Quarterly Meeting Held in Minneapolis

(Pictured) Chairman Faron Jackson Sr. and The Leech Lake Tribal Council address Leech Lake Band members and employees at the Regular Quarterly Meeting held at the Phillips Community Center in Minneapolis on Friday October 19, 2018.

BSU Treaty Day

Battle of Sugar Point
Recount the events of The Battle of Sugar Point that made headlines across the Nation.

LLBO Job Openings
Current list of employment opportunities with the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe

When do I vote?
Tuesday, November 6, 2018

Where do I vote?
Find out where you vote by visiting the Secretary of State website at:
https://pollfinder.sos.state.mn.us/

Do I need to register to vote?
Only if you are not already registered.
You may register at your polling place on Election Day, bring proof of residence listed at the Secretary of State website at:
https://www.sos.state.mn.us/elections-voting/register-to-vote/register-on-election-day/

What’s on my ballot?
View your sample ballot at the Secretary of State website at:
https://myballotmn.sos.state.mn.us/

Can I use a valid Tribal ID to Vote?
Yes.

For LLBO Band Members who need an ID to vote, LLBO Enrollment is offering FREE Tribal ID’s on Election Day, Tuesday, November 6, 2018 from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Senate Indian Affairs Committee Passes LLBO Reservation Restoration Act

WASHINGTON DC – Senator John Hoeven, chairman of the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs, recently announced that the committee passed S. 2599 – the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Reservation Restoration Act, along with two other bills.

“These three bills are important steps toward greater self-governance and self-determination in Indian Country. I look forward to their consideration and passage by the full Senate,” said Hoeven.

This action signals a major step forward in the legislative process required for the bill to become law. The bill will now go before the full senate for passage. In order for the bill to become law, identical bills must be passed by both the House of Representatives and the Senate before being signed into law by the President. Currently, the companion bill, H.R. 2599 is being considered by the House Natural Resources committee.

The legislation would see more than 11,000 acres of land in the Chippewa National Forest transferred into trust for the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe.

Below is a summary of the three bills passed by the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs on September 26, 2018:

S.2599 – the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Reservation Restoration Act: Provides for the transfer of certain Federal land in the State of Minnesota for the benefit of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe.

S.2154 – Kickapoo Tribe in Kansas Water Rights Settlement Agreement Act: Approves the Kickapoo Tribe Water Rights Settlement Agreement and confirms consumptive tribal water rights in the Delaware River Basin of up to 4,705 acre-feet of water per year.

S.465 – the Independent Outside Audit of the Indian Health Service Act of 2017: Requires the Department of Health and Human Services to assess the health care delivery systems and financial management of the Indian Health Service (IHS).

NightScreams Offers Up Treats Instead of Tricks This Halloween

BENA – The locally owned haunt fest “NightScreams” has partnered up with a non-profit close to the hearts of youth this year.

Sticking to their yearly tradition of donating to Leech Lake organizations, “NightScreams” part-owner Arnold Dahl-Wooley, says selecting the local Boys and Girls Club to donate ticket proceeds to this year was a no brainer for him and his partner.

“The club had the volunteers that were willing to come out and help and that was it for us. This (NightScreams) has always been community run and community based. This is my home and I love to give back to it, and helping the club is a part of that” says Dahl-Wooley. “We’ve always helped out Leech Lake groups-we’ve helped the Leech Lake Homeless Resource Center a number of times. We’ve donated to elder programs, and Leech Lake youth programs. So helping out the club and having them come out here to help out, makes sense.”

Leech Lake Area Boys & Girls Club Executive Director Rebecca Graves says the money donated from the Dahl-Wooleys is going to a good cause.

“We have three separates clubs that make up the Leech Lake Area, we have one here in Cass Lake, one in Walker and one in Onigum. This money is going to be going into our general fund dollars and split up evenly between each our clubs. We typically fundraise about 1/3rd of our budget so a donation like this is going to help us cover a good portion of what we need for the rest of this year. Plus working this event is a great team building experience for our staff.”

The Nightscreams donation is expected to be a substantial financial boost to the club, ever since the haunt fest’s inception, it’s been pulling high numbers which have only gone up since being ranked the 3rd scariest haunt in the state.

“We thought we were going to do this whole thing just once-years ago. I was thinking we were only going to get 30-60 people max for the whole month. We ended up getting hundreds. “ says Dahl-Wooley. “Last year alone we got 4,000 to 5,000 people, and we’re shooting for 6,000 this year.”

The haunt spreads out for more than a mile on the sprawling resort behind the Big Winnie General store winding through two trailers, a graveyard and trail full of fright, a far cry from the haunt’s original run which was based out of a garage. The Dahl-Wooleys only expect the sets to get larger and more elaborate as years go on.

NightScreams is located behind the Big Winnie General Store at 1510 U.S. Highway 2 NE in Bena. Tickets cost $8, wands of protection are an additional $2 and the haunt fest is open Friday and Saturday nights in October from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. Recommended for kids 12 and over.
BEMIDJI STATE UNIVERSITY CELEBRATES
INDIGENOUS PEOPLES AND TREATY DAY

BY KAYLA DUOOS

BEMIDJI — Bemidji State’s American Indian Resource Center (AIRC) kicked off their 3rd Annual Indigenous Peoples and Treaty Day celebration with a welcoming ceremony led by AIRC Director Bill Blackwell, followed by lectures from five indigenous professors covering a wide variety of topics relevant to Indian Country.

The distinguished lecturers covered many topics including treaty law and responsibilities, native entrepreneurship, microaggressions in health care and a reexamining of the history of Christopher Columbus.

The university’s well-attended celebration of Indigenous Peoples and Treaty Day started with a successful community and on campus effort in 2016 to replace Christopher Columbus day with one honoring indigenous peoples. Vivian Delagado, one of the featured speakers at the event, helped lead the on-campus effort with the assistance of the students in her previous Indigenous Treaty and Law course who brought their pitch to city council before the resolution was passed.

AIRC director Bill Blackwell felt like the mark of change within the city called for a celebration on campus.

“This event first started with a panel. Five women came out and talked about the treaties, it went really well but we got a lot of feedback from the community and that made us think, hey what if this went all day long? People can come in and out during the day and classes can come” says Blackwell. “That’s what we ended up doing—making this event more accessible to our communities. At the end of the day, the more our community is around our students the better. The more students feel apart of this community and apart of campus—the better off they’ll do."

The AIRC and Bemidji State hopes that continuing their celebration yearly at the resource center will bring many community members and youth to the university to develop relationships and eventually get their start at Bemidji State. A feat that was answered in promise as Laporte and Cass Lake-Bena high schools both had students present at the lectures.

“In our strategic plan, we’re aspiring to be a destination university for Native American students nationwide” continues Blackwell. “The only way we can get to that point is having the people who work here on campus—showing their support and spreading awareness for indigenous topics and that’s what we hope we’ve done here today.”

Professors and Bemidji State Alumni Veronica Veaux and Dr. John Gonzalez echoed Blackwell’s statements and gratitude at the campus administrations support for this event and what it meant for them to speak on campus to the community.

“As educators, it is our responsibility to share our knowledge with others. On Indigenous Peoples Day, it is an honor for a state university to support us in this way. We are truly lucky to have an institution that believes in the work we do.” says Veaux.

“Peggy and I have said from the beginning those most impacted by the decisions we would make — should we be given the privilege to be governor — have to feel like they have a seat at the table. So it was absolutely imperative that we came up here and listened” says Walz. “What are the issues; here’s our concerns with line 3, here’s our concerns with jobs, here’s our concerns the opioid epidemic and how do we address this together, here’s our concerns with policing on our communities, out of home placement for our children and here’s why it matters to us. That’s why it was so important to build that team.”

During the Tribal College visit Walz has also stressed the importance of tribal sovereignty and his belief that treaties are the law of the land.

“My opponent and I have very distinct differences on how we see the world. We have very distinct differences in how we view health care as a basic human right, we have very distinct differences on how we see sovereignty. We had a debate on outdoor issues and the resort owners had talked and asked the question about what are we going to do about...
On This Day in History:
The Battle of Sugar Point

On the early Wednesday morning of October 5th, 1898 a handful of young Pillager men held off approximately 100 U.S. soldiers on the shores of Sugar Point. The firefight resulted in seven dead and ten wounded with no casualties reported on the Ojibwe side. The soldiers were eventually forced to retreat back to Walker, MN. This event has come to be recognized as the last military conflict between the U.S. and American Indians.

As with many conflicts, the tensions that led to the Battle of Sugar Point were varied. Lumber companies routinely swindled the Ojibwe. When the payments would be delayed, the Ojibwe were routinely rounded up and subjected to the ire of the Pillagers and other bands at that time.

One of the most cited complaints among the Ojibwe at that time was a “dead and burnt wood” clause which allowed the lumber barons to purchase timber at a greatly reduced rate if it was in such condition. They would often start forest fires and then quickly harvest both semi-burnt and green wood and claim it all as “dead”, reaping massive profits at the expense of the Ojibwe.

In addition to practices such as these, timber was routinely appraised at a severely lower rate on the Reservations in Minnesota than it would have been elsewhere. Money received for the timber, which was intended to sustain the Ojibwe people was mishandled, misappropriated and frequently spent frivolously by Indian Agents on behalf of the Ojibwe. When the payments would come, they were notoriously late, much to the ire of the Pillagers and other bands at that time.

Mistreatment and injustices at the hands of U.S. Marshals and other agents also played a large role. Kickback schemes abounded between these federal agents and local hotel and railroad men, who were paid by the U.S. Government each time a witness or defendant was brought before the court in Duluth. Ojibwe were routinely rounded up and brought to Duluth on false charges to line the pockets of those involved in the scam.

Delayed payments and consistent arrests in weak, unsubstantiated bootlegging cases eventually led the leaders of the Pillager tribe to send a letter to the U.S. Government asking them to look into the on-going injustices the tribe was facing.

The letter went unacknowledged by the U.S. Government, further perpetuating the poor relationship between the tribe and U.S. officials.

Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig (Hole-In-The-Day) was an elder Pillager man and one of the many Ojibwe who had first-hand experience of the downfalls within the U.S. justice system. In April 1898, Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig was arrested by a U.S. Marshal on bootlegging charges and brought to Duluth for court.

Once arraigned and let go due to insufficient evidence, Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig was left to make the 135 mile journey home on his own accord. Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig hitched rides on multiple trains, only making it so far in the journey before being repeatedly thrown off for not having a ticket. Leading him to eventually walk the last 40 miles home. It was at that moment he swore he would never allow himself to be arrested ever again, lest he may perish on his next forced journey home. He kept true to this word and never again sat before the U.S. Judicial system.

When Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig was called on to stand in Duluth as a witness for another bootlegging case a few months later, he ignored the U.S. Marshals warrant for his appearance. He was then detained along with Sha-Boon-Day-Shkong, another Pillager man when they went to collect their annuity payments in Onigum. Recognizing the stakes at hand at the possibility of another trip to Duluth, Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig called out for help. The other Ojibwe in Onigum, hearing the pleas of one of their elders, surrounded, and gently, yet forcefully secured his release.

The army officials who were in charge of the arrest of Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig that day, went forward to tell a tale of how they were surrounded by over 200 warriors and attacked, when in reality it was a small group of Pillager band members. Reportedly, less than 20 people, mostly women, aided in Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shigs escape.

The battle continued into the night and no harm came to any of the Ojibwe people outside of Indian Officer Gay-Gway-Day-Be-Tung (George Russell), who was allegedly shot by mistake, by a soldier who assumed he was fighting alongside the Pillagers. The 3rd U.S. Infantry saw six causalitys and ten wounded that night.

On the morning of October 7, 1898, the soldiers retreated from Sugar Point, battered, hungry and cold. Once back to safety in Walker, the commanding officer, General Bacon, would be quoted in newspapers as saying that he “scattered” and “whipped the indians good”, a poor attempt at saving face.

Once word of the battle spread, hysteria ran rampant in the surrounding areas that an “Indian Uprising” was coming. Additional troops were sent to the area, and outcries to the US Government for assistance and protection were pouring in from the non-native people in

We now have only the pine lands of our reservations for our future subsistence and support, but the manner in which we are being defrauded out of these has alarmed us.

We trust that you will protect us when the truth reaches you.

The Chippewa Indians of Minnesota have always been loyal to the United States and friendly to the whites, and they desire this friendship to be perpetual.

The undersigned chiefs and headmen of the Pillager band of Chippewa Indians of Minnesota, respectfully represent that our people are carrying a heavy burden, and in order that they may not be crushed by it, we humbly petition you to send a commission, to investigate the existing trouble here.

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Minnesota. Memories of Custer’s defeat at Little Big Horn, just 22 years prior in 1876, led the newspapers of the day to run wild with unsubstantiated headlines.

The townspeople of Walker surrounded themselves with a 24-hour rotating shift of armed guards. In Bemidji, all of the women were herded into a courthouse as 200 armed “militiamen” stood guard outside. It took a few weeks for the buzz to die down, though the relationships between the Ojibwe and their neighbors were never fully repaired.

With all of the nation’s attention turned towards Leech Lake, the U.S. Government was forced to hear the grievances put forth by the Ojibwe people. Commissioner of Indian Affairs, William A. Jones, was soon dispatched to the area. After an extensive number of meetings with the tribal elders, an agreement was reached. Several Pillagers turned themselves in for warrants related to Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig’s escape, although Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig himself upheld his pledge to never return to U.S. Court or jail. Most of those who turned themselves in served between two to six months, and everyone involved received a full pardon from President McKinley a short time after.

Further investigations revealed the damage that had been done to the Ojibwe at the hands of the logging companies, as well as during the first arrest of Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig and those who aided in his escape. Reforms in the management of timber on the Leech Lake Reservation eventually led to the establishment of the Chippewa National Forest.

None of the Pillager Ogichidaa who engaged in battle at Sugar Point ever were tried or received punishment for their involvement. Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig went on to live another 18 years in the area before passing peacefully. The U.S. Army never returned to the shores of Sugar Point on Leech Lake, the site of their final battle and defeat in the period now known as the “Indian Wars”.

“Old Bug”

_Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig. Photo courtesy of the Minnesota Historical Society._
U.S. District 8 Congressional Candidate, Joe Radinovich, Visits Leech Lake

CASS LAKE- Democratic Farmer-Laborer (DFL) Congressional Candidate Joe Radinovich made a stop along his campaign trail last Tuesday to speak with Leech Lake Tribal leaders and hear what issues were among high importance for the tribe.

The council members present, Faron Jackson, Leroy Fairbanks and Archie LaRose expressed interest in further partnering with Radinovich if elected, on the Leech Lake Reservation Restoration Act that will likely be included in an Omnibus bill later this year.

Radinovich was eager to show his support and be a resource for the tribe moving forward.

“I’ll do my part in policy to support the bill and be a sponsor on this bill if that’s what you want and if that’s what it takes to get it done" said Radinovich.

The congressional candidate has taken his own stance on other issues relevant to Indian Country on his personal website.

“In Congress, it would be my great honor to represent five sovereign Indian nations in my District. I will respect the self-governing authority of the tribes and fight for better health care, housing and educational opportunities for American Indians.” Says the congressional candidate.

Radinovich also made statements regarding his beliefs on mining within the state which has become a hot topic issue this election.

"Joe has opposed injecting politics into the decision-making of our state and federal agencies by Presidential administrations of both parties. The decisions made by these agencies must be protected from politics, because their work depends on science and facts, and expands economic opportunity in our region. Joe Radinovich believes proposals that meet the state and federal rules we have in place should move forward, and he is working to ensure that every Minnesotan has faith in our regulatory process”

Radinovich also expressed his support and want to fund the Veterans Administration.

“We need to fully fund the Veterans Administration, cut the red tape, cut the long lines at VA hospitals and find innovative solutions to better serve those who have served their country.”

If elected Radinovich will represent Minnesota's 8th Congressional District. Joe submitted the following written positions on issues important to Indian Country:

**Mining**: I support taconite and precious metals mining on the Iron Range that meet the regulatory requirements put in place according to state and federal law, which also includes a significant tribal consultation process. I also haven’t been afraid to ask tough questions of major corporations who want to make their profits from the wealth under our feet, and I will hold them accountable in Congress.

**Indian Child Welfare Act**: The Indian Child Welfare Act was passed 40 years ago in response to the high rate at which states were separating Indian children from their parents, families, and tribes through involuntary removal of Indian children from Indian homes and involuntary termination of parental rights. As with any law, a review and reauthorization of certain parts may be necessary, but in general I believe the law is working as intended to reverse the prior practice of Indian child separation.

**Treaties**: Minnesota’s 8th Congressional District is shaped by numerous treaties whose promises made during the 1830s and 1850s require a constant effort to uphold to this day. A good example of this was the effort surrounding the Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School. The federal government, as a result of these treaties, has a trust responsibility to educate Indian Children. But it was only this fall that a new school was finally completed and available for students. In Congress, I will continue to work with tribal governments and members to uphold treaty obligations.

**Pipelines**: All pipeline routing decisions should respect Tribal Sovereignty. On Line 3, I believe a new pipeline is safer than an old pipeline - we need to move away from fossil fuels, but we're going to have a transition period, and oil isn't only used for gasoline. It's used for any number of different products, and so it's going to continue to be around for a number of years. Pipelines need to be built in a way that is safest for the public and the environment, and not necessarily the fastest for the oil companies.

**Relationships with Tribes**: I agree with the National Congress of American Indians who recently pointed out that Republican leaders have damaged relationships with tribes in recent legislation action, like the tax bill, where the average tax cut for a Minnesotan in the top 1 percent in 2019 is $42,700 and 80% of the benefits go to the top 1%. This is wrong. It is also bad policy because the tax bill is being used as an excuse to cut Social Security and Medicare - I oppose cutting these middle class programs to pay for a tax break for the rich.

What's also wrong is a budget like President Trump recently proposed, which wanted to cut half-a-billion dollars from various tribal support services, including the Indian Child Welfare Act. This is in violation of the federal promise to provide resources to tribes in exchange for land given to the United States Government in treaties.

To read more of Radinovich's stances on issues, you can visit:

https://www.joeradinovich.com
Leech Lake Headstart Holds Wild Rice Demonstration For Students

Leech Lake Headstart students and instructors were given the opportunity to learn about traditional methods in processing wild rice recently throughout their day at school. Classes alternated and visited the small camp facilitated by Giiwedin and Andres Nordrum, at the rear of the school Tuesday, September 25, 2018 and learned more about how wild rice goes from being harvested, cleaned, and ready to eat.

Governor Candidate Tim Walz Visits Leech Lake
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Mille Lacs, what are we going to do about the fishing up there? And my opponent said, well I’ll talk to the folks up there and build a relationship and whatever and then I got a chance and I said have you ever meet with them? And he said no. So you’re going to start that relationship after you get elected? Then he said, that I think is very profound and tells you where we’re going If we can’t get a deal with them — I’ll go to the administration and go to the supreme court and change that. I think everyone in this room understands what he’s saying. We’re just going to erase you as people—is the way will we do that because that is non-negotiable. That is the supreme law of the land and the treaty rights in Mille Lacs is what they were. The answer that I gave was that we’ll work with the leadership of the band that knows—and we’ll really attack the problem for what it really is. This is not a problem with fishing. This is a problem with climate change and invasive species destroying the lake.”

Walz defines his platform with the indigenous nations of Minnesota as a collaboration and hopes to build on that partnership if elected.

“The whole theme when we started this is “we are one Minnesota and we are stronger together”. My goal especially when it comes from, our 11 sovereign nations, I want it to be said when someone asks this question because I ask this question. Which state is doing the best government to government and indigenous issues the best? No one instantly said Minnesota – and that to me is what we should strive for.”

To further read about Tim Walz platform and his beliefs, you can visit https://walzflanagan.org/

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The General Fund ended the fiscal year with a positive balance (surplus) fund balance of $8 million dollars. The General Fund receives 13 million from Gaming profits and 10 million that comprises the annual operating budget for the General Fund. Any funds not spent or extraordinary revenue received such as additional tax revenue not budgeted will be allocated for areas such as future capital projects, additional funding to the Education Endowment Fund, and to establish an emergency reserve fund.

The Special Revenue Fund ended the fiscal year with surplus funds in the areas of Roads and the Opioid Program. Roads programs receives construction funds from the Federal Highway Administration through the BIA. The Roads surplus will be utilized to build additional roads and to expand the current transit program. The Bands Gaming shuttles have been utilized as public transportation but that is not an economical method. We have these surplus funds and there are other grants funds available to do this.

The Opioid program receives its funding by billing the State of Minnesota Medical Assistance program. These surplus funds are utilized to fund other health related programs. One such project underway is the Guaranteed Energy Savings Project. This project is to maximize energy use through replacement of existing buildings HVAC and lighting systems for more energy efficient technology.

The FY 2020 Budget planning process will begin in November with the Division Directors submitting budget requests for their annual budget needs. The Budget Committee has recommended priorities in the areas of Education, Public Safety, Resources Management, and the Tax Rebate. Public hearings will be held during the months of January and February to receive comments, concerns or questions regarding the FY 2020 Budget.

During discussions with the State of Minnesota regarding the Cigarette Tax issue and the ensuing withheld payments by the State, $6 million dollars was identified and paid to the Band. These funds are set aside in a separate bank account and will be included in the budgeting process and be restricted for a special purpose as recommended by the Budget Committee.

The Minor’s Trust Fund account statements have been mailed to all Band Citizens under the age of 18. We continue to make “18 money” payments out to persons reaching the age of 18.

The annual audit for FY 2018 of the LLBO Governmental Activities is scheduled to be completed and filed with the Federal Audit Clearinghouse by the deadline of March 31, 2019. The audit is conducted by the firm of RSM, (formerly McGladrey,) an auditing firm with local offices in Duluth and the Twin Cities.

Leech Lake Gaming Summary of Operations Quarter Ending September 2018

Revenue
Revenue continues its’ upward trend for Leech Lake Gaming. Compared to the previous fiscal year, Gaming saw an increase of $975 thousand. Total revenue for fiscal year 2019 through August was $20.4 million. Although the addition of small businesses and Shingobee in fiscal year 2018 brought an increase in revenue, Gaming revenue has been on the rise as well.

Expenses
Total expenses have increased through the years as well. Payroll expenses were on the downward trend from 2015 to 2017, but with the additional businesses as a factor, in fiscal year 2018 we saw an increase in payroll expenses. Cost of sales have steadily been increasing through the years, which is partially due to the cigarettes that are sold at a loss in effort to see an increase in tax revenue for the Band. Total expenses through August 2018 equaled to $15.4 million, which is an increase of $912 thousand compared to the previous fiscal year.

Net Profit
Net profit also continues in an upward trend, with a slight decrease in fiscal year 2017. Gaming has seen an approximate increase of $1.0 million in net profit from fiscal year 2015 to fiscal year 2019 when comparing profit through August. Total net profit for fiscal year 2019 through August equaled approximately $5.0 million.

Forecast
From revenue and expenses to net profit, we have seen increases over a 5-year comparison. As the fiscal year continues, Gaming will continue to monitor expenses and look to increase revenue that will bring an increase to bottom line.
IT’S TIME FOR A NATIVE VOICE IN THE GOVERNOR’S OFFICE.

VOTE TIM & PEGGY on NOVEMBER 6th

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Obituaries

Lawrence Aitken

Bezhigoogaabo aka Lawrence Paul Aitken, age 74, of Leech Lake, Minnesota passed away on October 4, 2018. Born to Pauline and Charlie Aitken in May of 1944 he grew up in Onigum/Walker alongside his five brothers, one sister, and several cousins.

Larry graduated from Haskell Institute, Bemidji State University, and the University of Minnesota Duluth. He dedicated his life to Indian Education by helping establish the Leech Lake Tribal College and serving as a professor of Ojibwe Studies for several institutions spanning three decades. Larry was also a pipe carrier and spiritual mentor to many, conducting a multitude of ceremonies in keeping with the anishinaabe tradition, only potted plants and flowers should be brought and no Christianity items should be brought or worn.

Larry's care has been entrusted to Northern Peace Funeral Home of Walker, MN. Online condolences for the family may be left at www.northernpeace.com

Crystal Stickney

Crystal Lee (Webster) Stickney, “Waabishkii Binesii” which means “White Bird”; 28 years young, of the Bear Clan and Seattle, WA, formally of Cass Lake, MN began her journey to the spirit world on Tuesday, October 2, 2018 from the Swedish Cherry Hill Medical Center in Seattle, Washington with her husband Niles by her side. Crystal was born to Carol Garbow and Chauncey Webster on January 25, 1990 in Deer River, MN.

Crystal was a fun loving, open minded young woman with an infectious laugh. She loved music and going for rides with her husband to see the mountains and the waterfalls. Going to the movies with her kids was one of her favorite things to do. Crystal enjoyed going out on the boat and swimming. She loved being with her babies and her family. Crystal always made time for her friends and family, especially in their hard times. Her memory will forever remain in our hearts.

She is welcomed to the spirit world by her mother; Carol Ann Garbow, her grandpa; Dennis Garbow and an uncle; Dennis Dean Garbow.

Those left behind to cherish her memory are her husband; Niles Taylor Stickney, Sr., of Seattle, WA, her children; Niles Taylor Stickney, Jr., Nerissa Rae Stickney, Nadine Ina Jeanne Stickney and Naomi Freyja Stickney, sister; April Webster of Cass Lake, nephew; Daniel Allen Garbow, numerous other relatives and many friends.

An overnight wake for Crystal will begin at 5:30 p.m., Wednesday, October 10 and continue until her 10:00 a.m. traditional service on Thursday, Thursday, October 11 all being held at the Inger Community Center in Inger, MN. Waa-maajaa'iwed Steve Jackson. Helping to lay Crystal to rest are Craig Cloud, Jerome Wakanabo, Duane Garbow, Cody Rushman, Rod Stickney and Vaundell Kingbird. Alternate pallbearer is Luke Warrick. Interment will be in the Inger Cemetery at Inger, MN following her Thursday services.

Crystal's care has been entrusted to Northern Peace Funeral Home of Walker, MN. Online condolences for the family may be left at www.northernpeace.com

Benay Fairbanks

Benay Nazhike Wegahbow (Stands Alone) Don Fairbanks, age 46, left this earthly plane on September 30, 2018 to enter and explore the next. Benay was born on September 4, 1972 to Deanna “Dee” Fairbanks in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Benay was originally named NazhikeWegahbow by his great grandmother's elderly sister, Mattie Blakely. As a young child he traveled across the country a number of times with his mother and was gifted with an interesting young life filled with some colorful and unique people. In California, when he was 4 years old, Dennis Banks became his Weh-eyh and gave him the name ”Benay” (partridge or bird) which was later added as his legal name. Wilma Mankiller, who later went on to become the first Woman Chief of the Oklahoma Cherokee Nation, became Benay's Godmother and self-proclaimed auntie. A few years after Alcatraz, Wilma and her daughters, another 'auntie' and her daughter and Dee and Benay shared a house in Oakland, California. These were times of protests, rallies, sit-ins, take-overs and demonstrations...many of which young Benay was present for. About the time Benay was ready to start school they moved home to the "Rez" where, for the most part, they've remained.

Benay was highly intelligent, curious, a unique thinker, funny, dark, warm, multi-talented, big hearted, loved, and loyal to those he called friend. These past two years Benay underwent some challenging and (literally) dark times with blindness and health issues. For Benay, being who he was, these challenges just served to intensify his insightfulness and clarify his priorities, beliefs and passions. The one single passion that sustained him during the dark times was his desire to ride again...to get on his motorcycle and to ride high, wild and free. Before he left this earthly plane, he was able to fulfill his biggest desire, he was able to ride again...most importantly, to ride with his DMO brothers and sisters. Benay was one of the co-founders and the first president of DMO, the Descendants Motorcycle Organization. He was deeply proud of his involvement and participation in DMO's inception.

Benay expressed himself best in writing, both creatively for his personal expression and professionally as a grant-writer and planner. He was looking forward to returning to work at Northwest OIC in Bemidji when he was able. Benay was not a follower of any organized religion, however was a believer in the Force, in Crom, in Duldum, and even rose to the position of Chaplain of DMO by becoming a Pastafarian Minister. Over the years he officiated at the weddings of a number of friends. Benay was meant to be a Free Spirit and he was in heart and mind...his death broke the last link and now his Spirit is truly Free.

Benay leaves behind his mother; Dee Fairbanks, his biological father; Ronald Partridge, his sister; Jasmine (Brady Welch) TwoCrow Fairbanks, uncles; Don Fairbanks, Sr. and Dale Fairbanks cousins; LeRoy L. Fairbanks, Donald Fairbanks, Jr., Kari Fisherman, Michael Red Eagle, Sarah Fairbanks, many cousins, other relatives, and very good friends. He also leaves behind his faithful cat Battlecat, dog nephew; Toby
Benay was preceded into the Spirit world by his sister; Breanna Leigh Wakambow, grandmother; Edna Whitefeather, grandfather; LeRoy B. Fairbanks and uncle; Robert Whitefeather.

Benay’s Celebration of Life and Memorial is scheduled for 12:00 p.m., Saturday, October 6, 2018 at the Veteran's Memorial Building in Cass Lake, MN, to be followed by his Final Ride with DMO and Friends. Pallbearers for Benay will be, Mike Kornezos, Bill Ethier, Greg Anderson, John Robinson, Kenneth Copenace, Cory Medina, Bill May, and Kevin Campbell. His honorary pallbearers are the DMO Members, his motorcycle friends and other compadres, Eric Reed, Tahlia Palmer, and Heather Broda. His ashes will be scattered around the Final Ride Route, the “Fairbanks Compound” and at the Ellis Family Cemetery at a later date.

Benay’s care has been entrusted to Northern Peace Funeral Home of Walker, MN. Online condolences for the family may be left at www.northernpeace.com

**Richard Beaulieu**

Richard Leroy Beaulieu, 81, of Cass Lake, MN died Friday, October 12, 2018 at Sanford Bemidji Medical Center. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 am Tuesday, October 16, 2018 at the Cass Lake Christian and Missionary Alliance Church with Father Matthew Cobb officiating. Visitations will be from 5 – 7 pm on Monday, Oct. 15 at the Cease Family Funeral Home in Bemidji and one hour before the service at the church on Tuesday. Interment will be at the Pine Grove Cemetery in Cass Lake with military honors by the American Legion post #284 of Cass Lake.

Richard was born January 9, 1937 in Onigum, MN, the son of Clifford and Margaret (Belland) Beaulieu. He attended Cass Lake School. He served our country in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War. He married Bonnie Forman. He returned to Cass Lake where he worked as a heavy equipment operator for many years. He worked for Ken Connor from 1966 - 1972, and then C.L. Nelson from 1972 - 1975. He worked for MCT Construction from 1975 - 1978 and finally for Leech Lake Reservation Construction from 1978 to his retirement. Richard always had a smile on his face and he enjoyed going to the Fitness Center, visiting casinos, and cruising town.

He is survived by 2 daughters-Terri Bjorklund of Walker, Cyndi (Jeff) Cwikla of Bemidji, son; Timothy Beaulieu of Cass Lake, 4 grandchildren-Erica Bjorklund of Pequot Lakes, and Christopher Eckes of Wadena, 2 great grandchildren-Mikayla and Alexa, siblings-Gloria Hanson, Luella Brunelle, Katherine Pemberton, Kent (Deb) Beaulieu, Susie Roy all of Cass Lake, and many nephews and nieces.

He was preceded in death by his parents, 2 brothers-Edward and Marvin Joseph Beaulieu and special aunt Ann Oberg.

Casketbearers will be Brian Brunelle, Kelly Brunelle, Jeff Brunelle, Dakotah Brunelle, William Brunelle and Collin Mitchell.

Condolences may be left at www.ceasefuneral-home.com.

**Kenneth Whitebird**

Kenneth Whitebird, Sr., 60 years old of Cass Lake, Minnesota began his journey to the spirit world on Thursday, October 11, 2018 from New Sanford Hospital, Fargo, ND. He was born in Cass Lake, MN on November 16, 1957 to Edmund Whitebird and Leota White.

Kenneth was an avid outdoors man. He loved hunting, gathering, riceing, bough picking and netting fish. He enjoyed going to the casino but most of all he loved spending time with his grandchildren. Kenneth was a jack of all trades and would help any who needed him. He will be missed by so many.

He is preceded in death by his parents; Edmund and Leota, brother; Edmund Lee Whitebird and sister; Dorcus Whitebird.

Those left behind to celebrate Kenneth’s life are his sons; Kenneth, Jr., Aaron Jackson and Steve Johnson, daughter; Marcy Whitebird, brothers; Sidney Whitebird and Jeffrey Whitebird, sister; Myrna Whitebird, uncle; Jojo White, 15 grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

An overnight wake for Kenneth will begin at 4:00 p.m., Tuesday, October 16th and continue until his 11:00 a.m. service on Wednesday, October 17th all being held at the Battle Point Community Center, Federal Dam, MN. Jay Pepin will be officiating. His pallbearers Aaron Jackson, Steven Johnson, Ron Johnson, Derek Doerr, Darrell Johnson, Jr., Darrin Brown, Jr., (Bill). Honorary pallbearers Mike White, Pat White, Eli Reyes, Ryan Whitebird, Larry White, Randy (B-Boy) White, Steve White. Interment will be in Fairview Cemetery, Federal Dam, Minnesota.

Kenneth’s care has been entrusted to Northern Peace Funeral Home of Walker, MN. Online condolences for the family may be left at www.northernpeace.com

**Bruce Armstrong Jr.**

Bruce Armstrong Jr., “Gimiwan” which means “Rain”; age 27, of the Bear Clan and Cass Lake, Minnesota journeyed to the spirit world on Sunday, September 16, 2018 from Sanford Medical Center in Fargo, ND, following a car accident in Frazee, MN. He was born to Ruth Wind and Bruce Armstrong, Sr. on July 19, 1991 in Minneapolis, MN

Bruce attended elementary school in Minneapolis before moving to Cass Lake 20 years ago. He obtained his GED in April of this year and was recently accepted to Central Lakes Community College. His interests were sports, in particular baseball and basketball. He was roller skating by the age of three. Bruce loved spending time with his daughters, listening to music and driving. His family describes him as a witty and funny person who loved his sisters and Fam brothers dearly. He was very outgoing and could do everything he tried. Bruce planned to marry his fiancé Jamie Rancour in February in Las Vegas. Family welcoming Bruce to the spirit world are his sister; Rachel Armstrong, grandparents; Katy and Daniel Armstrong and John J. Wind, Sr., uncles; Abraham, Matthew and Patrick Armstrong, and other family members.

Bruce leaves behind to cherish his memory his daughters; Ayannah and Mataya Armstrong, his parents; Ruth Wind and Bruce Armstrong, Sr., fiancé; Jamie Rancour; siblings; Danielle and Crystal Stand, Shayla and Tyannah Wind, Leigghan, Matthew, Jamie and Jesse Armstrong, Brooke Beaulieu and Zoey Shomin, grandmother; Philomene “Mousey” Armstrong, aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and numerous other relatives and so many hurting friends.

A wake for Bruce will begin at 4:00 p.m., Thursday, September 20 and continue until his 10:00 a.m. traditional service on Saturday, September 22 all to be held at the Veterans Memorial Building in Cass Lake, MN. Melvin Goodman will be his Spiritual Advisor. Pallbearers for Bruce will be Bruce Armstrong, Sr., Silas Blue, Devon Solis, Rob Lussier, James Ortley, Charles Ortley, Emilio Bunker, Louis Hernandez, Juan Vasquez and Joel Sanchez. Alternate pallbearers are Carlos Sargent, John Robertson and Matthew Armstrong. His honorary pallbearers are his daughters Ayannah Armstrong, Mataya Armstrong, Erica Roy, Danielle Stand, Crystal Stand, Leeanne Armstrong, Shayla-John Wind, Tyannah Wind, Angelynn Jackson, Jamie Armstrong, Jesse Armstrong, Brook Beaulieu, Zowy Shomin, Terrance Stillday, Riley Stillday, Carole Blue, Vicky Goggleye, Becky Clark, Deon Wahpepa, Daniel Wahpepa, Philomene “Mousey” Armstrong, Brittney Adams, Cory Hoffman, Carol Roy, Tyler Roy, Andrew Nickabome, Weezey and all of his family and friends. Interment will be in the Mission Burial Grounds on Saturday immediately following his services.

Bruce’s care has been entrusted to Northern Peace Funeral Home of Walker, MN. Online condolences for the family may be left at www.northernpeace.com
LEGAL NOTICE

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In Re: Estate of: Yvonne Frances Littlewolf, DOB: 07/08/1936 Decedent

Court File No. CV-16-105

NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND CREDITORS IT IS ORDERED AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above-named decedent, Yvonne Frances Littlewolf, died August 7, 2016. A hearing was held before the Honorable Amber Ahola, Associate Judge of the above-named Tribal Court located in the Leech Lake Tribal Justice Center, 200 Sailstar Drive NW, in Cass Lake, Minnesota on the 17, day of July, 2018 at 11:00 a.m., upon the filing of a Petition for Formal Appointment of Personal Representative by John Joseph Littlewolf, surviving child of the decedent.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the above-named decedent, Ar- dith Pearl Morrow, died June 19, 2018. A hearing was held before the Honorable Paul Day, Chief Judge of the above-named Tribal Court located in the Leech Lake Tribal Justice Center, 200 Sailstar Drive NW, in Cass Lake, Minnesota on the 13, day of September, 2018 at 11:00 a.m., upon the filing of a Petition for Formal Appointment of Personal Representative by Sheena Morrow, surviving child of the 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

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court


NOTICE OF LEGAL PUBLICATION YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that on August 4, 2018, a Petition for Guardianship of a Minor was filed with the Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the child(ren) of the above-named parent. 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 August 20, 2018 at 9:00 a.m., the date of the Initial hearing scheduled in Leech Lake Tribal Court, Tribal Justice Center, Cass Lake, Minnesota. Failure to appear at the above date and time may result in the relief requested in the Petition, and any other relief may be granted as prayed for by the petitioner.

LEGAL NOTICE

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In the Matter of the Welfare of: A.C.P-M., Minor Child, DOB: 04/12/2015; Lyn Wind, Petitioner, And Jyllica Morin & Charles Kingbird Sr., Respondent, Case No. FA-18-110

NOTICE OF LEGAL PUBLICATION YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that on August 24, 2018, a Petition for Formal Appointment of Personal Representative of the Estate of: Billie J. Holstein, Parent, was filed in Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the child(ren) 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 against you.

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Deer River, MN
Morse Town Hall
4pm – 7pm
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 NOVEMBER 2, 2018
Community Health Worker ~ Health ~ $16.00/hr. ~ Job Code: 18-153
Teen Outreach Program (TOP) Lead Facilitator ~ Health ~ $18.00/hr. ~ Job Code: 18-152
Cook ~ Bemidji ~ Education ~ $12.00/hr. ~ Job Code: 18-151
Snap Ed Educator 2 ~ Education~ $14.00/hr. ~ Job Code: 18-150

THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS CLOSE ON OCTOBER 26, 2018
Family Preservation Case Manager ~ Human Services ~ D.O.Q. ~ Job Code: 18-149
Service Coordinator ~ Human Services ~ $18.00/hr. ~ Job Code: 18-148
Compliance Specialist ~ Human Services ~ D.O.Q. ~ Job Code: 18-147
Operations Manager ~ Human Services ~ D.O.Q. ~ Job Code: 18-146
Advanced Practice Provider (2) ~ Health ~ D.O.Q. ~ Job Code: 18-145
Case Manager ~ Legal/Child Support ~ D.O.Q. ~ Job Code: 18-144
Data Coordinator ~ Tribal Development~ D.O.Q. ~ Job Code: 18-102C
Youthbuild Construction Trainer ~ Education ~ D.O.Q. ~ Job Code: 18-080B

THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS ARE OPEN UNTIL FILLED
Cass Lake Infant Toddler Teacher ~ Education ~ D.O.Q. Job Code: 18-140
Cass Lake Cook ~ Education ~ D.O.Q. ~ Job Code: 18-139
Mental Health Clinical Trainee (2) ~ Human Services ~ D.O.Q. ~ Job Code: 18-138
Mental Health Professional (2) ~ Human Services ~ D.O.Q. ~ Job Code: 18-137
Mental Health Case Manager ~ Human Services ~ D.O.Q. ~ Job Code: 18-136
Data Entry/EMR ~ Health ~ D.O.Q. ~ Job Code: 18-135
Accounts Receivable Clerk 1 ~ Finance ~ D.O.Q. ~ Job Code: 18-134
Cass Lake Family Service Advocate ~ Education ~ D.O.Q. ~ Job Code: 18-132
Community Risk Attendant (2) ~ Health ~ $12.00/hr. ~ Job Code: 18-131
Crisis Coordinator ~ Human Services ~ D.O.Q. ~ Job Code: 18-130
PT EMT Attendant (4) ~ Health ~ D.O.Q. ~ Job Code: 18-126
Cash Management Clerk ~ Finance ~ D.O.Q. ~ Job Code: 18-124
Accounting Clerk ~ Finance ~ D.O.Q. ~ Job Code: 18-123
Cash Management Team Leader ~ Finance ~ D.O.Q. ~ Job Code: 18-121
CD Counselor (2) ~ Human Services/MHWH ~ D.O.Q. ~ Job Code: 18-119
Program Accountant (2) ~ Finance ~ D.O.Q. ~ Job Code: 18-118
Junior Accountant ~ Finance ~ D.O.Q. ~ Job Code: 18-117
Case Manager ~ Human Services ~ D.O.Q. ~ Job Code: 18-116
Lead Cook ~ Education ~ D.O.Q. ~ Job Code: 18-108
Cass Lake Pre School Team Leader (2) ~ Education ~ D.O.Q. ~ Job Code: 18-099
(4) Pre School Teacher ~ Education ~ D.O.Q.
Bena Infant Toddler Teacher ~ Education ~ D.O.Q. ~ Job Code: 18-087
CTSS Mental Health Practitioner ~ Human Services ~ D.O.Q. ~ Job Code: 18-079
Accounts Payable Team Leader ~ Finance ~ D.O.Q. ~ Job Code: 18-077
Associate Tribal Attorney ~ Administration ~ D.O.Q. ~ Job Code: 18-069
(3) Youth Activities Coordinator ~ Education ~ D.O.Q. ~ Various Locations

Bena/Sugar Point Family Service Advocate ~ Education ~ $12.00/hr. ~ Job Code: 18-054
Claims Specialist ~ Finance ~ D.O.Q. ~ Job Code: 18-018B
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