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## Leech Lake Meets with MN Department of Transportation



Leech Lake hosted the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MNDOT) Commissioner Charles Zelle in September at the Cass Lake Tribal headquarters. Many items were discussed regarding roads and safety, as well as a symbolic event of continued partnership and cooperation with the exchanging of flags between the two governments.

The meeting touched on several issues that both organizations feel are important. Annual meetings were discussed regarding planning efforts, employment of Band members, the Historic Preservation Act, and a communication plan for safety concerns and emergencies.

Leech Lake has been quite busy when it comes to its infrastructure, and one of the most important aspects across the reservation is the state and safety of the roads. There have been new walking paths installed near the Palace Hotel and Casino to increase safety there. A new and larger bridge has been installed over the Boy River along the east side of Leech Lake on highway 8.

A site visit was also part of the meetings with the MNDOT. Staff from Leech Lake and Commissioner Zelle's office traveled to Bena where plans for a new walking path alongside highway 2 from Old Housing road to the Bena store are being finished, as well as further plans to pave the roads in Bena itself.

## First Quarter Newsletter – 2014 Tribal Chair Carri Jones



Aaniin! We encourage all of our Band members to go for a walk outside to enjoy the beautiful fall colors that our forests

showcase each Autumn season. The Tribal Chair's Office has many new projects and updates to share with our Band members as the warm weather turns cold and the fall foliage begins to turn.

### Welcoming Newly Hired Executive Director

Leech Lake is pleased to announce the hiring of Barbara Brodeen, new Executive Director for the Band. Barb is an enrolled member of the Bois Forte Band of Chippewa. Barb has 25 years of experience working for tribal governments and has served for 10 years as the former Executive Director for the Bois Forte Band. Barb is also the President and C.E.O. of Northern Sage Consulting, providing services in areas of tribal management, strategic planning, and policy development. Barb has her Master's Degree in Tribal Administration and Governance and Bachelor's in Business Administration. We believe Barb will greatly benefit the Band's projects and give her many years of experience, dedication and knowledge to the Band's many divisions and staff.

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## UMD's Master of Tribal Administration and Governance (MTAG) program

What started as a simple phone call has evolved into a four-year program with a nation-wide reach. LeRoy Fairbanks and Tadd Johnson's paths crossed while Tadd was hosting consultations with tribal organizations for UMD's Master of Tribal Administration and Governance (MTAG) program. LeRoy is a district representative for the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe and a strong supporter of Tadd's efforts. MTAG was something he could see himself doing, per the none too subtle recommendation of tribal elders, "They said, 'You might be an intelligent person, but people might not value you because you don't have a formal education.'"

It's not as if LeRoy doesn't value education. He proves how important this is with his pocketbook, donating 12.5% of his paycheck to Leech Lake scholarships. He just never had a chance to attend college. "My situation is similar to a lot of people living on reservations. Maybe we started a family early, or maybe our path to a career didn't follow societal norms."

LeRoy thought he'd give Tadd a call and ask about offering MTAG as a certificate program for people who didn't have a bachelor's degree. They ended up talking for more than an hour and, by the time they hung up, the Tribal Administration and Governance seed was planted.

### Introducing TAG

Tadd got to work, collaborating with his colleagues in the American Indian Studies department to shape the Tribal Administration and Governance (TAG) bachelor of art's degree. Echoing the roots of the master's program, the specifics of TAG were determined off-campus, "The ideas came from Indian Country after talking to many students, like LeRoy, with the status of having some college but not being able to finish it," says Tadd. "Every good idea came from them and every move we make is done with tribal consultation."

The big move, presenting TAG to the University of Minnesota Board of Regents for approval, happened this month. Receiving their go ahead, it will be offered at UMD starting in the fall of 2015, making it the only program of its kind in the nation.

The major combines fundamental business classes with the specific study of tribal governance and will be offered completely online, making it accessible to students everywhere.

"TAG offers an outline of what people might run into in their careers," says Tadd. "We wanted to develop a resource for running a reservation and help tribes develop best practices."

Bill Rudnicki, tribal administrator of the Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community, concurs that this meets a need in Indian Country, "So many people start college and then get busy with careers or families and have to stop. This gives them an option that's directly applicable to tribal government."

Tadd experienced the need for this program throughout his career. While working as a tribal lawyer he found himself often at the mercy of the coworker down the hall, with mixed results. "The way I learned was the way everyone else did. You ask the guy who was there for 25 years. It was the school of hard knocks."

### As Promised

Jill Doerfler, associate professor and department head for American Indian Studies, says that TAG is one part of UMD's efforts to fulfill a promise to Native communities, "The strategic plan includes a pledge that UMD will 'serve the educational needs of indigenous peoples, their economic growth, their culture, and the sovereignty of the American Indian nations of the region, the state, and North America.'"

While TAG's features were driven by tribal consultation, the curriculum was crafted by current events. The governing and administrative structures of Native nations is growing, says Jill. "Tribes are the primary employer in several areas of the state. They are looking for well-trained people who understand tribal sovereignty and federal Indian law as well as have a grasp on financial management and economics." Jill believes that students who graduate with a TAG major will have that knowledge and those skills.

### Walking the Walk

LeRoy hopes to someday be among the graduates of the program he sparked. Beyond appeasing the elders who advised him to get a formal education, he wants to walk the walk for his family.

The father of four sometimes brings his oldest two to tribal meetings. He says they might get bored, but they usually at least remember the topics which gives them a better understanding of their government. Completing college would take this to another level, "I want to show my kids the importance of education. Without it, people can hold you back. With it, you can create your own path."



**Tadd Johnson,  
MTAG Director**



**LeRoy Fairbanks-  
Staples, Dist III Rep.**

## IHS eligible individuals now able to claim exemption through tax filing process

Health and Human Services Secretary Sylvia M. Burwell announced last week that individuals eligible to receive health care from an Indian Health Service (IHS), tribal, or urban Indian health program provider are now able to claim an exemption from the shared responsibility payment through the tax filing process starting with the 2014 tax year. This benefit was previously only available to members of federally recognized tribes (including Alaska Native shareholders). American Indian and Alaska Native individuals will continue to have the option of submitting the exemption application through the Health Insurance Marketplace.

Prior to this week's announcement, only individuals who were members of a federally recognized tribe were able to claim an exemption through the federal tax filing process. Individuals who are eligible to receive services from an Indian health care provider are eligible for a separate hardship exemption but were required to obtain this exemption through the Health Insurance Marketplace by filing a paper application.

The availability of the online tax filing process to apply for the hardship exemption will save time and reduce duplication of effort. Qualification for the Indian exemption can be established by attestation of membership in a federally recognized tribe or eligibility to receive services from an Indian health care provider.

Secretary Burwell first announced this updated rule at the Secretary's Tribal Advisory Committee meeting on September 18, 2014. This benefit of claiming the

exemption through the tax filing process was initiated based on requests by tribal leaders. The IHS worked closely with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services and the Internal Revenue Service to extend these options to individuals eligible to receive services from an Indian health care provider.

The IHS, an agency in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, provides a comprehensive health service delivery system for approximately 2.2 million American Indians and Alaska Natives who are members of federally recognized tribes.

## Cass Lake IHS – Patient Entrances and Parking During Construction

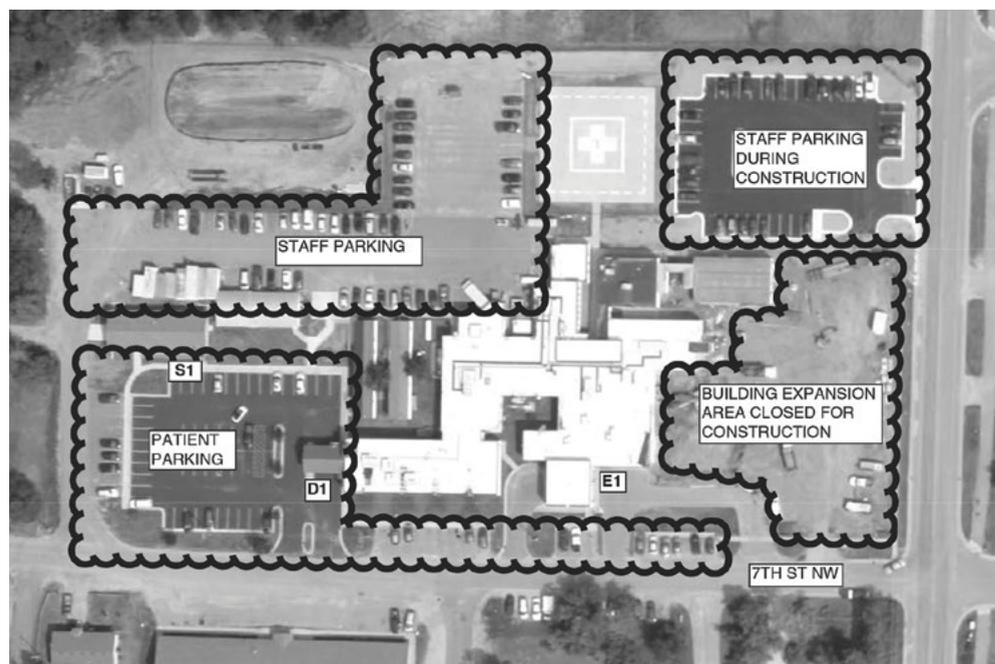
Construction of the IHS clinic expansion is underway and scheduled to be opened in 2015! This expansion of the clinic will include a new patient entrance on the northeast side of the clinic and expand the primary care, urgent care, pharmacy, physical therapy, and lab departments. All services offered at the facility will continue during construction; however the physical therapy department has moved to a temporary location (labeled S1 in the photo). Patient entrances and parking have been modified as labeled on the photo. Signs and staff are available to assist you to your appointments. During construction patient entrances to the facility, as labeled in the photo, are located as follows:

**D1** – Dental Entrance is open 7am to 6pm, Mon – Fri. **Patients are encouraged to use this entrance and parking for ALL SERVICES** with the exception of **Emergency Room** and **Physical Therapy** during these hours. This door has a covered entrance for patient drop off and the parking is handicap accessible. Interior doors are open throughout the hospital for access to all departments in the facility during these hours.

**S1** – Physical Therapy has moved to this location during construction. Parking is handicap accessible.

**E1** – ER Entrance is open 7am to 6pm, Mon – Fri and is accessible for Emergency Room entrance outside of these hours. Patients may be dropped off at the door. There is limited parking along 7<sup>th</sup> ST NW. Due to the site conditions parking is **not** handicap accessible. **Patients requiring handicap accessible parking are encouraged to use the D1 parking and entrance or be dropped off at the E1 door.**

Thank you for your patience during construction.



## LLBO Housing Installs Solar Furnaces

By Allan Olson from Cass Lake Times

The warmest heat comes from the sun – so it only makes sense to capture more of it to use for heating in this “frozen tundra” during the winter season. The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe is working hard to stay on the cutting edge as a provider of solar energy for the community.

Their solar furnace project, initially piloted back in 2009 for eight homes, is installing three additional solar furnaces manufactured and installed by RREAL in Pine River. The project was implemented in an effort to help reduce the reliance on fossil fuel heating through affordable alternative energy.

“All eight of those furnaces are all still operational today,” said Brandy Toft, Air Quality Specialist for the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe. “We hope that these next few are signs of more to come.”

The furnaces produce heat during daylight hours, harnessing energy from the sun for household heating. The average cost of these furnaces installed is approximately \$5,000. They are expected to save the homeowner an average of 30% on heating costs, producing 8-9 BTUs annually. Full payback on these systems is approximately 10-13 years, taking into account that the life expectancy of each unit is 50 years, and that they have average operating and maintenance costs of \$10 per month during the heating season. With very minimal electricity usage and replacement of the filter on a monthly basis, the furnace is very economical and “green.”

In August, the three new 8x8 solar panel furnaces were installed on homes in the Prescott area southwest of Cass Lake. Toft explained that these units cannot replace the home’s primary heating source, but they are designed to reduce high heating costs by capturing heat from the sun. The houses built in that area were predominately built south-facing to capture passive heat, and are fitted with air source heat pumps along with spray foam insulation. These solar units are not only able to capture the heat from the sun, but are also able to capture solar rays reflecting off the snow. “These components all works together to reduce high heating costs and decrease the carbon footprint,” Toft said.

Each solar furnace has its own thermostat and duct system, which distributes heat to the main living areas, such as a living room. If used to its fullest extent, each furnace is able to capture and utilize nearly 98% of the incoming solar heat. In terms of solar energy potential, Minnesota ranks neck-and-neck with Houston, TX, 4.5 peak sun hours to 4.3.

The Leech Lake DRM office building houses a seven-panel solar furnace on its south facing wall which has yielded savings of nearly \$1,000 in electrical and natural gas in each of the last two years since being installed in 2012.

“We are striving for a greener footprint, and trying to reduce our dependency on fossil fuels,” Toft said. “We want to incorporate some of the many solar energy options in the construction of future homes and buildings on the Reservation.”



## Upper Sucker Bay Blue Berries

In recent years the Leech Lake Division of Resource Management and United States Forest Service USFS (the Chippewa National Forest) have been working towards establishing a brighter future for the Leech Lake Reservation. There are still many obstacles to overcome, but both governments are learning that past mistakes and lack of collaboration do not have to define the future relationship between the two respective organizations.

The Chippewa National Forest operates under the umbrella of the Department of Agriculture (USFS) and is delegated with the task of ensuring federal trust responsibilities are met. In the past, this relationship has been strained due to lack of information and communication. Today, the relationship is a sharp contrast from the past; both staffs currently work hand in hand on special use projects ensuring Tribal rights are protected and natural resource projects including resource enhancement throughout the entire forest.

Both organizations agreed there was a need to increase acres of fruiting blueberries back across the landscape of the Leech Lake Indian reservation. There has not always been unanimous consent, but blueberry enhancement has been achieved. The photo here is a site located 7 miles west of Cass Lake, nestled amongst 90 year old red pines between Upper Sucker and Foot Lakes.

In 2007, the Chippewa NF executed a pine thinning and then followed it up with prescribed burns in 2009. This allowed the forest plants to grow and expand and have a natural transition into their current state.

In the spring of 2013, the site was reviewed for timber salvage harvest due to the windstorm of 2012. After diligent review by CNF and LLDRM staffs it was decided that no further management activity was needed at this time since the results desired are currently occurring. All these decisions have led to a vibrant and bountiful blueberry patch which is accessible to both Tribal members and non-Tribal individuals.

This story is an example of what we can do together when we look past regulatory, jurisdictional, and political boundaries and believe we can leave a brighter future for our future generations.

Special thanks to Darla Lenz, Christine Brown, David Morley, Todd Tisler, Carolyn Upton, Deb Overton, Neil Peterson and anyone else who has been brave enough to cross boundaries.



## For Your Health

The staff of the Cass Lake Indian Health Service Unit works to promote wellness and improve the health of the community we serve. To achieve this goal, when you come to the clinic for an appointment, there will be new lab tests that will be ordered for you. These labs will be ordered based on the national recommendations from the Center for Disease Control (CDC). If you do not want the lab work, you must inform your provider that you want to “opt out.”

If you are already having lab work done, the following lab tests may be added to your orders: -No LimitHIV Screening: HIV (Human Immunodeficiency Virus) is the virus that causes AIDS (Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome). The CDC’s new recommendation is that all people be screened for HIV at least once after age 13 and before age 64 and more frequently based on risk factors.

Chlamydia Screening: Chlamydia is a common sexually transmitted infection (STI) that can infect both men and women. There may be no symptoms. If left untreated in women, it can lead to permanent damage to the reproductive system. It is recommended that Chlamydia screening be provided annually in all women from ages 13 to 26, and more frequently based on risk factors. This test can now be performed with a urine specimen.

If you have been diagnosed with one STI (Chlamydia, Gonorrhea, HIV, and/or Syphilis), you should be tested for all other STIs. In some cases, this may require you to come back to the facility for additional lab work. Hepatitis C Virus (HCV) screening: HCV screening is recommended for all individuals born between the years 1945-1965. If you have other risk factors (i.e., prior or current IV drug use, blood transfusion prior to 1992, hemodialysis, Vietnam-era Veteran, tattoos or body piercing done in a non-regulated settings, HIV, or history of a needle stick), you should also be tested and may require more frequent screening based on these risk factors.

Please discuss any questions or concerns you may have with your health care provider. Your provider can also help you identify any “risk factors” which may require additional testing. If you have any questions, please contact Cass Lake Indian Health Service at 218-335-3200. Influenza (FLU) Vaccinations are available at the Cass Lake Indian Health Service Unit and Leech Lake Tribal Clinics. Vaccination is Encouraged for everyone 6 months and older.

## Important Changes to HYDROCODONE Prescriptions

### Drug Enforcement Agency changes hydrocodone

On August 22, 2014, the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) announced an upcoming change to the way the agency “schedules” or categorizes hydrocodone products (Vicodin, Norco, Lorcet, Tussinex, hydrocodone/acetaminophen) from C-III category to C-II category. This decision was made after several years of review, research, and public hearings. The change will be put in place on **October 6, 2014**. This means there will be tighter rules for providers (doctors, nurse practitioners, physician’s assistants, and dentists), pharmacists, and patients who receive these medications. Hydrocodone is in a class of medications called opioid painkillers and carries a risk of addiction.

### Why was hydrocodone changed from a CIII to a CII?

The main reason the schedule of hydrocodone was changed is because the medication has been shown to have a high risk of addiction. According to the DEA, “Almost seven million Americans abuse controlled-substance prescription medications, including opioid painkillers, resulting in more deaths from prescription drug overdoses than auto accidents.”

### How might this change affect me?

In the past, providers were able to order hydrocodone (Vicodin, Norco) prescriptions through the computer system or by fax. Starting October 6, 2014, federal law will require new hydrocodone orders to be printed and **hand signed by the provider**

and delivered to the pharmacy before the pharmacy can prepare the prescription. In addition, hydrocodone prescriptions will **no longer have refills**. Each time you need a refill, pharmacy will need to contact your provider to request a new prescription. This process may take up to 24 to 48 hours. If your regular provider is not available, another provider will need to be contacted to review your refill request. This change will also limit the availability of these medications from the Urgent Care/Emergency Room department after pharmacy hours.

#### **What can I do to make sure I get my medication on time?**

When you have at least 2 to 3 days' supply of your medication left, please call the pharmacy requesting the refill. This will allow the staff to start the process of contacting your provider for a new prescription. These changes may take some time for everyone to get used to, so **please start the reorder process early** to avoid running out. This decision was not made by the Cass Lake Indian Health Service, it is a federal mandate by the DEA.

## **Why Treaties Matter Exhibit on Display at Itasca Community College**

In September, Itasca Community College held an event to highlight the Why Treaties Matter exhibit that they have been hosting for a few weeks now. Leech Lake Tribal Chair Carri Jones was on hand to experience the exhibit and offer a few words regarding treaties. "It's important to remember how we got to where we are," Said Jones. "History has shown us that people of all races and colors have struggled, and it has also shown us that people can rebound from these trials."

Leech Lake Band elder and college Professor Larry Aitken offered the opening prayer as well as some words of wisdom regarding education, struggle, and the resolve it takes to persevere through challenges, be they academic, personal, or the torments of oppression. "We are here in a setting of learning to come together and talk of experiences of the past, how they affect the present, and possible results for the future," said Professor Aitken.

Another Leech Lake luminary on hand was Tribal Judge Paul Day who attended Itasca Community College before his undergraduate studies at St. Cloud state and his post-graduate schooling at the University of Minnesota School of Law. Mr. Day spoke of a time before cell phones and the technology that is currently available to students and teachers. He spoke of a time when people were not so held together through innovations such as the internet, where people had to look within themselves for strength on a more regular basis.

Itasca Dean Bart Johnson, ICC Foundation coordinator Beth Anderson and Provost Mike Raish were all on hand and played critical roles in acquiring and exhibiting the display.



## **District I Voters Can Vote at Ball Club Community Center**

Itasca County Elections Administrator, Vicki Dabill-Lessard and Auditor, Jeff Walker, are working closely with the Leech Lake Tribal Community to open an absentee ballot polling place at the Ball Club Community Center as a part of their commitment to improve access for all eligible voters in the County. Eligible voters in the following precincts will be able to utilize the Community Center for voting and drop off mail ballots: Good Hope Twp, Squaw Lake, Max Twp, Sand Lake Twp, Winnibigoshish Precinct, Inger Precinct, Bowstring Twp, Oteneagen Twp, Wellers-McCormick Precinct 1 and Ball Club Precinct.

The polling place will be staffed with trained Election Judges who will administer absentee voting pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 203B.05, Designation of Municipal Clerks to Administer Absentee Voting Laws. As details are finalized, additional public information on dates and times eligible citizens can vote or drop off their mail ballots at the Community Center will be communicated.

*Contact number (218) 246-8210*

## **Absentee Ballot Outreach Law**

**Steve Simon Meets with Red Lake & L.L. Tribal Leaders about "no excuse"**

DFL Minnesota Secretary of State Candidate Steve Simon traveled to Red Lake and Leech Lake Reservations to learn about the implementation of the Bands' "no excuse" absentee ballot outreach for the 2014 election cycle. His visit occurred on the day before Minnesotans could vote by absentee ballots.

Simon was the chief author of the new law which permits Minnesotans to vote by absentee ballot without providing a reason or swearing an oath they will be out of town on Election Day. The law expands participation in a democracy, as it helps Minnesotans who have had difficulty getting to the polls exercise their right to vote. Leech Lake and Red Lake Tribal leaders welcomed the new law as a great way to reach out to their Band members who face difficulty getting to the polls due to geographic distance, economic hardship, or lack of transportation. Carri Jones, Tribal Chair of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe, believes this law will strengthen voter turnout.

"No Limit" Band member's participation in elections plays an important part in shaping the future. Our votes are valued under the new 'no excuses' law championed by Steve," said Leech Lake Tribal Chair Jones. "We want to thank Steve for his hard work to remove barriers to increase voter participation – this law is a great example of our shared belief that every vote counts."

At his first stop, Simon met with Red Lake Band of Ojibwe Chairman Darrell G. Seki, members of the Political Education Committee of Red Lake, and members of the Beltrami County Board of Commissioners to learn about the Band's new polling station. With a polling station on the reservation, Red Lake members no longer have to travel to Bemidji to cast their votes.

Later in the afternoon, Simon met with Leech Lake Tribal Council members and executive staff to hear their plans to increase voter turnout.

"Minnesota has a tradition of leading the nation in voter turnout and voter engagement. I am proud of the 'no excuses' absentee ballot law because it builds on that tradition by allowing every eligible voter to have access to the ballot with a maximum of ease and a minimum of trouble," said Simon. "As Secretary of State, my top priority will be to open doors to voting, not close them."

For more information on Steve Simon, please go to his website at [www.stevesimonmn.com](http://www.stevesimonmn.com). Link to his blog: <http://stevesimonmn.com/steve-simon-meets-red-lake-leech-lake-tribal-leaders-absentee-ballot-outreach/>

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### Voting Now Open at Gov't Center and Ball Club

In order to increase ballot access and easier voting for our Band members, my office collaborated with non-profit Four Directions, Cass County and Itasca County to open voting locations in Cass Lake and Ball Club communities. The collaboration between Leech Lake and Itasca County Auditor-Treasurer Jeffrey Walker and Cass County Auditor-Treasurer Sharon Anderson to increase Band member access to voting illustrates that relationship building with our neighbors creates positive results for Band members and our Leech Lake community.

Mail-in ballot voters, registered voters, and non-registered voters are encouraged to cast their State and Federal election ballots until Election Day on Tuesday November 4th.

### LLBO Government Center Location for Voting

Location: LLBO Government Center in Cass Lake, First Floor

Hours: Now open Monday-Friday 8am-4.30pm as well as Sat. Nov. 1st 10am-3pm, Mon. Nov. 3rd 8am-5pm, and Tues. Nov 4th 7am-8pm.

Open to Cass County precinct voters: Bena, Cass Lake, Gould Township, Ottertail Peninsula, Pike Bay Township, Sucker Lakes, Wilkinson Township, and Winnie Portage Lakes



### Ball Club Community Center Voting Location

Location: Ball Club Community Center

Hours: Opening Monday October 20th until Election Day Tues. Nov. 4th, 10am-3pm

If you are not registered to vote, no problem! Stop by either office or call Simone at 218-839-6959 or Angela at 218-513-9346 with questions.

### Remember to Vote by Nov. 4th

Whether or not our Band members utilize the two voting locations in Ball Club or Cass Lake, we highly encourage everyone to cast their votes before or on Election Day Tuesday November 4th, 2014 for State and Federal elections! Every vote counts!

### Leech Lake Financial Services to be Stand Alone

The mission of Leech Lake Financial Services is to promote economic well-being for the Leech Lake community by providing safe and affordable financial products, small business loans and trainings. LLFS continues to progress towards certification as a Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI). CDFI certification through the US Department of Treasury will allow LLFS access to larger loan funds to start, stabilize or expand private and tribally-owned enterprises.

As recently passed by the RBC, LLFS is now designated to be a self-sufficient stand-alone organization, indirectly owned by the Band and allows for LLFS to continue progress on becoming CDFI certified. CDFI certification will allow LLFS to report and access information with the major Credit Bureaus. The LLBO consumer base needs to build and enhance its bank-ability and credit worthiness. Reporting loans to the major credit bureaus provides a major increase to the credit scores of the community consumers, which is a first step to building the Leech Lake economy.

### “From Our Home to Capitol Hill” Fundraising

Various Leech Lake employees are a part of a committee dedicated towards fundraising donations for area school children to travel to Washington D.C. for the official U.S. Capitol Christmas Tree Lighting. Employees are able to donate to this campaign via reoccurring or one-time payroll deduction. Any community members or businesses are also welcome to donate! Go to accounting and ask for a “From Our Home to Capitol Hill” donation form anytime until December 1st. We are also currently in the process of selling raffle tickets for prizes of beaded moccasins, beaded crafts, vehicles, and Leech Lake and other tribal casino packages. Please contact Ryan White at 218-335-8225 with questions on how to purchase raffle tickets or donate to this worthy cause.



### Secretary Jewell and Asst. Sec. Washburn Visit Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig

As mentioned throughout the past year, we continue our lobbying efforts to secure funding to build a new facility for Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig schools. Our school serves almost 200 students from Kindergarten through 12th grade, in a building originally built as an auto mechanic school and bus garage. In August the U.S. Department of the Interior Secretary Sally Jewell and Assistant Secretary Kevin Washburn toured the Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig school grounds and saw the deterioration and safety concerns first hand.

The site visit went extremely well and we believe this visit will encourage the federal government to revise the funding formula for tribal schools. Secretary Jewell renewed my hope when she said she will do what it takes to



get our children a new facility so they can enjoy a productive environment to achieve academic success. The RBC will continue lobbying at the State and Federal levels to keep this important issue on the radar.

### Tribal Chair Honored at 40 Under 40 Awards

The National Center for American Indian Enterprise Development (NCAIED) is pleased to announce its 2014 “Native American 40 Under 40” award recipients. This prestigious award recognizes 40 emerging Native leaders from across Indian Country who have demonstrated leadership, initiative, and dedication and made significant contributions in business and/or in their community. Leech Lake is thrilled to announce Carri has made the list of Native American 40 Under 40 Awards along with 39 other recipients including WNBA player Shoni Schimmel.

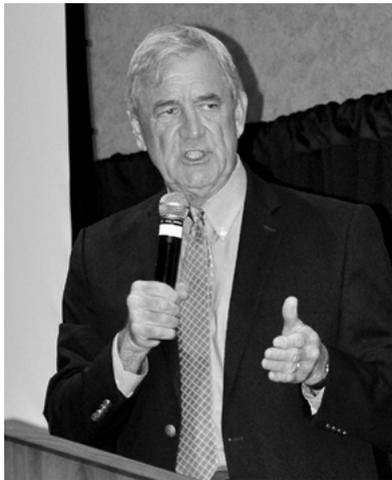
### Why Treaties Matter Traveling Exhibit at I.C.C.

On September 25th, 2014, Itasca Community College celebrated the opening of the Why Treaties Matter traveling exhibit in the library hallway. Chief Judge Paul Day and Carri gave opening remarks about the importance of treaties and knowing our peoples' history. The exhibit is now on display at I.C.C. and open to everyone, free of charge. The traveling exhibit will be on display next year at the State of the Band Address 2015 at the Northern Lights.

### State of the Band Address 2014 Recap



The 2014 State of the Band Address took place on August 21st, 2014 at the Northern Lights Convention Center. Congressman Rick Nolan provided the opening remarks, Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig drum and dancers gave a performance, two Niigaane students gave a bilingual presentation, and youth hand drum group Northland Eagles provided entertainment. Carri gave the final keynote speech highlighting the progress of many exciting projects.



### Highlights from the State of the Band Annual Report 2014 include:

- LLBO hosted 8 powwows with over 4,500 dancers
- Cass County staff offices for eligibility services, assistance with SNAP, healthcare, and emergency assistance now open Monday-Friday on first floor of Government Center
- Mission Community Center now completed and open
- Leech Lake Tribal College Library to open in March 2015, open to the public
- Renovations and expansions on Cass Lake I.H.S. has commenced and will be completed by end of 2016
- Major projects such as the Regional Justice Center, Assisted Care Living Facility

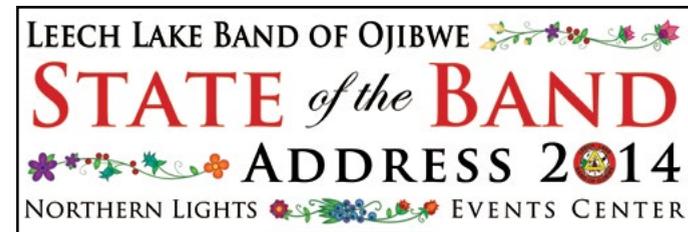
- and Opioid Treatment Center continues moving forward
- 2014 Family Fun Day Events held in Districts I, II & III with over 1,500 backpacks handed out
- 179 elders attended Housing' Annual Elder's Fest with fun, games, prizes
- Housing converted 20 units in Fox Creek Community to use natural gas resulting in lower monthly utility bills for tenants
- Twin Cities End of Summer Picnic in September 2014 hosted around 250 metro area Band members
- Leech Lake purchased close to 200,000 pounds of green rice from Band members resulting in almost \$300,000 dollars back into Band member hands

For the first time this year, Leech Lake sent down a luxury coach for Twin Cities Band members to travel from the metro area up north to hear the State of the Band Address. Thirty people from the metro area used the complementary service provided. For 2014, the State of the Band Address committee accomplished the goal of cutting the budget and expenses by ordering less food and floral arrangements. Overall, the 2014 State of the Band Address brought the Band members together by focusing on the positive happenings in our community.

### Miigwech,

**Tribal Chair**  
Carri Jones

*Please call 335-8200 with a request of the State of the Band Annual Report 2014 mailed to you.*



## Tree to D.C. Fundraiser Winners

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| <b>Winner of the 2005 Crown Victoria:</b> | <b>Leather Pouch:</b>       |
| Patrick Jourdain                          | Samantha Neisen             |
| <b>Winner of the 2001 Sportsman ATV:</b>  | <b>Beaded Pouch:</b>        |
| Ruth White                                | Verna Lucio                 |
| <b>Winners of Casino Packages:</b>        | <b>Barrette:</b>            |
| Tana Robinson                             | Donna Iverson               |
| William Bird                              | Spencer Shotley             |
| David Beaulieu                            | <b>Moccasin winners:</b>    |
| Randy Finn                                | Joe Osborn                  |
| John Gross                                | Marvin Littlewolf           |
| Tiffany English                           | <b>Stone Sculpture:</b>     |
| <b>Winners of \$10 Slot Play:</b>         | Bill Pell                   |
| Louis Hoopman                             | <b>Native Dress Towels:</b> |
| Janet Thompson                            | Dwight Smith                |
| George Ross                               | Deb Beaulieu                |
| Bryce Premo                               |                             |

Contact LLBO Public Relations at  
335-8225 to Claim your prize 8-4:30pm M-F

## Arthur “Archie” LaRose, Secretary/ Treasurer Report for the Quarter 10/01/2014

### To the Leech Lake Band Membership:

When elected, I said I would work to keep the people informed of issues and efforts as we move forward. I have had 3 months in office as the Secretary/Treasurer and have been busy finding out where the band is financially. We ended FY2014 with an ongoing cash flow shortage and over spending that cut our reserves from \$11 to 7 million.

To date we have approved the FY 2015 Budget and the FY14 and FY15 indirect cost agreements have been submitted for approval. There is still a spending freeze in place, but we are continuing to free up more resources to help our band members.

The council is reviewing band priorities for this fiscal year and long term. This will include resetting division goals and identifying and monitoring local, regional, state and federal issues. Some of the areas that need attention here are economic development, employment and job development, ICWA and Out of Home placements, youth development, education and workforce training, addictions, poverty, homelessness and housing.

The homeless issue is a priority and we have a taskforce in place to look at resolving this ongoing crisis. Most regional shelters are full and the need is not decreasing. We have begun renovation of a site in Bena for a homeless shelter and are searching for other adequate sites. We have invited various partners to help us including MN DHS and area regional governments to work with us on this issue. Our goal is not just short term but also long term by addressing the issues the individuals and families are facing that has resulted in them being homeless. We will work with them to address their issues and see that they are provided the resources to get them back on their feet.

We are still dealing with the Native cigarette issue with the State of Minnesota and the state continues to withhold our cigarette tax agreement revenue. We have been busy researching the options and strategies to deal with this issue. We have a very experienced team working on this issue and will be receiving their recommendations. This is an opportunity to weigh the pros and cons of various options and any decision or new agreement must strengthen Leech Lake. We will not be stopped from developing our economy and from exercising our sovereignty and jurisdiction including doing inter-tribal commerce. Be assured we will be getting information to the band membership as we move forward on this issue.

In regard to economies Leech Lake, Red Lake and White Earth put a lot of financial resources into the region's economy, including money from settlements such as the recent Cobell payments. I see as a priority the need to work together to leverage these resources to improve the lives of our people by building our tribal economies. We need to bring this to the forefront in talks with Red Lake and White Earth.

In regard to providing information to you and also so you can see just how much money Leech Lake puts into the region's economy I have included below a overview of the 2015 Budget; general fund, revenues and expenses. There is more detail in the quarterly financial statements.

**The Band's 2015 fiscal year budget is comprised of the following revenues and expenditures.**



General Fund currently has approximately \$8.6 million in cash reserves. This fund fluctuates going both up and down over the course of the year. These funds are comprised of previous lawsuit settlements and prior year additional sales tax revenues. These are funds held in reserve for future allocation as deemed necessary. This includes emergencies, grant cash matches, and capital projects that require additional funding.

### Annual Revenues for fiscal year 2015:

- Gaming net profits to be transferred to the Governing body for the 2015 fiscal year are \$13.5 million, approximately the same level as last fiscal year.
- State of MN Hunting and Fishing agreement projection is \$2.8 million.
- State of MN Tax agreement is projected at \$3.5 million. This includes sales, use, gasoline, alcohol, and tobacco taxes.
- The Band receives approximately \$50.7 million in Federal, State, and other grants.
- Other income, which includes land leases, health and human services billings, TERO fees, and other miscellaneous billings revenues total \$31.9 million.

**Total projected revenues for fiscal year 2015 total \$102.4 million.**

### Projected expenditures for fiscal year 2015 include:

- The Band pays \$48 million in salaries, wages, and fringe benefits for over 900 full, part-time and temporary employees.
- Other operating costs total \$18.7 million. (Supplies, telephone, meeting, travel, equipment, insurance and repairs)
- Capital Improvements and contractual total \$36 million that includes the Roads programs and building projects for Opiate, Assisted Living Center, Hospital expansion, and Justice Center programs.

**Total projected expenditures for fiscal year 2015 equal \$102.4 million.**

I am glad to report that the council has been working together, setting priorities and a vision for the Leech Lake Band. I believe that through these efforts, and by working together, the Leech Lake Band can again become a leader and example of progressive tribal government. I want to thank you for your patience these last 3 months during my transition into the Secretary/Treasurer position.

**Miigwetch,**

**Arthur “Archie” LaRose, Secretary/Treasurer**

## District I Youth Picked for Prestigious Team

Kianna Johnson was picked to play with a group of elite players on a statewide team of fifth graders for the Minnesota Youth Athletic Services organization. The team, The Suns, were undefeated this year and just won the State Tournament in early October. The Leech Lake Band and the District I office would like to congratulate Kianna on her success!



## Office of the District I Representative Penny DeVault

### Quarterly Report-October 2014

First off I would like to begin by thanking everyone for all of their support during my recent election as the District I Representative for the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe. I am very humbled by the extent of the encouragement I have received throughout this momentous journey in my life. I am truly honored to represent the band membership of District I and will continue to advocate and be a strong voice for our great nation.



In July I had the esteemed honor to be sworn in as a member of the Leech Lake Tribal Council at the July Quarterly meeting held at Northern Lights Event Center. Since then our office has been tirelessly working to improve services and address the needs of the eastern portion of Leech Lake and the Tribe as a whole. We have been working in collaboration with our many programs and divisions to overcome obstacles, working closely and cooperatively to enhance all of our programs. Along with the honor of District Representative, I also serve on the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Health, Human Services and Education Sub-committee.

My staff and I have been attending all District I Local Indian Council meetings and community events, which is enabling us to continually have the connection and awareness of our communities needs. Our office provides District I Monthly Reports along with event/program updates at all of our LIC meetings. We recently held LIC elections for 3 of our councils, with 2 more scheduled in the upcoming month. Congratulations to all new and current District I Local Indian Council members.

### District I July 4<sup>th</sup> Celebration Events:

On July 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> our communities came together for evenings of food, games, gifts, visiting and fireworks. It was our 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Event in Ball Club and 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Event in Inger; these events were attended by hundreds and hundreds of community members, locals, visitors and vacationers. These events were created years ago with the thought in mind to keep our people off the roads during this busy weekend, due to our remote location and having to drive over 2 hours round trip to enjoy fireworks. Families come together for an evening of socialization capped off by an amazing fireworks show provided by hard work from our community volunteers.

### District I Community Playground

The District I Office along with the Winnie Dam LIC and community members held the groundbreaking and grand opening of the Jackson Village Playground/Recreational Area. This huge accomplishment was achieved through dreams and visions of the local youth which resulted in playgrounds for District I, II and III. We would like to thank the LLBO Tribal Council and Planning Division for helping make this display of hard work a dream come true for our children. We hope to continue



this throughout our other communities and will be actively seeking grant funding through our office.

### District I Dance Specials:

The LLBO District I Office had the privilege of holding Dance Specials during the 52<sup>nd</sup> Annual Mii-Gwitch Mahnomen Days Traditional Powwow where

we gave away a total of 18 boys and girls regalia and also during the 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Ch a C h a B a h N i n g Traditional Powwow where 19 boys and girls regalia were given. Next June, the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Waa Wiye Gaa Maag Traditional Powwow will have their District I Dance Special. We would like to thank all of the children for the participation, elders for their assistance in selecting our young recipients, and the powwow committees for allowing us the time to hold these specials. It was a truly a wonderful sight to see all of our young dancers take pride in their new regalia.



Congratulations to Larry Fairbanks, elder Rep. and for being elected to the Ball Club LIC.

### District I School Supply Event:

On August 25, 2014 Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe District I Office held our school supply/backpack event at the George Johnson Memorial Center in Winnie Dam, MN. 452 children, grades kindergarten through high school received school supplies. We had family-fun events for children of all ages along with a picnic style lunch. I would like to thank all of the volunteers and workers who made this all possible, especially all of our community members, who contributed time and hard work to make this year's event a huge success. This year also marked the first year of our privately funded school clothes scholarship, which was awarded to five District I students selected through community nominations. It is our hope and dream to expand on this project in the future.

### Upcoming Events:

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Quarterly Meeting to be held in S. Lake, MN at the Community Center on October 10, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.

District I Quarterly Meeting to be held in Inger, MN at the Community Center on October 17, 2014 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Our office will be holding regular District I Quarterly meetings following every LLBO Quarterly meeting; we will rotate community centers as the host site. Our first meeting we will be covering LIC meetings/formats, by-laws, budgets, planning our upcoming 2015 meetings/events calendar scheduling for all of our communities, program updates, and also critical service and informational booths will be on-site. We are inviting all District I LIC's, any and all interested community members and students to participate.

District I will be sponsoring a table at the Fall Craft Show at Morse Town Hall on October 25, 2014. We are inviting our local crafters to come display their work. Please contact the District I Office for more information.

In closing I would like to take the time to once again thank all of the dedicated and hard working community members of the District I area. With continued community involvement the Leech Lake District I area has a bright future ahead of us...

Respectfully Submitted, Penny DeVault, District I Representative

## Office of the District II Representative Steve White

### First Quarterly Reoport 2015

Greetings to all of my fellow Leech Lake Band members! I hope you all had a great summer. I hope you all enjoyed it as much as my family and I did. Fall is upon us and all the children are back to school, I'd like to wish them all well in the upcoming school year.

I am excited to give a few updates on some of the projects we have been working on and some events that were held in the area that me and my staff worked hard to complete.

### Boy River Bridge

The Boy River Bridge was completed and the grand-opening was held on July 18th, 2014. There was a ribbon cutting ceremony and a reception afterward with representatives from Cass County, Congressman Nolan's office, as well as LLBO



employees that helped support the project. The bridge is much safer for all that use it now. The new bridge includes a ten foot sidewalk on the east side of the bridge and a five foot sidewalk on the west side of the bridge with cement barriers between the fog-line and those that want to fish from the bridge. It also has a twelve foot space for parking



on the east side of the bridge as well. Mii-Gwitch to all that attended.

### Sally Jewell & Kevin Washburn toured the Bug School

On August 20th, 2014 Secretary Sally Jewell and Assistant Secretary Kevin Washburn toured the Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School. Several topics were discussed during her visit and tour including: protecting wild-rice beds, Forest Service relations, as well as the oil pipeline and the physical state of the school including the student's need to wear coats in some classes, exposed wiring, and other safety concerns. Assistant Secretary Kevin Washburn accompanied Secretary Jewel on her visit too. This was the first time that a sitting member of the President's Cabinet made a personal visit to our school, and this is a good sign that our continued lobbying for a new school is paying off.

### State of the Band

State of the Band was held on August 21st, 2014 at the Northern Lights Hotel and Event Center in Walker MN. The event was well attended and our office would like to publicly thank Congressman Nolan for speaking, and we wish him well in his November bid for re-election.

### District II Backpack Giveaway

District II Backpack Giveaway was held on August 26th, 2014. We gave away a total of 185 backpacks that day at the Sugar Point community center. The children enjoyed bouncy houses, face painting, and making ornaments for the tree that is going to be on display in Washington D.C. this holiday season. Mii-Gwitch to

everyone that attended and enjoyed the day out at the Sugar Point Community Center.

### Meting with MNDOT Commissioner Charlie Zelle

The RBC also had a meeting with the MNDOT Commissioner Charlie Zelle on September 17th, 2014. Tribal Liaison Ed Fairbanks was also there. Chairwoman Jones exchanged flags and convened a meeting to discuss current and upcoming efforts between the Minnesota Department of Transportation. Current efforts discussed included, transportation planning, Indian employment, the Historic Preservation Act, Communication index which covers highway safety concerns, and the advocacy council for Tribal transportation.



### Annual Picnic in the Twin Cities

On September 20th, 2014 the Leech Lake Twin Cities Office held their annual picnic. The Tribal Council wanted to show their appreciation to Band members of the Twin Cities area so we collaborated with TCO and had a picnic at Brackett Park in Minneapolis.

### Battle Point Pow-wow

The Battle Point Pow-wow was held on September 19th-20th-21st, 2014. There were a total of 337 dancers and 21 drum groups that attended this end of the summer pow-wow. The new Battle Point Princess is Bianca Gale-Martinez. The new Battle Point Brave is Logan Monroe. They both are from Sugar Point and attend Northland School Community Schools.

### Upcoming Events in Dist II

In the very near future there will be a Homeless Shelter up and running in Bena at the Old Bena community center. A Homeless Shelter meeting was held on September 24th, 2014 at the Bena Community Center. This meeting was to inform the whole reservation of the plans for the shelter and to hear your concerns, comments and opinions of the new homeless shelter. We had remarkable input from a lot of band members, also non-band members. There will be a policy and procedures meeting at the RTC building on October 8th, 2014.

The tentative opening date for the new homeless shelter will be on December 21st, 2014. When the director is hired we will have another meeting to introduce whoever is selected for that position and have more details about the homeless shelter; that meeting will take place around late October early November. So please watch for the flyer to circulate for the date and time.

The Bena Picnic Pavilion that will be behind the Bena Community Center will be done by late Fall, and should be ready for outdoor activities and usage when the Spring thaw comes. Our office will plan an event at the pavilion site and we will notify people in our paper and on the KOJB radio station.

I am happy to report that the Walking/Bike Trail in Bena will be done by the end of Fall 2015. The trail will start at old housing drive and go east all the way to the Winnie Store. This is to keep people safe from highway traffic. We've had too many accidents and deaths along this stretch of Highway, and hopefully this will help make things safer. This project couldn't have been completed without the help of MNDOT, Chippewa National Forest, Cass County and the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe. Mii-gwitch to all that are involved.

**Mii-gwitch,  
Steve White, District II Representative**

## Office of the District III Representative Leroy Fairbanks-Staples

### District III Quarterly Report

New Men's Halfway House building in Cass lake, opened in July. We opened another additional Men's Halfway House which was the former Veterans Services building with six beds adding to the eight beds we currently have at the old Halfway House. Both are full all the time with at least ten on our waiting list. Our new sixteen bed facility will be complete in late November or early December. We plan on having all three houses open which will be a total of thirty beds. We currently have two LADC's Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselors.

Mike Smith is our Spiritual Advisor and we have two Sweat Lodges, one for female and one for males. We are in the process of building a twenty four foot Round House built by the Tribal College carpentry crew.

### New Mission Community Center

The new community center that was built in the Mission neighborhood of Cass Lake



held a grand opening in August, and is now fully open. It includes new space for meeting, community gathering, and dinners with a full kitchen.

The project has been in the works since late last fall and is the latest of

new community centers to be built on the Leech Lake Reservation.

The Grand Opening event in August provided a feast for everyone who came out, a giveaway to the Elders of the area, and raffle prizes for youth. The Elder Service Providers Network chose to hold their annual Elders Fair at the newly opened Mission Center in September, where we welcomed folks from Leech Lake, and also visiting Elders from Fond du Lac and Bois Forte. Reports from the community tell us that the youth of the community are using the building on a nightly basis for basketball and other games organizing, and adults are discussing organizing classes and activities for the community members that can take place in the meeting rooms while the gym is in use. Intergenerational activities are important to our communities, and we are glad that we have built a beautiful, useful space for our people.

### Cass Lake Area Food Shelf Partnership:



A new Food Shelf has Come to Leech Lake food distribution. Anyone living in the Cass Lake area School District or that has a physical Cass Lake address (p.o. boxes are not excepted as address) can go to the food distribution building on Highway 2 once a month to receive food, unless its an emergency. Hours of

operation are every Wednesday from 10am-3:30pm, when food distribution is available. First time Clients need to bring a current ID and some type of letter or mail that has your physical address. The new food shelf is volunteer based, and volunteers are always welcome to give a helping hand stocking shelves and unloading food from the shipping trucks.



### BTAG program:

In September, the Board of Regents at University of MN-Duluth approved the creation of a new Bachelor's degree-granting program for Tribal Administration and Governance. The seed for this idea was planted by District III Representative, in prior regional tribal consultations. The major combines fundamental business classes with the specific study of tribal governance and will be offered completely online, making it accessible to students everywhere. DIII Representative contributed the idea based on his own experiences and from listening to the constituents that he serves, recognizing the need to build up our Leech Lake communities. We are happy to have another path to present to our LL Band members, in an institution that has been highly responsive to the educational and social needs of our tribal communities.

### District III Backpack Give away

On August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2014 there was a backpack and school supply giveaway for the students of District III. There were almost a thousand students who received school supplies and participated in the fair that was set up in the field next to the new Tribal Government offices in Cass Lake. Leech Lake Special Events coordinators provided a barbecue lunch, and activities for the families who took part.

### Upcoming Events:

Leech Lake District III Representative is reaching out to our Twin Cities constituents in order to be more accessible for our off-reservation residents. One day per month, LeRoy will be at the Leech Lake Twin Cities office to ensure that he stays in touch with the issues and opportunities in the Twin Cities metro area. On the last Tuesday of each month, to coincide with the regularly scheduled LIC meeting, LeRoy will be in the Minneapolis Twin Cities office at 1113 East Franklin Avenue South in Minneapolis.

The next District III Forum will be held on Wednesday October 22 from 2:30-4:30pm at the Leech Lake Tribal Government building in Cass Lake. All District III members are welcome to attend for updates and to give input on our District III efforts.

The district III office is determined to strive to meet the needs of our constituents and any suggestion of how to do so would be appreciated. We are committed to ensure that the constituents of district III get full equal and representation with fair service. We will continue to self analyze to better determine how we can accomplish these goals. We are continuing to develop relationships to further the development of not only these tribal offices, but also the entire Leech Lake Bands assets and services. We have a lot of work left to do, but we will continue to work hard for each and every Leech Lake citizen.

**Miigwetch,**  
**LeRoy Fairbanks-Staples, District III Representative**

# Office of the Dist I Rep Penny DeVault **Hunting Season Regulations**

## Monthly Report for September 2014

- Assistant: Ball Club LIC Elections-September 2, 2014
- Rep./Assistant: Winnie Dam Regular LIC meeting-September 4, 2014
- Assistant: Ball Club Regular LIC meeting-September 8, 2014
- Rep./Assistant: Inger Regular LIC meeting-September 8, 2014
- Rep./Assistant: Meeting with Land Director L. Brown, re: Upcoming District I goals and projects-September 10, 2014
- Assistant: ESPN meeting at Minnesota Chippewa Tribe-September 11, 2014
- Assistant: LLHA BOC meeting-September 11, 2014
- All Staff: LLBO Twin Cities/RTC Appreciation Gathering at Brackett Park, Minneapolis, MN-September 13, 2014
- Representative: Leech Lake Gaming Commission-September 15, 2014
- Rep./Assistant: Meeting with A. Cloud, Leech Lake Tribal College, re: Upcoming Community Education Classes in District I-September 16, 2014
- Rep./Assistant: Meeting with MN DOT-September 17, 2014
- Representative: IHS site tour-September 17, 2014
- Rep./Assistant: Duluth Regular LIC meeting-September 18, 2014
- Rep./Assistant: Meeting with DPW Director V. Lyons and Facilities Maintenance Manager D. Smith, re: District I Quarterly and Program Updates-September 19, 2014
- Assistant: ESPN meeting at Minnesota Chippewa Tribe-September 19, 2014
- Battle Point 17th Annual Traditional Powwow-September 19-21, 2014
- Assistant: LLHA BOC Training at Northern Lights-September 23, 2014
- Rep./Assistant: LLBO Homeless Shelter Informational meeting at Bena C.C.-September 24, 2014
- Assistant: LLHA BOC meeting-September 25, 2014
- Representative: Summit on the Crisis of Indian Children in Minnesota at Boise Forte-September 25, 2014
- Assistant: ESPN meeting at Minnesota Chippewa Tribe-September 26, 2014
- Representative: Child Welfare meeting at Minnesota Department of Human Services, St. Paul, MN-September 26, 2014
- Assistant: ESPN Elders Wellness Expo at Mission C.C.-September 30, 2014
- All staff at LLBO Tribal Office in Cass Lake, MN verifiable through Empower Time System-all other days
  - o Tuesdays-Tribal Council Briefings
  - o Thursdays-Tribal Council Meetings

## Upcoming Events

- Monthly District I LIC Meetings, continuous
- LLBO Tribal Council/LLHA BOC-meeting with Minnesota Housing Commissioner-October 3, 2014
- S. Lake Fall Ceremony rescheduled-October 5, 2014
- LLBO Quarterly Meeting at S. Lake Community Center-October 10, 2014
- LLBO Tribal Council/LLHA BOC-Veteran's Supportive Housing Planning Meeting-October 15, 2014
- District I Quarterly Meeting at Inger Community Center-October 17, 2014
- Fall Craft Show at Morse Town Hall-October 25, 2014
- Deer River LIC Elections-October 27, 2014
- Tree to D.C. Meetings, every Thursday at RTC

## DISTRICT I REP. PENNY DEVAULT

**Sarah Wakanabo / Executive Asst.**

**Sondra Jackson / Admin Asst.**

## Migratory Waterfowl Season Dates/Limits

### DUCKS, COOTS, and MERGANSER

- Season Date: September 20, 2014 - December 31, 2014
- Daily Bag Limit: Ten (10) in any sex or combination with the exception of the following restrictions:
- Daily Limit may not contain more than Five (5) Pintails, Five (5) Canvasbacks, and Five (5) Blackducks.

Possession/Transportation Limit: Twenty (20) in any sex or combination with the exception of the following restrictions- possession/transportation limit may not contain more than Ten (10) Pintails, Ten (10) Canvas backs and Ten (10) Blackducks.

### GEESE- For Hunting Over Land or Water

- Season Dates: September 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014
- Daily Bag Limit: Ten (10). All species, in any sex or combination.
- Transportation Limit: Twenty (20) All species, in any sex or combination.

### L.L. Res. Youth Waterfowl Hunting Day: Saturday, September 13, 2014

### *General Regulations for the taking of migratory waterfowl*

- The use/possession of lead shot loads when taking migratory game birds within the Leech Lake Reservation is prohibited.
- Shooting Hours- One half hour before sunrise to one half hour after sunset.
- The use of live decoys or baiting is prohibited.
- The commercial use of migratory game birds is prohibited.
- Waterfowl may not be taken from a watercraft while it is under motorized power.
  - o Hole in the Bog Lake and Drumbeater Lake are designated Wildlife Refuges and are restricted from any migratory game bird hunting.
  - o It is advised that all persons have a coast guard approved life saving device (PFD) on board while waterfowl hunting.

## 2014- 2015 Hunting & Trapping Season Dates & Seasonal Limits

### *Big Game Season & Seasonal Limits*

- White Tailed Deer September 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014

### Bucks or Does

Resident Non-Band Members	One (1) Deer Tag
Leech Lake Enrolled Band Members	One (1) Deer Tag
• Black Bear	September 1, 2014 to October 31, 2014 (One (1) per permittee)

### *Small Game Season & Seasonal Limits*

- Rabbits and Squirrels Continuous season- No limit
- Ruffed Grouse, Woodcock Common Snipe & Sora Rail - Sept 1, to Dec 31, 2014
- Daily Bag Limit: Six (6) Possession Limit: Twelve (12)

Hunters are encouraged to use bullets that do not contain lead to prevent poisoning in humans and wildlife, like eagles that feed on gut piles.

## Trapping Season Dates & Seasonal Limits

Beaver	October 11, 2014 to May 10, 2015	-No Limit
Coyote	Continuous Season	-No Limit
Fox, Raccoon, & Mink/Muskay	- Oct. 11, 2014 to Feb. 28, 2015	-No Limit

The furbearers listed below require LLR trappers to obtain state export tags from the DRM office in Cass Lake. Three (3) day grace period for tagging furs after the end of the season date listed.

- Bobcat, Fisher, & Pine Marten November 15, 2014 to January 31, 2015
- River Otter October 11, 2014 to April 30, 2015

Limit: Five (5) Limit: Four (4) Limit: One (1) Limit: Four (4)

- Canada Lynx NO SEASON. This is a federally protected animal, please report Sightings to the Leech Lake DRM Biologist at 218-335-7421.

## LLBO WIC FOR October 2014

LLBO WIC Program will be holding WIC Clinics as follows:

### WIC CLINICS AT THE NEST

Nutrition Education Sessions and Certifications by appointment only

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

Monday- Thursdays are available for appointment in Cass Lake

### WIC CLINICS AT OUTLYING CLINICS

1<sup>st</sup> Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> - Onigum Community Center Appointments 10a.m.- 2p.m.

2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup> - Inger Clinic Appointments 10a.m. - 2p.m.

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> - Ball Club Comm. Ctr. Appointments 10a.m. - 3p.m.

4<sup>th</sup> Thursday, 23<sup>th</sup> - Bena Clinic Appointments 10a.m. - 12p.m.

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

## LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE SUMMARY OF JOB OPENINGS

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

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe – Human Resources  
115 Sixth St NW, Suite E - Cass Lake, MN 56633;

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

**email documents to:** andrea.jones@llbo.org

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

**THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS CLOSE ON October 24th, 2014**

**2 FT Police Officers ~ Leech Lake Tribal Police ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-204**

**THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS ARE OPEN UNTIL FILLED**

**4 Part-Time EMT Attendants ~ Health ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-182**

**2 Part-Time Mid Level Provider's (NP/PA) ~ Health ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-167**

**Mid Level Provider (NP/PA) ~ Health ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-166**

**2 Part-Time Pre-School Teachers ~ Early Childhood ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-169**

**Cass Lake Pre-School Team Leader ~ Early Childhood ~ Job Code: 14-171B**

**Pre-School Team Leader Bemidji ~ Education ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-143B**

**3 Special Needs Teacher Asst ~ Early Childhood ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-136**

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

**THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS ARE OPEN CONTINUOUS**

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

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



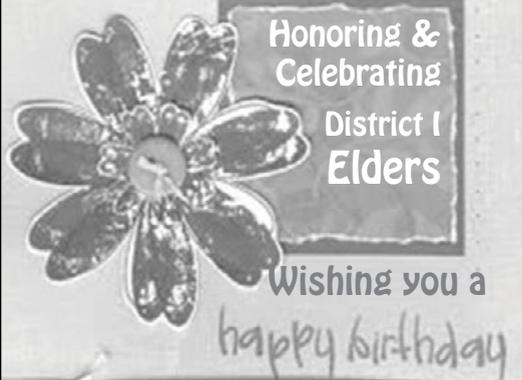
Wishing District II Elders a

*Happy Birthday!*

**October Birthdays** From District II Office Steve & Michelle

Richard Johnson  
Irving "Honey" Seelye  
Clara Smith  
Diana Stangel

Michael Tibbetts  
Leona Shaugobay  
Lolanthe Goose



From District I Office  
Penny, Sarah, &  
Sondra Jackson

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY &  
MANY MORE TO COME!!**

## October Birthdays

Sharie Bebeau  
Viola Bellanger  
Milton Cambell  
Francis Garbow  
Thomas Howard  
Steven Jackson  
Charles Michaud  
Geraldine Nason  
Florence Parker  
Bernard Robinson  
Henrietta Skog  
Gerald White

## Financial Skills for Families

Whether someone wants to start a business, buy a home, or pay off debt, personal literacy is the first step to gaining control over his or her financial future.

Northwest Indian Opportunities Industrialization Center (NWIOIC) will offer financial literacy classes addressing the following topics:

**October 30, 2:00-4:00 p.m. In Session One, participants will:**

- Develop a spending plan.

**December 4, 2:00-4:00 p.m. In Session Two, participants will:**

- Learn how to work with checking and savings account.
- Learn about understanding credit and their credit report.

**January 8, 2:00-4:00 p.m. In Session Three, participants will:**

- Learn about accessing credit.

Please call 759-2022 to register for classes. F: 218.759.0090

Theresa Flocken / Economic Opportunities Programs Coordinator

Northwest Indian OIC

www.nwioic.org

520 Fourth Street NW

NW Indian Opportunities Industrialization Center

Bemidji, MN 56601

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## 2014 CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS BID PROCESS FOR LLBO GAMING

09-16-14

Request for Proposal, Xmas Decorations for Palace, Northern Lights Casino's and Leech Lake Gaming Offices.

RFP will run from October 1 to November 7, 2014. Delivery is to be no later than November 26<sup>th</sup>. To be considered as a Vendor for 2014, please provide samples of your work along with your written proposal to Leech Lake Gaming on or before November 7<sup>th</sup>.

### LEECH LAKE GAMING

6280 Upper Cass Fr Rd NW Cass Lake, MN

Wreaths 4' 5

Garland 115 feet

### NORTHERN LIGHTS CASINO

6800 Y Frontage Rd NW Walker, MN 56484

Wreaths 48" ...Qty. 4 Garland 100ft piece.....10

36" .....6

### PALACE CASINO HOTEL

16599 69<sup>TH</sup> Ave NW Cass Lake, MN

Wreaths 4 ft ...Qty. 5 Garland 100ft .....4

6 ft .....1 25ft .....6

## An FYI from Che We...

September 26, 2014

Please note on Che We's Website under the LLBO website we will have the new October flyer posted on Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>. Our other flyer the 6 month, will be in effect until Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>. This can be picked up in the store or delivered to you.

Also, please take note of our order day and our policy on returns.

We order for office supplies on Tuesdays, the order comes in Wed and some items on Thursday if in stock at our vendor facility.

### RETURNS:

If you need to return an item, it must be done within 30 days of purchase and packaged in original packaging, without being used. Please include a copy of your original invoice so you can receive proper credit where applicable.

**Any other questions...call 335-6101**

**Thank you!**

## Deer River LIC Elections

October 27, 2014

## S. Lake LIC Elcetions

November 17, 2014

*For more information call District I Office (218) 335-8200*



# Treats For Tots

## FREE to the Public!

Safe Halloween Fun For Your Family Ages 12 and Under!

**FUN and Interactive Games!**

### Friday, October 31st Three Climate Controlled Locations

Walker, MN Event Center Northern Lights Casino 4 pm - 7 pm	Cass Lake, MN Boys & Girls Club 4 pm - 7 pm	Deer River, MN Morse Town Hall 4 pm - 7 pm
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**Children 12 and Under Only.**  
Candy distributed by area businesses & organizations.  
Children will not be exposed to casino activity.



# Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Tribal Court

115 Sixth Street NW, Suite E  
Cass Lake, MN 56633  
(218) 335-3682 • (218) 335-4418

Honorable Paul W. Day, Chief Judge of Tribal Court  
Honorable Megan E. Treuer, Associate Judge of Tribal Court

## -LEGAL NOTICE BY PUBLICATION-

### Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Children of:  
Adonis Mosay, Father of J.M., J.M., & J.M-J; and  
James R. Fisher, Father of K.F. & J.F.  
Court File No. CP-13-19

### NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on April 8, 2014, a Petition for Alternative Relief was filed in Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the children of the above-named parents. Please contact Leech Lake Tribal Court Administration for the next hearing date and time. The telephone number is (218) 335-3682 or 3586. You are served with this notice because you are a party to this proceeding. If you fail to appear for this hearing the Court may find you in default and enter an order.

## -LEGAL NOTICE BY PUBLICATION-

### Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Child of:  
Destiny L.L. Ford and  
Douglas W. Wind, Parents.  
Court File No. CP-13-35

### NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on April 8, 2014, a Petition for Alternative Relief was filed in Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the child of the above-named parents. Please contact Leech Lake Tribal Court Administration for the next hearing date and time. The telephone number is (218) 335-3682 or 3586. You are served with this notice because you are a party to this proceeding. If you fail to appear for this hearing the Court may find you in default and enter an order.

## U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE/LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

The US Department of Justice has made available an Environmental Assessment (EA) concerning a proposal to construct the new Leech Lake Justice Center located in Cass Lake, Minnesota. Development of the Justice Center is proposed as a means of improving the efficiency of the Band's Judicial and Law Enforcement Departments and meeting anticipated growth in the Band's judicial system. The EA is provided to fulfill the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, and Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended. The EA studies potential environmental impacts associated with development of the Justice Center and will be the subject of a 30-day review period which begins October 8, 2014, and ends November 8, 2014. Comments concerning the EA and the proposed action must be received during this time to be assured of consideration and should be sent to: Levi Brown, Environmental/Land Department Director, Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe, 190 Sailstar Drive NW, Cass Lake, MN. Tel: 218-335-7400/ Fax: 218-335-7430 Email: [levib@lldrm.org](mailto:levib@lldrm.org) All written comments received during the review period will be taken into consideration. Copies of the EA are available for public viewing at the Leech Lake Division of Resource Management, 15756 State Highway 371 NW, Cass Lake, MN. Thank you for your interest.



## Leech Lake Legacy 2014 Events\*

\*As of the date of this printing, all events are scheduled to be held at the Leech Lake Tribal Police Headquarters in Cass Lake. However, additional locations may be added so please check the Leech Lake website for the most current schedule.

October Saturday, October 11 Puppy Roundup	November Saturday, November 15 Puppy Roundup	December Saturday, December 13 Puppy Roundup
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For additional information, please contact us at: [leechlakelegacy@gmail.com](mailto:leechlakelegacy@gmail.com) or 612-437-9073 or visit our website at [www.leechlakelegacy.org](http://www.leechlakelegacy.org)

The Leech Lake Tribal Police in collaboration with Leech Lake Legacy will be distributing **DOG FOOD** for area pets



**Every Thursday Starting September 4th  
Leech Lake Tribal Police Garage  
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**

## Leech Lake Tribal Council Special Meeting

July 17, 2014

Kego Lake Com. Center  
Kego lake, Minnesota



Chairwoman Carri Jones called the meeting to order at 10:15am

### Roll Call:

Carri Jones, Chairwoman	Present
Archie LaRose, Secretary/Treasurer	Present
Penny DeVault, DI Rep.	Present
Steve White, DII Rep.	Present
LeRoy Staples Fairbanks, DIII Rep.	Present

Motion by Arthur LaRose, second by Penny DeVault to approve agenda. Motion carried 4-0-0.

### OLD BUSINESS:

Motion by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks to approve the May 29, 2014 and June 30, 2014 Minutes, second by Steve White. Motion carried 4-0-0.

### NEW BUSINESS:

#### TRIBAL COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS:

Motion by Arthur LaRose, second by Penny DeVault to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2015-10** concerning Release of BIA Tribal Accounts. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Arthur LaRose to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2015-11** concerning Regional Native Public Defense Corporation as agent to provide Criminal and Juvenile Defense Services for the period of July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015, second by Steve White. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Penny DeVault, second by Steve White to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2015-12** authorizing administrative complaints for certain traffic offenses. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Arthur LaRose, second by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2015-13** adopting Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe administrative complaint processing fee and administrative complaint processing fee revenue allocation formula. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks, second by Penny DeVault to approve Tribal Council Resolution **No. 2015-14** concerning FY 2015 Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG). Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Steve White, second by Penny DeVault to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2015-15 to designate signatory authority and establishing authority to access Leech Lake Gaming Account

information with respect to accounts maintained at Bank Forward, Walker, Minnesota. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Arthur LaRose, second by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2015-16 to access Leech Lake Gaming Account information with respect to accounts maintained at Western Bank of Cass Lake, Minnesota. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Steve White, second by Arthur LaRose to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2015-17 to access Leech Lake Gaming Account information with respect to accounts maintained at Bremer Bank in Brainerd, Minnesota. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Steve White, second by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2015-18 to access Leech Lake Gaming Account information with respect to accounts maintained at Northview Bank in Deer River, Minnesota. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Arthur LaRose, second by Penny DeVault to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2015-19 approving execution and performance of the Tenth Amendment to Loan Agreement by the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe to extend the revolving facility maturity date, amend certain provision and waive certain defaults. Motion carried 4-0-0.

#### LAND RESOLUTIONS:

Motion by Arthur LaRose, second by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks to approve the following homesite resolutions:

**LD2015-01** Leila Schaaf-Monroe, rescind Resolution No. LD2011-57 Ball Club area;

**LD2015-02** Ruth Schaaf, new lease, Ball Club area;

**LD2015-03** Marlowe Greene, rescind Resolution No. LD2012-34, Longville area;

**LD2015-04** Lucy Mitchell, rescind Resolution No. LD2012-13, Kego Lake area;

**LD2015-05** Dawn Morgan, new lease, Ryan's Village area;

**LD2015-06** Tonya Jones, rescind Resolution No. LD2007-72, West Big Lake area;

**LD2015-07** Penny L. Jones, new lease, Plantation area;

**LD2015-08** Robin Windom, new lease, North Cass Lake area;

**LD2015-09** David P. Ross, rescind Resolution No. LD2009-111, Tract 33 area;

**LD2015-10** Robert Beaudreau, new lease, Tract 33 area;

**LD2015-11** Shawn Pennington, rescind Resolution No. LD2012-161, South Cass Lake area;

**LD2015-12** Jeremy Ince, rescind Resolution No. 2014-143, South Cass Lake area;

**LD2015-13** Jeremy Ince, new lease, South Cass Lake area;

**LD2015-14** Shirley Dunn, new lease, South Cass Lake area;

**LD2015-15** Jesse Lyons, lease renewal, Rice Paddy area;

**LD2015-16** Patricia Anderson, rescind Resolution No. LD2003-123, Pine Point area;

**LD2015-17** Gladys Granroos, new lease, Pine Point area;

**LD2015-18** Delores Olson, rescind Resolution No. LD2006-154, Agency Bay area;

**LD2015-19** Gloria J. Beaulieu, rescind Resolution No. 2005-94, Old Agency area;

**LD2015-20** Barbara Jo Bearheart, new lease, Onigum area; Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Steve White, second by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks to approve the lake-shore leases for:

**LD2015-21** Robert E. Bellefy, lease cancellation, Sugar Point area;

**LD2015-22** John A. Klinke, lease cancellation, Chippewa Heights area;

**LD2015-23** Margaret D. Fredrickson, new recreational lease, Chippewa Heights area;

**LD2015-24** Amos Pladson, lease modification LD2014-129, Pug Hole area and

Douglas G. Hanson, new recreational lease, Sugar Point area was tabled.

Motion carried 4-0-0.

### OTHER:

Tribal Development – payment for Justice Center architect no action.

Motion by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks, second by Steve White to approve the Professional Services Contract for Slash Removal w/Storlie Construction. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Appointment to MCT Sub-Committees: Motion by Steve White, second by Penny DeVault to approve appointment of Arthur LaRose to the MCT Legislative Committee. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks, second by Steve White to table the appointment of Penny DeVault to the MCT

Education & Human Services Committee. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Steve White, second by Penny DeVault to approve the appointment of Carri Jones to the MCT Finance Corporation. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Arthur LaRose, second by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks to approve the appointment of Steve White to the MCT Natural Resources/Environment Committee. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks, second by Steve White to adjourn at 11:01 a.m. Motion carried 4-0-0.

## Leech Lake Tribal Council Special Meeting

July 28, 2014

Cass Lake, Minnesota



Chairwoman Carri Jones called the meeting to order at 12:11 pm

### Roll Call:

Carri Jones, Chairwoman	Present
Archie LaRose, Secretary/Treasurer	Present
Penny DeVault, DI Rep.	Present
Steve White, DII Rep.	Absent
LeRoy Staples Fairbanks, DIII Rep.	Absent

Motion by Arthur LaRose, second by Penny DeVault to approve agenda. Motion carried 2-0-0.

### Tribal Council Resolution:

Motion by Penny DeVault, second by Arthur LaRose to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2015-20 authorizing Leech Lake Housing Authority to complete and submit an application for Indian Community Development Block Grant funding on behalf of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe for the rehabilitation of affordable housing units. Motion carried 2-0-0.

Motion by Arthur LaRose, second by Penny DeVault to adjourn at 12:18 p.m. Motion carried 2-0-0.

## Minneapolis LIC Elects New Board Members

The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe would like to congratulate the newly elected members of the Minneapolis Local Indian Council that include: Tony Morrow, Betty Moore, and Howard White.

*The election was held in September at  
the MCT building of Franklin Ave in South Minneapolis.*

MONTHLY OJIBWEMOWIN LESSON

# Ojibwemotaadidaa!

*Let's speak Ojibwe to each other*

**Biinaakwe-  
Giizis**  
*(October)*  
*falling leaves*  
*moon*

Gi \_\_\_\_ .  
You are \_\_\_\_ .  
  
Gi \_\_\_\_ m.  
You all are \_\_\_\_ .

Ni \_\_\_\_ . I am \_\_\_\_ .  
Ni \_\_\_\_ min. (exclusive)  
We are \_\_\_\_ .  
Gi \_\_\_\_ min. (inclusive)  
We all are \_\_\_\_ .

## VERB TYPES:

*Examples of people being used  
with vocab*

*(I) Ni-namabab. - I am sitting*

*(We Exclusive) Ni-namadabi-min  
we are sitting*

*(We Inclusive) Gi-namadabi-min  
we all are sitting*

*(You) gi-biinichige  
you are cleaning*

*(You all) gii-biinichige-m  
you all are cleaning*

**Vocab for this month:**  
**Oshii-ayaa'aag - (youth/children)**  
**Namadabi - someone is sitting**  
**Nibaa - someone is sleeping**  
**Wiisini - someone is eating**  
**Biinichige - someone is cleaning**  
**Miigaazo - someone is fighting**  
**Minikwe - someone is drinking**  
**Onishkaa - someone wakes up**

Gego  
\_\_\_\_kegwan!

Don't command  
when speaking to  
2+ people

Gego \_\_\_\_ken!

Don't command  
when speaking to  
one person

**\*Trivia Question -**  
*Don't you guys fight!*

**\*Answer to Trivia Question Last Month:**  
*Dibikak ina giwii'agindaas?*



# Obituaries



## Kimberly Ann Beaulieu



**K**imberly Ann Beaulieu, 38 of Minneapolis, passed away at her home on Thursday, September 11, 2014 with her family by her side. She was born July

10, 1976 in Minneapolis, Minnesota, the daughter of Ronald and Dorothy (Prentice) Beaulieu.

Kim graduated from Cass Lake High School in 1994 and Haskell Indian Nations University in 1996. She then went on to study at the University of Minnesota. Kim met Keith Beaulieu in 2001 and they married 2006. Together they have two beautiful children, Jonathan and Neveah, both age 9. She loved ojbwe, writing, cooking, music and film. Throughout Kim's career she worked for many non-profit organizations. She will be missed by all who loved and knew her. She was preceded in death by her parents; Ronald and Dorothy, brother; Mike Thorne, sister; Sandy Beaulieu, her grandparents, aunts; Elsie Fairbanks and Trish Prentice, brother in-laws; Bradley Beaulieu and Dale Vezina.

Kimberly's memory remains here with her husband Keith Beaulieu of Minneapolis, children; Jonathan and Neveah Beaulieu, brothers; Kevin (Linda) Beaulieu of Ball Club and Myron Thorne of Minneapolis, sister; Ronda (Jaymz Wilson) Beaulieu of Wilkinson, special sister; Mary Prentice of Red Lake, uncle; Rodney Prentice, Sr., her in-laws; Simon and Ruby Beaulieu of Minneapolis, brother in-laws; Vince (Jenny) Beaulieu of Fridley and Randy (Vanessa) Beaulieu of Green Bay, WI, a

sister in-law; Cheryl Beaulieu of Blaine, nieces, nephews, other relatives and many friends.

A wake service for Kimberly will be held from 4:00-8:00 p.m. on Sunday, September 14, 2014 at the Church of Gitchitwaa Kateri in Minneapolis and then move to the Redby Community Center in Redby, Minnesota on Monday, September 15, 2014 at 12:00 p.m. and continue until the 1:00 p.m., service on Tuesday, September 16, 2014. Father Jerry Rogers will officiate. Pallbearers for Kimberly will be Randy Beaulieu, Vince Beaulieu, Adrien 'AJ' Wilson, Rodney Prentice, Jr., Paul Prentice, Chris Fairbanks, Mike Fairbanks and Jaymz Wilson. Her honorary pallbearers will be Mary Prentice, Barb Prentice, Della Prentice, Eilene Sayers, Alexi, Wilson, Leighann Beaulieu, Ruby Beaulieu and Simon Beaulieu, Jr. Interment for Kimberly will be held in the St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery in Red Lake following the service at the church.

Kimberly's care has been entrusted to Northern Peace Funeral Home of Walker, MN. Online condolences for the family may be given at [www.northernpeace.com](http://www.northernpeace.com)

## Phillip David Burnette



**P**hillip David Burnette, 62, of Cass Lake, Minnesota passed away at his home in Cass Lake on Monday, September 8, 2014. He was born on April 12, 1952 in Cass Lake

the son of James Butterfield-Burnette Sr. and Altha (Kimball) Burnette.

Phillip was always a kind hearted

man who would give anyone the shirt off his back. He loved to sing and shared in song many times over the years at the Christian Missionary Alliance Church in Cass Lake. He made many beautiful crocheted Afghans, comforters and pillows for friends and family members. He loved to cook and would give away cookies he made. Phillip was always generous with everything in his life.

He was preceded in death by his parents James and Altha, brothers James Jr. and Richard Burnette of Cass Lake and one sister Betty Burnette-Oliver of Columbia Falls, Montana. Phillip is survived by his Sister Beverly (Milton) Hensley, Cass Lake, nieces; Pamela Burnett of Cass Lake, Sandra Armstrong of Bemidji, and Lois Armstrong of Bemidji, nephews; Leonard (Debra) Armstrong and Jeffery (Candy) Armstrong of Columbia Falls, Montana as well as many relatives and friends.

A memorial service for Phillip will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, September 12, 2014 at the Veteran's Memorial Building in Cass Lake; Pastor Mark R. Olson will be officiating.

Phillip's care has been entrusted to Northern Peace Funeral Home of Walker, Minnesota. Online condolences for the family may be given at [www.northernpeace.com](http://www.northernpeace.com).

## Glen Bryan Fisher



**G**len Bryan Fisher, Sr., "Zinga daa Wii Win", "Small Strong Hearted Man", 81, of Cass Lake, passed away at the Sanford Hospital in Bemidji on

Monday, September 8, 2014 with his family by his side. He was born on April 27, 1933 in Onigum, the son of Edward LaFountain and Jennie Fisher.

Glen grew up in the Leech Lake area and when he was 13 years old he ran away from home to join the Army and became a paratrooper. When the Army found out his age, they sent him home. He was there for two months before running away again to join the circus where he was in charge of cleaning cages. He did this until he could join the service at the age of 15. Glen worked in the beat fields. He did landscaping and drove truck for most of his life until he got on with Solid Waste with Leech Lake. Glen was the founding member.

Glen was preceded in death by his parents Ed and Jennie, brother; Charles "Bezbig" Staples, Sr., sister;



## Grief Support Talking Circle

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

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

~Light Meal Provided~

Pearl Fisher, and grandmother "Granny". He is survived by his only son; Glen "Tuffy" Fisher, Jr., daughters; Glenda, Pearl, Denise, Jane and Patsy Kay Fisher. He leaves a legacy of 33 grandchildren and numerous great grandchildren.

A visitation for family and friends will be held from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, September 10, 2014. A memorial service and dinner will be held at 2:00 p.m., on Thursday, September 11, all held at the Facility Center in Cass Lake. Inurnment will be held at the Prince of Peace Cemetery at Mission/Cass Lake following the service on Thursday. Pallbearers for Glen will be Bryan Fisher, Duane Fisher, Ed Fisher, Chris Fisher, Wayne Fisher and Anthony Fisher-Smith. Honorary pallbearers are Jess Headbird, Donnie Headbird, Cheryl Staples, Tim Goose, Clyde Tibbetts, and all the Solid Waste Team.

Glen's care has been entrusted to Northern Peace Funeral Home of Walker, MN. Online condolences for the family may be given at [www.northernpeace.com](http://www.northernpeace.com)

## James Robert Whitebird



**J**ames Robert Whitebird, 77, of St. Cloud, formerly of Cass Lake, passed away on Friday, September

19, 2014 at the St. Cloud Veteran's Hospital. He was born in Onigum, on December 12, 1936 the son of Selam and Margaret (Cloud) Whitebird.

James joined the United States Air Force and served for four years. When he finished with the service he started his career with the Zenith Corporation in Chicago, IL. James was a dedicated worker who retired from the company after 40 years. While in Chicago, James had many friends. He was also faithful to the St. Augustine's Episcopal Church where he served on the Board of Directors. James developed

a special spiritual relationship and bond with Father Peter Powell. He was a very kind person who loved to help people in need. When he retired, James moved back to Cass Lake and was there until he entered the St. Cloud Veteran's hospital. For the past four years James had many friends who he took care of while he was in the hospital. Everyone there thought very highly of him. He will be sadly missed by all he knew and helped.

James was preceded in death by his parents Selam and Margaret, two brothers; Elmer and Donald Whitebird, sister; Eunice Fineday, adopted son; Scott Koonce and one nephew Charles Fineday.

He is survived by his sister; Gloria (Rogelio) Mellado from Cass Lake, aunt; Nancy Whitebird of Cass Lake, nephew; Rogelio "Ross" Mellado of Cass Lake, nieces; Karen Mellado of Cass Lake, Karen Fineday of Cass Lake, Gloria Fineday of Pennington, and Margaret Bryan of Squaw Lake, great nieces, great nephews, other relatives and many friends.

A wake service for James will begin at 5:00 p.m., Monday, September 22, 2014 and will continue until the 11:00 a.m. service on Tuesday, September 23rd, all at the Veteran's Memorial Building in Cass Lake. Father John S. Rock will officiate. Pallbearers for James will be: Doug Bryan, Jr., Russell Bryan, III, Randall Stangler, Rogelio "Ross" Mellado, Ronald Harrison, Jr., and Robert Harrison. Alternate pallbearers are Scott Whitebird and George Grant, Jr. Honorary pallbearers will be: Harry Morris, Eugene "Ribs" Whitebird, Nancy Whitebird, Joyce Headbird, Lorraine Day, and all the St. Cloud V.A. Medical Team at Building 51 second floor. Interment will be held in the Prince of Peace Cemetery at Mission/Cass Lake following the service on Tuesday. Military honors will be accorded by the Leech Lake Honor Guard Post 2001.

James' care has been entrusted to the Northern Peace Funeral Home of Walker, MN. Online condolences for the family may be given at [www.northernpeace.com](http://www.northernpeace.com)



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Hubbard: Crisis Line (800)462-5525/  
(800)422-0863  
Itasca: Crisis Line/CRT (218)326-8565 or  
(800)442-8565

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

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

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[www.stopbullying.gov](http://www.stopbullying.gov) or (800) 537-2237

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