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Niigaane Ojibwemowin K-6 at Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School Receive Emmy Award

Last fall, the Public Television documentary First Speakers: Restoring the Ojibwe Language was awarded a Regional Emmy® Award for Artistic Excellence in the Documentary category! The program features the work of Leech Lake's Niigaane Ojibwemowin language immersion program and other schools in the region working to restore and enhance the Ojibwe language.

Niigaane Ojibwemowin Immersion Kindergarten through sixth grade classrooms participated in the film during late spring of 2010. All academic and social content is taught through the medium of the Ojibwe language at Niigaane, The Leech Lake communities are reclaiming our language as a vital connection to our culture, history, traditions and as a bridge between contemporary society and the traditional way(s).

The Emmy statue traveled to all of the places that participated in the film, the first stop was at the Niigaane School in Bena, where the Niigaane students have been taking care of the award and discussing the importance of our language in today's world. After the Niigaane program, the award traveled to Bemidji State University, the



Red Lake Nation, Birchbark Books in Minneapolis, and to the University of Minnesota Twin Cities Department of American Studies to name a few..

This award is a great reminder of the power of language and culture

in our society and how our identity is a direct result of how we communicate. If we lose our language we lose a focal point around which our existence was tailored. Fluent speakers are disappearing as the years pass and if we don't in-

crease the number of speakers we will see other parts of our lives evaporating.

This video can be seen online at http://www.tpt.org/?a=productions&id=3

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Secretary Treasurer's Economic Perspective

Greetings, I hope that everyone is having a good winter so far. The last few months have been very busy and very informative. I have been and continue to sift through the Band's finances to find new ways we can use our economy to help create jobs and opportunities for our Band members.

Efforts continue regarding the Powerline negotiations. Last year, our Chairman denied and attempted to renegotiate and improve upon the 5.75 million dollar offer from the power companies by taking them to Federal District Court; however, the Court ruled against Leech Lake as a result. Currently there is an effort to bring these companies back to the table with a new negotiating team. I will keep our Band members informed about this situation as best I can

We continue to work with Moondance Jam Inc. regarding the 2.4

million dollar loan. Currently we are looking into a number of ways to amicably resolve this issue so that everyone involved comes away from the table with a sense of fairness, but more importantly we are making every attempt to ensure that the Band's interests are fully protected.

The Two-Points property sale died at a public meeting last fall but continues to be an issue that keeps bringing up questions regarding past land deals, putting land into trust and how we manage our natural resources.



I would like to now hand this report over to Carri Jones just as we did at the Bena community center during the quarterly meeting. Carri

will expand on our financial reporting

details and give an over-all report on lize the funding for the remainder of the the finances as they are.

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Hello Band Members of Leech Lake, The Band is currently under a General Fund Freeze, at the end of January we did a cash flow analysis on the spending that is currently occurring. During that process there were several programs that were over their budgets at the end of January (they should all be at 60% spent). This also leads to having more money going out of the Band than money coming into the Band. We are hoping that implementing this freeze will level off the spending at this time to bring our programs back in line with their budgets. I brought this to the Tribal Council's attention because if it was not addressed immediately we would have had to make major decisions coming into the end of the fiscal year. The majority of the Tribal Council was in favor of freezing the funds to help stabi-

lize the funding for the remainder of the year, this will also help going into the next year with a healthy cash balance. Our divisions that receive grants from the federal, state, and local governments are doing an excellent job staying on track with their budgets. The majority of our funds are from these outside entities. Our divisions are actively seeking out more and more grants to help supplement their programs and expand their services.

Currently the Budget Team is working on the FY2013 budgets for the Band. This is a very lengthy process and major decisions will have to be made. We will be working with the Tribal Council and Divisions for their input during this time to get an understanding of what they are working on and what their needs are for the upcoming fiscal year.

Cass Lake IHS Dental Clinic Requests Feedback

Be the voice of your community! The dental team at Cass Lake Hospital is soliciting patients / community members to join us for a listening session over lunch on March 20th from 12:00-1:00. The dental team would like feedback on what community members and patients feel we do well, areas that they feel we could improve, and ideas on how to implement the improvements. The dental team will

happily answer questions and discuss policies and procedures, but our main purpose is to listen and gain feedback from the people that we serve.

In order to sign up to attend, we are asking patients to call or stop by the dental department and submit their name for the drawing. We will be drawing 5 names and will be notifying the 5 people at the phone #'s provided. We had to limit the number of com-

munity members due to limited space available within our facility to host such an event. We plan to hold these listening sessions quarterly.

Lunch will be provided. This is part of the dental department's participation with the Improving Patient Care (IPC) initiative at Cass Lake Hospital. We have a good understanding of the areas we feel need improvement and areas we feel that we do well, but we

would like to know what patients feel is important in order to meet their expectations and we want patient feedback to better incorporate what is important to patients in our policies and every day practices. For more information please call the Cass Lake IHS Dental Clinic @ 218-335-3230 or send feedback to jill. brown@ihs.gov.

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CERTIFIED CANDIDATES

LEECH LAKE RESERVATION CHAIRPERSON & DISTRICT III CANDIDATE & ELECTION INFORMATION

February 27:	Deadline for appointment of Election Boards.
February 27:	Deadline for appointment of Election Contest Judge.
February 28:	TEC provides ballots for Primary Election.
February 28:	Notice of Primary
April 3:	Primary
April 4:	General Reservation Election Board certifies Primary Results.
April 5:	General Reservation Election Board publishes Primary Results.
April 6:	Deadline for Request for Recount.
April 10: 4:30 p.m.	Deadline for Contest of Primary Election.
April 11:	(Results, if Decision on Request for Recount and Results of Recount. Allowed or 9th or 10th If earlier request)
April 20:	Deadline of Decision on Contest
April 23:	Deadline for Appeal to Court of Election Appeals.
April 26:	Record of Contest to Court of Election Appeals.
April 30:	Last Day for Hearing on Appeal
May 10:	Last Day for Decision on Appeal
May 11:	Notice of Regular Election TEC provides ballots
June 12:	General Election
June 13:	General Reservation Election Board certifies results of Election.
June 14:	General Reservation Election Board publishes Election results.
June 15:	Deadline for Request for Recount.
June 19 (4:30 P.M.):	Deadline for Notice of Contest.
June 20 (or 19, 18, if Request for Recount is files before deadline	If allowed.
June 29, (or ten days from Notice of Contest, whichever is sooner):	Deadline Decision on Contest
July 3:	June 20 (or 19, 18, if Request for Recount is files before deadline
July 6:	Record of contest forwarded to Court of Election Appeals.
July 10:	Last Day for Hearing on Appeal (hearing within 7 days notice of appeal).
July 17:	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.

Election Board Updates

- Twin cities precinct training, March 29th.
- Training for all precincts in Ball Club, March 30th.
- Open Saturday, March 31st & June 9th from 8-4:30 for absentee voting.
- The new polling place for Cass Lake is at the Dikinaagan Building.
- Prescott people will vote at the Cass Lake sight at Dikinaagan.
- The Bemidji voting location is at the City Hall, 317 4th ST NW, Bemidji.
- Any voters that live in the greater walker area can vote at the Onigum precinct if your name is in the election signature book.

CERTIFIED CANDIDATES

- 1. Carri Jones
- 2. Delmar L. Jones III
- 3. Arthur "Archie" LaRose
- 4. Michael J. Bongo
- 5. Sally Fineday
- 6. Roger T. Aitken
- 7. Veronica Veaux
- 8. Enriqueta "Ketta" Flores
- 9. Richard A. Schulman, Sr.
- 10. Eugene "Gene" Rock
- 11. William "Bill" Butcher

6. Ron Hare

- 1. Eugene "Ribs" Whitebird
- 2. Leroy Staples-Fairbanks III
- 3. Robert "Robbie" Budreau, Sr.
- 4. Martin "Mutt" Robinson
- 5. Cynthia Madigan
- 7. Christopher D. Finn
- 8. Michael Reyes
- 9. Esther C. Humphrey
- 10. John Johnson
- 11. Skip Lyons

District III Representative **Candidate Forum**

District III Candidate Forum March 2, 2012 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. American Indian Resource Center Bemidji State University Campus Bemidji, MN General Election Board 218-335-7224

Chairperson & District III Rep. **Candidate Forum**

Minneapolis Candidates Forum March 17th, 2012 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. East Phillips Park 2307 17th Avenue South Minneapolis MN, 55404 Contact: Howard White 612-759-9452

The Candidate Forum for the Chairperson was held on 2/24/12 at the AIRC in Bemidji.

Candidate Essays

Date of Birth

Candidates for both Chairman/Chairwoman and District III Representative can now submit essay's about why they would like to represent the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe. Please limit your papers to positive rhetoric. E-mail your submissions to debahjimon@llojibwe.org. Thank you very much.

We have also been approached about paid ads for candidates. The Debahjimon has run paid ads in the past and we will continue this policy. Ads need to be e-mailed to the address mentioned above as well as any questions about cost or size of the ad(s).

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State Hosts First Indian Education Summit

By Chris Haugene

Last January education leaders from the State of Minnesota and from Native Nations across the state gathered in St. Paul for the first-ever education summit. Recognizing challenges and barriers that American Indian students face was the focus of the summit as well as mapping out possible solutions.

The event was a direct result of Minnesota Education Commissioner Brenda Cassellius having held a listening session last fall on the state of Indian education in Minnesota. Participants identified a need for a continuing dialogue on how to finally develop progressive policies and strategies for Indian students progress. Some would say that this summit is long overdue considering the ridiculous history between State and Federal education officials and the American Indian population. This issue has been simmering within Native Nations in Minnesota and across the country for centuries.

It's difficult to talk about American Indian public education and the sink-holes and pitfalls that seem to swallow our kids up without first mentioning how American Indian people were first introduced to the idea of public education.

The Boarding School Era began with day-schools where Native kids could go to local churches and school-houses to learn during the day and go home at night. This didn't last very long before the powers-that-were realized that assimilation was not happening and the kids were still too connected with their culture, language, and traditions. Once this was realized day-schools gave way to off reservation boarding schools that literally took kids from ages six to sixteen far away from their villages, families and culture so that true assimilation could take hold and a new identity could begin to be formed.

Kids were beaten for speaking their language and for any overt dis-

plays of a connection to their heritage. The situation became so intense that some kids were locked in root cellars for infractions and were deprived of food for further disciplinary problems. Some kids never returned to the homes from which they were taken. Some families still wonder about their relatives, and what really happened at these boarding schools.

These facts have been burned into the memories and minds of American Indian people for a very long time. They are the foundation upon which a vast majority of Indians base their perspective of education in a public setting whether the perspective is conscious and intentional or of a deeper and less cogent manifestation. The underlying psychology that has transpired is that of a lack of trust in education professionals (teachers, counselors, school administration etc.) to the point at which we find ourselves today. Dropout rates are high, graduation rates are some of the lowest in the nation, test scores are tepid, and on, and on.

The listening session last fall and this recent education summit were first steps toward identifying barriers, but the road to resolving some of the deeper issues involved in this equation will take an effort that we have not seen to date. The Education Commissioner and Governor Dayton have started to address the surface of the problem; let's hope efforts continue so that more and more American Indian children can find a proper education so that the greater perspective of progress in Indian Country can take hold on a larger scale.

Leech Lake
Tribal College
Language Table
Every Thursday 6-8pm
Benny Tonce Room
Potluck Dinners

LLBO Gaming Selects KONAMI Casino Management System

All three Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe casinos launch system that delivers player interaction and a more personal and efficient gaming service.

Konami Gaming, Inc. has been selected to replace Leech Lake Gaming's casino management The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe's three casino properties, Northern Lights, Palace and White Oak Casinos, are almost ready to roll out Konami Casino Management Systems (KCMS) across approximately 1,800 slot machines.

According to Leech Lake's Gaming Director Jim Morales, "Konami has proven to be a trusted business partner who delivers on their promises. In addition to managing our core gaming business processes, KCMS is providing us with the technological innovations and efficiencies we need for continued growth. For example, KCMS provides us with a one-card (players club) loyalty program usable across all three Leech Lake casino properties that allows us to create more powerful bonusing campaigns benefitting the players club members more than we've

ever done before. KCMS is an industry-leading casino management system best known for its advanced capabilities such as real-time based technology, multi-channel in-machine streaming video, rules-based Bonusing engine, true multigame, multi-denomination analytics at both the machine and customer level. These features combined with Konami's quality customer service and support allow operators to effectively manage and analyze their gaming operations, implement innovate marketing campaigns, and drive their customer experience forward.

Another KCMS advantage is the lack of down time on the gaming floor through the installation and conversion from the current system to the new system. KCMS is installed through the pre-wiring of games, allowing each game to run on the current management system until KCMS is pre-wired in all games. Once KCMS has been wired slot bank by slot bank, the system conversion happens over night. Konami is the only company that offers this type of system conversion.



emails about notices and special events. Thank you for your support!



Major Chritainson presenting the Bronze Star to Gunnery Sergeant Earl Wakonabo. Mr. Wakonabo joined the Marine Corp in 1998 serving in Japan for over four years with two additional tours in Iraq and three tours in Afghanistan. He has received 39 awards, medals and ribbons since his commission. Earl's wife Tess, their four children, and his father Gordon were all in attendance during the awards ceremony.

FRENCH DULLDOG FOR SALE

Cream Female 3 years old. Good with other dogs/kids. \$150.00 contact Tera @ 218-760-8080.



Languages classes, this one taught by Darrell Kingbird, consultant for Leech Lake Youth Division ran 3 days a week for the month of January. Contact Leech Lake Youth Division for details.

LEECH LAKE TRIBAL POLICE DEPARTMENT

LETTER OF RECOGNITION

Vincent Brown.

Leech Lake Tribal Police Officer

From: Michael Robinson,

Leech Lake Tribal Chief of Police

Reference: -Letter of Recognition -House Fire with People Present



Background

On 01/21/2012 at approximately 12:56 p.m., Leech Lake Tribal Police Officer Vincent Brown was on duty at the Ball Club sub-station when two individuals notified him of a house fire a short distance away. Brown exited the substation and could see smoke billowing out from unit #30 on Coral Street and County Road #39. Brown notified dispatch to contact both Itasca County Sheriff's Office and the Deer River Fire Department. As Brown approached the residence he met with the homeowner standing outside and stating there were two people sleeping inside the residence. Brown then entered the smoke filled unit and noticed a kitchen stove and cupboards engulfed in flames. Brown located a male and female sleeping on couches in the living room and struggled to awake them. Brown grabbed the male by his arms and pulled him from the burning unit to a safe distance. The female was finally awoken and Brown escorted her out of the unit to a safe distance. Brown was unsuccessful in extinguishing the fire and decided to check on the other units in the four-plex to make sure no one else was in danger. able to notify a male in the neighboring unit and escorted him to safety. Brown then found a working extinguisher and was able to terminate the fire. Once the Fire Department and Ambulance arrived, the homeowner was transported to Deer River Hospital for smoke inhalation. No other injuries were reported at this time as the unit suffered moderate damage.

Recognition

To Vincent Brown, for an outstanding performance while demonstrating a high degree of professionalism, dedication, and determination that reflects great credit upon the profession of Law Enforcement and the citizens we serve and protect.

Furthermore, Vince Brown dedicated his time and extreme effort to the citizens of the Ball Club community. The citizens of Ball Club, along with citizens of the Leech Lake Reservation and surrounding areas are deeply grateful for your contribution to a safer community.

Michael Robinson, Chief of Police Leech Lake Tribal Police Department

LLTC Students Receive Honor

Based on their scholastic and commu- Jason Decker, Kim Dickson, Francis nity achievements, the following Leech Folstrom, Timothy Goodman, Graham Lake Tribal College students have been named to the 2012 Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges: Kelly Anderson, Lucas Bratvold, Angela Browneagle, Robert Budreau, Amarin Chanthorn, Tomi Clark, Sadonna Connor, Danika Curry-Johnson,

Hensel, Veronica Kingbird, Sonia

Lightfeather, Cheryl Littlewolf, Faryn Lord-Avery, Reginna Moose, Katrinka Norby, Jonas Northbird, Thea Ogema, Mika Pacheco-Northbird, Alexandra Tanner, Dallon White,

and Victoria Whitefeather.





Bruce Martin Johnson, "Mukwa", which means "Bear", 68, of Cass Lake, MN, passed away on Sunday, February 12, 2012 following a three month battle with cancer. His family was by his side.

Bruce was not an idle person; he had to keep himself busy all the time. He had a great sense of humor teasing anyone that he could get his hands on. He loved working on cars to pass the time, spending time with his nieces, nephews and grandchildren. Bruce enjoyed every family gathering. He had a knack for seeing the best in people. Bruce was also very protective of the things important in his life like his family and work. People would often comment, "you don't mess with these things or Bruce will come after you like a bear".

He was preceded in death by his parents, grandparents, wife Anna, and son Bruce Anoka.

Bruce is survived by his son; Brian Anoka of Cass Lake, adopted son; Levi Sagataw of Cass Lake, daughters; Kimberly Anoka of Cass Lake, Colleen Johnson of Mille Lacs, brothers; David (Maddie) Johnson of Elk River, Richard Johnson of Longville, Robert Johnson of Longville, sisters; Geraldine Gale of Longville, Marlene Mitchell of Longville, Lorraine Johnson of Longville, numerous grandchildren, great grandchildren, other relatives and many friends.

A wake service was held at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, February 15, 2012 and continued until the 11:00 a.m. service on Thursday all at the Veteran's Memorial Building in Cass Lake. Spiritual leader was Mike Smith. Military honors were accorded by Leech Lake American Legion Post. Pallbearers were Ron Johnson, Larry Johnson, Levi Sagataw, Brian Anoka, Rico Anoka and Levi Brown. Honorary pallbearers were Vernon Mitchell, Doug Cloud, all his nephews, nieces and grandchildren.

Arrangements entrusted to Northern Peace Funeral Home of Walker, MN. Online condolences for the family may be given at www.northernpeace.com.



The family of Gloria Jean Wright would like to publicly thank each and every one of you for your thoughts, prayers, flowers, love and support that was shown to us during our difficult time when she passed on. Dr. Rith-Najarian & staff at I.H.S., Hospice Nurses and staff from Grand Rapids (Kathy, Winter, Rita and Deb), Steve White LLRTC, Palace Casino and Northern Lights for furnishing food. The Ojibwe Hymn Singers, Leech Lake Nation Drum Group, Gil Applebee, Carroll Funeral Home and especially to everyone that helped set up, prepare and serve food and then cleaned up after us. Also thank you to those who helped dig her grave and those who covered her up. You all mean so much to us, Keevin, Laura and Baby Keev.

FRANK JACK KEEZER, JR.



Prank Jack Keezer, Jr., "Maheengun" which means wolf, 58 of Minneapolis, MN, entered the spirit world on Friday January 13, in Minneapolis. He was born on December 7, 1953 in Red Lake, Minnesota to Frank, Sr. and Josephine (Chase) Keezer.

He was preceded in death by an infant daughter Leah Mae Harrison, his sisters; Margaret and Joyce, brothers; Laverne and Everett Keezer and other siblings.

Frank is survived by his son; Nathaniel Harrison of Bemidji, MN, daughters; Wenona Harrison of Minneapolis, Ann Harrison of Minneapolis, and Dora Keezer of Cass Lake, sisters; Katie Zollner, Arlene (Joe) Fairbanks of Bena, and Thelma Banvalcanberg of Nay Tah Waush, MN, 10 grandchildren and other relatives and many friends.

A wake service for Frank was held at the Facility Center in Cass Lake on Tuesday night following the visitation in Mpls and continued until the 1:00 p.m. service on Thursday, January 19th also at the Facility Center in Cass Lake, MN. Pallbearers for Frank were Kenneth Harrison, Donald Headbird, Peter Headbird, Jesse Headbird, Mike Harrison and Jeff Keezer.

Arrangements entrusted to Northern Peace Funeral Home of Walker, MN. Online condolences for the family may be given at www.northernpeace.com.



JANE FRANCES MITCHELL



Jane Frances Mitchell, 42, of Minneapolis, MN, passed away on Wednesday, February 1, 2012 at Fairview University Hospital in Minneapolis. She was born on November 12, 1969 in Minneapolis, to Samuel Mitchell, Sr. and Ruby (Wilkins) Mitchell.

Jane was preceded in death by her parents, brothers; Steven and Jon Mitchell and sister; Roberta Burnette.

She is survived by her children; Daniel and Juanita Mitchell both of Minneapolis, brothers; Samuel Mitchell, Jr. of Plymouth, MN, Jerome Mitchell of Cass Lake, MN and Rodney Strong of Bemidji, MN. Sister Ruby Wilkins of Red Lake, MN, Grand daughter Aleena, niece Rachel Merritt, one grand daughter on the way other relatives and many friends.

A wake service was held at The Church of Gichitwaa Kateri in Minneapolis on Sunday, February 5th from 3-6 p.m. and continued at the Veteran's Memorial Building in Cass Lake until the 2:00 p.m. service on Monday, February 6th. Spiritual leader was Steve Jackson. Active pallbearers for Janewere; Daniel Mitchell, Brandon Howard, Alex Bellanger, William Zaragoza, Jerry Mitchell and Jim Wilkins. Honorary pallbearer were Samuel Mitchell, Jr. Interment was held in the Boy Lake Cemetery at Boy River, MN following the service.

Arrangements entrusted to Northern Peace Funeral Home of Walker, MN. Online condolences for the family may be given at www.northernpeace.com.

BRIAN L. NORTHBIRD



Brian Lee Northbird, 38 of Cass Lake, MN died unexpectedly Friday, January 27, 2012.

Traditional Funeral Services were held at 10:00 am on Wednesday, February 1, 2012 at the Prescott Community Center in Cass Lake, MN with Spiritual Leader Steve Jackson, A wake began Tuesday, January 31 at 5:00 p.m. and continued until the time of the service. The Cease Family Funeral Home of Bemidji assisted the family with arrangements.

He was born October 13, 1973 in Cass Lake, MN. He graduated from Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig school in Bena, MN. He attended additional schooling at Leech Lake Tribal College for carpentry. He was an avid sports fan, especially his favorite team the Miami Dolphins, in particular, quarterback Dan Marino. He enjoyed good laughs with his good sense of humor with family and friends. He was always willing to lend a hand to someone in need. He enjoyed working on his car, cooking, watching movies, going to the casino and ricing. He loved spending time with his family; especially his nieces and nephews.

He is survived by his father; Gene Northbird, Step-father; Clyde Tibbetts, Brothers; Gene Louis Northbird and Shannon Northbird, Sisters: Becky Northbird and Sierra Northbird, Grandparents; Norma and Larry, Dog companion; Muck-wa. He was preceded in death by his mother Debra Tibbetts, paternal grandparents and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

Brian's family and friends.

Active pallbearers were Kris Roybal, Lou Grayhawk, Merrick Moose, Keith Armstrong, Charlie May, David Jones, Jr. and alternates Richard Northbird and Dave Jones, Sr.

DEAN CARL WIND



ean Carl Wind, 67, of Cass Lake, MN entered the spirit world on Tuesday, January 31, 2012 in McIntosh, MN. He was born on June 17, 1944 in Cass Lake, Minnesota to Carl and Josephine (Critt) Wind.

Dean enjoyed playing his guitar, singing, going to the casino, playing softball and being with his grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents and brothers John and Ronald.

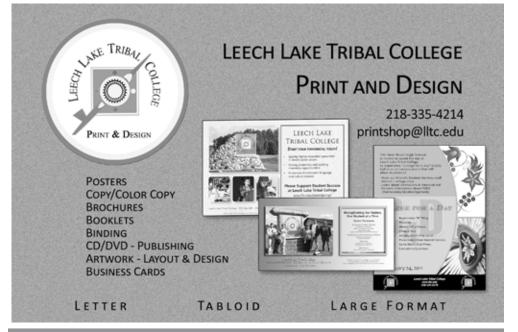
Dean is survived by his wife; Gloria of Cass Lake, MN, sons; Joe (Shelly) Wind of Cass Lake, MN, Rodney Headbird, Leonard Headbird, Les Headbird all of Cass Lake, MN and Aaron (Amanda) Wind also of Cass Lake, daughters; Deanna Wind of Cass Lake, MN and Kristi (John) Wind of Cass Lake, MN, brother; Donald (Karyn) Wind of Cass Lake, MN, sister; Darlene Wind of New Mexico, grandchildren, numerous nieces and nephews, other relatives and many friends.

A wake service for Dean was held at the Veteran's Memorial Building in Cass Lake starting Wednesday,

Honorary pallbearers are all of February 1st at 4:00 p.m. and continued until the 11:00 a.m. funeral service on Friday, February 3rd, also at the Veteran's Memorial Building in Cass Lake, MN. Spiritual Leader was Allen Hardy. Pallbearers for Dean were Pete Headbird, Donald Headbird, Jesse Northern Peace Funeral Home of Headbird, Rodney Headbird, Les Headbird and Len Headbird. Alternate Pallbearers were Reggie Wind, Ivan Wind, Fabian Wind, Charlie Wind and Aaron Wind. Honorary Pallbearers for Dean are Karyn Wind, Cheryl Keezer, Dean-

na Wind, Diane Fineday, Kristi Wind, Marilyn Wind, Sheila Lyons, Darlene Wind and Caroline Hullett. Interment was in Mission Cemetery following the service.

Arrangements entrusted to Walker, MN. Online condolences for the family may be given at www.northernpeace.com.



LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE WIC CLINIC

WIC CLINICS AT THE NEST

The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe WIC Program will be holding WIC clinics for the month of March on the following days at the WIC office in Cass Lake:

Nutrition Education Sessions and Certifications by appointment only:

Monday: March 5, 12, 19 & 26 Appointments 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Tuesday: March 6, 13, 20 & 27 Appointments 8:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Wednesday: March 7, 14, 21 & 28 Appointments 8:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Friday: March 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 Appointments 1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

OUTLYING WIC CLINICS

1st Thursday • March 1st Onigum Community Center Appointments: 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

2nd Thursday • March 8th Inger Cinic Appointments: 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

3rd Thursday • March 15th Ball Club Community Center Appointments: 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

4th Thursday • March 22nd Bena Community Center Appointments: 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Please call 218-335-8386 or 1-866-289-5995 for appointments.

SMSC Business Council General Election Held



With at least 90% of voters participating in the general election, the Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community voted for three positions on the SMSC Business Council on January 17, 2012. Voting took place at the SMSC Community Center for the four-year positions of Chairman, Vice-Chairman, and Secretary/Treasurer.

Here are the winners:

- Chairman, Stanley R. Crooks
- Vice-Chairman, Charlie Vig
- Sec/Treasurer, Keith B. Anderson Under the Tribe's Constitution, the governing body of the Tribe is the Tribal membership, also called the General Council. The Business Council is delegated authority to promote the

health, education, and welfare of Com-

munity members and their families and it is responsible for running the day-today operations of the Tribal Government.

A primary was previously held December 13, 2011, to narrow the field to two candidates per position.

The Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community is the largest employer in Scott County, employing 4,100 employees at the Gaming Enterprise, Mazopiya, The Meadows at Mystic Lake, the Shakopee Dakota Convenience Stores, Dakotah! Sport and Fitness, Playworks, Playworks LINK Event Center, the Dakota Mall, Dakotah Meadows Mini Storage, Dakotah Meadows RV Park, and for the Tribal Government.

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White Earth Plan Misguided, MIGA Says

Astatement issued today by the Minnesota Indian Gaming Association (MIGA) says the White Earth Band of Ojibwe's offer to partner with the State of Minnesota on a casino to benefit the Minnesota Vikings is "misguided," and contrary to long-term tribal interests. Here is the full text of the statement:

The member tribes of the Minnesota Indian Gaming Association (MIGA) continue to oppose efforts by the White Earth Band of Ojibwe to develop an off-reservation casino in the Twin Cities. White Earth has put forth similar proposals at least three times in the past, and MIGA has opposed them on numerous grounds.

First, we believe that any effort by a tribe to expand gambling into offreservation locations is misguided and contrary to the spirit of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (IGRA), which was intended to create jobs and stimulate economic activity on Indian reservations, where traditional approaches to economic development have failed.

Second, White Earth's proposal is contrary to long-term tribal interests because it compromises sovereignty, diverts tribal revenues to non-tribal purposes, in violation of federal law and the tribal government's responsibility to its own members, and sets a dangerous precedent for unwarranted revenue-sharing. By positioning itself as a financing partner offering to develop a casino and share proceeds with the State of Minnesota outside the framework of IGRA, the tribe has waived its sovereign status and put itself on the same level as any private-sector developer.

Third, the premise of the White Earth proposal is that it would address "the extreme disparity in revenues generated by tribal casinos." Since Indian gaming was intended as a tool for economic development on the reservation, it was never envisioned or intended that tribes would benefit equally. IGRA recognized that each tribe would be operating its gaming enterprises on tribal

lands with all the benefits and limitations inherent in those locations. Moreover, the proposal as currently written would not remedy revenue disparities; it would merely increase revenue for one tribe, at the expense of others.

Fourth, the White Earth bill (Article 1, Section 1) asserts a "lack of significant direct revenue to the State of Minnesota" from tribal gaming. In fact, federal law and the rulings of the National Indian Gaming Commission (NIGC) both have reaffirmed that tribes may not divert gaming revenues to states or cities except to pay for benefits or services provided by those entities.

The intent of Indian gaming was to produce revenue for tribes, not states. The suggestion that the state has a right to tribal gaming revenues is simply wrongheaded and totally inconsistent with the stated intent of IGRA. In Minnesota, tribal casinos were developed without a nickel of state assistance. The 41,000 jobs created, directly and indirectly, by Indian gaming have not cost Minnesota taxpayers a dime.

Fifth, the suggestion that the state would bind itself to an exclusivity agreement for thirty years in exchange for 50 percent of the proceeds of a White Earth-owned casino is patently absurd. There is not a single state in the U.S. that, having entered the casino business, has stopped at one casino. What happens when Minnesota decides it needs another casino, and then another?

MIGA member tribes take no pleasure in opposing White Earth on this matter. However, the tribe's proposal is so inimical to the interests of the other tribes in Minnesota that we believe we have no alternative.

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Special Needs Teacher Assistant • Early Childhood • DOQ • Job Code: 12-016B

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Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Tribal Court

6530 U. S. Highway 2 NW Cass Lake, MN 56633 (218) 335-3682 • (218) 335-4418 Honorable Joseph Plumber, Chief Judge Honorable Korey Wawassuck, Associate Judge

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, 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.

/s/ Patricia Pizzala, Court Administrator.

APPEARANCE DATE:	March 6, 201	12, at 2:00 p.m.		APPEARANCE DATE:	April 17, 20	12, at 2:00 p.m.	
Defendant	Case No.	Charge	Date	Defendant	Case No.	Charge	Date
Archambault, Clarice Evelyn	TR-11-62	No Driver's License	08/28/2011	Casey, Samantha Elizabeth	TR-11-39	No Driver's License	06/01/2011
Bebeau, Abigail Marie	TR-11-74	Depositing Non-hazardous		Croaker, Clifford Lawrence	TR-11-52	Driving after Revocation;	
		Material	09/15/2011			Motor Vehicle Registration-Owner;	
Brown, Byron A.	TR-11-64	Driving after Revocation;				No Driver's License	07/24/2010
		Failure to Use Seat Belt; and		Dunn, Bradley Louis	TR-10-171	Failure to Use Seat Belt	11/29/2010
		No Proof of Insurance	09/01/2011	Fairbanks, Benjamin George	TR-11-01	No Driver's License;	
Howard, Jason Dale	TR-11-58	Driving after Revocation	08/11/2011			Failure to Use Seat Belt;	
Johnson, Adria Ann	TR-11-71	Driving after Revocation; and				No Proof of Insurance	01/04/2011
		No Proof of Insurance	09/22/2011	Fairbanks, Benjamin George	TR-11-06	No Driver's License	01/22/2011
Lanham, Delores Gay	TR-10-191	Driving after Revocation; and		Fairbanks, Mark Leo	TR-11-41	Driving after Revocation	12/20/2010
		No Motor Vehicle Insurance	08/21/2010	Gotchie, Dawn Marie	TR-11-16	Driving after Revocation	10/08/2010
Northbird, Stephanie Mae	TR-11-43	No Proof of Insurance	06/12/2011	Hart, Alexander	TR-10-188	Failure to Use Seat Belt	12/18/2010
Raisch, Travis Lee	TR-11-12	Driving after Revocation	02/02/2011	Headbird, Jesse Michael	TR-10-169	No Motor Vehicle Insurance	11/23/2010
Smith, Thelma Jean	TR-11-73	Driving after Revocation	09/02/2011	Headbird, Peter Lee	TR-11-95	Driving after Revocation	11/04/2011
Wilson, Alvin Wesley	TR-11-69	Speeding in Excess of 20 mph	04/18/2011	Isham, Joseph Edward	TR-11-24	Owner Permitting Unlicensed	
Wind, Tommi Sue	TR-11-65	No Child Restraint Device; and				Driver to Drive	03/11/2011
		No Proof of Insurance	09/29/2011	Jones, Terrance Lee, Jr.	TR-11-02	No Driver's License;	
						Improper Use of Registration	
APPEARANCE DATE:	March 6, 201	12, at 3:00 p.m.				Plates; and	
						No Motor Vehicle Insurance	01/02/2011
Defendant	Case No.	Charge	Date	Roy, Rozanna Marie	TR-10-177	Failure to Use Child Restraint	12/08/2010
Armstrong, Donald D., Jr.	CN-11-25	Harvesting During Closed Season		Warner, Shelby Leigh	TR-11-81	Failure to Use Child Restraint	10/21/2011
		Or Illegal Hours	09/01.2011	Whitebird, Beverly Ann	TR-11-14	Failure to Use Child Restraint	02/09/2011
Beaulieu, Jesse Allen	CN-11-22	Harvesting During Closed Season		Whitebird, Connie Elaine	TR-10-77	Failure to Use Seat Belt	04/30/2010
		Or Illegal Hours	08/29/2011				
Briski, Joshua James M.	CN-11-16	Harvesting During Closed Season		APPEARANCE DATE:	April 17, 20	12, at 3:00 p.m.	
		Or Illegal Hours; and Harvesting					
		Wild Rice Without Permit	08/29/2011	Defendant	Case No.	Charge	Date
				Armstrong, Keith Allen	CN-11-27	Harvesting During Closed Season	
						or Illegal Hours	09/01/2011
				Brown, Curtis Kent, Jr.	CN-11-26	Harvesting During Closed Season	
						or Illegal Hours	09/01/2011

Family Division

NOTICE OF LEGAL PUBLICATION

CASE NO. FA-11-56

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an Initial Hearing on the Custody/Parenting Time Petition regarding the child(ren) of the above-named parent(s) will be

held on March 28, 2012, at 10:00 a.m., in the Leech Lake Tribal Courtroom, Facility Center, upper level, in Cass Lake, Minnesota. The hearing will be before

You are served with this notice by publication because you are a party to this proceeding or you are a person whose presence is important to a determination concerning your child. If petitioner fails to appear this matter may be dismissed. If respondent(s) fail to appear either in person or by telephone for this hearing,

In Re the Custody of: J.R, DOB: 5/23/2001; V.A.R., DOB: 1/13/1998; B.M.R., DOB: 1/18/1996. Mabel Louise Roy,

Petitioner

Respondent(s).

And Karen Sue Roy; Roderick Lee Jerry; Vincent Jackson; and Wesley Broch,

DATED: January 19, 2012.

the Honorable Korey Wahwassuck.

judgment by default may be entered against you.

/S/ Matthew Gale Senior Court Clerk

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:	March 20, 2012, at 2:00 p.m.
APPEARANCE DATE.	March 20, 2012, at 2.00 b.m.

Defendant	Case No.	Charge	Date
Desjarlais, Floyd Robert	TR-10-59	Speeding in Excess of 10mph	05/20/2010
Headbird, Peter Lee	TR-09-13	No Seat Belt/Child Restraint	05/27/2009
Lanham, Delores	TR-09-101	Driving after Revocation	05/02/2009
Morgan, Beau James	TR-09-140	Driving after Revocation; and	
		No Seat Belt/Child Restraint	07/09/2009
Northbird, Jolene	TR-10-93	No Driver's License; and No	
		Child Restraint	06/20/2010
Seelye, Cody Shane	TR-10-114	Speeding in Excess of 10 mph;	
		No Proof of Insurance; and	
		No Motor Vehicle Registration	05/19/2010
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APPEARANCE DATE:	April 17, 2012, at 2:00	p.m.
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Defendant	Case No.	Charge	Date
Bowstring, Shanelle Rose	TR-10-185	No Driver's License	12/18/2010
Jackson, Justin Fred	TR-10-06	Driving after Revocation	12/13/2009
Jenkins, Raymond Wayne, Jr.	TR-10-09	No Driver's License	01/31/2010
Kingbird, Nicole Rene	TR-10-81	Driving after Revocation	05/30/2010
McArthur, Wakinyan Wakan	TR-10-112	Driving after Revocation	07/15/2010

APPEARANCE DATE: April 17, 2012, at 3:00 p.m.

Defendant	Case No.	Charge	Date
Chase, Harry Melvin	CN-10-03	Carrying a Loaded Firearm in	
	Moving Vel	nicle, Daytime	11/16/2010
Lyons, Anthony Michael	CN-11-01	Illegal Equipment of Means	04/18/2010
Lyons, Anthony Michael	CN-11-02	Taking Over Limit, Big Game;	
		No Hunting License or Invalid	
		License; Shooting at Big Game	
		Down or Across a Public Road	10/08/2010

Legal Notice By Publication

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court In the Matter of the Welfare of the Children of: Jacob Milton Budreau, Sr., Parent. Court File No. CP-10-42

NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on 11-08-2011, a Petition to Transfer Permanent Legal and Physical Custody was filed in Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the children of the abovenamed parent. A hearing will commence on February 22, 2012, at 10:00 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 Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Child of:

Maxine Morrow, Mother; Derrick Laquier, Father; Gregory Smith-Goodman, Father; and any man who may claim parental rights to the child,

A. L.-M., DOB: 6/03/2009.

Court File No. CP-09-90

NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on 10-03-2011, a Petition to Suspend Parental Rights was filed in Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the child of the above-named parents. A hearing will commence on February 22, 2012, at 11:00 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 Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Children of: Isabell Barrett, Douglas Clark, Jr., and Shilo White, Parents. Court File No. CP-09-49

NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on 7-26-2011, a Petition to Suspend Parental Rights was filed in Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the children of the above-named parents. A hearing will commence on 04-02-2012, at 9:15 a.m. in the Leech Lake Tribal Courtroom located in Cass Lake, Minnesota. The telephone number is (218) 335-3586 or 3682. 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.

Civil Division Notice of Legal Publication

CASE NO. CV-11-53

Karen Pagel, Plaintiff,

Donald "Jasper" Finn, Defendant.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an Initial Hearing on the Civil Petition regarding the abovenamed Defendant will be held on March 28, 2012, at 10:30 a.m., in the Leech Lake Tribal Courtroom, Facility Center, upper level, in Cass Lake, Minnesota. The hearing will be before the Honorable Korey Wahwassuck.

You are served with this notice by publication because you are a party to this proceeding. If petitioner fails to appear this matter may be dismissed. If respondent fails to appear either in person or by telephone for this hearing, judgment by default may be entered against you.

DATED: January 19, 2012.

/S/ Matthe Gale, Senior Court Clerk



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