enrique both make the local community of Battle Point their home. They are both fourth year students going into professional education, and both made the Dean's List, which requires a grade point average of 3.25-3.99, for the 2013-2014 school year.

The two are motivated to support each other's educational goals, they even have the same major of American Indian Studies and Elementary Education with a minor in Ojibwe Language and Psychology. Goose was motivated to go after these specific majors and minors because he "wanted to help with culture and language revitalization and help the youth." In and outside of the classroom the two are sharing the knowledge they have learned whether tutoring as peer advisors or mentoring participants at the language table.

Out of the many activities the pair is involved in they really enjoy coordinating the language table to help foster their native Ojibwe language and culture. Nicazio speaks warmly of the participants, especially the children when asked about the language table. She says, "It's cool to see how they (kids) act and how they introduce themselves, seeing their face light up when they introduce themselves in language. It's like saying, "Hey I'm an Ojibwe person." Well on their way to being teachers they plan on getting their Elementary Teaching Licensure at Bemidji State and go on to careers working with youth.

The Department of Justice is seeking Native American youth, between the ages of 14-17 who might be interested in participating in a Tribal Youth Police Academy. If selected, the participant will attend a 5 day camp in Appleton, Wisconsin, with all expenses paid, from August 11-16, 2014. If interested in applying, visit their site at www.ncjtc.org/typa

Holocaust Survivor Speaks at Bug O Nay Ge Shig

Recently, Robert Treuer spoke to the 10th grade American History class and other interested Bug O Nay Ge Shig High School students about his life in Austria when the Nazis invaded and about his escape to England and eventually to the United States. He gave a first-hand account of narrowly escaping from Nazi-controlled Austria with his mother and attending a boarding school in England. Most of his extended family was sent to concentration camps and killed. He was later reunited with his mother and father and they were able to move to the U.S. when an American family agreed to sponsor them.

Later in his life, he took his children to Austria. He described his trips and the emotions involved when going to the concentration camps. He also showed the students photos of his travels. The students were fascinated by his life story and were very attentive and respectful during his presentation.

We would like to say Chi Miigwech to Mr. Treuer for sharing with us.

On Saturday, April 19, the City of Bena experienced the biggest community participation from both families and volunteers in the history of the Annual Easter Egg Hunt!



SPECIAL THANK YOU TO

Bena City Council:

Katie Ash, Bena City Council Member

Leech Lake Tribal Council:

Steve White, Leech Lake District II Representative

Renee Gale, District II Administrative Assistant

Leech Lake Gaming Division

Bena Community Volunteers:

Henrietta, Pat, Troy, Kelly, Jenna, JimBob, Jon & Brett Finn
Brook Frazer, Jaden & Raven Seelye, Katie & Adidas Brown,

Anayah & Avery Matthews, Mike & Ryan Tibbetts,
Penny Stangel, and Patty Lester

Leech Lake Tribal Police Update

The Leech Lake Tribal Police Department was able to secure 2014 Coordinated Tribal Assistance Grant funding to hire two officers and purchase equipment otherwise not budgeted for. We have acquired two officers from the grant and begun to coordinate community policing efforts and replenish a short staffed department. The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe and Minnesota Department of Transportation has completed the 330' Tower Project located at the Tribal Police Department Property. This tower will improve communication capabilities for several emergency public safety service providers such as law enforcement, ambulance and fire department. The Leech Lake Tribal Police and Tribal Court with the assistance of other divisions have begun to select a new tribal justice complex site and break ground by this coming fall. The Tribal Justice Complex Project is funded in part by the Department of Justice and Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe. We have hired an additional Narcotics Investigator to address the Substance Abuse Issues occurring within the Leech Lake Reservation. Along with our substance abuse prevention efforts both School Resource Officers have implemented the G.R.E.A.T. Curriculum at Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School and Cass Lake Bena Elementary. The G.R.E.A.T. curriculum is taught to students to teach them how to make healthy choices, discuss anti-bullying, and alternatives to the gang(s). We have participated in community local Indian council meetings, community events such as Big Winnie Perch Jerk, Take a Kid Fishing, Christmas Toy Giveaway, Pow-Wow(s), Spirit Runs, Basketball Games with Youth. Our meth/substance abuse project coordinators have implemented education awareness presentations to both Leech Lake Gaming and Leech Lake Band Governmental employees at new employee orientations as well as departmental divisions as requested. Our Community Service Officer continues to foster and maintain a relationship with Leech Lake Legacy. This relationship has benefited the Leech Lake Reservation in it's curbing of the animal population in a safe and human way, making the communities safer. Leech Lake Legacy has also did fund raising to bring dog houses to home owners that lack adequate dog houses for animals during the frigid winter temperatures. This has been a very unique effort between the two entities. During 2013-2014 we were fortunate to have received federal grant funding to implement a Highway Safety Officer Program. This person's objectives and goals is to improve highway safety on all roads with in the Leech Lake Reservation. We developed and implemented the 2014-2016 Strategic Plan to serve as a tool that will provide direction for the Leech Lake Tribal Police Department. We implemented a department face book page to act and serve as a communication tool with the public we serve. We have hired a full time Emergency Manager to create and maintain an Emergency Plan for the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe.

LLBO 8th Grade Traveling B-Ball Team Winning Big

The Leech Lake Chiefs is a traveling basketball that has been making the rounds and chalking up the wins. So far this year they have been to the Pacesetters Winter Classic, St. Joseph MN; Pride of the North Tournament, Bemidji MN; Box out Breast Cancer, Andover MN; Four Winds Tournament, Spirit Lake ND and have won every tournament. Pictured here, at the Young Ballers Challenge, in Busby Montana hosted by the Northern Cheyenne Tribe, is (L to R) Coach Jamie Mitchell, Waase Jourdain, Coltin Mitchell, Raul Washington, Noah De La Paz, Jeremy Jourdain, Jordan Newago, Damian Stangel. Lower row: Jordan Lawrence and KP Pemberton.

Let us say congratulations to these young athletes and we hope you keep up the hard work. A couple upcoming tournaments are: Pacesetter MIT Invitational June 14, 2014 and the Pacesetter State Championships June 15, 2014.

LLBO Lynx Win Tournament



Top Row L-R: Amira LaDuke, Mya Reyes, Kionna Johnson, Olivia Lussier

Bottom Row L-R: Justice Paro, Krisalyn Seelye, Taryn Frazer, Baylie Brown, Talayah Martineau

Leech Lake Lynx 4th Grade Girls Played in Prior Lake on May 3-4 and took 1st place in the Spring Championship for the MYAS (Minnesota Youth Athletic Services) tournament. The all one personalized rings in the picture below, that will be presented to them at a Minnesota Lynx game in August. We are very proud of our girls and would like to let everyone know:)

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**RE-ELECT DONALD “MICK” FINN
LLBO SECRETARY/TREASURER
JUNE 10TH, 2014
Call (218) 760-8071 for a ride to the polls!!**

Happy Spring to all Leech Lake Band members! I truly want to thank you for your words of encouragement and support over the last several weeks. It is amazing to see our people come together in a common cause. I am honored to represent you as your Secretary/Treasurer, and I will continue to stand up for all of you with respect and humility.

At this point, most should know the accomplishments of this Council that I am standing on and my platform for the future if re-elected. I have fought hard to restore our land base, and will continue doing so. We have had consistent and balanced budgets as we continue to monitor our spending. We have re-built strong relationships and increased collaborative efforts with the federal and local governmental agencies, and this increased collaboration means stronger recognition of our sovereignty and better services for our people. I continue to stand firm in supporting our elders in every possible way, and will always fight to strengthen our outstanding educational system.



There is much that has been accomplished since I've taken office:

- Leech Lake land has been taken into trust for the first time in years, 700+ acres is scheduled to be taken into trust within the next several months;
- LLBO has established a small but stable reserve fund, showing the benefits of financial planning and fiscal responsibility;
- A new telecommunications company and increased financial services through our CDFI demonstrate positive movement in our economic development arena;
- The development of expanded treatment services (A&D expansion), hospital facilities, and the new assisted living facility display the commitment to making our communities healthier and more vibrant.

Even though we have accomplished much in the short time since I was elected, there is much work left to do:

- We must reclaim land lost through Secretarial Transfers, some 17,000 acres that was stolen from LLBO and transferred to the Chippewa National Forest;
- We must build a new Bug O Nay Ge Shig High School, the federal government is failing us in this regard and it is time to seriously examine options available for the Band to build a new school ourselves as a true example of self-determination;
- We must continue to develop our fiscal plan and economic endeavors so we are no longer reliant on state or gaming funding for our operations;
- We need to develop a comprehensive plan for addressing the problems of drugs in our communities, including developing a new treatment center

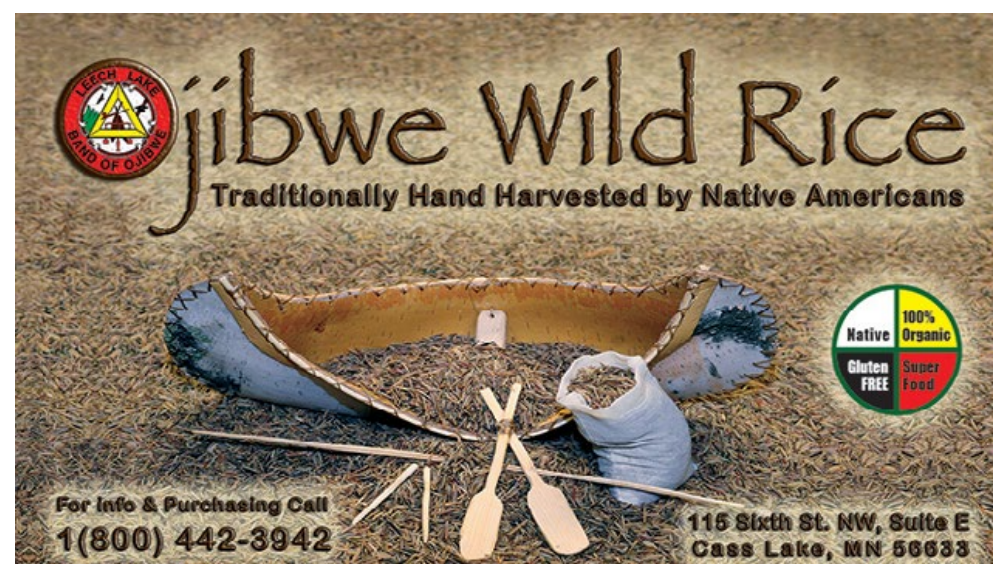
Regarding protecting our sovereignty: we all will stand up and fight for our sovereign rights. But to be successful, we must be strategic by deliberating what is best for our people and then laying out a solid foundation and long-term plan. This is simple good governance.

Each campaign I have been a part of, I have focused on the ISSUES that impact you every day as Leech Lakers. If we are ever going to move forward, we have to start working together. Since 2010, I have had a simple campaign slogan of Working Together to Make Leech Lake Better. This has been my longstanding theme and it will continue to be my theme. By working together, we've been able to start moving in a positive direction from the standpoint of our government, our services and our finances. We cannot afford to go backward at this time; we must continue the progress and we must continue to work together to build the Reservation that our people deserve.

I have been visiting our Band members and communities throughout the Reservation since the Primary Election, and I have appreciated visiting with you all and hearing your issues and concerns. I am available to listen to all Band members. Please contact me at (218) 760-8071 if you would like to talk about how we can make a better Reservation together. I am confident that the strong, silent majority will come out in force on June 10th to make their voices heard! We will continue down the path of good governance. Together, and only together, we have the ability to take the next step toward making our future brighter, our finances more secure, and our government stable. Please re-elect Donald “Mick” Finn Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Secretary/Treasurer.

***TOGETHER WE CAN BUILD THE FUTURE WE DESERVE!
RE-ELECT MICK FINN SECRETARY/TREASURER!***

**Miigwech!!
Donald “Mick” Finn
LLBO Secretary/Treasurer**



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.

What this Leech Lake Reservation Election is about

I believe this election is about character, leadership, trust, honesty, experience, sobriety, and ethics. It's about holding our government accountable, and safeguarding the assets and resources administered for our people. As Secretary/Treasurer I will vigilantly guard our Tribal Sovereignty along with the exercising of it and our treaty rights in our ceded territories. I will work to enforce and extend all of our authorities in the best interests of the band.



In 2005, the State imposed on tobacco products a health impact fee (HIF) and a fee in lieu of settlement (FILS) but refused to share that with a number of tribes including Leech Lake. This was a breach of the Tax Agreement and was why a number of tribes in MN including Leech Lake began in 2008-2009 looking at inter-tribal commerce; selling Native cigarettes manufactured by other Federally Recognized Tribes with a Leech Lake Reservation Tax Stamp on them.

In 2009 the State again breached the 1995 Tax Agreement by withholding of Leech Lake's share of tax revenues- to date 6.5 million dollars. Since then the State has basically said come back under the original agreement and we will discuss giving you some of the money. While some people want to sign, mainly to get the money, I do not want us to rely on the good will of the State of Minnesota. Remember that back in the 1980's when the Iron Range economy collapsed the State mustered every available resource to fix it. It has done nothing for the reservation based economies even though we are also citizens of the state. Why? Our poverty and unemployment rates greatly exceed every day the unemployment rate that the Iron Range experienced short term. Where is the good will?

I see this as an opportunity to strengthen Leech Lake by weighing the pros and cons of leaving the tax agreement or to consider negotiating a new tax agreement with the State of Minnesota but only after the State pays us what it has withheld. Furthermore, if we decide to enter a new agreement it needs to take into consideration inter-tribal commerce as well as the fact that currently the majority of the Band's spending and economic resources are drained away to Bemidji and Grand Rapids-that spending (i.e. taxes) are not included or calculated into the 1995 Tax Agreement. So while that creates wealth there in those two economic border towns it just helps to keep us in poverty here.

I believe our Tribal Sovereignty, our people and our reservation are worth fighting for. I know that our Tribal Sovereignty is not given to us by the State of Minnesota and should never be administered by the State. Because this issue isn't just about selling Native cigarettes it's about building a solid economic base to finance the future of our people and our reservation separate from Gaming.

Leech Lake needs to develop its own economic system and is why in 2008 we began development of a Sovereign Economic System for the Leech Lake Band that included looking at inter-tribal commerce, as well as initiated our own tax system through 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. The Leech Lake Reservation tax system can be broadened to include goods and services delivered on our reservation and fall under our jurisdiction.

We also looked at the development of a cooperative business model to get goods and services to our members at reasonable pricing; this was to improve Band member spending power and impact our lives in a good way. This also will ensure more spending on the reservation which will create more jobs and business development opportunities for our Band members.

So this election is about a New Day on Leech Lake where we work together to focus our efforts and resources on the needs here at home and for our people in the urban areas. It's about a shared vision for our future supported by the people, and about stopping the waste of resources that provide nothing of real value to the reservation.

This election is about too many good strong people struggling to survive and too many bright young people forced to give up their dreams. It's about getting our people access to supportive services, education, jobs, job skills training and opportunities to succeed. It's about our children's need for role models and opportunities- not exposure to drug and alcohol abuse, injustice, corruption, and hate. It's about pride, hope, and success. It's time we wage a war against the poverty here at home that has destroyed so many lives and contributes to so many of the social problems that plague our communities. It is also about improving services and creating jobs for Band members.

I have and will always fight for open honest government, open meetings including open quarterly meetings where the membership can bring questions and concerns about the finances and the direction we are going as a People.

When elected Secretary/Treasurer I will work for and with you to make Leech Lake a better place for all of us. I will fight to strengthen our culture, traditions, and language, for open meetings, open honest government, needed reforms, and to protect our sovereignty.

I ask for your support on June 10, 2014. It's time for a New Day here on Leech Lake. For Positive Progressive Leadership Vote Archie LaRose

**Miigwetch
Arthur "Archie" LaRose**

Bug O Nay Ge Shig LIEC/PAC ELECTIONS

4 Vacant Seats
Elections Will Be At The
Annual End Of The Year Picnic
Bugonaygeshig School
Thursday June 5th 12pm-2pm

The following LLBO candidates Advanced to the General Election

Secretary/Treasurer
Donald J. Finn
Arthur "Archie" LaRose
District I Representative
James Howard & Penny DeVault

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.

To My District I Elders & Community Members

I would be honored to represent you, the good people of District I. As Winnie Dam LIC Chair, I gained valuable insight from community members and have experienced firsthand what we can accomplish together. A community is always stronger than one person alone. If I am elected to office, our communities will be represented in office; together we can make a difference, together we can share in our success. Our ancestors used this approach in everyday life to overcome many obstacles and so can we. It's time to go back to our old ways and continue striving for the best and with your support we shall have success.



If elected, my first priority will be to assure that all members of District I are treated with respect and receive fair treatment from our various programs. To achieve success I will propose and develop a satellite office, in a central location, in District I to operate on a daily basis so that our people can have a place to come that is close to home. I will also create more housing for elders, families and single people; develop a website to sell arts and crafts; work towards USDA approval for our wild rice; increase funds, activities and services for our elders and youth; enhance important programs such as Day Labor, Energy Assistance, Tribal Referral, AND I will put a lot of work into getting District I a store in Inger so we don't have to go so far in the dangerous winter months for supplies and necessities on icy roads.

I will be present at various meetings to promote self-awareness, 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 hiring preference exercised more often. I will address policies and procedures of all divisions concerning the treatment of our employees and services provided to our people and I will help make things equal for all of us.

When I was employed at LLTC 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 as I have listened to you and I know our needs and I can also help deliver the services for these needs without having to learn everything from step one on the first day. I've been here working for you all for years already, and I hope to continue to help make our lives better.

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 our elders 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 for their needs and include them in important decisions in District I.

I grew up outside of Inger with my parents, Robert and Beverly DeVault (Jackson). My grandparents were, Daniel and Donna DeVault (Tuttle) and Murphy and Susan Jackson (Robinson). I reside in Winnie Dam with my fiancé Troy and our children; together we have five children: Adam, Ryanna, Jillian, and Joshua, and I have a grown son Tyler and grandson Tyrus.

My work experience and education includes LLTC Dean of Students, Tribal Health Director, and District I Executive Assistant. This position has given

me valuable knowledge of the interworking of the District I Office, the five LICs, Minneapolis and Duluth LICs along with Tribal Council. I have an A.A. degree from LLTC and I am working towards a B.A. degree in Indian Studies from Bemidji State University.

Last but not certainly not least, we have to invest in our most valuable asset which is our children. I was told by my grandmother that 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 like ICWA to help our kids grow up to be well educated, polite, and to use the vision that comes with a happy upbringing and a healthy lifestyle.

Thank you very much for your consideration, and please get out and vote on June 10th!

Miigwech,
Penny DeVault
Website: www.electpenny.com

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.

ELECTION CALENDAR 2014

- 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 on Contest):** 4:30 p.m. - Deadline for appeal to Court of Election 3 Appeals. Filed with Executive Director of the 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.

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.

The Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School has certified the following individuals to run for office:

District I – One Position

Debra Rushman
Marilyn Bowstring
Gerald White
Brenda White

District II – One Position

Ronald Burnette
Laura Chase

District III – One Position

Jerry Morgan
Samuel “Rocky” Papasodora
Holly Ann Evans

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Housing Authority has certified the following individuals to run for Housing Board:

District I – One Position

Rose Wilson
Gilbert Applebee Jr.
Melissa Bowstring
Sondra Jackson
Tana Robinson
Ralph Schaaf

District II – One Position

Janice Gale
Raymond Geving
April Greene
Shannon Robinson

District III – One Position

Lila Brown
Muriel Ellis
Lynal Fairbanks
Patsy Hare-Gordon
Leonard “Jess” Headbird
Cheryl Johnson
Theresa Jordan
Benjamin Meat
Paula Morris
Craig Nason
David Paquette
Stephanie Smith

General ELECTION NOTICE

A Primary Minnesota Chippewa Tribal Election of the LEECH LAKE Reservation Business Committee a/k/a Tribal Council will be held on June 10, 2014 to fill the following positions:

ELECTION DATE:

June 10th, 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 – New Community Center
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
will also be Open June 7th 8-4:30

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 PRECINCT

202 W. 2nd St. Duluth, MN 55802



Leech Lake Honor Guard in Full Force

With about forty cemeteries on and around the Leech Lake Reservation, The Band's Honor Guard had a full day of commemorating those who have passed. Busses met at Teal's in Cass Lake to shuttle everyone around in two groups visiting cemeteries from Waboose Bay, Battle Point, Boy River, Round Lake, Buck Lake, to Mission, Boy Lake and Ryan's Village to name just a few.

The two groups met at the Veteran's Memorial Wall in the evening and proceeded to the Grand Entry Ceremony at the Cass Lake Veteran's Memorial Pow-Wow Grounds. The ceremonies and gatherings were well attended and the Leech Lake Band would like to offer its gratitude and humble appreciation for those who have, and those who are serving to help keep us safe. Miigwech.

Leech Lake Memorial Powwow 22 drums and over 850 registered dancers



Cass Lake IHS to Renovate and Expand the Outpatient Clinic

The Cass Lake Indian Health Service clinic will be renovated and expanded in order to meet the healthcare needs of patients who live on the Leech Lake Reservation and in surrounding communities. In addition to expanding outpatient clinic space, Cass Lake IHS will renovate much of the existing clinic providing a new and updated facility and records system.

This project will add almost 28,000 sq ft and remodel 8,500 sq ft of space. The expansion's new outpatient and urgent care space will be the primary medical home for clinic patients with a new entrance, lobby and patient exam rooms. The renovation will update the current clinic with a remodel of much of the interior as well as upgrades to the electrical and ventilation systems and replacement of the existing roof.

The \$13,630,000 project budget for design and construction was approved by the Indian Health Service and Department of Health and Human Services. Nearly 100% of the project budget will be funded by insurance collections from Medicare, Medicaid and private insurance.

The construction will occur in phases over 2 years to reduce disruptions to patient care. The approximate renovation and expansion timeline is as follows: Phase 1 (Spring 2014-Summer 2014) - Parking lot and underground utility construction. Phase 2 (Summer 2014-Late summer 2015) - Demolition of the current patient entrance and Physical Therapy. Construction of the new clinic will begin. Phase 3 (Late summer 2015-Winter 2016) - Remodel of the current clinic space and completion of the parking lot. Urgent Care will move into a new location. Pharmacy, Laboratory, and Physical Therapy renovations will be completed. Phase 4 (Will begin when Phase 3 is complete) - Creation of a new space for Medical Records and landscaping of the clinic grounds.

During much of the construction, the patient entrance to the building will move to the

current Emergency Room entrance. This is the same entrance the ambulance uses to access the facility. Staff will assist patients to ensure this area is available for emergencies at all times. All services will continue, but may be moved to different locations during this process. Staff will be available to help patients through the building.

The administration and staff appreciate the community's patience during this exciting expansion and renovation project. Our goal with this construction is to increase access to healthcare services by doubling the number of patient care rooms, increasing patient care space for Pharmacy, Laboratory, and Physical Therapy, and improving the efficiency of patient flow throughout the building.

As we move through the construction and renovation project, we will provide important updates to you in the newspaper and in postings throughout the facility. Again, the Administration and Staff appreciate your support and patience through this exciting time.

Leech Lake Head Start Powwow Royalty

*Princess Cianna Goggeye
Brave Shea Simon Leo Fleming Jr.*



Leech Lake Tribal College Commencement Ceremony

The commencement ceremony for the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Tribal College was a special occasion this year. As graduates are completing their studies and grades are being turned in, the Band's academic institution is not only taking on a new look with the addition of the library to the campus, but it is also building upon the established programs with the addition of the forestry program. And, as the physical grows with the intellectual, things like attendance and grade point average rise as well as the population of the student body, the number of degrees attained, and the quality of life for each graduate.

In addition to the expansion of the campus and programs, this year marks the first scholarship that will be given out of an endowment started by Leech Lake District III Rep. LeRoy Staples-Fairbanks. The scholarship was symbolically offered at the commencement ceremony in May for the returning student with more scholarships to come next year.

Another accolade given was to Audrey M. Thayer who was named the 2014 Faculty Member of the Year. She arrived as adjunct faculty at the Leech Lake Tribal College in the spring of 2011.

Audrey has taught Indigenous-American Leadership, U.S. and Indigenous History, Indigenous-American Philosophy and most recently, Intro to Anishinaabe Studies. In her remaining time, she participates as the Reading and Writing Coach for the college.

Her educational background is: Bachelor of Arts from the University of Minnesota-Minneapolis, and Master's Degree in Education from Cambridge College in counseling/psychology.

Audrey will suggest that her love for education, engaging with students, developing a relationship, are about the most rewarding experiences to have with another person.

Since her time at the college, the philosophy of relationships with another person is visible with all who cross her path. Audrey has stated that relationship building is one of the most important pieces in education. The sharing of knowledge between two people is powerful. She will add learning is successful only if the one to one relationship is developed within the classroom. She loves to be creative and think "outside of the box" when presenting ideas, and clearly keeping an eye open for a student who just needs someone to gently walk alongside them with a candle through the hallways of learning.



Leech Lake Diabetes Fitness Center's 22nd Annual Memorial Walk/Run



-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.

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
jhilliard@mnchippewatribe.org

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.

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 MAY 30th, 2014

WIC Nutrition Counselor ~ Health ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-097
Temporary Plumber ~ Department of Public Works ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-096
4 Carpenters ~ Department of Public Works ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-095
Onigum Community Supervisor ~ TEP ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-094
5 Techs. -Men's Halfway House ~ Human Services ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-093
2 Community Health Representatives ~ Health ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-092
CD Counselor ~ Human Services ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-091
Family Support Specialist ~ Human Services ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-090
Wildland Firefighter ~ DRM ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-089
SPF-TIG Project Director ~ Human Services ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-088
Director of Nursing ~ Health ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-087
Nurse Practice & Program Specialist ~ Health ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-086
Veterans Services Officer ~ Veterans Services ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-011B
Economic Dev. Specialist ~ Economic Development ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-048B

THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS CLOSE ON MAY 23rd, 2014

Part-Time Security Officer ~ Security Department ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-085
Part-Time Custodian ~ Leech Lake Tribal Police ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-084
Part-Time Police Dispatcher ~ LL Tribal Police ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-083
Kitchen Helper ENP ~ Health ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-082
Health Nutrition Assistant ~ Early Childhood ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-072
Kitchen Assistant II – Cass Lake ~ Early Childhood ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-005C
LPN ~ Opioid Treatment Program ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-077
PT/On-Call Tech-Women's Halfway House ~ Human Serv. ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-024B
Professional Development Advisor ~ Early Childhood ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-022
Radio Station Chief Engineer ~ MIS ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-019

THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS ARE OPEN UNTIL FILLED

Environmental Health Specialist ~ Health ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-015
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

Minnesota American Indian Month Celebration Parade

Thursday, May 1, 2014 South Minneapolis with the Leech Lake Urban Office participating as Diane Stand and Sherry Robinson carried the Leech Lake Behavioral Health Services Banner.

Allison Christopherson and Karen Brown carried the Leech Lake Child Welfare Banner through the parade. Military Veteran and Leech Lake Band Elder, Larry Madigan carried the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Reservation Flag. Karen Brown, Allison Christopherson and Dawn Morgan are displaying the Leech Lake Behavioral Health banner which was created by Nikomis Paiz for the new Leech Lake Behavioral Health Services main office located on the Leech Lake Reservation. The Leech Lake Urban Office located at 1113 East Franklin Avenue houses the Child Welfare Program and Behavioral Health Services for Leech Lake Band Members who reside in the Twin Cities Metro area.



LLBO WIC FOR June 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: 2, 9, 16, & 23rd

Wednesday: 4, 11, & 18th

Tuesday: 3, 17, & 24th

Friday: NO APPOINTMENTS

WIC CLINICS AT OUTLYING CLINICS

1st Thursday, 5th - Onigum Comm. Ctr. Appointments 10a.m. - 12p.m.

2nd Thursday, 12th - Inger Clinic Appointments 10a.m. - 2p.m.

3rd Thursday, 19th - Ball Club Comm. Ctr. Appointments 10a.m. - 3p.m.

4th Thursday, 26th - 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.**

Leech Lake Band Of Ojibwe Tribal Clinics

Ball Club Clinic

30995 Arctic Drive
Deer River, MN 56636
(218) 246-2394 Phone
(218) 246-8695 Fax
Monday-Friday 10am-4pm
Medical Provider 5 d/wk.

Bena Clinic

(218) 665-5303 Phone
(218) 665-5304 Fax
Mon - Friday 10am - 4pm
Medical Provider Monday
& Tuesday only.

Onigum Clinic

(218) 547-0521 Phone
(218) 547-0522 Fax
Please call for availability.

Bemidji Clinic

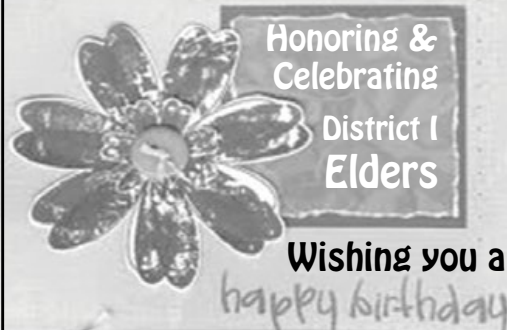
705 5th Street, Suite D
Bemidji, MN 56601
(218) 444-7186 Phone
(218) 444-2460 Fax
Mon - Thurs 10am - 4pm
Friday - walk-ins a.m. only
Medical Provider 4 d/wk

Inger Clinic

53736 County Road 146
Deer River, MN 56601
(218) 659-2764 Phone
(218) 659-2625 Fax
Mon - Friday 10am - 4pm
Medical Provider 4 d/wk

Nest Clinic

6055 161st Street NW
Cass Lake, MN 56633
(218) 335-8315 Phone
(218) 335-4578 Fax
Mon - Friday 10am - 4pm
Medical Provider 3 d/wk



From District I Office
Robbie, Penny, & Sarah

June Birthdays

Phyllis Gotchie
Myron Fairbanks
Ernest Bebeau

Carol Michaud
Ronnie Warner
Darwin Wilson Jr.
Mary Bebeau
Annette Vaughan
Constance Wilson
Tomothy McDonalds
Gilbert Applebee Jr.
Alfred Fairbanks Jr.
Joseph Whitebird
Brenda Bellanger
Sharon Rodriguez
John Smith

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WEWIN Fundraiser Golf Tournament

Sponsored by Melanie Benjamin,
Chief Executive of the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe

NEW DATE!

Grand National Golf Course SUNDAY JUNE 22, 2014

7:45 a.m. Shotgun Start

4 person Scramble

Men's, Women's and Elder Flights

(Elder teams must include at least 2 players age 55 or older)

Cost: \$400⁰⁰ per team

For details call 320-532-7486 Or
Grand National Golf Course: 320-384-7427

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Leech Lake Head Start Graduating Students 2013-2014

A-Mik (11)

Avery, Gavin
Brown Jr. Allen
Brown, Alaunie
DePoe, Mila
Dunn, Dylan
Fisher-Jones, Avery
Hanson, Rebecca
Kinchen Jr. Anthony
Staples Jr. Ryan
Thompson, Christy
Wind, Tiana

Mahng:(13)

Armstrong III Donald
Belgarde, Waasebik
Carillo-Finn, Chaska
Clarín-Mecenala, Koa
DeMarr, Akira
Harper, Trenton
Headbird Jr. Peter
Jackson Jr. Daniel
Nez Perce, Jada
Rodriquez, Marias
Roper, Carolenna
Smith, Macy Cree
Tellstrom, Trevor

Mikinahk (12)

Daniels, Donovan
Ducheneaux, Owen
Fairbanks, Jeron
Hart, Da'Shawn
Kingbird, Aangel
Kingbird III, Derek
McArthur, Wambli
Slack, Elijah
Smith, Helena
Staples, Lyle
Tenorio, Trinity
Whitefeather, Deyshawn

Migizi: (13)

Adams, Taylor
Adams, Teryn
Bowstring, Layla
Dick, Douglas
Fairbanks, Noah
Finn, HolleighRae
Fowler, Adrik
Graves, Brooklyn
Littlewolf, Jaszlyn
Moses, Ezra
Murray, Deelayna
Sisneros, Casey
White, DeBwe

Muck-Wa: (11)

Blomgren, Nindaanis
Brown, Aavery
Carmona, Ava
Fairbanks, Dazzlyn
Goggleye, Ciana
Goodman, Timothy
Headbird, Emanuel
Jones, Mya
Seelye, Aubrey
Valbuena, Marisol
Wittner, Calvin

Wash-Kish: (11)

Anoka, Camryn
Budreau, Laniah
Coor, Izaiah
Harper, Landon
Jackson, Jayce
Jones, Latesha
Jones-Headbird, Hayden
Lindgren, Alea Leigh
Pemberton, Airana
Reyes, Angelo
Sargent Jr. Carlos

Bemidji (14)

Buckanaga, Curtis
Charette, Aiyahna
Cloud Jr. Kenneth
Cloud, Nishiime
Hill, Cameron
Johnson Jr. William
Kingbird, Dominic
Lehti, Tavion
Myers, Josephine
Northbird, Kylie
Perez, Anthony
Porter, Layla
Yanez, Angelo
Yost, Elston

Ball Club (14)

Brown, Cherish
Cloud, Natalya
Dauphinas, Taylor
Doerr II, Kevin
Fairbanks, Kayne
Headbird, Asia
Mitchell, Emma
Moose, Maliyah
Nason, Jordan
Robinson, Alexis
Schaaf, Sequoia
Smith, Tessa
Warner, Makaya
Wilson-Keezer, Serene

Onigum (11)

Dobbelaere, Destiny
Fisher, Kiera
Gale Jr. Leroy
Johnson, Wakinyan
Negrette, Cayden
Pritchard, Desmarie
Reese, Walter
Richardson, Jonah
Stangel, Aiden
dWhite, Maceo
Widstrom, Dylan

Bena (9)

Carmona Jr. Keith
Drumbeater, Darnell
Headbird, Paige
Johnson, Kyros
King, Georgea
Losh, Carleigh
Poitra, Nenookaasi
Robinson, Terrance
White, Favian

Sugar Point (7)

Basswood, Carter
Burnette, Tamara
Grigsby, Desirae
Losh, Dominic
Matthews, Precious
Morris, Annaleigha
Stangel, Nevaeh

Inger: (6)

Brown, Juliette
Garbow Jr. Kenneth
Gotchie, Evan
McClellan, Harmarnie
Sterns, Jack
White, LaLaina

Total: 132

Leech Lake

Family Wellness

Come Discover the FUN!



There is no cost for this event. There is limited space - so the sooner you register, the better. There is a \$5 deposit required to ensure your spot. You will get your deposit back the day of camp, along with a \$10 gas voucher!

Each family will need to plan on meeting us at the Vets Memorial Camp Grounds (located right before the Palace Casino Hotel on the left side) at promptly 9AM in the memorial building.

In the SUN

Day Camp

June 28, 2014
9 a.m - 4:30 p.m.

Registration:
No later than 4:30 pm ~ June 14
For More Information
Contact LLDC:
(218) 335-4511

A fun filled day camp for you and your family

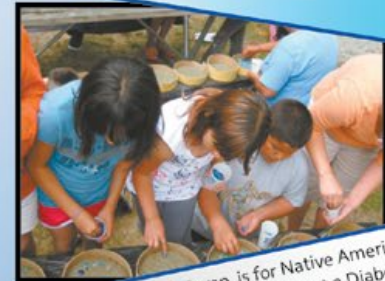
Diabetes Management

This summer day camp will be full of fun activities that will engage and teach your family more about eating healthier, making better food choices, exercise and learning about Diabetes Prevention and Management.

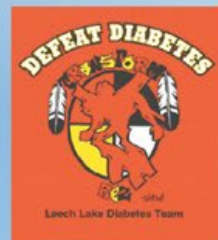


Activities

- Canoeing
- Swimming
- Games
- Hiking

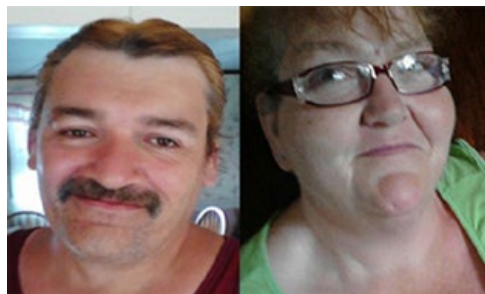


Diabetes Prevention Day Camp is for Native American families with children that have at least 2 Diabetes risk factors. There will be snacks, and a lunch provided. At least one adult family member is required per family and youth ages 7-17 may participate. We will be heading to Norway Beach to canoe, swim, hike, play games, and eat lunch!





Obituaries

Timothy & Lisa Collins

Timothy and Lisa Collins, ages 46 and 47, died on Saturday, May 3, 2014 in a tragic car accident near Cass Lake, MN.

Lisa Marie Cox was born to George and Rose (Sundvall) Cox on February 10, 1967 in Bemidji, MN. She grew up in Cass Lake, attended Cass Lake schools, and graduated from Cass Lake High School in 1985.

Timothy Bocephus Collins was born on July 30, 1967 in Zanesville, Ohio and was raised by adoptive parents, William and Francis Gay. He moved to Minnesota, living in Cass Lake, Bemidji, and Puposky before making Cass Lake his permanent home.

On July 15, 1987, Lisa and Timothy were married in Bemidji and began a life of giving, sharing, and opening their home and hearts to many. Lisa worked as a housekeeper at Bemidji hospital until an accident incapacitated her. Tim worked briefly for the U.S. Forest Service, and did voluntary odd jobs for TC Lighting. They were blessed with two daughters, Cassandra and Alicia, and took in many of their children's friends and loved them as their own.

Lisa loved to make people laugh and smile. She treasured her children and grandchildren, and liked listening to music, especially by Luke Bryan. She rarely took time for herself; rather,

her passion was for helping others and making people happy. Lisa was always very giving, no matter how little she had. Tim is remembered as a loving father and an amazing grandfather who was a fun-loving child at heart. (He liked to do some things that he maybe shouldn't have)! He enjoyed fishing, hunting, and simply being outdoors with his best friend, Mel Aaserude. Tim collected scrap metal to sell and had a talent for making models out of matchsticks and using odds and ends to make things look beautiful. He, too, liked music, especially country music. He devoted his time to loving his wife, his kids, and his grandkids.

When they had extra time, Tim and Lisa enjoyed playing bingo at the Palace Casino, where the staff members were like a second family to them. They had *many* friends.

Survivors include children, Cassandra and Jordan Thayer, Alicia (Richard Molash) Gay-Collins; parents, Rose Cox and William (Gen) Gay; siblings, Kenny, George, Wes, and Connie Cox; Marilyn (Steve) Roseberry, Nolan "Bubb" (Lila) Zimmerman; grandchildren, Curtis Lee, Aydin, Tayamarie, Trentin, Avery, Xander, and Talon; and Tim's best friend, Mel Aaserude.

Preceding Tim and Lisa in death were parents, George Cox, Francis Gay, Sylvia Wiseman; and siblings, Thomas Felda, and Tammy Clancy.

Visitation will be held Tuesday, May 13, 2014 from 2:00-3:00 PM at Calvary Lutheran Church in Bemidji. Funeral services will be at 3:00 with Rev. George H. Collins officiating and interment in Calvary Cemetery after the service. A luncheon will follow at the church. Arrangements are being provided by Dennis Funeral Home of Walker (www.dennisfuneralhome.com).

Daniel Kingbird, Jr. 'Junebugg'

Daniel Kingbird, Jr. 'Junebugg', 59, of Cass Lake, MN passed away unexpectedly on May 13, 2014. He was born on March 17, 1955 in Cass Lake, the son of Daniel Kingbird, Sr. and Betty Ann Staples.



Daniel enjoyed drawing and woodworking. He loved spending time with family. Daniel liked casino play and ricing. In his younger years he liked to play softball. Everyone enjoyed Daniel's cooking.

Daniel is survived by wife – Bitsy Kingbird, children – James (Angela) Kingbird, Michelle (Jon) Youngs, Scott Kingbird, Kimberly (Clayton) Hodges and Jason Kingbird, sister – Patti Kingbird, 4 aunts and 1 uncle, 15 grandchildren, 1 great grandson, special little friend, Paisley Staples, special niece Nicole 'Nikki' Kingbird.

Those who passed on before him were his mother Betty Staples, sisters Cindi and Linda Kingbird, brother Michael Kingbird, maternal grandparents Charles Sr. & Margret (Charwood) Staples and paternal grandparents Scott & Delma (Perkins) Kingbird.

The wake for Daniel will begin at 5:00 p.m., Thursday, May 15, 2014 and continue until his 11:00 a.m. funeral service on Saturday, May 17, 2014, all being held at the Veteran's Memorial Building in Cass Lake, Minnesota. Father George Ross will officiate. Pallbearers for Daniel will be Kevin Kingbird, Sr., Doug Staples, Aaron Wind, Sr., Bernie Brown, Jr., Kenneth 'John' Staples, Sr., Samuel Staples, Jr., Michael 'Julio' Staples and William 'Will' Kingbird, Sr. His honorary pallbearers are Bernie Brown, Sr., Jerrad Kingbird, Mike Kingbird, Derek Kingbird, Arnold 'Barney' Kingbird, Norman 'Norm' Kingbird, Robert 'Rob' Adams, Curtis 'Koola' Brown, Scott Swanholm, Jr.,

Shane Swanholm, Austin Swanholm and Darryl 'Duck' Drouillard. Interment will be in Fairbanks Cemetery at Cass Lake/Mission, Minnesota immediately following his service.

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

Tristan Thompson

Tristan Charles Thompson died Sunday, April 27th, 2014 at Sanford Bemidji Medical Center in Bemidji, Minnesota.



Funeral Services will be 1:00 pm Saturday, May 3rd, 2014 at the Prescott Community Center in Cass Lake, MN with Rev. Mark Olsen officiating. A wake will be held beginning at 1:00 pm Thursday, May 1st, 2014. Interment will be at the Thompson Cemetery in Cass Lake, MN. Cease Family Funeral Home of Bemidji assisted with the arrangements.

He was born April 27th, 2014, the son of Heather Smith and Jared Thompson.

He is survived by his Mother-Heather Smith, of Red Lake, MN, Father- Jared Thompson of Cass Lake, MN, Sisters- Kacie Anderson, Kelcie Anderson, Kianna Anderson, and Kaleigha Anderson of Red Lake, MN. Grandparents- Eva Jones of Red Lake, MN, Charles Smith, Jr. of Bemidji, MN and Stacy and William Strong of Red Lake, MN. Great-Grandfather- Gordon Northbird, Sr. of Walker, MN. Great-Grandmothers- Alverda "Babe" Strong of Red Lake, MN. And Phyllis Gurno of Redby, MN. And many aunts, uncles, and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his Grandpa, Edward Jones; his great-grandma, Peggy Thompson; and his aunt, Casey Jourdain.

Casketbearers will be Charles E. Smith, Jonathan Parker, Allen Strong,

William Johnson, Sr. with alternates of Alvin Johnson III and Kenny Fahlstrom.

Honorary Casketbearers will be Natasha Thompson, Simone Strong, Angel Smith, Rose Barrett, and Carolina Valencia.

Condolences may be left at ceasefuneralhome.com.

Richard "Oly" Lee Brown



Richard "Oly" Lee Brown, Sr., 67, of Cass Lake, passed away on Friday, April 25, 2014 in Bemidji. He was born on February 23, 1947 in Cass Lake, Minnesota.

Oly was a very good cook. He graduated from Le Cordon Blue Culinary Institute of Minneapolis/St. Paul, and loved to cook for people. He would always try different things to cook with to keep it interesting. Oly would always help out where he could and he was sure to teach you a better way to do things. He was an outdoorsman who loved to hunt and fish. Oly was the family historian and the official Hominy maker for the family. The pot that he made it in was passed down to him when his uncle passed away. Now it will have to be passed on to another. He was a good grandpa who loved spending time with his grandchildren. Oly was a member of the Cass Lake Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses.

Oly will join his family waiting for him who include his son; Richard "Richie" Brown, Jr., sister Barbara, uncles Frank and Dan, aunt Vivian, Jerome Johnson, Sr. (Son in Law), and many close relatives. He leaves behind his mom Rose Brown of Minneapolis, sons; Joshua Joslyn of Las Vegas, Donovan (Dawn) Staples of Tacoma, Aaron Brown, Sr. of Cass Lake, Nathaniel Brown of Cass Lake, daughters; Nicole (George) Staples of Cass Lake, Angela (Justin) Brown of Cass Lake, step children; Lisa (Jamie) Mitchell, Jeff Brunelle, Bill (Wendy) Brunelle and Brian (Ali) Brunelle, 13 grandchildren,

close nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

A wake for Oly will begin at 5 p.m., on Monday, April 28, and will continue until the 11 a.m. service on Wednesday, April 30, 2014 all at the Veteran's Memorial Building in Cass Lake. Father George Ross and Pastor Mark R. Olson will officiate. Pallbearers for Oly will be Jerome Johnson, Jr., Damon Staples, Bill Brunelle, Ken Hanson, Charlie Brown Headbird, George Michaud and in spirit Sheldon Brown. Honorary pallbearers will be Roy Beaulieu, Dave Beaulieu, Dakotah Brunelle, Alfred "Tig" Pemberton, Jess Headbird, Donnie Headbird, Eugene "Ribs" Whitebird, Daniel LaPrairie, Winifred LaPrairie, Frank Brown, Jackson Arcorn, Ed St. John, Bernie Brown, and all his grandchildren.

There will also be memorial service for Oly at the Jehovah's Witnesses Kingdom Hall in Cass Lake on Thursday, May 1, at 1 pm. Officiating the service will be Myron Burnette.

Oly'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

Samuel John Morris



Samuel John Morris, Sr., 57, of Cass Lake, Minnesota passed

away unexpectedly on Tuesday, April 22, 2014. Sam was born the son of Robert and Bernice (Morris) Hurd on October 15, 1957 in Cass Lake, Minnesota.

Sam loved cooking, so much so that he made it his career. He like going to the Palace and playing the "life of luxury" machine. Sam enjoyed going to pow wows and visiting his family and friends. He found joy in making people laugh as often as possible. Sam loved raising hell with the girls and hanging out with the 50 Cent Crew.

Sam reunites with his dad,

Robert, his grandparents, his daughter Susan and his son Sam, Jr.

Those he leaves behind are his mother Bernice Hurd of Cass Lake, son; Jacob (Connie) Morris of Minneapolis, daughters; Yvonne Fineday of Bemidji, Serena Morris of Minneapolis, Jenny Ladue, Frances and Liz Morris both of Cass Lake, brothers; Terry (Julie) Morris, Robert Hurd, Jr., Louis Fisher and Robert Budreau all of Cass Lake, sisters; Debbie Jones and Cindy (Vern) Hurd both of Cass Lake, two uncles Steve Jones and Harry Morris, a special aunt Christine Jones, 17 grandchildren and one great grandchild.

The wake for Sam will begin Thursday, April 24, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. and continue until his 1:00 p.m. funeral service on Saturday, April 26, 2014, all being held at the Veteran's Memorial Building in Cass Lake, Minnesota. Pastor Mark R. Olson will be officiating. Those helping to lay Sam to rest are his pallbearers Randall Morris, Jr., Brandon Murray, Lucas White, Antonio Bellanger, Kyle Mitchell and Terry Jones. His honorary pallbearers are all his kids and family. Interment will be in the Prince of Peace Cemetery at Cass Lake/Mission immediately following his service.

Sam's arrangements have been entrusted to Northern Peace Funeral Home of Walker. On-line condolences may be left for the family at www.northernpeace.com

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.

Local Indian Council Meetings Schedule

Oak Point 1st Sunday
4:00pm Oak Point Center

Ball Club 1st Monday
7:00 pm Ball Club Center

Cass River 1st Monday
6:00pm Pennington Center

**Kego Lake Boy Lake
Smokey Point** 1st Wed.
7:00pm Kego Lake Center

Bemidji 1st Thurs.
6:30pm-8pm Oshki Manidoo
Center, Bemidji

Winnie Dam 1st Thursday
7:00 pm Winnie Dam Center

Cass Lake 2nd Monday
5:00pm Facility Center

**Sugar Bush Buck
Lake** 2nd Monday
6:00pm Palace Casino

Inger 2nd Monday
7:00 pm Inger Center

Bena 2nd Tues
6:00pm Bena Center

Onigum 2nd Tuesday
6:30pm Onigum Center

Sugar Point 2nd Wed.
6:30pm Sugar Point Center

S Lake 3rd Monday
6:00 pm S Lake Center

Mission 3rd Monday
6:00pm Mission Center

Duluth 3rd Thurs.
5:00 pm AICHO Building
(Former YWCA), Duluth

Deer River Last Monday
7:00 pm Deer River Resource
Center or Legion

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Barbara Shipley

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