Finn Wins for Second Time

After a rare and contentious double election cycle that began last spring, Donald “Mick” Finn was sworn in and seated as the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe’s Secretary Treasurer in early October 2011. The Secretary Treasurer seat was vacated after Mike Bongo was removed from office after losing a recall election in February 2011.

Secretary Treasurer Finn won the June general election by six votes over Donnie Headbird which was overturned by election judge Heidi Drobnick, of the Swanson Drobnick and Tousley law firm out of Woodbury Minnesota. As such, a new election was scheduled for late September 2011 to determine which candidate would fill the vacant post.

When asked about the tumultuous double election cycle Finn said, “It’s been a real struggle. People are really put to the test during these elections, but I’m glad I stuck it out. I fought the good fight and won the war and now I am hard at work trying to solve our financial problems here at Leech Lake. I would also like to re-lltc library project progresses to design phase

Those who have visited the tiny, cramped library at Leech Lake Tribal College are well aware of the need for a larger, better facility to serve the students, faculty and community members who make use of it.

The dream of a new library moved one step closer to becoming a reality with LLTC’s selection of Minneapolis-based Meyer, Scherer & Rockcastle (www.msrltd.com) to provide the architectural design for the new building. Jeffrey Scherer, one of MS&R’s founding principals and a noted expert on library design, will join independent architect Sam Olbekson, a member of the White Earth Band of Ojibwe, to lead the design team on this exciting project.

“I am honored to be a part of a project that is critical to the cultural and academic growth of the Leech Lake Tribal College community,” said Olbekson. “It is an opportunity to fulfill a professional and personal commitment to work with Native communities to support broader social, economic, and cultural revitalization efforts.”

In addition to the books and computers that most people normally associate with a library, LLTC’s new building will also provide a permanent home for the college’s successful Learning Center. This will benefit
# LEECH LAKE RESERVATION
## SPECIAL RUN-OFF ELECTION
September 27, 2011

### OFFICIAL ELECTION RESULTS

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### CERTIFICATION

We, the undersigned Election Officials of the Leech Lake Reservation do hereby certify the above abstract to be a true and accurate reflection of the hand tallied votes cast in the Special Run-Off Election held on Tuesday, September 27, 2011. We further certify that said election was conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribes, the Leech Lake Reservation, and Election Ordinance #10.

**SIGNED**

Arthur “Archie” LaRose .................................... Chairman
Donald “Mick” Finn ........................................ Secretary/Treasurer
Robbie Howe-Bebeau ....................................... District I Representative
Steve White ............................................... District II Representative
Eugene “Ribs” Whitebird ............................. District III Representative
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Greetings to everyone from the District II office. Before I get into what is happening in District Two and around the Reservation, I would like to take this time to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season.

It is an exciting time for the Leech Lake Band right now. After a contentious double special-election cycle and a full Council finally being restored it is time to get back to the work that will help move us forward. The priorities of funding a new Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig high school, the hospital demonstration project, elder care services, and many more issues are being worked on and fine tuned as winter approaches. I would also like to remind our Band members to update your address information with us if you have changed addresses in the past year.

In District II Local Indian Council news: the Sugar Point LIC met in October and discussed youth outings to Valley Fair, and to Red Lake’s Seven Clans Casino. Also discussed were concerns over nets being tampered with around Bear Island and Sugar Point with a request for help being sent to the Division of Resource Management. School bus speeds have also been mentioned as a safety concern within the community.

The Bena LIC met in early October and also discussed youth trips to Valley Fair, culture night, basketball, and other outdoor activities for the kids. Toys for Tots would like to remind Band members to update their household forms with for Toys for Tots.

The District II Office is also committed to bringing our services out into our District on a regular basis. We spend several afternoons in local communities so that Band members who don’t make it to Cass Lake can come meet us in their community to visit and offer their concerns and ask questions. We are at Kego Lake community center every second Wednesday of the month from 1:30 – 4pm, Bena community center every fourth Friday from 1:30 – 4pm, Sugar Point community center every fourth Wednesday from 1:30 – 4pm.

We hope to see you out in the community or we can also be reached through the switchboard at 218-335-8200.

Thank You.
Dawn Boyd

Dawn Marie Boyd, 47 of Bemidji died Monday, October 31, 2011 in Bemidji.

Traditional Funeral Services were held 10:00 am Saturday, November 5, 2011 at the Squaw Lake Community Hall in Squaw Lake, MN with Spiritual Leader Allen Hardy officiating. A wake began at 6:00pm, Thursday, November 3, 2011 at the Squaw Lake Community Hall and will continued until the time of the service. Interment was at the Round Lake Cemetery in Squaw Lake, MN under the direction of the Cease Family Funeral Home of Bemidji.

She was born on June 6, 1964, in Cass Lake, MN, the daughter of Louis and Patricia Ann (Vanett) Boyd. She was educated in Blackduck, MN, and in Lawrence, Kansas. She attended the Leech Lake Tribal College where she studied Law Enforcement. She lived in the Twin Cities for some time before moving to Lame Deer, Montana. She worked there as a wild game processor, and was sought out for her talent at drying elk, deer, and buffalo meat. She enjoyed traveling to pow-wows where she often participated as a fancy shawl dancer. She was a great cook, and had an awesome sense of humor. She had a personality that drew people to her, they knew they could trust her, and she made people feel like family. She loved her children and her grandson very much.

She is survived by: her children, Damon Lee Boyd of Bemidji, Lillian Boyd of Ashland, Virginia, Randall Boyd of Duluth, Gaylene Sigana of Red Lake, Kathlene Sigana of Red Lake, Father, Louis Boyd of Squaw Lake, Brothers, Warren Bobolink of Bena, Bradley Boyd of Ginew, Manitoba, Harley Pratt of Sioux Valley, Manitoba, Zachariah Hill of Sisseton, SD, Sister, Mariah Luzius of Bemidji, Grandson, George Boyd, Several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her grandparents, mother, and brother Michael Boyd.

Honorary Casketbearers will be: Patty Rose Johnson, Gina Jourdain, Marilyn Steffan, Liz Rogers, Theresa Myer, Dorreen Johnson, Marcella Bellanger, Shari Pearson, and LeAnn Pearson.

Active Casketbearers: Doug Bryan, Mason Bryan, Bradley Boyd, Brad Anderson, Tom Kuhlman, and Marvin Rogers.

Daniel John Hardy

Daniel John Hardy, 48, whose Ojibwe name is “Makade Makwa” which means “black bear” of Cass Lake, MN died Wednesday, November 2, 2011 at the Cass Lake IHS Indian Hospital.

Traditional Funeral Services were held 11:00 am Sunday, November 6, 2011 at the Veteran’s Memorial Building in Cass Lake with spiritual leader Allen Hardy. A wake was held at the Veteran’s Building on Friday afternoon and continued until the time of the services. Interment was at the Porcupine Cemetery in Cass Lake under the direction of the Cease Family Funeral Home of Cass Lake.

Daniel was born June 21, 1963 in Minneapolis, MN, the son of Howard Hardy and Margaret Beaulieu. He was raised in the Little Earth Projects in Minneapolis until he was 17 years old. He was awarded the Minneapolis Golden Gloves Boxing Fightiest Fighter award. He moved to Bemidji area in 1979. He attended Bemidji High School and Leech Lake Staples Vo-Tech for Heavy Equipment. He then lived in both Minneapolis and Cass Lake at home with his mother. He worked as a custodian at the Palace Casino, a blackjack dealer at the Northern Lights Casino, and with the Leech Lake Lawn Mowing Services, seasonally picked boughs and was an always available handyman.

He volunteered for the Leech Lake Youth Program. He spent his days advocating as a political advocate, sharing his knowledge of politics and law with “the people” he loved, making it his job to updating everyone on world events and news. He liked to hang out with his nephews and nieces, making them laugh and chaising them around. He was very proud of his community and was always cleaning up the neighborhood and made it a point to recycle. He liked participating in Sweat Lodges and attending Pow-Wows.

He is survived by his mother-Margaret Beaulieu Hardy of Cass Lake, Sons- Daniel Hardy, Jr. and Arthur Hardy both of Minneapolis, 4 Brothers- Howard M. Hardy of Faribault, MN; David J. Hardy of Faribault, MN, Jeffrey Hardy of Florida, MN, Allen Hardy of Cass Lake 5 sisters- Yvonne Hardy of Cass Lake Mary Lou Hardy of Bemidji, Cynthia Guernsey of Brainerd, Mary Liz Hardy of Duluth, Carol Henderson of Minneapolis.

He was preceded in death by his father- Howard Maxwell Hardy, grandmothers- Elizabeth Adams-Hardy and Ida Beaulieu, brother- James Hardy, nieces- Sierra Hardy, uncles- Kenneth Beaulieu, Anson Beaulieu and Delmer Jones and numerous other family members.

Honorary Casketbearers are all of Daniel’s Family and Friends. Active Casketbearers will be Leo Jones, Jr., Chris Fisher, Troy Palthen, Paul Wenell, Albert Luna, Kenneth Beaulieu, Sarge Lumbar, Charles Bramen and Mike Buckanaga.

Messages of condolence may be left at ceasefuneralhome.com.
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Johanna Faith Wind

Johanna Faith Wind, newborn infant of Fabian and Dana Wind of Bemidji was born and died Friday, November 4, 2011 at Sanford Bemidji Medical Center.

Funeral Services were held at 1:00 pm Friday, November 11, 2011 at the Veteran’s Memorial Building in Cass Lake, MN with Rev. George Ross officiating. Visitation was one hour before the service. Interment was at the Pine Grove Cemetery in Cass Lake, MN under the direction of the Cease Family Funeral Home of Bemidji.

She is survived by Parents, Fabian and Dana Wind of Bemidji, Brother, Fabian John Bentley Wind of Bemidji, Twin Sister, Gabriella Josephine Wind of Bemidji, Maternal Grandparents, John and Linda (Swanson) Herrera of Pennington, MN, Paternal Grandmother, Carol Charnoski of Bemidji, Maternal Great Grandmother, Juanita Swan of Milwaukee, Wisc. Aunts, Uncles, and Cousins.

She was preceded in death by her paternal grandfather John Wind. Messages of condolence may be left at ceasefuneralhome.com.

Announcement: Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Enrollment Request For Information

The Tribal Executive Committee (TEC) of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe (MCT) is seeking input from its tribal membership and descendents to gain a more complete picture of its tribal enrollment by requesting information about what other non – Minnesota Chippewa Tribe blood exists within families enrolled with MCT. This includes blood quantum from other federally recognized Tribes and Canadian First Nation(s).

Currently, the MCT enrolls individuals who possess at least ¼ degree MCT Indian blood. There are many individuals who possess less than ¼ degree MCT Indian blood who may also have Indian ancestry or blood quantum from other federally recognized Tribe(s) including Canadian First Nation(s). These individuals are not enrolled with the MCT, but may be eligible for enrollment in the future if the enrollment criteria is changed. This information gathering exercise does not constitute a vote on changing enrollment criteria. It is the first step in the process of determining whether the MCT will consider changing its enrollment criteria in the future to include other federally recognized Tribe(s) including Canadian First Nation(s).

If you choose to participate in this information gathering exercise, please include the following information and submit it in writing to the address below or, email it to MCTRFI@mnchippewatrib.org by October 31, 2011:

- Identify your family’s MCT and Band ancestry (e.g.: MCT – White Earth Band)
- Identify your family’s non – MCT ancestry (e.g.: St. Croix Chippewa)
- Identify the number of family members with MCT and non-MCT ancestry who are not enrolled

All information you submit is voluntary and will be kept confidential in accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. § 552a, Public Law No. 93-579, (Dec. 31, 1974).

The next step in the process is to develop a formal enrollment survey. This survey will be prepared and sent to current tribal members in the fall/winter of 2011.

Should you have questions, contact Brian Brunelle or Joel Smith at (218) 335-8581 or email MCTRFI@mnchippewatrib.org.

Minnesota Chippewa Tribe
P.O. Box 217
Cass Lake, MN 56633

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mind everyone that I did not do this alone; the strong silent majority came through. There is a lot of work to be done and I will not be doing it alone. Our Council must work together for a strong positive future for Leech Lake. The kind of change that I am trying to create will take some time so please be patient with me and the Council. And, let me say Chi-Miigwech to everyone.”

This election cycle came during what would usually be a non-election year. So with these two elections, the primary election this last spring, and the recall-election and 2010 elections, Leech Lake will have gone through six elections in seventeen months including primaries. Furthermore, the Chairman and District III primaries are less than five months away so those campaign signs that were just taken down will be replaced very soon by the candidates that are gearing up for the 2012 election cycle.
Melvin Losh, Band Member and Master Quill and Bead Worker

Melvin Losh, a master quill and bead worker, was raised on the Leech Lake Reservation where he learned and refined his life’s work. Melvin was fortunate to have learned the traditional art form of quilled birch bark boxes from master quillworker Katherine Baldwin, a member of the Ottowa Chippewa tribe in Michigan. He has been doing beadwork for over 40 years and quillwork for over 35 years, mastering each art form. Melvin’s artwork can be found in private collections and museums including: The Plains Art Museum, Minnesota Historical Society, and the Leech Lake Tribe. Melvin has won best-of-show at Bemidji State University Annual Art Expo and the Leech Lake Tribal College Art Expo.

Exhibit Locations
Mni Sota: Reflections of Time and Peace will travel to five locations throughout Minnesota. For exhibit dates and time please visit the All My Relations website at: www.allmyrelationsarts.com

Leech Lake Band Member Elias Treuer Ricing in September 2011

CALL FOR ARTISTS, ARTISANS, VENDORS and EXHIBITORS

We are looking for Indigenous Vendors, Exhibitors, Artists and Artisans to display at the Tribal Cultural Competency Training on November 17 and 18, 2011 at the Sanford Event Center in Bemidji.

Approximately 300 conference attendees that work specifically with crisis services in Tribal communities will be visiting your booth during a two day conference. Booths will be open throughout the day from 8am-5pm.

8’ Booth Space Fee
Filled on a First Come Basis
Business Vendors: $50.00
Non-Profit Exhibitors: $25.00
Artists and Artisans: Free

Please complete the attached registration and mail or fax to:

UMMHC: PO BOX 640, Bemidji, MN 56619
Fax: (218)751-3298

Contact Deb Miller at (218)308-2020 or email: deb_miller@ummhcmin.org if you have any questions.

Registration for a booth at the 2011 Tribal Cultural Competency Training – Sanford Center, Bemidji – November 17 and 18, 2011

NAME_________________________________________________________
ADDRESS______________________________________________________
TELEPHONE #_______________________ EMAIL ____________________
VENDOR_______ EXHIBITOR _______ ARTIST/ARTISAN _______

Confirmation will be sent and payment will be collected prior to the event.
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and the Minnesota Secretary of State, Mark Ritchie will sign a Joint Powers Agreement at the Minnesota State Capitol Rotunda. Once signed, it will allow Minnesota’s Uniform Commercial Code filing system to serve as the registry for tribal liens, assuring lenders that there is security within LLBO’s laws and loans.

Recent events and lack of progress show we need to refocus our commitment toward positive changes. If we can work together we will move forward and make Leech Lake a better place for all of us. We still have business plans to be completed and the creation of a cooperative to get our people access to cheaper food and gas. This will also keep the dollars we spend on the reservation longer.

We have a substantial financial impact on surrounding counties and communities from our government and gaming spending. We pump millions of dollars a year just from our gaming operations alone into the surrounding economies sustaining those communities with our resources better than we sustain ourselves. We need to stop the flow of our money straight off the reservation. Unless we do that we cannot create business opportunities that help create jobs.

The reality is our people are our greatest resource and we need to invest in them through education and workforce development. Because we have a young population in need of education, job training, and jobs. It is a simple fact that education is the key to fighting poverty. We still need to address our school dropout rates, identify and set the priority education goals of the Band, and identify funding needs. It is important that we train for jobs and opportunities that exist or can be created, and not train people just to train them. This will help create job and business opportunities on Leech Lake, and is the key to real Native Nation Building. We still have work to do on that effort including making sure we have a complete planning process in place before we move forward with implementation or any construction.

Education is also the key to our continued cultural survival so this work will also guide our role as a partner in the education improvement agreement that we entered into with Red Lake and White Earth on January 20th, 2011. On that day we signed an agreement to work together on educational improvements in such crucial areas as Ojibwe language preservation, Indian education improvements, grant partnering and grant endorsements.

Recently the Tribal Council and Tribal College had a meeting with area foundation presidents from Northwest Area Foundation, Blandin, and Initiative Foundation to discuss how we can form mutually beneficial relationships. At that meeting education and workforce development were the areas with the greatest potential for poverty reduction. A future follow-up meeting is already being scheduled to start identifying goals. The foundations were extremely impressed by the Native Nation Building initiative, data collection and the strategic planning that has been accomplished since 2008. It is these types of relationships that help bring the resources and focus needed to address issues and help move us forward.

We also continue efforts recovering the 2.4 million of the band’s funds that were released through an unauthorized loan. That loan has now moved into default and we are exploring options to deal with it. We are also still trying to get a fair compensation in regard to the Nelson Act settlement with the other MCT reservations. We also continue to protect our treaty rights guaranteed under the 1855 treaty. We are trying to deal with the Power line issue.

In closing I want to remind everyone we need to stand strong and together and set a better future for our children. I ask the council and the people to work together so we will move forward and make Leech Lake a better place for all of us.

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Arthur LaRose, Chairman

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students using the Learning Center by giving them ready access to the full resources of the LLTC library, and it will also provide scheduling flexibility for academic programs by freeing up the large classroom that currently houses the Learning Center. Tentative plans call for the new library to also provide space for individual and group study space, language learning, book readings/small gatherings, and more.

In July, Leech Lake Tribal College was awarded a $500,000 National Endowment for the Humanities challenge grant that will be the cornerstone for the library fundraising campaign. The NEH grant must be matched two-to-one with non-federal donations in order to “unlock” the challenge funds, meaning that $1,000,000 must be raised to meet the challenge. So far, the Charles K. Blandin Foundation ($150,000) and the George W. Neilson Foundation ($100,000) along with several individual donors have contributed towards the needed match amount. For information on how you can support the LLTC library campaign and take advantage of the matching grant opportunity, please contact the LLTC Advancement Office at 218-335-4286 or at kyle.erickson@lltc.edu.
New Clinic Opens in Bemidji

The Beltrami County Nursing Service conducted a survey where results were found that suggest a large and growing need for health services that are familiar with cultural aspects of American Indians that do not reside on reservations. Subsequently, a partnership between the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe and Beltrami County Nursing has emerged to the tune of shared grant funding and the fruition of a new clinic in Bemidji that directly serves American Indians that don’t live on the reservation.

This new clinic is located at, 705 Fifth St. NW, Suite D in Bemidji, will offer preventative care focusing on infants, toddlers, adolescents, diabetics, cardiovascular disease and women’s care and in the past have offered services to the Oshki Manidoo Center (in Bemidji) Northwest Juvenile Center and to local churches.

The Leech Lake Band’s Bemidji area health clinic serves roughly 4,000 patients annually. It has been operating for over a decade in a facility that is only 500 square feet located at the Beltrami County Community Service Center.

The new clinic is over 2,000 square feet and four times as big as the old clinic. Its conveniences are modern as well as the technological upgrades, has four exam rooms compared to just the one in the old facility as well. The phone number is 218-444-7186.

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The Sanford Health Foundation of Northern Minnesota and its Community Relations Committee are proud to present a Lifestyles for Wellness seminar for a healthier you. The seminar, Don’t Let Diabetes Steal Your Sight, is scheduled for Wednesday, Nov. 16 at 6 p.m. in Sanford Bemidji Medical Center’s Education Center. Presenting are Mark Dwyer, MD, and Samuel Sant, OD, doctors from the Sanford Bemidji Eye Clinic.

People with diabetes are at greater risk for certain eye disease and blindness, but are you aware that it’s possible to protect your eyes with preventive measures? If you are one of the 20 million Americans with diabetes, you won’t want to miss Drs. Dwyer and Sant when they present a free seminar about diabetes-related eye conditions and how people with diabetes may prevent them.

You can manage your eye disease risk and prevent complications by staying on top of your diabetes and being watchful for symptoms of diabetic eye diseases. If caught early, these eye diseases can often be successfully treated. Following the presentation, an open question and answer session will be hosted by the doctors.

To register for this free seminar, Don’t Let Diabetes Steal Your Sight, call 218-333-5505 by Nov. 14. A complimentary meal will be catered by Sanford Bemidji Medical Center Dining Services.
For the past few years, the Leech Lake Reservation, Division of Resources Management has been testing for Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD), and Bovine Tuberculosis (TB) in whitetailed deer harvested by tribal members on the Reservation. Results of the past three years have come back negative for both of these diseases, but a fourth year of testing will be conducted to establish that our deer are being disease free. For this reason we will be sampling again this fall with much the same procedures as last fall.

CWD was found in a free ranging deer in southeastern Minnesota in 2010, but it has previously been found in captive herds of elk and deer within the state. It is also known to be present in wild deer in a few other states around us. This disease is not known to be spread to humans, but it can be detrimental to wild deer and elk herds.

TB has been found in Minnesota in livestock and deer just northwest of the Red Lake Reservation. It is believed to have been spread from domestic cattle herds to deer in this region.

An extensive eradication program is underway in the infested area to try to eliminate the disease. This disease is caused by bacteria that can be spread to humans from direct contact with infected animals or by consuming undercooked meat.

Criteria for participating in the sampling is outlined below.

Like previous years, a $25 gas voucher for the Che-We store will be provided for the first 60 deer that we can get samples from.

Starting October 3rd you can bring your adult deer to the Leech Lake Division of Resources Management Office in Cass Lake from 8:00am to 4:30pm, Monday-Friday.

We will not collect samples from fawns (fawns are too young to have contracted these diseases and exhibit symptoms) and cannot except head-shot deer, or deer that have started to decay. Six lymph nodes will be collected from the head of each animal. The chest cavity will also be examined for lesions.

Sampling takes about 15 minutes on unfrozen animals, so please do not allow the deer to freeze or sampling is more difficult. We prefer to collect samples from whole deer but can accept heads provided a significant portion of the neck remains to do the extractions.

Bring your deer hunting license and tag information. You may not bring in more deer than your legal harvest limit.

Be able to locate the harvest location from a map that we provide.

In the event an animal tests positive for these diseases the hunter will be notified of test results.

We would like to thank all the hunters who participated in this program in previous years and will appreciate your assistance again this year. For additional information on this program, Bovine TB, or CWD call the DRM office at 335-7421.

Fish, Wildlife, and Plant Resources Program, Division of Resources Management, Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe.
Get The Lead Out
By Steve Mortensen, DRM Fish and Wildlife Biologist and Jason Helgeson, DRM Environmental Contaminants Specialist

In recent years there has been increasing concerns about lead contamination in game harvested by hunters and how this lead may be detrimental to human health and other animals that consume it. The source of lead is primarily from lead core rifle bullets used for deer hunting and lead shot used for bird hunting.

Major efforts are underway to remove lead from consumer products. It was banned from use in waterfowl hunting, but tribal members face an increased exposure rate due to high subsistence gathering rates and continued use of lead shot for upland game hunting and lead-cored rifle bullets.

Lead is not only a concern for humans, but also animals that consume carcasses or gut piles that contain lead fragments. Currently about 30% of the injured eagles the Division of Resources Management handles are suffering from lead poisoning. This is higher than the state-wide average as our hunting season starts earlier and runs 16 weeks as opposed to the maximum season length of three weeks over the rest of the state. Eagles frequently scavenge, and gut piles are a prized food source for them before many of them head south for the winter. Due to the nature of a bird’s digestive system they are lethally poisoned by even a few small fragments of lead.

You can reduce the risk you and your family, as well as wildlife, is exposed to lead by following a few simple guidelines. The first is to stop using lead core bullets and shot. Copper and other alloys bullets are available for many calibers of rifles and shot shell alternatives have been around for decades. Although this ammunition tends to be a little more expensive it will drop human exposure to lead to zero. It is not available in all calibers, but is becoming more widely available every year.

The other alternative is to widely cut and remove all tissue that is damaged or bloodshot around the bullet wound, but this will only lessen exposure, and will not totally eliminate it. Studies have found that small bullet fragments, too small to see or feel, can travel as much as 18 inches from the wound channel. Some guidelines even recommend that children and women of child bearing years do not consume venison harvested with bullets containing lead. You can also lessen your exposure to lead by shooting animals high in the neck and not using this portion of the animal. In order to lessen the exposure of lead to wildlife, like eagles that consume gut piles, it will be necessary to remove these materials from the field or otherwise dispose of them so wild animals cannot come in contact with them.

Leech Lake Water Treatment Facility Opens

After years of planning the Leech Lake Band’s engineering department held an open house and tour of the water treatment facility that is located next to the water tower in Cass Lake. Tribal Engineer John Fairbanks gave the tour and explained the details of the facility to Tribal Council members and staff before a luncheon to celebrate the facility.

Links for more lead information:

Good hunting this season, and for the safety of our community and wildlife, let’s try to get the lead out.
Minnesota’s Indian tribes, viewed collectively, are the 6th largest employer in Minnesota, based on a list of the top 50 state employers published last week by the Minneapolis-St. Paul Business Journal.

MIGA Executive Director John McCarthy said that’s a good reason for the state to avoid any actions that might put tribal jobs at risk. He was referring to recent proposals that would expand gambling to racetracks or other metro area locations, forcing substantial job cuts at tribal casinos as well as reductions in tribal government programs and services.

MIGA tribes directly employ 20,550 workers. That makes the tribes #6 among the state’s ten largest employers. The “big ten” are:

#1: State of Minnesota, 40,208
#2: U.S. Federal Government, 34,000
#3: Mayo Foundation, 32,893
#4: Target Corp, 30,500
#5: Allina Health System, 23,302
MIGA TRIBES, 20,550
#6: Wal-Mart Stores, 20,434
#7: Fairview Health Services, 20,434
#8: Wells Fargo Bank, 20,000
#9: University of MN, 19,157
#10: MN State Colleges and Universities, 18,516

Four of the top ten are taxpayer-supported or government institutions. Although Indian gaming is operated by tribal governments, it is not funded by Minnesota taxpayers.

Nearly three-fourths of the MIGA jobs--more than 16,000--are in rural Minnesota, which makes the jobs and benefits even more indispensable to the state’s economy. MIGA Executive Director John McCarthy said, “The numbers are very clear--MIGA jobs are a huge factor in Minnesota’s economy, especially in rural areas. The state should be looking for ways to preserve and protect those jobs, not put them at risk with bad policy decisions.”

McCarthy noted that tribal jobs have been created and sustained at no cost to taxpayers. “No other job creation program in the history of the state has been as successful as Indian gaming,” he said.

In addition, McCarthy said, despite reduced revenues due to the economic slowdown, tribes have made every effort to avoid lay-offs, making cuts in other budget areas in order to preserve the jobs and benefits that their employees depend on.

“Indian tribes are not like private businesses,” he said. “They can’t just pack up and move when things get tough. That’s why they work so hard to be good neighbors and responsible employers. They’re here for the long haul, so they’re very committed to their local communities.”

For these reasons, McCarthy concluded, state policy makers should avoid any actions that might compromise the ability of tribes to preserve existing jobs, especially in rural areas.

“If these lawmakers really care about jobs, they won’t do anything that would force the state’s 6th largest employer to eliminate good jobs with full benefits,” he said. “No matter what gambling expansion scenario you look at, the bottom line is the same: tribal jobs in rural Minnesota will disappear, and they’ll never be replaced. That doesn’t help the State of Minnesota one bit.”

For more information on the impact of tribal gaming in Minnesota, visit the MIGA website.
Notice:
To everyone who registers their vehicles with Leech Lake Department of Motor Vehicles. Effective November 1, 2011 there will be an increase in cost for the following:

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If there are any questions or concerns that you may have regarding the above changes, please contact the LL DMV at 218-335-7108 or 218-335-7111.

NOTICE TO LEECH LAKE BAND MEMBERS
Please update your personal information with the Tribal Enrollment office.

Documents Needed for Tribal ID:
- Current Drivers License/ MN ID
- Certified Birth Certificate
- Social Security Card
First Card is FREE.
Duplicate, Unexpired Cards are $15

TRIBAL ID HOURS:
Monday, Wednesday, & Friday
9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. & 1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
PHONE: 335-3601 • 335-3602 • 335-3607

Leech Lake Tribal College Celebrates Gashkadino-giizis as:

Nov. 1 – TOUR THE CITY OF CASS LAKE 11-1pm
Ever wanted to see and learn the history of Cass Lake? Elaine Fleming, LLTC Instructor, is the expert guide of the area. Open to the first 15 people to sign up. Please email elaine.fleming@lltc.edu to reserve your seat today!

Nov. 1 & 3 – “WHERE THE SPIRIT LIVES” 12-1pm
Set in 1937, an uplifting story of a courageous young girl who is taken from her home in the reserve and relocated by the government. View Part I on the 1st and Part II on the 3rd, free refreshments. Room 204

Nov. 8 & 10 – BEADING/CRAFTS HOUR 12-1pm
Bring your bead work, arts & crafts, or any other items you would like to work on. This is your opportunity to share creative ideas with others as you work on your own projects. Room 204

Nov. 15 – “OPEN MIC” AFTERNOON 12-1pm
Want to share poetry, sing, play a musical instrument, share your ideas, dance, perform, or do whatever? Come and share your talents with the college! You can do just about anything. Room 204

Nov. 17 – LUNCH & LEARN: 12-1pm
The Learning Center will be having a special Lunch & Learn presentation about topics related to NAHM. For more info, please contact Stacie Lyon at 218-335-4200 or email stacie.lyon@lltc.edu. Room 204/205

Nov. 17 & 18 SILENT AUCTION 10-4pm
Place your bid on fabulous Native American arts and crafts. Items available range from jewelry to leatherwork. Place your bid on any item available to be considered for the winner! Sponsored by Student Senate. Room 204

Nov. 22 – “THE NEW WORLD” 12-1pm
Based on the true story, this sweeping saga tells the tale of Pocahontas, the impetuous Native American beauty whose relationship with Captain John Smith sets off a battle for a new nation. Room 204

Nov. 29 – LEARN THE STICK GAME 12-1pm
Learn to play the traditional activity: The Stick Game. artificial Tallie Large. Similar to the moccasin game, this was one of the original games played by the Native people. Room 204

ALL EVENTS ARE FREE & OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
For more info please call 218-335-4220 or email roselynn.jones@lltc.edu
Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe

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: November 15, 2011, at 2:00 p.m.

Defendant Case No.
Northbird, Jolene TR-10-93

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe

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.

/S/ Patricia Pizzala, Court Administrator.

APPEARANCE DATE: December 6, 2011, at 2:00 p.m.

Defendant Case No. Charge Date
Headbird, Peter Lee TR-11-40 DAR, No Child Restraint (2 Counts) 06/04/2011
Isham Kelly Rae TR-11-42 No Proof of Insurance 06/08/2011
Wakonabo, Grace Marie TR-11-47 No Proof of Insurance 05/24/2011
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The BUG-O-NAY-GE-SHIG SCHOOL in Bena, MN, is looking to fill the following positions for the 2011-2012 school year:

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL / SPECIAL ED COORDINATOR
SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST (Flexible/Part Time)
OJIBWE CULTURE BASED EDUCATION ALIGNMENT SPECIALIST
ASSISTANT COACH – BOYS BASKETBALL
SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

We offer an excellent benefit package to all FT employees. All certified positions require current MN licensure in their respective areas. In accordance with PL 101-630 all positions require a favorable suitability determination via a Background Investigation. State and Federal Background checks will also be conducted. Applications may be obtained by calling Human Resources at 1-800-265-5576 ext. 3008 or online at http://www.bugschool.k12.mn.us
Postings are OPEN UNTIL FILLED. Detailed job descriptions available upon request.

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Housing Authority

The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Housing Authority is currently seeking a highly qualified, motivated individual with leadership, strong administration, public relations and supervisory experience. This position is a regular, full-time position.

Executive Director

Description: Oversees the daily operations of the Leech Lake Housing Authority (LLHA) ensuring the mission is delivered through relevant programs and services. Key duties include meeting the needs of residents, recruitment and retention of a qualified staff, complying with all NAHASDA regulations, raising sufficient funds for operations and working with the LLHA Board of Commissioners (BOC).

Qualifications: Bachelor of Arts Degree in Business Administration or equivalent field. 10+ years business experience or related field with emphasis in administering day to day operations and finance. Familiarity with Tribal, State and Federal housing assistance program funding operations. Knowledge of NAHASDA law and 1937 Act Housing programs, policies, procedures and compliance/reporting requirements. Knowledge of Tax Credit financed construction programs and compliance/reporting requirements. A valid Minnesota Driver’s License is required.

• Wage: DOQ (wage determination based on education and experience)
• A full job description is available upon request at the Leech Lake Housing Authority.
• Leech Lake Band Member preference, MCT, and other Native American Indian preference applies.
• All applicants considered for hire must pass pre-employment drug and alcohol testing.

Opening Date: October 24, 2011, 8:00am • Closing Date: November 18, 2011, 4:30pm

Submission requirements: cover letter, resume, references and official LLHA employment application.

Call LL Housing Authority for further application information at 218-335-8280.

Leech Lake Housing Authority, Attn: Human Resources, P.O. Box 938, Cass Lake, MN 56633

LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE JOB SUMMARY

Publication date: Monday, November 14, 2011

• This job summary is updated weekly and posted on www.llojibwe.org
• Leech Lake Band Member preference, MCT, and other Native American Indian preference apply
• Please submit Cover Letter, Resume, Credentials, 3 Letters of Reference
• Transcripts for positions requiring any Degree above High School Diploma or General Education Diploma
• Interested parties may come into the Human Resources office to fill out an application or they can download an application from our website at www.llojibwe.org and may: drop off or mail documents to: Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe – HR, 115 Sixth St NW, Suite E, Cass Lake, MN 56633
• Fax documents to: 1-218-335-3697
• Email documents to: teresa.gunter@llbo.org
• LLBO Policy: HR must receive your application and/or documents before or no later than 4:30 P.M. on the date the position is scheduled to close for consideration
• Call 218-335-3698 or toll free 1-800-631-5528 for more information.
• All positions require an LLBO application
• Applications are accepted only for positions posted and assigned a job code
• APPLICATIONS WILL BE VOID IF: Application is not signed or required forms are not submitted by closing date

THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS CLOSE ON NOVEMBER 25TH, 2011

Licensed Alcohol & Drug Counselor–Opioid Program–DOQ–Job Code: 11-074E
Transportation Driver ~ Opioid Program ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 11-098B Pt
Security Guard ~ Opioid Program ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 11-132 Pt
In Home Family Skills Worker ~ Human Services ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 11-180
Urban Case Manager ~ Human Services ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 11-179
Police Sargent ~ Tribal Police ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 11-178
CD Counselor ~ Women’s Halfway House ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 11-177
3 Technicians ~ Women’s Halfway House ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 11-175
Receptionist ~ Women’s Halfway House ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 11-174

THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS ARE OPEN UNTIL FILLED

2Pt Emergency Medical Technicians EMT ~ Health ~ DOQ ~ Job Code:11-150B
Social Worker EW/AC Program Manager ~ Health ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 11-128
4Ft HS Family Service Advocates@AOB(3-5)–Education–DOQ–Job Code: 11-091E

THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS ARE OPEN CONTINUOUS

Pt Cashier/ NLE ~ Business Development ~ $9.00/hr ~ Job Code: 11-001
Pt Cashier/Che-We ~ Business Development ~ $9.00/hr ~ Job Code: 11-000