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## LaRose to Continue with 2<sup>nd</sup> Term as Leech Lake Tribal Secretary/Treasurer.

By Patsy Gordon

After winning over challenger, Burton "Luke" Wilson, Arthur "Archie" LaRose will go into his second term as Secretary/Treasurer for the Leech Lake Tribal Council. LaRose received 1,285 votes while Wilson received 778 votes, a difference of 507 votes. Wilson is the current District I Committeeman and chose not to run again to compete for his current seat, instead taking on incumbent, Arthur "Archie" LaRose for the Secretary/Treasurer position. Wilson will vacate his District I seat on July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2006.

Secretary LaRose will be sworn in for a new 4-year term at the July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2006 quarterly RTC meeting, along with Lyman "DeDe" Losh who regained his seat for District II Committeeman. Losh won by a 185 to 147 vote over challenger Deborah "Debbie" Tibbetts. Meanwhile, new District I Committeeperson, Robbie Howe, overtook challenger James Howard by 13 votes. Howe will also be sworn in at the July 7<sup>th</sup> Quarterly meeting.

LaRose, Losh and Howe will sit for 4 year terms.

In other Leech Lake Tribal races Mark Wakanabo took the seat for the District I Leech Lake Housing Board member with a vote of 186. He ran against Lisa (Kingbird) Gullickson and Marcie Gotchie. Guy G. Greene will sit another term as the District II Leech Lake Housing board member with 84 votes. He won over Beatrice

### OOPS!

Francis Sherer was incorrectly named as Henrietta Scherer on page 10 in the June issue of the Debahjimon in the Health Fair photos with her husband, Henry. I apologize for the error!

Dunn, Laura Chase, Tracey Gale, Diana Stangel, and Lorraine Stangel. Eugene "Ribs" Whitebird won over incumbent Martin "Mutt" Robinson, Rebecca Northbird, Lavonne Thompson, Cheryl Johnson, Kenn Mitchell, Oras Smith, Rodney White, Roger Monroe, Fred K. Jackson, Jr., Beverly Beaulieu White, Victor Thompson, Linda Reese, and Randy Finn.

Gerald White regained his seat for the District I Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School Board. He ran against Esther Johnson and Lawrence "Sandy" Gotchie. Ronald Burnette won the District II School Board member over Hilda Beaulieu, Rebecca Losh, and Tracy Gale. Jerry Morgan won over incumbent, Howard T. White, by a vote of 258 to 176. Also in that race was Robin Windom with 148 votes.

For further information or for information on the Leech Lake Local Indian Council races, please contact the Election Board at 218-335-3670.

## Leech Lake Band Sues Contractor

By Molly Miron, Bemidji Pioneer

In 2003, the Leech Lake Business Corporation entered the 100 Homes Project. The object was to build 40-100 two-, three-, and four-bedroom homes within a year. The project was never completed. Now, the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe and Leech Lake Business Corporation are suing the Morrison County Wallfab Inc. and owner Robert Boyd, charging breach of contract, breach of statutory warranty, negligence and unjust enrichment.

According to the complaint, Wallfab agreed to build 40 homes between December 2003 and May 2004. The contractor submitted invoices for \$891,9885 for expenses during that time and built four homes and 22 unfinished structures or foundations.

Of the four homes completed, the two-bedroom that was to cost \$42,000 ended up costing the band

The 14th Annual Leech Lake Memorial Walk/Run was held on May 25, 2006. The event is held in honor and in memory of all loved ones that have passed on. Everyone is invited to participate. Make plans now to attend next year's event!



Pictured above in the black shirts is the Fitness Team ready to start out the Memorial Walk/Run. Photo by Barry Brown

\$99,682, according to the complaint. The three other completed homes also cost thousands of dollars more than the contract price.

In 2005, The Leech lake Band hired Jones Architectural Engineering to inspect the homes and unfinished sites. The architectural firm cited substandard work, overcharging and damage to unfinished buildings. The estimate was that eight of the unfinished homes could be salvaged, but 12 homes would have to be demolished. The architectural firm estimated, according to the complaint,

a loss to the Leech Lake Band of \$599,563 on the project.

The Leech Lake Band filed the suit in the Cass County District Court, asking the judge to award an amount to be proven at trial, along with attorney's fees and costs.

**The Leech Lake Tribal Offices will be closed on Monday, July 3rd and Tuesday, July 4th for the Independence Day Holiday.**

**Have a Happy 4th and Drive Safe!**

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## Obituaries

### Tillie "Kay-Bay-Ge-Shig" Chase

Tillie "Kay-bay-Ge-shig" Chase, 94, of Walker, MN, died on June 5, 2006 at Havenwood Care Center, in Bemidji, MN.



Tillie was born on Sugar Point (Leech Lake), MN on July 8, 1911 to John and Josephine (Rogers) Whitecloud. She was raised on Bear Island; then attended boarding school in Wahpeton, South Dakota. She married Walter Everett Chase, Sr. on August 1, 1927 and they made their home in Bena, MN. Tillie enjoyed pow-wows, ricing, fishing, making quilts, riding in the woods, and telling her family stories of the olden days.

She is survived by one sister, Marie Davis; children, Lena Chase, Walter (Nadine) Chase, Jr., Hilda Beaulieu, Arthur Chase, Sr., Hazel (James) Zimpel, Gerald (Lois) Chase, Joseph (Gladys) Chase, Sr., Marilyn Hanson; numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren, as well as many additional relatives.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; one daughter, Leona Chase; sons, Donald Chase, David Chase, and Harry Chase, Sr.; sister, Anna Whitecloud; brothers, Fred Whitecloud, Harry Whitecloud, William Whitecloud, and Alfred Whitecloud; grandson, Gary Lee Hanson, Jr.; great-grandsons, Jimmy

Chase III, Leedon Beaulieu, and Cory Chase.

A traditional wake began June 7, 2006 at the Veteran's Memorial Building in Cass Lake and continued until the time of service. Services were held June 9, 2006 at the Veteran's Memorial Building with interment following in Lakeview Cemetery in Bena, MN. Pastor George Collins officiated. Arrangements were handled by Thomas-Dennis Funeral Home of Cass Lake and Walker.

### Linda L. "Janey" Kingbird

Linda "Janey" L. Kingbird, 49 of Cass Lake, MN died on June 11, 2006 in Cass Lake.



Funeral Services were held on June 16, 2006 at the Veteran's Memorial Building in Cass Lake with Rev. George Ross officiating. A wake began on the previous Wednesday afternoon at the Veteran's Memorial Building in Cass Lake and continued until the time of service. Interment is at the Fairbanks Cemetery in Cass Lake. The Cease Family Funeral Home handled the funeral arrangements.

She was born May 17, 1957 in Bemidji, MN the daughter of Betty Staples and Daniel Kingbird, Sr. She lived in Minneapolis for 20 years before moving back to Cass Lake. She enjoyed the outdoors and being with friends and family.

She is survived by her mother, Betty Staples of Cass Lake, father, Daniel Kingbird, Sr. of Bemidji, daughter, Jennifer Kingbird of Navajo,

New Mexico, brother, Dan Kingbird, Jr. (Bitsy) of Cass Lake, sister, Patricia Swanholm of Minneapolis, and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents, sister, infant brother, 1 aunt, 3 uncles and cousins.

Honorary casket bearers were Linda Staples, Karen Staples, Evie Brown, Debbie Kingbird, Nicole Kingbird, Lisa Monroe, Barb Drouillard, Deanna Wind, Becky Hartman and all friends and relatives.

Active casket bearers were Dan Kingbird, Jr., Darryl Drouillard, Willie Kingbird, Barney Kingbird, Mike "Julio" Staples, Doug Staples and alternates will be Bernie Brown and Kevin Kingbird, Sr.

### Esther Carole Wakonabo

Esther Carole Wakonabo, 68, of Deer River, MN died on June 8, 2006 in Deer River, MN. Esther was born on November 10, 1937 in Cass Lake, MN.

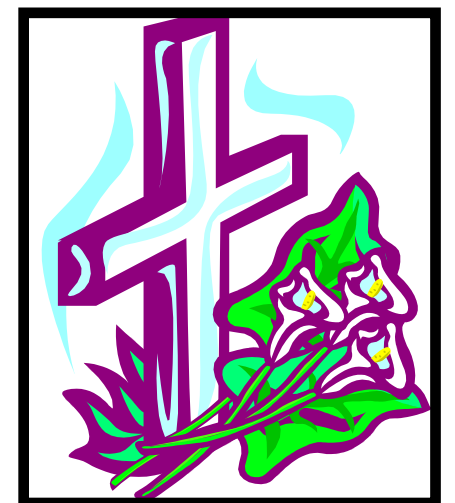
She is survived by her husband of nearly 50 years, Mark; sons, Merle, Inger and Myron, Ball Club; a nephew, Samuel Johnson Jr, Inger, whom she raised; nine grandkids and sister Theresa (Thomas) Lussier, Red Lake; several special nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, Charles and Mary, a daughter, Shanelle; three brothers and grandsons, Merle Jr. and Myron Jr.

Visitation was held on June 12, 2006 at the Inger Community Center. Funeral services followed on June 13, 2006, at the Inger Community Center, Inger Minnesota.

Esther courageously ended her struggle with ALS on June 8, 2006. She

married Mark Wakonabo in December 1957. She was a Head Start teacher, a nurse's aide at Cass Lake Hospital, attending school in Deer River, BSU and in MPLS for Dialysis Aide, but mainly created artwork throughout her life and was very artistic. Esther and Mark loved to travel by car, traveling from coast to coast, as well as to Hawaii and Alaska, often bringing their nieces and nephews to see America. Esther enjoyed nature and loved to walk in the woods and find leaves, flowers or anything else she could use as patterns for her original, one-of-a-kind beadwork. Her beadwork is enjoyed and worn by dancers, Council members throughout Minnesota and can be seen in magazines. She was also gifted with sewing, completing beautiful quilts and star quilts. She made wreaths, picked boughs and riced. She also enjoyed going to bingo with her husband and sister-in-law. She never forgot birthdays, and always made everyone feel special. She will be deeply missed by everyone.

Funeral arrangements were handled by Carroll Funeral Home, Deer River, Minnesota.



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July deadline for August issue is July 17, 2006.

# Leech Lake Reservation Election Results

## General Election

June 13, 2006

### SECRETARY/TREASURER

CANDIDATES	INGER	BALL CLUB	S-LAKE	BENA	SUGAR POINT	SMOKEY POINT	CASS LAKE	MISSION	ONIGUM	CASS RIVER	OAK POINT	MINNEAPOLIS	ABSENTEE	TOTAL	%
BURTON "LUKE" WILSON	39	124	8	38	17	7	173	66	39	4	8	84	171	778	37.71%
ARTHUR "ARCHIE" LaROSE	78	139	27	62	30	58	342	103	83	27	23	135	178	1285	62.29%

### DISTRICT 1 COMMITTEEMAN

CANDIDATES	INGER	BALL CLUB	S-LAKE	MINNEAPOLIS	ABSENTEE	TOTAL	%
JAMES HOWARD	78	110	20	16	62	286	48.89%
ROBBIE M. HOWE	38	148	15	27	71	299	51.11%

### DISTRICT 2 COMMITTEEMAN

CANDIDATES	BENA	SUGAR POINT	SMOKEY POINT	MINNEAPOLIS	ABSENTEE	TOTAL	%
LYMAN LOSH	59	32	26	25	43	185	55.72%
DEBORAH "DEBBIE" TIBBETTS	41	16	35	39	16	147	44.28%

### ELECTION CERTIFICATION

We, the undersigned members of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Election Board, hereby certify the above to be a true abstract of the votes cast for the candidates shown herein in the General Election held June 13, 2006.

Chairperson: Blair M. White Member: Janice Dale  
 Member: Donna D. Brown Member: Martina Mang Army  
 Member: Karen M. Egan Member: \_\_\_\_\_

## Bigfoot Sighting in Cass County -- Fact or Myth?

Staff report by The Pilot-Independent

Remote Six Mile Lake Road in eastern Cass County (just west of Ball Club) experienced more than a normal share of traffic this week as curiosity seekers came in carloads to view the large, mysterious footprints left on the edge of the road.

What made the footprints may be anyone's guess, but there are those, such as Bob Olson of Deer River, who believe the prints were made by that creature of popular lore, Sasquatch — or Bigfoot.

Wildlife biologists, however, seem to agree that such creatures live only in myth. "No such thing exists," said retired Department of Natural Resources wildlife biologist Jim Schneeweis of Grand Rapids. "If there were all these Bigfeet running around, sooner or later somebody would have found a dead one. The DNR has had cameras (in remote locations) for years. How come nobody's ever got one on film?" While wildlife biologists say that Bigfoot stories

are not founded in scientific evidence, that does not seem to stop those who do believe such creatures exist. A simple Google search will reveal hundreds of reported sightings around the nation and entire Web sites devoted to the tracking of the creatures.

Schneeweis said that he was not aware of any sightings or other evidence reports of the existence of Sasquatch creatures out of the Grand Rapids office, but did say that he was aware of sighting reports in the Northome area in the past.

Olson, who carefully made plaster reproductions of the giant human-looking prints this week to preserve them, said that there have been numerous sightings in northern Minnesota — including some on Winnie Dam Lake Road. The self-described enthusiast, said that he has heard reports of increased Bigfoot activity in the area for the past two years. He is not the only one who is interested. Local resident Wayne Nelson called in the report of possible Bigfoot evidence to the newspaper on Monday, saying that, on his way to go fishing, he saw people taking pictures of the ground between the road and the woods. After pulling over and speaking with the people

there, Nelson realized what they were looking at: 17-inch long tracks, about 0.75 inches deep into the dirt. Looking like human footprints, but larger and with toes of all the same size, there was speculation that the tracks were not human, because human tracks normally only reach a depth of about 0.25 inches, according to Nelson.

The prints, no matter what the source, have generated curiosity. Despite the disbelief of the scientific community, it has done little to sway those who are certain Sasquatch creatures exist. "I know exactly what made it (the footprints) — Bigfoot," Olson told the newspaper.



Editor's Note:

After hearing the news about the Big Foot footprints, I, myself, had to make a trip out to the Six Mile Lake Road to examine them for myself. I took this photo of my Brother's girlfriends foot next to it, (and she, herself has a big foot), but still made the Bigfoot print look huge! This photo was taken about a week after they were discovered. I still remain skeptical.

## Job Opportunities

### POSITION: Financial Officer

CLASSIFICATION: Exempt  
LOCATION: Leech Lake Tribal College  
SALARY: D.O.Q.  
OPEN UNTIL FILLED

#### Primary Function:

Oversee all financial responsibilities in accordance to Leech Lake Tribal College policies and procedures and Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), Generally Accepted Auditing Standards (GAAS), Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), and any other standards that may be required to ensure the safeguarding of all Leech Lake Tribal College assets.

#### Qualifications:

A Bachelor's degree in accounting, business, finance, or other related field required, CPA preferred, or graduate degree in business or finance. A thorough working knowledge of accounting (not-for-profit) principles and applications. Experience in post secondary education preferred.

#### Application Process:

Apply with a cover letter, a résumé/CV, transcripts, three letters of reference and a completed college application form to: Ms. Dawn Kingbird, Director of Human Resources, Leech Lake Tribal College, P.O. Box 180, 6945 Little Wolf Rd. NW, Cass Lake, MN 56633.

### POSITION: Computer Science Instructor

CLASSIFICATION: Full-time Faculty  
LOCATION: Leech Lake Tribal College  
SALARY: D.O.E.  
CLOSING DATE: Screening of applications will begin July 31, 2006  
STARTING DATE: August 23, 2006

#### Job Description:

Leech Lake Tribal College is a tribally-controlled public college offering associate degrees, one- and two-year diplomas, and certificate courses of study. Faculty is employed on 36-week contracts that extend over the standard academic year. Faculty are expected to advise students, keep curricula current within their fields, and to foster agreements with baccalaureate institutions to facilitate the transfer of graduates from LLTC into four-year programs.

#### Qualifications:

Master's degree in computer science or related field (a minimum of 18 hours in computer science/technology preferred). A minimum of 2 years of relevant experience (teaching experience preferred). Demonstrable experience with network management, Windows operating systems and Microsoft Office applications. Demonstrable experience in web page construction and basic graphics programs. Industry certifications such as CCNA, A+, MCSE desirable.

#### Application Process:

Applicants selected for campus interviews will be asked to present a 15-20 minute teaching presentation on a topic to be chosen and to present a web site developed by the applicant. Apply with a cover letter, a résumé/CV, transcripts, three letters of reference and a completed college application form to: Ms. Dawn Kingbird, Director of Human Resources, Leech Lake Tribal College, P.O. Box 180, 6945 Little Wolf Rd. NW, Cass Lake, MN 56633

**Please visit our web site at [www.lltc.org](http://www.lltc.org) for job descriptions/details and application information.**

Leech Lake Tribal College exercises Native Preference in hiring.

### **LEECH LAKE BAND of OJIBWE** Human Resources - JOBS

#### ACCOUNTING

Two Program Accountants

#### BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

Cashier (Palace & Hotel)

#### EDUCATION

Early Childhood Director 06-26-06  
Teacher Assistant (Child Care Center)  
SR Youth Activity Coordinator (Kego Lake) 06-19-06

#### HEALTH DIVISION

Elders Advocate (2 PT) 06-26-06  
2 Emergency Medical Techs 07-03-06  
Registered Dietitian (LLDCEP) 07-10-06  
Mid-Level Primary Care Provider (NP or PA-C) 07-10-06

#### HUMAN SERVICES

Mental Health Therapist (LICSW)

#### Native American Preference applies.

All open until filled unless indicated by a **closing date** (follows job title).  
Application intake sessions are on Monday at 10:00am or 1:00pm at the Facility Center, Cass Lake, MN.  
Call 218-335-3698 or 1-800-631-5528 for more information.

## Academic Honors

Leech Lake Tribal College  
Spring Semester 2006  
President's & Dean's List

### Dean's List

Matthew Avery  
Nancy Beaulieu  
Nicole Beaulieu  
Royce Beckett  
Shaunda Briscoe  
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Dean Engen  
Dawn Farr  
Ernest Garbow  
Grant Graves  
Theresa Jourdain  
Karen Mellado

Celestial Nason  
Connie Nason  
Marvin Rainey  
Shirley Smith  
Mary White  
Nicholas White  
Derek Winslow  
Michael Fairbanks  
Glen Fisher  
Marcie Gotchie  
Elizabeth Jenkins  
Clarence LaCroix  
Stanley Morris

### President's List

William Badboy  
Bradley Bowstring  
Lejana Wright



President's List recognizes full-time students who earned a GPA of 4.0.

Dean's List recognizes full-time students who earned a GPA between 3.0-3.9

## Congratulation Students!

### Indian Education Transition Assistant

Northland Community Schools  
ISD #118

### Remer, Minnesota 56672

The Transition Assistant works primarily with junior high Native American students assisting them to make the transition from elementary to high school. Position includes tutoring in all academic subject areas for grades 7-12. Seven (7) hours per day when school is in session. (Application for Associate Staff is available on the District web site [www.isd118.k12.mn.us](http://www.isd118.k12.mn.us)).

Send letter of application and resume to: ISD #118 Transition Assistant, 316 Main Street East, Room 200. Remer, MN 56672 - Deadline to apply: August 4, 2006

### 14TH ANNUAL LEECH LAKE MEMORIAL WALK RUN

Pictured below are: (back row) Emily Aitken, Fitness Assistant, Lois Brown, Fitness Director, Nina Aitken, Fitness Assistant, (front row) Dorothy Oakes, age 84 and Alvin Staples, age 86. Oakes and Staples both received a bouquet of flowers for being the oldest participants.

Photo by Barry Brown





### A Special Invitation to American Indian & Alaska Native Women

*"Two years ago I had 7 sisters...today I have 6. The women of my family know more about having breast cancer than any of us ever thought we would. And, we want to share the word about the Sister Study with as many Native American women as we can."*

**Quotes from Eunice Oxendine (L), a Sister Study participant, pictured here with her sister, Darce (R), a breast cancer survivor. The photo shows their sister Grace who died from breast cancer in 2004.**

**American Indian & Alaska Native Women** are needed to join a landmark study to discover the causes of breast cancer. The Sister Study will enroll fifty thousand women whose sister had breast cancer. The study is conducted by the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences of the National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services.

**Sisters share many things** — early experiences, environment, and genes. By joining the Sister Study, you can help researchers learn how environment and genes may affect the chances of getting breast cancer.

*"I have been amazed that someone is looking at environmental dangers and hereditary factors that we have always wondered about in relation to cancer. As a Native American woman, I am so happy to participate in a study that has begun to ask about these factors."*

**American Indian & Alaska Native sisters** have powerful information to share with the Sister Study. Breast cancer is the second leading cause of cancer death among American Indian & Alaska Native women. In recent years, their rate of death due to the disease has risen in certain areas of the U.S., and the 5-year survival rate is lower than for white women. Yet scientists have very little information on cancer histories in American Indian & Alaska Native communities.

#### You are eligible for the study if —

- Your sister (living or deceased), related to you by blood, had breast cancer
- You are between the ages of 35 and 74
- You have never had breast cancer yourself
- You live in the U.S.

*"When you look at the picture of me and my sisters, how do you know who will succumb to the cancer statistics? Who will survive cancer...who won't? Although my sisters and I may never see the day breast cancer is eradicated from the Native American population, we can be a part of the road to that end."*

**Will you join the Sister Study for your daughters, nieces, granddaughters, and future generations?**

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### Notice

The environmental assessment for the Facility Center Renovation is on file at the LLBO Facility Center office, 6530 John Moose Dr., Cass Lake, MN. 56633, and can be examined at that address. Any comments should be forwarded, in writing, to: Steve Kleeberger, LLBO DPW Director at 115 Sixth St. NW, Cass Lake, MN. 56633.

The environmental assessment for the Bena Community Center is on file at the LLBO Department of Public Works office, 115 Sixth St. NW, Cass Lake, MN. 56633 and can be examined at that address. Any comments should be forwarded, in writing, to the same address listed above.

Itasca State Park welcomed Native American leaders (pictured above) from across the world at the site of the Headwaters of the Mississippi located between Park Rapids and Bemidji, Mn. to begin the process of healing for 500 years of wrong doings to Native people. People came from as far away as Holland, Samoa, Montana, Brothertown Nation, Mohawk Nation, Hopi Nation, North Dakota and locally. The group may have been small but the force behind the ceremony was powerful.

As Jake Swamp from the Mohawk Nation spoke to the audience, some of them were overtaken by their emotions as their eyes welled up with tears and some outright cried. Swamp told the group that it came to him in a dream that Native leaders must start their journey by first gathering at the Great River (Headwaters of the Mississippi). He taught the audience of the need to console one another as Native peoples. He said, "We've been held back too long by our past. Look into the brightness of the future. Do not dwell on the things you cannot change because if you do, it will make you sick!" His words of wisdom were listened to intently by the crowd during the time that he spoke. He ended by saying, "It's going to take the leadership of men and women to bring our nation back together and as a result it's going to benefit our children."

A member of the Eskimo Tribe (picture to the right) who makes his home in Canada and in Greenland by the name of "Angaangaq" sang a love song accompanied by his drum in honor of all our people that have been taken by the water.



Photos by Patsy Gordon



Mary Olson, Candidate for Senate District 4B and Leech Lake Chairman Gorgoe Goggeley, Jr.

Boozhoo,

As many of you may remember, Irene Folstrom and I competed over this past winter for the DFL endorsement for State Senate in District 4. We both were strong competitors, engaging in what I've been told was an unprecedented effort for a state senate seat endorsement in our area. We each had strong supporters, with both sides having differing opinions about who was the most "elect able" candidate to carry our message to the voters in November – but it was, and is, essentially the same message. I'm honored to have been given the responsibility of carrying this message forward, and look forward to working closely with Irene and many of her supporters, who have offered to help with my election. I hope to return the favor some day for Irene, who obviously will have a leadership role in our community and excellent qualifications for future political opportunities.

The message both Irene and I care about is that every single person in our diverse senate district, which includes all of the Leech Lake Indian Reservation, has reason to believe in a future that includes an equal chance to achieve a happy and productive life. We can only achieve this end by investing our time and resources in our children's futures. We must make certain that every child has the same chance to achieve a quality education, from preschool through college, every child (and family) receives the same access to quality health care, regardless of income level, and every child can look forward to a meaningful and fulfilling job, offering the same opportunities for advancement regardless of race or other factors. Why would our children want to embrace a society that does not offer

them at least these opportunities?

I believe Irene and I also shared a dream for a community that not only respects, but values, its unique blend of cultural diversity. As some of you may know, in my legal practice over the last twenty years, I've represented many people from our surrounding area that suffered as a result of discrimination based on race, gender, disability or other factors. I know these problems still exist in our area and that we will not be a truly healthy community until we learn to respect and value our differences and eliminate any bias or discrimination from all sides.

I believe that we can achieve our goal for all of our children and grandchildren that allows them to live in communities in which every person of every background has the opportunity to honor and preserve his or her cultural heritage, with all of us recognizing we do not need to be the "same" in order to be united regarding issues affecting us all.

Besides knowing they are valued and have opportunities for education and meaningful employment in their own communities, our children need to know they are safe. The increase in gang related activity and substance abuse of all kinds within our District has undermined the well being of far too many of our loved ones. I am committed to working within our communities to address this problem, and have been doing so with the Cass Lake TPAT group (Treatment Program Action Team) since the larger meetings in Cass Lake last November. I encourage everyone concerned about this issue to become involved with this group and/or with a number of other community and tribal efforts presently underway that focus on this issue.

As your state senator, I would pledge my continued support of family-focused intervention, positive opportunities for our youth that provide them with healthy options, cooperation and communication among the various law enforcement groups, fair and equal justice in our state's legal system, and whatever else it will take to eliminate the growth of crime and drug abuse in our area.

As an attorney I am most concerned that we have fairness and equality within our legal justice system.

I think there is too many times where people do not get the same treatment because of their economic status. This is wrong and I believe that we need to study this issue and if necessary enact legislation to insure equal treatment under the law for all Minnesotans.

Finally, I want to again pledge my continued commitment to upholding Tribal sovereignty and the rights of federally recognized Tribes to govern themselves. This inherent right is guaranteed in the United States Constitution and in multiple treaties. In fact the U.S. Constitution specifically recognizes Indian Tribes as distinct governments, along with foreign nations and several states.

I recognize that long before there was a United States of America, Tribes governed themselves, provided for their people and negotiated treaties with other nations. The treaties Tribes signed with the United States guaranteed them the continued right of self-government along with many other things. Simply put this means that the sovereign rights of Tribes were retained, not granted, as they always existed. After making a similar statement as a part of my acceptance speech at the endorsing convention in Walker, several non-Indian people around the area have asked me, "What does "sovereignty mean"? I think that just the fact that people have to ask that question clearly indicates that a big part of addressing illegal discrimination and/or hostility between some people in our communities will require a lot more education on issues like Tribal sovereignty.

We all are protective of the rights and legal guarantees this Country provides to us. As you know, Tribal Governments and the U.S. Government made mutual promises involving valuable rights and property. The government has realized great benefits from these agreements, which has not always been the case with the Tribal governments. I believe that people need to remember that Tribes gave up their lands, their natural resources and most importantly their way of life, when they signed the treaties. The very land that is now the state of Minnesota, was once controlled by the Indian Nations, as in fact was the rest of the United States.

We in America pride ourselves

in being a Nation of laws and a country where we honor our commitments. The treaties promised the delivery of certain services and rights related to self-determination. I believe that it is our obligation to continue to honor those commitments.

In closing, I would like to thank all of those who were involved in the Democratic process of choosing a candidate for DFL endorsement, and especially thank Irene Folstrom and her supporters for the help and encouragement they graciously are continuing to give me. It is my plan to try and meet with every Local Indian Council throughout the reservation as well as the Leech Lake Tribal Council.

Please feel free to contact me anytime if you would like to discuss a particular issue or would like me to attend a meeting or event that would help me get to know those of you I haven't yet met.

Mary Olson, DFL Candidate for State Senate, District 4

## USDA Farm Service Agency Deadline Reminders

The USDA Crow Wing-Cass Farm Service Agency would like to remind producers of the July 17<sup>th</sup> deadline to file crop acreage reports for producers that participate in USDA Farm Service Agency programs. As soon as planting is completed, producers are urged to stop in and file the crop report. There is no charge if filed by the July 17<sup>th</sup> deadline. Filing can be completed through the mail if necessary by calling the office. Acreage reports are mandatory for farms enrolled in the Conservation Reserve Program, Non-Insured Assistance Program, Direct and Counter-Cyclical Program, as well as farms eligible for marketing assistance loans, including the Loan Deficiency Payment Program.

The USDA Service Center is located in Baxter, west of Highway 371, on Clearwater Road three tenths of a mile. There is a green USDA Center sign located along highway 371 prior to the Clearwater Exit.

More information can be obtained from the USDA Farm Service Agency staff by calling 218-829-5965 extension 2.

## American Indian Healthy Lifeways Conference: Be Healthy! Stay Well!

By Aaron Smith

The Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community will hold the American Indian Healthy Lifeways Conference: Be Healthy! Stay Well! July 24-25, 2006, at Mystic Lake Casino Hotel. Registration is free.

The purpose of the Healthy Lifeways Conference is to increase awareness of the influence of lifestyle choices on the prevention and management of chronic illness both personally and for individual communities. Approximately 500 tribal members from American Indian communities across the Northern Plains are expected to attend.

Virtually all people will have some type of chronic illness sometime throughout their lives, whether it's arthritis, heart disease, lung disease, diabetes, or something similar. Our focus will be on exercising, eating well, and rekindling the spirit, explained SMSC Health Director Melanie Dunlap. This will be a time for Native people to come together and learn what they can do to improve the state of their health and the quality of their lives not just for themselves, but to help their entire communities.

By attending this conference, participants will be able to describe their perspective on personal and community health; identify alternative approaches and resources in a holistic approach to health; discuss past and potential impacts of spirituality and Native life ways on personal and community health; and develop and share ideas for a personal and/or community health plan.

This year's format will differ from previous years in that all of the sessions will be general topic with no breakout sessions. Talks will be given on the roots of chronic disease, merging ways of healing, nutrition, exercise, and motivation for change. Facilitated Talking Circles will help participants process the information they learn. On the second day of the conference a morning walk will be held nearby

at The Meadows of Mystic Lake Golf Course to honor the important role of exercise in maintaining good health.

The Kidney Early Education Program, K.E.E.P., from the National Kidney Foundation, will be on site during the conference for free kidney disease screenings for conference participants. Blood glucose and blood pressure readings will also be available.

The Healthy Lifeways Conference is designed for Native Americans living with chronic illness and their loved ones. Cosponsor of the conference is the National Office of the Spirit of Eagles: American Indian/Alaska Native Leadership Initiative on Cancer.

For more information call SMSC Wellness Coordinator Lisa Niskanen at 952-496-6125. For a hotel reservation call 952-445-9000.

## Safe Routes to School Program

Safe Routes to School is a new program in the federal transportation bill, SAFETEA \*LU, designed to improve the conditions and quality of bicycling and walking to school. The goal of the program is to reverse the 30-year decline in the numbers of children walking to school and reintroduce opportunities for regular physical activity.

Safe Routes to School Grant Applications are now available. Please check out the MN dot website at <http://www.dot.state.mn.us/saf-routes/index.html> for application & information.

SRTS Application Workshop schedule. If you are interested in applying for a Safe Routes grant, it may be helpful to attend one of our workshops. For more information refer to <http://www.dot.state.mn.us/saf-routes/SRTSwrkshop.html>

Please submit your completed Application Worksheet, replies to Sections 1-8 of the Application Information & Instructions and any attachments by 4:30 PM July 6, 2006 to [kristie.billiar@dot.state.mn.us](mailto:kristie.billiar@dot.state.mn.us) or Kristie M. Billiar, Safe Route to School Coordinator, 395 John Ireland Blvd. MS 315, St. Paul, MN 55155.

## H . O . W . A . Summer Begins!

By Sheila L. Hunter

Kids from Hackensack, Onigum, and Walker and beyond found the sunshine and some wonderful friends at the community-based H.O.W.A.'s "Summer of Promise" on Monday, June 12. Akeley's program started on June 29.

In Hackensack, Jody Jendstad, program manager, welcomed over 20 pre-school children to "Summer Playhouse" hosted at the Union Church youth center. Eva Gruis is the program assistant. The "Kids' Klub" with 17 first-sixth graders enjoy outside time with Theresa Eustice, recreation leader. All the participants are introduced to various skill-building activities to enhance social skills, recreation skills and team work. Junior Leaders are Katie Rubitschung, Ashley Peterson, and McKensie Boes.

In Hackensack, "Art Camp" is scheduled for July 24, 26, 27. Prairie Fire Children's Theater rehearsed 40 children for the play; "Jack and the Beanstalk" presented June 9 & 10. Community partners with H.O.W.A. Family Center include the city of Hackensack, Union Church-UCC, Woodrow, Power, Birch townships, Hackensack Lions Club, Northwoods Arts Council, Hackensack Chamber of Commerce and various businesses.

The Onigum Community Center is the site of H.O.W.A.'s "Summer of Pride" for children 4 years-6th graders. Donna Jacobs, Program Manager, works with 7 Junior Leaders on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday mornings. Junior Leaders include Callie Jordan, Breanne Smith, Patience Thoms, Jade Gale, Wally Smith, Donny Libby, Fire Eagle Dewitt. Participants enjoy summer time strengthening academic skills through reading/math activities, expressing themselves with creative and cultural arts and growing healthy bodies with recreational games and healthy snacks.

H.O.W.A. is working with a variety of community agencies for the summer in Onigum. WHA Youth and Family Workers, Shannon Lueck and Cathy Ziegler, join H.O.W.A.

staff on Wednesday mornings to work with social skill development and conflict resolution skill. On Thursday mornings, NWOIC staffs, Tom Buckanaga, with WHA School teachers Toni Cox and Cyndie Larson are bringing a "Breakfast Book Club" time to the children to enhance reading skill development. Buckanaga is also running a 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament on Friday evenings for ages under 12 years and older. Food and prizes are available.

In addition to the planned programs, Leech Lake Early Childhood program started a breakfast/lunch meal program on June 20. The meals are free to children 18 years and younger. Adults can eat for a minimal fee. The Walker Area Boys/Girls Club provides two staff members on Monday and Tuesdays in Onigum, Wednesdays in Hackensack and Thursdays in Akeley. Jonie Johnson instructed the children with curriculum that addresses decision-making and goal setting. Volunteer, Sandy Munson joins in on Wednesdays.

H.O.W.A. appreciates working with significant partners including: Leech Lake Early Childhood; Onigum Local Council, Leech Lake Youth Division, Walker Area Boys/Girls Club, WHA Youth/Family Services, NW OIC program, WHA Reading program.

Walker Summer Recreation program is led by program manager, Jenifer Damar with assistant, Judy White. The Walker City Park offers participants a wonderful setting for beginning sports, as well as, enjoying a little "art in the park" creativity. Basketball, tennis, kickball, T-ball, Giggly Games and arts and crafts are offered for children 4 years through the 6th grade. Golf lessons have started under the direction of Carrie Johnson at Tianna Country Club. Swimming lessons are available throughout the summer at the Americinn Motel pool with instructor, Theresa Eustice.

Supportive community partners with the Walker program are Shingobee Township, City of Walker, Tianna County Club.

Akeley programming started on June 29 and will run through August 17 with the program manager, Eva

Pictured below are the staff of the Medicine Program at the Leech Lake Twin Cities Office: (L to R): Gina Erwin, Billing Eligibility Specialist, Joni Buffalohead, Medicine Program Director, and Charles Wind, Program Assistant.

Photo by Patsy Gordon



### Medicine Program Has Proven To Have Helped Many in Need of Pharmaceutical Care.

By Patsy Gordon, Editor

In July of 2004, the Leech Lake Twin Cities office was awarded the responsibilities of becoming the fiscal agent for a grant from the Otto Bremer Foundation of Minneapolis to begin a new Medicine Program. The Leech Lake Twin Cities office is under the umbrella of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe organization headquarters located in Cass Lake, Mn.

Medication therapy management services include performing or obtaining necessary assessments of the patient's health status, formulating a medication treatment plan, monitoring and evaluating the patient's response to therapy, including safety and effectiveness, performing a comprehensive medication review to identify, resolve, and prevent medication related problems, including adverse drug reactions, documenting the care delivered and communicating essential information to the patient's other primary care providers; providing verbal education and training designed to enhance patient adherence with the patient's therapeutic regimens; and coordinating and integrating medication therapy management services within the broader health care

management services being provided to the patient.

The program is very effective and has been literally a life saver to many of its clients. The program's purpose is to identify and prevent problems with drug therapy and is the only one of its like working with indigenous people. The Medicine project works in collaboration with the Native American Community Clinic, the Indian Health Board of Minneapolis, Fairview Pharmacy Services, Peters Institute of Pharmaceutical Care and the College of Pharmacy at the University of Minnesota.

Joni Buffalohead was hired as the Director for the program when it began and she started to build the program and is greatly responsible for the success of the program today. Buffalohead said, "The fifth leading cause of death is the mismanagement of medications by individuals." Her explanation of the difference between a doctor and a pharmacist makes much sense and puts everything into perspective once you hear it. She says, "Even though a doctor is provided with pharmaceutical courses in school, he/she is trained mainly to diagnose and provide medical care to those in need. A pharmacist is largely trained in pharmaceuticals/medicine as their specialty, so they can really help the doctors when it comes to medicine and its side effects, adverse reactions with other medicines, etc." She went

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on to say that "It's been just a really, really positive thing. It improves the patients quality of life and keeps them independent."

Since the program's inception, they have served several hundreds of clients. Today the office has 140 active clientele enrolled in the program. Gina Erwin, Billing Eligibility Specialist, and Charles Wind, Program Assistant, are always actively recruiting clients, even though it is not really part of their job. All three go above and beyond the call of duty!

Not only do they work hard, but the program also employs a hard working part-time pharmacist, Paull Rukavina. The Medicine program contracts for his services through

the Fairview Medical Center. The staff says, "Paull is a very caring man and really takes the time to help his patients." Rukavina also works with patients from the Indian Health Board and the Native American Community Clinic located in south Mpls.

Charles Wind is the program assistant who schedules all appointment, keeps the records, and provides clients with transportation and delivers medication throughout the Twin City area.

Gina Erwin, Billing Eligibility Specialist, says, "I enjoy working with all of our Native people!" She says, "I focus on who comes in that door – I am their comfort zone!" In addition

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## Medicine Program

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to billing for Medicaid reimbursement and other billing responsibilities, Erwin also works with clients on helping them understand the Medicare Part D Plan, which is so confusing to so many. She says, "Getting people in and making them well, that's important!" Erwin also realizes that there are many people out there who cannot read or write. If someone is having trouble or looks like they may not understand, she asks no questions, but says only, "Here, let me help you fill that out" because she realizes that most often people are too embarrassed or ashamed to admit that they are illiterate. Erwin will also work on weekends delivering medicines if the need is there. She says, "I admire Joni for her compassion for our people, I have a deep admiration for her."

Buffalohead said there is a real need for Native American pharmacists and other medical personnel. The office is lucky to have 1 Native Mohawk female pharmacist who interns with them during the summer and often volunteers her time there too.

The Medicine Project continues to provide services one day per week averaging ten patients per day. This program is inevitably of great help to its clients. The Leech Lake Health Division has found funding to cover the co-pays for tribally enrolled members. For further information, please contact the Medicine Program at the Leech Lake Twin Cities office at 1305 East 24<sup>th</sup> Street, Minneapolis, MN 55404 or call 612-722-4924. Appointments can be made by calling 612-721-0207.

Some of this information was taken from the February 2006 Minnesota Health Care Program Provider Update PRX-06-02.



## Join the Summer Fun at the Boys & Girls Club

Field trips on Tuesdays & Fridays, swimming on Thursdays, and playing in the Games Room are just some of the things you can do at the Cass Lake Boys & Girls Club this summer. Your \$5 yearly membership makes you eligible for all events and programming, or just one event such as a field trip. An extra \$2 fee is charged per field trip for transportation, but that's it, no other fees. So, check out the Club whether you're an area visitor or a year-round resident. The Club provides transportation to and from all field trips, and Kids are accompanied by trained youth development professionals. For more information, contact us:



Call 218-335-4058

Visit the Club at 208 Central Ave., Cass Lake

### HEADSTART ROUND-UP

July 11, 2006 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.  
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Parent or Legal Guardian must accompany their child or they will not be seen. Application packet must be filled out with proper documentation upon arrival. Leech Lake Head Start is now taking applications for the school year 2006-2007. Everyone is welcome. Services are free on a first-come first-serve basis. Classrooms are filling up fast! Classrooms openings are located in the Cass Lake, Ball Club, Inger, Bena, S Lake, North School, and Onigum facilities.

For further information please contact any of the following people: Bev Raisch, Julia Whitebird, Ernestine Fairbanks-Day or Julie Johnson at 218-335-8345 or 1-800-551-0969.

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Gruis, assistant Waylela Matson and gardening guide, Rose Moss. "Akeley Fun House" host at Akeley United Methodist Church meets from 10:00 – 2:00 PM. Akeley community partners include Akeley Auto Sales, VFW Post, First National Bank of Walker, Woodtick Theater, and the City of Akeley.

The H.O.W.A Family Center is celebrating its 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with a special community birthday party. Every one is invited to each and every "Party in the Park". The party schedule is Hackensack - July 10; Onigum-July 18; Walker-July 6; Akeley-July 13.

Donations and sponsorships are encouraged as an investment in our communities' children. All programs are still open for registration. Fees apply but scholarships are available by calling the H.O.W.A. Family Center at 547-4273.

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Have a great and safe 4th of July!



## Legal Notices

Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. **Marcella Josephine Roy**, Defendant, **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, Marcella Josephine Roy** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **July 25, 2006 at 2:00 P.M.**, and answer the complaint filed alleging that she committed the following violation of the Leech Lake Traffic Code:

1. Chapter 200, Sec.217.N, Illegal Parking-Handicapp.

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1. Failure to appear in court on May 2, 2006 pursuant to the summons duly served upon you.

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Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. **Jeremy Dean Butcher**, Defendant, **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, Jeremy Dean Butcher** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **August 15, 2006 at 2:00 P.M.**, and answer the complaint filed alleging that he committed the following violation of the Leech Lake Traffic Code:

1. Chapter 200, Sec.214.A, Motor Vehicle Insurance Owner.

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Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. **Leon Aaron Butcher**, Defendant, **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, Leon Aaron Butcher** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **August 15, 2006 at 2:00 P.M.**, and answer the complaint filed alleging that he committed the following violation of the Leech Lake Open Burning, Burn Barrel and Fire Prevention Ordinance:

1. Section 7.9, Burning During Ban.

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upon you.

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Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. **Salina Kay Goodwin**, Defendant, **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, Salina Kay Goodwin** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **August 15, 2006 at 2:00 P.M.**, and answer the complaint filed alleging that she committed the following violation of the Leech Lake Traffic Code:

1. Chapter 200, Sec.215.C (1), Driving After Suspension.

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Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. **Vanessa Bernice Jones**, Defendant, **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, Vanessa Bernice Jones** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **August 15, 2006 at 2:00 P.M.**, and answer the complaint filed alleging that she committed the following violation of the Leech Lake Traffic Code:

1. Chapter 200, Sec.217.A, Failure to stop for stop sign or red traffic control light.
2. Chapter 200, Sec. 216, Failure to use Seat Belts or Child Restraint Devices.

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Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. **Joseph Walter Losh**, Defendant, **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, Joseph Walter Losh** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **August 15, 2006 at 2:00 P.M.**, and answer the complaint filed alleging that he committed the following violation of the Leech Lake Traffic Code:

1. Chapter 200, Sec.215 C (1), Driving After Suspension.

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Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. **Holly Rae Seelye**, Defendant, **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, Holly Rae Seelye** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **August 15, 2006 at 2:00 P.M.**, and answer the complaint filed alleging that she committed the following violation of the Leech Lake Traffic Code:

1. Chapter 200, Sec.208.A.3 (B), Speeding in excess of 10 mph over the limit.
2. Chapter 200, Sec.215.A, No Driver's License.
3. Chapter 200. Sec.214.A, Motor Vehicle Insurance-Owner.

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Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. **Perry Scott Sherman**, Defendant, **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, Perry Scott Sherman** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **August 15, 2006 at 2:00 P.M.**, and answer the complaint filed alleging that he committed the following violation of the Leech Lake Traffic Code:

1. Chapter 200, Sec.208. A.3 (A), Speeding from 1 to 10 MPH over the limit.
2. Chapter 200, Sec.214.C, Failure to show Proof of Insurance.

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Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. **Glenn A. Smith**, Defendant, **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, Glenn A. Smith** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **August 15, 2006 at 2:00 P.M.**, and answer the complaint filed alleging that he committed the following violation of the Leech Lake Open Burning, Burn Barrel and Fire Prevention Ordinance:

1. Section 6.1 (a), Carelessness or Negligence resulting in Fire or spread of a Permitted Fire.

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Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. **Corey Allen Wuori**, Defendant, **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, Corey Allen wuori** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **August 15, 2006 at 2:00 P.M.**, and answer the complaint filed alleging that he committed the following violation of the Leech Lake Traffic Code:

1. Chapter 200, Sec.208.B, Speeding in excess of 20 mph over the limit.

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Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. **Clarence John Paquette**, Defendant, **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, Clarence John Paquette** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **August 15, 2006 at 2:00 P.M.**, and answer the complaint filed alleging that he committed the following violation of the Leech Lake Traffic Code:

1. Chapter 200, Sec.213.A, Expired Registration.
2. Chapter 200, Sec.215.C, Driving after Revocation.
3. Chapter 200, Sec.216, Failure to Use Seatbelts or child restraint devices.

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## BIA Home Improvement Program

The BIA Home Improvement Program was designed to provide Indian families a safer, sanitary home. The following requirements must be met to qualify for the BIA/HIP Program:

1. Must live in a home within a 20-mile radius of the exterior boundaries of the Leech Lake Reservation.
2. Must possess a Tribal ID.
3. Preference shall be given to elderly (62 and older) and the handicapped. If handicapped, documentation must be provided.
4. Must have clear Warranty Deed/Lease/Mobile home Title card in applicants name.
5. Must furnish proof of income. (Prior Federal Income Tax Return, year-to-date income, SSI Benefits, VA Benefits, etc.)
6. Must have not received funds from BIA Home Improvement Program after October 1, 1986.
7. Must prove that you have no other resource for housing assistance. One (1) letter of denial is required. Example: Denial Letter from Bank, Housing Authority, etc.
8. HIP funds cannot be used on HUD Homes. (only if pd. off in full)
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5	\$ 29,251 OR LESS
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10	\$ 50,501 OR LESS

\*PLEASE NOTE-Additional Information May Be Required At Application Time

The LLBO Community Services Housing Office will be accepting applications for BIA Housing Improvement Program until Friday, July 14, 2006.

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Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. **Jolene Jennifer Smith**, Defendant, **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, Jolene Jennifer Smith** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **August 15, 2006 at 2:00 P.M.**, and answer the complaint filed alleging that she committed the following violation of the Leech Lake Traffic Code:

1. Chapter 200, Sec.215.C, Driving after Revocation.

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Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. **Terry Lee Loeken**, Defendant, **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, Terry Lee Loeken** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **August 15, 2006 at 2:00 P.M.**, and answer the complaint filed alleging that he committed the following violation of the Leech Lake Traffic Code:

1. Chapter 200, Sec.216, Failure to use seatbelts or child restraint devices.

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## Warrior Spirit

By Alisha Schulman, West Point Academy, New York

I close my eyes and all the noise around me fades...

I close my eyes and I am transported to another place... home.

The grass is lush green and the summer breeze blows lightly on my face and the smell of pine trees and happiness fill my nose...

I close my eyes and I can hear the drum beat in perfect rhythm with my heart. The shrill cries of the singers rise into the air and with every beat my chest fills up with pride.

I close my eyes and I can see the warriors of my people dance before me in such a way as to say,  
"We are still here and we are strong..."

I close my eyes and I hear the voices of my ancestors calling to me saying, "They could not put us down.

Despite every attempt they have made against us you stand today...

**a YOUNG, STRONG ANISHINABEKWE.**

Show them the strength of the seventh fire.

Your spirit is the spirit of a million warriors, and no person or obstacle shall put you down.  
We will always watch over you."

I close my eyes and grow stronger, even just for a moment.

I close my eyes and I know... because I have the strength of a Nation beside me.

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## MEETING

Friday, July 7, 2006  
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Lyman Losh

## Special Thank you from the FAMILY OF TILLIE CHASE

To family, friends, neighbors for their loving support, floral arrangements, donations of food, and helpful service in the kitchen during the loss of our Mother.

Special thanks to Pastor Collins of the Cass Lake Alliance Church for his kind words of comfort, the second floor staff at North Country Regional Hospital for their special care, Leech Lake RBC Council members, Leech Lake Gaming, the Ojibwe Singers, Chopper's White's Drum Group, Calvin Funk for providing music and song with Nancy and Ruth White's Family Singers. Your love and kind expressions of sympathy will always be remembered.

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## Summer Fun begins at the Walker Area Boys & Girls Club

Field trips, playing sports, learning new things, arts and crafts are just a few of the things young people can do at the Club this summer.

Membership is available for \$5, providing members with access to daily summer activities, special events, field trips and more. The summer schedule is 11:30 – 4 pm in the Walker elementary school. New this year is special outreach programming in Onigum, Hackensack and Akeley 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Young people are welcome to join the Club for the day or for life. So, check out the Club whether you're an area visitor or a year-round resident. To learn more please contact us at 547-5337 or check out our web site at [www.bgcleechlake.com](http://www.bgcleechlake.com).

## Leech Lake Elders Raising Funds To Attend Annual NICOA Conference.

By Patsy Gordon

The Leech Lake Chapter of the Minnesota Indian Council on Elders are selling raffle tickets amongst other fundraisers to help raise dollars for Leech Lake elders to attend the National Indian Coalition on Aging conference to be held in Tulsa, Oklahoma on September 16<sup>th</sup> through the 19<sup>th</sup>, 2006. This year's conference theme is titled, "Moving Forward: Honoring Commitments of the Past and Advocating for the Future".

The deadline for getting your application in to attend is July 31, 2006. For more information and application you may contact any of the people listed here. Hope Thompson at 218-246-8537, Jess Harrison at 218-335-8316, and Helen Cummings at 218-335-4587, or George Ross or Verna Baird.

The Leech Lake Chapter has already raised funds from one raffle. The raffle winners were: Luke Wilson won the star quilt, other winners in the raffle were Marti French, Terri Thompson, and Tim Hughley.

## Leech Lake Summer Food Program

The program started on June 20, 2006 and will end on August 18, 2006. Meals are provided free to all children in Ball Club, Inger, S Lake, Sugar Point, Onigum, Cass Lake Headstart and Bena. Breakfast is served from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. and lunch is served from noon to 1:00 p.m. For further information, please contact Liz Wakanabo at 218-335-3693.



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## MEET JOE LEBLANC



## Northern Lights Express Now Open

By Patsy Gordon

Welcome to the new Northern Lights Express located just adjacent to the Northern Lights Casino near Walker, Minnesota. The new convenience store/gas station celebrated with a grand opening on June 29, 2006. The store offers all the modern conveniences of a typical c-store and fuel and will stay open around the clock.

Joe LeBlanc, pictured to the left, has been hired as the Manager of the express station. LeBlanc is a Leech Lake Band member and has prior experience in managing convenience stores.



## Northern Lights Express

This picture of the new Leech Lake Convenience Station Store was taken a few days before the scheduled Grand Opening for the sake of meeting print and shelf deadlines of the Debahjimon. Go see for yourself what's new at the new Northern Lights Express Convenience Store.

# The Great Anishinabe Canoe Race

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By: Michael Lurie

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 the race will be on Leech River.

## Camp Rabideau: A National Treasure with a Bright Future

By Nancy Salminen, Blackduck CNF

Tucked away among the birches in the northern Minnesota woods is Rabideau Civilian Conservation Corps Camp, a precious relic of our local history. Thirteen of the original 25 buildings remain standing, and include the mess hall, five barracks, three officer quarters, recreation hall, hospital, laundry building, and education building. Rabideau was home to about 300 young men aged 17-21 who served as part of the Civilian Conservation Corp (CCC) from 1935 to 1941 during the Great Depression.

Camp Rabideau was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1976. The Chippewa NF has, along with volunteers and local and outside funding sources restored four of the buildings and has maintained them for the past 30 years.

On February 21, 2006, the national significance of this site was once again recognized when the Secretary of the Interior designated the site as a National Historic Landmark. This special designation identifies Camp Rabideau as the most intact and unaltered CCC camp in the United States. The Secretary of Interior stated, "It is through these landmarks that we preserve and share our history with future generations" Camp Rabideau is one of fewer than 2,500 historic places that carry the title of National Historic Landmark.

This summer there will be more restoration work taking place at the Camp. Restoration of the camp is a Forest Service Regional Capital Improvement priority. This renewed emphasis is due in part to Rabideau's recent recognition as a National Historic Landmark and because a group of interested organizations are exploring the feasibility of using the camp to benefit area youth and young adults.

Forest Service funds were recently released to begin dismantling and rebuilding the Recreation Hall, a unique building at the camp. Funds

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from the Department of Transportation may also become available later in the summer to continue restoration efforts. In order to maintain the historic integrity of the camp, contract and volunteer labor will help to accomplish the required work under the direction of historians and archeologists.

A renaissance of sorts will be taking place at the camp this summer as well. The Minnesota Conservation Corps (MCC) a non-profit organization that has modeled itself after the original mission of the Civilian Conservation Corps, will be helping with the restoration of the building. MCC is also part of the coalition that is interested in exploring the "reuse" of the historic Camp Rabideau. The Leech Lake Area Boys and Girls Club, the Cass Lake Miracle Group and the Tourism Partnership and others have the desire to establish a Conservation Academy and Learning Center that would provide opportunities for youth and young adults to connect to the natural environment outside their own communities, explore careers in resource conservation fields as well as skilled trades, and experience outdoor recreational activities. The group plans to study the feasibility of this idea in the coming months.

The Forest Service is supportive of the Conservation Academy and Learning Center concept because it is aligned with our Regional and Forest Vision and Goals. We are also excited about celebrating the history and significance of Camp Rabideau.

On Saturday August 26th the public is invited to the camp to celebrate Rabideau's National Historic Landmark Designation. If you can't join us, please take time to visit the camp this summer and take a free-guided tour. Our hosts at the site Barb and Ken Ess will be glad to take you back to the time when the camp was a place where young men gained skills and prepared them for the real world.

# Come Join the Fun!

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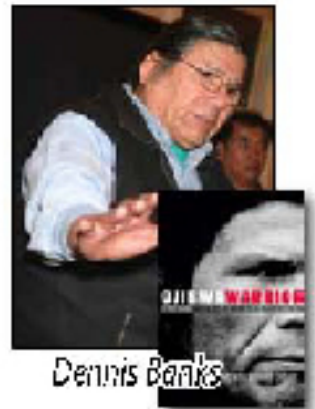
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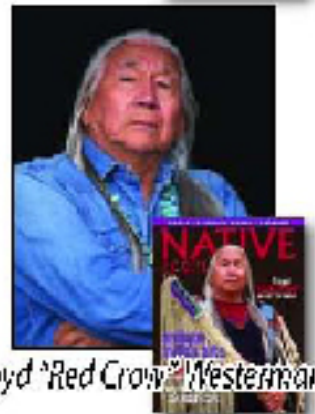
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Photo by Patsy Gordon



*Shania Buck, (top left), sister Daevee Hare, (top right) would like to make a special welcome to their new baby brother, David Allen Hare, Jr., born on June 3, 2006. Proud parents are David Hare, Sr. and Paula Hardy. Congratulations, Team!*

