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## New Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig High School to be Completed in December!

Senators Amy Klobuchar and Al Franken visited our Leech Lake School in early May after the announcement in early April that the BIE subsidized school was awarded full replacement funding. After the initial announcement of the funding was announced the Interior Department sent staff to meet with Leech Lake leadership to go over some of the details of the process.

The meeting began with an explanation by Interior staff stating that there are still schools from 2004 that were selected for funding and replacement that have yet to finish the planning process, let alone begin to build. After this statement the room fell silent.

Following this revelation there were several questions regarding the Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig High School from Leech Lake Leadership and the timeline for completion. BIA Deputy Director, Office of Facilities, Property, and Safety Management, Walter Keays, mentioned that the Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig High School is scheduled to be fully completed by Christmas! The room fell silent again.

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*Pictured above L to R: Safety & Security Officer John Parmeter; Senator Amy Klobuchar; Senator Al Franken, Chairwoman Carri Jones, Bureau of Indian Affairs Larry Roberts*



## New Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig High School to be Completed in December!

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The discussion following this bold announcement to have the school completed in such a short time period followed up on how it would be possible to finish such a gigantic undertaking in such a brief amount of time. The answer came back in the form of a simple solution. The building will be built in small sections and be shipped to Leech Lake for assembly from a construction plant in Arizona.



“Obviously we are overcome with happiness that our kids could be in a new, state of the art, facility in such a short time period, said Chairwoman Carri Jones. “This school can become the necessary element that we need to give our students the kind of education to help rebuild and strengthen our community.”

Congratulations were offered by our Minnesota Senators during their visit and they also mentioned the rest of the Minnesota Congressional Delegation’s part in the undertaking as well as efforts from other local officials and other media stories from the Star Tribune to the New York Times. This was an effort not seen at Leech Lake since the inception of reservation gaming.

The new facility is supposed to be linked to the east end of the current elementary school so students will not have to endure frozen walks through the snow to have lunch, and will have a new gymnasium, new library, new media center, and a new music space with room to allow for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM). The new school is slated to encompass 45,000 square feet.

It has taken years and years of repeatedly going to Washington D.C. and lobbying and repeating the process over and over. Many people have testified in front of several Senate and House Committees as well as giving interviews and writing letters to secure a new school for our students.

This was a team effort that culminated in a grand prize with several lessons learned along the way when it comes to working with our Representatives in Washington. Years ago in one of the very first meetings to remedy the problem of this crumbling school, a Leech Lake elder asked the late Congressman and Statesman Mr. Jim Oberstar why he thought it was so easy for everyone to ignore the problems that plague Indian Country. Without hesitation, the good Congressman leaned in and said that it is easy to ignore a voice that isn’t heard, or even loud enough, but if you *force* the legislature to hear you, it will be quite difficult to ignore you.

Leech Lake would like to thank everyone that has worked on behalf of our current and future students and faculty at the Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig High School.

**Miigwech!**

## LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE ELECTION

THE LEECH LAKE TRIBAL COUNCIL HAS CERTIFIED THOSE INDIVIDUALS LISTED BELOW AND HAS FOUND THEM ELIGIBLE TO RUN FOR OFFICE AND THEIR NAMES ARE TO BE PLACED ON THE BALLOT FOR THE JUNE 14,2016

### Leech Lake Housing Candidates Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School Board Candidates

#### District I

Burton “Luke” Wilson  
Brenda White  
Samuel Johnson  
Melissa Bowstring  
Marilyn Bowstring  
Sondra Jackson-Dahl

#### District II

Marlene Mitchell  
Diane Smith  
Shawn Monroe

#### District III

Eugene “Ribs” Whitebird  
Benjamin Meat  
Annette Nadeau  
Jeff Kingbird  
Martin “Mutt” Robinson  
Evelyn Brown  
Toni Pemberton

#### District I

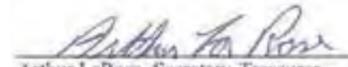
Anita Cloud  
Gina Munnell  
Sarah Wakanabo

#### District II

Shirley Young  
Diane Smith

#### District III

Erin Chase  
Bonnie Rock  
Anne Nadeau  
Ingrid Mesarina  
Robert Whipple  
Kathryn Fairbanks

  
Arthur LaRose, Secretary-Treasurer  
Date: 5-25-16

## POLLING PLACES:

POLLS OPEN: 8:00 a.m.

POLLS CLOSE: 8:00 p.m.

DISTRICT I:

**Ball Club-Community Center**  
31627 County Rd. #39, Deer River, MN

**Inger-Community Center**  
53736 County Rd. #146 Deer River, MN

**Squaw Lake-Community Center**  
59979 County Rd. #4, S. Lake, MN

DISTRICT III:

**Cass Lake-Dikinaagan Center**, 16120 60th Ave NW, Cass Lake, MN  
**Mission-Community Center**, 2126 Finch Lane, SE, Cass Lake, MN  
**Onigum-Community Center**, 08825 County Rd #13, Walker, MN  
**Oak Point-Community Center**, 5468 170th St NW, Cass Lake, MN  
**Cass River-Community Center**, 1731 Scenic Hwy SE, Pennington, MN

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6230 Upper Cass Frontage Rd, Cass Lake, MN

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## Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School Board Candidate Essays

### Sarah Wakanabo

Greetings fellow Band members, parents, students, family and friends,



My name is Sarah Wakanabo, enrolled Leech Lake Band Member, and lifelong resident of Ball Club, Mn. I have two children Arryelle and Peter as well as my niece Amareah. My parents are Candace and the late Andrew Gotchie. I am writing to humbly ask for your support in my election campaign to become District 1 School Board member for the Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School. I have extensive board experience, serving on the LLHA Board of Commissioners, Ball Club Local Indian Council Vice-Chair, and Chair, Mii-Gwitch Mahnomen Days Powwow committee, Deer River JOM committee Chair, Indian Education committee, Headstart Policy Council, Ball Club Parent Committee Chair. I am a 1996 graduate of DRHS, graduating among the top 10% of my class, Kirby Puckett scholarship finalist. I attended summer school at the University of Minnesota-TC. I also attended Bemidji State University. My future plans are to enroll at our Leech Lake Tribal College. One of my great passions in life is to see and assist our youth to succeed. My biggest regret is not taking advantage of the opportunities available to me as a high school student. This brings me to one of my reasons for vying for school board member. If elected I will continue to advocate for the success of all students, whether that be in academics, athletics, or personal achievement.

As a member of the School Board, I will be able to continuing advocating for our youth. Every child deserves to receive the best education possible. I would be the voice and advocate for our students, faculty, parents, and community. I will welcome input, ideas and constructive criticism. Any parent, student, or faculty should be granted their rights to speak openly and honestly and be heard by our school board at any time. Our school board needs to pave the way to bring Silver Eagle pride to the Chief Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School. I would be there to provide vision, accountability, positive working relationships, community leadership, and approve and abide by policies and procedures that work for our school. Providing this will create well-rounded student achievement. I am honored to be a candidate for school board member, if elected I will always be respectful and responsible in my actions involving our school, students and staff. I close with again humbly asking for your vote in the upcoming election on June 14, 2016.

*A campaign dedicated to the life of my grandpa Sandy, who taught me to always have a voice and to stand up for my beliefs.*

### Kathryn S. Fairbanks

Aniin, Kathryn S. Fairbanks indizhinikaaz. Migizi nindodem. Educational experience and training is what I bring to the Bugonaygeshig school board. Educating our youth with accurate, truthful knowledge, will empower us to improve our social condition and bring peace and balance to our reservation. We are healing from historical trauma. Hurt people, hurt people. We are healing.

**Miigwech**

### Ingrid Mesarina

“The battle of Indian children will be won in the classroom, not on the streets or on horses. The students of today are our warriors of tomorrow.”  
– Wilma P. Mankiller



Boozhoo, Ingrid Mesarina Indizhinikaaz. Owaasisii Nindoodem. Gaa-zagaswaajimekaag Indoonjibaa. Gaa-miskwaawaakokaag endaaayan. I am a Bug-o-nay-ge-shig School graduate class of 2004. I received my Child Development Associate certificate and AA degree in Early Childhood Education at Leech Lake Tribal College. I am near completion of my B.S degree in Elementary Education with a Minor in Ojibwe Language at Bemidji State University. I am a mother of two children who are currently enrolled at Bug-o-nay-ge-shig School and I currently serve as the Bug-o-nay-ge-shig LIEC/PSAC Secretary-Treasurer.

I am running for District 3 school board because I believe in the school, the teachers, and most of all, our students. I know the positive impact this school has had on my life growing up, and I want to help make it a place where our children can also have good experiences. I believe it is important for our children to not only receive a quality education, but to also learn their language and culture. These will help them to survive today and to be strong leaders of tomorrow. I hope to work toward

- teacher and student retention
- increasing enrollment and graduation numbers
- more support for culture and language
- working together with the LIEC/PSAC
- more support for Niigaane Immersion
- more support services for our students and families

**I'd appreciate your support and vote for District 3 school board on Tuesday, June 14, 2016. Miigwech**

### Bonnie J. Rock

I am running for a position on the Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School Board and would appreciate support after reading my goals for our school and our students. I am Bonnie J. Rock, Boombaak indizhinikaaz, Maa’ingan nindoodem, minawaa Gaamiskwaawakokaag indizhaa. I am a Leech Lake elder, a licensed teacher of the state, I had worked with a total of almost twenty years at the school on several occasions, beginning in 1989. I am a sober Anishinaabe-ikwe, have three grown children, my youngest son left us about six years ago. At one time or another all four of my children were students at the school, my eldest son was a Sr. Brave at one time.

I have been very much wanting to see our school be a success with all it is capable of and can do. Many years have gone by with so many differing leaderships, both good and not so good. I am concerned for the students’ needs of consistent leadership roles of administration, teachers, and all other staff members. I am a person who likes accountability. I realize the student enrollment numbers are dwindling when they should be rising with the future of the new school to be built.

All our children need to have a good and supportive education for them to succeed, and I can see this brought out with consistency, accountability, caring, and collaboration. We need to focus on professionalism to take care of our children in our school, because it is our responsibility as the Leech Lake nation. Please take a good look at who will be making decisions for the school on behalf of all our students.

**I ask for your vote of support. MIIGWECH Bonnie**

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## Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School Board Candidate Essays

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### Erin Chase

I'm running for school board because I believe our children are our future. I believe the Bug O Nay Ge Shig School needs someone who believes in the culture, language, and most of all the importance of helping our young people succeed. I currently have one child attending Bug O Nay Ge Shig School and two more enrolling for the 2016-2017 school year. My son loves the school because his father graduated from there and the school helps my son stay in tune with in tune with his culture. I would like to see our school be more active in accommodating children with special needs and making sure services are available to them. I worked at the Bug O Nay Ge Shig School from 2004-2006 and had two of my children attend the school. My grandfather was an important part in helping establish the current Bug O Nay Ge Shig School.

**I am looking for your support on June 14, 2016**

### Gina Munnell District 1

I graduated from Bug-o-nay-ge-shig in 1988. I worked at the school from 1997-2011. I was there 14 years as a dedicated employee and the motto of the school was a "family." The culture was rich and offered in every class. It was a joy to work with the students, helping them with their education and it was very rewarding when after working with a student, when you see the "light" come on in their head right at the time it made the connection, they got it.

Three of my four children have graduated from this school and one is set to graduate in 2019. I have been a believer in this school since I attended and graduated. That is why I sent all my children to this school. I would like your support to help make this school the best that it can be!"

### Bob Whipple

If your plan is for 1 year plant rice,  
If your plan is for 10 years, plant trees.  
If your plan is for 100 years, educate children.  
-Confucius-



Hi, my name is Bob Whipple and I am a candidate for the Bugonaygeshig School Board. I would appreciate your vote on June 14, 2016. I would bring experience to the board as follows:

- Organizational budgets
- Human Resources
- Minnesota Indian Teachers Training (Augsburg)
- Management
- Leadership

The experience that I have has given me insight to what it will take to help educate our kids and prepare them to be a part of the greater community and for schools to retain a relationship with them. The school is named after my great-grandfather and I feel the need to retain the original intent of the creation of the school and to honor his name as well as the students. Please help me to help our kids.

**Miigwetch!**

## Leech Lake Housing Board Candidate Essays

### Eugene "Ribs" Whitebird



My name is Eugene "Ribs" Whitebird. I am a lifelong resident of Leech Lake. I am asking for your vote for the upcoming Housing Authority Board. I was on the Housing Authority Board 2006-2008 and worked for the Housing Authority as well. I also served on the Reservation Business Committee (RBC) for four years as District 3 Representative.

I understand our systems and advocated for Leech Lake in Washington and have served on National Boards to raise issues of concern to Leech Lake and the need for funding resources. I know where our housing funding comes from. We all know there's a housing shortage and a problem with homelessness. We have multiple families sharing houses because there are not enough homes available. That is stressful for all the families involved.

The Leech Lake Reservation 2014-2019 CEDS shows; In general, there is a shortage of decent, affordable housing on the reservation. The Leech Lake Housing Authority (LLHA) has been operating and providing for housing needs on the reservation for 50 years. LLHA is governed by an independent board that coordinates with the RBC. LLHA provides housing for rent and ownership. Leech Lake Housing is eligible for a variety of funding available through the Federal Housing and Urban Development Department (HUD).

Leech Lake has 610 low-rent/home ownership units located throughout the reservation. The Native American Housing and Self Determination Act (NAHASDA) program is supported by an annual grant from HUD. Leech Lake currently has 340 housing units in this program. The federal Housing Tax Credit program provides resources for single family units.

Leech Lake maintains five master leases for Band members in Conifer Estates in Bemidji. Conifer Estates is a transitional housing project that provides short to mid-term housing for homeless families in Beltrami County. Homelessness is a significant problem on the reservation. For example, during the 24 month period from June 2006 to June 2008 more than 800 individuals (267 families) requested assistance through the Leech Lake Homeless Program, (see 2006 Wilder Study on homelessness on reservation in Minnesota). Having suitable land for new housing is increasingly becoming a concern. LLBO completed a Ten Year Plan to End Homelessness in October 2011.

Three goals were addressed in the plan: Systems Improvement—Create policies and procedures that support our mission to prevent and end homelessness by using current, relevant information and data to educate the broader community.

1. Education/prevention/service coordination—Increase awareness and education on factors that contribute to homelessness and coordinate tribal and other resources for homelessness prevention and services.
2. Resource Development—Create collaborative partnerships and seek and develop new financial, and housing resources to generate additional housing units and services at all points along the continuum from emergency shelter to permanent supportive housing to affordable home ownership.

The waiting list for housing currently averages 300 plus families. There are 589 sub-standard homes waiting to be upgraded. The LLHA does not have a mortgage program or Revolving Loan Fund for Band member unable to access mortgage financing, (LLHA-2009).

There are four major interrelated housing issues on the reservation:

- 1) housing affordability,
- 2) high number of sub-standard units,
- 3) insufficient supply of affordable housing, and
- 4) lack of home ownership opportunities.

Lack of available land for housing development on the reservation is also a priority concern. Due to the low income of reservation households, affordability is also a critical issue. Due to funding shortfalls, housing development on Leech Lake Reservation has been minimal. In addition the cost of on-site stick built homes is prohibitive with the cost of transportation for home construction workers and materials.

We need to meet the housing demands, create jobs and take advantage of our tribal purchasing power. Working together we can address our housing issues. I will be a strong advocacy for addressing the housing needs of the Leech Lake Band and the homelessness problem.

I ask for your support. On June 14, 2016 **Vote Eugene "Ribs" Whitebird.**

### Samuel Johnson Jr

Ah-noon, My name is Samuel Johnson Jr. I am from Cha Cha Bahning Dist I. I am running for the Dist I Leech Lake Housing Authority Board of Commissioners.

With my work experience it follows as is:

- Construction: Laborer; Carpenter 1974 & 1980-1989
- General Maintenance 1975-1976
- Contractor Position 1989-1992
- Facilities Maintenance 1995-1996
- Leech Lake HIP Housing; Laborer/Carpenter 1996-2002
- Leech Lake Housing Authority ; Lead Inspector 2005
- Mold & Modernization Coordinator ; 2005-Current
- I served in the United States Army 1972-1974

My positions and experience has been mainly in Construction and Housing; includes planning, renovations, estimating, ordering material, & building. I have served on the Bug-0-Nay-Ge-Shig School Board of Commissioners for 3 terms for Dist. I area.

My experience now is being a staff member, I have seen firsthand the kind of communities we are building with our new homes, I seen firsthand how they are managed, how they are maintained and how the Rules & regulations have a big part in our homes. I will use my experience to the fullest of my ability and continue to work with the people of Leech Lake. Support me by voting me in the Dist I position on the June 14, 2016 Miigwetch Samuel Johnson Jr.

### Melissa Bowstring

Boozhoo! I hope you are having a great year so far! My name is Melissa Bowstring, I live in ChaChaBahning with my family. My family consists of five Children and 10 grandchildren. My husband and I have been married for 29 years. I have put my name in to run for the Leech Lake Housing Board. Mostly I did because I would like to help my fellow people have safe and stable homes. I have always been a believer in helping people and what better way than to do that by serving on the Leech Lake Housing Board. With this I do believe we can find other resources other than just housing to help solve some of the issues that we have with our homes?

I would like to see training programs for our people to help become self-sufficient in sustaining your own home whether it be a rental or home ownership house. I have always been a believer in self-sufficiency and making a person feel good about little accomplishments in what they do.

Please take the time to get out there and go vote, it does matter.

### Luke Wilson Sr.



Greetings from Burton "Luke Wilson Sr. I am a first time LLBO Housing Board Candidate on the upcoming election on June 14, 2016. I have been a private Home owner since 1973 and moved back to Leech Lake in 1999. My experience on the Tribal Council from 2001 thru 2006 was a lesson learned throughout the LLBO reservation regarding shortage of housing. I was Chairman of the Leech Lake Land Acquisition Committee when the LLBO bought 400 acres of the Prescott property which now is a community for Leech Lake Housing Authority. We continue to have shortage of housing throughout Leech Lake.

I have the experience and also am firm about policies that we are governed by. LLBO housing Authority and board members have an extensive responsibility about placing family members by not taking advantage of favoritism and nepotism. There are continuous incident reports to LLBO DPS of alcohol, drug, violence and gang activity in our communities throughout the reservation in the Housing Authority owned houses. There is also gun violence with victims being shot. We must protect our innocent families with children and elders living in Housing Authority Houses besides other community members.

All board members from all three districts must stand firm with policies and not be afraid of retaliation. Our duty is to approve housing and to provide protection to improve all communities. I am about following the Seven Traditional teachings, Wisdom, Love, Respect, Bravery, Honesty, Humility and Truth that are given to us to live our lives by. I am the residential Program Manager including the Men's Halfway Houses, Women's Halfway House, Leech Lake Homeless Shelter besides Interim A&D Operations Manager of all out CD Outpatient programs. I am a certified CD counselor and have 35 plus years of sobriety. Please vote wisely for the most qualified candidates in each district.

**Mii-gwetch, Luke Wilson**

### Mutt Robinson



My name is Mutt Robinson. I am seeking the District III position on the LL Housing Authority Board of Directors, the election to be held on June 14, 2016. I am an enrolled member of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe and have lived in Cass Lake my entire life, married and have raised 4 children here. I have been alcohol/drug free for over 25 years.

I served eight (8) consecutive years on the Housing Authority Board in the mid-90's to early 2000's, a part of the Board that made major changes, including supporting the separation of powers to become an autonomous board. This was a complex project which included setting up the logistics in the infrastructure that is still in place today: finances, accounting, human resources, applications, tenant training and education, and the tax credits. The Tax Credit Base was a huge undertaking and was well worth the effort as it enabled the LL Housing Authority to build/construct more needed homes.

Other committees I serve, or have served on, are:

- LL Pow-wow Committee
- CL-B School Board – LIEC/JOM
- Wild Land Firefighter – 17 years
- Anishinabe Legal Services Board
- LL Ojibwe Hymn singers group

I have the experience and knowledge that is vital in making good, positive housing decisions and I would like to be a part of the committee to positively address those concerns. Communication is a key factor when working with all entities working with housing concerns and needs to be a priority in all decisions.

I have a vested interest in our families here on the Leech Lake Reservation and I will work to support the housing issues that we face in keeping our families in safe, adequate housing. I respectfully ask for your vote on June 14, 2016: **If you are a member of a federally recognized tribe, living on this reservation, you are eligible to vote!**

## Leech Lakers 6th grade girls headed for the Pacesetter State tournament

The Leech Lake youth basketball season is winding down after a long winter/spring season. And the Pacesetter tournaments are the usually the final tourneys for many local teams. Two local teams from different sides of the rez combined for the Pacesetter tournys, which usually field strong teams. Leech Laker teams from Ball Club and Cass Lake teamed up to travel. Team members include guards Taryn Frazer, Antavia Bowstring, Arionna Doerr, Amira LaDuke, and Tehya Livingston. Wings Mya Reyes, Kionna Johnson, and Jess Reigel. Posts Tionna Jones, Dinyce Howard, and Jade Wakanabo. The goal is to qualify for the State Pacesetter tournament or the Minnesota Invitational Tournament (MIT). To receive an invitation for state, a team must win a region tournament. There are 8 regions in Minnesota. For an invite to the MIT, each team must win two games at regions.

The Leech Laker 6th grade girls team received two invitations to the state tournament. They won Region 7 & 8 titles recently, and will represent R7 at the state tourny on June 19th in St Cloud. On April 3rd in Grand Rapids, they battled their way to 3 wins and the Region 7 title over Moose Lake-Willow River Rebels, Esko Eskimos (overtime), and Bemidji Lumberjacks. In Theif River Falls, on April 17th they also won 3 games en route to the Region 8 title. Defeating Norman County East/Ulen Hitterdal, Roseau Rams, and Perham Yellowjackets.

They are currently preparing for state by practicing twice a week and are working hard fundraising. If you see any of these young ladies give them a congratulations and wish them luck as they represent Leech Lake proudly.

This group is very talented, and whatever the outcome at state, they have already made their families, and communities very proud. The team and their families would like to give a big MIIGWETCH to these people and businesses for the support on their journey. Leech Lake Gaming, Leroy Fairbanks Office, Cenex, Jurvelins Hardware, Penny Devault Office, Big Tap Bar&Grille, Flossie House, Amanda Oslin, Becky Graves, Bernie Charnoski, Public Relations, Sheryl Paulson, Al Paulson, Betty Jenkins.



Team members include Guards: Taryn Frazer, Antavia Bowstring, Arionna Doerr, Amira LaDuke, and Tehya Livingston. Wings: Mya Reyes, Kionna Johnson, and Jess Reigel. Posts: Tionna Jones, Dinyce Howard, and Jade Wakanabo.

## Native American host Taking Care of Animals Clininc in Onigum

The Native America Humane Society in collaboration with the University of Minnesota College of Veterinary Medicine student group SIRVS (Student Initiative for Reservation Vetinary Services), Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Leech Lake community members and Leech Lake Tribal Police Department hosted a Taking Care of the Animals spay/neuter and wellness clinic in Onigum (Leech Lake Reservation in northern Minnesota) on May 14-15, 2016. A huge thanks to the 27 vet school students, 7 volunteer veterinarians/surgeons, vet techs and community members who made this clinic possible. Over the 1.5 days, 85 pets received much needed care (including 16 spay/neuter surgeries, removal of quills on 4 dogs and every pet received a comprehensive wellness check, vaccinations, heartworm test, ears cleaned/checked, nails trimmed, heartworm preventative and a seresto collar for flea/tick prevention.

Community member Shirley Nordrum describes it best with the following quote: “This was one cool weekend! Native America Humane Society and The U of M School of Veterinary Medicine Student organization “Student Initiative for Reservation Service” (SIRVS) came to Onigum for a wellness clinic. This isn’t one of those flyby night events where you run in get your dog vaccinated and you’re on your way. These talented students give your pet a thorough medical examination, they take time to explain and educate. The spayed and neutered too. They have to complete extra training to be part of these event, they fund raise so their services are free and there were also 7 veterinarian present who volunteered to shadow the student and provide one -on one for the surgeries. And on top of all that the students were mentoring our youth, letting them be part of the exams, looking in microscopes, observing surgeries. These folks ROCK!!!”



## DISTRICT I YOUTH SPOTLIGHT

It is with great pride we spotlight Ms. Arionna Doerr for this month’s Youth Spotlight. Arionna lives with her mom and two younger brothers in Ball Club. She recently graduated from King Elementary School in Deer River and will be entering the 6th grade at Deer River High School. She is a very bright young woman with an even brighter future. Arionna is currently the Mii-Gwitch-Mahnomen Days (Ball Club Pow Wow) Princess and a former Leech Lake Head start Pow Wow Princess and 1st place contestant at the MN Drum and Dance competition a few years ago. Culture is very important to Arionna and her family; she spends her summers on the pow wow trail, is learning to bead and make regalia from her mom, participates in the Drum and Dance Club at King Elementary School in Deer River, and enjoys working in “Gram Liz’s” food stand at Pow Wows. Arionna is no stranger to hard work; She is a Co-Youth Representative on the Ball Club Local Indian Council where she attends monthly meetings and helps plan, shop, set up and run community events. This is her second year on the council and her passion for helping her community is obvious. The council can always count on her to help even when its not an LIC event like backpack stuffing for the LL Back-to-School event or food distributions. Arionna also enjoys sports. Her basketball team, the LL Lakers, has won numerous medals and trophies and will be competing in the Pacesetters Minnesota Invitational Tournament in St. Cloud. She also plays softball and plans on playing volleyball and track when she enters high school. Arionna is also a member of the Girl Scouts troop at the King Elementary School where she participated in various community, academic, and recreational events and activities. When she graduates, she is planning on attending college and possibly working in the construction field. When asked who she looks up to or who inspires her she said Nashel Bebeau, also from Ball Club who will be graduating from DRHS this year and shares a lot of the same values as Arionna; family, community volunteer work and athletics. We look forward to watching you in the future, Arionna, in the community and on the court.



And from Rachel Johnson (president of SIRVS), “Words truly cannot express how grateful I am to you, Shirley, Leslie, Teresa, Rory and everyone else who made this clinic not only happen, but happen in a meaningful way. The clinic turned out even better than I ever could have dreamed - 85 animals seen is quite an accomplishment for 1.5 days! But not only did we provide medical care to the animals, we were deeply engaged with the community, and to quote Monte Fronk of Mille Lacs, I think we did it “in a good way”.

There is gratitude from the community for services being received for pets on reservations where they would otherwise not have access to veterinary care; there is learning by vet school students from community members on so many levels; there is mentorship and camaraderie as native youth shadow vet teams to assist with wellness exams, remove quills, vaccinate, draw blood... the weekend was busy but the community center was filled with kindness and a special energy. “It felt like love and family”, one community member said. Shared learning from all directions. Vet teams and native youth working together as they engaged in conversation with community members with stethoscopes on hearts of adorable pups – supporting each other; learning from each other; holding each other up.

For many of us who were there at the clinic it is hard to put into words the energy felt in Onigum, an outlying community of Leech Lake Reservation in northern Minnesota. Yes, it was Love. It was Family. Other words that come to mind are Community – Hope – Healing. We will share more stories and photos in our blog and we hope you will join us in this journey.

## LEECH LAKE DIABETES EDUCATION PROGRAM MERITS ADA RECOGNITION

The Leech Lake diabetes self-management education program in Cass Lake has been awarded continued Recognition from the American Diabetes Association. The program was originally Recognized in March of 2012. This program offers high-quality education services to the patients it serves.

The ADA Education Recognition Effort, begun in the fall 1986, is a voluntary process which assures that approved education programs have met the National Standards for Diabetes Self-Management Education Programs. Programs that achieve Recognition status have a staff of knowledgeable health professionals who can provide state-of-the-art information about diabetes management for participants.

Self-management education is an essential component of diabetes treatment. One consequence of compliance with the National Standards is the greater consistency in quality and quantity of education offered to people with diabetes. The participant in an ADA Recognized program will be taught, as needed, self-care skills that will promote better management of his or her diabetes treatment regimen. All approved education programs cover the following topics as needed: diabetes disease process; nutritional management; physical activity; medications; monitoring; preventing, detecting, and treating acute complications; preventing, detecting and treating chronic complications through risk reduction; goal setting and problem solving; psychological adjustment; and preconception care, management during pregnancy, and gestational management.

Assuring high-quality education for patient self-care is one of the primary goals of the Education Recognition program. Through the support of the health care team and increased knowledge and awareness of diabetes, the patient can assume a major part of the responsibility for his/her diabetes management. Unnecessary hospital admissions and some of the acute and chronic complications of diabetes may be prevented through self-management education.

“The process gives professionals a standard by which to measure the quality of the services they provide”, commented Carole Robinson, RN, CDE. “And, of course, it helps the consumers to identify these quality programs.”

Honoring & Celebrating  
District I  
Elders  
the month of  
**may**

Happy Birthday

Ruby Rogers	Robert Roy	Carol Goggeye
Marion Bixby	Detra Lyons	Deborah Robinson
Sandra Charwood	Michael Kirt	Francine Smith
Robert Fairbanks	Norma Wilson	Rose Gothcie
Margaret Ferber		Kim Hanson
		Barbara Kannas

From District I Office PENNY, SARAH, & SONDRA



**2016 Graduation  
AOB Head Start,  
Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig  
High School and Leech  
Lake Tribal College**

Congratulations to all the 2016 Graduates! May your journey be fulfilled with success and enjoyment of what the future may hold for you. The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe would like to say thank you and to always follow your dreams.



**Deer River King Elementary Pow-wow**

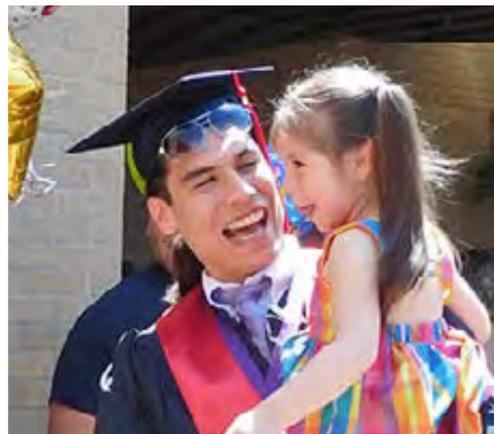


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## Brady Fairbanks Return to Leech Lake Tribal College as Lakers Men's Head Coach

The Leech Lake Tribal College welcomes back Cass Lake's favorite son, Brady Fairbanks, returning as the head coach of the Lakers basketball program. Fairbanks, who was on educational leave since the end of the Lakers' inaugural season, has earned his bachelor's degree in American Indian Studies at Haskell Indian Nation University in Lawrence, Kansas. In his studies at Haskell, he was engaged in range of classes that included treaties, historical figures, policies, laws and legislation.



"I wanted to walk the walk and do this for myself before I try to empower anyone else. Gaining my education is the first step to ensure the message to our students-athletes is they are "students" first and foremost, and "athletes" second," said Fairbanks.

Coach Fairbanks left the Lakers with the program only winning season in three years. He was awarded Northern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference "Coach of the Year" leading the men's team to a 16-8 record. The team boasted many all-conference players comprised of local talents from the Leech Lake area.

"I'm thankful for Coach Northbird as he was able to keep the program alive. He will make my return as convenient as possible. Local talent has filled the roster in the past few years. This upcoming year, due to our young program, we've attracted players from across the country who is seeking playing time to showcase their talents. They will bring high level of competition to the team. I've very excited to be taking over what Coach Northbird has developed and I expect big things for the program," said Coach Fairbanks.

Coach Fairbanks is expected to return full-time beginning July 1, 2016. "The current goal for the College is to gain community involvement. I believe the basketball program can be the means to garner support from the local community. The program is an extension of the College and in many perspectives a marketing tool. This year's schedule is allotted many home games, which will give our program an opportunity to engage with local fans. Many of our competitions recruit from across the country. It should be very good basketball as we compete against junior college powerhouses, private colleges, and other tribal colleges across the Midwest," said Coach Fairbanks.

The College's Athletic Director, Steve Smith, has indicated upon Coach Fairbanks return, Coach Dave Northbird will step down from head coach position. Coach Rod Northbird will continue to have a role with the team.

"Brady is a role model and an example of the talent we have in the area. He understands what it takes to win, both on and off the court. For him to take educational leave to Haskell and earned his bachelor's degree serves as a testament to his commitment to education, and an example for future student-athletes of the program," said Athletic Director Steve Smith.

Brady Fairbanks graduated from Cass Lake-Bena High School where he garnered a successful basketball career leading the Panthers to multiple state tournament runs. He later went on to compete at Bemidji State University and later Haskell Indian Nation University. Brady is the son of Bonnie Fairbanks-Stangel.

"LLTC is unique in many perspectives. It IS an accredited institution, but it's more than that. It's a place where learners of all ages can learn directly from community elders. It's a place where students can feel comfortable and have access to resources they need to ensure a successful college career. People often ask me "Why should I go to the Tribal College, what do I need with beading and canoe making classes?" I say why not? Those are art classes, but not any art classes; they are "traditional" art classes. Who's to say "classical" or "renaissance" art courses are any better than "traditional" art? LLTC is a place you can earn your education, while reconnecting with the local culture and values. That's what makes us unique as a higher education institution. The local high school talents continue on to big colleges and they feel misplaced and uncomfortable. In many cases, they return home lost without guidance. LLTC is a place where local talents can transition into College life in a much more relaxed environment. They also get to compete at a high level. It's my job not only as a coach, but as an advisor to guide these student-athletes to become successful. I'm looking forward to helping the student-athletes and to be a part of the LLTC family again," said Coach Fairbanks.

The Lakers men's program has a combined record of 29-43 for the past three seasons. The Lakers' Men's team finished 5-19, and the women's team finished with 7-15 for the 2015-2016 NIAC campaign.

The LLTC Lakers will host at the Cass Lake-Bena High School gymnasium. If you want to support the Lakers or learn more about Coach Fairbanks and the team, please contact the College at (218) 335-4220 and/or visit the website at [www.lltc.edu](http://www.lltc.edu) for more information.

The Leech Lake Tribal College is a two-year higher education institution providing accredited education grounded in Anishinaabe values.

## 2015-2016 Leech Lake Senior Princess Lori Martin-Kingbird

Boozhoo, My name is Wahana-Giizigoo-Ikwe (morning spirit woman) and my English name is Lori Martin-Kingbird. I was honored to serve as the 2015-2016 Leech Lake Senior Princess. I want to thank my family for encouraging and supporting me as I achieve my goals. I also would like to thank Leech Lake Tribal Council and Leech Lake Community Members for supporting me and allowing me the honor of representing them as Leech Lake Nation Sr. Princess at the He Sapa Wacipi Na Oskate Black Hills, Gathering of Nations and local powwows. My experience as Leech Lake Sr. Princess will last a lifetime. I'm thankful for all the amazing people I have met along my journey. Again, I'm honored and grateful to represent the Leech Lake Nation as 2015-2016 Sr. Princess.

**Miigwetch!**



## Northland Community Schools Anishinaabe Quiz Bowl team Victory

Congratulations to the Northland Community Schools Anishinaabe Quiz Bowl team who are this year's 2015-2016 State Champions! The team competed this month at the Fondulac Tribal Community College in Cloquet, MN along with a total of 25 registered teams. The team also had a very successful season this year. Receiving a 2nd place, a 3rd place and 6-1st place wins in each of the 8 competitions held throughout the season. Anishinaabe Quiz Bowls are organized competitions hosted by schools throughout MN, where students compete in the knowledge of Anishinaabe history, culture, and the Ojibwe language. It is also a way to challenge the students to learn more about the culture and language. Congratulations to the team on their hard work and dedication!



## Native American Archeology Presentation

Jim Jones, a Leech Laker and a graduate of Bug O Nay Ge Shig School in the 1980's, recently gave an archeology presentation to history classes at both Bug O Nay Ge Shig and Cass Lake/Bena High Schools. He spoke about our local history and brought in artifacts that had been found in northern MN.

He also talked about the importance of the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act of 1990 which returned sacred objects back to the tribes, as well as human remains that had been uncovered and placed in museums. Under Jim's direction, over 3,000 human remains have been returned to tribal nations and reburied. Jim encouraged the students to continue their education after high school. Miigwetch to Jim for sharing with us.

## LLBO WIC FOR June 2016 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**

## Leech Lake Tribal College selected to host traveling exhibition about Native concepts of health and illness

The Larry P. Aitken Library at Leech Lake Tribal College has been selected in a competitive application process to host *Native Voices: Native Peoples' Concepts of Health and Illness*, a traveling interactive exhibition to U.S. libraries. The exhibition is available for viewing at the library from May 27 through June 30. The library is open to the public on weekdays from 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM.

*Native Voices* explores the interconnectedness of wellness, illness and cultural life for Native Americans, Alaska Natives and Native Hawaiians. Stories drawn from both the past and present examine how health for Native People is tied to community, the land and spirit. Through interviews, Native People describe the impact of epidemics, federal legislation, the loss of land, and the inhibition of culture on the health of Native individuals and communities today.

As one of 104 grant recipients selected from across the country, the library will host the traveling exhibition from May 27 to June 30 during its tour of the United States from February 2016 to June 2020. *Native Voices: Native Peoples' Concepts of Health and Illness* was displayed at the NLM in Bethesda, Maryland, from 2011 to 2015. To learn more and view content from the exhibition, visit <http://www.nlm.nih.gov/nativevoices>.

The exhibition's grand opening event on Friday, May 27 at 2:00 PM will feature a special teaching by Larry Aitken on the application of indigenous plants as food and medicine. This event is free and open to the public. Please contact librarian Hannah Buckland at 335-4240 for more information.



### WIC CLINICS AT OUTLYING CLINICS

**1<sup>st</sup> Thursday, 2 - Onigum Community Center** Appointments 10a.m.- 1p.m.  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday, 9 - Inger Clinic** Appointments 10a.m. - 2p.m.  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday, 16 - Ball Club Comm. Ctr.** Appointments 10a.m. - 3p.m.  
**4<sup>th</sup> Thursday, 23 - Bena WIC Clinic** Appointments 10a.m. - 2p.m.

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



# Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Tribal Court

16126 John Moose Drive NW  
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:

**Crystal Cloud and Thomas Tejohn, Sr., Parents.** Court File No. CP-15-01  
Filed on: April 13, 2016

**Rosalie M. White and David Chase, Jr., Parents.** Court File No. CP-14-09  
Filed on: March 30, 2016

#### NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on, a **Petition to Transfer Permanent Legal and Physical Custody** 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.

### -LEGAL NOTICE BY PUBLICATION-

#### Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Child(ren) of:

**Stephanie Cloud and Jesse Day, Parents.** Court File No. CP-14-41  
FILED: May 10, 2016

In Re the Custody of: **R.G., Minor Child, DOB: 12/26/2014**

**Linnea Gale, Petitioner VS. Putative Father of R.G., Respondent**  
CASE NO. FA-15-64 FILED: March 29, 2016

#### NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on (date listed above), a **Petition to Suspend Parental Rights** 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.

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#### Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Children of:

**Heather Kingbird & Michael Friedman, Parents.** Court File No. CP-15-28  
Filed on: May 3, 2016

**Natalie Beaulieu, Derrick G. Harper, Jr., and any man who claims to be the father of J.B., Parents** Court File No. CP-14-49  
Filed on: May 12, 2016

#### NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on (date listed above), 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.

### -LEGAL NOTICE BY PUBLICATION-

#### Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In Re the Custody of: K.M.J., Minor Child, DOB: 05/16/2013

**James L. Jones Jr., Petitioner,** Court File No. CP-16-68  
**Mercedes M. Fineday, Respondent,** Filed on: May 16, 2016

#### NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on May 16th, 2016, a **Petition for Custody and Parenting Time** was filed with the Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the child of the abovenamed parents. You, the respondent herein, are hereby notified that you must contact the Leech Lake Tribal Court immediately. The telephone number is (218) 335-3682 or 3586. Failure to contact the Court may result in a default judgement being entered against you, the respondent, and any other relief may be granted as prayed for by the petitioner.

### SUMMONS & NOTICE OF CHILD SUPPORT ACTION

Leech Lake Child Support Enforcement Program, by Assignment of

**Rikki Blue-Robinson, Petitioners,**  
VS. **Terry Robinson Jr., Respondent.** CASE NO. FA-15-179

#### NOTICE

YOU, RESPONDENT Terry Robinson Jr., ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to appear before the Judge of this Court for an Initial Hearing on Thursday, July 14, 2016, at 2:30 p.m., in the Tribal Courtroom located at the Facility Center, upper level, 16126 John Moose Drive NW, in Cass Lake, Minnesota, then and there to answer to an defend against the **Petition for Adjudication and Establishment of Paternity, Establishment of Child Support** and Income Withholding filed the undersigned Clerk of Tribal Court. You are notified that judgment by default may be taken against you unless you file with the Tribal Court an Answer and appear for the Initial Hearing, at the date, time and place specified above

### LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE IN TRIBAL COURT

FAMILY DIVISION

In Re: Estate of:  
**Catherine Ann Adams,**  
DOB: 08-19-1951  
Decedent

NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED  
PERSONS AND CREDITORS  
Court File No. CV-16-40

IT IS ORDERED AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above-named decedent, Catherine Ann Adams, died November 12, 2014. A hearing was held before the Honorable Megan Treuer, Associate Judge of the above-named Tribal Court located in the Leech Lake Facility Center, in Cass Lake, Mn on the 26th day of April 2016 at 9:30 a.m., upon the filing of a Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy, Determination of heirs and Formal Appointment of Personal Representative by Karen Anoka, surviving daughter of the decedent.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that at the Initial Probate Hearing held on April 26th, 2016, in Leech Lake Tribal Court, Jean Roper (Adams), 6572 64th Street, Cass Lake, MN 56633 was appointed to act as Personal Representative of the Estate of Catherine Ann Adams, decedent.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that all creditors having a claim against the estate are required to present the same to the Personal Representative or the Clerk of the Leech Lake Tribal Court within ninety days (90) days from the date of the first publication of the notice or claims will be barred.

### -LEGAL NOTICE BY PUBLICATION-

#### Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In Re the Custody of: **C.C.S. aka C.C.B,** Minor Child, DOB: 03/01/2012.

**Tony Stangel, Petitioner,** Court File No. FA-15-110  
**Meagan Bowstring, Respondent,** Filed on: May 16, 2016

#### NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on May 20th, 2015, a **Petition for Custody and Parenting Time** was filed with the Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the child of the abovenamed parents. You, the respondent herein, are hereby notified that you must file a response in the office of the Leech Lake Tribal Court on or before July 12th, 2016 at 10:00 a.m., the date of the Initial hearing scheduled in Leech Lake Tribal Court, Facility Center, Cass Lake, Minnesota. Failure to appear at the above date and time may result in a default judgment being entered against you, the respondents, at that time for the relief requested in the Petition, and any other relief may be granted as prayed for by the petitioner.

### -LEGAL NOTICE BY PUBLICATION-

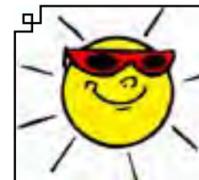
#### Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In Re the Marriage of:

**Reba Marie Brown-ManyPenny, Petitioner** Court File No. FA-15-164  
VS. **Michael Brown, Respondent** Court Date: May 31, 2016 at 9am

#### NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Petitioner above named has filed a legal action against you, the Respondent, asking for **Dissolution of Marriage and other relief.** Unless you file a response or otherwise file your appearance in this cause in the office of the Leech Lake Tribal Court on or before the court date provided above, a Judgment for Dissolution of Marriage and other relief may be granted as prayed for by the petitioner.



## District I Summer Kick-off 2016 Kids Fest

(kids, don't forget to bring your parents.)

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**Friday, June 24th  
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## Congratulations Rae Bellecourt!!

To Auralia "Rae" Bellecourt who will be graduating from Denfeld High in Duluth on Thursday, June 9, 2016. After graduation she will be entering the U.S. Navy on July 1, 2016.

Rae is the daughter of Lenny Bellecourt and Willa Jourdain, grand daughter of Sharon Brown, Floyd Jourdain, Sr. and Elaine Jourdain.

Love you and very proud of you, Your family.



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### EPA is Holding a PUBLIC MEETING and Accepting PUBLIC COMMENTS

#### On a Proposed Cleanup Plan

#### St. Regis Paper Co. Superfund Site

Leech Lake Reservation, Cass County, Minnesota



**Date:** Tuesday, Aug. 16 **Time:** 6:30 p.m.

**Place:** Cass Lake-Bena Elementary School

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency recently completed a study of the St. Regis Paper Co. Superfund site and has issued a proposed plan that evaluated several alternatives for cleaning up pollution from the residential area.

#### EPA recommends:

1. Removing contaminated soil from affected residential areas and replacing it with clean soil.
2. Managing most of the removed soil on-site.
3. Disposing of a small amount of heavily contaminated soil at an off-site facility.
4. Monitoring soil stored on-site.

The estimated cost is \$18.5 million.

For more information, contact Heriberto Leon at 800-621-8431, Ext. 66163

by Monday, Aug. 8.

Community Involvement Coordinator

## 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;**

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

### THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS ARE OPEN UNTIL FILLED

- Fitness Specialist ~ Health & Human Services ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 16-085**  
**PT Kego Lake Summer Food Cooks ~ Early Childhood ~ Job Code: 16-066**  
**PT Ball Club Summer Food Cooks ~ Early Childhood ~ Job Code: 16-065**  
**Engine Boss ~ Division of Resource Management ~ Job Code: 16-043B**  
**Seasonal Natural Resource Technician Intern (3) ~ DRM ~ Job Code: 16-068**  
**Budget Analyst ~ Health & Human Services ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 16-067**  
**Program Accountant (3) ~ Finance ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 15-120C**  
**Kitchen Assistant ~ Early Childhood ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 16-056**  
**Child Protection Case Mngtr (2) ~ Health & Human Srvc ~ Code: 16-018B**  
**PT Registered Dietitian ~ Health & Human Services ~ Job Code: 16-063**  
**Driver/Operator ~ Department of Public Works ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 16-033**  
**Cass Lake Family Service Advocate ~ Early Childhood ~ Job Code: 16-045**  
**Ball Club Family Service Advocate ~ Early Childhood ~ Job Code: 16-026**  
**Carpenter ~ Department of Public Works ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 16-028**  
**CL Special Needs Teacher Asst. (4) ~ Early Childhood ~ Code: 16-054**  
**BC Special Needs Teacher Asst ~ Early Childhood ~ Code: 16-052**  
**Bena Special Needs Teacher Asst ~ Early Childhood ~ Job Code: 16-051**  
**Sugar Pt Special Needs Teacher Asst ~ Early Childhood ~ Code: 16-050**  
**Inger Special Needs Teacher Asst ~ Early Childhood ~ Job Code: 16-049**  
**Onigum Special Needs Teacher Asst ~ Early Childhood ~ Job Code: 16-048**  
**Bena Infant/Toddler Teacher ~ Early Childhood ~ Job Code: 15-133B**  
**Ball Club Kitchen Helper/Driver ~ Health & Human Srvc ~ Code: 16-022**  
**Kego/Boy Lake Youth Activity Coord. ~ Education ~ Job Code: 16-008**  
**Environmental Health Specialist ~ H & H Services ~ Code: 16-004**  
**Mental Health Therapist ~ Opioid Treatment Prg ~ Job Code: 15-171**  
**WIC Nutrition Counselor ~ H & H Services ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 16-010**  
**Cook -Cass Lake ~ Early Childhood ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 15-087D**  
**Journeyman Electrician ~ Dpt. of Public Works ~ Job Code: 15-156**  
**Mental Health Practitioners ~ H & H Services ~ Job Code: 15-090C**  
**Foster Care Specialist-Child Welfare ~ H & H Services ~ Job Code: 15-151**  
**P-T EMT Attendant (4) ~ H & H Services ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 15-137**  
**Full-Time LPN (2) ~ Opioid Treatment Prg ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 15-097**  
**Tribal Planner/Developers (2) ~ Tribal Development ~ Code: 15-058**  
**Mental Health Professional (3) ~ H & H Services ~ DOQ ~ Code: 15-081**  
**Comm. Economic Development Specialist ~ Tribal Dvypmt ~ Code: 15-059C**  
**P-T Bena Homeless Shelter Advocates (3) ~ H & H Services ~ Code: 15-028**

### THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS CLOSE ON JUNE 17th, 2016

- Fleet Mechanic/Tow Truck Operator ~ Fleet Mng ~ Code: 16-059D**  
**CL Youth Activities Coordinator ~ Youth Division ~ Code: 16-079B**  
**Bena Youth Activities Coordinator ~ Youth Division ~ Code: 16-080B**  
**Caregiver ~ Health & Human Services ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 16-077B**  
**Driver/Operator Foreman ~ Tribal Roads ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 16-083B**



### Kenneth Gordon Tejohn

**K**enneth Gordon Tejohn, age 58, of Cass Lake, Minnesota began his spiritual journey unexpectedly on Monday, May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016 from the Hennepin County Medical Center in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Ken was born in Pike Bay Township in Cass Lake on April 1<sup>st</sup>, 1958 to Betty Blakely and James Tejohn, Sr.



Ken liked the outdoors, boating and fishing were the things he liked most. Springtime was his favorite season. Ken was a good shade tree mechanic and also did a stint as a wildland firefighter, both in and out of state. He really enjoyed being with his family, his nieces and his nephews.

Those welcoming Ken to the spirit world are his parents; James Sr. and Betty, uncles; Phillip Blakely, Norman Blakely and Simon Blakely, Jr., aunt; Linda Neimi-Blakely, his grandparents, cousins, other relatives and friends.

Those he leaves behind are his brothers; James Tejohn, Jr. and Kevin Tejohn both of Cass Lake, sisters; Beverly (Jon) Kamrowski, Linda Tejohn and Jenny Ellis all of Cass Lake and Barbara Bullhead of Minneapolis, many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

A wake for Ken will begin at 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, June 1<sup>st</sup> and continue until his traditional service at 11:00 a.m., on Friday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> all being held at the Veteran's Memorial Building in Cass Lake. Allen Hardy will be his Spiritual Leader. Helping to lay Ken to rest are

Jason French, Anthony Tejohn, James Tejohn III, Bradley Tejohn, Thomas Tejohn and Michael Johnson. Alternate pallbearers are Iroquoii Anoka, Derek Blakely and Richard Person. Ken's honorary pallbearers are Ed Morgan, Terrence O'Connor, Stacy Weaver, Jim Nevitt, Ernest Dunn, William Morgan and Johnson Tejohn. Interment will be in the Chippewa Bible Cemetery at Oak Point following his Friday service.

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

### Michael John Wilson

**M**ichael John Wilson, age 52, of Minneapolis, began his spiritual journey on Friday, May 20, 2016 in Minneapolis. He was born on April 18, 1964 in Chicago, IL the son of Burnham Wilson and Evelyn Baker.



Michael attended and graduated from Blackduck High school in 1983. He then attended the Rainey River Community College and obtained a degree in Construction. He travelled to different places using his degree, like Florida and Washington. Michael joined the United States Army in December of 1986 and served his country before returning home in 1991. He liked spending time with his family, going to pow-wows and helping people in need. Family he joins again are his parents Burnham and Evelyn, and one sister

Barbara.

Those he leaves behind to cherish his memory are his children; Jerica and Jeriko and the mother of the twins; Mary Strohmeier, brothers; Mark Wilson of Minneapolis, James Brown, Jason Brown, and Burnham Drouillard all of Cass Lake, sisters; Marilyn, Brenda, and Louella all of Cass Lake.

A wake for Michael will begin at 4:00 p.m., Thursday, May 26, 2016 and will continue until the 1:00 p.m. service on Friday, May 27. Rev. Mark R. Olson will officiate. Urn bearers will be Burnham Drouillard and James Brown. Honorary pallbearers will be all of Michael's family and friends. Military honors will be accorded by the Bena American Legion Post 2000. Inurnment will be held both in Prince of Peace Cemetery next to his dad, and also at Ft. Snelling National Cemetery following the service.

Michael's 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)

### Raymond "B-Ray" Wayne Jenkins, Jr

**R**aymond "B-Ray" Wayne Jenkins, Jr., age 25, of Cass Lake passed away unexpectedly on Thursday, May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at North Memorial Medical Center in Robbinsdale, Minnesota. B-Ray was born in Bemidji Minnesota on December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1990, the son of Raymond and Charlene (Fineday) Jenkins, Sr.



B-ray loved spending time with his family, especially his two children. They were his pride and joy. He also liked playing PlayStation and xbox, NBA and call of duty. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, and loved to go ricing and being outdoors. He enjoyed spending his free

time at the casino, he loved playing blackjack. He was very good at NOT LISTENING. He was teased by family about being a know it all. He was a joy to be around, he always loved to make people laugh. B-ray will be truly missed by his parents, children, nieces, nephews, his three sisters, brother in law, and girlfriend.

The family that B-Ray joins again are his paternal grandfather Louis Jenkins, Sr., maternal grandparents; Joseph and Leona Fineday, cousin; Marya Jenkins and other relatives.

The family he leaves behind are his parents; Raymond and Charlene Fineday of Cass Lake, son; Rashawn Jenkins of Cass Lake, daughter; Raelynn Jenkins of Cass Lake, sister; Shauna (Matt) Fourstar of Cass Lake, grandmother; Susan Jenkins, special sisters; Ameera and Anishtah Jenkins, niece; Naomi Fourstar, nephew; Arden "AJ" Fourstar, girlfriend and mother of his children; Jennifer Mitchell and numerous aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

A wake for B-Ray will begin at 5:00 p.m., Sunday, May 29<sup>th</sup> and continue until his 2:00 p.m. funeral service on Tuesday, May 31<sup>st</sup> all being held at the Mission Community Center in Cass Lake/Mission area. Spiritual Leader Tony Jenkins and Pastor Mark Peske will officiate. Those helping to lay B-Ray to rest are Kristopher Roybal, Ben Cameron, Jr., Donald DJ" Burris, Martin Wind, Charles Bobolink and Ingoozis "Sonny" Egan. Alternate pallbearer is George Jenkins III. His honorary pallbearers are Robert Roybal, Lorna Roybal, Carol Jenkins, Marilyn Littlewolf, Mary Bellanger, Delores Fineday, Noelle Mitchell, Hailey White, Michelle Mitchell, Tasha Bowstring, Louise McKennett, Autumn Bowstring, Ameera Jenkins, Anishtah Jenkins, Naomi Fourstar, Emma Baker and all the Palace Casino Employees. Interment will be in the Fineday Family Cemetery at Pennington immediately following his funeral service.

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



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