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Leech Lake, White Earth and Red Lake Leaders Meet With MN Governor Mark Dayton, Announce \$880,000 Grant

By Michael Chosa

BEMIDJI, MN- The Northwest Indian Community Development Center hosted MN Gov. Mark Dayton and area tribal leaders for a roundtable meeting to discuss strategies for reducing Native American educational disparities in the state. Representing Leech Lake were Secretary-Treasurer Archie LaRose and Dist III Representative LeRoy Staples Fairbanks. White Earth Chairman Terry Tibbets, Red Lake Chairman Darrell Seki and Red Lake Tribal Secretary Donald Cook also participated in the meeting.

According to the Governor's Office, 32 percent of Native Americans in Minnesota live in poverty, triple the statewide average. Typically, people living in poverty have a much lower level of educational attainment than the general population.

Having a high school diploma or GED increases the earning power of individuals by 37.5 percent – that is nearly a \$10,000 per year median wage increase, which can make a significant difference for Minnesota families. However, only



about 50 percent of American-Indian high school students currently attain a diploma within four years.

Anishinaabe Basic Education Initiative

After the meeting, Governor Dayton, along with the tribal leaders held a press conference to announce \$880,000 in funding for the Anishinaabe Basic Education Initiative. This program will provide an opportunity for Native Americans in the community to earn their diplomas, further their education and gain access to in-demand careers.

"Our goal is to create on-ramps for people to get an education to either continue it or join the workforce with living wage jobs" Said Tuleah Palmer, NWICDC Executive Director. "As we come here today, we're really looking at the equity from appropriations as a starting point to address a series of disparities that are facing the American

Indian community in this region."

The Initiative is expected to help 150 Native Americans obtain their diploma or GED and access job training during its first year of implementation. An ongoing \$250,000 grant will allow the initiative to grow in future years, expanding economic opportunity across the state.

"The Anishinaabe Basic Education Initiative will help American Indian Minnesotans attain the educations they need for good careers," said Governor Dayton. "I thank the Northwest Indian Community Development Center, the American Indian Opportunities Industrialization Center, and Minnesota's Tribal Leaders for their stewardship of this initiative. Providing all Minnesotans access to educational opportunities will help build an economy that works better for all Minnesotans."

During the 2016 Legislative Session, the American Indian Opportunities Industrialization Center and the Northwest Indian Community Development Center advocated for the \$880,000 grant. Interested parties will be able to access the program at the locations in Bemidji and Minneapolis. Contact AIOIC 612-341-3358 or NWICDC 218-759-2022 for more information.

Leech Lake Supports Standing Rock Sioux Tribe

IN A LETTER DATED AUGUST 18th, 2016 Leech Lake Tribal Chairman Faron Jackson Sr. offered his support, on behalf of the Leech Lake Band, to the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe in their efforts to halt construction of the Dakota Access Pipeline.

In July, the U.S. Army Corp. of Engineers granted the water crossing permits necessary for construction of the project to begin. This was done despite requests by the EPA, Department of Interior and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation for an Environmental Impact Assessment and Statement.

The Standing Rock Sioux has opposed construction of the pipeline from day one. In response to the permit approvals, the environmental group Earthjustice filed a lawsuit on behalf of the tribe.

The tribe fears the pipeline will put their people's water supply in jeopardy and threaten sacred sites in violation of several federal laws. The permits allow the pipeline to cross beneath the Missouri River twice, including less than a mile upstream of the reservation, home to about 8,000 people. Standing Rock Sioux Chairman Dave Archambault II stated, "Our cultural sites are at risk, our water is at risk and people are at risk, this water is a life source, and not just for my people."

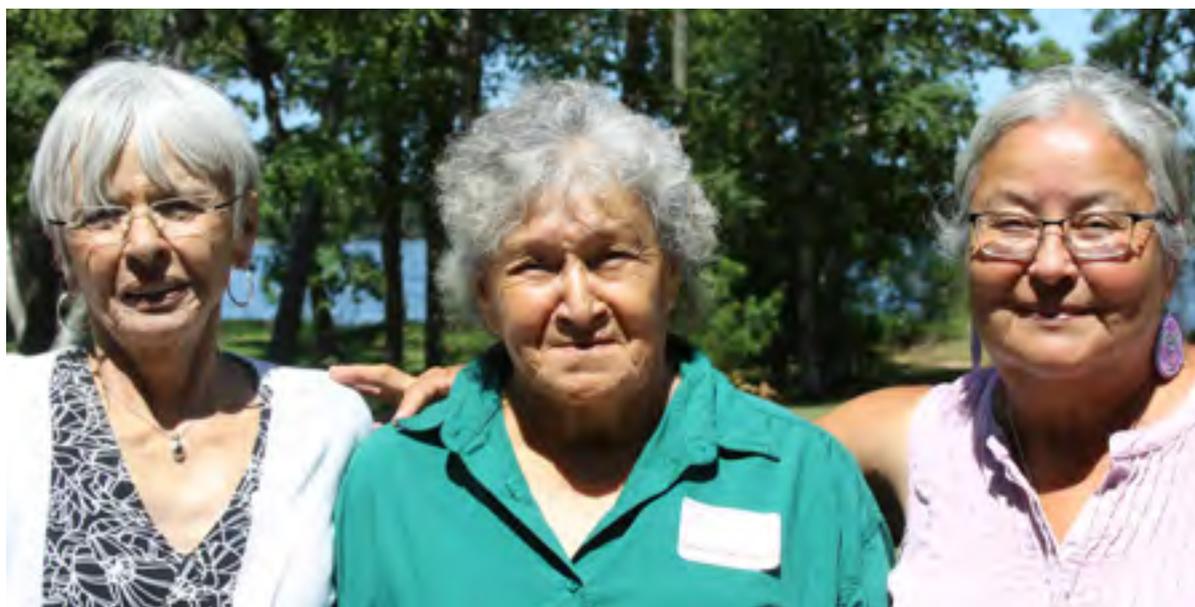
With construction imminent and no immediate action from the legal efforts, people began gathering near the construction site in Cannon Ball, ND. The number of protestors has swelled in recent weeks as thousands of supporters have streamed into the area.

Protests have sprung up throughout the country in solidarity with the Standing Rock Tribe including Washington D.C. where a hearing on the pipeline was recently held. A federal judge is expected to issue

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“Celebrating Native Women” Gathering Held

By Michael Chosa



L to R: Margaret Treuer, Helen Bryan Johnson and Elaine Fleming. Three of the four women honored during the Celebrating Native Women Gathering. Carri Jones did not attend the event.

MORE THAN 70 LOCAL women attended the gathering at the BSU American Indian Resource Center on August 2nd, 2016. The Blandin Foundation's Office of Public Policy and Engagement hosted the event. Intended to serve as a celebration of the importance of Anishinaabe culture and values, the event also focused on instilling a stronger sense of self, identity, pride, hope and connection in the attendees. With these goals in mind, attendees heard presentations on a range of topics including traditional Anishinaabe moon teachings, healthy eating, self-respect, body image and Anishinaabe academic success.

“What we learned is that there are many different pathways of being an Anishinaabe woman,” said Dr. Kathy Annette, Blandin Foundation President, “Yet our culture is core to who we are, that it takes many types of information to live in the broader world, and education is a type of information that Anishinaabe women can bring into their lives.”

During lunch, the group honored and recognized four women who have shown leadership in the community:

- Helen Bryan Johnson – Helen's stand for justice - all the way to the U.S. Supreme Court - against state taxes on her mobile home, called into question the intent of Public Law 280 and provided the legal bedrock that paved the way for sovereign tribal interest in economic self-sufficiency and self-determination, specifically gaming, in Indian Country.
- Margaret (Peg) Treuer – Peg broke the cycle of loss of traditional knowledge, teachings and practices for herself and her family, became one of the first female Native American attorneys in the United States and the first female native attorney in the state of Minnesota. Peg is quoted as saying, “there is nothing that can stop an Indian who knows who he or she is.”
- Elaine Fleming - Elaine's life has been in the benefit of others, from her 10 years of service in the U.S. Army, as the first female, Native American mayor in the state of Minnesota, as a traditional storyteller, a community organizer, and through her dedication to preservation of culture as an educator.

- Carri Jones –The youngest person, and first woman, to serve as Tribal Chair of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe, Carri was honored as a strong Anishinaabe woman who has shown her commitment to caring not only for her family, but for her tribe as well.

In the afternoon, a panel discussion was held featuring several Leech Lake women including: Leah Monroe, Angela Nordman, Anne Dunn and Linda Lyons Aitkin. They spoke about their journeys as Anishinaabe women and answered question from attendees.

“I'm so appreciative and grateful to all the women who took the initiative to lead us through this wonderful day.” Said Dr. Annette. Attendees were also treated to a performance by LLBO band member and musician, Annie Humphrey.

This was the first time this particular event was hosted by the Blandin Foundation. Kathy Annette and staff plan to host a post event meeting to discuss what they saw, felt and learned from the gathering. “We'll see what plans may be for the future after that” Kathy noted.

National Native News Briefs

President Obama Announces 2016 White House Tribal Nations Conference

On Monday, September 26, President Obama will host the 2016 White House Tribal Nations Conference in Washington, DC. This will be the President's eighth and final Tribal Nations Conference, providing tribal leaders from the 567 federally recognized tribes with the opportunity to interact directly with high-level federal government officials and members of the White House Council on Native American Affairs.

Each federally recognized tribe is invited to send one representative to the conference. This year's conference will continue to build upon the President's commitment to strengthen the government-to-government relationship with Indian Country and to improve the lives of American Indians and Alaska Natives. Additional details about the conference will be released at a later date.

STOP Act Introduced In U.S. Senate

Several U.S. Senators in the Southwestern United States have introduced a bill to halt international sales of Native American artifacts. Anyone caught smuggling the items out of the U.S. would face 10 years in prison along with fines. The bill would also create a group made up of tribal representatives to help federal officials determine the extent of worldwide artifact trafficking.

It comes after several high-profile auctions in Paris of Navajo and Hopi objects, and attempts by tribes and the U.S. Justice Department to halt the sales. French courts determined that the auctions could go forward. The STOP Act will go to the Committee on Indian Affairs before possible consideration by the full Senate.

New ICWA Rule to Take effect in December

A new federal rule will require judges in every state to ask whether a child is a Native American during foster-care and adoption proceedings — especially when there's reason to believe a child is a tribal member.

Under the rule announced by the Interior Department, judges also must ask about a child's status as a tribal member during hearings to determine whether or not a mother or father's parental rights will be terminated. The regulation is set to go into effect in December as part of the Indian Child Welfare Act.

First Ever Indigenous Comic Con to be held

The organizers of the event is the Indigenous Narratives Collective, which describes itself on their Facebook page as “what it looks like when Native Americans are in charge of the comic book universe: no shamans, no trackers, just Native superheroes. ‘Nuff said.”

Scheduled to take place November 18-20 in Albuquerque, New Mexico, the event is an effort by indigenous Americans to tell their own story, and reclaim from outsiders the stereotypical depictions of indigenous culture that are all too common in popular media. The Albuquerque convening will feature comic books, video games, tabletop games, graphic novels, film and television, sci-fi and fantasy, and anything else Indigenous.

Board of Directors Names Dr. Erma Vizenor as President of the Leech Lake Tribal College

Submitted by Amarin Chanthorn, LLTC Director of Advancement

THE LLTC BOARD OF Trustees announced Dr. Erma J. Vizenor as the new College president. A Bush Fellowship recipient, she possesses an undergraduate degree in elementary education, master's degree guidance counseling, a specialist degree in education administration, and her doctorate in administration, planning, and social policy from Harvard University.



In 2014, Governor Mark Dayton appointed Dr. Vizenor to the Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities System for a six-year term. Prior to being named the College's next president, she served in White Earth Nation tribal government for the past 18 years and resigned from Chairwoman of the Tribal Council this past January.

The Board of Trustees decision was based on combined employment background, academic credentials, and tribal community relationships. The combined experience in these areas led Dr. Vizenor as the primary candidate for the leadership position at LLTC.

"This is such a wonderful opportunity to start the next 25-years with the College; I want to do all I can to ensure the College is financially stable, continuously thriving and growing to meet the needs of our students. I look forward to my tenure here at the College," said Dr. Vizenor.

Dr. Vizenor replaces Dr. Ginny Carney, who came out of retirement to serve as the interim-president.

Formal presidential inauguration will be conducted at a later date at a private event. Dr. Vizenor formal start date was Monday, July 18, 2016.

The Leech Lake Tribal College is an accredited higher-education institution chartered by the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in 1990. Visit www.lltc.edu for more information and news briefs.

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a ruling on the pipeline construction by Sept. 9th.

For now, protestors have been successful in halting construction at the Cannon Ball, ND site. Their resistance efforts have garnered national attention with high profile actors such as Leonardo DiCaprio, Susan Sarandon and Shailene Woodley joining the protest.

For more information regarding the protest and how you can support their cause, visit: <http://www.sacredstonecamp.org>

District III Representative LeRoy Staples Fairbanks, traveled to North Dakota to hand deliver the letter along with water, wild rice and other supplies which were donated to help support the protestors. He met with the Standing Rock Tribal Council/Executive staff and visited the protest site where he placed the Leech Lake Band flag alongside the many other tribal nations flags adorning the site.

After his return from ND, LeRoy said: "Traveling to Standing Rock was both humbling and empowering. Seeing the amount of indigenous folks from across North America coming together was an unforgettable experience. The decision-making process out there is being framed by our value systems, how we as Native tribes would find answers: we pray. For all of the issues that we face as Native people, the elemental point - no one being on this earth can survive without the water and so we must protect it - the environmental issue unified us in a way that we have not seen in many years. I encourage anyone who is able, to travel out there and experience this firsthand, bring your



families and children to support the protection of our water"

"This is building momentum, whether people are true water champions or not, people want to be a part of this. This movement has brought to light more of the issues of racial tension in this country and the need to stand up for our rights as Native people," LeRoy stated, "This is an important issue for tribes across the country. The government agencies must engage in consultations with tribes on a nation-to-nation basis. If we don't resist this type of action and demand our right to consult and respect as sovereign nations, who knows, it could happen in our backyard next."

The full text of Chairman Jackson's Letter is as follows:

Dear Chairman Archambault and Citizens of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe:

We are writing to express our opposition to the Dakota Access Pipeline and to support your efforts in any way we can. We are honored with the position your nation has taken and you have our admiration for your dedication to protecting

your sovereignty, treaty right and also the Mother we all share.

The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe believes that water is sacred and there is no life without clean water.

On behalf of my people, I would like to offer our Environmental staff's expertise and our technical resources. We understand that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has recommended further study on the effects of the construction of the pipeline, but that has been ignored, and a permit for construction was issued for the Dakota Access Pipeline. The materials related to the Dakota Access Pipeline support the assertion that the federal government, particularly the U.S. Army Corp. of Engineers, has failed in its responsibility to you. The impact of the proposed pipeline has not been adequately evaluated, the concerns and issues you have raised have not been respectfully addressed, and a true government-to-government consultation did not occur.

The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe stands with you to oppose the issuance of permit, construction and the location of the Dakota Access Pipeline. We urge the Secretary of the Interior Sally Jewell and the Assistant Secretary of Indian Affairs Lawrence Roberts to take any and all steps necessary to protect the environment and water resources of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe and community.

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Faron Jackson Sr., Chairman
Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe

2016 WIC Calendar

WIC CLINICS AT THE NEST

Nutrition Education Sessions and
Certifications by appointment only
8:15 am-11:30 am & 1:00 pm-3:00 pm
Monday-Thursday in Cass Lake

WIC CLINICS IN OUTLYING COMMUNITIES

Thursday, 9/1- Onigum Community Center	Appointments 10am-1pm
Thursday, 9/8- Inger Clinic	Appointments 10am-2pm
Thursday, 9/15- Ball Club Comm. Ctr.	Appointments 10am-3pm
Thursday, 9/22- Bena WIC Clinic	Appointments 10am-2pm

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

News From Leech Lake Division of Resource Management

Reminder: New Law In Effect

MCT Band Members **DO NOT** need a State Wild Rice Harvesting Permit to harvest wild rice outside of reservation boundaries if they possess a **VALID (non expired) Tribal ID.**

However, Band Members are still required to obtain an **ON Reservation Wild Rice (Manoomin) permit/license at DRM Headquarters.**

If you have any questions please contact
Dale Greene at 218-335-3702

2016 Leech Lake Reservation Migratory Waterfowl Season Dates/Limits

DUCKS, COOTS, MERGANSER

Season Date: September 17, 2016 – December 31, 2016

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 3, 2016 to December 31, 2016

Daily Bag Limit: Ten (10). All species, in any sex or combination.

Transportation Limit: Twenty (20) All species, in any sex or combination.

**Leech Lake Reservation Youth Waterfowl Hunting Day
Saturday, September 10, 2016**

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.
- ▶ Hole in the Bog Lake and Drumbeater Lake are designated Wildlife Refuges and are restricted from any migratory game bird hunting.
- ▶ It is advised that all persons have a coast guard approved life saving device (PFD) on board while waterfowl hunting.

Leech Lake Reservation's 2016 - 2017 Hunting & Trapping Season Dates/Limits

BIG GAME SEASON & SEASONAL LIMITS

White Tailed Deer September 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016

Bucks or Does

One (1) Deer Tag

One (1) Deer Tag

Resident Non-Band Members

Leech Lake Enrolled Band Members

Note: The Leech Lake D.R.M. and the Minnesota D.N.R. are in the process of rebuilding the deer population after some tough winters a few years back. You can help speed this process by avoid harvesting adult does this year. This is especially important in the interior and Third River areas of the reservation where deer numbers are lowest. Adult does are the most important deer in a population because they will usually have twins, and the survival rate of their fawns is higher. The faster we recover the deer population the sooner we can start issuing additional tags again. Thank you.

Black Bear

September 1, 2016 to October 31, 2016

One (1) per permittee

SMALL GAME SEASON & SEASONAL LIMITS

Rabbits and Squirrels

Continuous season – No limit

Ruffed Grouse, Woodcock,
Common Snipe & Sora Rail

September 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016

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.

TRAPPING

	<u>Season Dates</u>	<u>Seasonal Limits</u>
Beaver	October 8, 2016 to May 14, 2017	No Limit
Coyote	Continuous Season	No Limit
Fox	October 8, 2016 to February 28, 2017	No Limit
Mink/Muskrat	October 8, 2016 to February 28, 2017	No Limit
Raccoon	October 8, 2016 to February 28, 2017	No Limit

The fur bearers listed below require LLR trappers to obtain state export tags from the DRM office in Cass Lake. There will be a three (3) day grace period for tagging furs after the end of the season date listed.

Bobcat	November 12, 2016 to January 31, 2017	Limit: Five (5)
Fisher	November 12, 2016 to January 31, 2017	Limit: Three (3)
Pine Marten	November 1, 2016 to January 31, 2017	Limit: One (1)
River Otter	October 8, 2016 to April 30, 2017	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.

Contact Us:

Leech Lake DRM Office
190 Sailstar Drive NE
Cass Lake, MN 56633
218-335-7400 or 1-800-442-3942



District 1 Youth Spotlight

2016-2017 Cha Cha Bah Ning
Royalty of Inger, MN

*Princess Rhiiaunna Symone Lee Gotchie
&
Brave Kaison "King" Anthony Johnson*

Best wishes and safe travels on the powwow trail as you represent your community proudly.

HONORING & CELEBRATING DISTRICT I ELDERS

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS



Schaaf Robert
Gotchie Jr. Leo
Robinson Terry
Hardy Myrna
Johnson Ernest
Michaud James
Dodson Marella
Anthony Bebeau
Sherman Diana

Goggleye Harold
Bivens Beatrice
Hardy Shirley
Bibeau Joseph
Bryan Jr Russell
Cloud David
Denasha Irene
Evers Wanda

Jackson Norma
Lyytinen Claudia
Parks James
See Iye Jr. Irving
Wakanabo Paul
White Donald
Whitebird Cordelie
Wilson Linda
Wilson Yvonne

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Community Weighs in on Proposed Superfund Cleanup Plan

By Michael Chosa

THE EPA HELD A PUBLIC HEARING in August to seek input on their upcoming cleanup actions at the St. Regis Superfund Site. Held at the Cass Lake-Bena Elementary School, community members heard a presentation from Leslie Patterson, EPA Remedial Project Manager, followed by a Q&A session and formal comment period.

Superfund Site History

A wood treatment facility operated at the site in Cass Lake from about 1958 until 1985. Ownership of the property has exchanged hands several times and along with that, the responsibility for cleanup. The current owner is International Paper, a Fortune 500 company, who touts its \$22.4 billion 2015 net sales figures on their website.

According to the EPA's June 2016 Factsheet, creosote and other chemicals were used to treat wood, and wastewater was occasionally used for irrigation. Sludge from the wood treatment process was disposed of on the eastern edge of the site and was also burned in a pit at the Cass Lake City dump.

Contaminants

The contaminants of concern (COCs) identified by the EPA, are present in the soil and have been classified as persistent, meaning they linger for long periods of time in the environment and can accumulate and pass from one species to the next through the food chain. The COCs at the St. Regis Site are Dioxin and PAHs. (See the infographic on the next page for info on how they affect humans.)

Dioxin was an impurity in PCP which was used at the site as a preservative and insecticide. PAHs are a group of chemicals formed during the incomplete burning of coal, oil, gasoline, wood and garbage. They are also found in cigarette smoke, soot and creosote.

Cleanup Plan Presentation

The EPA considered six alternatives in regard to cleaning up the residential surface soil at the St. Regis site. These alternatives ranged from no action, up to full excavation of the site. Their plans only concern OU7 (residential areas) of the Superfund Site.

In previous meetings and consultations, the community along with the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe (LLBO), in an act of self determination, successfully lobbied the EPA to adopt the standards set forth in the LLBO's Hazardous Substances Control Act (HSCA) for the site. This provides for a much more strict and healthier baseline for acceptable amounts of contamination (see infographic) as opposed to EPA's normal guidelines.

The EPA's preferred option is titled S15B. It has a total cost of \$18.5 million and entails removing all of the contaminated soil which exceeds LLBO HSCA recommendations from OU7 and placing it in an on site containment vault on the property. The areas would then be filled in with clean soil and vegetation.

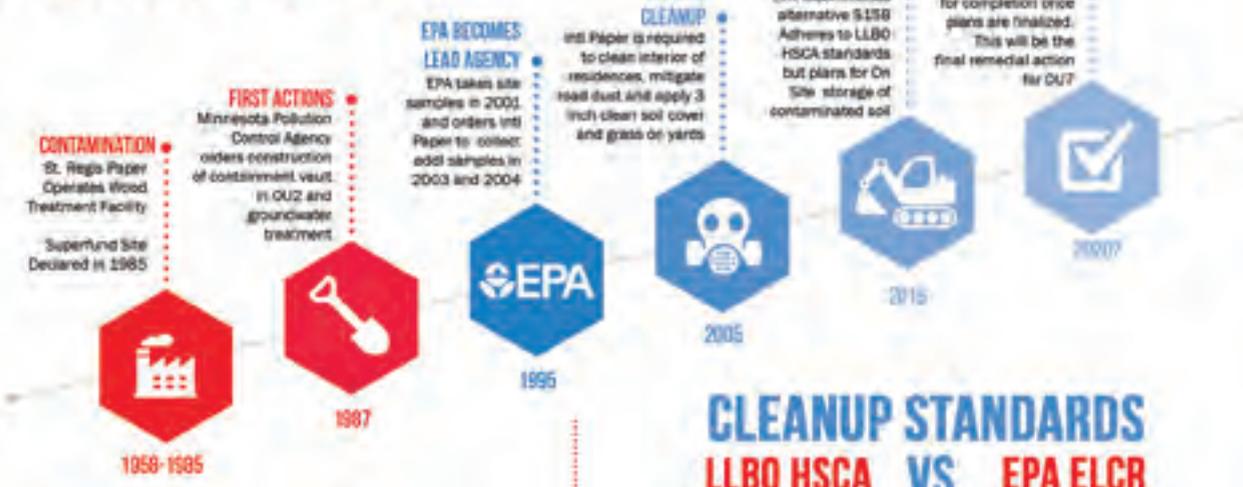
The LLBO prefers alternative S15A, which costs an estimated \$30 million and is identical except for one key detail. It calls for off site storage of the contaminated soil at an approved disposal facility.

Community Input

The consensus at the meeting was clear. Citizen after citizen stood up to express their thoughts on the proposed plan. Not a single person who spoke was in favor of storing the contaminated soil on site. Emotions ran high as residents pleaded for full cleanup of the site and removal of the contaminated soil from the community.

The public comment period ends on September 2nd, 2016. The EPA will evaluate public reaction to their preferred cleanup alternative and issue a Record of Decision this fall. This will be the final remedial action for OU7. The EPA plans to address the remainder of the St. Regis site at a later date. Once finalized it is expected that the OU7 cleanup will take 3 years, this will be in addition to a 1-2 year timetable for finalizing the plan with International Paper. We can only hope that our comments and the health of the community weigh heavier than the additional \$11.5 million cost to the multi billion dollar corporation.

ST REGIS SUPERFUND SITE CLEANUP PROPOSAL



CONTAMINANTS DIOXIN

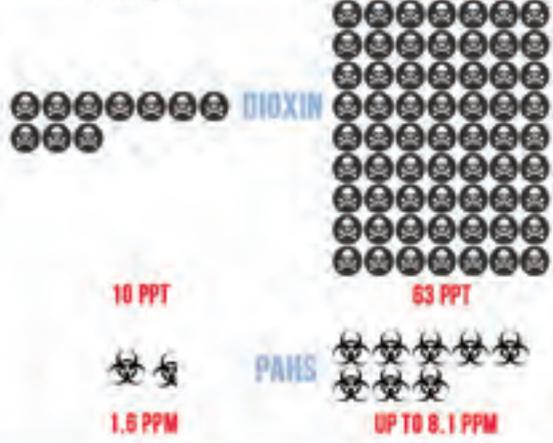
Dioxins are highly toxic and can cause cancer, reproductive and developmental problems, damage to the immune system, and can interfere with hormones.

PAHS

PAHs can cause cancer when inhaled or after long periods of skin contact. Studies have shown PAHs have caused birth defects and decreased body weight.

CLEANUP STANDARDS

LLBO HSCA VS **EPA ELCR**
Hazardous Substances Control Act vs Excess Lifetime Cancer Risk



PROPOSED REMEDIAL ACTION

\$15A \$30 MILLION	NAME:	\$15B \$18.5 MILLION
EXCAVATE ALL SOIL ABOVE HSCA LEVEL	TOTAL COST:	EXCAVATE ALL SOIL ABOVE HSCA LEVEL
OFFSITE LANDFILL	REMEDY:	ONSITE CONTAINMENT VAULT
14800	DISPOSAL:	7500
EST TRUCK LOADS	EST TRUCK LOADS:	
LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE		UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
LLBO PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE		EPA RECOMMENDED ALTERNATIVE

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www.epa.gov/superfund/st-regis-paper

SITE MAP

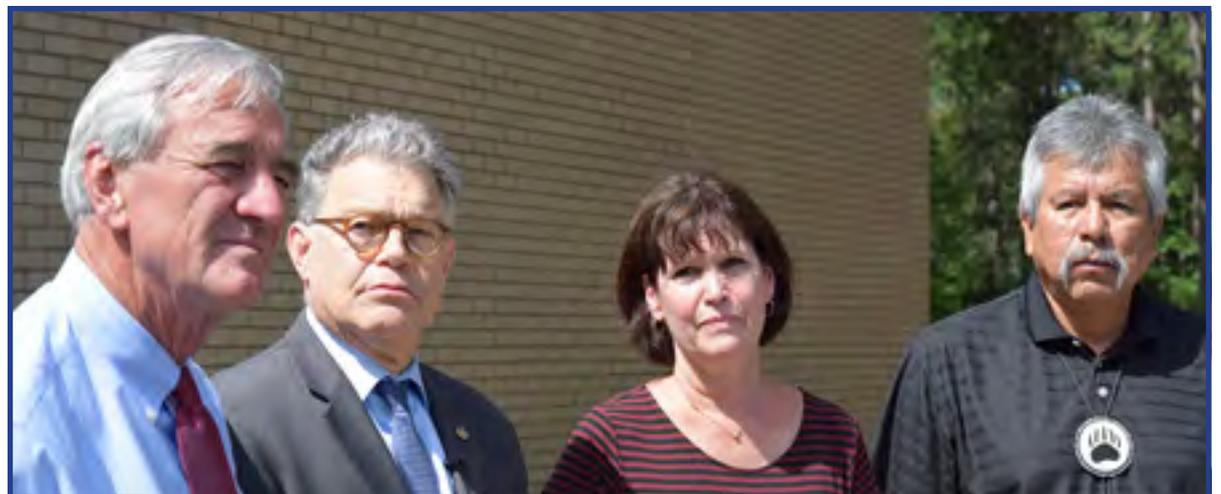
- OU1**
Former Facility Operations Area (Northern)
 - OU2**
Former Facility Operations Area (Southwest). Location of containment vault housing contaminated soil and sludge
 - OU7**
Comprised of residential homes, LLBO Dept of Resource Management and local small businesses.
- This is the area that the cleanup proposal concerns. Green shaded areas indicate testing levels exceeding LLBO HSCA requirements



Sources: EPA Fact Sheet June 2016; EPA Proposed Plan March 2016; LLDRM



Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig Groundbreaking





18th Annual Ojigum Powwow



Leech Lake Tribal College Interns Conduct Research on Wild Ginger Roots

Submitted by Amarin Chanthorn, LLTC Director of Advancement

STUDENTS FROM THE Leech Lake Tribal College in partnership with the North Star STEM Alliance P2P Mentoring Program (Bemidji State University) – and with funding from NASA and the National Science Foundation, have been conducting research on climate change and its effects on the native species of Wild Ginger Roots, *Namepin*. The research is expected to continue for the upcoming years – June through August – to collect data about the plant's ability to survive in today's changing environment and ecosystems.

Leading the team is Sheila Northbird, an LLTC student who after graduating this fall, plans to continue to work on the project as she pursues her bachelors at a four-year university. Assisting Sheila are nine interns consisting of current, former, and future students. The grant funding allows for wages, equipment, and other associated costs throughout the ten-week research project.

The team is assisted and guided by Dr. Diana Dullbotton, UMN Science Department, Dr. Ren Robbins, UMN Cedar Creek Ecological Reserve Research Station, Dr. Ryan Anderson, Leech Lake Department of Resource Management, and Cate Bellevue, LLTC STEM Outreach Coordinator. Melinda Neville, LLTC science instructor also assisted with administrative processes.

There is a significant amount of research data on the climate change impact on plants; however, no major research exists pertaining to the *Namepin*. General knowledge indicates the plant can be found in areas of the northern United States east of the Mississippi River, but no studies have specified where the plant actually grows or what type of ecosystem it exists in. The study focuses on the impact of the plant within the Leech Lake Reservation. The imperial data to be collected will allow the team to



STEM Interns L to R: (top) Llewellyn “Bubba” Grayhawk, Ryan Anderson, LLDRM, Mary Gogleye, Kristina Isham, and Vincent Morris. (bottom) Sheila Northbird, Anita Cloud, Sandra Goose, Leola Northbird-Grayhawk. Not Pictured: Tori Jenkins and Kyle Pemberton.

measure the plant's likelihood to survive. Current findings revealed the *Namepin* is very sensitive to changes in temperature and exposure to direct sunlight. It requires specific ecology variables to thrive, especially soil moisture. Based on the current observations, there is a major decline in plant population this season alone.

The team has made alarming discoveries specifically with invasive earthworm species. The *Amyntus* earthworm has been observed in areas of research within the Leech Lake Reservation boundaries. Native to East Asia, these invasive earthworms are the cause of diminishing forest floors by creating soil erosion and leaching nutrients, turning healthy soil into grainy dry soil. This has a major impact on the forest ecology of northern Minnesota. More information can be found on the Minnesota DNR website.

The *Namepin* can be found in Ojibwe traditional stories being used as medicine and food. Part

of the research is to identify the importance of this plant to the Ojibwe people, tying traditional stories with modern sciences. Traditional stories tell of how this plant was created, sustained, and consumed. The research will allow for discovery and comparison as imperial data is collected from the field and study the relations between stories and scientific observations.

“I want to let our interns understand both the traditional origin stories and the scientific explanations behind the *Namepin*. Furthermore, this research project will let our student interns prepare for the next level of academic vigor and reconnect them to their cultural roots as well (pun intended),” said Sheila Northbird.

The research project allows for LLTC alumni to prepare for the academic vigor of bigger universities by learning hands-on with researchers in the field. Sheila intends to publish the team's findings at a later time.

“The specialists and professionals that are guiding these students are experts in their fields. This program allows them to not only understand what it takes to conduct this type of research, but prepare them to succeed as they advance further in their academic careers,” said Cate Bellevue.

The research project was granted funding for the current year. Sheila Northbird hopes the program will continue to be funded for the benefit of academic advancement, cultural understanding, and economic impact on students. NASA has committed to help fund the research project for another five years and there is potential for this research project to attract major funders for entirety of the project.

Individuals participating in the paid summer internship include: Anita Cloud, Mary Gogleye, Sandra Goose, Leola Grayhawk, Llewellyn Grayhawk, Kristina Isham, Tori Jenkins, Vincent Morris, and Kyle Pemberton. This roster of recent graduates, current students and

secondary school students has gained real-world research experience in unique perspectives.

Leech Lake Tribal College has an articulation agreement with Bemidji State University, University of North Dakota, Metropolitan State University, Augsburg College, Hibbing Community College, University of Minnesota Duluth and other accredited higher education institutions. The College is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) based in Chicago Illinois. HLC is the major accrediting body in the Midwest region of the United States.

Other Internship Activities

Students from LLTC are participating in summer internship programs with local and regional entities. The following is a list of student interns for summer 2016:

- ◆ Adriana Kingbird – Native American into Medicine Program, University of Minnesota Duluth
- ◆ Thea Ogema – Sustainable Land and Water Resources, Salish Kootenai Tribal College, Montana
- ◆ LeAnn Charwood – Sustainable Land and Water Resources, Fond du Lac Tribal and Community College and University of Minnesota Twin Cities
- ◆ Michael Auginash – Library Assistant, LLTC
- ◆ Willow Miller – Wellness Program; Gardens, LLTC
- ◆ Mike Kohler – Leech Lake Heritage Sites, LLBO
- ◆ Chris Stauffer – MIS, LLBO
- ◆ Richard Wilson – Land Surveyor, LL Department of Resource Management

The Leech Lake Tribal College is an accredited higher-education institution awarding associate degrees, diplomas, and certificates in wide area of studies. For more information on our programs, please visit our website at www.lltc.edu

2016 Election Information

Voter Participation

Native American voting rates are among the lowest of all racial and ethnic groups in the U.S. Almost two out of five eligible Native Americans are not registered to vote. Even among registered Native voters, the turnout rate is 5 to 14 percentage points lower than that of other racial and ethnic groups.

It is imperative that we stand up and make our voices heard in local, state and federal elections!

Voter Registration

You must be:

- A US citizen
- At least 18 years old on Election Day
- A resident of Minnesota for 20 days
- Finished with all parts of any felony sentence

**Need Help? Call
1-877-600-VOTE**

How to Register

You must register by **October 18th, 2016** or you will need to register on Election Day!

Register online: <http://goo.gl/IXllsX> (case sensitive link for MN Sec of State Website)
You will need an email address, MN Driver's License or ID Card or Last 4 digits of SSN

Register on Paper: <http://goo.gl/nRTWT5>

Download, Print and fill out the MN Voter Registration Application. Drop off at your county election office or Mail to:

Secretary of State
50 Empire Dr
Suite 100
Saint Paul, MN 55103

***Voters who register in advance DO NOT need to show identification on Election Day**

To register on Election Day, you will need one of the following:

- ID with current name and address:
 - Valid Minnesota ID or Valid Tribal ID with name, address, photo and signature
- Photo ID AND a document with current name and address:
 - List of Approved photo IDs (The ID can be expired):
 - Driver's license, state ID or learner's permit issued by any state (U.S. Passport)
 - U.S. Military or Veteran ID | Tribal ID with name, signature and photo | Minnesota university, college or technical college ID | Minnesota high school ID
 - Approved documents (Can be shown on electronic device):
 - Bill, account or start-of-service statement due or dated within 30 days of the election. Includes: Phone, TV or internet | Solid waste, sewer, electric, gas or water | Banking or credit card | Rent or mortgage | Residential lease or rent

Absentee Voting Information

The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe is proud to announce that the Tribal Headquarters has been designated as an official Absentee Ballot Location for the following precincts: Cass Lake, Pike Bay Township, Wilkinson Township, Bena*, Gould Township*, Ottertail Peninsula Township*, Sucker Lakes*, Winnie Portage Lakes*.

Voters in the mail ballot precincts, denoted with *, may also drop their ballots off here if they have not already returned their ballot by mail. For more information contact:

Leslie Harper, 190 Sailstar Dr NW, Cass Lake, MN 56633
218.335.8246

Sources: U.S. Census Bureau: Voting & Registration 2008, MN Secretary of State Website

LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE SUMMARY OF JOB OPENINGS

www.llojibwe.org | 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 info

THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS CLOSE ON SEPTEMBER 9

Accounts Payable Clerk ~ Finance ~ D.O.Q. ~ Job Code: 16-130

FT Driver ~ Health/ENP ~ \$10.25/hr. ~ Job Code: 16-129

Receptionist File Clerk ~ Human Services/Tribal Assistance ~ \$11.00/hr. ~ Job Code: 16-127

Administrative Assistant ~ Health/ENP ~ D.O.Q. ~ Job Code: 16-128

Tribal Veteran Services Officer ~ Human Services ~ D.O.Q. ~ Job Code: 16-126

Property Assistant ~ Finance ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 16-073B

Registered Nurse ~ Health ~ D.O.Q. ~ Job Code: 16-047B

THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS ARE OPEN UNTIL FILLED

Child Welfare Attorney ~ Legal/Twin Cities Office ~ D.O.Q. ~ Job Code: 16-115

Associate Tribal Attorney ~ Legal ~ D.O.Q. ~ Job Code: 16-114

Cook – Sugar Point ~ Education ~ \$10.25/hr. ~ Job Code: 16-111

Nutrition Education Assistant ~ Education ~ D.O.Q. ~ Job Code: 16-099

Bemidji Pre School Teacher ~ Education ~ \$10.25/hr. ~ Job Code: 16-102

Cass Lake Pre School Teacher ~ Education ~ \$10.25/hr. Job Code: 16-101

Bena Pre School Teacher ~ Education ~ \$10.25/hr. ~ Job Code: 16-100

Budget Team Leader ~ Finance ~ D.O.Q. ~ Job Code: 16-098

Cash Management Team Leader ~ Finance ~ D.O.Q. ~ Job Code: 16-097

Data Entry – Emergency Medical Responder ~ Human Services ~ \$11.50/hr. ~ Job Code: 16-096

Training Officer – AEMT ~ Human Services ~ D.O.Q. ~ Job Code: 16-095

Air Quality Specialist ~ Division of Resource Management ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 16-091

Part-Time EMT Attendant (7) ~ Human Services ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 15-137B

Environmental Specialist ~ Division of Resource Management ~ Code: 16-090

Cook - Cass Lake ~ Education ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 15-087D

Mental Health Therapist ~ Human Services/OTP ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 15-171

AOB Infant/Toddler Teacher (2) ~ Education ~ DOQ ~ 16-032B Bena Infant/Toddler Teacher ~ Education ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 15-133B

Engine Boss ~ Division of Resource Management ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 16-043B

Program Accountant (3) ~ Finance ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 15-120C

Child Protection Case Manager (2) ~ Human Services ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 16-018B

Bemidji Family Service Advocate ~ Education ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 16-014C

Full-Time LPN (2) ~ Human Services/OTP ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 15-097

Cass Lake Special Needs Teacher Assistant (4) ~ Education ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 16-054

Bena Special Needs Teacher Assistant ~ Education ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 16-051

Sugar Point Special Needs Teacher Assistant ~ Education ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 16-050

Onigum Special Needs Teacher Assistant ~ Education ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 16-048

Mental Health Professional ~ Human Services ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 15-081

Part-Time Bena Homeless Shelter Advocates (3) ~ Human Services ~ Code: 15-028

THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS ARE OPEN CONTINUOUS

Pt Cashier/Che-We ~ Business Development ~ \$10.25/hr ~ Job Code: 16-000

Pt Cashier/ NLE ~ Business Development ~ \$10.25/hr ~ Job Code: 16-001



Obituaries



Allen George Cloud



Allen George Cloud, age 61, of Oak Point and the Waabizheshii (Martin) Clan journeyed to the spirit world on Saturday, August 6, 2016 from Sanford Hospital in Bemidji with his family by his side. Allen was born in Cass Lake, Minnesota on December 6, 1954, the son of John and Mary (Burnette) Cloud.

Allen was a very caring and loving father and grandfather to all his children and grandbabies. He raised his five youngest children alone after separating from their mother. Allen had many hobbies such as hunting, ricing, picking boughs, netting and gambling. He enjoyed being outside in nature, providing for his family and liked to have a good time with his family and friends. Throughout his life he worked at various jobs but he really loved being a carpenter for his brother Spencer. He will be missed by many.

Those welcoming Allen to the spirit world are his parents; John and Mary, son; Justin Allen Cloud, infant twin siblings, special brother; Douglas Cloud, son-in-law; Donald Kamrowski, grandparents; Alice and Pete Cloud and several other relatives.

Those he leaves behind to cherish his memory are his sons; Jonathon and Peter Cloud both of Cass Lake, daughters; Ann, Catrina (David Staples, Jr.), Cierra (Douglas Dick, Jr.), Traci and Crystal Cloud all of Cass Lake, sisters; Annette, Alice and Amanda Cloud all of Oak Point

and Anita Cloud of Cass Lake, 23 grandchildren and twin grandchildren on the way, 3 great grandchildren and one on the way, numerous nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles and many friends.

Traditional native service was held on Wednesday, August 10th at the Oak Point Community Center in Oak Point. Mike Dahl was his spiritual advisor. Laying Allen to rest were Butch Johnson, Spencer Whitefeather, Douglas Dick, Jr., David Staples, Jr., Randy Cloud and Ron Cloud. The alternate pallbearer is Stan Chief. His honorary pallbearers are Jonathon Cloud, Peter Cloud, John Boy Whipple, Richard Schulman, Sr., Robert Whipple and Linda Cloud. Interment was in the Cloud Cemetery at Oak Point.

Allen's care has been entrusted to Northern Peace Funeral Home of Walker. Online condolences for the family may be left at www.northern-peace.com

Michael Francis Anthony Wind

Michael Francis Anthony Wind, 64, of Cass Lake, MN died on Monday, August 1, 2016 at the Hennepin County Medical Center in Minneapolis, MN.

Traditional funeral services were held Thursday, August 11, 2016 at the Oak Point Community Center in Cass Lake, MN. Interment was at the Oak Point Cemetery in Cass Lake, MN under the direction of the Cease Family Funeral Home in Bemidji.

He was born on September 2, 1951, in Minneapolis, MN. He was raised and educated in Minneapolis. He served in the US Armed Forces for a number of years and later worked as a mechanic. Being a mechanic, he was a big fan of NASCAR, he cheered for his favorite drivers Dale Jr. and Kyle Busch. He was also a Minnesota sports fan and followed the Vikings, Twins, Wild, and Timberwolves. He enjoyed the outdoors and spent time

fishing, hunting, and trapping. He had traveled widely and dreamed of someday living in his own place in Montana. He found comfort and strength in Traditional Spirituality, he was a pipe carrier, and ceremonies were important to him. He was always willing to help anybody and loved his family, especially his Grandmother Anna.

He is survived by: his Special friend Jessie Brown, nephew Gerald Browneagle, numerous cousins, and extended family. He was preceded in death by his parents, Grandmother Anna Browneagle-Blanchard, his beloved dog Buddy, close friend Jeanie Brown, and cousin Cody Houle.

Gary Wayne Headbird, Sr.



Gary Wayne "Gander" Headbird, Sr., Beshigoogahbow (one who stands alone), age 58, of Cass Lake, began his journey into the spirit world on August 3, 2016, at the Cass Lake Hospital. He was born on January 23, 1958, in Cass Lake to Emmanuel Louis Headbird, Sr. and Helen Jean (Losh) Headbird.

He was a lifelong Cass Lake resident who enjoyed and loved his family dearly. He was always busy with outdoor activities in the woodlands of the Leech Lake Reservation such as; ricing, pine cone gathering, bough picking and of course he greatly enjoyed Indian arts and crafts, particularly his birch bark work. He was employed as a carpenter, woodsman and heavy equipment operator.

Those welcoming him and guiding him into the Spirit World are his father Emmanuel, Sr. and brothers; Randolph, Emmanuel, Jr., Darryl and

Bert Headbird.

Those he leaves behind to cherish and carry on his memory are his mother, Helen Headbird; sons, Gary, Jr., Garrett and Joseph Headbird, all of Cass Lake; daughter, Kaelynne Anderson of Cass Lake; brother, Thomas Headbird; sisters, Wanda (Bill) Croaker, Tina (Cowboy) Headbird, Susan Headbird and Nancy (Barney) Kingbird and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

Traditional service was held on Sunday, August 7, at the Mission Community Center, Cass Lake. His spiritual advisor was Steve Jackson. Those laying "Gander" to rest were Michael Headbird, Emmanuel Headbird Jr., Jordan Headbird, Thomas Headbird, Jr., Bradley Croaker and Ben Cameron Jr. Alternate pallbearer will be Bill Croaker, Jr. Honorary pallbearers are all of his family and friends. Interment was at in the Prince of Peace Cemetery at Cass Lake.

Gander's care has been entrusted to Northern Peace Funeral Home of Walker.

Yvonne "Bonnie" Littlewolf



Yvonne "Bonnie" Frances Littlewolf (Budreau), 80 of Cass Lake, MN walked on from this world, Sunday, August 7, 2016 at Neilson Place in Bemidji, MN.

Traditional funeral services were held Friday, August 12th, 2016 at the Veteran's Memorial Building in Cass Lake, Minnesota. Interment was at the Pine Grove cemetery in Cass Lake, MN under the direction of the Cease Family Funeral Home of Bemidji.

Yvonne was born July 8, 1936 in Onigum, MN. She was raised by her grandparents William and Josephine Budreau in Cass Lake. She was an adventurous young woman who worked in Los Angeles, CA, Chicago, IL, Clarksville, TN. Her travels came full circle back to Cass Lake. She was married to Robert Holstein for 14 years and John Littlewolf Sr. for 20 years. She worked part-time at the Chippewa National Forest and Cass Lake Library where she made many life long friends. She loved to read and was a pillar of her family.

Yvonne's Anishinabe name was Giniw-giizhikwe, "Golden Eagle Woman". She was third-degree Mide'wiwin and a member of the White Earth Band. Her kind presence was a fixture on the pow-wow trail. It truly was a sight to see her dance, carrying her staff with a hundred jingle dress dancers following. The drum was in her spirit, in her very being.

Those who knew Yvonne knew humor. Her quick wit and laughter were priceless facets of her life that are dearly missed. She had a quiet strength and a humble, caring spirit. Yvonne made it a point to never say goodbye, rather she said, "I will see you again." It's in her words and memory those of us here take comfort, for her time with us truly was a gift.

She is survived by her daughters Kim "Meigs" Hurst; Crystal Desjarlait, Darla Holmgren, Cynthia White and son John "Dusty" Littlewolf; 2 sisters Marie Thunder and Donna Oachs and 9 grandchildren, and many great-grand children. She was preceded in death by her husbands Robert and John, her brother William Budreau, and daughters Janice "Munchkin" Holstein and Donna Marie McDaniel. Honorary

Casketbearers were her nieces Rose Lovelace, Sheryl Lovelace, Frances Butler, Anita Lovelace and all her friends and relatives. Active Casketbearers were Mike Robinson, Glen Wickner, Robert Lowry, Ben Lowry, Robert Jaspers, and David Villier.

Condolences may be left at ceasefuneralhome.com.

Laura "Lottie B" Brown



Laura "Lottie B" Amelia Brown, "Waabigwan Ikwe" which means "Flower Woman", 68 years old, of Bemidji and the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Reservation began her spiritual journey on Wednesday, August 17th, 2016 in Saint Paul with her family by her side. "Lopy" was born in Bena, Minnesota on February 14, 1948, she was one of 13 children born to Vera Emma (Chase) and Raymond (Wilson) Brown, Sr.

Laura liked to sew, knit, crochet, draw pictures, beading jewelry, baking, cooking (she used celery in all her favorite dishes), gardening, fishing, camping (especially at powwows), going to thrift stores, free church, dollar tree, rummage saling, she liked gambling at the casino, listening to music (oldies but goodies), watching TV, decorating for the kid's holidays and birthdays, jig saw and cross word puzzles, studying the Bible and visiting with her family and friends. She enjoyed humor and was always helping others and loved to learn new things.

Laura has been reunited with her mom; Vera Emma (Chase), dad; Raymond (Wilson) Brown, Sr., brother; Ronnie Brown, sisters; Bobbie Ann and Marcelia Kay Brown and niece; Mary Brown. She leaves behind her life partner and father of her children; Eljio Saldana Flores, her children; Sue Boss, Gerald (April), Brandon, Johnny (Maureen), Darla (Mike) Brown and Enriqueta Flores, her brothers; Raymond "Chez" (Corie) Jr., Kenny (Debbie), Jerry (Kim) and Walter Brown and Leroy Bellanger, sisters; Daisy, Darla (Dick), Roxanne, Cheryl (Bird) and Teri Lynn, grandchildren; Matthew, Lauren, Carly, Baby Dolly, Darlene and Sabrina, four great grandchildren and many

other relatives and friends.

Traditional services were held on Tuesday, August 23rd all being held at the Veterans Memorial Building in Cass Lake. Her spiritual advisor was Steve Jackson. Pallbearers for Laura will be Johnny Brown, Tommy Brown, Ray Brown, Byron Brown, Daniel Brown and Harley Brown. Alternate pallbearers were Mishiikii Brown and Sonny Brown. Her honorary pallbearers are all her family and friends. Interment was at the Lakeview Cemetery at Bena, MN.

Jami "Dolly" Headbird



Jami "Dolly" Jo-Ann Headbird, age 29, "Mide Nibi Ikwe" which means "Sacred Water Woman" began her spiritual journey on Friday, August 19th, 2016 from her home in Cass Lake. She was born on March 6th, 1987 in Bemidji, Minnesota to Shari Headbird-Archambault and Donnie Harrison, Sr.

Jami was born in Bemidji, MN but later moved to Minneapolis where she attended grade school and graduated from 4 Directions High School. After high school she attended Culinary Arts School at MCTC. Shortly after Culinary School she moved back up north and attended the Leech Lake Tribal College graduating with an Associate's degree.

Jami loved her girls to the moon and back. She worked hard every day, at various jobs, to provide for them. There wasn't anything she wouldn't do to make a better life for her babies. They were her world! Jami had a special and unique relationship with every member of her family, especially her sisters; Sherri and Niibin. The bonds she made

with her nieces, nephews and cousins will never be broken. Jami was everyone's keeper, always taking care of everyone before taking care of herself. She was the brave one when everyone else was scared. Jami wasn't afraid to put other people's safety before her own and was never shy about speaking her mind.

Welcoming Jami to the spirit world are her infant brother; Justin Harrison, grandmas; Shirley Raish and Ruby Losh, special auntie; Roberta "Boona" Headbird and cousin; Conrad Buckanaga.

She leaves behind to cherish her memory her daughters; Ninde' Armstrong-Headbird and Nin' Zaagi' iwin Onizhishi Armstrong-Headbird, her special friend; James Armstrong, her mother; Shari (Blaine) Headbird-Archambault of Cass Lake, her father; Donnie (Tina) Harrison, Sr. of Cass Lake, brothers; Billy (Maggie) Headbird of Cass Lake, Elliot (Jade) Gillis of Deer River, Donnie Harrison, Jr. of Deer River and James Robinson of Cass Lake, sisters; Sherri Seelye of Cass Lake, Ashley (Mike) Harrison of Onigum, Kate Lynn (Tyler) Harrison of Bemidji, Lynette Archambault of Minneapolis and Valerie (Michael) McGee of Minneapolis, grandpa; Donnie Harrison, numerous other aunties, uncles, cousins and many friends.

Traditional service was held on Tuesday, August 23rd at the Mission Community Center in Mission/Cass Lake. Melvin Goodwin and Allen Hardy were her Spiritual Advisors. Pallbearers for Jami were Billy Headbird, Donnie Harrison, Jr., Elliot Gillis, James Robinson, Sage Seelye, Daniel Wind, Kenny Hough, Jr. and Kenneth Copenace. Her honorary pallbearers were Jimi Archambault, Blaine Archambault, Jr., Bobby Headbird, Zack McCormack, Flora White, Ryan Buckanaga, Joe Buckanaga, Martin Alvin Wind, Jen Wind, Jim Harrison, Jim Harrison, Jr., Leona OneFeather, Barbara Armstrong, Niibin Headbird, Shadow Seelye, Russell Wind, Tony Wind and all her aunties and uncles. Interment was in the Pine Grove Cemetery at Cass Lake following her Tuesday service.

Online condolences for the family may be left at www.northernpeace.com

Remembering "Chibenashi" Jim Northrup

Celebrated Ojibwe author, columnist, playwright, poet, performer and commentator Jim Northrup passed away August 1st in Sawyer, MN following a battle with cancer. He was 73.

"I used to be known as a bullshitter but that didn't pay anything. I began calling myself a storyteller - a little better, more prestige - but it still didn't pay anything. I became a freelance writer. At first it was more free than lance, then I started getting money for my words" (Rez Road Follies).

He was well known for writing a column called "Fond du Lac Follies" which was syndicated in several newspapers across Indian Country. "It's easy to complain about what we don't have on the reservation, like jobs," he wrote in one column. But, he continued, "let's look at what else we don't have." He went on to list poisonous snakes, street gangs, traffic lights, Jim and Tammy Faye Bakker, "wire cages around our bald eagles" and locked doors.

His books included Touchwood, Walking the Rez Road, Dirty Copper, Anishinaabe Syndicated: A View from the Rez and Rez Road Follies: Canoes, Casinos, Computers and Birch Bark Basket.

Jim was very proud of his Ojibwe language and heritage. He and his wife are known for starting a summer immersion language camp in Fond du Lac. They also enjoyed participating in many traditional activities including birch bark basket making, the sugar bush and harvesting wild rice to name a few.

In an interview with Minnesota Public Radio a few weeks before his death, Jim said "I know where I am going. I'm going to, as the Ojibwe call it, in the language, the land of everlasting happiness. There's nothing to be afraid of, It's just a different world. I'm changing addresses".



"Someone says we begin to die the minute we're born. Death is a part of life. Who knows why the Creator thins the herd.

Another old saying says we must all be prepared to give up those we love or die first. Take time to mourn."

-Jim Northrup, Walking the Rez Road addresses"



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

LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE IN TRIBAL COURT

CIVIL DIVISION

In Re: Estate of:
Willard Lausche a/k/a
William Gerald Lausche,
DOB: 09/17/1946, Decedent

NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED
PERSONS AND CREDITORS
Court File No. CV-14-79

IT IS ORDERED AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above-named decedent, Willard Lausche, a/k/a William Gerald Lausche died 06/25/2016. A hearing was held before the Honorable Paul W. Day, Chief Judge of the above-named Tribal Court located in the Leech Lake Facility Center, in Cass Lake, MN on the 9th day of October 2014 at 3:00 p.m., upon the filing of a Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy, Determination of heirs and Formal Appointment of Personal Representative by Jennie Reyes, surviving daughter of the decedent.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that at the Initial Probate Hearing held on October 9th, 2014, in Leech Lake Tribal Court, Katrina Hurtig, 1608 E. 5th St. Duluth, MN 55812 was appointed to act as Personal Representative of the Estate of Willard Lausche a/k/a William Gerald Lausche, 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.

LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE IN TRIBAL COURT

FAMILY DIVISION

In Re the Custody of:
J.R.T., Minor Child, DOB: 10/27/2014

NOTICE OF LEGAL PUBLICATION

Theresa Jordan,
Petitioner,
And
Jill Thompson & Michael Reese,
Respondents,

CASE NO. FA-16-121

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that on August 8th, 2016, a Petition for Custody and Parenting Time was filed with the Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the child of the above-named 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.

You are served with this notice via legal publication in the DeBahJiMon in two consecutive issues because you are a party to this proceeding or you are a person whose presence is important to a determination concerning your child.

Dated: August 11, 2016

/s/ Amanda Richardson- Court Clerk

-LEGAL NOTICE BY PUBLICATION-

LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE IN TRIBAL COURT

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Child(ren) of:
Crystal Fisherman and Richard Laroque, Parents.

Court File No. CP-16-26

NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on August 9, 2016, an Emergency Child/Family Protection Petition was filed in Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the child of the above-named parent.

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 against you.

-LEGAL NOTICE BY PUBLICATION-

LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE IN TRIBAL COURT

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

Miranda Butcher (Deceased), Hector Gonzales, and
Jason Dunn, Parent.

Court File No. CP-15-43

NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on November 4, 2015, a Child/Family Protection Petition was filed in Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the child of the above-named parent.

Please contact Leech Lake Tribal Court Administration for the next hearing date and time. The telephone number is (218) 335-3682, 3599 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 against you.

LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE IN TRIBAL COURT

180 Sutter Dr. NW
Cass Lake, MN 56633
(218) 335-3682/3586

Family Division

Leech Lake Child Support Enforcement
Program, by Assignment of

RIKI Blue Robinson, Petitioner,
vs.
Terry Robinson Jr., Respondent.

**SUMMONS & NOTICE OF
CHILD SUPPORT ACTION**

CASE NO. FA-15-179

YOU, RESPONDENT Terry Robinson Jr., ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to appear before the Judge of this Court for an Initial Hearing on **November 10, 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.

DATED: August 25, 2016

/s/ Dynell Morris, Court Clerk

9th Annual
Walk to Remember 

We walk for the steps they will never take

Join Sanford Bemidji Medical Center as we remember all babies lost in early pregnancy, stillbirth, newborn death and SIDS. All proceeds from the walk will benefit the PETAL (Parents Embracing Time After Loss) program, which provides mementos and support information to every parent that experiences a loss.

To register, go to sanfordhealth.org/bemidji and click on the Walk to Remember link. You can also pick up a registration form at the hospital east or west front desk. Please register by Sept. 16 to have your baby's name included in the memorial booklet or to order a T-shirt. If you are unable to make it to the walk, you are invited to make a donation.

For more information or to register, call Sanford Bemidji Medical Center at (218) 333-5755 or visit sanfordhealth.org/bemidji.

Free Event

Sanford Bemidji Medical Center • Saturday, Oct. 1

Registration: 9-10 a.m.

Walk starts: 10 a.m.

Memorial service: Following the walk

Silent auction: 9-11:30 a.m.



ANNOUNCEMENT

LEECH LAKE TRIBAL UTILITY COMMISSION

REQUESTS CITIZEN COMMENTS ABOUT THE
 UPDATED UTILITY ORDINANCE:

TITLE 14: REGULATION OF UTILITIES

Citizens residing within the exterior boundaries of the Leech Lake reservation lands are asked to submit written public comment during the comment period.

SEPTEMBER 1ST—31ST, 2016

YOU MAY VIEW THE ORDINANCE BY...

1. Visiting the www.llojibwe.org website
2. Visiting the Leech Lake Band Of Ojibwe Headquarters, 190 Sailstar Drive, Cass Lake 56633
3. Contacting the Commissioners by calling 218-335-3090.



TECH N9NE'S
 THE CALM BEFORE *THE STORM*
TOUR 2016

WITH SPECIAL GUESTS
KRIZZ KALIKO
 JL
 INCPTICONS
 BABY SHEL

VIP FAN CLUB PACKAGES & MORE INFO
 > strangevip.com > therealtechn9ne.com > facebook.com/therealtechn9ne

SEPTEMBER 13, 2016
SANFORD CENTER
 1111 Event Center Drive, Bemidji MN 56601
 ALL AGES / DOORS @ 6:00 PM / SHOW 7:30 PM
strangemusicinc.com





Wishing District II Elders a
Happy Birthday!




August		September
Arnold Dahl	Scott Seelye	Melvin Losh
Lyman Losh	Roberta Smith	Ruth White
John G. White	Paula White	Cheryl Chalich
Debra Beaulieu	Allen Hiatt	Robert Losh Sr.
Diane Hussing	Anthony Mountain	Terrance Hodder
		Lavina Marion
		Delbert Molash

HUSTLE TRIBE & LEECH LAKE PRESENTS

BACK 2 SCHOOL

LABOR DAY MONDAY

HIPHOP SHOWCASE

FREE | ALL AGES | VETERANS BUILDING
(LEECH LAKE POWWOW GROUNDS)

SEPTEMBER 5

3PM - 6PM

CHASE MANHATTAN - JOEY STYLEZ
STEN JODDI - NO SUN - DJ RAWSKILLZ
(ON THE WHEELS)

TRANSPORTATION AVAILABLE TO ALL COMMUNITIES

GEORGE THOROGOOD DESTROYERS
7pm Thursday
Sept. 8th
Outdoor Under the Tent
Tickets: \$24/\$29/\$34

REVOLUTIONARY MMA
Saturday
October 22nd
Tickets: \$49/\$59/\$69

THUNDER DOWN UNDER
Saturday
November 12th
Tickets: \$20/\$25

The Country Revolution Tour
Saturday
December 10th
Tickets: \$25/\$29/\$39

Northern Lights Event Center

Leech Lake Tribal College Extension Program

will be providing a variety of Workshops in an effort to help our community to reconnect, reunify and support strong family systems

Classes will be held at LLTC

MONTHLY WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

- Beading Circle -*
2nd & 4th **Tuesdays** 5-7pm
- Ribbon Skirt Making -*
2nd & 4th **Tuesdays** 6-8pm
- Variety of Workshops -*
3rd **Saturday** 12pm-5pm
- Sewing Group -*
Last **Sunday** 10am-3pm
- Making Medicines with Plants*
Last **Sunday** 10am-12pm

Community members will teach and share their knowledge and gifts. A healthy, organic or traditional meal will be provided to participants
Free and open to the community
These events are POTLUCK, Let's practice "Gaween Plastic", feast bundles are encouraged.
No bottled water, beverages will be provided

Any questions contact Esther at 335-4247



Luck OF THE Draw

GRAND PRIZE NIGHTS
Northern Lights - Oct. 23rd
White Oak - Oct. 24th
Palace - Oct. 25th

WEEKLY DRAWINGS
6pm-11pm
Fridays & Saturdays
Sept. 2nd - Oct. 22nd

- 10 winners each night
- Win up to \$1,000 cash

5pm-10pm
• Win up to \$1,000 cash

10pm-11pm
• Win a 2016 Polaris Ranger 800* (valued at over \$13,000)

FREE PLAY FLURRY KIOSK GAME

WIN UP TO \$1,000 IN FREE PLAY!
September 2nd - October 22nd

Earn 50 points from 2am-Midnight on Friday & Saturday and play once per day for Free Play.