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Secretary Treasurer's Report for March 2010

Michael J. Bongo, Secretary Treasurer
Leech Lake
Reservation



Greeting Fellow
Leech Lake
Band Members:

For my report this month I would like to continue by following up on some of the on-going financial management issues that I reported on in my last monthly report.

Sec/Treas. Bongo

Water System Coming Together

April saw a new structure spring to life just south of the Palace Casino. A new water tower was erected and soon there will be an entire water filtration plant near by. Tribal Engineer is waiting to paint the tower until this summer for reasons of temperature. Prematurely painting could lead to rust and doing the painting correctly could last as long as twenty five years. Next, will come some more water testing so the proper filtration system equipment can be determined so costs are kept in check.

Johnny Fairbanks is heading up the project through Tribal Engineering. "After water testing showed that the quality of water was better at this site (the water tower site) compared to others, I decided to move the tower and filtration system here because we won't need such heavy duty filtering hardware. This will save the project thousands of dollars in costs," said Fairbanks in a recent interview. There are also projects in the Oak Point and Inger neighborhoods that will soon be under way regarding water infrastructure.

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Chairman's Report

Arthur "Archie" LaRose
Quarterly Meeting April 9, 2010



Chairman LaRose

Good morning everyone.

It is the third Quarter of our fiscal calendar. I like to start always with the goal of this administration making Leech Lake a place that is known as a leader or model of progressive tribal government. A place with open and honest government with a strong commitment to cultural revitalization.

In pursuit of that goal we have continued to lay out our short and long range plans on how to reach that goal. The hard part is that real planning takes time and we often want everything to happen overnight. The reality is that without planning our future we often end up just wasting our resources. That is one of the lessons learned as we continue toward Nation Building.

Speaking of resources the National recession and State of Minnesota budget deficit has resulted in a loss of funding for many programs, cuts in services. These cuts will affect us as a Tribal Government and as individuals and will impact revenue from our billing departments. So we need to continue to use our resources wisely and this means we have to work together as the tribal council, as division directors and department managers. We must make sure that we continue to provide needed services to our band members.

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IHS Implementation of Health Insurance Reform and the Indian Health Care Improvement Act

By Yvette Roubideaux, Indian Health Service Director

Indian Country continues to celebrate passage of the historic health insurance reform law, which included the reauthorization of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act (IHCIA). This law will improve the quality of health care and make it more accessible and affordable for the American people, including American Indians and Alaska Natives.

The new health insurance reform law builds on the health insurance system we have, and makes three key changes.

- First, it makes sure that every American who has an insurance policy gets real security by creating common sense rules of the road that require insurance companies to treat you fairly.
- Second, it makes insurance affordable for millions of Americans by creating a new insurance marketplace and providing tax credits for those who need additional help.
- Third, it starts to bring down costs for families, businesses, and governments with the broadest health care cost-cutting package ever – one that includes every serious idea for health savings that was proposed over the last year.

Here's a link to a recent speech by Secretary Sebelius that describes in more detail what is in the new law, what will help Americans immediately, and how the Department of Health and Human Services is quickly working to implement these reforms.

<http://www.hhs.gov/news/press/2010pres/04/20100406b.html>

There are several provisions in the new health insurance reform law

that will specifically benefit American Indian and Alaska Native individuals, Tribes, and our Indian health facilities. For example:

- Health insurance reform creates a state-based health exchange through which individuals and small businesses can purchase health insurance coverage. This will create more affordable insurance options and allow comparison of plans.
- American Indians and Alaska Natives who purchase health insurance through the exchange do not have to pay co-pays or other cost-sharing if their income is under 300 percent of the federal poverty level.
- The value of health services/benefits from IHS-funded health programs or Tribes will be excluded from an individual's gross income so it cannot be taxed.
- Health insurance reform also expands Medicaid coverage to individuals with incomes up to 133% of poverty level.
- For individuals who have Medicare Part D coverage

(medication costs), I/T/U spending will count toward the coverage gap (donut hole).

One other note – many have worried that health reform would mean that the Indian Health Service would go away and everyone would have an insurance card. That was a myth and it is wrong. The IHS is still here, and the passage of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act along with the health reform law reaffirms that IHS is here to stay. The new law permanently reauthorizes the IHS and it contains numerous provisions to modernize and update the IHS.

As you may know, the Indian Health Care Improvement Act contains a number of changes in law, some of

which will require new policies and regulations, and also includes provisions that we may be able to implement now or that may require additional funding to implement. Just like the health insurance reform law, we want to implement it quickly, but it is not possible to do it all at once. The implementation process will need to occur over time.

We are getting many questions on what we plan to do to implement the numerous provisions in the health insurance reform law and the reauthorization of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act. As you can imagine, implementation will be a complex undertaking. We are working closely with the Department of Health and Human Services and the Indian Health Service is currently reviewing every provision in the new laws that relates to Indian Country and quickly assessing next steps and timelines for implementation. We will share this information as we move forward

In the weeks and months ahead, we will be reaching out to provide you with more information about the new law and how it will impact Indian Country. We also want to develop ways to consult with Tribes on the implementation process over the coming weeks, months and years. We will communicate directly to Tribes about the consultation process. You can also check the IHS website (<http://www.ihs.gov/>), and in particular, my Director's Blog at <http://www.ihs.gov/PublicAffairs/DirCorner/index.cfm?module=blog>, for regular updates and information. You can also access the most recent information on health reform implementation in general at <http://www.whitehouse.gov/health-care-meeting/reform-means-you> and at <http://healthreform.gov/>.

We know that everyone is anxious for new information, and we will work quickly and carefully to ensure you have clear, accurate information.



IHS Director Yvette Roubideaux and Secretary Treasurer Michael Bongo during her visit to Cass Lake IHS in 2009.

Chairman's Report

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We are in the middle of our election cycle and as usual some things slow down and other things heat up. But we have to be careful because when we become divided progress stops. We will always have times we disagree on issues -that is just part of life. But we must not lose sight of why we work in tribal government or gaming. We work to create a better life for our people and our children.

In regard to gaming we have become very dependent on those revenues and we need to use those resources wisely while we diversify our economy. The State of Minnesota is approving a Racino for the metro area. This is probably just the first opening of gaming to non-Indian entities. We might not feel the impact of gaming at the race tracks but if it grows outside the metro area we will.

Our greatest resource is our people and we need to be prepared to secure funding from the Obama administration for workforce development or job training. We also need increased funding for education for our people. Education and job training is important for the jobs of today but also for the jobs of tomorrow. We need a strong workforce to create more opportunity and a better reservation economy.

The sad fact is it is hard to develop an economy and create jobs when we have been stripped of all our economic resources- we have less the 5% of our original reservation landbase, we don't have control of our forests, we were stripped of our mineral rights, and the list goes on.

We all know we have lots of needs including the need for more housing. We need to become very aggressive on addressing our housing needs. Our Department of Public Works found that we have 439 sub-standard homes on the reservation. In addition to the sub-standard homes we know that we don't have enough homes, enough land,

enough jobs, and need more services in a number of areas. Transportation is a big expense for many families and we have been successful in securing a 473 thousand dollar grant to create a reservation transportation system.

We have completed our Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy to create a business environment that will help create jobs. This will help us move away from our reliance on gaming by helping develop small businesses.

Our children are our future and so we have set a strong focus on investing in our Youth. We want to increase the scholarship fund to improve our college and vocational technical graduation rates. We have committed resources for health, recreational, cultural and youth employment opportunities through Youthbuild, WIA, summer youth employment, conservation corps. We submitted for an AmeriCorps program through the National Corporation for Community Service.

We have been politically pro-active at the federal, state, county, and local levels to more fully exercise our sovereignty and jurisdictions. We have met with the counties to improve working relationships, to identify common federal and state legislative issues.

We make sure that our federal issues remain at the forefront with the Obama administration and congress. We have focused on a new high school for Bugonaygeshig, the Nelson Act Settlement, IHS Hospital, and the St. Regis Superfund Site. We also continue to consult and work with Red Lake, White Earth, and other reservations on Federal, State, regional legislative and economic issues.

Health care is a major issue for our people and a major cost to our government and so we completed an analysis of our health care operations. We formed a Reservation Healthcare Workgroup to look at identifying ways of controlling costs and using the

savings toward improving services at our six clinics. We are also still looking at a partnership with Cass County for a Critical Access Hospital on the old Ah-Gwah-Ching site.

These are just a few things to report. In closing I want to thank all the employees on behalf of the band membership and the RBC for their hard work. Remember to make Leech Lake a leader again we have much more yet to do. I also thank the Leech Lake people for your patience and willingness to discuss issues and concerns that are important to all of us.

Mii Gwetch for your time.



Arthur "Archie" LaRose

A Letter to the People

To the Leech Lake people

I have sat back long enough ignoring all the false and negative political letters about myself, my wife and kids. I jumped into tribal politics 12 years ago wanting to improve the Reservation. I am going to share with everyone my life story. I was born in 1971 at the Cass Lake Indian Hospital and am a lifelong resident of Cass Lake and the mission area. I attended school at Cass Lake and the Bugonay geshig School and attended the tribal college for a year and a half. I was 18 when I met my wife Tammy who comes from the Wilson family from Ball Club, we have been together 21 years. We have four children Dominic 18, Tevin 13, Tianna 10, and Jaymond 8. I make sure that I spend time with my family especially my children. I also spent time visiting the elders many of whom I am honored to call friends.

When I was a youth I was active in sports including boxing, wrestling, basketball and track and field. As a boxer I won the 1985 National Golden Gloves title at the age of 13 representing Leech Lake Reservation. I have been a role model to our kids and community

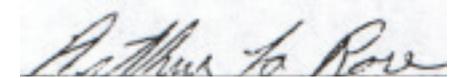
members. I have always stayed active on the reservation being an Ojibwe hymn singer the past 13 years and attend church most Sundays. I also attend and support the powwows.

I have been in office the last 8 years as Secretary/Treasurer and now as Chairman. As the Secretary/Treasurer one of the primary duties was safeguarding the reservation funds and assets. Being the chairman now for over a year and a half I had to address some gross violations both on the gaming and government side. Our resources are limited and are needs are great so I will not tolerate waste or theft of any kind.

I am also aware the state of Minnesota continues to push to open gaming state-wide. We have become very dependent on gaming revenue to pay for our government operations and programs. As Chairman I have told our Divisions that we need to quit reacting to events and start planning our future. For the first time in decades we have started setting the direction for our future. I believe that in order to reach goals we have to set goals, otherwise we are always chasing after ideas and we really get nowhere.

I believe during my time in office that I have made some progress. I pushed for and have seen the start of the Day Labor program, establishment of an Internal Audit Department, timely travel closeouts which use to be a big audit finding, the Tax Rebate which gets money into the Band members pockets, canceled of the credit card policy for tribal members at our hotels, more Youth Employment including increased funding for summer employment, High School Graduation recognition and support, more youth programming, Elders Services, increased employment. I have always stood for open and honest government.

Mii Gwetch for your time.



Arthur "Archie" LaRose

LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE
IN TRIBAL COURT

6530 Highway 2 NW
Cass Lake, MN 56633
218-335-3682/4418
Traffic Division

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 Leech Lake Traffic Code, Chapter, Section 304:

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/ Korey Wahwassuck, Judge of Tribal Court.

APPEARANCE DATE: May 18, 2010, at 2:00 p.m.

<u>Defendant</u>	<u>Case No.</u>	<u>Defendant</u>	<u>Case No.</u>
Armstrong, Sandra Marie	TR-08-100	Moose, Jacklyn Kay	TR-99-73
Burnette, Margaret Louise	TR-09-82	Morris, Michael Patrick	TR-09-118
Cloud, Peter James	TR-09-28	Raisch, Travis Lee	TR-09-70
Desjarlais, William Gerald	TR-05-39	Reese, Walter Samuel	TR-09-31
Evans, Evelyn Elaine	TR-09-186	Reese Walter Samuel	TR-09-61
Fairbanks, Edward James III	TR-09-116	Robinson, Dale Dean	TR-08-62
Goggeley, Sam Joseph	TR-08-102	Robinson, Thomas Alfred	TR-08-79
Gotchie, Robert James	TR-08-118	Rushman, Daniel Joseph	TR-09-01
Harrison, Ronald Lee Jr.	TR-09-80	Smith, Glenn A.	TR-09-73
Howard, Willow Louise	TR-08-105	Staples, Ronald Joseph, Jr.	TR-09-67
Ince, Jeremy Clyde	TR-02-414	Starr, Beverly Ann	TR-02-367
Jackson, Cassandra Marie	TR-09-64	Tibbetts, Sara Lu	TR-09-15
Matthews, Thomas Wayne	TR-09-115	Wilson, Terrance Joseph, Jr.	TR-08-111
Maxwell, Jonathan James	TR-08-74		

APPEARANCE DATE: June 15, 2010, at 2:00 p.m.

<u>Defendant</u>	<u>Case No.</u>	<u>Defendant</u>	<u>Case No.</u>
Bilyeu, Heidi Eileen	TR-07-39	Littlewolf, Ross S.	TR-09-114
Day, Alicia Marie	TR-09-50	Matthews, Thomas Wayne	TR-01-339
Fairbanks, Amy Ann	TR-08-15	Morgan, Eric Steven	TR-05-55
Howard, Ryann K. F.	TR-09-107	Ortley, Curtis Allen	TR-09-71
Jackson, Peter George	TR-09-165	Robinson, Andrew Martin	TR-08-22
Jones, Julian Wayne	TR-08-09	Washington, Auralia Marie	TR-09-161
Jones, Vydell Bernice	TR-09-105	Wilson, Melissa Lyn	TR-08-91
Keezer, Dora Jean	TR-08-05		

LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE
IN TRIBAL COURT

6530 US Hwy 2 West
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218-335-3682/4418
Traffic Division

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 7th day of April 2010.

APPEARANCE DATE: May 4, 2010, at 2:00 PM

<u>Defendant</u>	<u>Case No.</u>	<u>Charge and Date</u>
Kelly L. Anderson	TR-09-170	Driving After Revocation Occurring On: 09/23/2009
Samuel J. Bellanger	TR-09-238	Open Bottle Occurring On: 11/07/2009
Samantha J. Bowstring	TR-09-053	Driving After Suspension Failure to Show Proof of Insurance Occurring On: 03/29/2009
Anthony M. Butcher	TR-09-084	To violate any of the following provisions of Minn. Stat. (Allow Illegal Operation by juvenile on ATV) Occurring On: 05/08/2009
Jeanette R. Ellis	TR-09-241	Failure to Use a Seatbelt/Child Restraint Device Occurring On: 12/23/2009
Myron J. Ellis	TR-09-222	Failure to Use a Seatbelt/Child Restraint Device Failure to Show Proof of Insurance Occurring On: 12/07/2009
Myron J. Ellis	TR-09-240	Failure to Use a Seatbelt Failure to Use a Seatbelt/Child Restraint Device(3 yr.old) Failure to Use a Seatbelt/Child Restraint Device(1 yr.old) Occurring On: 12/23/2009
Evelyn E. Evans	TR-09-232	Speeding from 1-10 mph Over The Limit Occurring On: 12/09/2009
Amanda L. Fairbanks	TR-09-094	Driving After Revocation Occurring On: 05/27/2009
Amber S. Fairbanks	TR-09-230	No Driver's License Occurring On: 12/11/2009
Donald J. Finn, Jr.	TR-09-180	Failure to Show Proof of Insurance Occurring On: 10/10/2009
Benjamin L. Gotchie, Jr.	TR-09-139	No Driver's License Occurring On: 08/08/2009
Rodney J. Headbird	TR-09-159	Driving After Revocation Occurring On: 09/01/2009
Eugene P. Howard	TR-09-079	Driving After Revocation Failure to Show Proof of Insurance Occurring On: 04/01/2009
Joseph E. Isham	TR-09-057	Motor Vehicle Insurance-Owner Driving After Suspension Occurring On: 03/19/2009
Joseph E. Isham	TR-09-099	Driving After Suspension Occurring On: 05/06/2009
Daniel M. Jackson	TR-09-164	Failure to Use a Child Restraint Device Occurring On: 09/12/2009

Kevin D. Jackson	TR-09-111	No Driver's License Reckless Driving Failure to Remain at Scene of Accident: result in injury Motor Vehicle Insurance-Owner Failure to Transfer Title Failure to Obtain Registration Occurring On: 05/11/2009
Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Vs. W.C.J., Minor Child; James & Patrice Jones, Parents Derek D. Kingbird	TR-09-234	No Driver's License Occurring On: 12/15/2009
Rikki L. Larsen	TR-10-001	No Driver's License Occurring On: 12/22/2009
David A. Morgan, Jr.	TR-09-158	Failure to Use a Seatbelt/Child Restraint Device Failure to Show Proof of Insurance Occurring On: 08/22/2009
Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Vs. H.C.P., Minor Child; Pauline Johnston, Parent. Jarred A. Pemberton	TR-09-184	Failure to Use a Seatbelt/Child Restraint Device Occurring On: 10/17/2009
Allan W. Smith	TR-09-231	Failure to Show Proof of Insurance Occurring On: 12/10/2009
Myron L. Thorne	TR-09-049	Speeding from 1-10 mph Over The Limit Driving After Revocation Occurring On: 12/10/2008
Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Vs. R.W.T, Minor Child; Tina Thunderhawk, Parent Simon A. White	TR-09-169	Driving After Suspension Occurring On: 09/02/2009
Nicoa M. Wind	TR-09-156	No Driver's License Occurring On: 07/23/2009
Nicoa M. Wind	TR-09-093	Failure to Use a Seatbelt/Child Restraint Device Occurring On: 05/28/2009
Nicoa M. Wind	TR-09-233	Failure to Use a Seatbelt/Child Restraint Device (3 counts-6, 3 and 2 year old) Occurring On: 12/15/2009
Nicoa M. Wind	TR-09-145	Failure to Use a Seatbelt/Child Restraint Device Occurring On: 08/23/2009
APPEARANCE DATE: June 1, 2010, at 2:00 PM		
<u>Defendant</u>	<u>Case No.</u>	<u>Charge and Date</u>
Rhonda L. Buck	TR-09-223	No Driver's License Occurring On: 12/05/2009
Rhonda L. Buck	TR-10-014	Driving After Suspension Occurring On: 02/26/2010
Amanda K. Bush	TR-09-168	No Driver's License Occurring On: 08/26/2009
Amber S. Fairbanks	TR-10-008	No Driver's License Failure to Stop for Stop Sign Occurring On: 01/17/2010
Eric D. Grigsby	TR-09-228	Motor Vehicle Insurance-Owner Failure to Use a Seatbelt/Child Restraint Device Occurring On: 12/14/2009
Stephanie M. Northbird	TR-10-010	No Motor Vehicle Insurance Occurring On: 01/29/2010
Joel T. Roy	DO-09-01-DD	Seizure & Destruction of Dangerous/ Potentially Dangerous Dog Occurring On: 04/28/2009
Cody S. Seelye	TR-10-013	Reckless Driving Occurring On: 01/20/2010

NOTICE:

IF..YOU HAVE BEEN FOUND IN CONTEMPT OF COURT BECAUSE YOU RECEIVED A LEECH LAKE TRAFFIC CITATION AND FAILED TO APPEAR FOR COURT AND/OR FAILED TO PAY FINES...

TO CLEAR YOUR CONTEMPT OF COURT, you may appear in person in Leech Lake Tribal Court on the first or third Tuesday of each month at 1:00 p.m. to discuss your case with the Leech Lake Tribal Prosecutor. If you cannot afford to pay the fine, you may be allowed to do community service work instead. If you were found guilty by default and wish to contest the finding of guilt, you may be given the opportunity to do so after speaking with the Tribal Prosecuting Attorney. Once acceptable payment or community service arrangements are made, or if another plea agreement is reached with the Band, the contempt fine will be waived.

IF YOU DO NOT APPEAR TO CLEAR YOUR CONTEMPT OF COURT within sixty (60) days from the date of the stayed Order for Contempt, the final contempt order will be issued and forwarded to the Leech Lake Registrar of Vehicles and your plates may be confiscated. In addition, your wages may be garnished to collect the full amount due (original fine plus civil contempt penalty) and your conviction may be reported to the State of Minnesota.

The full Leech Lake Traffic Code is available on the Court's webpage, which can be accessed on the official Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe website (www.llojibwe.com) under the "Legal" link. If you have questions, please call Court Administrator Patricia L. Pizzala at 335-4418. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe In Tribal Court

6530 Highway 2 NW
Cass Lake, MN 56633
218-335-3682/4418
Traffic Division

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe,
Plaintiff,
vs.
Orlean Folstrom,
Defendant.

NOTICE OF LEGAL PUBLICATION

Case No. CN-09-08

SECOND SUMMONS

The above-named defendant is hereby summoned to appear before the Tribal Court of the Leech Lake Band in Cass Lake, Minnesota, on Friday, May 7, 2010, at 9:00 a.m. in the Tribal Courtroom located at the Facility Center, upper level, to answer the complaint stated below.

COMPLAINT/VIOLATION

The Clerk of Court states that the above-named defendant has been charged with violations of the Leech Lake Conservation Code, Section 31.01, Hunting Without a License, on October 1, 2009, within the boundaries of the Leech Lake Reservation.

If you wish to plead guilty and pay the fine without appearing in Court, you may do so in person at the Leech Lake Tribal Court offices or the Accounting offices located at 16126 John Moose Drive NW in Cass Lake. The fines can also be mailed to Leech Lake Tribal Court at the address shown above. To determine your fine amount, call the Tribal Court or check the Court's website at www.llojibwe.com.

Patricia L. Pizzala, Court Administrator

**LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE IN TRIBAL COURT
TRAFFIC DIVISION
NOTICE OF LEGAL PUBLICATION**

**FINDINGS, CONCLUSIONS AND
STAYED ORDER FOR CONTEMPT OF COURT**

A review of the Court record revealed that the defendants listed below were properly served with notice of an Order to Show Cause Hearing. The defendants did not appear. Based on all the files, records and proceedings herein, the Court makes the following:

FINDINGS:

1. Orders to Show Cause were mailed to each of the defendants listed below at their last know addresses ordering defendants to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court for an Order to Show Cause Hearing.
2. Defendants were also served with a notice of this hearing pursuant to Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Judicial Code, Part II, Rule 5.C(5), by publication of the Order to Show Cause in two consecutive issues of the DeBahJiMon.
3. Although duly summoned to appear in Tribal Court, defendants listed below failed to appear and failed to pay the fines indicated as ordered by this Court.
4. Pursuant to the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Judicial Code, Title 1, Part VI, Section 4, and the Leech Lake Traffic Code, Chapter 300, Section 304, any person found in contempt of court shall be subject to a fine not to exceed \$500.00.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

1. The defendants listed below are guilty of Contempt of Court for failing to appear and for failing to pay fines as ordered by the Leech Lake Tribal Court, pursuant to Section 303 of the Leech Lake Traffic Code.

WHEREFORE IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

1. The defendants listed below are hereby ordered to pay a civil contempt of court penalty in the amount shown below (an amount equal to the fines previously imposed but not more than \$500.00). The fines are hereby stayed on condition that defendants comply with the terms outlined in paragraph two (2) below.
2. That defendants shall have sixty (60) days from the date of this Order to purge the Contempt of Court by requesting that the contempt order be set aside, completing a payment agreement, and/or a Community Service Work Agreement with the Court. If defendants fail to purge the contempt, the stayed civil contempt of court penalty will be lifted.
3. Failure to comply with the above conditions listed in paragraph two (2) above within sixty (60) days of the date of this Order may also result in one or more of the following penalties being imposed pursuant to Leech Lake Traffic Code, Section 303:
 - a. Order the seizure and impoundment of the license plates of any vehicle driven or operated by a defendant at the time of the issuance of the citation;
 - b. Order that the citation be reported to the Minnesota Department of Public Safety;
 - c. Order the seizure and impoundment of any vehicle driven or operated by a defendant in the commission of the offense charged;
 - d. Use any of the means permitted in Leech Lake Code, Title 2, for the execution and enforcement of judgments;
 - e. Notify the Leech Lake Registrar of Motor Vehicles of the non-payment of fines and order that the amount due to be paid pursuant to the citation or judgment of the Court be added to the fee charged for registration of any vehicle driven or operated in the commission of any offense or to any other vehicle which the defendant seeks to register.

DATED this 24th day of March, 2010.

/s/ Korey Wahwassuck, Judge of Tribal Court

<u>Name</u>	<u>File No.</u>	<u>Traffic Fine</u>	<u>Stayed Contempt Fine</u>
Agard, Beau James	TR-00-232	150.00	150.00
Banks, Donald John	TR-01-334	200.00	200.00
Bellanger-White Wing, Nahtanha	TR-02-460	525.00	500.00
Bowers, Dewayne Eugene	TR-05-60	225.00	225.00
Canty, Dana Thomas	TR-07-213	200.00	200.00
Carlson, Dana Roy	TR-99-83	125.00	125.00
Cloud, Randall Joseph	TR-04-723	225.00	225.00
Cronquist, Lawrence Albert	TR-00-143	500.00	500.00
Davall, Anna Marie	TR-04-750	150.00	150.00
Deegan, Byron George	TR-01-334	340.00	340.00
Kingbird, Michael Anthony	TR-00-127	200.00	200.00

Maxwell, Robert Roman	TR-00-100	125.00	125.00
Pacheco, Juanita Marie	TR-05-92	400.00	400.00
Rock, Lora Jean	TR-00-207	100.00	100.00
Roper, Jean Marie (a/k/a Jean Marie Adams)	TR-00-242	200.00	200.00
Stangel, Ritchie Ronald	TR-00-135	150.00	150.00
Staples, Dennis James, Sr.	TR-01-297	300.00	300.00
Staples, Michael Wayne	TR-01-322	150.00	150.00
Thibault, James Wilfred	TR-00-107	100.00	100.00
Whitefeather, Howard Douglas	TR-06-004	400.00	400.00
Wind, Tony William Lee	TR-00-174	100.00	100.00

-LEGAL NOTICE BY PUBLICATION-

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court
In the Matter of the Welfare of the Child of:
Stephanie Ann Littlewolf and Scott Wesley Smith, Parent.
Court File No. CP-09-98

NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on 4-05-2010, a Petition to Suspend Parental Rights was filed in Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the child of the above-named parents. A hearing will commence on May 17, 2010, at 3:30 p.m. in the Leech Lake Tribal Courtroom located in Cass Lake, Minnesota. The telephone number is (218) 335-3586. 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.

Dated: April 12, 2010, by Tom Dahl, Paralegal

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Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court
n Re the Marriage of:
Patsy Ellen Gordon, Petitioner, and Thomas Lafe Gordon, Respondent.
CASE NO. FA-10-09

NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the petitioner above named has filed a legal action against you, Thomas Lafe Gordon, asking for Dissolution of Marriage and other relief. Unless you file a response or otherwise file your appearance in this cause in the office of the Leech Lake Tribal Court, 16126 John Moose Drive NW, Cass Lake, MN 56633, upper level, on or before May 31, 2010, at 4:30 p.m., a Judgment for Dissolution of Marriage and other relief may be granted as prayed for by the petitioner.

You are served with this notice via legal publication in the DeBahJiMon in two consecutive issues because you are a party to this proceeding. If you have questions, you may contact the Leech Lake Tribal Court at the above address or by telephone at 218-335-3682.

DATED: March 25, 2010. Patricia L. Pizzala, Court Administrator

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Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court
In the Matter of the Welfare of the Children of:
Marissa Jones, Parent.
Court File No. CP-09-10

NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on 8-25-2009, a Petition for Alternative Relief was filed in Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the child of the above-named parent. A hearing will commence on June 7, 2010, at 11:00 a.m. in the Leech Lake Tribal Courtroom located in Cass Lake, Minnesota. The telephone number is (218) 335-3586. 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.

Dated: April 12, 2010, by Tom Dahl, Paralegal

MIGA and State Gaming

By Chris Haugene

Since its inception in 1987 MIGA (Minnesota Indian Gaming Association) has served as a medium of communication between its member Tribes. It helps organize and implement platforms and forums where gaming issues are discussed, concerns are addressed, and information is disseminated in order to help edify and educate the public, the media, Tribal members, and non-Tribal organizations that have concerns regarding gaming in Minnesota. This organization helps Tribal Representatives form a cohesive perspective when it comes to federal, state, and local policy and its impact has been felt from the Minnesota boarders to St. Paul.

Earlier this year the Minnesota Indian Gaming Association convened to discuss State gaming issues, proposals, and Bills that were either going to be introduced or had been introduced already during this legislative session. There were several State Representatives in attendance during this meeting which seemed to underline the importance of the issues discussed. Secretary of State Mark Ritchie was in attendance and made several comments regarding gaming. "Thank you for the jobs you provide to so many Minnesotans." Said Mr. Ritchie as he concluded his statements. Also in attendance were Senate Majority Leader Larry Pogemiller, and Speaker of the House Margaret Anderson Kelliher who both made statements regarding gaming. "Building these relationships is important. This information is powerful. You have built a powerhouse of an industry in our state," said Kelliher.

A central theme to MIGA is possible Bills that could open the door for non-Indian entities to start gaming operations that would cut into Tribal gaming revenues. A few years back there was a push to create a casino in the Metro area to be jointly run by the State and northern Tribes, and just last year a state gaming bill failed to pass by only a handful of votes. What the public does not understand is that revenue projections regarding state gaming are not what they think.

In late March MIGA reported via their website that the Minnesota legislature's House Research Department has provided a report on the amount of revenue expected from proposed racinos at Canterbury Park and Running Aces Harness Track.

While Racino lobbyist Dick Day claims the racinos will generate over one hundred million dollars per year for the state, a memo issued February 18 by House Research Director Patrick McCormack suggests the amount will be substantially lower.

McCormack based his projections on an analysis by the State of Illinois, which previously had considered authorizing racinos at the state's racetracks. Using the Illinois model, McCormack estimates Minnesota state revenues from racinos at between \$44 million and \$98 million per year.

SF 2950, the racino bill supported by Racino Now, dedicates net revenues of \$125 million annually to the state out of a projected total annual net of approximately \$365 million, or about \$1 million per day from from 3,000 slot machines divided between the two racino locations.

In order to reach the \$1 million per day mark, each racino slot machine would have to generate \$333 per day in net revenue. For comparison purposes, Wynn Resorts reported an average daily net win per unit of \$149 for Wynn Las Vegas as of October 27, 2009, down from \$225 in 2008.

MIGA Executive Director John McCarthy said the unreliability of revenue projections makes the racino bill a high-risk proposition. "If legislators make budget decisions based on racino revenue that never materializes or falls far short, the budget problem will be even worse than it is now," said McCarthy.

So as you can see, the issue of state gaming is not all it has been reported to be. In fact it could make things substantially worse regarding state budgets if there are state gaming facilities that are not living up to revenue projections. These places have to be maintained and that costs money that could add to current budget shortfalls if revenue projections are not met.

LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE Summary of Job Openings

Closing April 23rd, 2010

Health Division:

LLDCEP Receptionist • Job Code: 10-055
LLDCEP Registered Dietician • Job Code: 10-054
Public Health Nurse RN • Job Code: 10-053
Behavioral Health Case Manager • Job Code: 10-039

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Receptionist • Job Code: 10-052

Human Services Division:

Family Skills Worker • Job Code: 10-045

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Human Services Division:

Child Protection Case Manager • Job Code: 10-018

Education Division:

3 FT ECD Family Service Advocates • Job Code: 10-020
Positions in: (2) Cass Lake & Ball Club

11 FT ECD Infant/Toddler Teacher • \$8.40/hr • Job Code: 10-014
Positions in: (3) Cass Lake, (4) Onigum, (4) Bena

2 FT Infant/Toddler Team Leaders • \$10.00/hr • Job Code: 10-013
Positions in: Onigum & Bena

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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.

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Obituaries

ORAN JAY BEAUDREAU

Oran J. Beaudreau, 82, of Bemidji died Sunday, March 28, 2010 at the Neilson Place in Bemidji.

Funeral Services were held Wednesday, March 31, 2010 at the Veteran's Memorial Building in Cass Lake, MN with Rev. Mark Papke-Larson officiating. Interment will be at the Prince of Peace Cemetery in Cass Lake, MN under the direction of the Cease Family Funeral Home of Cass Lake.



He was born on May 6, 1927, in Virginia, MN the son of Joseph and Jenny (Fagre) Beaudreau. He was raised and educated in Waubun, MN. He enlisted in the US Navy, and served during the Korean Conflict. After being Honorably Discharged, he moved to Cass Lake, and worked as a logger and in the saw mill. He married Nancy Jean Broker in 1959, and together they had five children. They parted ways in 1968. He moved to the Twin Cities, and worked at numerous jobs, until he became disabled and returned to Cass Lake.

He worked as a counselor to people with Chemical Dependency at a half-way house

in Cass Lake. He was proud of his sobriety and helping others with their struggle. He worked for many years on the local Indian Council, helping many people who came to the council with their problems. After losing his legs to vascular disease he entered the North Country Rehabilitation and Nursing Center in Bemidji in 1997, and later moved to Neilson Place. He made many good friends with the residents and staff of North Country Health Services, including his doctor, Dr. Rith-Najarian. He enjoyed a long career of bingomania, enjoyed visiting over coffee, playing cards, and cribbage with his good friends.

He is survived by Sons, Joseph (Sharon) Beaudreau of Bemidji, MN Timothy (Marlena) Beaudreau of Cass Lake, MN; Daughters, Betty Jane Heath of Tennessee,, Cheryl (John) Donnelly of Pipestone, MN, Lorri (Galyn) Minkel of Redwood Falls, MN; Brother, Eugene Budreau of Cass Lake, MN, 15 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren, numerous nieces, and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, son Kenneth Oran Beaudreau, Grandson Timothy David Beaudreau, brothers Milton Budreau, Charles Budreau, sisters Donna Budreau, Gloria Lausche, Marcy Folstrom, Marion Folstrom, and Delores Jones.

Active Casketbearers will be Tim Beaudreau, Joe Beaudreau, Galyn Minkel, John Donnelly, Anthony Beaudreau, Thomas Casey, and Eugene Budreau.

Honorary Casketbearers will be: His many nieces and nephews.

Messages of condolence may be left at ceasefuneralhome.com.

MICHAEL R. JACKSON

Michael Russell Jackson, 30, of Onigum, passed away on Tuesday, March 30, 2010. He was born on January 18, 1980 in Bemidji, MN.

Michael was preceded in death by his grandparents Fred and Rose Jackson, grandmother Jenny Smith, father Lavern Smith.



He is survived by his mother Louise Jackson of Onigum, children Jaired and Talecia Jackson of Onigum, sisters; Laurie Jackson of Bemidji, Cindy Jackson of Cass Lake, Kerry and Kelly Jackson of Onigum, Joleen Smith of Walker, brothers; Kenny Jackson of Onigum, Jeremy Butcher of Onigum, Damian and Darian Wakefield of Minneapolis.

Funeral services were held Saturday, April 3, all at the Onigum Community Center with Father George Ross officiating. Interment was in the Old Agency Cemetery at Onigum.

Active Pallbearers for Michael were: Thomas, Charlie, Dan "Boomer", Nate, Jeff and Justin Jackson, Mike White and Merle Cloud. Alternate Pallbearers: Faron Jackson, Conan and Randy Jackson. Honorary Pallbearers: Simon and Pat Jackson, Willy Smith, Randy White, Matt Hunt, Stan Chief and Will Kingbird, Sr.

Arrangements entrusted to Northern Peace Funeral Home of Walker.

EVELYN THOMPSON

Evelyn Marie Thompson, 69, of Cass Lake, Minnesota died Tuesday, April 6, 2010 at St. Mary's Hospital in Duluth.



Evelyn was born July 9, 1940 in White Earth, Minnesota to Clarence and Louise (Johnson) Clark, Sr. She grew up in the Pine Point area attended school in Park Rapids. She lived in Minneapolis for thirty years prior to moving to Cass Lake where she has lived until the present. Evelyn had a special love for her family and raised 3 grandchildren, and 2 great grandchildren. She also worked for a time at a day care center in Cass Lake. She enjoyed going to the casino, attending pow wow's, loved to dance, and play 20/20 bingo. Spending time with family was most important to her. Everybody loved Ev, and she will be remembered for her big heart, her sense of humor, and the happiness she brought to those around her.

Evelyn is survived by her children; Duane Clark, Charles Staples III, Cheryl Staples, David Staples, 21 grandchildren, 21 great grandchildren, sisters; Diane, Cleo, Bernice, Babe, MaryLou, Edith, Barb, Betsy, Missy, Joann brothers; Douglas, Clarence, Jr., and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband Elmer; brother, John; son, Ronald "Moose"; and great grandson De'shawn.

Funeral services were held Saturday, April 10, 2010 at the Veterans Memorial Building in Cass Lake. The Dennis Funeral Home of Cass Lake assisted the family with the funeral arrangements.

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Dad

*In Memory of Kenneth J Smith
April 27th 1940 – May 29th 2005*

*When does missing you get easier,
How long til the pain goes away
You left me quite awhile ago but it
seems like yesterday
I loved you so very much; you meant
the world to me
Without you here is so very hard,
harder than I thought it would be
It seems to me on days like this, it's
really hard to know
Exactly what I'm supposed to do or
where I'm supposed to go
But ill go on without you here, it's
what I have to do
Ill dry my tears and carry on just
like I know you'd want me to
There's just one thing I need to know
and I'll be on my way
When does missing you get easier,
how long til the pain goes away*

*Love your daughter,
Barbara Jo Bearheart*

Thank you!

*To all of the LLHA Staff and
all of the employees of LLBO for
their assistance, I would like to
especially thank Marlene M.,
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Minnesota and Minneapolis.*

Thank You!

The Family of Henry Reed

A special thanks Jarod & Janielle

Early Warm Weather Means an Early Tick Season

Use repellent to protect yourself from tick bites that can lead to Lyme disease and other serious diseases, warn health officials

Warm early spring weather has brought out ticks earlier than usual in many regions of Minnesota earlier than usual. The Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) urges anyone heading outdoors in Minnesota this spring and early summer to use tick repellents and other measures to prevent Lyme disease and other serious diseases transmitted by ticks.

The most commonly reported tick-borne diseases in Minnesota are Lyme disease, anaplasmosis, and babesiosis. Several other tick-borne diseases are rare in Minnesota but have been detected in the state more frequently in recent years. These include Powassan disease, Rocky Mountain spotted fever (RMSF), ehrlichiosis, and tularemia. All of these diseases can be severe.

While the peak of the tick-transmitted disease season is typically from mid-May through mid-July, coinciding with the feeding of the tiny nymph stage of the blacklegged tick (also called deer tick), other ticks are feeding now and can also transmit disease.

Neitzel emphasized that it is important to use repellents containing one of the following active ingredients:

- DEET: Repellents containing up to 30 percent DEET can be used on the skin or clothing. Lower concentrations can be used but might need to be applied more frequently.
- Permethrin: These repellents are only applied to clothing, and are highly effective even after treated clothing has been washed.

Since ticks climb up from the ground, focus repellent use below the waistline. Also, wear long pants and light-colored clothing to spot ticks more easily, and walk in the center of trails. After returning from outdoor activities, check your body carefully for ticks and promptly remove any that are found. These precautions are most important during the late spring, early summer, and fall, when ticks are active.

Several tick species carry diseases in Minnesota. The biggest concern is the blacklegged tick, which can carry Lyme disease, anaplasmosis, babesiosis, and Powassan disease. Blacklegged ticks are most common in hardwood or mixed hardwood forests of east-central, north-central, and southeast Minnesota. Over the past few years, they have appeared to expand their range into forested parts of west-central, northwest, and northeast Minnesota. The ticks also are common in wooded areas of Wisconsin and northeastern states. Blacklegged ticks are most active from April through October.

“Adult blacklegged ticks started feeding as soon as the snow melted and temperatures were above freezing,” said Neitzel.

A different tick species, the American dog tick (sometimes called “wood tick”) can carry Rocky Mountain spotted fever and tularemia in Minnesota. American dog ticks, while usually just nuisance biters, can cause disease in Minnesota and are also active throughout the spring and early summer. These pests are found throughout the state in both wooded and grassy areas. American dog tick bites have led to only small numbers of Rocky Mountain spotted fever and tularemia cases in recent years in Minnesota, but both diseases can be very severe. Last summer, a Dakota County child with no history of travel outside Minnesota died from Rocky Mountain spotted fever.

In addition, very small numbers of Lone star ticks have been found in Minnesota in recent years. Lone star ticks are common in southern states, where they can carry ehrlichiosis (a disease related to anaplasmosis).

While it can be difficult to tell ticks apart, blacklegged ticks are smaller and darker in color than American dog ticks. They also lack the American dog tick’s characteristic white markings, and the back end of the female blacklegged tick is reddish-orange in appearance. The adult female Lone star tick has a distinct white spot in the very middle of her back.

Tick-borne diseases of concern in Minnesota often have similar signs and symptoms. People who have these diseases might feel like they have “the flu” and experience symptoms such as fever, chills, headache, muscle aches, joint pain, or fatigue. These symptoms typically develop within a few days to a few weeks after the bite of an infected tick.

Some of these diseases also can involve a rash or skin sore. People with Lyme disease often notice a large, expanding red mark, which typically appears between 3 and 30 days after an infectious tick bite and often develops a “bulls-eye” appearance as it grows in size. Not everyone with Lyme disease develops this rash. In contrast, patients with Rocky Mountain spotted fever often have a rash appearing as tiny spots on the extremities and spreading to the rest of the body. Tularemia patients often have an ulcerated sore (usually at the site of the tick bite).

Other signs and symptoms can also be present. Untreated Lyme disease can develop into joint swelling, heart problems, or nervous system problems such as partial facial drooping. Severe infection with Powassan virus, which is related to West Nile virus, may lead to swelling of the brain or brain lining with signs of weakness, confusion, loss of coordination, speech difficulties, and memory loss. Any of these diseases can potentially be severe and result in hospitalization or, in some cases, death.

People who develop signs or symptoms of a tick-related illness after spending time in blacklegged tick habitat should see a physician right away, even if they don’t remember getting a tick bite. Powassan disease has no specific treatment, but physicians can offer supportive care. The other tick-borne diseases of concern in Minnesota are treatable. Early diagnosis and treatment are important in preventing severe illness. Some people develop two or more of these diseases from the same tick bite.

IHS Supports Local Green Team

By Hillary Barron, Cass Lake Times

Last week, a federal agent from the Indian Health Service (IHS) traveled to Cass Lake to meet with Green Team, a local organization that unites multiple entities in the quest for providing the Leech Lake reservation with a green and sustainable future.

Meeting in a conference room at the Leech Lake Facility Center last Wednesday afternoon, IHS Environmental Health Officer Megan Arndt spoke to the group about a possible partnership with IHS.

Green Team is comprised of about a dozen representatives from several local institutions and tribal offices such as the Leech Lake Health Division, the Leech Lake Environmental Department, the Leech Lake Purchasing Department and, most recently, the Leech Lake Tribal College.

The organization is always accepting new members who desire to work toward common goals, which is part of the reason for last week's meeting with IHS.

Arndt talked about the possible contributions that IHS could make to Green Team, most of which focused on developing a pathway on which to bring green and sustainable resources to the reservation.

"We have so many tools at our disposal," said Arndt. "I think it's important that we work together to utilize them so that Green Team doesn't have to reinvent the wheel."

For example, Arndt gave a demonstration of a sustainable best practices model developed in 2009 called Minnesota Green Step Cities. It focuses on core areas of building and lighting, land use, transportation, environmental management and economic and community development to bring about green change to Minnesota cities.

"We can gear this toward the Leech Lake reservation and make it our own," said

Arndt. Air Quality Specialist Brandi Toft of the Leech Lake Division of Resource Management facilitates the Green Team meetings and organized the meeting with Arndt. "I think this is a beautiful partnership we're melding here," she said. "I see this project as a guiding tool."

The Minnesota Green Step Cities program is geared toward smaller, rural areas and shows proven cost-effective strategies to provide communities with a greener, healthier lifestyle. It provides an assessment tool by which organizations like Green Team can determine where primary areas of interest are and compare them with local needs.

"As far as I'm concerned, environmental health and public health go hand-in-hand," said Arndt. "And IHS is absolutely about protecting the health of our tribal communities."

Arndt's involvement with Green Team fulfills the requirement of another project for IHS and she's signed on for a year to help the organization navigate the available tools by which to move toward a green community. It was determined that from now until the next meeting in May, each member would study the assessment tools provided by Arndt to come up with what each thought would be the priority areas in which to focus.

"At the next meeting, once we've taken time to look it over, we can start discussing where to go from here," said Toft.

Green Team has already taken significant steps to promote green and sustainable living by forming a resolution to ban the use of styrofoam and unnecessary paper waste on the reservation.

Tim Hugely of the Leech Lake Health Division reported that since the last Green Team meeting he has been successful in helping his own office to quit using styrofoam and paper coffee cups and that more and more people were getting on board with sustainability.

For more information about Green Team or to learn how to become a member, contact Brandi Toft at 218-335-7429.

Pow Wow Summit Report

By Jerry Morgan

I think some people were confused by the "Pow wow Summit." Yes the attendance really wasn't there, however it appeared that each day we had a positive message. On Friday March 19th I attended the Niigaane school presentation with the programs entire faculty and 25 students grades K-5. I witnessed first hand the action taking place, after Ms. Leslie Harper finished with her PowerPoint presentation. Participants were asked to join in with the students for a lesson plan. I joined as a fourth grader for a short time, and the focus was on math principles. The young students counted up to 2.5 million in ojibwemowin.

I was really excited for the children and the teaching staff and curriculum writer, who work closely together to ensure the Ojibwe language never dies. I learned that the language was fading away back in the 1940's and 50's, and now in the recent years the Hawaiians and the Ojibwemowin is experiencing a renewal and slow comeback. Ms Harper closed with the comments and concerns about fears for this group of students, because when the students enter the 6th grade next year they will be in an English speaking classroom. Therefore, I am motivated once again to work on my own learning of Ojibwemowin, and to talk our language.

The Saturday program included both a Dance presentation and Mini pow wow highlighted by a closing finale Clown dance; what fun and what a show. Ms Amber Buffalo said "this summit is a good idea". The Jackson family from Inger Minnesota arrived Friday afternoon and, being a pow wow family, enjoyed the show with featured dancers: Itoncha St. John and Amber Buffalo, Frankie Graves, Bill Staples, Bill Smith, Becky Buck, Zach Redbear, Patty Bugg. This particular group along with many people from White Earth to Bois Forte has a high talent level.

I was very impressed with Johnny Smith as he has been singing and dancing since the 1940's and 50's. He shared teachings from 1959-60 when 6 women came to Minnesota from North Dakota. They were fancy shawl also known as Butterfly dancers.

Bill May from Red Lake told the story of watching Saturday night AWA wrestling and seeing the wrestler Billy Red Cloud dancing before his match started inside the ring, and there was Johnny singing with his hand Drum! Mr. Red Cloud was actually from White Earth reservation, and he was either part of the Warren or Weaver family, this was in the early part of the 1970's.

Through out the entire weekend local Tribal members drifted in and out, curious about what was taking place. The mini pow wow had a very nice crowd with many local children dancing. The food was excellent and the entire staff at the Northern Lights Casino were great.

In closing I want to add that none of us alone can improve the situation of the many LL Pow wows, its people working together, team work and unity.

Baird Commended

Bruce Baird was recently honored for his lifetime of involvement with the American Indian community. He was inducted into Minneapolis South's Wall of Honor. He was a 1957 graduate of Minneapolis South High School. He has been involved with American Indian television (public Broadcasting), training American Indians in radio and television, and has worked for the Leech Lake Band as Executive Director, Education Director, and now Gaming Director. Baird attended Hamline University, St. Thomas, U of M, and the University of South Dakota ultimately receiving a degree in Mass Communications.

Secretary / Treasurer's Report

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employees on a job well done.

Unfortunately, on the Government side we continue to struggle with the financial management of our various programs and services. A huge drain on our resources continues to be Public Works. For example: Solid Waste's budget is \$810,184 and to date they have total expenditures of \$759,338 with three months remaining in the fiscal year. Based upon their current spending trends the Solid Waste Program is on track for a year end deficit of approximately \$400,000.

What I struggle to understand is that everywhere else in the world solid waste is a multi-million dollar profitable business with the Leech Lake Reservation being the exception. With proper business management and a little business experience Leech Lake has the potential to capture the local solid waste market and turn solid waste on the Leech Lake Reservation into a highly profitable, revenue generating business.

However our current state of affairs clearly illustrates what happens when we hire people based upon their political affiliation as opposed to skills, ability and experience to properly manage programs, businesses and departments. The end result is yet another viable economic opportunity for the Leech Lake Reservation lost because of our unwillingness to conduct business in a professional and ethical manner.

One of the ways to address this problem is to create a focused on-the-job training program that will provide and teach our people the skills necessary to be successful managing our programs, services and businesses.

As I have continued to point out the Leech Lake Reservation has so much social and economic potential, however we need leaders throughout the organization with the vision, wisdom and determination to turn our potential into economic reality.

At times I find myself wondering if I'm the only one who sees the enormous economic potential within Leech Lake. We have a genuine opportunity to grow and become so much more than what we are right now. We can be the economic engine that drives the entire region of Northern Minnesota. However, in order to achieve such a goal we have to do a much much better job of managing our current resources. It's like building a house: you need to start with a solid foundation. Good management is that solid foundation for our reservation. I'd like to remind the people that if we keep doing the same things then don't be surprised when we keep getting the same results. This is what continues to stifle and arrest our development as a nation and a people.

I would also like to take a moment and update the people on the Minnesota State Tax agreement as it relates to the sale of Seneca cigarettes. In my last report, I indicated that the state has withheld approximately \$600,000 in State Sales Tax Rebate money owed to Leech Lake for alcohol and tobacco. This figure has now grown to approximately \$900,000 through three quarters of the year.

In mid-February we received a letter from the Commissioner of Revenue from the State of Minnesota informing us that the Department of Revenue does not have the legal authority to enter into an agreement that allows the sale of unstamped cigarettes. As such the Minnesota Department of Revenue has ceased making cigarette refund payments to the Leech Lake Reservation. These refund payment will be withheld until the sale of unstamped cigarettes on the reservation stops. The problem is this: do we continue to exercise our sovereignty and if so at what expense? If we cease selling Seneca's we would immediately receive the approximately \$900,000 that the state currently owes us and would open the door for the renegotiation of an improved State Tax Agreement. My initial thoughts would be to suspend the sale of Seneca's on

Leech Lake pending a renegotiation of our State Tax Agreement. That said, I would be very interested in hearing the opinions of our Band members. This will ultimately have a significant impact on the future of the Leech Lake Reservation and our long term government to government relationship with the State of Minnesota.

Another topic that I wanted to briefly touch on is staff and employee morale. Speaking from experience: wherever I have worked there has always been a spirit and drive amongst the employees to be successful and do the very best job possible. As an example: when I worked for the Pillsbury Company every employee was considered value added, meaning that each and every employee added value to the company. There was a time I remember here at Leech Lake where there was a spirit and desire for everyone to succeed. There was a time not long ago when Leech Lake was considered one of the leading reservations in Minnesota. We seemed to have lost that desire to be the best and instead seem to be driven by the fear of losing our jobs. This leads to people only working hard enough to not get fired. In the current culture it seems the harder you work, the more successful your program or department, the bigger the target placed upon your back becomes. If Leech Lake is to be successful this attitude and culture must change. As I continue to point out, if we keep doing the same things we will continue to get the same results. We must change this culture by first and foremost nurturing, rewarding and inspiring hard work, effort, and success. This will lead to improved quality of work, efficiency, production and improve services to Band members and lead to greater economic prosperity across the reservation.

Presently there are many, many people watching to see what direction the Leech Lake Reservation takes. Either we are going to be progressive and move forward, or continue with the same old political dysfunction

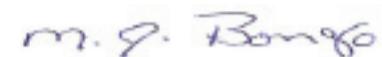
that has characterized the Leech Lake Reservation for the past several years. What we do in the coming months will ultimately determine the future direction of the Leech Lake Reservation. I raise this issue because in November of last year, while meeting with Congressional leaders in Washington D.C. it was pointed out to me by two key congressional aids that Congress was not going to invest millions of dollars into the Leech Lake Reservation until such time as they were assured that the Leech Lake Reservation had competent, experienced, skilled and ethical leadership capable of moving the Leech Lake Reservation forward both socially and economically.

The people of the Leech Lake Reservation have the opportunity to determine the future direction of the reservation by requiring their leaders all have as their goal and vision to make the Leech Lake Reservation the social and economic power that I know is still asleep within our community, culture, and people.

For the months of February and March 2010 the Secretary Treasurer's office received 755 Band member visits and or calls for assistance, 45 seeking assistance with employment and job search, 54 requests for day labor referrals, 47 requests for payroll advances, 147 requests for gas vouchers, 426 requests for other types of financial assistance, i.e. medical, utilities, rental assistance, homelessness, etc. The average assistance per Band member was \$119.63.

In closing I again encourage Band members to please call or stop by the office should you have any questions or concerns. I maybe reached at (218)-335-8200.

Thank you.



Michael J. Bongo
Secretary Treasurer

Leech Lake Tribal Council
Special Meeting
Tribal Chambers
January 14, 2010
Cass Lake, Minnesota

Chairman Arthur "Archie" LaRose calls meeting to order at 9:43 a.m.

Present: Archie LaRose, Michael Bongo, Robbie Howe, Lyman Losh and Eugene "Ribs" Whitebird. Quorum present.

Motion by Eugene "Ribs" Whitebird, second by Robbie Howe to approve agenda. Carried 4-0-0.

Old Business:

Motion Robbie Howe, second by Lyman Losh to approve December 7, 2009 minutes. Carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Mike Bongo, second by Lyman Losh to table the December 17, 2009 minutes. Carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Lyman Losh, second by Robbie Howe to approve the December 21, 2009 minutes. Carried 4-0-0.

New Business:

TRIBAL COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS:

Motion by Robbie Howe, second by Eugene "Ribs" Whitebird to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2010-105 concerning Healing Pathways. Carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Robbie Howe, second by Lyman Losh to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2010-106 concerning grant for Ambulance and LLPD. Carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Eugene "Ribs" Whitebird, second by Lyman Losh to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2010-107 concerning CHIPRA grant. Carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Mike Bongo, second by Eugene "Ribs" Whitebird to table AmeriCorps Program resolution. Carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Eugene "Ribs" Whitebird, second by Lyman Losh to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2010-108 concerning Adoption of New Mileage Reimbursement Rate. Carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Lyman Losh, second by Eugene "Ribs" Whitebird to table Tribal

Council Resolution concerning Safe & Sober at Schley. Carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Mike Bongo, second by Eugene "Ribs" Whitebird to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2010-109 to Oppose Development on Tribally Significant Land known as the Two Points Village Site. Carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Mike Bongo, second by Eugene "Ribs" Whitebird to table resolution concerning Land Trust. Carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Robbie Howe, second by Lyman Losh to approve additions to agenda. Carried 4-0-0.

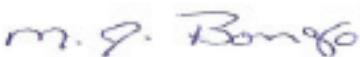
Motion by Mike Bongo, second by Robbie Howe to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2010-111 to provide for an effective and complete remedial action at the St. Regis Superfund site, located within the exterior boundaries of the Leech Lake Reservation and to appoint Eugene Whitebird to the Chair of SSAC. Carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Robbie Howe, second by Lyman Losh to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2010-112 concerning Revising Construction Priorities for the Leech Lake Indian Reservation. Carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Mike Bongo, second by Lyman Losh to approve liquor license for Guy Greene III. Carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Eugene "Ribs" Whitebird to adjourn. Carried 4-0-0.

I DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that this is a true record of the Leech Lake Tribal Council, Special Meeting, held on January 14, 2010, Cass Lake, Minnesota.



Michael J. Bongo, Secretary/Treasurer
Leech Lake Reservation

Leech Lake Tribal Council
Special Meeting
January 21, 2010
Tribal Chambers
Cass Lake, Minnesota

Chairman Arthur "Archie" LaRose called meeting to order at 1:25 p.m.

Present: Archie LaRose, Michael Bongo and Lyman Losh.

Excused: Robbie Howe and Eugene "Ribs" Whitebird.

Motion by Lyman Losh, second by Mike Bongo to approve agenda with addition. Carried 2-0-0.

Old Business:

December 17, 2009 minutes moved to bottom of agenda.

Motion by Mike Bongo, second by Lyman Losh to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2010-113 concerning AmeriCorps Program. Carried 2-0-0.

New Business:

Motion by Mike Bongo, second by Lyman Losh to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2010-114 concerning Leech Lake Housing Authority FY 2010 Indian Housing Block Grant. Carried 2-0-0.

Motion by Lyman Losh, second by Mike Bongo to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2010-115 concerning a Radio Study Grant. Carried 2-0-0.

Motion by Mike Bongo, second by Lyman Losh to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2010-116 concerning application to the Office on Violence Against Woman for funds to provide legal services to victims of domestic abuse. Carried 2-0-0.

Motion by Lyman Losh, second by Mike Bongo to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2010-117 amending Resolution No. 2010-102 concerning Eligible Enrollments. Carried 2-0-0.

Motion by Mike Bongo, second by Lyman Losh to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2010-118 amending Resolution No. 2010-103 concerning Ineligible Enrollments. Carried 2-0-0.

Motion by Lyman Losh, second by Mike Bongo to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2010-119 amending Resolution No. 2010-104 concerning Band Transfer from White Earth to Leech Lake. Carried 2-0-0.

Other:

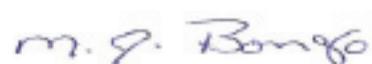
Motion by Lyman Losh, second by Mike Bongo to approve liquor license for Abe's. Carried 2-0-0.

Motion by Lyman Losh, second by Mike Bongo to approve SHIPS contract. Carried 2-0-0.

Motion by Lyman Losh, second by Mike Bongo to table December 17, 2009 minutes. Carried 2-0-0.

Motion by Lyman Losh, second by Mike Bongo to adjourn at 1:51 p.m.

I DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that this is a true record of the Leech Lake Tribal Council, Special Meeting, ehdl on January 21, 2010 at Cass Lake, Minnesota.


Michael J. Bongo, Secretary/Treasurer
Leech Lake Reservation

Leech Lake Tribal Council
Special Meeting
January 28, 2010
Tribal Chambers
Cass Lake, Minnesota

Meeting called to order at 11:02 by Acting Chair, Robbie Howe.

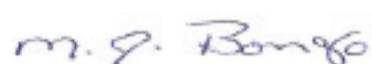
Present: Michael Bongo, Robbie Howe and Lyman Losh.

One (1) item on the agenda.

Motion by Mike Bongo, second by Lyman Losh to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2020-120 concerning support for operation of a non-commercial education radio station. Carried 2-0-0.

Motion by Mike Bongo, second by Lyman Losh to adjourn. Carried 2-0-0.

I DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that this is a true record of the Leech Lake Tribal Council, Special Meeting, held on January 28, 2010 at Cass Lake, Minnesota.


Michael J. Bongo, Secretary-Treasurer
Leech Lake Reservation

Leech Lake Tribal Council
Special Meeting
February 10, 2010
10:00 a.m. – Birch Room
Palace Casino/Hotel
Cass Lake, Minnesota

Chairman Arthur LaRose called the meeting to order at 10:17 a.m.

Present: Robbie Howe, Lyman Losh, Eugene “Ribs” Whitebird, Michael Bongo and Arthur LaRose.

(For the record Jody Dahl-DeVault and Calvin Goggleye withdrew their names.

Motion by Eugene “Ribs” Whitebird to approve the agenda, second by Robbie Howe. Carried 4-0.

Motion by Robbie Howe, second by Lyman Losh to approve the following candidates for Secretary-Treasurer:

Donald J. Headbird
Walter “Frank” Reese
Donald “Mick” Finn
Michael J. Bongo
Tana (Morgan) Robinson
Herschel J. Ogema, Sr.
Terri Finn-Goggleye
Franklin E. Bowstring

Carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Eugene “Ribs” Whitebird, second by Lyman Losh to approve the following candidates for District I Representative:

Milton Gotchie
Robbie M. Howe-Bebeau
Calea (Goggleye) Fleming
James Howard
Burton “Luke” Wilson

Carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Robbie Howe, second by Mike Bongo to approve the following candidates for District II Representative:

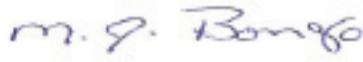
Deborah “Deb” Tibbetts
Leota White
Steve White
Tracy L. Gale
Laurie Chase
Harry “Jon” Greene
Marlene Mitchell
Esther Bogda

Carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Lyman Losh to approve the 2010 Election Precinct Boards. Carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Robbie Howe, second by 2010 General Election Board. Carried 4-0-0.

I DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that this is a true record of the Leech Lake Tribal Council, Special Meeting, held on February 10, 2010 at Cass Lake, Minnesota.



Michael J. Bongo, Secretary-Treasurer
Leech Lake Reservation

Leech Lake Tribal Council
Special Meeting
February 10, 2010
Birch Room – Palace Casino/Hotel
Cass Lake, Minnesota

Chairman Arthur LaRose called meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

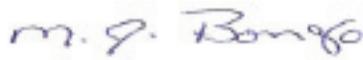
Roll Call: Robbie Howe, Lyman Losh, Eugene “Ribs” Whitebird, Michael Bongo and Archie LaRose.

Motion by Robbie Howe, second by Eugene “Ribs” Whitebird to approve agenda. Carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Eugene “Ribs” Whitebird, second by Lyman Losh to approve Bruce Johnsons recommendation to appoint Susan Kedzie to the Giiziiibii Recourse Conservation and Development Association. Carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Robbie Howe, second by Lyman Losh to adjourn. Carried 4-0-0.

I DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that this is a true record of the Leech Lake Tribal Council, Special Meeting, held on February 10, 2010 at Cass Lake, Minnesota.



Michael J. Bongo, Secretary/Treasurer
Leech Lake Reservation

NOTICE

We need the following people to contact the Land Dept in Cass Lake @ 1-800-442-3942 ext 7416 concerning land issues:

Backus, Diane	Ryan, James C.	West, Karen
Backus, Eugene	Tanner, Lois	White, Patricia
Burnette, Sandra	Tanner, Leonard Jr.	White, Richard A.
Kornezos, Deanne M.	Tanner, Marsha	White, Joseph W.
McKennett, Louise	Tanner, William	White, Simon A.
Miller, Stacy	Wakanabo, Murphy	

Leech Lake Honor Guard Memorial Day Schedule Saturday May 29, 2010

Community	Time	Cemetery
Cass Lake	10:45 AM	Van leaves Teal's parking lot, Cass Lake
Old Agency	11:30 AM 11:45 12:00 PM	Traditional Cemetery: Stony Pt. Rd. Episcopal Cemetery Catholic Cemetery
Onigum	12:15	Traditional Cemetery on Pine Pt/ Onigum Rd.
Oak Pt.	1:00 PM 1:15 1:30 1:50 2:05 2:20	Ellis Cemetery Morgan Cemetery Chippewa Bible Church Cemetery Brown Eagle Cemetery Goggleye Cemetery Tanner Cemetery
Break Time	2:40-3:40	Cass Lake (Snacks/Beverage) (Wayside rest area)
Cass Lake	3:45	Thompsonville Cemetery
Buck Lake	4:10 4:20	Boyd Cemetery (Chief Bug Dr.) Buck Lake Cemetery
Mission	4:40 4:50 5:00 5:10 5:30 5:45 6:45	Mission Traditional Cemetery Wilson Cemetery Fairbanks Cemetery Mokahum Bible Church Cemetery Veterans Memorial Monument Dinner at the Palace Casino Election of Post Officers: 2010-2012 Post Colors-Pow wow Grand Entry Vets Memorial PW Grounds, Cass Lake



LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE

PRIMARY ELECTION
MARCH 30, 2010

Official Election Results

SECRETARY/TREASURER	D-1 LEACH	D-2 BAIL CLUB	D-3 SQUIRY LAKE	D-4 WYCK	D-5 BENA	D-6 SUGAR POINT	D-7 SMOKEY POINT	D-8 MARK	D-9 CASS LAKE	D-10 ANDERSON	D-11 CHAGUM	D-12 GASS SWEN	D-13 ONE POINT	D-14 MARK	ABSENTEE VOTERS	TOTALS	%
DONALD "DONNIE" HEADBIRD	35	82	20	15	31	24	48	26	113	74	42	10	24	87	161	972	41.24%
DONALD "MICK" FINN	8	29	0	9	23	9	4	21	104	37	44	6	9	38	83	424	17.99%
MICHAEL J. BONGO	46	114	7	11	32	26	21	6	118	40	44	10	10	29	122	635	26.94%
TANA (MORGAN) ROBINSON	11	14	0	3	2	0	4	3	12	1	3	1	1	1	9	65	2.76%
HERSCHEL J. OJEMA SR.	4	2	1	0	2	1	2	1	7	1	0	0	2	0	5	28	1.18%
TERRI FINN-GOSSELYE	10	30	1	3	28	3	2	5	46	10	6	0	1	6	42	192	8.15%
FRANKLIN E. BOWSTRING	5	11	1	2	0	1	2	0	5	2	1	0	0	1	10	41	1.74%
TOTALS	118	292	30	43	118	84	83	62	604	188	140	27	47	142	432	2357	100.00%

DISTRICT 1 REPRESENTATIVE	D-1 LEACH	D-2 BAIL CLUB	D-3 SQUIRY LAKE	D-4 WYCK
MILTON GOECHIE	5	67	11	2
ROBBIE M. HOWE-BEBEAU	50	138	8	27
CALEA (GOSSELYE) FLEMING	3	1	0	0
JAMES HOWARD	56	43	10	1
BURTON "LUKE" WILSON	4	32	1	14
TOTALS	118	281	30	44

D-5 BENA	D-6 SUGAR POINT	D-7 SMOKEY POINT	D-8 MARK
40	29	19	15
0	2	5	1
27	19	13	6
7	7	0	1
18	1	6	12
6	2	10	4
4	2	31	2
17	1	0	21
119	63	84	62

ABSENTEE VOTERS	TOTALS	%
31	116	19.56%
49	272	45.87%
3	7	1.18%
7	117	19.73%
30	81	13.66%
120	603	100.00%
ABSENTEE VOTERS	TOTALS	%
14	117	28.40%
2	10	2.43%
23	88	21.36%
5	20	4.85%
9	46	11.17%
9	31	7.52%
12	61	12.38%
10	49	11.89%
84	412	100.00%

CERTIFICATION

We, the undersigned election officials of the Leech Lake Reservation, do hereby certify the above to be a true and accurate abstract of the votes cast in the Primary Election held on Tuesday, March 30, 2010 and reflects the results of a mandatory recount of the District 1 Representative contest conducted pursuant to Chapter III, Section 1, A of Election Ordinance #10 of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe. We further certify that said election was held in accordance with Ordinance #10 of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe.

[Signature]

ELECTION CHAIRMAN

[Signature]

ELECTION TELLER

[Signature]

ELECTION CLERK

[Signature]

ALTERNATE

GENERAL ELECTION NOTICE

The Leech Lake General Election Board is now accepting Absentee Ballot Requests for the General Election on June 8, 2010.

BUT, we will not be mailing out the actual Absentee Ballots until May 10, 2010.

Voter's can request an Absentee Ballot by written request and it must include legal name, address, date of birth, last reservation address (if you ever lived on the reservation) and if you have never resided on the reservation, the District you are declaring to vote in.

If you have previously declared a District,

a voter may not thereafter change his/her district for absentee voting purposes without actually residing within a different district on his/her reservation of enrollment for thirty (30) consecutive days.

CANDIDATES

Secretary/Treasurer:

Michael J. Bongo (Incumbent)
Donald "Donnie" Headbird

District I Rep:

Robbie M. Howe-Bebeau (Incumbent)
James Howard

District II Rep:

Deborah (Deb) Tibbetts
Steve White

Absentee Ballot Request Form

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe • General Election • June 8th, 2010

I am requesting an absentee ballot for the June 8th, 2010, General Election.
My full name, which I am enrolled under, is:

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Voting District: _____ Last Reservation Address: _____

Signed: _____ DOB: _____

Please mail form to:
General Election Board
P. O. Box 1150
Cass Lake, MN 56633
Phone # 218/335-7222 OR Toll Free # 1-888-635-0227



Panthers Basketball

This year the Cass Lake Bena Panthers Basketball team captured their sixth sub-section title beating the Mohnomen Indians. Although they did make it to the state tournament they lost their first game.

Do not hang your heads boys. You have done very well! All of Leech Lake is proud of you for working so diligently together. You all are examples to the younger kids in the school of how to participate in team sports. All of you had a role to play and all of you played them well. It has been a great pleasure following you for the past several years and we hope that you pass this tradition of hard work and unity on to the younger kids coming up through the Cass Lake Bena sports system.

The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe would like to say thank you for working so hard and setting an example of leadership for those that come to follow in your footsteps. Congratulations on a great year!

Artists sought for Leech Lake Journeys with First Nations Website



The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Tribal Development Division extends to an invitation all artists to be a part of the "Leech Lake Journeys with First Nations" website, which was launched in August 2009.

On a rotating basis, works of local artists will be displayed at the Cass Lake Wayside Rest Area, and also displayed and offered for sale in the lobby of the Northern Lights Casino.

Leech Lake Journeys with First Nations website is a Green Route website <http://journeys.greenroutes.org/> (a partner of "Explore Minnesota") that helps visitors find one-of-a-kind destinations to eat, play, sleep, shop, move and learn. It is a statewide green tourism initiative in Minnesota, coordinated by Renewing the Countryside. (<http://www.renewingthecountryside.org/>)

Our website promotes green tourism on Leech Lake reservation. It lets potential tourists know that the website promotes local businesses which support the reservation's economy.

Tribal Development developed and printed glove box maps which identify participating businesses, the reservation's boundaries, a calendar of local events, and points of interest. The map also indicates where works of local Leech Lake and other Native American Indian artists will be showcased and available for sale—at the Northern Lights Casino lobby and the Cass Lake Wayside Rest Area. The maps are available at local businesses, the Chamber of Commerce, and at the Cass Lake Wayside Rest Area.

Please Theresa Flocken, Tribal Development, (218) 335-8266 to participate.



Missy-Doo

*Happy B-Day from
the whole fam*

Announcement

**LEECH LAKE RESERVATION HOUSING AUTHORITY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ELECTION
JUNE 8, 2010**

FILING INFORMATION

OPEN: APRIL 20, 2010

CLOSED: MAY 20, 2010

**FILING LOCATION: LEECH LAKE GENERAL ELECTION
BOARD OFFICE (Che We Complex)**

VOTING LOCATION: ALL RESERVATION PRECINCTS

POSITIONS OPEN:

DISTRICT I COMMISSIONER- 4 YEAR TERM

DISTRICT II COMMISSIONER- 4 YEAR TERM

DISTRICT III COMMISSIONER- 4 YEAR TERM

For information on commissioner positions please call
Marlene Mitchell at 218-335-8280/866-223-2233



Congratulations to Logan Monroe and Bridgett Heinle, children of Shawn and Leah Monroe of Sugar Point, grandchildren of Ken Gale, Barb Schwochert, and the late Patricia Monroe, for their recent accomplishment in being chosen for this year's first Northland Community School Powwow's princess and brave royalty titles.

Entrepreneur Training

PALACE CASINO • BIRCH ROOM
TUESDAY MAY 4th
 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM



The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe's Tribal Development and Economic Development Divisions will help you fill in the gap between your dream and the reality of owning a business.

Steps to Defining an Effective Sales and Marketing Strategy

- Markets
- Competition
- Distribution
- Supply Channel
- Positioning
- Promotion
- Pricing
- Service Delivery
- Financing
- Growth
- SWOT Analysis
- Information Analysis



There is no cost for the seminars due to a grant from USDA
 A light snack will be offered. Registration is required.
 Please call Tribal Development at (218) 335-8266, to register.

Are **YOU** a survivor of domestic violence or sexual assault?

IWLN is a domestic violence program and sexual assault women's healing program serving the seven county metro area.

Families are offered supportive services and education to reduce isolation, share successes in living violence free. Families will improve their overall self reliance and stability through interactive goal setting and completion of program work-plan.

What we offer to our women:

- Housing Advocacy
- Cultural activities
- Education & Empowerment groups for domestic/sexual violence
- Resources & Referrals
- Life skills
- Community building
- Some financial assistance

For More Information:
 612-879-1782 Tara, Case Manager
 612-879-1783 Sharon, Coordinator
 612-879-1784 Nancy, Director

Minneapolis American Indian Center (MAIC)

Indigenous Women's Life Net Program
 1530 E. Franklin Ave
 Minneapolis, MN 55404

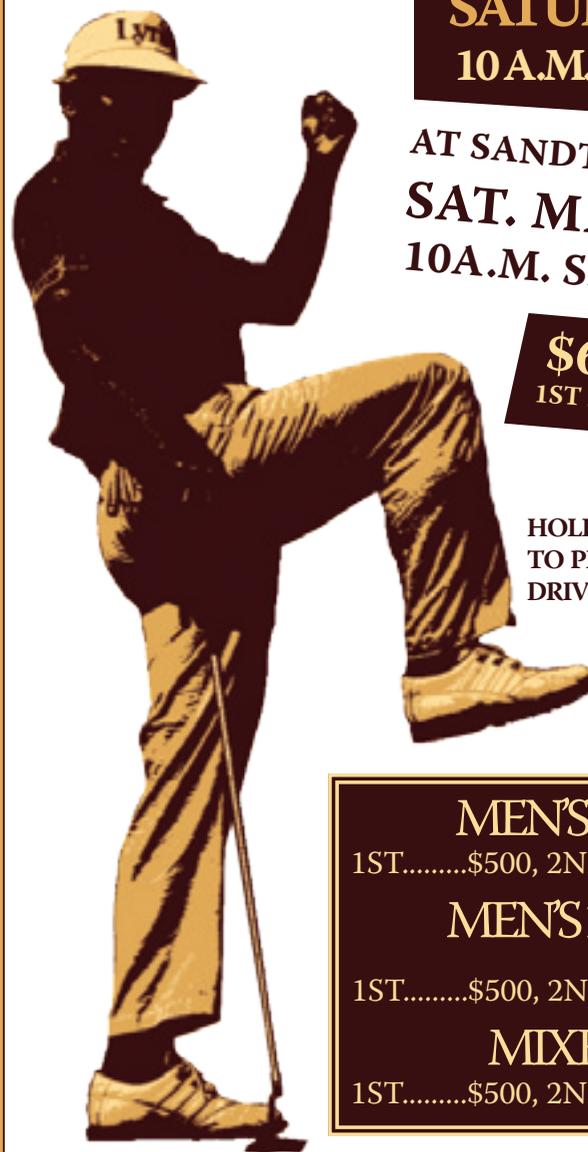
www.maicnet.org

Ray Pemberton 1ST ANNUAL Scholarship Golf Tournament

3 PERSON BEST BALL
SATURDAY MAY 15th
10 A.M. SHOTGUN START

AT SANDTRAP GOLF COURSE
SAT. MAY 15TH, 2010
10A.M. SHOTGUN START

\$60.00/PERSON
 1ST 22 TEAMS PAID IN ADVANCE



HOLE IN ONE CONTEST • CLOSEST TO PIN • LONGEST PUTT • LONGEST DRIVE • PUTTING CONTEST

MEN'S 1ST FLIGHT

1ST.....\$500, 2ND.....\$300, 3RD.....\$200

MEN'S 2ND FLIGHT

1ST.....\$500, 2ND.....\$300, 3RD.....\$200

MIXED FLIGHT

1ST.....\$500, 2ND.....\$300, 3RD.....\$200

ANY TIES WILL PLAYOFF FOR 1ST PLACE • ANY TIES FOR 2ND OR 3RD PLACE WILL HAVE A CHIPPING CONTEST ON HOLE 9 • CONTACT SANDTRAP TO RESERVE YOUR CART

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:
 RAY PEMBERTON SCHOLARSHIP FUND
 PO BOX 409
 CASS LAKE, MN 56633

CONTACT/REGISTRATION
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