

# DEBAHJIMON



Gidaa' wiidookaw  
gimaamaa.

You should help your mother.

DECEMBER/JANUARY 2016

VOL. XXXII

NO. 6

FREE

## INSIDE

SECOND  
QUARTERLY  
REPORTS

ELECTION  
CALENDAR

5

HOLIDAY  
EVENTS

8-9

PRESORTED  
STANDARD  
US POSTAGE PAID  
BEMIDJI, MN  
PERMIT NO. 68

## Leech Lake Held Tribal Flag Raising with Red Lake and Beltrami County



On Tuesday November 24, 2015 at 3:30 p.m., the Beltrami County District Courts, the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe and the Red Lake Band of Chippewa held a Tribal flag raising ceremony in Courtroom One of the Beltrami County Judicial Center. The public and media were welcome to join the Tribal nations and the courts as the Leech Lake and Red Lake flags join the United States and Minnesota flags in all four courtrooms. “The flag raising represents our three communities standing and working together as we all share similar values and goals,” says Leech Lake Tribal Chair Carri Jones. Judge Paul Benshoof agrees: “Flying the flags of both sovereign nations in our courtrooms will be a powerful symbol of the interconnectedness of our people.”

Eyabay Singers opened the ceremony along with spiritual advisor Larry Aitken.

Judges Paul Benshoof and Shari Schluchter, Leech Lake Tribal Chair Carri Jones and Red Lake Secretary Don Cook all gave remarks. Spiritual advisor Greeting Spears closed the ceremony after Leech Lake and Red Lake Honor Guards raise the Tribal flags. Leech Lake and Red Lake Tribal flags will fly in all four Beltrami County Courtrooms.

## Second Quarter Newsletter –FY 2016 Tribal Chair Carri Jones

Boozhoo! My office sends all Band members warm season greetings and wishes for a Happy New Year! The Band has witnessed a lot of progress on our various projects in the past couple of months. Leech Lake is excited for the new year. As always, feel free to contact me with questions or concerns at 218-335-8200 or [chairwoman.jones@llojibwe.org](mailto:chairwoman.jones@llojibwe.org).

### Grant Awarded for Tribal Administrative Internship Program

My office worked towards being successfully awarded a \$7,500.00 grant from the George Family Foundation in St. Paul. The grant funding will be used for my office’s Tribal Administrative Internship Program 2016 for two recently graduated high school seniors looking for resume experience. So far, 6 awesome youth have participated in our internship program. The grant award showcases the programs continued success and we have goals to make this upcoming internship even stronger to empower youth leadership. If you are interested in applying or learning more information, please contact Simone or Nissa, Executive Assistants, at 218-335-8200 or email [chairwoman.jones@llojibwe.org](mailto:chairwoman.jones@llojibwe.org).



### **Successful Milestone Efforts in Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig Replacement Funding**

We are pleased to announce the Band has surpassed another key milestone in efforts to secure replacement funding from the U.S. Department of Interior from the Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig High School. The federal Fiscal Year 2016 appropriations bill, signed by President Obama on December 18, 2015, included additional funding for Bureau of Indian Education (BIE) school construction accounts.

The bill language specifically references the Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School as an example of why the funding is needed. The federal government retains ownership of the schools and the responsibility to ensure that the schools are properly maintained, repaired, improved and replaced at the end of their lifespan. This language would not be included without the continuous lobbying efforts from Leech Lake to keep this important issue on the State and Federal radar.

The bill provides nearly \$194 million for construction needs and \$8 million towards planning and design of schools — some of which we hope will go towards replacing our school. Tribal Chair Jones stated, “We’re growing more optimistic that our dilapidated school will be replaced and will continue to work until this goal is accomplished.”

The LLBO School Board received a signed letter of support for its replacement application from every member of Minnesota’s Congressional delegation including, Senators Klobuchar and Franken, Reps. John Kline, Walz, Paulsen, McCollum, Ellison, emmer, Peterson and Nolan. The Band extends our sincere gratitude our Minnesota delegation offered in lobbying for a new school!

### **LLBO and Allies Successful in Protecting the Wolf: Congress Passes Omnibus Appropriations Bill without the Inclusion of Language to Delist**

In recent years, Leech Lake has taken a strong and aggressive opposition to legislation allowing for wolf hunts to take place in the State of Minnesota given the spiritual and cultural importance to our people. In the past year, there have been a number of efforts in Washington to legislatively delist the wolf from the endangered species list, which would once again allow for a harmful hunt. The Band and Department of Resource Management have been lobbying aggressively against removing wolves from the endangered species list.

In June 2015, Tribal Chair Jones hosted a Tribal Leaders discussion on the gray wolf during the NCAI Conferences in the Twin Cities. The discussion features Congresswoman Betty McCollum who is Ranking Member of the House Appropriations Interior Committee, one venue where this issue has been taken up. The Congresswoman strongly opposes the delisting and has been aggressively working in Washington to protect the wolf and support LLBO. In addition to the introduction of stand-alone bills to delist the wolf, there were efforts to do the same through the annual funding process.

Due to continued lobbying efforts from the Band and our Champions in Congress, I am happy to report that although previous versions of the bill included delisting, the recently passed Omnibus Appropriations Bill does NOT include language to legislatively delist the wolf. Leech Lake takes this victory in stride and we promise our continued efforts to protect wolves. There is no question that this issue will once again arise when Congress returns in January.

### **Tribal Flag Raising at Beltrami County Courts**

My office and Special Events coordinated a Leech Lake and Red Lake Flag Raising Ceremony at the Beltrami County Courts on November 24<sup>th</sup>, 2015. The event showcased our willingness to build a working partnership with Beltrami County Courts after many months of planning. Eyabay Singers opened the ceremony with hand drum singing, Larry Aitken blessed the opening, while Tribal Chair Carri Jones, Judge Paul Bensch, Judge Shari Schluchter, and Red Lake Secretary Don Cook all gave remarks. Tribal Chair Jones remarked during the ceremonial gift exchange, “This symbolizes that the three entities are coming together... showing a partnership and respect for our cultures.” Leech Lake and Red Lake flags are now posted in all four Beltrami County Courtrooms.

### **Shakopee Furniture Donation Awarded to LLBO**

The Mystic Lake Hotel is undergoing renovations. Therefore, the Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community awarded Leech Lake a furniture donation upon request from my office. Our office coordinated with all three districts to ensure a fair distribution this past fall. Our office coordinated with the Housing Authority’s Homeless Resource Program to ensure those Band members with apparent need received furniture including lamps, beds, bed frames, dressers, bedding, towels, tables, and chairs. We will be submitting another request for another furniture shipment for Spring 2016 and will work towards on-going fair distribution.

### **MIEA Outstanding Tribal Official of the Year**

The Minnesota Indian Education Association awarded the Tribal Chair the Outstanding American Indian Tribal Official of the year. Carri was nominated by a Leech Lake Band members for her contributions and support for education initiatives, including lobbying for a new Bug school facility and her Youth Internship programs. Our office works hard to incorporate our Ojibwe culture in our Education Division and the internship program. Two Leech Lake youth were also recognized, Tia Dahmen and Dave Jones, for excelling in their academics and athletics combined. Congratulations, Tia and Dave!

### **Vikings Game Celebrates Native American Heritage Month**

Leech Lake participated in the opening and half-time ceremonies for the Vikings v. Packers game in late November 2015. Over 23 tribes from Minnesota and Wisconsin joined together to represent our Nations by presenting our flags at the game. Bernice Mitchell, a local District III elder and veteran, presented our Nation’s flag at the game. As one Vikings staffer remarked of the celebrations, “...watching each of the flag bearers step forward and present a unified, visual image of our independent sovereignty, yet simultaneously demonstrating our collective and unified harmony as tribes was a humbling and powerful moment.” Chi Miigwech!

### **Blessing of Indian Health Services Grand Re-Open**

Cass Lake Indian Health Services celebrated the completion of major renovations and expansion on December 11<sup>th</sup>. Tribal Chair Jones welcomed the community into the new healthcare facilities. Construction began in May 2014 to expand an additional 28,000 feet of space for our community.

### **Elder Holiday Gathering 2015**

The Elder Service Provider Network, comprised of LLBO staff, MCT staff and others, planned and celebrated the annual Elders Holiday Gathering on December 10<sup>th</sup>. Over 350 elders attended the Holiday Gathering this year...our highest turnout yet. Elders enjoyed raffles, a fun photo booth, decorated cookies, participated in a fashion show, and enjoyed a holiday buffet. My office will continue planning and contributing to elder events in our communities, as our elders give our people so much.

## **HOLIDAY GATHERINGS**

### **Leech Lake Toys for Tots Events**

Leech Lake districts held their local toy distributions in Ball Club, Bena and the facility center in Cass Lake on December 21<sup>st</sup>. The U.S. Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Program donated a large portion of toys for our Band members and for this, we extend our gratitude! The Marine Toys for Tots contributed nearly 6,000 toys for our communities as one of their goals includes “to deliver, through a new toy at Christmas, a message of hope...” Miigwech.

### **Duluth Winter Gathering**

Nearly 200 community members attended the Duluth Local Indian Council Winter Gathering on December 20<sup>th</sup>. A meal and was catered in for those attending.

Toys and raffles were also distributed to those attending the gathering. Please contact Laura VanGuilder if you are a Duluth area resident and have NOT received toys for your family. The Duluth area office is located at 212 W 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Suite 2, Duluth, MN. The office is open Monday – Friday from 9am to 4am and Laura may be reached at 218-481-7412. Feel free to contact the Duluth office for any other resources or assistance.

### Twin Cities Winter Gathering

The Twin Cities Winter Gathering was held on December 19<sup>th</sup> at the Minneapolis American Indian Center. Metro area residents enjoyed a day of festivities including a holiday meal, raffles, balloon twisting, music and a visit from Smokey the Bear. Over \_\_\_\_ people attended the event. Feel free to contact Twin Cities office at 612-729-0554 for any other resources or assistance.

### TAX REBATE ANNOUNCEMENT

This year all Band members will receive their Tax Rebate checks in the amount of \$500.00, an increase from last year. The check amounts were increased from the remainder of the Nelson Act of 1889 funding in reserves. Therefore, the tax rebate checks will not be taxed and children under the age 18 will have their checks released upon turning legal age.

An increase in gaming revenues also allowed for the Band to release a larger rebate this year. When gaming revenues are down, Leech Lake dedicates more State tax dollars to fund our programs. However, this year gaming revenues are up, thus allowing a larger Tax rebate.

### Chairwoman

Carri Jones

## Handwashing: The Do-It-Yourself Vaccine

It is that time of year where we see an increase in diarrhea and respiratory symptoms; kids are back in school, families are stuck inside due to weather. Keeping your hands clean is one of the most important steps you can take to avoid getting sick and spreading germs to others. The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) recommends washing your hands in five simple and effective steps (Wet, Lather, Scrub, Rinse, Dry).

1. Wet - wet your hands with clean, running water (warm or cold), turn the tap off, and apply soap. Water alone **WILL NOT** remove dirt and germs from the skin.
2. Lather - people tend to scrub their hands more thoroughly when they use soap. When you lather your hands, be sure to wash the back of your hands, between your fingers and under your fingernails.
3. Scrub - scrub your hands for at least 20 seconds. A good way to time yourself is to sing a verse or two of your favorite song. You can also sing the “Happy Birthday” song from beginning to end twice.
4. Rinse - rinse your hands well under clean, running water
5. Dry - dry them using a clean towel or let them air dry.

Alcohol-based hand sanitizers can be used if soap and water are not available. These sanitizers must contain at least 60% alcohol to be effective. Sanitizers do **not** eliminate all types of germs and are not effective when hands are visibly dirty or greasy.

People don't realize how frequently they touch their eyes, noses, and mouth. This is one way that germs enter our bodies and make us sick. Handwashing is a “do-it-yourself” vaccine to prevent illnesses and stop the spread of infections to others. For more information, visit the CDC's webpage “[Handwashing: Clean Hands Save Lives.](#)”

## Arthur LaRose Secretary/Treasurer Quarterly Report 1/08/2016

### Boozhoo

Good Morning I want to wish everyone a happy new year. At our last quarterly meeting held in Onigum October 16 2015 my office and the District 3 office introduced a draft Planning Ordinance. This goes back to meetings we had with 3 foundations Blandin, Northwest Area Foundation and Initiative Foundation to set some priorities they could work with us on and help fund.

The following are the areas identified by the reservation and foundations as priorities.

1. Early childhood education
2. Economic development
3. Education/workforce development
4. Youth development/leadership
5. Capacity building

We last met with these foundations back on February 25-26 2015. They asked us to bring plans or goals for those priority areas so we could start working together. We did not have goals or plans drafted and in fact still don't. That is the reason we drafted a Planning Ordinance to make sure plans are put together and adopted by the band and for more than just those priority areas. This is why the planning ordinance is important, needed and we hope to have it adopted at this quarterly meeting. I believe if we adopt and follow it we will see our reservation move forward, see growth in our programs, start seeing some real results and most importantly start moving to find solutions to the social problems we are all facing.

This is the primary issue I wanted to bring to you at the start of this new year. The rest of my report is the band financials including a report of Gaming and from our LLBO Controller.

### Gaming Summary of Operations Quarter Ending December 30, 2015

#### Revenue

The upward trend in revenue has continued through November of this year with an increase in revenue of \$2,500,000 from \$34.2 million to \$36.7 million. This includes a \$830,000 increase in Slot Revenue and a \$1,700,000 increase in Tobacco Revenue. December has been strong and similar to last year. All trends show continued moderate growth and both Gaming and Non-Gaming Revenue through the slower winter cycle.

#### Expenses

Operating Expenses for Leech Lake Gaming were down over \$800,000 through November with similar results expected for the remainder of the fiscal year with lower fuel and gas prices greatly reducing heating and shuttle costs.

#### Net Income

Net Income increased primarily due to the increase in Gaming Revenue (Increase of \$830,000) and decrease in Operating Expenses and Payroll Expenses (Decrease of \$700,000). Cost of Sales increased by \$2.4 million, primarily due to the increased volume of tobacco sales. This has increased Net Income for Leech Lake Gaming to \$7.4 million this year through November compared to \$6.3 million for the



same period last year. (An increase of \$1.1 million through November, with similar increases anticipated for the remainder of the quarter and remaining fiscal year.)

### Forecast

Revenues continue to recover through the first two quarters of FY 2016. Strong revenue numbers, combined with controlled operating and payroll expenses, are expected to substantially improve Net Income in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter compared to Last Year. With strong marketing plans in place, combined with the discount sales of national brand cigarettes, it is anticipated that Leech Lake Gaming should be able to sustain the current revenue and income growth through the coming fiscal year. With projected Revenue Growth and projected controlled Operating Expenses, Leech Lake Gaming continues to be poised to have a strong start to FY which will bring additional dollars to the Tribe. Based on continued economic growth projections and proposals to control additional spending, Leech Lake Gaming is projected to show revenue growth and an increase in Net Income in the coming year comparable to the previous quarter through the remainder of the fiscal year.

**Note:** *The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe received its first quarter tobacco tax rebate check from the state of Minnesota per the tax revenue agreement in the amount of \$789,000 for the Quarter ending September 30<sup>th</sup>. This is an increase of over \$650,000 compared to similar past periods. This additional rebate amount, while not going through Leech Lake Gaming financial statements is a direct result of Leech Lake Gaming's change in tobacco sales due to the new model that was developed last spring. Assuming similar results each quarter of the fiscal year, this will increase the impact of LLG directly to the Tribe by over \$2.7 million above the committed distribution by Gaming to the Tribe.*

### LLBO Accounting Summary 1-08-2016

The contract to hire the firm of McGladrey, LLP, for the external audit has been approved by the Tribal Council for an additional four year period for the fiscal years 2016 thru 2019. The Audit for Fiscal Year 2015 is near completion with all of the fieldwork done except for some minor documentation requests yet to be provided to the auditors so the audit report will complete and submitted to the Federal Audit Clearinghouse by the required date of March 31, 2016.

The 2016 Fiscal year budget was approved with an initial projected budget deficit of 1.6 million dollars. This budget deficit was addressed by allocating additional

Spent = \$ 4.7 million (45%)  
Balance = \$ 5.8 million

### Other financial notes:

The Band's health insurance program was approved for the calendar year 2016. Again, costs are increasing in this area also. In order to reduce those costs and to better manage our health insurance costs for the Band's employee health insurance fund, the Band is invoking a federal statute that allows for the Band to pay Medicare-like rates to service providers such as Sanford Health. Medicare-like rates are much lower than standard rates which should result in substantially less costs to our health plan

General Fund reserves. Spending is being monitored as follows:

<u>General Fund</u>	
Budget	= \$23.5 million
Spent	= \$11.5 million (49%)
Balance	= \$12.0 million
<u>Special Revenue Fund</u>	
Budget	= \$61.5 million
Spent	= \$30.8 million (50%)
Balance	= \$30.5 million
<u>Indirect Cost Pool Fund</u>	
Budget	= \$8.4 million
Spent	= \$4.0 million (48%)
Balance	= \$4.4 million
<u>Enterprise Fund</u>	
Budget	= \$10.5 million

at the same time allowing the Band to better manage its health costs for employees and constituents alike.

The Band is also continuing to locate individuals and pay out Nelson Act settlement funds. This process involves requesting reimbursement from the U.S.

Department of Interior, Office of Special Trustee for American Indians.

The Band's minor trust fund was again funded for this fiscal year with an additional \$500 per minor enrollee. Statements for each child included in the trust fund will be mailed during the month of January 2016.

State of MN – Tax and DNR agreements current year receipts

Sales taxes	=	\$1.7 million
Cigarette taxes	=	\$616 thousand
Liquor taxes	=	\$ 46 thousand
Gas taxes	=	\$568 thousand
Hunting/license	=	\$2.8 million

Gaming Revenue = \$6.6 million

We have spent \$ 19.4million so far this fiscal year in the wages and fringe benefits line item. This line is budgeted at \$45.6 million in total for the fiscal year.

Capital expenditures and contracts is another large line item this fiscal year as we are in various stages of completion several building projects including:

Opiate Treatment Center Building	100 % complete
IHS hospital expansion project	100 % complete
Judicial/Public Safety Building	60 % complete
Elder Care/Assisted Living project	20 % complete

### Secretary Treasurer

Archie LaRose

## District II Representative Steve White Quarterly Report January 2016

Boozhoo friends & family! I want to start this quarterly report by saying Happy Holidays from the District II Office! Now that we finally have snow and the lakes are frozen enough to fish on I would like for everyone to stay safe and be aware of your surroundings while traveling anywhere.

The first weekend of October my office in collaboration with the Tribal Police, The Native American Humane Society and the University of Minnesota SIRVS (Student Initiative for Reservation Veterinary Services) hosted a pet wellness clinic on 10/3 - 10/4/2015 at the Bena Community Center. SIRVS was founded by U of M College of Veterinary Medicine students and has a mission to train future veterinarians by serving communities in need. A total of 55 animals received wellness checks, vaccinations, flea/tick prevention and heart worm tests. Youth volunteer opportunities were available and coordinated through NAHS. 8 youth participated and had the opportunity to shadow and apprentice with veterinary faculty advisors and vet students. The youth volunteer opportunities were a huge success and initiated conversations around a possible pilot internship for high school students at the College of Veterinary Medicine in 2016. Dog houses and straw donated by NAHS were also available for distribution.

October 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> my office hosted a Pumpkin carving event in each community. We had great participation from all communities. The Public relations department served "Taco in a Bag," and they also provided music for the parties. We played games, colored, had lots of candy and carved a pumpkin for Halloween.

The Bena bike path ribbon cutting ceremony was held on October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2015. The path was built to help make getting around safer for local residents in the Bena area.



Safety is a big concern for District II: recently, a new bridge over the Boy River was built with room for fishing and wider lanes for parking. A new walking/biking path was installed and speed limit lowered on the Palace Casino and Hotel road. The most recent effort to improve safety in District II along highway two resulted in the form of another walking/ biking path leading from the Bena store to Old Housing Road (phase one). The new path will extend all the way from Old Housing Road to the Big Fish restaurant as the second phase is completed. Several organizations helped the project come to fruition after the District II office outlined the goal. Leech Lake Roads department, DRM, executive admin staff, as well as several key staff played roles in helping the project along. Outside agencies include: Minnesota Department of Transportation, Michael Barnes, Ed Fairbanks, Carol Zoff, Holly Slagle, and Cynthis Bellefeuille. Bureau of Indian Affairs, Robert Potter. Cass County Engineer Dave Enblom, and Cass County Commissioner, Mr. Scott Bruns as well. Partners on the project are: MNDOT, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Chippewa National Forest and Cass County

On November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015 the Northland Community School had a referendum vote for a new school. I am proud to announce that the referendum passed by 34 votes. This is a great achievement for all that are involved, especially the children!! The middle of November we had our Turkey Distribution. We handed out approximately 215 turkeys along with a pound of wild rice for every turkey we gave away in the District II area. I would like to thank TEP for assisting with the distribution. And Public Relations for all their hard work they did by making this event happen.

Towards the end of November I hosted a Fall Feast in all three communities. This gathering was meant to inform people of the programs that Leech Lake has to offer. Since some community members can't make it all the way to Cass Lake to sign up for some programs I brought the programs to you. There were many different programs such as: Leech Lake Gaming, Energy Assistance, Tribal Assistance, Department of Public Works, Tribal Police, Enrollment Office, Education, and Youth Division just for starters. We also had The American Red Cross there to answer any questions you had; in the near future we would like to provide every household with smoke detectors with the Red Cross' help.

The first week of December was when the reservation held the tax rebate check distribution, my office had drawings for door prizes and our District II community members who took home some nice prizes were, Shanay Medina (DVD Player), Diane Smith (Camera), Rosemary Losh-White (Ipad) and Nena Lovelace (T.V.)

Our Annual Toys for Tots giveaway was a success, this year we held it at the Bena Community Center and also gave away for very nice door prizes as well, our winners were; Myrna Whitebird (Playstation4), Jesse Seelye (Laptop PC), Teri Boswell (Xbox1), Neil Ortiz (desktop Computer) Chuck and Jeni Losh (T.V.), Roxanne Drumbeater (Ipad), and Rhonda White (20" Bike). I would like to thank Leech Lake Gaming for their generous donations throughout the year for our community events and for our door prizes for the Toys for Tots event.

**I would like to wish everyone a very safe and Happy New year!!**

## Wishing District II Elders a

*Happy Birthday!*

## December/January Birthdays

December

James Campbell

Richard Losh

Walter "Butch Chase III

January

Kenneth Brown

Henrietta Finn

Mary Helling

Myrna Whitebird

## Election Calendar

### General Election 2015-2016

### Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe

- January 18:** Election Announcement  
**January 19:** Opening of period for filing for office.  
**January 28:** Close of filing period  
**February 15:** Deadline for Notice of Certifications to TEC.  
**February 17:** Challenge certification or non-certification to MCT by 4:30 p.m. on the second business day following receipt of certification.  
**February 18:** Complete record of all documents related to challenge submit to Minnesota Chippewa Tribe by 4:30p.m.  
**February 18:** Deadline for appointment of Election Boards.  
**February 18:** Deadline for appointment of Election Contest Judge and alternate.  
**February 19:** Decision of certification or non-certification or within 48 hrs. of appeal.  
**February 22:** Notice of Primary Election and Posting  
**February 26:** TEC provides ballots for Primary Election.  
**April 1:** Notify MCT on choice of appellate forum.  
**April 5:** Primary  
(Polling places open from 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.)  
**April 6:** General Reservation Election Board certifies Primary Results.  
(Prior to 8:00 p.m.)  
**April 7:** General Reservation Election Board publishes Primary Results.  
**April 8:** Deadline for Request for Recount.  
(Filed with General Election Board prior to 5:00 p.m.)  
**April 12:** 4:30 p.m. - Deadline for Contest of Primary Election.  
(Filed with Reservation Election Judge and Executive Director of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe).  
**April 13:** (Results, Decision on Request for Recount and Results of Recount. if Allowed or 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> If earlier request)  
**April 22:** Deadline of Decision on Contest  
**April 25:** (or with 4:30 p.m. - Deadline for Appeal to Court of Election Appeals. in 3 days of decision on Contest) Filed with the Executive Director of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe and with reservation tribunal rendering Decision.  
**April 28:** (or with Record of Contest to Court of Election Appeals. in 3 days upon receipt of Notice to Appeal):  
**May 2:** Last Day for Hearing on Appeal (hearing within 7 days notice of appeal)  
**May 12:** Last Day for Decision on Appeal (10 days from hearing on appeal).  
**May 13:** Notice of Regular Election / TEC provides ballots  
**June 14:** General Election (Polling Places open from 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 pm)  
**June 15:** General Reservation Election Board certifies results of Election. Prior to 8:00 p.m.  
**June 16:** General Reservation Election Board publishes Election results.  
**June 17:** Deadline for Request for Recount.  
(Filed with General Election Board prior to 5:00 p.m.)  
**June 21:** 4:30 p.m. - Deadline for Notice of Contest. (Filed with Reservation Election Judge and Executive Director of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe.)  
**June 22:** (or 20, Decision on Request for Recount and Results of Recount, if allowed 21, if request for Recount is filed before deadline)  
**July 1:** Deadline for Decision on Contest for General Election.  
**July 5:** (or within 4:30 p.m. - Deadline for appeal to Court of Election 3 days of decision Appeals. Filed with Executive Director of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe and Reservation Tribunal rendering Decision on Contest)  
**July 8:** (or with Record of contest forwarded to Court of Election Appeals. in 3 days upon receipt of Notice to Appeal)

## District I Rep. Penny DeVault Quarterly Report-January 2016

I would like to begin this quarters report wishing everyone peace and strength during the Holiday Season. For many, this can be times of sadness and longing for those that have gone on before us. Please remember to spend time with loved ones, our children and our elders creating cherished memories to always be able to look back and reflect upon with happiness and love.

This Quarter, as like so many prior, our Local Indian Councils continue to step up and be great advocates for our District I Communities. Besides their monthly meetings and community events, they have been attending TERC (Tribal Emergency Response Committee) as well as Homeless Initiative meetings. There has also been collaboration with the Deer River Independent School District to bring Technology Nights out into the rural communities of ISD 317. Our LIC's participated and volunteered their time to assist with the Treats for Tots event, Halloween Parties, Turkey Distribution, Rebate Distribution, Toy Distribution and Christmas/Holiday Events. Our District I LIC's have also been fundraising to contribute to and enhance community parties and community events. I can never stress enough how important the roles of our Local Indian Council's are, they are the community representatives who I turn to for recommendations and guidance in regards to District I.

In addition, this quarter District I held two Fall Feasts in place of our District I Quarterly Meeting. This was in appreciation of the hard work, commitment and pride of our community members. Inger's Fall Feast was on November 19, 2015 and had a record number of attendees. A delicious meal of walleye, venison, frybread, and all the fixings were enjoyed, as well as door prize drawings, youth appreciation certificates, and elder gifts. On November 30, 2015, the Ball Club Fall Feast was held and had a large number of attendees. Energy Assistance/Tribal Assistance, Human Resources, and Tribal Enrollments were on hand to assist community members with program issues. Again a delicious meal was prepared, door prizes, youth appreciation certificates and elders were gifted.

Another positive note from the Leech Lake Tribal Council is that for the year of 2015 all Band members received an increase on their Tax Rebate checks, total check amount distributed was \$500 to all enrolled Band members 18 and older. Enrolled Band member children under the age of 18 will receive their rebate upon turning legal age. Please contact District I Office or LL Accounting for more information on this. The dollar amount was increased from the remainder of the Nelson Act of 1889 funding in reserves and an increase in gaming revenues allowed the Band to release a larger rebate this year.

The District I Office had the pleasure and esteemed honor to nominate Mrs. Delina White for the Eagle Award at this year's 28th Annual Minnesota American Indian Chamber of Commerce Awards Banquet. Delina was the deserving award winner and was presented with the Eagle Award. "The eagle strives high, and has the ability to see the big and little things it needs to sustain itself. It has the vision to see the whole picture, and the ability to communicate that vision to others." This recipient would be an existing American Indian Business owner who portrays effective skills in management, marketing and accounting techniques. He or she is willing to utilize resources to continue learning and improving himself or herself as a business owner and shares their experience and learning, to empower and motivate others to do the same. For all of Delina's hard work over the past year she is definitely the most deserving recipient of the MAICC Eagle Award. This past summer Delina and her two daughters Lavender and Sage held the Great Lakes Woodland Skirts Fashion Show



at five venues throughout Minnesota. This special project is collaboration between a mother and her two daughters in highlighting the sewing and unique beadwork in the art style of their ancestral grandmothers; featuring traditional materials from the 17th to 19th centuries through trade with the first Voyageur contacts along the St. Lawrence River into the Great Lakes region. Delina, Lavender, and Sage shared their mixed media expertise in fabrics, metals, shell, glass, precious- and semi-precious gemstone beads used in the forms of traditional attire and accessories worn by Native Woodland women of the great lakes region. Among this award, Delina has also been the recipient of: 2015 Folk and Traditional Arts award from the MN State Arts Board, 2015 Native Arts & Culture Foundation fellowship, 2015 Arrowhead Regional Arts Council Technology/Equipment Award, 2014 Five Wings Arts Council Community Arts Leadership Award, and 2010 Bush Foundation Fellowship. Delina White and her daughters have brought much inspiration to our communities to follow and pursue your dreams of creativity and beyond. Delina has had a spectacular year of 2015 with many, many accolades. Congratulations Delina White, on everything you have achieved, you truly inspire beyond words.

District I would like to congratulate Melissa Bowstring on being one of twenty-two people in Minnesota and North and South Dakota selected to partake in The Bush Foundation's Native Nation Rebuilders program. This program is designed for Native American leaders of our region who share a passion for learning about governance and other nation-building practices. The Bush Foundation created the Native Nation Rebuilders Program in 2010 after elected tribal leaders from the 23 Native nations that share geography with Minnesota, North Dakota, and South Dakota called for committed community leaders to help with nation-building work. Since it launched, the program has selected 128 rebuilders from 20 Nation nations in the region. Melissa is a graduate from the Leech Lake Tribal College and employed with Leech Lake Early Childhood, and she is Chairperson of the Inger Local Indian Council. Melissa continually shows concern and passion for her community, always striving for the betterment of ChaChaBahNing and searching for resources to achieve projects and priorities set by the Inger LIC and community. Quoting Melissa, "I have always been a believer in gaining more knowledge and using it to pay it forward. I hope to inspire and support others to succeed in life". Congratulations again Melissa not only for your selection into the program but also for being a community leader with strong values that we all look up too.

We would also like to take the time to send our greatest of gratitude out to Earl Wakonabo and the Eagle's Healing Nest. On December 22, 2015 in ChaChaBahNing, Earl hauled a trailer and delivered much-needed items to the community members. Among those items were turkeys, quilts, jackets, hygiene supplies, and toys. In addition, our Community Veterans in attendance received special blankets. "It is the vision and hope to never have those who served in our military to live in darkness but to bring them into the light to soar and fly free. To help restore the honor, dignity, pride, and purpose each deserves". Eagle's Healing Nest's mission is to provide assistance with the healing of the invisible wounds of war carried by our service men and women...past, present, and future.

As the end of the calendar year concludes, I would like to personally thank all of our community members of District I for your contribution, assistance, and guidance throughout the past year. Life is about growing and working to continually strive to be a better person and live a good life. Always to be thankful for what you have and enjoy life's simple blessings, remembering it is not about receiving but about giving. Therefore, with the Holiday Season and New Year upon us, our thoughts turn gratefully to those who have made our progress possible. Chi Mii-Gwitch for believing in and supporting the District I Office. We are wishing nothing but the best for all our families for a year of good health, happiness, peace, and love.

**Respectfully Submitted,**  
**Penny DeVault**

## DISTRICT I YOUTH SPOTLIGHT

The District I office is proud to announce Justin Allen Wilson as our youth spotlight for this addition. Justin is the son of Todd Wilson (stepson to Kahla Miller) and Anne Wilson. His grandparents are Luke and Linda Wilson of Ball Club and Al and Marilyn Wilson of Winnie Dam. He lives with Todd and Kahla and his five younger siblings in Winnie Dam. Justin is in the ninth grade and currently attends Deer River High School. He has a strong passion for the outdoors as he is an avid hunter and fisherman. He also likes to play games and hang with his friends. Justin plans to carry his passion for the outdoors into a career in the future; he is thinking of pursuing a career as a DNR officer.



WE WOULD LIKE TO WISH JUSTIN THE VERY BEST IN THE FUTURE. THANK YOU, JUSTIN.

## District I Elder Spotlight

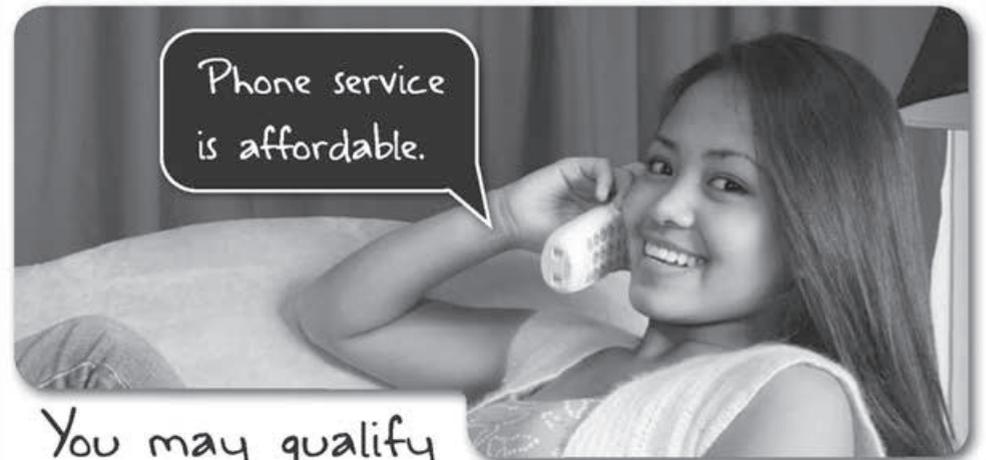
District I would like to thank Donna Tibbetts, from Ball Club, for sharing her story with us as our elder spotlight for this month.

*Hello- I was born to Jesse James Tibbetts Jr. and Joyce L. (Palmer) Tibbetts Dec. 3, 1944. My grandfather and grandmother were Jesse Tibbetts Sr. and Genevieve (Bebeau) Tibbets of Ball Club. My father was killed in WWII serving our country. I have 2 living aunts, Genevieve Sperstad, age 100 and Wanda Evers, 94. I had a Pow Wow stand for many years where I traveled to MN, N. Dakota, S. Dakota, Iowa, and Wisconsin. I still do Ball Club's Mii-Gwitch Mahnomen Days. I lived in Grand Rapids for many years where I raised 4 children.*



*I now have 9 grandchildren and 1 great granddaughter. I worked for Indian Education for many years and also was a silversmith. I moved to California and sold sandals at big fairs from Southern California to Washington, including the California State Fair. I demonstrated and sold Suzanne Sommers' thigh masters at a fair in California. I also worked for Rodeo America and ran a stand in Las Vegas during the National Finals Rodeo. I also helped my boss selling little trick ropes at the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo at the Houston Astrodome - the world's largest rodeo. I have done a lot of traveling! I moved back to Ball Club in 2000. Where I live in the country amongst the big pine trees with my 5 Chihuahua-mix dogs and my big Lexi, who takes care of things outside. She keeps the bears away! I have 8 chickens, 2 rabbits, and a cat. I am retired now but I work elections. I am the Election Judge at Ball Club and have the satellite office in Cass Lake for general elections for Cass County voters. I am thankful to our Creator for a good life, good health, and for my many relatives and friends.*

**Mii-Gwitch**



## You may qualify DISCOUNTED PHONE

Local telephone for as little as \$1.00/MONTH

Qualified customers living on Tribal Land can receive monthly local telephone service for as little as \$1.00 a month. Plus, receive 70 minutes of FREE long distance each month!

*Proudly serving the Leech Lake Reservation.*

Contact your Tribal Lifeline Specialist  
Cindy Walhof | 800.630.7593 | [arvig.com](http://arvig.com)

**arvig.**  
It's All Here

Honoring & Celebrating  
District I Elders

for the month of  
**December!**

**January!**

Janice Nelson	Marilyn Roybal	Donald Wilson
Hope Thompson	Corinne Nason	Darrell Wilson Sr.
Thea Wakanabo	Michael Cronin	Donald White
Louis Bowstring	Myrna Gotchie	Joseph Warner
Anthony Bixby	Fredrick Nason	Donna Tibbetts
Terry Evers	Alvina Omer	Howard Sherman
Marc Grauman	Lorna Urrutia	Dorothy Robinson
Donna Regguinti	Kathryn Laplante	Delores Lindberg
Marilyn Wilson	Sharon Wakonabo	Brian Howard
	Kevin Fairbanks Sr.	Margaret Greenside
		Larry Fairbanks
		Sandra Fairbanks
		William Bowstring
		Barbara Bellanger
		Joel Bebeau
		Burton Alger

*From District I Office* PENNY, SARAH, & SONDRA



# Toys For Tots 2015



## Leech Lake Tribal Council Special Meeting

February 12, 2015

New Gov't Center  
Cass Lake, Minnesota

Chairwoman Carri Jones called the meeting to order at 9:12 am

### Roll Call:

Carri Jones, Chairwoman	Present
Archie LaRose, Secretary/Treas.	Present
Penny DeVault, DI Rep.	Present
Steve White, DII Rep.	Present
LeRoy Staples Fairbanks, DIII Rep	Present

Motion by Penny DeVault to approve agenda with changes, second by Steve White. Motion carried 3-0-0.

LeRoy Staples Fairbanks arrives at 9:20 a.m.

### Old Business:

Motion by Arthur LaRose to approve the February 5, 2015 Minutes, second by Steve White. Motion carried 4-0-0.

### New Business:

#### TRIBAL COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS:

Motion by Penny DeVault to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2015-74 request for funds from the Minnesota Arts and Cultural Heritage Legacy fund administered through the Minnesota Indian Affairs Council for the Niigaane Ojibwe Language Immersion Program at the Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School and Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe, second by Arthur LaRose. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Arthur LaRose to table resolution concerning Timber Resource Ordinance, second by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2015-75 to authorize the application for FY2015 Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation (CTAS) Competitive Grant, second by Penny DeVault. Motion carried 4-0-0.

### Other:

Legal to draft up letter of support of the UMD American Indian Learning Resource Center in applying for a Legacy Grant from the MN Historical Society to print the Paul Buffalo Trilogy. Steve White excused himself.

Motion by Penny DeVault to approve the Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School Board recommendation concerning Jerry Morgan, second by Arthur LaRose. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Angela Nordman – Government Relations Specialist. MAST Impact Week donation. No action.

Motion by Penny DeVault to approve the update and changes to the GAPP to address social media in the workplace, second by Steve White. Motion carried 3-0-1. (For the record Arthur LaRose is silent.)

Meyers contract & Care Facility Plan no action.

Motion by Penny DeVault to adjourn at 10:04 a.m., second by Steve White. Motion carried 4-0-0.

## Leech Lake Tribal Council Special Meeting

February 19, 2015

New Gov't Center  
Cass Lake, Minnesota

Chairwoman Carri Jones called the meeting to order at 9:09 am

### Roll Call:

Carri Jones, Chairwoman	Present
Archie LaRose, Secretary/Treas.	Present
Penny DeVault, DI Rep.	Present
Steve White, DII Rep.	Present
LeRoy Staples Fairbanks, DIII Rep	Present

Motion by Penny DeVault to approve agenda with changes, second by Steve White. Motion carried 4-0-0.

### Old Business:

Motion by Steve White to approve the February 5, 2015 amended Minutes, second by Penny DeVault. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Penny DeVault to approve the February 12, 2015 Minutes, second by Steve White. Motion carried 3-1-0. (For the record Arthur LaRose opposed.)

### New Business:

#### TRIBAL COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS:

Motion by Arthur LaRose to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2015-76 approving the application submission to the Administration of Native Americans for the Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School Nigaane Program, second by Penny DeVault, Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Steve White to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2015-77 approving a funding request from the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Finance Corporation for renovating a Homeless Shelter on the Leech Lake Reservation, second by Penny DeVault. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2015-78 authorizing the appointment of Sally Fineday to the Region V Development Commission, second by Arthur LaRose. Motion carried 4-0-0.

### LAND RESOLUTIONS:

Motion by Arthur LaRose, second by Steve

White to approve the following home sites: LD2015 – 116 Eric DeVault, new lease, Inger area;

LD2015 – 117 Wanda Young Running Crane (Gotchie), amend Resolution No. LD99-150, Ball Club area;

LD2015 – 118 Roger Doerr, rescind Resolution No. LD95-146, Kego Lake area;

LD2015 – 119 Derek Eugene Doerr, new lease, Kego Lake area;

LD2015 – 120 Michael Northbird, new lease, Kego Lake area;

LD2015 – 121 Bradley Senogles, rescind Resolution No. LD2008-44, Buck Lake area;

LD2015 – 122 David James Fineday, new lease, Buck Lake area.

Motion carried 3-0-0. (For the record Penny DeVault abstained.)

Motion by Arthur LaRose to approve Land Resolution No. LD2015 – 123 concerning James Samuelson, recreational lease renewal, Onigum area, second by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Steve White to approve Land Resolution No. LD2015 – 124 concerning Giiwedini Biindige, Agricultural lease, Boy River area, second by Arthur LaRose. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Discussion: Proposed Plats – Ball Club (North Ball Club area), Aspen Acres (Football Lake area), Northwood Loop (North Cass Lake area), Pine Point (Onigum area).

### Other:

Motion by Steve White to approve the Fuel Assistance Program, second by Penny DeVault. Motion carried 4-0-0. Motion by Penny DeVault to adjourn at 9:37 a.m., second by Steve White. Motion carried 4-0-0.

## Leech Lake Tribal Council Special Meeting

March 05, 2015

New Gov't Center  
Cass Lake, Minnesota

Chairwoman Carri Jones called the meeting to order at 9:12 am

### Roll Call:

Carri Jones, Chairwoman	Present
Archie LaRose, Secretary/Treas.	Absent
Penny DeVault, DI Rep.	Present
Steve White, DII Rep.	Present
LeRoy Staples Fairbanks, DIII Rep	Present

Motion by Penny DeVault to approve agenda with addition, second by Steve White. Motion carried 2-0-0.

### Old Business:

Motion by Steve White to approve the February 19, 2015 Minutes, second by Penny DeVault. Motion carried 2-0-0.

LeRoy Staples Fairbanks arrives at 9:14 a.m.

### New Business:

#### TRIBAL COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS:

Motion by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2015-79 to approve Tribal licensing for the Men's Ahnji-Be-Mah-Diz Center Halfway House to increase capacity for thirty residents, second by Steve White. Motion carried 3-0-0. Motion by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2015-80 concerning approval and authorization of the Leech Lake Tribal Licensing Treatment Standards for the Leech Lake Band of Addictions and Dependency Programs, second by Penny DeVault. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Motion by Penny DeVault to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2015-81 authorizing a construction easement for road construction adjacent to the LLBO Opiate Treatment Facility parking lot, second by Steve White. Motion carried 3-0-0.

### Other:

Motion by Penny DeVault to approve renewal of the 2015 Employee Benefits, second by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Motion by Steve White to approve the Elder Care Architecture Amendment, second by Penny DeVault. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Motion by Penny DeVault to approve the Indian Community Development Block Grant – S. Lake Community Center, second by Steve White. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Motion by Steve White to approve the Executive Business Credit Card for Pete White, second by Penny DeVault. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Motion by Penny DeVault to adjourn at 9:24 a.m., second by Steve White. Motion carried 3-0-0.

## Leech Lake Tribal Council Special Meeting

March 12, 2015

New Gov't Center  
Cass Lake, Minnesota

Chairwoman Carri Jones called the meeting to order at 9:10

### Roll Call:

Carri Jones, Chairwoman	Present
Archie LaRose, Secretary/Treas.	Excused
Penny DeVault, DI Rep.	Present
Steve White, DII Rep.	Present
LeRoy Staples Fairbanks, DIII Rep	Excused

Motion by Penny DeVault to approve agenda, second by Steve White. Motion carried 2-0-0.

### Old Business:

Motion by Steve White to approve the March 5, 2015 Minutes with change, second by Penny DeVault. Motion carried 2-0-0.

**Other:**

Motion by Steve White to approve Leech Lake Gaming Patron 360, second by Penny DeVault. Motion carried 2-0-0.

Motion by Penny DeVault to adjourn at 9:41 am, second by Steve White. Motion carried 2-0-0.

## Leech Lake Tribal Council Special Meeting

**March 19, 2015**

New Gov't Center  
Cass Lake, Minnesota

Chairwoman Carri Jones called the meeting to order at 9:10 am

**Roll Call:**

Carri Jones, Chairwoman	Present
Archie LaRose, Secretary/Treas.	Present
Penny DeVault, DI Rep.	Present
Steve White, DII Rep.	Present
LeRoy Staples Fairbanks, DIII Rep	Late

Motion by Penny DeVault to approve agenda with 1 addition and 1 deletion, second by Steve White. Motion carried 3-0-0.

**Old Business:**

Motion by Steve White to approve the March 12, 2015 Minutes, second by Penny DeVault. Motion carried 3-0-0.

**New Business:**

**TRIBAL COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS:**

Motion by Steve White to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2015-82 Tribal Nations Education Committee, second by Arthur LaRose. Motion carried 3-0-0.

**LAND RESOLUTIONS:**

Motion by Penny DeVault to approve the following home sites:

LD2015-125 Daniel C. & Carol M. White, rescind Resolution No. LD2008-146, Boy Lake area;

LD2015-126 Jacob White, new lease, Boy Lake area;

LD2015-127 Arthur & Tammy LaRose, rescind lease & assignment, North Portage Lake area. Second by Arthur LaRose. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Motion by Steve White to approve the following lakeshores:

LD2015-128 Donald Lee, lakeshore lease cancellation, Sugar Point area;

LD2015-129 Cheryl Raye Brown, new recreational lease, Sugar Point area;

LD2015-130 James Samuelson, rescind Resolution No. LD2015-123,

Onigum-Agency Bay area;

LD2015-131 Donald Lee, new recreational lease, Onigum – Agency Bay area.

Second by Arthur LaRose. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Motion by Steve White to approve Land Resolution No. LD2015-132, Jose A. & Diane M. Prado, lease termination, Trader's Bay area, second by Arthur LaRose. Motion carried 3-0-0.

LeRoy Staples Fairbanks arrives at 9:20 am  
DRM: Richard Robinson, Jr.

Motion by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks to approve the distribution of Rice Insurance Claim Funds, second by Arthur LaRose.

Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Steve White to approve the Knutson Dam renovation project funding agreement, second by Penny DeVault. Motion carried 4-0-0.

TRIBAL DEVELOPMENT: Shannon Avery

Motion by Steve White to approve the application to apply for Mn DHS Funding for Homeless Shelter, second by Penny DeVault. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Penny DeVault to approve the Justice Center bids, second by Steve White. Motion carried 4-0-0.

LEGAL: Laura Vedder

Motion by Steve White to approve the proposed law firm contract negotiations for utilities, second by Penny DeVault. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Steve White to adjourn at 9:51 a.m., second by Penny DeVault. Motion carried 4-0-0.

## Leech Lake Tribal Council Special Meeting

**March 26, 2015**

New Gov't Center  
Cass Lake, Minnesota

Chairwoman Carri Jones called the meeting to order at 9:09 am

**Roll Call:**

Carri Jones, Chairwoman	Present
Archie LaRose, Secretary/Treas.	Absent
Penny DeVault, DI Rep.	Present
Steve White, DII Rep.	Present
LeRoy Staples Fairbanks, DIII Rep	Present

Motion by LeRoy Staples to approve agenda with addition, second by Penny DeVault. Motion carried 3-0-0.

**Old Business:**

Motion by Penny DeVault to approve the March 19, 2015 Minutes, second by Steve White. Motion carried 3-0-0.

**TRIBAL COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS:**

Motion by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2015-83 concerning WIC – 5 Year Grant 2016-2020. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Motion by Steve White to table the Funding for Bena Homeless Shelter resolution, second by Penny DeVault. Motion carried 3-0-0.

**Other:**

Tribal Development – Nicole Hendrickson

Motion by Steve White to approve the Care Facility budget, second by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Motion by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks to approve the Space programming, second by Penny DeVault. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Motion by Steve White to approve the Process in selecting a contractor, second by Penny DeVault. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Motion by Penny DeVault to approve Tribal College Grant D, second by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Motion by Steve White to approve the Columbia Greater China Fund 401K, second by Penny DeVault. Motion carried 3-0-0.

## Leech Lake Tribal Council Quarterly Meeting

**April 03, 2015**

Sugar Point Community Center  
Federal Dam, Minnesota

Chairwoman Carri Jones called the meeting to order at 10:24 am

**Roll Call:**

Carri Jones, Chairwoman	Present
Archie LaRose, Secretary/Treas.	Present
Penny DeVault, DI Rep.	Present
Steve White, DII Rep.	Present
LeRoy Staples Fairbanks, DIII Rep	Present

Motion by Steve White to approve agenda with addition, second by Penny DeVault. Motion carried 4-0-0.

**Old Business:**

Motion by Arthur LaRose to approve the January 9, 2015 Minutes, second by Steve White. Motion carried 4-0-0.

**New Business:**

Chairwoman's Report: Carri Jones Financial Reports (government and gaming): Arthur LaRose, Breanna Miettinen and Mike Auger.

Motion by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks to approve the Government Financials, second by Penny DeVault. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Steve White to approve the Gaming Financials, second by LeRoy

Staples Fairbanks. Motion carried 4-0-0.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

Motion by Arthur LaRose to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2015-84 concerning eligible enrollments, second by Penny DeVault. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Steve White to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2015-85 concerning Ineligible Applicants, second by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Arthur LaRose to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2015-86 concerning Band Transfer – Leech Lake to Bois Forte, second by Penny DeVault. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Steve White to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2015-87 concerning Band Transfer – Leech Lake to Grand Portage, second by Arthur LaRose. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2015-88 concerning Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Arthur LaRose to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2015-89 concerning Ineligible Enrollment – No Parent Enrolled in Leech Lake, second by Steve White. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Arthur LaRose to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2015-90 concerning Relinquishment from Fort Peck Tribes Assiniboine & Sioux to Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe, second by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Arthur LaRose to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2015-91 concerning Application for FY 2015 Family Violence Prevention & Services/Domestic Violence Shelter & Supportive Services/Grants to Native American Tribes (including Alaska Native Villages) and Tribal Organization, second by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks to approve Tribal Council Resolution No. 2015-107 concerning Resolution to Declare a Public Health Emergency with Respect to Prenatal Drug and Alcohol Exposure within the Boundaries of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Reservation, second by Steve White. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Introduction of new employees.

Motion by Penny DeVault to approve the Division Direct or Reports, second by Steve White. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Steve White to adjourn, second by Arthur LaRose. Motion carried 4-0-0.

## LLBO WIC FOR February 2015 WIC CLINICS AT THE NEST

Nutrition Education Sessions and Certifications by appointment only

8:15a.m.-11:30a.m. and 1:00p.m.-3:00p.m.

Monday- Thursdays are available for appointment in Cass Lake

### WIC CLINICS AT OUTLYING CLINICS

1<sup>st</sup> Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> - Onigum Community Center Appointments 10a.m.- 1p.m.

2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> - Inger Clinic Appointments 10a.m. - 2p.m.

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> - Ball Club Comm. Ctr. Appointments 10a.m. - 3p.m.

4<sup>th</sup> Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup> - NO Bena WIC Clinic Appointments 10a.m. - 2p.m.  
Christmas Holiday No WIC

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

## HAVE YOU BEEN INJURED IN THE PAST 6 YEARS?

*Hurt at work or in an auto accident?*

*Slipped & fell or attacked by a dog?*

### NYCKLEMOE & ELLIG, P.A.

CALL VAN OR JOSEPH ELLIG

FERGUS FALLS - 218-736-5673

LAPORTE - 218-205-8401

APPOINTMENTS IN LAPORTE & WALKER

LICENSED IN MINNESOTA, WHITE EARTH AND LEECH LAKE TRIBAL COURTS

Call 24/7

Call 24/7

### Subscribe to DeBahJiMon

This is a FREE subscription

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Check one:

New Subscription

Moved / New Address:

Include previous zip code \_\_\_\_\_

Remove From Mailing List

Mail to:

DeBahJiMon

190 Sailstar Dr.

Cass Lake, MN 56633

## LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE SUMMARY OF JOB OPENINGS

www.llojibwe.org and may: drop off or mail documents to:

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe – Human Resources  
115 Sixth St NW, Suite E - Cass Lake, MN 56633;

Please submit Cover Letter, Resume, Credentials, 3 Letters of Reference, and Transcripts for positions requiring any Degree above High School Diploma or General Education Diploma

Fax documents to: 1-218-335-3697;

email documents to: andrea.jones@llbo.org

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

LLBO Policy: HR must receive your application and/or documents before or no later than 4:30 p.m. on the date the position is scheduled to close to be considered for a position.

### THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS CLOSE ON DECEMBER 11th

Environmental Health Specialist ~ Health ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 16-004

Fish & Wildlife Specialist ~ Division of Resource Mng ~ Job Code: 16-003

MIS Technician ~ Mngmt Information Systems ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 16-002

### THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS ARE OPEN UNTIL FILLED

Truancy Case Manager ~ Health & Human Services ~ Job Code: 15-183

Family Preservation Case Mnger ~Health & Human Services ~Code: 15-182

Bena Family Service Advocate ~ Early Childhood ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 15-172

Mental Health Therapist ~ Opioid Treatment Prgm~ Job Code: 15-171

Mental Health Practitioners ~ Human Services ~ DOQ ~ Code: 15-090C

Full-Time EMT Attendant ~ Health ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 15-178

Child Protection Case Mngr-Child Welfare~ Human Services~ Code: 15-143

Journeyman Electrician ~ Department of Public Works ~ Job Code: 15-156

Bena Infant/Toddler Teacher ~ Early Childhood ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 15-133

Foster Care Specialist-Child Welfare ~ Health &

Human Services ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 15-151

Accounts Receivable Clerk 1 ~ Finance ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 15-148

Full-Time Mid Level Provider (NP) ~ Health ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 15-142

4 Part-Time EMT Attendants ~ Health ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 15-137

2 Driver/Operators ~ DPW~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 15-140

Ball Club PreSchool Team Ldr ~ Early Childhood ~ Job Code: 15-094B

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

4 Infant/Toddler Teachers ~ Early Childhood ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 15-091B

4 Pre School Teachers ~ Early Childhood ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 15-088B

2 Program Accountants ~ Finance ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 15-120

2 Full-Time LPN ~ Opioid Treatment Program ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 15-097

Community Economic Development Specialist ~

Tribal Development ~ Job Code: 15-059C

2 Tribal Planner/Developers ~ Tribal Development ~ Job Code: 15-0583

P-T Bena Homeless Shelter Advo. ~ Human Services~ Job Code: 15-028

Tribal Assistance Mnger ~ Tribal Assistance ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 15-036



# Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Tribal Court

115 Sixth Street NW, Suite E  
Cass Lake, MN 56633  
(218) 335-3682 • (218) 335-4418

Honorable Paul W. Day, Chief Judge of Tribal Court  
Honorable Megan E. Treuer, Associate Judge of Tribal Court

## -LEGAL NOTICE BY PUBLICATION-

### Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In the Matter of the Gaurdianship of the Child(ren) of:  
J. H-W, DOB: 06/28/2013; A. H-W, DOB: 05/27/2014.

**Larissa Howard and Joshua White, Parents** Court File No. FA-15-163

#### NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on September 15, 2015, a Petition for Appointment of a Minor Guardian was filed with the Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the children of the above-named parents. A Default Hearing will commence on January 4, 2016 at 1:00 p.m., in the Leech Lake Tribal Courtroom

## -LEGAL NOTICE BY PUBLICATION-

### Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In Re the Marriage of:

Rikki S. Blue-Robinson,

VS. Terry L. Robinson, Jr.

Respondent

**Court File No. FA-15-167**

#### NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY that on September 28th , 2015, a petition for Dissolution of Marriage was filed with the Leech Lake Tribal Court. On February 4, 11:30 am a Dissolution Hearing will commence in the Leech Lake Tribal Courtroom.

## -LEGAL NOTICE BY PUBLICATION-

### Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Children of:

**Paula A. Larose, Joseph E. Oothoudt,  
and Lorenzo Valencia, Parents.**

**Court File No. CP-15-13**

#### NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on November 16, 2015, a Petition to Transfer Permanent Legal and Physical Custody was filed in Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the children of the above-named parents. Please contact Leech Lake Tribal Court Administration for the next hearing date and time.

## -LEGAL NOTICE BY PUBLICATION-

### Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In Re the Custody of:

**S.L.G, Minor Child,,** DOB: 09/12/2007;

**CASE NO. FA-15-154**

**Renee Gale, Petitioner,** And

**Raymond Geving, Respondent.**

#### NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that on August 18, 2015, a **Petition for Custody and Parenting Time** was filed with the Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the children of the above-named parents. You, the respondent herein, are hereby notified that you must file a response in the office of the Leech Lake Tribal Court on or before February 11th, 2016 at 10:00 a.m, the date of the Initial hearing scheduled in Leech Lake Tribal Court. Failure to appear at the above date and time may result in a default judgment being entered against you, the respondents, at that time for the relief requested in the Petition, and any other relief may be granted as prayed for by the petitioner.

## -LEGAL NOTICE BY PUBLICATION-

### Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Children of:

**Kimberly Ann Hunt, Edward Joseph Haines,  
and Simon Anthony White, III, Parents.**

**Court File No. CP-14-33**

**Filed on:** August 6, 2015

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Children of:

**Kimberly Ann Hunt, Edward Joseph Haines,  
and Simon Anthony White, III, Parents.**

**Court File No. CP-14-33**

**Filed on:** August 6, 2015

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Children of:

**Paula A. Larose, Joseph E. Oothoudt,  
and Lorenzo Valencia, Parents.**

**Court File No. CP-15-13**

**Filed on:** November 16, 2015

#### NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on, a Petition to Transfer Permanent Legal and Physical Custody was filed in Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the child of the above-named parents. Please contact Leech Lake Tribal Court Administration for the next hearing date and time. The telephone number is (218) 335-3682 or 3586. You are served with this notice because you are a party to this proceeding. If you fail to appear for this hearing the Court may find you in default and enter an order.

## -LEGAL NOTICE BY PUBLICATION-

### Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In Re the Custody of:

**A.P.S, Minor Child, DOS: 07/09/1998;**

**M.I.S, Minor Child, DOS: 08/10/2002.;**

**CASE NO. FA-15-183**

**Leticia Rodriguez, Petitioner,** And

**Jason L. Dunn and Hector Gonzales, Respondent.**

#### NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that on November 2nd, 2015, a Petition for Custody and Parenting Time was filed with the Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the child of the above-named parents. You, the respondent herein, are hereby notified that you must file a response in the office of the Leech Lake Tribal Court on or before February 8th, 2016 at 11:00 a.m, the date of the Initial hearing scheduled in Leech Lake Tribal Court.



# Obituaries



## Cheryl Faye LaRose

Cheryl Faye LaRose, age 58, of Cass Lake, MN, passed away unexpectedly at her home on Wednesday, December 16, 2015. She was born November 22, 1956 in Red Lake, Minnesota to Mary Neadeau.



Cheryl was a very family oriented woman who absolutely adored being around her grandchildren. She was recently blessed with a new great granddaughter. She was an avid naturalist. She loved to hunt, net and pick berries. In her spare time, Cheryl enjoyed doing many crafts and beading. She liked to ride her bike and rode all summer long. Cheryl loved to visit with her friends and family whenever she could. Cheryl grew up and went to school on the south side of Minneapolis but also made time to go home to Red Lake. She worked many jobs in the Cass Lake area, her last being at the deli at Teal's. She loved her husband and would spoil him. They were inseparable! She was very loved by many.

The family that Cheryl meets again are her mother; Mary and her brother Lyle. Family that she leaves behind to cherish her memories are her beloved husband of 26 years, Franklin "Doc" LaRose, sons; Jamie Aubid, Michael (Charlotte) Aubid, Daryl John Aubid and Rueben Aubid, daughters; Kathy (Larry "Red") Aubid, Juanita (Clayton) Oothout and Nina Mitchell, many brothers and sisters, 34 grandchildren, 48 great grandchildren and her beloved friends Ila, Lori "Queenie" and Ann.

A wake for Cheryl will begin on Saturday, December 19, 2015 and will continue service on Sunday, December 20, all at the Facility Center in Cass Lake. Spiritual advisor will be Ron Winters. Her pallbearers will be Clayton Oothout, Gerald Butcher, Douglas Butcher, Misk Cloud, Winter Cloud and Jo Oothout. Her honorary pallbearers are Dusty Martin, Corey Oothout, Clayton Oothout III, and John Wilke. Interment will be held in the LaRose Family Burial Grounds in Cass Lake following the service.

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

## Marian Bobolink

Marian "MeMe" Bobolink, 68 years, began her spiritual journey on November 28th, 2015 from Sanford Hospital in Bemidji, Minnesota. Marian was born on January 2nd, 1947 in Battle Point, the daughter of William and Ima (White) Bobolink.

MeMe was a reserved woman who quite often kept to herself. She was a very quiet person but once she got to know someone she enjoyed talking and laughing with them. MeMe would often be found at the Palace playing bingo, which she loved, and the machines. When she wasn't at the casino, you could find her sitting by a window, enjoying the outdoors or visiting with her great-nieces and nephews. She will forever be missed.

The family that MeMe has been reunited with are her parents; William and Ima, sister; Mary Ann Bobolink, special sister; Caroline Monroe, special niece; Janelle Jack, numerous uncles, aunts and other relatives.

She leaves behind her son Warren Bobolink of Bena, special daughters; Jenny Dick of Bena and Sarrell Jack of

Cass Lake, brother; Bruce Bobolink of Bena, sisters; Gloria (Duane) Beaudreu and Joann Staples both of Cass Lake, one grandson; Andy Jourdain of Red Lake, special niece; Barb Dick, special nephew; Aaron Dick, many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

A wake for MeMe will begin on Tuesday, December 1st and continue until her funeral service on Wednesday, December 2nd, all being held at the Sugar Point Community Center. Father George Ross will officiate. Pallbearers for MeMe will be William White, Kenny Staples, Jayme Finn, Sam Kingbird, Markell Whitefeather and Donovan Staples. Her honorary pallbearers are all her nieces, great nieces and her friends from the Palace Bingo Casino. Interment will be in the Battle Point Cemetery at Battle Point at a later date.

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

## Burnham Wilson

Burnham John Wilson, age 78, ZOONGIZI-GWAYAKOGAABAWI-ININI which means "He is solid, strong, stands straight MAN", began his spiritual journey from the Cass Lake IHS Hospital in Cass Lake, Minnesota on Monday, December 14, 2015 with his family near his side. Burnham was born in Cass Lake on July 24, 1937, the son of Charles Rogers Sr. and Luella Wilson.

Burnham was raised by his Grandma and grandpa Wilson with auntie Muriel's help. He always lived at the Mission Corner with his Wilson family. He joined the United States Navy at seventeen (1955-1967). He returned home to Cass Lake and worked as a logger. He completed the Staples Technical Institute in 1987 as a Heavy Equipment Operator. He also attended Bemidji State University working towards a Bachelor's Degree.

He married Evelyn Baker in 1962 in Rockford, Illinois and they had two sons, Mark and Mike Wilson. He later had Brenda, Jojo, Jimmy and Jason. In 1973 met his life partner Cecelia "Bone"

Drouillard and they had three children, Louella "Anna", Burnham "Dauser" and Barbara "Punkin". He was well known and liked by all. He had a strong character with leadership characteristics. His sense of humor was unique and shared by his friends around the Mission. His children and grandchildren were his pride and joy. He was known by several nicknames in humorous ways. He was looked up to by many. Burnham loved spending time with his children, grandchildren and friends. He like playing 31, going to the casino and watching Family Feud. Everyone liked going to "Grandpa's". He never turned anyone away that needed a place to stay. His kind heart, big smile and sense of humor will be greatly missed by all.

Family that Burnham meets again are his parents; Charles Sr. and Louella, a daughter; Barbara Drouillard, sister; Mary Rogers, five aunts, two uncles and three granddaughters.

He leaves behind to cherish his memory his sons; Mark and Michael Wilson both of Minneapolis, James and Jason Brown both of Cass Lake and Burnham (Ramanda) Drouillard of Cass Lake, daughters; Marilyn Staples, Brenda (Allen) Pence and Louella Drouillard all of Cass Lake, special daughters; Linda Staples of Cass Lake and Denise Staples of Minneapolis, brother; Charles Rogers Jr. of Minneapolis, 37 grandchildren and 49 great grandchildren, other relatives and many many friends.

A wake for Burnham will begin at 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 16th and continue until his 1:00 p.m. funeral service on Friday, December 18th all being held at the Veterans Memorial Building in Cass Lake, Minnesota. Pastor Mark R. Olson will officiate and the Leech Lake Ojibwe Singers will provide ojibwe hymns both nights of the wake. Pallbearers for Burnham will be Nicholas Budreau, Corey Drouillard, Daniel Drouillard, Ryan Staples, Anthony Antell and Richard Budreau Sr. Alternate pallbearers are Jacob Morris and Michael "Julio" Staples. His honorary pallbearers are Leo Blair, James Dorr, John "Painter" Fisherman, Patrick Staples, Jim Crandall and Eugene "Ribs" Whitebird. Military honors will be accorded by the Leech

Lake Honor Guard. Interment will be in the Prince of Peace Cemetery at Mission following his service.

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

## Harriet Marie Martin

Harriet Marie Martin, 51, began her spiritual journey on Wednesday, December 9th, 2015 from Sanford Hospital in Bemidji with



her family by her side. Harriet was born in Cass Lake, Minnesota on September 24, 1964, the daughter of Harry Johnson and Lillian (Bellanger) Webster.

Harriet was a feisty, warm hearted, very outspoken and determined woman in so many ways. She did, however; have a soft spot for her grandchildren, whom she had enormous love and admiration for. She thoroughly enjoyed riding the rides at amusement parks with her grandbabies when she could. Harriet enjoyed dancing at powwows with her granddaughter and aunts. She loved spending time with her family especially her grandchildren and always had a batch of fry bread ready. Harriet also liked garage saleing and going to the casino. Harriet's favorite times of the year were Halloween and Christmas. She had a wonderful soul that will be missed dearly by those who knew and loved her.

Family that she meets again are her parents; Harry Johnson and Lillian (Bellanger) Webster, daughter; Charlene, sister; Debra, brother; Alvin, uncle; Norman, aunt; Leona and nephews; Jason and Elliot.

Those she leaves behind to cherish her memories are her husband; John Martin of Cass Lake, son; Walter 'Wally' Smith, Jr. of Onigum, daughter;

Karen (Brian) Anoka of Cass Lake, brother; Darrell Johnson of Onigum, sister; Rose (Pat) Howard of Onigum, grandbabies; James, Ronnie and Camryn, aunts; Geneva, Marlyce and Florine, 8 nieces and nephews and 26 great nieces and nephews, other relatives and many friends.

An overnight wake for Harriet will begin at 7:00 p.m., Friday, December 11th at the Onigum Community Center in Onigum and continue until her 1:00 p.m. funeral on Saturday, December 12th at St. John's Episcopal Church in Onigum. Pastor Mark R. Olson will officiate. Those helping to lay Harriet to rest are Jeremy Ince, Norman Lawrence, Walter 'Wally' Smith Jr., Brian Anoka, Darrell Johnson Jr. and Bill Tuttle. The alternate pallbearer is James Elmborg. Her honorary pallbearers are her aunts; Geneva, Marlyce and Florine, her nieces; Anita, Joyce, Cassandra, Debbie and Amber and her granddaughter; Camryn. Interment will be in Old Agency Catholic Cemetery at Old Agency following her Saturday service.

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

## Robert Dean Fairbanks, Sr.

Robert Dean Fairbanks, Sr., age 57, of Cass Lake, began his spiritual journey on Thursday, December 3, 2015 at the Sanford Hospital in Bemidji. He was born on August 30, 1958 in Cass Lake, the son of Benjamin Fairbanks, Sr., and Carole (Michaelson) Benjamin.

Robert loved spending time with his friends, and being in the outdoors. He was very talented when it came to his crafts with birch bark. Robert made many nice pieces of work. He was a very kind hearted man who would give all that he had to everyone. Robert enjoyed going for walks and over his lifetime he walked many miles.

The family that Robert joins again are his father and mother; Benjamin and Carole, and one brother David Fairbanks.

Those he leaves behind to cherish his memory are his son; Robert Fairbanks, Jr. of Grand Rapids, step father; Clifford Benjamin of Laporte, brothers; Clifford "Tim" Benjamin of Laporte, Richard (Terri) Benjamin of Cass Lake, Scott Fairbanks of Ball Club, sisters; Elizabeth (David) LeDoux of Brainerd, Dawn Benjamin of Cass Lake, Tracey Benjamin of Cass Lake, Marlene "Molly" Fairbanks of Grand Rapids, and Shirley Fairbanks of Grand Rapids.

A wake for Robert will be held Tuesday, December 8, 2015 starting at 4:00 p.m. and continuing until the 11:00 service on Wednesday, December 9, all held at the Veteran's Memorial Building in Cass Lake. Rev. Mark R. Olson will officiate. Pallbearers for Robert will be Mike Robinson, Leslie Hough, Robert Fisher, Glen "Tuffy" Fisher, Richard Benjamin, and Alex Benjamin Norton. Honorary pallbearers will be his many friends, aunts, uncles and cousins.

Roberts care has been entrusted to the Northern Peace Funeral Home of Walker, MN. Online condolences for the family may be given at [www.northernpeace.com](http://www.northernpeace.com)

## A Special Thanks from the Fairbanks Family

The family of Robert Fairbanks wishes to say Thank You for all of your support during these difficult times. Rob was a special part of our family who will live on forever in our hearts.

## Jenny Schulz

Jenny Schulz, nee Eldora Lydia Drumbeater, 84, of Clarksville, Indiana passed away at her home on Sunday morning, November 8, 2015 after a 17 month, courageously fought, battle with pancreatic cancer.

Jenny was born on December 12, 1930 in Onigum, Minnesota to Thomas F. and Erma E. (Beaulieu) Drumbeater. An enrolled member of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe, Jenny grew up in Bena, MN. She attended the Bena Elementary School and Flandreau Indian Boarding School, Flandreau, South Dakota, where

she graduated in 1948. Following school, she enlisted in the Army (Women's Army Corp) She served for 3 years and was honorably discharged in 1952. She lived in Pasadena, CA in the mid-1950s, where she was joined by brothers Myron & Leonard and sister Joyce.

She moved to Louisville, KY, in 1957 where she met Chesley Schultz. They married in 1960 and made their home in Clarksville, IN, where they raised their daughter, Andrea "Pepi" Schulz.

Jenny was employed in the medical field and later went back to college to advance her medical career. She graduated from the University of Purdue with a degree in Cytotechnology and Pathology in 1975 and worked at the Methodist Hospital for many years. She was part of a 14 nation "people-to-people" medical tour group to the Soviet Union. Hospitals in Moscow, Leningrad and Novosibirsk, Siberia were part of a 14-day program concerning the field of cytotechnology.

Jenny and Chesley retired to Naples, FL, but maintained their home in Clarksville where they spent their summers. In 2015, Jenny, her daughter and grandson moved back home to Clarksville.

After Jenny became a Christian, Christ became the center of her life. She was a member of Graceland Baptist Church in New Albany, Indiana and had many cherished friends from the church who later provided help during her illness.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Chesley Waldo Schulz; sister, Clarice Seelye; and brothers, baby Kenny Drumbeater and Leonard Cartier. She is survived by her beloved daughter & grandson, Andrea "Pepi" Schulz & Leland; sister, Joyce Lyons, Cass Lake, MN; brother, Myron Drummond, Cass Lake, MN; and nieces and nephews.

The funeral service was held on November 13, 2015 at Newcomer Funeral Home, New Albany, IN. Immediately following the funeral, Jenny was buried with full military honors next to her husband, Chesley, at Abundant Life Cemetery in New Albany. A private memorial was held on December 5, 2015, at the Mokahum Indian Bible Chapel for family and friends.

# kids 2016

# PERCH JERK

**Tom (Bow) Bowstring Jr.**  
**BIGGEST FISH CONTEST**  
\$100 each age group  
Any species except Perch

Free hotdogs, chips, & pop for everyone!  
games, drawings, door prizes & trophies!

- Free to all area kids 16 & younger
- Entertainment: The Rez Reporter (Rob Fairbanks)
- Announcer: Gil Applebee
- Live Broadcast on KOJB
- Bait & ice holes provided
- Bring your fishing poles (limited availability)
- Portable fish houses permitted
- Parent/Guardian must accompany children

**BIG WINNIE**  
**OFF DENNY'S RESORT - BENA, MN**  
**SATURDAY, MARCH 5, 2016**  
**10:00 AM - 2:00 PM**

**JOIN US FOR FISHING & FUN!**  
**A FAMILY TRADITION THAT EVERYONE**  
**CAN ENJOY YEAR AFTER YEAR!**

**PUBLIC RELATIONS**  
(218) 335-4483

**LLBO EVENTS**  
(218) 335-8351

**DISTRICT II OFFICE**  
(218) 335-8341

## Leech Lake Reservation Career/Job Fair 2016

Friday, February 12, 2016  
9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Northern Lights Casino & Hotel  
(5 miles south of Walker, MN)

**Opening Ceremony will begin promptly at 9:30 a.m.**  
**Lunch will be provided**

**Open to:** High School Students, grades 10-12 General Public

**Information from:**  
Colleges and Universities—Technical Colleges—  
Military Services—Funding Agencies—Service Providers—  
Employers—Employment & Training Programs  
Applications/Resumes may be accepted  
Financial Aid Applications

**Door Prizes will be given away (Must be present to win)**

**For More Information Contact:**  
**Leech Lake Education Division 218-335-8360**

# 1000 WIN \$1000 DAILY

**IT'S REFUND SEASON!**  
To celebrate, we're giving \$1,000 to 1,000 people daily. The sooner you enter, the more chances you have to win. **Walk in or call 800-HRBLOCK to make your tax preparation appointment today.**

416 Minnesota Ave  
Walker, MN 56484  
218-547-2766

**H&R BLOCK**  
hrblock.com/grand

LIMITED TIME OFFER. NO PURCHASE NECESSARY.