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## FEMA Training Continues at Leech Lake



**Key Leech Lake Band staff members after taking their F.E.M.A. certification exams which concluded a week long training seminar at Northern Lights Casino in Walker MN.**

Walker MN- Natural disasters and man-made catastrophes seem to be more and more prevalent in the news these days. From preparations for spring floods in the Red River Valley to wild fires in Texas and Oklahoma - and most recently with the earthquake and tsunami in Japan, these spectacles seem to capture our attention more and more. The effects felt from events such as these can ripple across the country and on occasion, the globe.

Last week F.E.M.A. came to Leech Lake to continue training that began over two years ago. With several oil pipelines susceptible to leaks which - in the past - have led to thousands of gallons of oil being spilled into wetlands and in more than one case oil fires, to trains that carry hazardous materials across the reservation, Leech Lake is vulnerable to events that could possibly affect the greater surrounding area as well as the local population.

Chris Bedeau is the coordinator of this training for FEMA's incident command. Programs and Divisions participating in the disaster training include:

- Well & Septic
- Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig
- Leech Lake Gaming
- DRM
- Planning
- Accounting
- Veterans Services
- Purchasing
- Leech Lake Tribal Police/EMT
- Facility Management
- Health Division

## Chairman Update on 2.4 Million Dollar Unauthorized Loan and Power Line Agreement

The Tribal Council has had to deal with the issues that lead to the recent recall, a removal action by the People, of the Secretary/Treasurer.



**Chairman LaRose**

As Chairman, I said I would keep the Band membership informed. I have therefore directed publication in this issue of the Debahjimon some of the RBC actions that have been taken in regard to the 2.4 million dollar unauthorized loan and the unauthorized agreement with the 230kv Power line. You can find these documents on pages 2, 3 and 4.

In regard to the 2.4 million dollar unauthorized loan. On March 28, 2011 we sent a letter to Cass County Law Enforcement requesting a criminal investigation into the 2.4 million dollar unauthorized loan, i.e. misappropriation. We have also on advice of legal counsel started recovery of some of those assets or funds through filing of a life insurance claim.

In regard to the unauthorized agree-

**Chairman Cont. Page 2**

## MIGA to Supporters: Speak Out Against Slots in Bars

The Minnesota Indian Gaming Association (MIGA) has issued an Action Alert asking tribal employees, vendors and supporters to urge their state senators to oppose SF174 and SF 308, two bills that would authorize slot machines in more than 2,500 bars and restaurants across Minnesota.

MIGA issued its alert today in response to last week's introduction of two neighborhood gambling bills in the Minnesota Senate. MIGA Executive Director  
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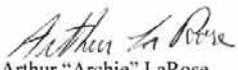
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ment with the Minnkota Power Cooperative for their 230kv power line project we adopted Resolution No. 2011-116 on February 25, 2011. This is notifying Minnkota Power Cooperative, and all parties involved with the project including permitting agencies that the agreement with the utilities cooperative was not authorized by official Tribal Council action. The two council members who signed that agreement did not have the authority to do so.

As Chairman and with the Tribal Council we will continue to keep the Band membership informed on these or other issues.



Arthur "Archie" LaRose  
Chairman Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe

	<p><b>LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE</b></p> <p><i>Arthur "Archie" LaRose, Chairman</i></p> <p>District I Representative <i>Robbie Howe</i></p> <p>District II Representative <i>Steve White</i></p> <p>District III Representative <i>Eugene "Ribs" Whitebird</i></p>
<p>February 28, 2011</p> <p>David C. Boyd, Chair Minnesota Public Utilities Commission 121 Seventh Place East, Suite 350 St. Paul, MN 55101-2147</p> <p>Re: In the Matter of the Application for a Route Permit for the Bemidji-Grand Rapids 230kV Transmission Line Project Route Permit</p> <p>Dear Chairman Boyd:</p> <p>At a special meeting of the Leech Lake Reservation Tribal Council held on February 25, 2011, at Cass Lake, Minnesota, the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe adopted Resolution No. 2011-116, which provides in relevant part that the Tribal Council requests that the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission revoke the Route Permit issued to the utilities which was based on the fraudulent and unauthorized consent contained in the letter sent October 13, 2010, from former Secretary-Treasurer Michael J. Bongo. A copy of the Resolution is attached to this correspondence for your review.</p> <p>As Chairman of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe, I have a fiduciary duty to all of my people to protect their reserved treaty rights. The Public Utilities Commission issued a Route Permit for the above project on November 5, 2010, based on a fraudulently prepared and submitted document. The October 13, 2010 letter does not reflect the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe's action then, nor does it now. The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe has not been involved in government to government discussions with the Commission, nor the utilities, and has not consented to a crossing of the reservation. Upon information and belief, the October 13, 2010 letter was prepared by the utility companies with the aid of the tribal Secretary-Treasurer and Executive Director, who were acting without Tribal Council authority.</p> <p>The utilities and their representatives knew that a Tribal Council Resolution was required to obtain appropriate consent from the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe. No such Resolution exists and the October 13, 2010 letter is an ultra vires act of a single member of a five person Tribal Council.</p> <p>We would demand that you immediately suspend or revoke the Route Permit previously issued to the above utilities.</p> <p>Yours very truly,</p> <p>LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> Chairman Arthur "Archie" LaRose</p>	



**LEECH LAKE RESERVATION TRIBAL COUNCIL**  
RESOLUTION NO. 2011-116

**RESOLUTION NOTIFYING RUS, CNF, MPUC TO HALT FUNDING OF MINNKOTA POWER COOPERATIVE LOAN AND THE SUSPENSION AND REVOCATION OF PERMITS ISSUED TO UTILITIES FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE BGR TRANSMISSION LINE ACROSS THE LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE**

**WHEREAS**, the Leech Lake Band of Chippewa Indians is a Federally recognized Indian Tribe organized under the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934, and operating under the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe; and

**WHEREAS**, the Leech Lake Reservation Tribal Council is the duly elected and authorized governing body of the Leech Lake Reservation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Leech Lake Tribal Council is charged with the responsibility of protecting and advocating for the health, safety and welfare of Leech Lake Band members within the Leech Lake Reservation boundaries; and

**WHEREAS**, one of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe's basic inherent sovereign rights is the right to make decisions regarding the best interests of its members; and

**WHEREAS**, resolution No. 2011-103, which was unanimously adopted and approved at a February 1, 2011, Tribal Council meeting, formally states that the Settlement Agreement between Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe, Utilities, and the Addendum Agreement between Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe and the Utilities was not approved nor adopted by formal action of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Tribal Council; and

**WHEREAS**, resolution No. 2011-103, formally withdraws the correspondence dated October 13, 2010 from Michael J. Bongo, former Secretary/Treasurer of Leech Lake forwarded to Dr. Burl Haar, Executive Secretary, Minnesota Public Utilities Commission.

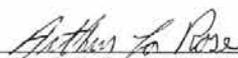
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Tribal Council requests that the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission revoke the route permit issued to the Utilities which was based on the fraudulent and unauthorized consent contained in the letter sent October 13, 2010 from former Secretary/Treasurer Michael J. Bongo; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Tribal Council requests that the special use permit/easement issued by Chippewa National Forest to the Utilities Companies be suspended; and

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, the Tribal Council requests that the USDA-Rural Utilities Service halt any processing of the loan application and immediately send notification to the Utilities that the loan application is placed on hold until the issue of a crossing permit is resolved with the LLBO.

**CERTIFICATION**

**WE DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that the foregoing Resolution was duly presented and acted upon by a vote of 3 for, 0 against and 0 silent at a Special Meeting of the Leech Lake Tribal Council, a quorum being present, held on February 25, 2011 at Cass Lake, Minnesota.

  
Arthur D. LaRose, Chairman  
Leech Lake Tribal Council

  
Robbie Howe-Bebeau, Acting Secretary/Treasurer  
Leech Lake Tribal Council

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tive Director John McCarthy said either measure would do immeasurable harm to Indian gaming and change the face of Minnesota neighborhoods forever.

SF 174, authored by Sen. Michelle Fischbach (SD14) would authorize up to ten slot machines (VLTs) in any liquor-licensed establishment that now offers charitable gambling, more than 2,500 locations statewide. Electronic bingo and pulltab machines would also be permitted.

SF 308, authored by Sen. Ingebrigtsen (SD11), would authorize up to 5 slots

in these 2,500-plus locations.

Both SF 174 and SF 308 would mean a huge expansion of gambling in Minnesota. The number of gambling venues would skyrocket from 19 destination casinos to more than 2,500 locations statewide. The number of slot machines available to gamblers would explode as well—from around 21,000 now to nearly 50,000, depending on which bill ultimately wins passage. It's a regulatory and enforcement nightmare.

Under either bill, Indian gaming would

suffer serious harm. Minnesota's rural casinos, especially those in more remote areas, rely largely on their local markets for survival. If hundreds of mini-casinos open their doors in those markets, the tribes will suffer huge revenue losses. That means job cuts, cutbacks in vendor spending, tax revenue losses, and increased costs for counties and the state. The state couldn't pick a more destructive approach if it deliberately set out to wipe out the gains tribes have made over the past two decades.

McCarthy also noted that Minnesota bars and eateries will be installing machines, not hiring more people. Neighborhood gambling is not labor inten-

sive, so the jobs lost at tribal casinos will never be offset by new job creation in bars and restaurants.

"There's no such thing as a free lunch," McCarthy concluded. "Legislators need to hear from the thousands of people who work in tribal gaming and government. They need to hear from the thousands of Minnesota companies that sell goods and services to tribes. They need to hear from elected officials who recognize the value of Indian gaming to their local economies. There's a cost to putting these tribal businesses at risk--a huge cost. Our legislators need to hear that side of the story."

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Arthur "Archie" LaRose, Chairman  
Robbie M. Howe-Bebeau, District #1 Representative  
Steve White, District #2 Representative  
Eugene "Ribs" Whitebird, District #3 Representative  
Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe  
115 Sixth St. NW, Suite E  
Cass Lake, MN 56633

Re: Resolution Notifying RUS, CNF, MPUC to Hal Funding of MinnKota Power Cooperative Loan and the Suspension and Revocation of Permits Issued to Utilities for Construction of BGR Transmission Line Across the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Resolution No. 2011-116

Dear Council Members:

After the Council meeting on Friday, February 25, 2011, you requested that I draft proposed letters to forward to the Chippewa National Forest, the Rural Utilities Service, and Minnesota Public Utility Commission. Copies of those are attached hereto in pdf format. (I have forwarded to Laura Vedder drafts in Word format for ease in transferring the text onto proper letterhead.)

Rather than argue the law in these letters, I felt it more appropriate to put them on immediate notice of your decision. We can argue law in Court.

Once the letters have been signed, someone needs to be tasked with the responsibility to forward the letters to the appropriate parties. I have included a proposed mailing list of individuals who were involved with the development of the process and have been noticed on prior issues regarding the power line. If I have omitted someone, please feel free to include others.

I have also drafted a proposed letter to Sheriff Tom Burch. This is a letter requesting an investigation of the conduct of Michael J. Bongo and Robert Aitken. You will need to send along a copy of Lillehaug's report.

Yours very truly,

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## LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE

Arthur "Archie" LaRose, Chairman

District I Representative  
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February 28, 2011

Jim Newby, Chief of Staff  
USDA Rural Utilities Service (RUS)  
1400 Independence Ave. SW Stop 1541  
Room 2244  
Washington, DC 20250

Darla Lenz  
Chippewa National Forest Supervisor  
200 Ash Avenue NW  
Cass Lake, MN 56633

Re: Bemidji to Grand Rapids 230kV Transmission Line Project  
Record of Decision  
REQUEST TO SUSPEND/REVOKE PERMISSION

Dear Mr. Newby and Ms. Lenz:

At a special Tribal Council meeting convened on February 25, 2011, the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe adopted Resolution 2011-116, enclosed herewith for your review. The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe has not granted any permission for the utilities to cross the Leech Lake Reservation. This project cuts through the heart of our reserved home land. The October 13, 2010 letter forms the basis for the issuance by the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission Route Permit as referenced in your Record of Decision, November 5, 2010. This Route Permit was issued on the basis of a fraudulent expression of consent by the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe. We would demand immediate suspension of any permitting issued to the utilities for the construction of the power line.

Further, we would demand that you cease any further action to fund the loan application presented to the Rural Utilities Services by MinnKota Power Cooperative. We would further demand that the Chippewa National Forest immediately suspend any permits issued to the utilities. Finally, we would demand that the Rural Utilities Service immediately inform the utilities that the processing of the loan application will be suspended pending resolution of the crossing of the Leech Lake Reservation.

We need a prompt response. If a response is not obtained within ten (10) days, we will consider other legal options to insure that our treaty rights are protected.

Yours very truly,

LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE

  
Chairman Arthur "Archie" LaRose



## Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe

Arthur "Archie" LaRose Chairman

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District III Representative  
Eugene "Ribs" Whitebird

February 28, 2011

Sheriff Tom Burch  
Cass County Law Enforcement  
P. O. Box 1119  
Walker, MN 56484

Re: Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Michael J. Bongo Investigation

Dear Sheriff Burch:

The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe met in session on February 25, 2011. The Tribal Council directed me to request that you investigate the actions of former Secretary-Treasurer Michael J. Bongo, and former Executive Director Robert Aitken to determine if any criminal activity took place. We have commissioned an internal investigation. I am forwarding to you a copy of the investigation to provide you with background information. We would request that you review the materials and consult with the County Attorney to see if criminal conduct occurred with respect to the fraudulent misappropriation of tribal funds.

The report concludes that Mr. Bongo knowingly and intentionally violated Band policies in initiation of the wire transfer, which diverted \$2.4 million in tribal funds without proper authority. The report also found that Robert Aitken aided and abetted Bongo's violation of Ordinance No. 1 and Band Resolution 2011-32.

Your prompt attention to this important matter is greatly appreciated.

Yours very truly,

LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE

Chairman Arthur "Archie" LaRose

## Call for Candidate Submissions

The Debahjimon would like to announce that we are accepting candidate submissions for the April 26 Primary regarding the vacant Secretary Treasurer seat. Submissions need to be in by April 4, 2011. We ask that you limit your essays to 500 words as there are 15 eligible candidates that have been certified. If you have a picture to accompany your candidate essay please e-mail it to debahjimon@llojibwe.org

THE LEECH LAKE TRIBAL COUNCIL HAS CERTIFIED THOSE INDIVIDUALS LISTED BELOW AND HAS FOUND THEM ELIGIBLE TO RUN FOR OFFICE AND THEIR NAMES ARE TO BE PLACED ON THE BALLOT FOR THE APRIL 26, 2011, LEECH LAKE PRIMARY ELECTION.

### **Position: Secretary-Treasurer**

1. Donald "Donnie" Headbird
2. Donald "Mick" Finn
3. Burton "Luke" Wilson
4. John Johnson
5. Annette (Anne Day) Nadeau
6. Eric R. Reed
7. Carri Jones
8. Victoria F. White
9. James Howard
10. Wayne Cronin
11. Walter "Frank" Reese
12. Douglas A. Roberts, Jr.
13. Eugene B. Rock
14. Janice Gale

February 28, 2011

Steven P. Johnson  
American Family Life Insurance Co.  
6000 American Parkway  
Madison, WI 53783-0001

Re: Insured: William E. Bieloh  
Life Policy: 2539391-0  
Date of Death: 9-24-2010

Dear Mr. Johnson:

In response to your letter of January 20, 2011, I am including herewith a fully completed Claimant's Statement for the death benefits payable to the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe on the life of William E. Bieloh.

I presume that your local agent, Benjamin G. Brovold, will be procuring a certified copy of the Death Certificate and authority to access medical records.

Accompanying this Claim Form is a copy of Tribal Council Resolution No. 2011-115 authorizing the filing of this claim. If there is anything further you need from the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe, I trust you will contact me.

Yours very truly,

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RESOLUTION NO. 2011- 2011-115

### RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FILING OF CLAIM REGARDING AMERICAN FAMILY LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY ON THE DEATH OF WILLIAM E. BIELOH, LIFE POLICY 2539391-0

WHEREAS, the Leech Lake Reservation Business Committee aka the Leech Lake Tribal Council is duly empowered as the governing body for the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe pursuant to Article VI, Section I, of the Revised Constitution and By-Laws of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, as amended March 3, 1964; and

WHEREAS, the Leech Lake Reservation Business Committee is the beneficiary of a \$500,000.00 insurance policy which insured the life of William E. Bieloh, Life Policy 2539391-0; and

WHEREAS, the above-described Life Policy on William E. Bieloh was given to the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe as security for a Loan and Mortgage Agreement dated September 14, 2010; and

WHEREAS, William E. Bieloh died on September 24, 2010; and

WHEREAS, before a claim can be filed with American Family Insurance Company, a formal Claimant's Statement must be submitted;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that Chairman Arthur "Archie" LaRose is hereby authorized to execute the Claimant's Statement attached to this Resolution.

We do certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by a vote of 3 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 SILENT, held at a special meeting of the Leech Lake Reservation Business Committee aka Leech Lake Tribal Council, a quorum being present, held on the 25th day of February, 2011, at Cass Lake, Minnesota.

Arthur "Archie" LaRose, Chairman  
Leech Lake Reservation

Robbie Howe-Bebeau, Acting Secretary-Treasurer  
Leech Lake Reservation

## Special Election Calendar for Secretary-Treasurer

April 26:	Primary Election
April 27:	General Reservation Election Board certifies Primary Results
April 28:	General Reservation Election Board published Primary Results
April 29:	Deadline for Request for Recount
May 3:	5:00pm – Deadline for Contest of Primary Election
May 4:(Results, If allowed or 2 <sup>nd</sup> or 3 <sup>rd</sup> if earlier requested)	Decision on Request for Recount and Results of Recount
May 13:	Deadline of Decision on Contest
May 16:	Deadline for Appeal to Court of Election Appeals
May 19:	Record of Contest to Court of Election Appeals
May 23:	Last Day for Hearing on Appeal
May 27:	Last Day for Decision on Appeal
May 27:	Notice of Regular Election, TEC provides ballots
June 28:	General Election
June 29:	General Reservation Election Board certifies results of election
July 1:	Deadline for Request for Recount
July 5: (5pm)	Deadline for Notice of Contest
July 15:	Deadline for Decision on Contest
July 18:	Deadline for appeal to Court of Election Appeals
July 21:	Record of contest forwarded to Court of Election Appeals
July 25:	Last Day for Hearing on Appeal (hearing within 7 days notice of appeal)
August 1:	Winning candidates assume office by operation of law, unless sooner seated, or The Election is subject of appeal to the Court of Election Appeals
Ten days from Hearing on Appeal:	Deadline for Decision of the Court of Elections Appeal
Day following Decision Of Appeal:	Winning candidate prevailing on appeal takes office

### Absentee Ballot Request

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_



**Mail to:**  
LLBO Election Board  
PO Box 1150  
Cass Lake, MN 56633

Absentee voters need to send a written request for a absentee ballot to;  
LLBO Election Board, PO Box 1150, Cass Lake, MN 56633

The written request needs to include Full Name (First, Middle, Last), Date of Birth, Mailing Address (not physical address unless it is your mailing address), and their Signature on the letter.

The Election Board will process same day received and mail out Absentee Ballot. **The Election Board will also be open on April 9th & April 23rd 9-3pm for absentee voting.**

Please contact the Election Board with any additional questions you may have, they can be reached at the following numbers; (218) 335-7220 or (877) 577-9745

## LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE Summary of Job Openings

**Closing March 25th, 2010**

**Human Resources:**

Benefits Specialist • Job Code: 11-047

**Health Division:**

Environmental Health Specialist • Job Code: 11-046

PT Emergency Medical Technician • Job Code: 11-045

**Education Division:**

Maintenance/Safety Technician • \$9/hr • Job Code: 11-044

Infant/Toddler Teacher (0-3) • AOB • Job Code: 11-040

**Reservation Services:**

Rover/Driver • \$9/hr • Job Code: 11-043

Custodial Maintenance/Grounds Crew • \$9/hr • Job Code: 11-042

PT Custodial Maintenance • Sugar Pt • Job Code: 11-025

**Tribal Police:**

Police Dispatcher • Job Code: 11-041

**Tribal Court:**

PT Electronic Records Clerk • Job Code: 11-039

**Open until filled**

**Business Development:**

PT Cashiers • NLE & CheWe • \$8.25/hr • Job Code: 11-001

**Full Job Descriptions available at <http://www.llojibwe.org>**

Leech Lake Band Member preference, MCT, and other Native American preference applies. You may request a complete job description for any position listed. All positions require a valid MN driver's license, current insurance or is insurable (Unless otherwise stated). All positions DOQ unless otherwise noted.

How to apply: Interested parties may come into the Human Resources office to pick up an application or they can download an application from our website at [www.llojibwe.org](http://www.llojibwe.org). Interested parties may also send a letter of application, resume, credentials, and transcripts to:

**Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe HR  
115 Sixth St NW, Suite E  
Cass Lake, MN 56633**

You may also fax your documents to HR, our FAX number is; #218-335-3697, or Email your documents to [LLhumanresources@LLOjibwe.com](mailto:LLhumanresources@LLOjibwe.com). LLBO Policy: HR must receive your application documents before or no later than 4:30pm on the date the position is scheduled to close. Late applications received after 4:30pm on closing date will not be accepted. Call 218-335-3698 or toll free 1-800-631-5528 for more information.

# Obituaries

## JEREMEE JON KRASKEY

Jeremee Jon Kraskey, 32, of Onigum, Minnesota died unexpectedly Saturday, February 26, 2011 in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Jeremee was born June 23, 1978 in Minneapolis, Minnesota. He grew up in Onigum, attending school in Walker, Cass Lake, and also the Bug School. Following his schooling he worked as a Black Jack Dealer at Northern Lights Casino for several years. He then moved to the twin cities where he worked as a CNC machinist prior to returning north to Onigum, and most recently, Bemidji. He also was employed for a time at Wells Technology in Bemidji.

Jeremee lived life with a great sense of humor and a twinkle in his eye. He knew people everywhere and was a loyal friend to many. He loved to ice fish, and was a great cook. He had natural athletic ability so enjoyed playing and watching baseball, basketball and football. One of his most memorable sports "moments" was pitching a no hitter in Little League right after his thirteenth birthday. As a youth he was also a traditional dancer at pow wow's. Jeremee will be remembered for his "bear hugs" and his lasting connections with all who knew him.



Jeremee is survived by his grandmother, Lillian Reese, girlfriend, Jorel Martell, mother, Crystal (Pat Estey)Goose, children; Taneisha Kraskey, Raymond Kraskey, Tia Jackson, Vincent and Acacia Ruschmeier, Savannah Red Thunder, Ambraya Ja'Layne Lord, sisters; Wendy (John) Whitebird, Rina (Bud)Fonder, Yvette (Vern)Kraskey, Rhonda Reese, Roxanne (Ed) Reese, Ricki Reese, brothers; James (Ronda) Wilson, Sam (Mardell) Reese, special sisters; Celina Connors, Cheryl Staples, and Hannah Dalton ,supportive special friend Joe Shepherd, numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, and other family members.

He was preceded in death by his special friends, Richard W. Tanner, Ronald D. Staples, Will Whitebird, dad, Sam Reese, and Grandma Minnie.

Traditional services were held Thursday, March 3, 2011 at the Onigum Community Center. In accordance with Jeremee's wishes a private burial of his cremated remains will be held at a later date. The Dennis Funeral Home of Walker assisted the family in making service arrangements. Share on-line condolences at [www.dennisfuneralhome.com](http://www.dennisfuneralhome.com)

## CLARENCE PAPER

Clarence Paper, 69, of Elk River, Minnesota died peacefully with his family by his side on Saturday, March 5, 2011 at the Guardian Angels Care Center in Elk River, following a courageous battle with cancer.



Clarence was born December 1, 1941 on Bear Island, near Battle Point to William and Evelyn (White) Paper. He attended school in Boy River until the age of eleven and then moved to Pine River, Minnesota where he graduated from high school. Following high school he enlisted in the United States Navy where he served our country from 1959-1962. Upon completion of his time in the military he lived in Northeast Minneapolis and worked as a supervisor at Dorsky Consolidated Container for many years. In 1975 he began his sobriety journey, an accomplishment that he was very proud of, and in 1979 he married the love of his life, Barbara Simpson. Due to health problems his daughter became his caregiver in 2002 which prompted a move to Brainerd, Minnesota where they lived until their move to Elk River in 2009 and where he remained until the present.

His main focus in life was his family, and was faithful in attending his grandchildren's sporting events, and enjoyed eating good food and get togethers with family. He also loved to fish, play bingo, watch sports on television, and travel to Las Vegas whenever the opportunity arose. Clarence will be remembered for his persistence and inner strength. His presence will be missed.

Clarence is survived by his daughter Amy Doyle, grandson, Miles Cunningham, granddaughter, Raina Doyle, great grandson, Gabriel Cunningham, great granddaughter, Kiera Gibson, brothers; Leonard (Mary) Paper, Ronnie Mitchell, sister, Gloria Jourdain, aunt, Agnes White, and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins. He was preceded in death by his parents, wife Barbara, sisters; Elizabeth Paper, Caroline Monroe, Lorraine Paper, brothers; Donald Paper, William Paper, and several close friends. Share on-line condolences at [www.dennisfuneralhome.com](http://www.dennisfuneralhome.com)

## SHIRLEY JEAN WHITEBIRD

Shirley Jean Whitebird, 47, of Minneapolis, MN, passed away at her home on Tuesday, March 15, 2011. She was born August 5th, 1963 in Bemidji, MN



to LeRoy, Sr. and Elizabeth (Littlewolf) Whitebird. She lived in Minneapolis for the past 30 years and helped out cooking at the homeless shelters.

She was preceded in death by: her father LeRoy, brothers; Darwin, David and William Whitebird, sister; Betty Whitebird, her grandparents and special friend Stanley Spottedcalf, II.

Shirley is survived by her children; Cheryl (Corey) Whitebird, Stanley Spottedcalf, her companion Dean Brown, mother Elizabeth Whitebird, sisters; Beverly (Ed) Dalton, Arlene Whitebird, brothers; LeRoy (Leota) Whitebird, Eugene "Ribs" (Kathy) Whitebird, grandsons; David, Dedric, Michael Wuori, granddaughters; Malayna Wuori, several aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews.

A Funeral service for Shirley was held Friday, March 18 at the Veteran's Memorial Building in Cass Lake. Interment will be held at the Prince of Peace Cemetery in Cass Lake later this spring.

Arrangements entrusted to Northern Peace Funeral Home of Walker, MN. On-line condolences for the family may be given at [www.northernpeace.com](http://www.northernpeace.com)

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## NATIVE AMERICAN FOOD PYRAMID

By Rita Schuldt, RD, LD  
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The Native American Food Guide Pyramid is an outline of what to eat each day based on the dietary guidelines. It is a general guide that lets you choose a healthful diet that's right for you.

The Pyramid calls for eating a variety of foods to get the nutrients you need and at the same time the right amount of calories to maintain healthy weight.

Use the Pyramid to help you eat better every day...the Dietary Guidelines way. Start with plenty of breads, cereals, rice, pasta, vegetables, and fruits. Add 2-3 servings from the milk group and 2-3 servings from the meat group. Remember to go easy on fats, oils, and sweets, the foods in the small tip of the Pyramid. AVOID: Processed man made things like sugar, soda pop, bleached flour, shortening, most packaged foods, convenience and fast foods.

Be sure to eat at least the lowest number of servings from the five major food groups listed above. You need them for the vitamins, minerals, carbohydrates, and protein they provide. Just try to pick the lowest fat choices from the food groups. No specific serving size is given for the fats, oils, and sweets group because the message is USE SPARINGLY.



Try Our Personal Pizza Recipe which is a perfect food combo with all food groups

- ◆ 1 medium whole wheat pita/or tortilla shell
- ◆ 1.5 tablespoon all-purpose canned tomato sauce
- ◆ 1 ounce mozzarella cheese, grated
- ◆ 1 slice cooked turkey breast/chicken, chopped
- ◆ 1/4 medium green pepper, chopped
- ◆ Freshly ground black pepper
- ◆ Pineapple chunks

Steps: Pre-heat oven to 400F. While you wait, chop pineapple, green pepper and turkey breast. Spread the tomato sauce evenly over one side of the pita. Top this with chopped turkey breast, green pepper, pineapple and grated cheese. Bake directly on oven rack for 7 to 10 minutes until the cheese is melted and the pita is crispy. Sprinkle with freshly ground black pepper and enjoy.

Note: can also use lean ground beef.

Chyrle LaDuke - NEA  
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program

## District 1 Community Meeting

**Date: March 23, 2011**

**Time: 3:00pm -- 6:00 pm**

**Location: Soaring Eagle Community Center  
Ball Club, Minnesota**

District I is hosting this community meeting to discuss services, plans and goals for our communities. Many LLBO Departments, including Department of Natural Resources, and Indian Child Welfare Act will give presentations on program services and goals. Attendees will have the opportunity to share feedback on how the programs can better serve the needs of the community.

We will be talking about the District I plans for the future, as well as:

- » Update on current issues
- » Community Concerns
- » Questions and Answer Session

### District I Communities

- Ball Club
- Deer River
- Inger
- S.Lake
- Winnie Dam

Refreshments will be provided!

Please call Robbie or Penny (218) 335-3772 for more information.  
Phone: 800-442-3909 • Fax: 218-335-3648

LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE  
IN TRIBAL COURT

6530 U. S. Highway 2 NW  
Cass Lake, MN 56633  
218-335-3682/4418  
Traffic Division

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

YOU (THE DEFENDANTS LISTED BELOW) ARE HEREBY ORDERED to appear before the Leech Lake Tribal Court and show cause why you should not be held in Contempt of Court for failure to pay court-ordered fines.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that pursuant to Leech Lake Traffic Code, Chapter, Section 304:

1. If you are found in Contempt of Court, you may be subject to an additional penalty not to exceed \$500.00, said penalty for contempt shall be in addition to any fines or other penalties previously assessed by this Court.

2. You may also be subject to one or more of the following enforcement actions without further notice:

- a. Report violation to the State of Minnesota for entry on defendant's driving record;
- b. Add the fine to the amount defendant must pay to renew or obtain Leech Lake vehicle registration or plates;
- c. Seize defendant's vehicle registration plates;
- d. Seize the vehicle driven by defendant at the time of the violation;
- e. Suspend defendant's fishing, hunting, trapping, ricing or other treaty rights within the boundaries and jurisdiction of the Leech Lake Band until defendant pays the fine in full.
- f. Garnish wages by the Leech Lake Band.

/S/ Korey Wahwassuck, Judge of Tribal Court.

APPEARANCE DATE: April 19, 2011, at 2:00 p.m.

<u>Defendant</u>	<u>Case No.</u>	<u>Defendant</u>	<u>Case No.</u>
Bellanger, Samuel James	TR-09-238	Ellis, Myron John	TR-09-240
Bowstring, Samantha Joe	TR-09-53	Munnell, Kari Ann	TR-10-110
Brown, Kellen Scott	TR-10-46	Ogema, Cecelia Marie	TR-09-214
Butcher, Anthony Michael	TR-09-84	Rice, Michael Warren	TR-09-123
Ellis, Jeannette Rae	TR-09-241	Roy, Todd Raymond, Sr.	TR-09-173
Ellis, Myron John	TR-09-222	Smith, Gregory John	TR-10-40

APPEARANCE DATE: May 17, 2011, at 2:00 p.m.

<u>Defendant</u>	<u>Case No.</u>	<u>Defendant</u>	<u>Case No.</u>
Baird, Melissa Marie	TR-08-66	Headbird, Jacob Lawrence	TR-10-55
Bebeau, Tina Marie	TR-10-45	Howard, Jason Dale	TR-10-50
Brown, Ashley Marie	TR-10-56	Howard, Justin Rodney	TR-10-131
Brown, Tara Ann	TR-10-39	Howard, Justin Rodney	TR-10-96
Brown, Tara Ann	TR-10-15	Isham, Joseph Edward	TR-10-133
Cambron, Autumn Rae	TR-10-83	Isham, Joseph Edward	TR-10-41
Carmona, Emerejirido Duane	TR-10-91	Jones, Terrance Lee.	TR-10-78
Carmona, Emerejirido Duane	TR-10-120	Kingbird, Delma Leeann	TR-10-122
Chase, Mikele Lucille Northbird	TR-07-36	Northbird, Jolene	TR-10-93
Cloud, Crystal Leah	TR-10-119	Ogema, Herschel John	DO-00-06-AL
Cooper, Shauna Michelle	TR-10-111	Sherer-Nason, Shaw Lee	TR-10-101
Croaker, Clifford Lawrence	TR-10-71	Tanner, Autumn L Harper	TR-10-53
Devault David Lee Jr.	TR-10-43	Whitebird, Beverly Ann	TR-09-96
Dunn, Anita Rose	TR10-107		

LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE  
IN TRIBAL COURT  
6530 US Hwy 2 West  
Cass Lake, MN 56633  
218-335-3682/4418  
Traffic Division

NOTICE OF INTENT TO PROCEED BY DEFAULT

YOU (THE DEFENDANTS LISTED BELOW) ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe intends to proceed by default in the Leech Lake Tribal Courtroom located at the Facility Center, upper level, 16126 John Moose Drive NW, Cass Lake, MN, with regard to the alleged violation of the Leech Lake Traffic/Conservation Code and Dog Ordinance, occurring within the boundaries of the Leech Lake Reservation.

Violation of this summons is subject to proceedings for contempt of court pursuant to Tribal Code, Title 1, Part VI. The Court may find you in contempt for failure to appear at a court hearing or for failure to follow court orders.

Dated this 15th day of March 2011.

APPEARANCE DATE: April 05, 2011, at 2:00 PM

<u>Defendant</u>	<u>Case No.</u>	<u>Charge and Date</u>
Andrea D. Birt	TR-10-172	Driving After Revocation Failure to Use a Child Restraint Device Failure to Show Proof of Insurance Occurring On: 12/01/2010
Alicia M. Day	TR-09-050	No Driver's License Failure to Show Proof of Insurance Occurring On: 12/24/2008
Joseph E. Isham	TR-10-181	Driving After Revocation/Suspension Occurring On: 11/12/2010
Nicoa M. Wind	TR-10-165	Failure to Stop for a School Bus Occurring On: 09/15/2010

APPEARANCE DATE: May 03, 2011, at 2:00 PM

<u>Defendant</u>	<u>Case No.</u>	<u>Charge and Date</u>
Loretta L. Budreau	TR-10-180	No Driver's License Occurring On: 11/27/2010
Bradley L. Dunn	TR-10-171	Failure to Use a Seatbelt Occurring On: 11/29/2010
Jesse M. Headbird	TR-10-169	Motor Vehicle Insurance Occurring On: 11/23/2010
James D. Howard	TR-11-003	No Driver's License Speeding in Excess of 20 MPH Over the Limit Occurring On: 10/09/2010
Joseph E. Isham	TR-11-010	Driving After Revocation/Suspension Occurring On: 01/20/2011
Terrance L. Jones, Jr.	TR-11-002	No Driver's License Motor Vehicle Insurance-Owner Improper Use of Plates Occurring On: 01/02/2011
Richard J. Kaiser	TR-11-007	Open Bottle Occurring On: 10/12/2010
Richard J. Kaiser	TR-11-009	Failure to Show Proof of Insurance Occurring On: 02/03/2004
Rozanna M. Roy	TR-10-177	Failure to use a Child Restraint Device Occurring On: 12/08/2010
Connie E. Whitebird	TR-10-077	Failure to Use a Seatbelt Occurring On: 04/30/2010

LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE  
IN TRIBAL COURT

6530 U. S. Highway 2 NW  
Cass Lake, MN 56633  
218-335-3682/4418  
Child Protection

In the Matter of the Guardianship of:

S.P.A., DOB: 05/25/2008.

Stephanie Rae Kelley and  
Jerome William Anderson, Parents.

Tammy Rogers, Petitioner.

NOTICE OF LEGAL  
PUBLICATION

CASE NO. CP-11-06

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that on February 10, 2011, a Petition for Appointment of a Minor Guardian was filed by petitioner with the Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the child of the above-named parents. An Initial Hearing will commence on Friday, May 13, 2011, at 9:00 a.m., in the Leech Lake Tribal Courtroom located in the Leech Lake Facility Center, 16126 John Moose Drive NW, Cass Lake, Minnesota, upper level, to address the issue of guardianship of the person and property of the above-referenced minor child. The hearing may be held by telephone and you may contact the court at 218-335-4418.

You are served with this notice because you are a party to this proceeding or you are a person whose presence is important to a determination concerning your child. If you fail to appear either in person or by telephone for this hearing, the Court may find you in default and enter an Order for permanent guardianship of your child.

DATED: March 8, 2011.

/s/ Patricia L. Pizzala, Court Administrator.

LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE  
IN TRIBAL COURT

6530 U. S. Highway 2 NW  
Cass Lake, MN 56633  
218-335-3682/4418  
Civil Division

In the Matter of the Application for Name  
Change of:

A.A.W., DOB: 04/12/2003.

Fawn Bellanger-Guinn and  
Eric D. White, Parents.

NOTICE OF LEGAL  
PUBLICATION

CASE NO. CV-10-43

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that on October 28, 2010, a Petition for Application for Name Change was filed with the Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the child of the above-named parents. An Initial Hearing will commence on Friday, May 6, 2011, at 9:30 a.m., in the Leech Lake Tribal Courtroom located in the Leech Lake Facility Center, 16126 John Moose Drive NW, Cass Lake, Minnesota, upper level, to address the issue of the name change of A.A.W., minor child.

You are served with this notice because you are a party to this proceeding or you are a person whose presence is important to a determination concerning your child. If you fail to appear either in person or by telephone for this hearing, the Court may find you in default and enter an Order for permanent name change of your child.

DATED: February 28, 2011.

/s/ Patricia L. Pizzala, Court Administrator

LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE  
IN TRIBAL COURT

6530 U. S. Highway 2 NW  
Cass Lake, MN 56633  
218-335-3682/4418  
Civil Division

In the Matter of the Guardianship of:

ROSE MARY CLOUD,  
DOB: 02/28/1932.

Birdena Lyons, Petitioner.

NOTICE OF LEGAL  
PUBLICATION

CASE NO. CV-11-03

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that on January 14, 2011, a Petition for Appointment of a Guardian was filed with the Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the above-named adult. An Initial Hearing will commence on May 6, 2011, at 8:30 a.m., in the Leech Lake Tribal Courtroom located in the Leech Lake Facility Center, 16126 John Moose Drive NW, Cass Lake, Minnesota, upper level, to address the issue of the guardianship of the person and property of the above-named adult. The hearing may be held by telephone and you may contact the court at 218-335-4418.

You are served with this notice because you are a party to this proceeding or you are a person whose presence is important to a determination concerning your child. If you fail to appear either in person or by telephone for this hearing, the Court may find you in default and enter an Order for permanent guardianship of your child.

DATED: February 9, 2011.

/s/ Patricia L. Pizzala, Court Administrator

LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE  
IN TRIBAL COURT

6530 U. S. Highway 2 NW  
Cass Lake, MN 56633  
218-335-3682/4418  
Child Protection

In the Matter of the Guardianship of:

D.B.M., DOB: 12/16/1997;  
S.B.M., DOB: 09/24/1999;  
V.A.M., DOB: 05/30/2002.

Samuel Goose (deceased) and  
Patricia Ann Gale, Legal Custodians;  
Gabrielle Budreau-Mendoza and  
Moises Roberto Amaya Mendoza, Parents.  
Carol Ann Goose, Petitioner.

NOTICE OF LEGAL  
PUBLICATION

CASE NO. CP-11-05

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that on February 4, 2011, a Petition for Appointment of a Minor Guardian was filed by petitioner with the Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the children of the above-named parents and their legal custodians. An Initial Hearing will commence on Friday, May 13, 2011, at 9:30 a.m., in the Leech Lake Tribal Courtroom located in the Leech Lake Facility Center, 16126 John Moose Drive NW, Cass Lake, Minnesota, upper level, to address the issue of guardianship of the person and property of the above-referenced minor children. The hearing may be held by telephone and you may contact the court at 218-335-4418.

You are served with this notice because you are a party to this proceeding or you are a person whose presence is important to a determination concerning your children. If you fail to appear either in person or by telephone for this hearing, the Court may find you in default and enter an Order for permanent guardianship of your children.

DATED: March 8, 2011.

/s/ Patricia L. Pizzala, Court Administrator.

## Highway 33 Improvement Project Seeks Band Members

The Leech Lake Land Department would like the people listed below to contact Norma Ducheneaux regarding the improvements being made to Highway 33 (Mission road). Norma works at the Leech Lake Division of Resource Management and can be contacted at 218-335-7416

Michael Allen	Gordon Headbird	Jane Kingbird Est.	Lois Northbird	Timothy Stone Jr.	Sarah Headbird
Sheryl Babineau	Robin Headbird	Leona Kmett	Melvin Northbird	Marjorie Thompson	Shari Headbird
Marlene Barrett Est.	Sandra Headbird	Tammi Lagou	Patrick Northbird	Clarence Vernwald	Susan Headbird
Patsy Beaulieu	Sarah Headbird	Brian Lagou Jr.	Vernon Northbird	Henry Vernwald	Thomas Headbird
James Bellanger	Shari Headbird	William Lam	Gwendolyn Northbird	Beverly Vernwald	Tina Headbird
Joanne Bellanger	Susan Headbird	Viola Lam	Jerry Northbird	Sheryl Wark	Endonis Headbird
Karla Benjamin	Thomas Headbird	Eugene Lam	Melvina Northbird	Sarah Wells	Randolph Headbird
Carol Blue	Tina Headbird	Robert Lam	Ronald Northbird Est.	Lois White	Nylene Headbird
Charles Bobolink	Edonis Headbird	Gerald Lussier	Louis Northbird Jr.	Margaret Johnson White	Amanda Headbird
Kimberly Brown	Randolph Headbird	Lori Lussier	Terence O'Connor	Marilyn White Eagle	Earl Headbird
Penny Budreau	Nylene Headbird	Ennis Lussier Est.	Barbara Pacquin	Ruby White Eagle	Charlee Headbird
Kenneth Budreau	Amanda Headbird	Romona Manuel	Travis Raisch	Carole White Est.	Lucas Headbird
Russell Budreau	N Headbird	Geshik-0- Martin	Frank Raisch Jr.	Donald Whitebird	Darryl Headbird Est.
Alice Budreau	Charlee Headbird	George Martin	Peter Raisch Sr. Est.	James Whitebird	Roberta Headbird Est.
Lida Bunge Est.	Lucas Headbird	Eldon Martin	Rose Reed	Robin Williams	Leonard Headbird Jr.
Linda Butcher	Darryl Headbird Est.	Arnold Martin	Bruce D Reyes	Gloria Wind	Robert Headbird Jr.
Nancy Cameron	Roberta Headbird Est.	David Martin	Valerie Reyes	Lida Wright Est.	Emmanuel Headbird Jr. Est.
Charette Vinson	Leonard Headbird Jr.	Delbert Martin	Robert Ridley III	Patricia Yellowhammer	Bertina Hjeltness
Darlene Cobenais	Robert Headbird Jr.	Pamela Martin	Gladys Robinson	James Bellanger	Elizabeth Johnson
Leroy Conklin	Emmanuel Headbird Jr. Est.	Carla Martin	Kenneth Robinson	Joanne Bellanger	James Johnson
Richard Cunningham	Stanley Heinle Est.	Leland Martin	Michael Robinson	Carol Blue	Dorothy Kelley
Pamela Dennis	Bertina Hjeltness	Anne Martin	John Robinson Est.	Nancy Cameron	Tammi Lagou
James Dick Est.	Sandra Jim	Sarah Martin	Ronald Robinson Est.	Leroy Conklin	Brian Lagou Jr.
Nellie Dick Est.	Carla Johnson	Angeline Martin	Tyler Robinson Jr.	Richard Cunningham	Louise Masten
Jean Merta	Candice Johnson	Cynthia Martin	James Rogers Est.	Jean Dilts	Cynthia Morris
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Karen Fineday	Elizabeth Johnson	Hayes Martin Est.	Carol Roy	Wanda Headbird	Frank Raisch Jr.
N Fineday Bryan	James Johnson	Francis Martin Est.	Christine Roy	Donald Headbird	Peter Raisch Sr. Est.
Sharon Finn	Mary Johnson	John Martin Est.	Richard Roy	Gary Headbird	Robert Ridley III
Marti French	Drew Johnson	N Martin Jr.	Vincent Roy	Gordon Headbird	Sheryl Wark
Calvin Funk Est.	Terry Johnson	Arnold Martin Jr.	Alvin Roy	Robin Headbird	Sarah Wells
Marion Galvan	Sheila Johnson	Matthew Martin Thompson	Yvonne Roy	Sandra Headbird	Gloria Wind
Neil Gustafson	Ira Johnson	Olivia Martin-Kintop	Karen Roy		
Joyce Hanson	Debra Johnson	Louise Masten	Margaret Sayers		
Veda Harrison	Charles Johnson	Marshall McKusick	Leonard Sayers Est.		
Kelly Hart	Charlotte Johnson	Gloria Mellado	Phyllip Sayers Est.		
Arlen Hart	Darlene Johnson	Dianna Meyers	Calvin Smith		
Inez Hart	Elaine Johnson	Cynthia Morris	Thomas Smith		
Lawrence Hart	Joseph Johnson	Christopher Morris	Melvin Smith		
Marcy Hart	Oliver Johnson	Donna Murray	Pamela Smith		
Christopher Hart	Phyllis Johnson	Calvin Nicholas	Barbara Smith		
Veronica Hart	Linda Johnson	Donald Nicholas	Raymond Smith		
Lorraine Headbird	Bryan Johnson	Arlene Northbird	Myron Smith Est.		
Janice Headbird	Gregory Johnson Est.	Brenda Northbird	Alberta Spike		
Wanda Headbird	Randolph Johnson Est.	Eugene Northbird	Irene St. Clair		
Donald Headbird	Dorothy Kelley	Gordon Northbird	Mary Steele Est.		
Gary Headbird	Della Kingbird	Janet Northbird	Esther Stone		

### -LEGAL NOTICE BY PUBLICATION-

**Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court  
In the Matter of the Welfare of the Children of:  
Isabell Barrett and Douglas Clark, Jr., Parents.  
Court File No. CP-09-49**

#### NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on 02-14-2011, a Petition to Transfer Permanent Legal and Physical Custody was filed in Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the children of the above-named parents. A hearing will commence on April 29, 2011, at 9:00 a.m. in the Leech Lake Tribal Courtroom located in Cass Lake, Minnesota. The telephone number is (218) 335-3586. 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.

## Leech Lake Tribal College Awarded Continuing Accreditation

Cass Lake, MN- Dr. Ginny Carney, President of Leech Lake Tribal College, announced today that LLTC has been awarded continuing accreditation by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC). The award affirms the recommendation provided by an HLC site visit team following a comprehensive evaluation of the college in October, 2010, and extends accreditation to include LLTC's new Associate of Science degree in Natural Science.

The Higher Learning Commission is an independent corporation and one of two commission members of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools (NCA), which is one of six regional institutional accreditors in the United States. The Higher Learning Commission accredits degree-granting post-secondary educational institutions in the North Central region.

"This is a tremendous milestone for Leech Lake Tribal College, and confirmation that the college is well-positioned and well-prepared to effectively serve its students in the coming years," stated Dr. Carney.

As part of its preparation for the continuing accreditation visit, LLTC spent the better part of two years conducting a rigorous, top-to-bottom examination that culminated in a self-study report submitted to the HLC. The purpose of the self-study process is to assist an institution in identifying both strengths and weaknesses in order to facilitate continuous improvement, as well as to provide evidence to the Higher Learning Commission that the institution is meeting the established criteria for accreditation. LLTC's self-study was highly regarded enough to be selected by the Commission for inclusion in the Resource Room at the HLC Annual Conference, which will be held April 8-12 in Chicago, IL.

## Computer Labs coming to TEP Program SOON!

Learn new concepts and improve your computer skills with Digital Literacy Training.

The TEP Program Director, Janice Gale, applied for the grant and TEP was awarded \$50,000. The goal is to reach all communities, we are widespread into District I, II and III. Computer classes will be held at the following sites: Cass Lake TEP Office, Bena, Ball Club, and Onigum Community Centers. Eventually, 1100 band members Men and women enrolled through the Leech Lake Temporary Employment Program, along with communities and children, will have a place to learn, and develop computer skills, do homework, and opportunity for digital literacy! For more information contact the TEP Office in Cass Lake, 218-335-3555 or 1-888-922-7466.



The Grant is funded by the Minnesota Intelligent Community Initiative in partnership with the C.K. Blandin Foundation.

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# Golden Gloves Boxing

**April 9th & 10th**

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# Annual Kids Perch Jerk February 26th, 2011



## Important information about the \$3.4 billion Indian Trust Settlement

### For current or former IIM account holders, Owners of land held in trust or restricted status, or their heirs

There is a proposed Settlement in *Cobell v. Salazar*, a class action lawsuit about individual Indian land held in trust by the federal government. This notice is just a summary. For details, call the toll-free number or visit the website listed below.

The lawsuit claims that the federal government violated its duties by (a) mismanaging trust funds/assets, (b) improperly accounting for those funds, and (c) mismanaging trust land/assets. The trust funds include money collected from farming and grazing leases, timber sales, mining, and oil and gas production from land owned by American Indians/Alaska Natives.

If you are included in the Settlement, your rights will be affected. To object to the Settlement, to comment on it, or to exclude yourself, you should get a detailed notice at [www.IndianTrust.com](http://www.IndianTrust.com) or by calling 1-800-961-6109.

#### Can I get money?

There are two groups or "Classes" in the Settlement eligible for payment. Each Class includes individual IIM account holders or owners of land held in trust or restricted status who were alive on September 30, 2009.

#### *Historical Accounting Class Members*

- Had an open individual Indian Money account ("IIM") anytime between October 25, 1994 and September 30, 2009, **and**
- The account had at least one cash transaction.
- Includes estates of account holders who died as of September 30, 2009, if the IIM account was still open on that date.

#### *Trust Administration Class Members*

- Had an IIM account recorded in currently available data in federal government systems any time from approximately 1985 to September 30, 2009, **or**
- Owned trust land or land in restricted status as of September 30, 2009.
- Includes estates of landowners who died as of September 30, 2009 where the trust interests were in probate as of that date. This means you have asked a court to transfer ownership of the deceased landowner's property.

An individual may be included in one or both Classes.

#### What does the Settlement provide?

- A \$1.5 billion fund to pay those included in the Classes.
- A \$1.9 billion fund to buy small interests in trust or restricted land owned by many people.
- Up to \$60 million to fund scholarships to improve access to higher education for Indian youth.
- A government commitment to reform the Indian trust management and accounting system.

#### How much can I get?

- Historical Accounting Class Members will each get \$1,000.
- Trust Administration Class Members will get at least \$500.
- If you own a small parcel of land with many other people, the federal government may ask you to sell it. You will be offered fair market value. If you sell your land it will be returned to tribal control.

If you believe you are a member of either Class and are not receiving IIM account statements, you will need to call the toll-free number or visit the website to register.

#### What are my other rights?

- If you wish to keep your right to sue the federal government about the claims in this Settlement, you must exclude yourself by **April 20, 2011**.
- If you stay in the Settlement you can object to or comment on it by **April 20, 2011**. The detailed notice explains how to exclude yourself or object/comment.

The U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia will hold a hearing on June 20, 2011, to consider whether to approve the Settlement. It will also consider a request for attorneys' fees, costs, and expenses in the amount of \$99.9 million. However, Class Counsel has fee agreements that would pay them 14.75% of the funds created for the Classes, which could result in an award of \$223 million. The Court may award more or less than these amounts based on controlling law. If approved, these payments and related costs will come out of the Settlement funds available for payment to Class Members.

If you wish, you or your own lawyer may ask to appear and speak at the hearing at your own cost. For more information, call or go to the website shown below or write to Indian Trust Settlement, P.O. Box 9577, Dublin, OH 43017-4877.

**For more Information:**

**1-800-961-6109**

**[www.IndianTrust.com](http://www.IndianTrust.com)**



## Lawn Mowing & Yard Services

*Payroll Deduction for LLBO Employees*

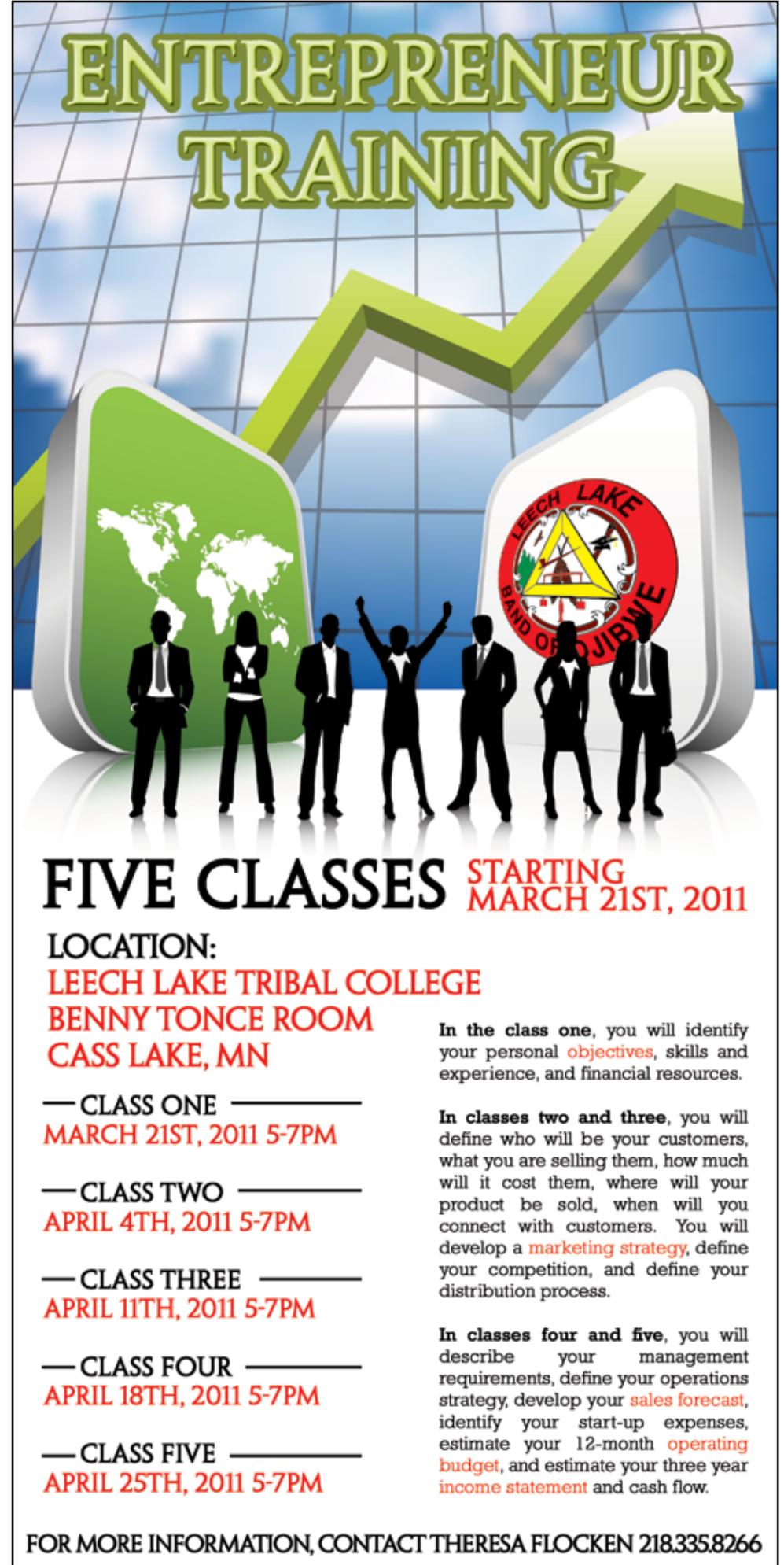
**WHAT A GREAT IDEA!**  
 Are you too busy to even mow your lawn?  
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\$20 will take care of a small yard, \$40 for  
 a medium lawn, \$60— on up for a large  
 yard. Garbage pick up is separate.

**CONTACT TEP STAFF**  
**@ 335-3555 to**  
**schedule**

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**FIVE CLASSES** **STARTING**  
**MARCH 21ST, 2011**

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**CASS LAKE, MN**

**— CLASS ONE —**  
**MARCH 21ST, 2011 5-7PM**

**— CLASS TWO —**  
**APRIL 4TH, 2011 5-7PM**

**— CLASS THREE —**  
**APRIL 11TH, 2011 5-7PM**

**— CLASS FOUR —**  
**APRIL 18TH, 2011 5-7PM**

**— CLASS FIVE —**  
**APRIL 25TH, 2011 5-7PM**

**In the class one,** you will identify  
 your personal **objectives**, skills and  
 experience, and financial resources.

**In classes two and three,** you will  
 define who will be your customers,  
 what you are selling them, how much  
 will it cost them, where will your  
 product be sold, when will you  
 connect with customers. You will  
 develop a **marketing strategy**, define  
 your competition, and define your  
 distribution process.

**In classes four and five,** you will  
 describe your management  
 requirements, define your operations  
 strategy, develop your **sales forecast**,  
 identify your start-up expenses,  
 estimate your 12-month **operating**  
**budget**, and estimate your three year  
**income statement** and cash flow.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT THERESA FLOCKEN 218.335.8266**



## Leech Lake Band Of Ojibwe Quarterly Meeting

**Friday April 8th 2011**  
**10:00AM**

**Lone Eagle Community Center**  
**Ball Club, MN**

**Directions:**

- One Block N of Hwy 2
- Left on Hwy 39

**EVERYONE  
WELCOME!**

**A Light Lunch will be served**



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# Entertainment

AT NORTHERN LIGHTS EVENT CENTER

March 26th  
*Acoustical performances by*  
**Scott Stapp**  
(Creed)  
**Aaron Lewis**  
(Staind)  
Scott Stapp: 4:00 pm  
Aaron Lewis: 8:00 pm  
*One Ticket is Good for Entry into BOTH Events!*  
Tickets: \$43/\$49



March 13th  
**Jo Dee Messina**  
7:00 pm  
Tickets: \$36/\$42



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April 9th & 10th  
**Golden Gloves Boxing**  
Semi-Finals - Saturday: 7:00 pm  
Finals - Sunday: 1:00 pm  
*One Ticket is Good for BOTH Days!*  
Tickets: \$25/\$30/\$35



April 16th  
**Rick Springfield**  
7:00 pm  
Tickets: \$35/\$43

*New Date!*

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