Historical Trauma Summit: The Generational Ripple-Effect of U.S. Indian Policy
by Chris Haugene

A couple of years ago I had a history class at Bemidji State University which surveyed the time period from pre-Civil War to around the Civil Rights era, and whose central focus was on the Ojibwe culture. There were about ten to fifteen of us in the class along with someone (who will remain nameless-so as not to shift the focus herein) who is an Ojibwe elder, and had lived through some of the central topics that the course revolved around.

After class one day I saw this person in the lounge and sat down to ask them a few questions about their boarding school experience and, as usual, when inquiring something from an elder in Indian country, we talked about a myriad of other things first (which is a wonderful way our youth are taught patients and understanding by our elders-and an aspect of our culture I would have no other way). We talked about where they grew up and what their family was doing and where they were doing it; we spoke of the traditions of native life and how these and our culture could possibly be evaporating before our very eyes through things like

New Tribal College Board Of Trustees Members’ Sworn In

On April 25, the Board of Trustees of Leech Lake Tribal College met at the college for the swearing in of two new members, and to elect officers. Gary Charwood and Priscilla Day, both enrollees of the LLBO, were sworn in by Chairman Archie LaRose. The newly elected officers, who constitute the Executive Committee of the Board, will serve a two-year term.

Board members, from left to right, are: Front Row—Bonnie Rock, Vice Chair; Shari Bebeau, Member; Dr. Priscilla Day, Chair; Gary Charwood, Treasurer; Dennis Banks, Member. Back Row – Bernice Pemberton, Secretary; Jerry Morgan, Member; Mike Fairbanks, Student Representative.

Novel H1N1 “Swine” Flu Update

The Leech Lake Emergency Preparedness team is being updated every day with the Minnesota Department of Health on the Latest developments with the Novel H1N1 flu (formerly known as the Swine Flu. The Team will keep the constituents updated as to changes or new developments as the Flu progresses. MDH states that “one confirmed and eight probable cases of H1N1 novel influenza (formerly known as swine flu) have been reported in Minnesota. State health officials are monitoring the situation closely and have increased disease surveillance.”

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our language being lost and ceremonies not being maintained. And then this person paused in our conversation, a very long pregnant pause that usually indicates my original question was circling back around inside them. After the pause they raised their head and asked me who my parents were, and it turned out that this person had attended the very same boarding school as one of my close relatives. Another pause. Then the story of the experience of boarding school came out, and I remember sitting there in that lounge stunned to hear the things that I was being told. Most of it was what a lot of us have heard about this shadowy period of our history; hair was cut, native language was not to be spoken; a strict regiment of class, physical exercise, and discipline was enforced. Then I was told about an instructor who would make the girls go into the root cellar to retrieve food for lunch, only to have this same instructor surprise the girls in the cellar and lock the two of them inside . . . Kill the Indian save the Man, was a policy of the U.S. Government during the boarding school era, and the effects of this ethos are still rippling across the fabric of our culture today.

On Friday April 24th I participated in a summit on Historical Trauma at Bemidji State University’s American Indian Resource Center. This summit was a continuation of last fall’s October gathering which included support and funding from programs such as: Drug Free Coalition of North Central Minnesota, BSU Social Work Program, BSU AIRC, and the Minnesota Social Services Association. The Keynote Speaker last fall was Dr. Maria Yellow Horse Brave Heart. Dr. Brave Heart is a member of the Hunkpapa and Oglala Lakota, and is internationally recognized for her research on historical trauma and unresolved grief and loss among Native Americans.

The panel for this summit included Deonne Pansch, who works for Leech Lake’s Family Preservation Department of Child Welfare; Rochelle Johnson, who is a researcher and consultant finishing her PhD; and professor of social work and Director of the Center for Regional and Tribal Child Welfare Studies, Department of Social Work at the University of Minnesota Duluth, Dr. Priscilla Day who is an enrolled member of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe.

Deonne Pansch began the presentations with an historical retrospective starting with the American Revolution which encapsulated the relationship(s) between the newly forming American Government and that of Indian nations directly affected by this new governing body. She described the relationship(s) as a “nation to nation” experience during this time, for reasons not of equality but of a pertinent basis for treaty making. The early nineteenth century ushered in policies like Removal and Relocation, which forcibly removed tribes west of the Mississippi. The term “manifest destiny” was coined and with it this sense that this new nation was anointed to move west and “explore” (for gold and the like we all now know) and “settle” the west. Such frilly and euphemistic language has been the fulcrum for history texts to gloss over these policies—with little or no mention of the treatment of American Indians, and they need to be picked at and unearthed for what they really were in order for people to really understand the entire story of westward exploration and expansion and the effects it had and still has.

“From 1850-1870 the vast majority of Buffalo were wiped out. Those who lived off of the Buffalo’s subsistence had their lives altered forever. This was about the time the BIA was transferred to the Department of the Interior and another policy shift took place,” Pansch stated. “We went from a nation to nation policy, to a nation to dependent nation perspective,” she continued. “The general sense was that tribes were annoying and upsetting the expansion efforts westward.”

In the late 1800’s the American Government decided to curtail the creation of Treaties, around the time the Carlisle school was established. Training the youth of Native Nations was to be the new policy, and the vehicle for this training was federally funded boarding schools. Kids were stolen away from their parents sometimes as young as four years old, and a lot of them died as a direct result of this removal from the family and community bond. Some didn’t see home for as long as a decade or more. These children were exposed to physical, mental, and sexual abuse.

Pictures from The Federal Indian Law Conference in Santa Fe, NM

Top (L-R) Frank Bibeau, Winona LaDuke and Rob Aitken. Winona LaDuke addressed this year’s Federal Indian Law Conference in Santa Fe on April 2, 2009 discussing future energy policies and energy self-sufficiency in Indian Country. Winona encouraged Leech Lake to continue working on developing a solar panel factory.

Left (L-R) Norena Henry and Frank Bibeau. (Photo by Rob Aitken)

Norena Henry works for the Department of Justice and she has been working with the Leech Lake Reservation on developing CEDS (Community Economic Development Strategy) with the Planning Department. Once the CEDS is accomplished the LLBO will be eligible for dedicated funds for entities which have completed their CEDS to work on different programs and grants.
**ICWA Staff Attends National Children’s Conference**

(LL-R) Carol Rivers and Shawn MacGregor  (Photo by Frank Bibeau)

LLBO ICWA staff attended the National ICWA 27th Annual Protecting Our Children Conference held in Reno, Nevada this year. Leech Lake was recognized by Executive Director Terry Cross for its recent ICWA case in Utah and the Bands efforts to coordinate with the National ICWA office to bring balance and good information to the news media.

One of the most important breakout sessions was a panel, which included Judge Thorne of the Utah Court of Appeals, which discussed concepts of culture clash. One of the unfortunate facts presented is that Indian Children in Minnesota are 10 times more likely to be placed in foster care than white children according to the 2007 GAO (Government Accounting Office) Report. Presently, the Utah adoption matter has been appealed to the Utah Court of Appeals by the prospective adoptive parents and exchange of briefs will start next month.

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**Kindergarten Round-Up**

**Bug O Nay Ge Shig School**

**Tuesday May 5th & Wed. May 6th**

10:00 am to 3:00 pm

**Please Bring:**

- Birth Certificate
- Current Immunization Record
- Early Childhood Screening
- Social Security Number (Optional)
- Proof Of Tribal Enrollment (Optional)

**Questions? 1 (800) 265-5576**

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**ICWA Staff Attends National Children’s Conference**


The Ball Club Wrestling team qualified for Minnesota Jaycees State Wrestling Tournament. The tournament was held in Albany, MN the weekend of April 4th. The team is coached by Todd “Chico” Tibbets Sr. Also a special thanks to the Leech Lake Youth Division for the support.
The Future of Ash Trees Means Working Together

Safe Guarding the Leech Lake Reservation and Chippewa National Forests from Emerald Ash Borer

CASS LAKE, Minn. – On April 6th, the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources confirmed an Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) infestation near La Crosse, WI. News travels fast but apparently not as fast as EAB. The arrival of this invasive beetle is well ahead of its “predicted” spread to the borders of Minnesota. Officials from both states are ramping up their monitoring efforts and alerting residents about the destructive impact of moving firewood in which EAB hides.

“The movement of any and all firewood is considered a potential threat to our native ash trees”, reports Keith Karnes, Forest Ecologist from the Leech Lake Division of Resource Management (LLDRM). “To be safe, we have to assume that all firewood could contain some ash wood. Unfortunately, all ash is susceptible to EAB. We have to let people know how devastating the simple act of bringing your own firewood onto the Reservation could potentially be to the trees and the people of this area.”

“In an area where local band members still harvest ash for traditional use and supplemental income,” reports Susan Kedzie, DRM’s Invasive Species Program Coordinator, “ash tree die-offs due to EAB will surely have social, cultural, and economic impacts, as well as ecological ones.” In Minnesota, there are an estimated 900 million ash trees at risk statewide. Both the black and green ash trees are found throughout the Leech Lake Reservation and are an important part of forest systems that are seasonally wet due to flooding or snow melt.

Recent research suggests that once an infestation takes hold nearly 100% of all ash die. “Our best strategy is to inform the public about the role they can play in preventing the spread and infestation of EAB,” says Karnes. “In 2008,” continues Karnes, “we collected four gypsy moths from various locations across the Reservation. This invasive forest pest is also carried in firewood.” To address the potential threats to forest health from non-local firewood, the DRM is working with LaVonne Thompson, the POWWOW Coordinator, to ensure that firewood will be available during the summer POWWOW season.

The United States Department of Agriculture – Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service is the lead agency that establishes protocol for an initial response to new invasive species. “At a local level,” says Kedzie, “dealing with the threat of EAB will require a combination of grass roots work and extensive coordination between all agencies to protect the forested landscapes of Northern Minnesota.” For more information on the EAB threat in Minnesota or to report a possible EAB infested ash tree call: Arrest the Pest Hotline at 1-888-545-6684. For more detailed information on EAB, the following websites are available: www.aphis.usda.gov www.na.fs.fed.us/spfo/eab www.emeraldashborer.info Contact: Keith Karnes – DRM Forestry, 218-335-7418 or Susan Kedzie – DRM Invasive Species Program, 218-335-7442.

Chippewa National Forest Seeks Members For New Resource Advisory Committee

The Chippewa National Forest is seeking nominees for a Resource Advisory Committee (RAC), as authorized under Title II of the Secure Rural Schools Act and Community Self-Determination Act of 2008, (Public Law 110-343). The purpose of the Resource Advisory Committee is to enhance community collaboration with federal land managers in the process of proposing, reviewing, and recommending projects that will benefit resources on National Forest System lands in Beltrami, Cass and Itasca Counties, Minnesota. "We are looking for a diverse array of representatives who enjoy working in a collaborative environment and care about management of the Chippewa National Forest," said Forest Supervisor Rob Harper. Fifteen members and three alternates are needed in order to establish the Chippewa National Forest Resource Advisory Committee. Resource Advisory Committee members will be selected from a list of interests specified in the Act and will be appointed by the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture to serve four-year terms. Members serve without pay; however, they can be reimbursed for travel and per diem expenses. A Resource Advisory Committee determines the frequency they will meet, which is generally two to six times a year.

As a result of the three county boards’ decision to allocate funds under Title II of the Act, it is anticipated that approximately $200,000 will be available to the Resource

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Advisory Committee each year for the next four years as part of this federal revenue-sharing program for counties containing federal lands.

Applications forms, and links to additional information are posted on the Chippewa National Forest web site: www.fs.fed.us/r9/forests/chippewa You may also stop by any National Forest office or call 218-333-8600 to request a paper copy of the application and background information. Printed, signed applications should be sent to the Chippewa National Forest, 200 Ash Avenue NW, Cass Lake, MN 56633 and are due by May 23rd, 2009.

The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe says: “Not In Our Backyard!”

CASS LAKE, Minn.- The Leech Lake Air Program has implemented a Burn Barrel Pick Up service that started in May 2006. In trade each household receives two recycling bins to promote the ease of recycling and to reduce waste. Removing burn barrels diminishes air pollution on the reservation dramatically. By recycling, household waste produced is cut in half and is highly beneficial for our land and the surrounding community. Demonstrating this practice has an enormous potential positive impact in teaching the generations to come. Right now, the Leech Lake Air Program is offering two recycle bins, free pickup and disposal in trade for your burn barrel on tribal land. WE WANT YOUR BURNER. This simple positive movement begins with you for a cleaner Reservation by standing with the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Environmental Department behind the bold statement, “Not In Our Backyard!”

In February of 2006 tribal counsel passed an open burning, burn barrel and fire prevention ordinance that prohibited burning household waste and other materials. The average fine for illegal burning on the reservation ranges from $50 to $250 and will not be tolerated on Tribal land. Outside of Reservation boundaries, it has been illegal to burn garbage in the state of Minnesota since 1969.

Burning household waste or garbage in a burn barrel, in a fire pit, or any other form of backyard burning affects everything surrounding the burn. In as little as 15 minutes contamination can be found 25 feet from the burner! Today our garbage is twice as harmful to the air and its surroundings, when burned, than it was 20 years ago. The ashes alone contain pollutants such as lead, arsenic, mercury, chromium and cadmium which not only contaminates the air quality, but definitely the soil and water in your own backyard. Contamination of harmful pollutants from backyard burning has the potential to poison every living thing it surrounds... in your backyard where your children are playing, animals eating and living, in your garden, in your home and even in the nearby lakes, streams and rivers.

Last years burn barrel collection was successful with 20 barrels removed bringing our total to 41 barrels. Your neighbors are challenging you to turn in your pollution producer and clean up Leech Lake. The Tribe’s statement is becoming clear, “Not In Our Backyard!”

Since our burn barrel collection started the Leech Lake Air Program has removed over two tons of harmful pollution from Leech Lake Tribal lands. There are solutions to removing these pollution producers all together. The first and #1 action we can take as a sovereign nation is to stop or report illegal burning on the Reservation. The second sensible solution, we promote here at the Leech Lake Air Program, is to recycle, reduce and reuse. Please report any illegal burning to the Leech Lake Air Program, Leech Lake Conservation Enforcement at 218-335-7400, or the Minnesota DNR Forestry Department. For any questions, comments, reports, or burn barrel pick ups please contact Brandy Toft or Charles Woods at 335-7429 and join us in our fight for a cleaner Reservation for generations to come. Miigwetch.

Leech Lake Tribal Clinic- Bemidji, MN

The Leech Lake Tribal Clinic in Bemidji offers primary medical services to all Native Americans. The clinic serves all patients eligible to receive services from Indian Health Service (IHS). We see patients who have been referred from other agencies within the Beltrami County area. Some of the agencies we work with include the local battered women’s shelter, the Beltrami County jail, the homeless shelter in Bemidji and Cass Lake, and The Oshki-Manidoo Treatment Center. We work together with local mental health programs as well as Cass Lake Indian Health Service.

The Leech Lake Tribal Clinic is staffed by two Nurse Practitioners and an RN who provide primary care services including: routine physicals, sports physicals, Department of Transportation physicals, well child exams, women’s health/gynecological exams, child and teen checkups and vaccinations. We are involved with the Sage Cancer Prevention Program. Other services include prenatal and postpartum care, teen visits for family planning, contraception, HIV/STD counseling and testing and dietary counseling, Podiatry, and Occupational Therapy. We treat patients with chronic medical conditions such as diabetes and hypertension, along with patients who require urgent care. The clinic has some laboratory testing on site. Although, when required, will transport all labs needing to be sent to the Cass Lake Hospital. We offer referrals for mammograms, ultrasounds and other imaging services from Cass Lake Hospital or other medical facilities as needed. Clinic hours are Monday through Thursday from 8AM to 4:30PM. The clinic is located within the Beltrami Community Services Building at 616 America Avenue, Suite 300., Bemidji, MN 56601, 218-333-8144, fax 218-333-8269.
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

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

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that pursuant to the Leech Lake Traffic Code, Chapter, Section 304 and the Leech Lake Conservation Code, Section 51.03(2):

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

2. You may also be subject to one or more of the following enforcement actions without further notice:
   a. Report violation to the State of Minnesota for entry on defendant's driving record;
   b. Add the fine to the amount defendant must pay to renew or obtain Leech Lake vehicle registration or plates;
   c. Seize defendant's vehicle registration plates;
   d. Seize the vehicle driven by defendant at the time of the violation;
   e. Suspend defendant’s fishing, hunting, trapping, ricing or other treaty rights within the boundaries and jurisdiction of the Leech Lake Band until defendant pays the fine in full.
   f. Garnish wages by the Leech Lake Band.

/s/ Joseph Plumer, Judge of Tribal Court
/s/ Korey Wahwassuck, Judge of Tribal Court.

APPEARANCE DATE: May 19, 2009, at 2:00 p.m.
Defendant | Case No. | Defendant | Case No.
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Adams, Robyn Jo | TR-08-112 | Isham, Debra Ann | TR-06-187
Bebeau, Tina Marie | TR-07-222 | Lyons, Mark Lindsey | TR-01-308
Bebeau, Tina Marie | TR-07-75 | Rabbit, Steven Wayne | TR-01-257
Bebeau, Tina Marie | TR-04-747 | Smith, Belinda Lea | TR-02-468
Charwood, Donald Earl | TR-03-655 |

APPEARANCE DATE: May 29, 2009, at 9:30 a.m.
Defendant | Case No.
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Rock, Royal S. | CN-07-14

APPEARANCE DATE: June 16, 2009, at 2:00 p.m.
Defendant | Case No. | Charge and Date
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Brown, Blair Marie | TR-08-11 | Open Bottle
Busse, Dennis Lee | TR-06-14 | Driving After Revocation
Carmona, Emeryjildo D. | TR-08-47 | Motor Vehicle Registration-Owner Driving
Ellis, Jeanette Rae | TR-08-44 | Motor Vehicle Registration

NOTICE OF INTENT TO PROCEED BY DEFAULT

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

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

Dated this 30th day of April 2009.

APPEARANCE DATE: May 12, 2009 at 2:00 AM
Defendant | Case No. | Charge and Date
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Kim A. St. Cyr | TR-08-086 | Failure to Stop for School Bus
Rozanna M. Roy | TR-08-089 | Careless Driving
Denise E. Raisch | TR-08-092 | No Driver’s License
Alissa J. Donnell | TR-08-090 | Speeding in Excess of 10 mph Over the Limit
Gordon L. Dunn | TR-09-012 | Driving After Suspension
Myron J. Ellis | TR-09-011 | Failure to use seatbelt/child restraint device
John H. Fairbanks | TR-09-009 | Failure to Show Proof of Insurance
Thomas L. Goodman | TR-09-021 | No Driver’s License
Paul A. Lindgren, Sr. | TR-08-108 | Failure to use seatbelt/child restraint device
Bryan K. Madigan | TR-09-013 | Failure to Show Proof of Insurance
Franklin L. Robinson | TR-09-006 | Speeding from 1-10 mph Over the Limit
Cynthia C. Swan | TR-08-104 | Driving After Revocation
Fredrick White | TR-08-124 | Motor Vehicle Registration-Owner Driving
Sondra W. White | TR-09-005 | Open Bottle

APPEARANCE DATE: June 09, 2009, at 2:00 PM
Defendant | Case No. | Charge and Date
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Peter J. Cloud | TR-09-028 | Open Bottle
Sara J. Dunn | TR-09-026 | Driving After Revocation
Rozanna M. Roy | TR-09-024 | Failure to Show Proof of Insurance
**LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT**

**IN THE BOIS FORTE BAND OF CHIPPEWA TRIBAL CHILDREN’S COURT**  
**NETT LAKE, MN**

**MAHNONEN COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES, PETITIONER, V. ELLEN FRANCES WHITEMAN AND JERRY JAMES BUSH, RESPONDENTS, et al.**

TO: THE ABOVE NAMED RESPONDENTS, ELLEN FRANCES WHITEMAN AND JERRY JAMES BUSH, RESPONDENTS, PARENTS OF H.L.B.; MINOR CHILD.

IT IS ORDERED AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A HEARING WILL BE HELD ON THE 13TH DAY OF MAY, 2009 AT 1:00 P.M. CENTRAL STANDARD TIME, OR AS SOON THEREAFTER AS COUNSEL MAY BE HEARD, AT THE BOIS FORTE TRIBAL CHILDREN’S COURT, BOIS FORTE INDIAN RESERVATION, NETT LAKE, MN 55772, ON A REQUEST FOR A HEARING FILED MARCH 25, 2009 BY THE MAHNONEN COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES SEEKING SUSPENSION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS. THE REQUEST FILED BY THE MAHNONEN COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES MAY AFFECT YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS INsofar AS H.L.B.; MINOR CHILD IS CONCERNED.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED BY THIS SUMMONS AND NOTICE THAT YOU ARE REQUIRED TO APPEAR AT THIS HEARING AT THE ABOVE TIME AND PLACE. A COPY OF THE PETITION MAY BE OBTAINED BY YOU BY REQUESTING THE SAME FROM THE CLERK OF COURT, P.O. BOX 25, NETT LAKE, MN 55772; PHONE NUMBER: 218-757-3462

Margaret Treuer, Chief Judge  
Lucille Morrison, Clerk of Court  
Attorney for Petitioner, Thomas Sjogren  
P. O. Box 25  
Nett Lake, MN 55772  
Tel: 218-757-3462

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**IN THE BOIS FORTE BAND OF CHIPPEWA TRIBAL CHILDREN’S COURT**  
**NETT LAKE, MN**

**THE BOIS FORTE BAND OF CHIPPEWA, DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY HEALTH SERVICES, VS TARA LYNN SAM, RESPONDENT, ET AL**

TO: THE ABOVE NAMED RESPONDENT, TARA LYNN SAM, RESPONDENT MOTHER OF AN UNBORN CHILD.

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED TO APPEAR BEFORE THE BOIS FORTE CHILDREN’S COURT ON THE 10TH DAY OF JUNE, 2009 AT 1:00 P.M. CENTRAL STANDARD TIME, OR AS SOON THEREAFTER AS COUNSEL MAY BE HEARD, FOR THE PURPOSE OF RESPONDING TO A PETITION THAT HAS BEEN FILED WITH THE COURT CONCERNING YOUR UNBORN CHILD. A COPY OF THE PETITION IS ON FILE WITH THE CLERK OF COURT, LUCILLE MORRISON, AND YOU MAY OBTAIN A COPY BY CONTACTING HER AT (218) 757-3462, WEEKDAYS BETWEEN 8 AM AND 4:30 PM OR BY REQUESTING THE SAME BY WRITING THE COURT AT P. O. BOX 25, NETT LAKE, MN 55772.

FAILURE TO ATTEND SAID HEARING WILL RESULT IN A DEFAULT JUDGEMENT ADVERSELY AFFECTING YOU AND YOUR RIGHTS CONCERNING THE UNBORN CHILD.

By the Court  
Hon. Margaret Treuer, Chief Judge  
Lucille Morrison, Clerk of Court  
Attorney for Petitioner, Thomas Sjogren  
P O Box 25  
Nett Lake MN  55772  
218/757 3462
Obituaries

Richard "Bibsy" Kingbird

Richard "Bibsy" Delmar Kingbird, 62, of Walker and formerly of Cass Lake died Monday, April 20, 2009 at the Golden Living Center in Walker.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Bonnie Kingbird, and brother Darryl Kingbird, Sr.

Funeral services were held Monday, April 27, 2009 at 11:00 A.M. at the Veterans Memorial Building in Cass Lake. Interment will be in the Morgan Family Cemetery. Dennis Funeral Home of Cass Lake is handling funeral arrangements.

Duane Joseph Hunt

Duane Joseph Hunt, infant son of Lavonne Hunt of Walker, Minnesota was born and passed away on Thursday, April 30, 2009 at the North Country Hospital in Bemidji, Minnesota.

Duane is survived by his mother Lavonne Hunt, sister, Brenda June Hunt, two aunts; Crystal and Phyllis Hunt, uncle; Edward Fairbanks, and numerous great aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Graveside services were held Sunday, May 3rd, 2009 at 1:00 P.M. at St. Johns Episcopal Cemetery in Onigum with Rev. Harold Eaglebull, Rev. John Rock, and Ben Morris officiating. Dennis Funeral Home of Walker handled funeral arrangements.
SPRING IS IN THE AIR AND SEAT BELT ENFORCEMENT IS ON THE ROADS
*Click It or Ticket Campaign Kicks Off May 18*

Leech Lake Tribal Police Dept — Unbelted motorists account for nearly half of Minnesota’s traffic deaths each year. To counter this trend and stop preventable deaths and injuries, Leech Lake Tribal Police Department officers will conduct enhanced seat belt patrols May 18th–31st as part of a statewide Department of Public Safety (DPS) Safe & Sober — Click It or Ticket enforcement effort. A seat belt citation is $75 in Tribal Court but can cost as high as $125 in County court.

DPS 2006–2008, Statewide over the past three years, preliminary data shows 1,096 motorists were killed in crashes — 518 were unbelted — and another 1,151 unbelted motorists were seriously injured.

“Increased seat belt patrols are essential to preventing needless tragedies,” says Greg Kuhn Leech Lake Tribal Police Department, Highway Safety Officer. “But enforcement can’t save lives alone — every motorist should insist their passengers buckle up to ensure a safe ride.”

A focus of the enforcement will be teens and young adults — the groups least likely to buckle up and overrepresented in traffic deaths. Statewide each year, motorists ages 15–29 account for 45 percent of all unbelted deaths, yet this group represents only 25 percent of all licensed drivers. Of these unbelted deaths, 80 percent occur in Greater Minnesota. This same age group accounts for 55 percent of all unbelted serious injuries — 70 percent occur in Greater Minnesota.

Leech Lake Tribal Police Department will also conduct special nighttime seat belt enforcement patrols during the effort. DPS 2006–2008 preliminary data reports there were 276 vehicle occupant traffic deaths during nighttime hours and 169 of the traffic crash victims — 61 percent — were not belted.

Around 400 law enforcement agencies across Minnesota will participate in the enforcement effort coordinated by DPS as a component of the state’s Toward Zero Death initiative (TZD). TZD is a multi-agency approach to address traffic issues regionally through enforcement, education, engineering and emergency trauma care.

Buckle Up — Click It or Ticket.

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**NOTICE**

Re: Pow-wow Security Signup

To: All Leech Lake Band Members

Reminder that the sign up for all Leech Lake Pow-Wows will be at the Human Resources office located at the Facility Center.

The First pow-wow will be the Memorial Day Weekend Pow-wow, May 22nd-24th. We will be selecting 35 applicants who are interested in working security for the weekend. We will accept names May 1st - May 18th.

All applicants chosen will be notified and must attend pow-wow security meeting at the pow-wow grounds. Time and Date will be chosen later.

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by the missionary and boarding school teachers and administrators. The families that gave their kids willingly to recruiters from these schools were living in abject poverty surrounded by disease, death and destruction, and when greeted with fresh food and trinkets by boarding school representatives there was a sense that maybe the kids might be going to a better place for a legitimate education.

This was a very confusing time for Native Americans, to be surrounded by so much turmoil and angst. This era of assimilation was also a time when the federal government was trying to deal with this “Indian problem” in what might have been, in their eyes, the best possible fashion. In a lot of ways Indian people didn’t know what to do or how to get what they wanted, and assimilation was a way the government said-“this is what you want”. This was a horrible time for native women who were disenfranchised and lost their kids to boarding schools and lost their place in the community, which was largely a central position within Native Tribes and was altered along with the community as a whole. “This sets up a lot of the parenting practices that were to come over the next decades,” Pansch stated toward the end of her presentation, hinting at the subtle altering of the culture as it was, and what it was turning into for parents and kids.

“Traditions can change,” said Rochelle Johnson during her presentation regarding resiliency. “Generational transfer of trauma can change traditions. Trauma upon trauma experienced by a people causing emotional and mental wounding during their lives affecting the generations that follow, is the definition. We are dealing, today, with those traumatic experiences of long ago. It impacts our education, government relations, our language has been limited and mostly lost until recently-which is a key component to any society.” She went on to highlight some other aspects of this psychological shift including how economics-which she stated-“went from a sharing culture to a culture of poverty and changed the whole value system for native people.” She mentioned that religion is what maintains cultures, and this is one aspect that sets us apart from the rest of other societies.

Rochelle touched on issues ranging from how cultures change and how the influences that change cultures can be justified as “good intentions” to internal individual resources such as money, emotional resources (being strong minded), mental resources (having mental skills such as reading and writing), spiritual, physical, and relationship resources should be and are the watchwords of resilient people on an individual level. She also spoke a little bit about the language of poverty as compared to that of the language used by middle-class people as a “driving force” for both classes. “Poverty mentality; is that fate is the driving force and the thought is that we are destined for this lifestyle, and don’t have control over these events. Middle class mentality; is that we have choices to be like this or that,” which evoked a lot of rumblings from the audience as some of her points hit home.

The seven characteristics of resilient people was how Rochelle concluded her presentation citing the first as, insight. She said that people with insight usually question everything, and they are usually alert to things before they happen, such as possible danger and risky situations. The second, independence: keeping distance emotionally and physically, because sometimes distance feels better or more comfortable than being in close to situations or people. Three: building key relationships that are nurturing, appropriate, and positive is a key element. Four: being able to take the initiative regarding problems and not seeing one’s self as a victim, but creating a piece of their lives that they have control over. Five: having the ability to be creative and make order out of chaos, and having creative escapes such as writing, painting, sculpting, dancing, etc.. Six: having a sense of humor no matter how bad things get in a person’s life is crucial regarding resiliency. Seven: being able to stay holy in an unholy place, or having a sense of morality or moral code to live by that indicates values and a sense of right and wrong.

“This is probably the most important topic that surrounds the American Indian community today,” said Dr. Pricilla Day as she launched into her presentation. “This accumulative wounding that builds up over time, distorts world view, personal perception, identity and impacts the way we interact with the world and with each other. Past events really shape current reality,” she offered. She went on to put the situation into a greater context by mentioning that getting this subject matter into classrooms is very important if we want to undo that generational oppression which took place both externally (our tribal sovereignty) and internally (meaning our cultural healing). “We have to understand history, and we don’t get this in our school curriculum now. This is something we can change if we work at it, because it’s important for people to know what happened to American Indian people.”

Dr. Day went on to describe how her Grandmother attended boarding school at the age of four years old, also mentioning how the government felt that native people didn’t know how to raise their children, and that they wanted them raised in a non-native way. “This was genocide,” she said plainly.

She mentioned that the Carlisle school (a native boarding school in Pennsylvania that became the model for all other boarding schools) was designed as a generational tool that began with teaching the women non-native ways so they would raise their children in this manner thus, systematically subverting an entire race and culture in a few generations. Native kids were taught that Indians were bad. Their identities were stolen through the routine of daily regimen such as physical abuse, mental reprogramming, and often times sexual abuse that took place. “And so we now think about the physical, mental, and sexual abuse in our own communities and we now know where they come from.”

The settings in a vast majority of these institutions were so horrific that it created a mistrust of the educational system that can be seen today in graduation rates, test scores, attendance, and disciplinary off-shoots. The kids who attended these schools grew up to raise their own children, and whether it was overt or not these feeling bled through the seams of their existence and tainted the psyche of their children generation after generation, resulting in a cultural distrust of the educational system.

“Things we should remember are that cultural identity is critical to natives and how we view ourselves. These are sources of strength. These connections to our roots and heritage are not the bad things we have been told and taught. They are sources of strength and something we need to get back to. Social policies and programs can exacerbate some of these symptoms, so we need to be careful in our own policies and procedures,” she said toward the end of her lecture.

In closing, let me say this: there is no doubt that the boarding school philosophy and policies of the U.S. Government had an impact on American Indian culture, psyche, and behavior. Those of us who work or live in Indian communities see the results of these policies every day. We see it in the eyes and faces of our relatives; we see it in the news stories about violence in our communities; we feel it in places that are often times too profound to talk about. But, if we can just utilize the courage and harness the strength that each and every one of us has within ourselves, and come together-and organize-to get the true history of our amazing and ancient culture taught in the classrooms, where it might just turn this unspoken thing we are all dealing with on its head, we could see a new era of American Indian Culture emerge.
Summary of Job Openings

Closing May 8th
Nutrition Director - Health Division - DOQ - Job Code: 09-040
Team Leader - Education Division - $9.24 - Job Code: 09-058
Family Skills Worker - Human Services - DOQ - Job Code: 09-057
Mental Health Program Director - Human Services - DOQ - Job Code: 09-003

Closing May 15th
Clinic LPN - Health - DOQ - Job Code: 09-060
Temporary Employment Manager - Human Services - DOQ - Job Code: 09-059
3 FT Service Coordinators - Human Services - DOQ - Job Code: 09-056
Certified Nursing Assistant - Health - DOQ - Job Code: 09-041
Early Childhood Director - Education Division - DOQ - Job Code: 09-024
Social Worker (Waiver Program) - Health Division - DOQ - Job Code: 08-112
Home Care Nurse - Health Division - DOQ - Job Code: 08-081

Closing May 18th
Behavioral Health Provider - Health - DOQ - Job Code: 09-018

Open Continuous
Case Manager - Human Services - DOQ - Job Code: 09-044

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

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

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

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

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

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

The above veterans are Leech Tribal members and their descendants and any Native American and their descendants who have lived or worked on the Leech Lake Reservation who have served in the military from the civil war to present. If your name or a name of a loved one who has served or is serving in the military does not appear on this list, we apologize for the oversight. Please contact Al Robinson at 218-335-2804 and your name will be added to this list and to the Wall of Warriors located at the entry of the Leech Lake Veteran's Memorial Powwow Grounds. Please contact Al and leave a message and phone number if he is not available to take your call. Thank you.
A Celebration of Women’s Health
Fri., May 8 from 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Mobile Mammography Unit at Leech Lake Tribal College

“A mammogram can save your life,” Cindy Doke, nurse educator at Leech Lake Tribal Health, said. “Women 40 and over should have a mammogram and a clinical breast exam every year. And on May 8 the Minnesota Department of Health will give American Indian women living in the Leech Lake area $20 for doing just that.”

On Fri., May 8 area women are invited to Leech Lake Tribal College’s Drum Room (room 204) to hear Dr. Joy Dorscher, Director of the University of Minnesota’s Center for American Indian and Minority Health, talk about breast and cervical health and the importance of mammograms and Pap tests. Dr. Dorscher will make formal presentations at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. and be available throughout the day to answer questions.

Clinical breast exams and mammograms will be provided by the Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community’s Mobile Mammography Unit starting at 8:30 a.m. and continuing until 4:30 p.m. “There is no charge for our services,” mammographer Christine Michael said, “and we don’t turn anyone away.” Women will also have the opportunity to schedule a Pap test. For more information or to reserve an appointment with the Mobile Mammography Unit, contact Cindy Doke at (218) 335-4546.

The Minnesota Department of Health SAGE Program will pay for mammograms for most women. Jim McLean of SAGE will be on hand to enroll women in the program and provide the $20 incentives for women who complete their mammograms. Women who are not covered by SAGE because of private insurance or other factors are still eligible for the free mammograms and will receive their $20 incentive from the American Cancer Society. Incentives are Wal-Mart gift cards. Snacks will be provided throughout the day and lunch will be served over the noon hour.

“Leech Lake Tribal College is proud to offer this opportunity to area women,” Juanita Wiley, Director of the Office of Community & Continuing Education, of Leech Lake Tribal College said. “The Celebration is for all women, not just those due for their annual mammogram. We hope to see many of our students and community members there.”

A Celebration of Women’s Health is offered through a partnership of Leech Lake Tribal College, the Mdewakanton Sioux Community, Leech Lake Tribal Health, the Center for American Indian and Minority Health, the Minnesota Department of Health SAGE Program and the American Cancer Society.

A Message from Tribal Referral

The Leech Lake Tribal Referral Program offers enrolled Leech Lake Band Members funeral assistance up to $5,500.00. $5000.00 is designated to the funeral home of the families’ choice and the remaining $500 goes to the designated family member to assist with transportation expenses, lodging, etc. We don’t want to offend anybody, but the reason our office is putting this information out is to let people know of the policies that we follow. We get a number of requests for additional lodging, gas, etc. after the $500.00 family donation is dispersed. We do not mean to be insensitive to the family during their time of loss but we are not able to assist any further than the $5,500.00.

Also, at this time Tribal Referral is only assisting with our elders, which is on a case by case basis, life threatening medical emergencies and funerals. Please take note of the 4 day application deadline. All requests must be submitted four days in advance or they will be denied. Thank you.

H1N1 Novel Virus Continued From Page 1

MDH has the information below on its website:

What is H1N1 novel influenza (formerly known as swine flu)?
H1N1 novel influenza is a respiratory illness caused by a virus. H1N1 is a certain kind of influenza that can cause infection in humans. What are the signs and symptoms of H1N1 novel influenza? The symptoms are similar to seasonal flu:
- Fever (above 100°F)
- Cough
- Sore throat
- Stuffy nose
- In some cases diarrhea and vomiting

How does H1N1 influenza spread?
- When a person with flu coughs or sneezes.
- Touching something with flu viruses on it and then touching your eyes, nose, or mouth.

What can I do to protect myself from getting sick?
- Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue every time you cough or sneeze. Throw the used tissue in the waste basket.
- If you don’t have a tissue, sneeze or cough into your sleeve.
- Clean your hands often with soap and water or an alcohol-based hand cleaner.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick, if possible.
- Stay healthy: eat nutritious foods, get enough sleep, and exercise.

What should I do if I get sick?
- If you become ill with influenza-like symptoms, including fever, cough, sore throat, and stuffy nose, you should:
  - Call your healthcare provider to determine if you need whether influenza testing or treatment.
  - Stay home and avoid contact with other people as much as possible to keep from spreading your illness to others.

More information:

Minnesota Department of Health
Hotline: 1-800-657-3903
TTY: 651-201-3509

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
1-800-CDC-INFO (800-232-4636)
TTY: 1-888-232-6348

You may also contact the Health Division at 335-4500 if you have questions.

LL Mobile Clinic Schedule
May 2009

| Fri 8th | C&TC Clinic- N. Lights Housing |
| Wed 13th | Inger |
| Fri 15th | C&TC Clinic- Onigum |
| Thu 21st | WIC Ball Club |
| Fri 22nd | Holiday No Clinic |
| Wed 27th | OT Clinic 12:45pm |
| Fri 29th | C&TC Clinic- Kego Lake |

(218) 335-4500
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FREE REGISTRATION 8:30-9:30
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WALK STARTING SOON AFTER!!

- Free Registration
- Free 17th Walk/Run T-shirt
- Free snack & beverages
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Come and join the fun!!

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IF INTERESTED PLEASE CALL US @335-2081

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Leech Lake Veterans

Memorial Day

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May 22-24, 2009

Veterans Memorial Grounds- Cass Lake, MN

Traditional Powwow
Campsites
Firewood
Showers
Central Sound System
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Diane Smith
Mike Smith
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MC
Pete White
Danny Seaboy

ARENA DIRECTORS
Bruce White
Roger Gotchie

HOST DRUMS
Leech Lake Nation & Timberland

All Dancers and Drums must register. Drums must have 5 singers set up -must bring your own chairs

Other Specials
TBA

Vendor Contact
Jerry Morgan 218.335.7573 or 218.308.1316
Lance Kingbird 218.335.3784 or 218.308.0865

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT
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The Veterans Memorial Grounds are Alcohol and Drug Free. 24 hour security and K-9 screening.
Not responsible for lost or stolen property or accidents.

Leech Lake DRM wants to remind anyone bringing their own firewood about Emerald Ash Borer. See Article on Page 4

Friday
Flag Raising
Grand Entry 7:00pm registration open 6:30pm to 8:00pm
Royalty Cass Lake-Bena School
- Friday Evening Session
Co-sponsored by CLB Indian Ed.
✓ Powwow Buffet 11:00pm-2:000am Palace Casino

Saturday
Flag Raising
Tiny Tot Payouts
Grand Entry 1:00pm registration open 12:30pm to 2:00pm
Grand Entry 7:00pm registration open 6:30pm to 8:00pm
Feast at 5:00pm
✓ Powwow Buffet 11:00pm-2:000am Palace Casino

Sunday
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Leech Lake 2009 Jr. & Sr. Royalty Contest

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Any Questions? Call Shelia 335-7218