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Curtis Anderson, Steve Wenzel, Pam Wiltsey, USDA officials, John Herrera, Leah Carpenter, Vikki Howard, all Leech Lake, and Robbie Howe, District I Representative, and other officials display USDA commemorative check.

## USDA Officials Visit and Tour Leech Lake

By Patsy Gordon

Tribal Chairman, George Goggleye, Jr., and Tribal College President, Leah Carpenter, welcomed United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Curtis Anderson, Deputy Administrator of Rural Development's Rural Utilities Programs from Washington, D.C., Steve Wenzel, State Director of Rural Development in Minnesota and representatives from Congressman Oberstar's and Senator Coleman's office, amongst other local officials, when they visited and toured the Leech Lake Reservation on September 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>, 2006. The Leech Lake Planning Department planned and facilitated a "meet and greet" session and a check signing ceremony with the USDA staff at the Palace Casino Hotel before taking them on a tour to visit Rural Development financed projects on the Reservation.

Since 2001, the USDA Rural Development has awarded over \$1.2 million in guaranteed loans and grants to the Leech Lake Tribal College. State Program Director Wenzel said, "President Bush has crafted a rural policy that encourages investment in higher education throughout Rural America. The Leech Lake Tribal College has provided excellent leadership in this area." USDA Deputy Administrator, Curtis Anderson said, "The college now has the infrastructure to be a valuable

asset to the Leech Lake community for many years. A quality college plays a major role in maintaining the area's quality of life."

The following is a list of what the USDA has invested in the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe. In 2001, Rural Development invested \$135,000 to the Tribal College Career Development Building and another \$102,410 in 2002. In 2004, the agency invested \$637,981 in the construction of the Leech Lake Tribal College Building, and another \$350,000 in 2006.

Other investments on the reservation include \$500,000 to the Community Centers in Oak Point, Kego Lake and Onigum in 2001, \$3,585,300 to the Leech Lake Water Project in 2004, \$480,700 to the construction of the Early Childhood Center in 2004, and \$93,000 to the architectural design of the Early Childhood Center in 2004, and in 2005 they awarded \$75,000 for the construction of the new Bena Community Center. The total of these grants and awards add up to \$5,959,391.00.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture and the Leech Lake Band have a long history. USDA has been providing essential food assistance to the Band for a number of years, including: commodities/food distribution, WIC, and Child and Adult Care Food Programs and Summer Food

Service Programs for Headstart, Early Childhood, and the Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School. They also have funded food stamp and nutrition education programs directly to the Band and through the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe.

Steve Wenzel said, "The USDA seeks to promote and improve the quality of life throughout rural Minnesota." He went on to say, "I believe there is no better investment in rural America than the dollars the U.S. Congress puts into USDA that help with projects such as this." He ended by saying; "I would like to commend Chairman Goggleye and Leech Lake for their tremendous work that they do on behalf of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe."

Leech Lake Tribal Attorney, Mike Garbow, presented the group with a lesson on tribal sovereignty, what it really is, and explaining that Leech Lake Reservation is a PL 280 reservation meaning that the state does have criminal authority jurisdiction within the reservation boundaries.

The second day of the visit included a meeting with the Leech Lake Food Distribution program. Ernest Howard, Leech Lake TERO Director presented the group with an overview of the TERO program. The group wrapped it up with a round table discussion of various topics including strengthening, enhancing and continuing the positive working relationship between the two entities.

The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe is grateful to the United States Department of Agriculture for all of the support they have provided over the years.

## Leech Lake Health Division and I.H.S. Hospital Making Special Effort to Improve Clinic Services.

By Patsy Gordon

The patient complaints have been coming in for years. In response, recently, the I.H.S. Hospital Service Unit Director, Jenny Jenkins, I.H.S. doctors and staff, Leech Lake Health Director, Eli Hunt, and the Leech Lake Tribal Council have started coming together, to make a serious effort in improving the health care services that the Cass Lake Indian Hospital provides to its patients, whom are mostly Leech Lake Band members, if not all.

The first step in this effort was to schedule a "Listening Session" where the constituents could attend and voice their opinions. This session was held on August 23, 2006. Leech Lake Secretary/Treasurer, Arthur "Archie" LaRose, gave the welcoming address. He thanked the I.H.S. staff for attending. LaRose said, "We would like to start pushing this reservation forward, not only in health issues, but also to start lobbying our state officials to focus on and uphold our treaty rights in all regards." He went on to say, "This meeting we're having today is so very important to our future generations and also to our elders of

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## Josephine Louise Lee "Enowa-cumigoo-ekwe"

Josephine Louise Lee, 73, of Cass Lake, MN, died on August 30, 2006 at the Cass Lake Indian Hospital.



Josephine was born on October 16, 1932 in Onigum, MN to Rachel White and Joseph Tanner. She attended Wahpeton Indian School and received her GED at Holmes School in Mpls, MN before going on to Vocational Tech and St. Mary's Junior College in Minneapolis. She became a registered nurse with a specialized interest in health advocacy. She was active in many Minneapolis locations, including the Minnesota Council of Churches, the Indian Neighborhood Club, the Department of Indian Work, Augustana Lutheran Church, the Lutheran Deaconess Hospital, and the Hennepin County Family Practice Clinic. In 1980, she retired from the Hennepin Co. Welfare Department and moved to Stoney Point in Cass Lake, MN, where she became active in the community. Other interests and organizations she was involved in included: the Minneapolis Regional Native American Center, the Phillips Neighborhood Improvement Association, South High Housing, the Nee-Gee Center, the Indian Health Board, Our Saviors Lutheran Church – Social Action, the National Lutheran Church and Indian People, the American Indian Council, the Council on Adoptions, the American Indian Sensitivity Task Force, the Special

American Native Grant, Hennepin County Department of Welfare, Hennepin County Medical Center, and the Department of Corrections in St. Paul.

Josephine is remembered as being a supportive role model who was easy to talk to and had a knack for drawing people out and breaking down restraints. She was a foster parent to many; liked sewing, gardening and community activities.

She is survived by her husband, Eldy Stangel; one daughter, Everina (Isaac) Neal; grandchildren, William "Buzzy" (Joni) Lee, Suzette Neal, Josie Lee, and Janelle White; 15 great-grandchildren, 3 great-great grandchildren, 3 brothers and 5 sisters.

She was preceded in death by her parents, 2 sisters and 1 brother.

A traditional Madaewin wake began August 31, 2006 at the Facility Center in Cass Lake and continued to the time of services. Services were held on September 2, 2006, also at the Facility Center. Interment followed in the Pine Grove Cemetery in Cass Lake, MN. Arrangements are being handled by Thomas-Dennis Funeral Home of Cass Lake and Walker.

## Roshawn S. Fairbanks

Roshawn Samuel Fairbanks, of Minneapolis, MN, infant son of Jaime Hanson and Robert Fairbanks, died on September 5, 2006 at the Fairview University Hospital in Minneapolis.

Funeral Services were held on September 8, 2006 at the Veteran's Memorial Building in Cass Lake, MN with Rev. Harold Eaglebull and Rev. John Rock officiating. A wake began

on Thursday, September 07, 2006, at the Veteran's Memorial Building and continued until the time of the service. Interment followed at the Prince of Peace Cemetery in Cass Lake, MN under the direction of the Cease Family Funeral Home of Cass Lake.

He was born and passed away on September 5, 2006 in Minneapolis, MN.

He is survived by his parents, both of Minneapolis, MN; brother, Justin Fairbanks of Cass Lake, MN; sister, Clairissa Fairbanks of Cass Lake, MN; Paternal Grandparents, Jayne Fairbanks of Minneapolis, Tom LaBlanc of St. Paul, MN; Maternal Grandparents, Brenda Hanson of Minneapolis; Special Grandfather, Henry Sutton of Minneapolis; numerous aunties, uncles, and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his paternal great-grandfather and namesake Samuel Fairbanks, maternal great-grandfather Kenneth "Squince" Hanson, and his maternal grandfather Douglas Ellis.

Active casket bearers were Marvin W. Hanson, and Richard L. Butcher Jr.

Honorary casket bearers were Roshawn's family and friends.



## Campaign Signs Not Permitted on State Highway Right-Of-Way

Bemidji, MN. -- The Minnesota Department of Transportation (Mn/DOT) is reminding candidates running for political office and their campaign volunteers that campaign signs are not permitted on state highway right-of-way or on public utility poles.

Highway rights-of-way include driving lanes, shoulders, ditches and areas kept clear to improve a driver's field of vision. Placing signs or objects in rights-of-way is a violation of Minnesota Statute 160.27, a misdemeanor that carries a maximum \$1000 fine and/or 90 days in jail. Civil penalties may also apply if the placement of such material contributes to a motor vehicle crash.

In addition to campaign signs, other signs not permitted include yard sales, real estate sales and similar events. Signs and objects in rights-of-way can restrict visibility and can be a cause for distraction. Mn/DOT workers will remove illegally placed signs in state highway rights-of-way and transport them to the nearest Mn/DOT truck station where they will be available for retrieval.

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**Note from the Editor: In response to the latest incident of violence in Cass Lake that happened in the latter part of September 2006, which resulted in the nearly fatal beating of Leech Lake Band member Joel Roy, the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Tribal Chairman, George Goggeley, Jr., wrote the following to the Cass County Attorney. This statement does express the opinion and the interests of the Leech Lake Tribal Council, as we continue in our plight with local law enforcement agencies and area organizations to reduce the crime rate on the Leech Lake Reservation and the Cass Lake area.**

September 21, 2006

Earl Maus, Cass County Attorney  
P. O. Box 3000  
Walker, MN 56484

Mr. Maus,

I am writing with regard to the arrest of three men involved in the assault, which occurred at the Fox Creek Housing area south of Cass Lake on Wednesday morning, September 20, 2006. I abhor such vicious, criminal activity taking place in our tribal housing area. While our Tribal Council and various departments labor to seek solutions to the misuse and abuse of drugs and alcohol, we find ourselves stymied in our efforts to reach some of the worst offenders.

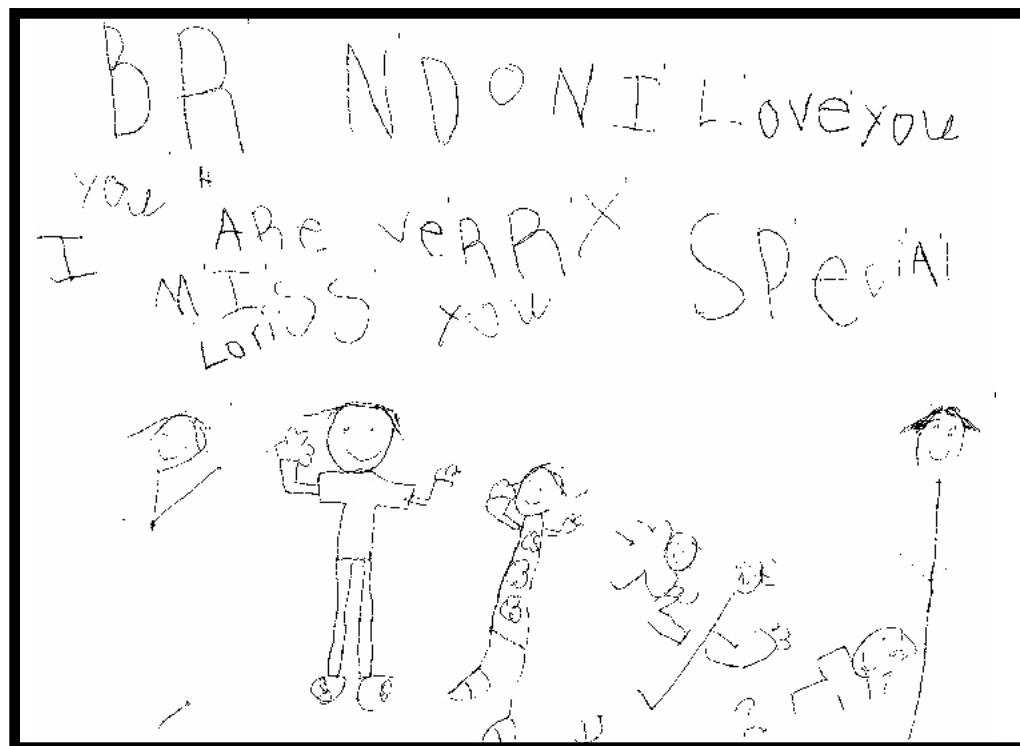
I applaud the various law enforcement agencies involved for their rapid response and ongoing investigation. I can only hope that this results in the proper, lawful prosecution of the offenders. The victim, a Band member, faces many months, possibly years, of medical treatment and care, and his family also has been caused much suffering.

Due to the serious nature and the disastrous results of the crime, I would hope that the offenders are kept off the streets and away from the general public. The Band is in full support of a bail bond being set as high as possible so as to detain the three individuals until they can be brought to trial. We would not wish these people to walk free to possibly cause more distress to our community.

Sincerely,

George Goggeley, Jr., Chairman  
Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe

Let there be:



**A Mother's Request & Thanks:**

If any drum groups and singers would be so kind as to send their c.d.'s to my son, LCpl. Royal Rock he has yet another year in Japan. He misses pow-wows, the singing, the drums, the bells and the jingles, the laughter and the food. He's been gone almost two years. He came home for a short time last October to help us bury his little brother, Brandon Humphrey. Also any letters from home or Indian Country are greatly welcomed. He is home sick and a long long way away from me, his momma.

Migwich – Thank you.  
Wallie Humphrey

LCpl. Rock Royal  
PSC 561 Box 3791  
FPOAP – 96310-0048



**In Memory of my Son and many other Mother's sons on our Reservation**

Brandon Wallace Humphrey  
February 7, 1988 – October 21, 2005

**Never Forgotten, Always in our Hearts, Forever in our Memories.**

Love, Mom

**Mom, Please Understand**

My son's voice I did hear.

I opened my eyes and looked around  
But he did not appear.

He said, "Mom, you've got to listen,  
You've got to understand,

God didn't take me from you, Mom,  
He only took my hand.  
When I called out in pain that night,  
The instant that I died,  
He reached down and took my hand  
And pulled me to his side.

He pulled me up and saved me  
From misery and pain.

My body was hurt so badly inside,  
I could never be the same.

My search is really over now,  
I've found happiness within,  
All the answer to my dreams,  
And all that might have been.

I love you so and miss you so,  
And I'll always be nearby,

My body's gone forever,  
But my spirit will never die!

And so, you must go on now,  
One day at a time,  
Just understand –

God did not take me from you,  
He only took my hand!

-Author Unknown



## Key Facts about Influenza and Influenza Vaccine

It is that time of year again to be thinking about the Influenza (Flu) season. The flu is a contagious respiratory illness caused by influenza viruses. It can cause mild to severe illness, and at times can lead to death.

Symptoms of flu may include: a fever (usually high), headache, fatigue, dry cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, muscle aches, and stomach symptoms, such as nausea, vomiting, and diarrhea, also can occur but are more common in children than adults. Flu viruses spread mainly from person to person through coughing or sneezing of people with influenza. Sometimes people may become infected by touching something with flu viruses on it and then touching their mouth or nose. Most healthy adults may be able to infect others beginning 1 day **before** symptoms develop and up to 5 days **after** becoming sick. That means that you may be able to pass on the flu to someone else before you know you are sick, as well as while you are sick.

### How to Prevent Influenza

The single best way to prevent the flu is to get a flu vaccination each fall. The "flu shot" is an inactivated vaccine (containing killed virus) that is given with a needle. There are over **1000** different flu viruses – the flu shot contains **three** that CDC has decided are the most likely to spread for this year. One **can not** get the flu from receiving the shot, but you may get symptoms that your body is making antibodies such as low grade fever and body aches. The flu shot is approved for use in people 6 months of age and older, including healthy people and people with chronic medical conditions. About two weeks after vaccination, antibodies develop that protect against influenza virus infection. Flu vaccines will not protect against flu-like illnesses caused by non-influenza viruses.

Good health habits are also an important way to prevent the flu. Avoid close contact with people who are sick. When you are sick, keep your distance

from others to protect them from getting sick too, if possible, stay home from work, school, and errands. By doing so, you will help prevent others from catching your illness. Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when coughing or sneezing. If you don't have a tissue, cough or sneeze into your upper sleeve, not your hands. Put your used tissue in the waste basket. Washing your hands often will help protect you from germs. Germs are often spread when a person touches something that is contaminated with germs and then touches his or her eyes, nose, or mouth.

### Who should get vaccinated?

Anyone who wants to reduce their chances of getting the flu can get vaccinated. However, certain people should get vaccinated each year either because they are at high risk of having serious flu related complications or because they live with or care for high risk persons. People who should get vaccinated each year include health care workers, children aged 6-59 months of age, pregnant women, people 50 years or older, people of

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## ATTENTION: Cass Lake IHS Patients:

The Cass Lake IHS pharmacy will be switching computer systems on October 2<sup>nd</sup>. We want to inform you of a possibly longer waiting time while we are learning a new way to fill your medications. This will be a trying time for everyone so we would appreciate your patience and understanding while waiting for your prescriptions. However, in the long run, after we have effectively mastered this new technique, we will be better able to service your prescription needs in a more efficient and faster manner. In order to help us and you, please fill your prescriptions the week before or the week after Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> so that you will not be out of your medications. Please help us spread the word.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

The Pharmacy Team

## Tribal Council Continues Work on Business Development, Reservation Finances

As the inherited LLBO General Fund deficit continues to decrease and the overall financial picture for the Leech Lake Band begins to see some improvement, the Tribal Council continues to support business development and economic diversification on the Leech Lake Reservation. In less than a year, the Leech Lake Reservation has witnessed a positive turn around and expansion of tribally owned businesses from the newly created Business Development Division, which combined the old Small Business Division and the Economic Development Division under one umbrella with a new focus on expanding economic opportunity on the reservation.

While the Tribal Council remains steadfastly committed to maintaining our traditional and cultural aspects of business such as the Wild Rice Plant, in order to ensure future stability and economic self-sufficiency a vision based on profitability and cost-benefit must also be maintained. It is with this new vision in mind that the Tribal Council approved embarking upon opening a tribally owned check cashing operation within our casinos and another tribally owned gas station/convenience store at the Northern Lights location. Both the Tribal Council and administrators have worked hard over the last year on working out the kinks with the new businesses.

Though the check cashing business has experienced a few hiccups as is to be expected anytime one builds a business from the ground up, it continues to show a substantial profit and return on invest

ment. The managers and the Tribal Council continue to work on building a successful operation that can be a guide for other reservations to take on check cashing themselves.

The gas station, which provides for profits from both the sale of gas and the state tax agreement, was built without one cent of reservation funding, utilizing an economic diversification grant from the Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community. With every dollar made a profit, this business will help move the reservation toward

economic self-sufficiency.

With two more grants from the Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community still coming and as profitability continues to increase, the Leech Lake Tribal Council will continue the hard work toward financial stability for the sake of all Band members. With proper stewardship of our resources, we can one day climb out of the red hole of deficit and into a bright, new day.

### Run For Your Life!



Put October 14 on your calendar to "Run For Your Life". The LL Reservation Healthy Heart Project and the Cass Lake Hospital Susan Komen Grant are joint sponsors of this three mile walk/run. The theme, "Run for your life" points to the importance of regular exercise in the prevention of both heart disease and breast cancer. Registration begins in the Rest Area parking lot on Hwy. 2 at 9:30 a.m. on October 14. The walk/run through the Migizi Trail begins at 10:00 a.m. The first 100 participants will receive a commemorative t-shirt. Start your Saturday with a wonderful walk through Migizi Trail and stay for a chance to win some great door prizes!

## Region 2 Arts Council Grant Application Deadline

For Individual Artist Grants

Applications are now available for the R2AC Individual Artists grant. This grant opportunity has a deadline of 10/12/ 2006.

R2AC Individual Artist Grants may be requested to help individual artists in our five-county area (Beltrami, Clearwater, Hubbard, Lake of the Woods, and Mahnomen). An artist may request a grant of up to \$1,000 for expenses associated with a specific project or opportunity that contributes significantly to the artist's creative growth or career advancement. Please note that the term "arts" refers to music, creative writing, dance, visual arts, theater and other forms of creative expression.

To request an application form, write or call Terri Widman at the Region 2 Arts Council, 426 Bemidji Avenue, Bemidji, MN 56601, 751-5447 or toll free at 1-800-275-5447 or download from our website: [www.r2arts.org](http://www.r2arts.org). Staff assistance is available to all applicants to discuss ideas, select artists, or to assist in completing the application form.

## Partnering For Safer Roads

2006 Tribes & Transportation Conference at a Glance  
October 17 & 18, 2006  
Northern Lights Casino Hotel & Event Center

Safety is a top priority for Minnesota's Tribal Leaders and transportation officials alike whether the focus is on reservation roads or Minnesota's highways and interstates. Plan to attend the 2006 Tribes and Transportation Conference, which is designed to share information and learn what's being done in all facets of the transportation safety community - Education, Engineering, Enforcement and Emergency Medical Response.

Tribes, communities, counties, state and federal representatives are invited to attend. Get involved "together" to make our roads safer for all of our communities. Plus, learn about possible funding opportunities and ways to take advantage of them.

For more information, contact Linda L. Aitken, Tribal Liaison, MN DOT at 218-547-0060, or email her at linda.aitken@dot.state.mn.us.

## Leech Lake Health

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today."

Leech Lake Health Director, Eli Hunt, acknowledged the out of state guests and told the audience that "This effort takes a community as a whole to work for resolution, not only the doctors and nurses, and hospital staff, but it will take input and participation from everyone that uses the Cass Lake Hospital." He finished by saying that "Involvement from all communities is needed. Teams are going to have to be formed to look for solutions."

Keeping in mind that this meeting was held specifically so the people could stand up and be heard and before the mike was opened up to the floor for anyone who would like to speak, the Reverend George Ross offered a blessing on the meeting. Several people took advantage of this opportunity to speak and share their thoughts and feelings and voiced their concerns. Major complaints included misdiagnosis, time spent waiting to be seen by a doctor or to get a prescription filled, amongst numerous other complaints.

This session included health care professionals, Jerry and Monique Sternin from the Plexus Institute in Boston, Massachusetts and Richard Pasquale from California to come in and assist with this pain-staking endeavor.

Pasquale is in the process of doing a documentary on this whole process that involves improving our health care system. It is everyone's hope that he can see this through and in the end, be shown as a success story.

The Sternin's conduct training in what is called "The Power of Positive Deviance". Dr. Diane Pittman from the Cass Lake Hospital attended this training herself before coming back to the hospital and spoke to the Service Unit Director and Dr. Kathleen Annette, I.H.S. Bemidji, about it with excitement and anticipation in her voice. Dr. Pittman's thoughts were, "This may be exactly what the hospital needs to help improve its services!" After hearing about the training Dr. Pittman had experienced, they too were convinced that having their staff take part in "The Power of Positive Deviance" training could make an incredible difference. To make this technique work, it will not only take the hospital staff to do it. This chance of improving hospital services includes YOU and the community as a whole.

The Sternin's have used the "power of positive deviance" approach in major situations themselves, where they have made only positive changes for the better when everyone involved was willing to do their part. It cannot be stressed enough that for "positive deviance" to work, **everyone** involved must play a part, including the patients, the community as a whole, the Health Division and hospital staff and the Tribal Council staff.

It is also important to know that change does not come overnight. Cass Lake Hospital staff have been trained in "The Power of Positive Deviance". The Leech Lake Health Division, the Cass Lake Hospital and volunteers have started to work together in forming committees to work on existing problems to try and come up with solutions.

Committees have been formed for the following areas of concern: transportation, waiting room, patient education, spiritual assistance, and for an elder care clinic. Committees are now meeting on a regular basis.

Topics to be addressed in the future include: pediatric services, screening & fast tracking, teen parent clinics, coordination of services, patients with no primary provider, and quick care.

## Indian Entrepreneur Classes to be Offered

The American Indian Development Fund (AIEDF) will be holding their fall Indian entrepreneur class at Fortune Bay Casino, Tower, MN. This 33-hour class will run for two weekends with the first class being held October 20-22 and the second part of the class being held on November 3-5, 2006. Students must attend both weekends to complete the course.

The AIEDF is a non-profit agency that is positioned to help American Indian entrepreneurs by providing individualized, culturally-relevant business education, and counseling and mentoring throughout the loan process. The AIEDF provides culturally sensitive financial technical assistance. They arrange and facilitate meetings between the entrepreneur and the main lender. Participate in the loan proves by providing gap funds and below-market interest rates and acts as an advocate for the interests of the entrepreneur throughout the application, approval, and repayment process.

The fund makes loans to men and women who are creating or expanding retail, services and manufacturing business – all of which hire American Indians as employees.

If you are interested in starting a business or expanding an existing business and would like more information about the entrepreneur class or want to request an application for the class, please call 651-917-0819.

Happy Halloween  
from the  
Leech Lake Band of  
Ojibwe



Keep your kids safe while they are out "Trick or Treating" this year!  
**TIP:** Putting reflective tape on their clothes will help them to be seen better.

**Native Youth**

**Crisis Hotline**

**1-877-209-1266**

**Elder's Walk**  
**Leech Lake Red Lake**  
**White Earth**  
**Wisdom Steps**

Friday, October 6, 2006  
10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Farden Park

Incentives & Lunch

Please R.S.V.P. by Monday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe to Ardith, Sharlene or Vera at 888-231-7886 to register.

Directions to Farden Park:  
Hwy. 2 to Hwy. 101 then 1/2 mile on 101, Park will be on the right.  
From Bemidji: 12.5 miles (apx)  
From Cass Lake: 5 miles (apx)  
Watch for Balloons



**Remember to "Fall Back" on Sunday, October 30th, 2006 as Daylight Savings Time Comes to an End.**

## Vote and Vaccinate Clinic Initiative Comes to the Reservation.

By Lacreteria Larson, Leech Lake Health Division

The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Health Division is proud to announce that we are the recipients of a Robert Wood Johnson Foundation grant that will allow us to continue to better serve the preventative healthcare needs of our reservation. In following our mission, "to promote and enhance the physical and mental well-being through the provision of comprehensive, high quality health care services"; and under the direction of the Leech Lake Health Division Director, Eli Hunt, this initiative will provide the funding for a reservation-wide vaccination campaign to occur near each public polling place on November 7, 2006. This four-county collaborative effort was designed to fall in line with the health department's mission of not only increasing preventative health services, but to contribute to the entire tribal community health.

The Flu Clinics will be conducted by Public Health Nursing Staff and will occur at all eleven (11) polling sites located on the Reservation during the scheduled 2006 voting day. In efforts to reduce or eliminate cases of vaccine-preventable diseases, the health department will be providing this service at no charge, with no appointments needed, to every reservation resident age 55 and older. Whether you are exercising your right to vote or not...we encourage you to participate in our vaccination program. For further questions about this program please contact Gloria Jones @ 335-4515.

### LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE QUARTERLY MEETING

Friday, October 6, 2006  
Palace Bingo & Casino  
Paradise Room  
10:00 a.m.  
Cass Lake, Minnesota

## Brown is Example of Someone Who Did It.

By Daniel LeClaire, Cass Lake Times

Sometimes it is hard for a person to envision what he is going to do with his education, or how he is even going to end up. Especially if you want something more for yourself than you see in the lives of the friends and family around you.

Scott Brown grew up in Sugar Bush and attended school in Deer River.

After graduating from high school, he put two years in at Leech Lake Tribal College studying electrical construction.

After finishing his degree with LLTC, he got in contact with Ernie Howard at the Tribal Employments Rights Office (TERO). Howard hooked Brown up with a business associate in Virginia and got Brown working as an apprentice in Local 294 while taking class one day a week.

"We'd spend six to seven hours in class one day a week going over the code book to prepare us for the state test," Brown said.

Now Brown is working for Naylor's as an electrician's apprentice on the new rest stop facility on Hwy. 2. He is soft-spoken and quietly confident, happy to be working and providing for his three children.

Howard is more emphatic. "Young people need to see examples like this," he said. Sometimes it can be intimidating to think about leaving the familiarity of home, and people worry they won't be able to come back.

"Scott is an example of someone who did it. He can work locally if he wants, or he will have the skills to go anywhere in the state, anywhere in the country," said Howard.

Brown told me he has about three years working as an apprentice until he will qualify for this journeymen's



license. That is when his opportunities will really open up and he can make decisions about where and with whom he works.

"Learning something new everyday has been the hardest thing," Brown said with a smile. But it was worth it to get to the point where he had more options than just working for the Reservation.

Howard confirmed that the business associate working up in Virginia has more spots to fill.

"He needs more Native Americans to put in the program for work and training," he said. In the end, a person ends up with a good paying job that is commensurate with the training.

Howard is the director of the TERO office for Leech Lake and can be reached for further information on any

number of training and employment opportunities by phone at 335-3765, or by email at [ernieh@llbo.org](mailto:ernieh@llbo.org).

## Women's Gathering

Every Friday evening

at 7:00 p.m.

6729 Lower Cass Frontage Rd

Next to Auto Parts Store

Cass Lake, MN

218-335-8065

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**LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE  
IN TRIBAL COURT**



**YOU (THE DEFENDANTS LISTED BELOW) ARE HEREBY ORDERED** to appear before the Leech Lake Tribal Court on **Tuesday, November 28, 2006, at 1:00 p.m.**, and show cause why you should not be held in Contempt of Court for failure to pay court-ordered fines.

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

1. If you are found in Contempt of Court, you may be subject to an additional penalty not to exceed \$500.00, said penalty for contempt shall be in addition to any fines or other penalties previously assessed by this Court.
2. You may also be subject to one or more of the following enforcement actions without further notice:
  - a. Report violation to the State of Minnesota for entry on defendant's driving record;
  - b. Add the fine to the amount defendant must pay to renew or obtain Leech Lake vehicle registration or plates;
  - c. Seize defendant's vehicle registration plates;
  - d. Seize the vehicle driven by defendant at the time of the violation;
  - e. Suspend defendant's fishing, hunting, trapping, ricing or other treaty rights within the boundaries and jurisdiction of the Leech Lake Band until defendant pays the fine in full.

**DATED** this 13th day of September, 2006, Korey Wahwassuck, Chief Judge of Tribal Court.

<u>Defendant</u>	<u>Case No.</u>	<u>Reason for Show Cause Order</u>
Louella Mae Drouillard	TR-03-575	Failure to pay reinstated fine ordered on 05/18/2006.
Louella Mae Drouillard	TR-05-133	Failure to pay reinstated fine ordered on 05/18/2006.
James Raymond Elmberg	TR-02-490	Failure to pay default judgment fine ordered on 07/14/2006.
Jennifer Nee Gogleye	TR-06-12	Failure to pay default judgment fine ordered on 05/19/2006.
Mark Daniel Hanson	TR-00-176	Failure to pay default judgment fine ordered on 07/14/2006.
Ronald James Hare	TR-06-72	Failure to pay fine ordered on 07/31/2006.
Jolene Jennifer Smith	TR-06-138	Failure to pay default judgment fine ordered on 05/19/2006.
Jolene Jennifer Smith	TR-04-690	Failure to pay default judgment fine ordered on 05/24/2004.
Marilyn Rose Wakanabo	TR-06-19	Failure to pay default judgment fine ordered on 05/18/2006.
Marilyn Rose Wakanabo	TR-06-144	Failure to pay default judgment fine ordered on 05/18/2006.
Ruth Arlene Wind	TR-05-106	Failure to pay default judgment fine ordered on 12/09/2005.
Jeannette Rae Ellis	TR-02-450	Failure to pay default judgment fine ordered on 3/19/2004.



**LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE  
IN TRIBAL COURT**

115 Sixth Street NW, Suite E  
Cass Lake, MN 56633  
218-335-3682/4418  
Traffic Division

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe,  
Plaintiff,

vs.

Ronald James Hare,  
Defendant

**NOTICE OF LEGAL  
PUBLICATION**

**CASE NO. TR-02-493**

**YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED** that on **Tuesday, November 28, 2006, at 1:00 p.m.**, a Review Hearing will commence in the Leech Lake Tribal Courtroom located in the Leech Lake Facility Center, 16126 John Moose Drive NW, Cass Lake, Minnesota, upper level, to address the issue of non-payment of the \$125.00 fine assessed against you on April 1, 2003, for violating Leech Lake Traffic Code, Chapter 200, Section 214.A, No Insurance, on November 28, 2002. The hearing will be before the Honorable Judge Wahwassuck.

You are served with this notice because you are a party to this proceeding and the Court is unable to serve you via United States mail. If you fail to appear for this hearing, the Court may find you in contempt and enter an Order against you.

**DATED:** September 7, 2006.



### Seeking Names of Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe World War II Veterans

By Patsy Gordon

Each year the Leech Lake Honor Guard sponsors a Veteran's Banquet in December. This year the organization will be hosting an honoring ceremony for surviving World War II Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe veterans. Time, place, and date of banquet will be announced once known.

Surviving World War II veterans or members of their families are asked to provide the Honor Guard with their names as soon as possible. Please send names to Roger Aitken at [raitken@paulbunyan.net](mailto:raitken@paulbunyan.net) or 218-760-0274.



**LICENSED CHILD CARE PROVIDERS AND FAMILY,  
FRIEND & NEIGHBOR (FFN) CAREGIVERS ARE  
INVITED TO A FREE BOOK DISTRIBUTION!!**

If you are not licensed and are caring for children of a relative,  
friend or neighbor  
while the parent works or attends school, then you are a  
Family, Friend and Neighbor caregiver



The Leech Lake Early Childhood Development program  
will be sponsoring a free book distribution  
in October at the Learning Lounge.

You are eligible to attend if you are a licensed  
childcare provider or an informal (FFN) caregiver  
providing childcare within the Leech Lake Child  
Care Services program area.

You, and the children you care for, will receive a free  
book donated by Leech Lake Child Care Services.  
Before the book distribution the children will be able to  
take advantage of the Learning Lounge by enjoying a  
story read to them and participate in a fun craft activity.  
The Learning Lounge is located in Cass Lake at the Early  
Childhood Development Complex.

The date for informal caregivers is Tuesday October 10<sup>th</sup>  
from

10- 10:30 am and licensed childcare providers on  
Tuesday October 31<sup>st</sup> from 10-10:30 am

Please contact Bobbie Reed to RSVP for the  
number in your group

"218-335-8249 or toll free at 1-800-551-0969"

Congratulations to Nikki Boswell of Battle Point/Sugar Point  
area. She won the Early Childhood community focus group grand  
prize drawing of a Hitachi DVD camcorder donated by Leech Lake  
Child Care Services.

We would like to send a special thanks to all participants. We  
couldn't have done it with out you!

**LEECH LAKE BAND of OJIBWE  
JOB ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT**

Cashier, Cash Express (Palace, Northern Lights, White Oak)  
Cashier, Northern Lights Express, Walker, MN  
Cashiers (2), Che-We Store, Cass Lake, MN

**EDUCATION**

Teacher Assistant - 2 Team Leaders (ECD)  
Maintenance / HVAC Technician 10-02-06

**HEALTH DIVISION**

RN Diabetes Educator 10-02-06  
Mid-Level Primary Care Provider (NP or PA-C) 10-02-06  
Mid-Level Provider, CNP / CNS 10-02-06

**HUMAN SERVICES**

Director 09-25-06 - Medical Doctor (Opiate Tmt. Program)  
Mental Health Therapist (LICSW)

**PUBLIC WORKS**

Civil Engineer Technician 10-02-06

**Native American Preference applies.**

All open until filled unless indicated by a **closing date** (follows job title).

**How to apply:** Interested parties may come into the Human Resources office to pick up an application and disclaimer or you can download an application / disclaimer from our website at; [www.llojibwe.com](http://www.llojibwe.com). You may FAX your application documents to Human Resources, our FAX number is #218-335-3697, or Email your documents to [LLhumanresources@Llojibwe.com](mailto:LLhumanresources@Llojibwe.com), or mail your documents to; Human Resources – 115 Sixth Street NW, Suite E – Cass Lake, MN 56633. **Policy:** Human Resources **must** receive your application documents **before** or **no later than 4:30pm** on the date the position is scheduled to close. Applications received after 4:30 on closing date **will not be accepted**. Call #218-335-3698 or toll free at #1-800-631-5528 for more information.

The **BUG-O-NAY-GE-SHIG SCHOOL** in Bena, MN, is looking to fill the following positions for the 2006-2007 school year:

**MIDDLE PRINCIPAL**

**HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL**

**OJIBWE IMMERSION TEACHER**

**SCHOOL SOCIAL WORKER (For Grades K-8)**

**SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST**

**BOXING COACH**

**HEAD GIRLS BASKETBALL COACH**

**ON-CALL SUBSTITUTES (Teachers, Paraprofessionals, Culture Staff, Clerical, Child Care Workers, Custodial, Bus Drivers, Bus Monitors)**

**CULTURE INSTRUCTORS (For Sons of Tradition and Dance Classes to be held after school beginning immediately)**

All certified positions require current MN licensure in their respective areas and successful completion of pre-employment drug testing and State and Federal Background checks. Applications may be obtained online at <http://www.bugschool.bia.edu/jobapp.pdf> or by calling Human Resources at 1-800-265-5576. Teacher applicants must be prepared to bring their portfolio if selected for the interview process.

**Postings are OPEN UNTIL FILLED.**

Detailed job descriptions available upon request.



## *The Unveiling of the Native Vote Billboard in Downtown Minneapolis*



Photo by Steve Premo, Mille Lacs Band Member and Artist



Leech Lake Chairman, George Goggleye addressed the crowd at the September unveiling of the Native Vote billboard. Photo by Aileen Allen, Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe



Photo by Steve Premo

**DON'T FORGET TO VOTE  
ON NOVEMBER 7, 2006.**

Your vote is important! Let your voice be heard!

For polling places and times, or for more information, contact Leech Lake "Get out the Vote" representative, Eva Wilson at 335-8222.

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this!**

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Minnesota Department of Human Services

## Reasons to Support Reauthorization of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act

H.R. 5312 AND S. 1057  
Federal duty to provide health services

American Indians and Alaska Natives ceded more than 400 million acres of land in exchange for promises that included commitments to provide health services. The Federal delivery of health services and funding of tribal and urban Indian health programs to maintain and improve the health of Indians is required by the Federal government's historical and unique legal relationship with the Indian people, as reflected in the Constitution, treaties, Federal statutes and the course of dealings of the United States.

### VERY BRIEF HISTORY

1849 – The Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) began providing health care services to Indian Tribes.

1921 – Authorizing language for appropriations for health services to Indians was enacted. The Act of November 2, 1921 (25 U.S.C. 13; popularly known as the Snyder Act.)

1955 – The responsibility for Native health care was transferred to the Indian Health Service (IHS).

1975 – The Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (Pub. L. 93-638) was enacted. It authorized Tribes to assume responsibility for BIA and IHS programs.

1976 – The Indian Health Care

Improvement Act (IHCIA) (Pub. L. 94-437) was enacted. It included the initial authorization for IHS and Tribal health programs to bill Medicare and Medicaid. The IHCIA has been reauthorized four times, most recently in 1992.

### PURPOSES OF THE INDIAN HEALTH CARE IMPROVEMENT ACT

Title I. Addresses the need for an adequate supply of health professionals in the Indian health system and creates opportunities for American Indians and Alaska Natives to pursue health careers.

Title II. Describes the continuum of health services authorized in the Indian health system.

Title III. Addresses the construction and maintenance of safe water and sewage facilities and of hospitals, clinics and other health facilities.

Title IV. Addresses access by allowing for third-party reimbursement, including from Medicare and Medicaid.

Title V. Provides for urban Indian health programs.

Title VI. Addresses structure of IHS and information technology.

Title VII. Addresses mental health, substance abuse, domestic violence and child abuse programs.

Title VIII. Addresses administrative issues within the IHS delivery system.

### PRINCIPLE OBJECTIVES OF THE REAUTHORIZATION

Health Objectives. Adopts the policy, for the first time, that the objectives for health improvements must be the same for American Indians and Alaska Natives as for all other Americans.

Self-Determination & Self-Governance. Updates the Act to recognize that since 1992 more than

half of the IHS programs are now being operated by Tribes and Tribal Organizations.

Continuum of Care. Provides authorization for a full range of health programs, rather than relying on "demonstration projects," so that IHS, Tribes and Urban Indian Organizations can take advantage of opportunities and set priorities that specifically respond to the needs of the local population.

Home and Community-Based Care. Updates the Act to focus on "programs" instead of "facilities" in recognition that nationally the length of stay in hospitals has decreased in favor of other care models.

Facility Funding Flexibility. Authorizes more flexible funding alternatives and inter-agency funding partnerships to help reduce the backlog in facility construction and maintenance.

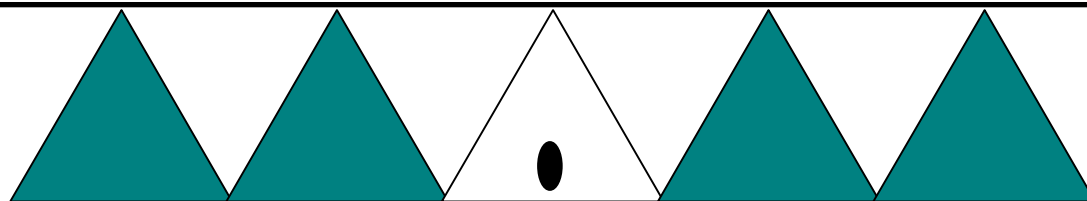
Behavioral Health. Authorizes integration of mental health, substance abuse & violence programs into a behavioral health program to provide more efficient and higher quality care.

Access to Medicare and Medicaid. Expands access to recovery from Medicare and Medicaid through amendments to the IHCIA and the Social Security Act and provides for a study of reimbursement.

## Native Youth

## Crisis Hotline

**1-877-209-1266**



### The Che-Wa-Ka-E-Gon Mini Mart & Gift Shop

Gas, Gifts, Diesel, Home Heating Oil, Food, Beer, Wild Rice, Snacks, Bait, Tackle, Pop, Java Coffee, Cigarettes, Souvenirs, Native American Art and more!

Mini Mart 335-8827

Gift Shop 335-8312

## Buy Leech Lake Products

The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe offers several different products/amenities available for purchase.

Why not put your hard earned dollar back into the Leech Lake Band economy? Leech Lake businesses include:

Che-We Mini Mart in Cass Lake offers:  
gas, c-store, wild rice, bait and gift shop  
(218-335-8227)

Che-We Supply in Cass Lake offers business and office products.  
(218-335-6101)

Northern Lights Express in Walker offers:  
gas and a c-store  
(218-335-3100)

Leech Lake Casinos Hotels, Restaurants & Gift Shops  
218-335-7500  
1-800-442-3909



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## DNR Encourages Firearms Hunters to Help Manage Deer in Buffalo River State Park During a Special Hunt Nov. 4 & 5

DNR News Release

For the first time in its 69-year history, Buffalo River State Park is offering most of its 1,200 acres for a special deer hunt on Nov. 4-5. Park Manager Brian Nelson is encouraging area firearms hunters to apply for one of the 12 permits that will be offered for the hunt.

Although the park is geographically just inside Zone 4, it was described in the hunting synopsis as included in Zone 2. To apply for the Buffalo River State Park permit lottery, hunters must have a Zone 2 or All-Season license and apply for special hunt area 915. According to state statutes, the park hunt is within the shotgun zone, so shotguns only will be permitted in the park.

"We're offering 12 permits to take antlerless deer," said Nelson. "Up to four bonus permits will also be available to successful hunt lottery applicants to reduce the number of deer in the park. We feel the hunt is necessary to control the deer population in the park, which has really exploded in recent years and is impacting vegetation."

The deer population in the park is above sustainable levels after the recent mild winters, according to Nelson, who became the parks manager in 2005. The DNR manages deer populations as part of the natural communities in Minnesota's state parks. If deer populations become unnaturally high in an area, browsing can decrease regeneration of some tree species and reduce the numbers of wildflowers and herbaceous plants.

The park will remain open for general users during the hunt, and day use areas in the park will be closed off to hunters. However, Nelson encourages all park visitors to pick up a park map at the information office so they are aware of where hunting will take place. He also asks that visitors wear blaze orange or other bright colors during their visit.

Applications for permits to hunt in Buffalo River State Park are available through the Electronic Licensing System located at most sporting goods stores and many convenience stores. For more information about the special deer hunt, contact Park Manager Brian Nelson at (218) 498-2124 or at PO Box 352, Glyndon, MN, 56547.

## Influenza

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any age with certain chronic medical conditions (examples asthma, diabetes, COPD, heart disease), people who live in nursing homes and other long term care facilities, household contacts of persons at high risk of complication from flu, and/or of children less than 6 months of age.

### Who should not be vaccinated?

There are people that should not be vaccinated for influenza, they include: anyone with a severe allergy to chicken eggs; anyone who has had a previous reaction to an influenza vaccination, anyone who developed Guillain Barré syndrome (GBS) within 6 weeks of getting an influenza vaccine previously, children less than 6 months of age, and anyone who currently has

a moderate or severe illness with a fever should wait to get vaccinated until their symptoms lessen. If you have questions about whether you should get a flu vaccine, consult your healthcare provider.

October or November is the best time to get vaccinated, but getting vaccinated in December or even later can still be beneficial since most influenza activity occurs in January or later in most years. Though it varies, flu season can last as late as May. The Cass Lake Indian Health Service is hoping that our vaccine will arrive by mid-October. Please watch for further information and Influenza Clinic times.

Reference: Influenza Fact Sheet. (August, 2006). Retrieved at <http://www.cdc.gov/flu>

## This Fall, Enhance Lakeshore Habitat for Wildlife

MN DNR

As you close your cabin or prepare your lake home for the winter, consider making your lake place more enticing to wildlife. Adding wildlife-nesting boxes is a good place to start. Purple martin houses should be at an open site, such as at the end of a dock. Tree swallow and eastern bluebird nest boxes can also be in open lawn areas. House wren nest boxes are best placed at brushy edges to woodlands. Black capped chickadee, barred owl, and screech owl nest boxes should be placed in wooded areas. Wood duck, common goldeneye, and common merganser nest boxes can be placed on posts over shallow water – about three feet above the high water level or in woods near the water. Place on predator-proof posts to avoid raccoons, cats and other predators. If you already have nest boxes, clean them this fall so they're ready for early migrating birds in the spring. Instead of clearing away dead trees, limbs, and branches, keep some for wildlife. Snags (dead trees) provide homes and food for many birds, waterfowl, and small mammals. Snags in the water provide habitat for fish and turtles.

Snags are important wildlife habitat. After a tree dies, its value for many wildlife species increases. Dead trees can be nesting sites for flickers and woodpeckers that create their own nest cavities. Once the cavities are created, they may also be used as nesting sites by squirrels, wood ducks, great crested flycatchers, tree swallows, eastern bluebirds, house wrens, black-capped chickadees, and white-breasted nuthatches.

In northern Minnesota, brown creepers nest under bark that has loosened from the tree. Birds of prey, like bald eagles and ospreys, frequently perch in dead trees because it gives them a good view of the surrounding areas. As dead trees age, the wood becomes soft and serves as a home for many beneficial native insects and their larvae. These insects and their larvae provide high-protein food for woodpeckers, nuthatches, and brown

creepers. When a dead tree or large limbs fall to the ground, they provide a different kind of habitat. They provide a damp environment for millipedes, ring-necked snakes and salamanders. Logs or branches that fall into the water provide basking sites for turtles and ducks. Branches of fallen trees or limbs protruding from the water provide excellent perches for eastern kingbirds, eastern phoebes, tree swallows, and purple martins.

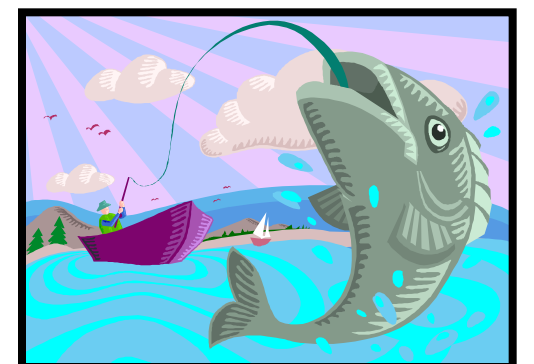
So, as you prepare your lake property for winter, enhance wildlife habitat by adding nesting boxes and keeping snags.

## Special Muskie Regs Proposed for Cass County Lakes

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) will hold public meetings to solicit comments on proposals to implement special muskie fishing regulations on several Cass County lakes. The DNR proposes to implement a 48-inch minimum size limit for muskellunge on Pike Bay, Big Boy, Swift, Child, Little Woman, Woman, Girl, Inguadona, Rice, Little Boy, Louise, Wabedo, and Leech Lakes as well as the connecting waters of the Boy River and other unnamed streams.

The open house will be held from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Oct. 3 at the Walker Hackensack Akeley School, 301 4th Street, Walker, MN.

For those unable to attend a public input meeting, written comments may be sent to Harlan Fierstine at the DNR Area Fisheries Office, 7316 State 371 NW, Walker, MN 56484. All comments must be received by 4:30 p.m. on Oct. 13.



## Cognitive Behavioral Intervention for Trauma in Schools (CBITS)



Pictured above (L to R) are Georgiana Ogema, LIEC/PAC Chairperson; John Parmeter, Curriculum/ Culture; David Peterson, School Psychologist; Vickie Azure, Special Education Coordinator; Bonnie Rock, Special Education Teacher Others in attendance: Johnny Mitchell, School Elder; Leslie Harper, Immersion Director; Chris Gale, Substance Abuse Counselor.

Last January 2006, the Cass Lake-Bena School District and the Leech Lake Reservation/Cass County Children's Initiative Mental Health Coordinator brought in a group from the University of Montana – Montana Center for the Investigation and Treatment of Childhood Trauma through a grant in response to the several murders and violent deaths that have occurred in our community. The team includes Darrell Stolle, Ed. D. Associate Professor Department of Curriculum and Instruction – University of Montana / Project Director, David Schuldberg, Professor of Clinical Psychology at the University of Montana / Project Evaluation Coordinator and Aaron Morsette, Trauma Intervention Specialist.

On Thursday, August 30, 2006 at 9:00 a.m. Darrell Stolle and David Schuldberg came to the Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School to provide a brief overview of the CBITS program to assist Brenda Jo Peterson, Youth & Family Service Consultant and David Peterson, School Psychologist in efforts to implement this program and provide information at the Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School. The CBITS Program corresponds with requirements for the researched based programs recommended for Title IV.

This program was developed in Los Angeles for minority children suffering from Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) symptoms. CBITS is culturally appropriate and meets the needs of Native American children living on the reservation. Preliminary results of CBITS data hold promise for alleviating PTSD and depressive symptoms in Indian child and adolescent populations. Training for this program has been ongoing in the Cass Lake-Bena School District since January 2006 and was implemented last spring. Brenda Jo Peterson has been trained along with David Peterson and will implement this 10 week program to those select students who qualify.

The Montana group will be returning to the area to provide continual support to the Cass Lake-Bena Schools and Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School. The individuals that have been trained meet quarterly to discuss implementation and provide updates on how the program is progressing in their various programs. We are planning to bring the Montana group back to provide information for individuals who could not attend this initial presentation – Tribal Council, School Board, LIEC/PAC members, Administration, School Elders, counselors, mental health workers and parents.



Submitted Photo

The Leech Lake Boys & Girls Club held a Family Day for club members and their families on Saturday, September 16, 2006. The biggest hit of the day was the velcro wall. The kids had a blast being tossed up against the wall by Gordon Fineday (left) and Rob Thibert (R) (B&G Club employees) and sticking there.

## Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School Welcomes New School Board Members



Gerald White has been associated with the Bug-O-Nay-Ge-School for many years. He has taught at the school and has served on the school board. Gerald has returned to the board representing District 1. Gerald's goals are for higher expectations of our students and higher standards of the staff.

Gerald has seven children ranging in age from 10 to 20 years old. From the youngest to the oldest, they are: Ningozis, Jesse, Raining, Zagijiin, Sage, Sam and Lavander. He also has a very special grandchild Nookwekuii "Snowy" White. She is known as "sweets" by "umpa".

Gerald's hobbies and interests are art, reading, pow-wows with family, camping traditional activities with family, gardening, education and listening to music.

Gerald appreciates the opportunity to work on improving education for our youth. Every child has the right to a good education.

Congrats to Gerald on being nominated our Board Chairperson!



### District III

Jerry Morgan was elected to a 4 year term on the school board in June of 2006. Jerry will graduate from BSU in 2008. He is very interested in

developing a lacrosse program at the school for both girls and boys. Jerry enjoys playing broomball, and recently attended a Swarm game at the Excel Center. He would like to focus some time in assisting others on obtaining a new high school.

Jerry has three children. They are Beau, Jamie Lyn, and Josh, and special niece Jesse. He has another grandchild coming in February. Congrats!

Jerry is now a full time student at BSU. He will be celebrating his involvement in the Leech Lake Big Drum Ceremonial. His interests and hobbies include: learning of Ojibwemowin, traditional Anishinaabe singer and drummer, enjoys traveling to various cultural celebrations and pow-wows, and coaching lacrosse to youth.

Jerry's comment is "The school is headed in a new direction."

Welcome Jerry!



Ron Burnette has been working with the Transportation Dept for 18 years. He recently retired and is our new District II school board member.

Ron's goals are to ensure staff stability and to work towards a new high school.

Ron and his wife Tammy have been married for 30 years, have children and grandchildren; Leah Burnette and Travis Slack.

Ron's hobbies are hunting and fishing!

Great to have you on board Ron!

# Leech Lake Labor Day Pow-wow 2006



*Photos by  
Patsy Gordon*



# Thank You

The North Central Minnesota Native American Veterans, Outreach and Resource Center would like to take the opportunity to thank the people involved in the Purple Heart Memorial Highway Dedication and Powwow on August 5, 6 and 7. Much appreciation to the individuals involved in the highway dedication. Particularly the veterans who participated in the cutting of the ribbon, LeRoy Fairbanks, retired Colonel Greg Chester, Pete Thompson, Elaine Fleming, the White Earth Honor Guard and the Leech Lake Honor Guard, and Veterans Hartley White, Don Staples, and Larry Stillday. We recognize and honor the families of WWII Veterans, P.O.W. James Hunt, P.O.W. Harvey Howard and Simon Howard whose memorial flags were flown during the Honoring ceremony.

We acknowledge and thank Leech Lake Gaming for their financial support, and especially for the buffalo meat and Veteran's Memorial Give Away honoring all our families' veterans, those living and those who have traveled on to the spirit world. We acknowledge and thank the following sponsors: Echo Printing of Pequot Lakes, and the following who donated giveaway gifts: Bemidji Woolen Mills, Coca-Cola of Bemidji, Pepsi Cola of Bemidji, Country Kitchen of Bemidji, Jennie Richards of Cass Lake. We acknowledge and thank Leech Lake Housing for the use of the sound system. We acknowledge and thank Teal's of Cass Lake for the use of their flagpole in the highway dedication ceremony. We acknowledge and thank the Veterans Administration Clinics of St. Cloud and Fargo for providing counselors to help veterans with claims and explain services available to veterans through the V.A. and for their participation in the Healing Talking Circles.

The Purple Heart Memorial Powwow and traditional warrior's feast of buffalo meat was a good social gathering and real traditional ceremonial recognition and honoring of our Warriors and the Families of the Warriors. There was no alcohol or drugs. There were no fights and no one got sick. Che mii gwetch!!

The next step in this Honoring of Warriors is to set up a memorial monument at the junction of Hwy 2 and the Purple Heart Memorial Highway (former hwy 371) in Cass Lake. Individuals who are interested in being part of the planning group and fund raising efforts please contact Bernard Rock, Sr. at 218-335-0106.



## Stand Up and Be Counted

The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe is partnering with Wilder Research Center to conduct a survey to count the number of Tribal members who don't have a place of their own. The study will help us bring money from the state and federal government to the Leech Lake Reservation to build new housing.

The surveys are completely anonymous. The data we collect will be used **only** to determine homelessness on the Leech Lake Reservation. Even if you are staying with friends or relatives, you will be counted as homeless for the purpose of this survey. The surveys will be conducted beginning October 23, 2006, at sites throughout our communities. Look for our reminder flyers coming soon.

You will receive \$10 for completing the survey! Be sure to answer all the questions, it will take approximately 1/2 hour to complete. Your time will be well spent in the long run. Help us build a strong community that has safe, decent, affordable housing for everyone.

## Surveys will be taken on October 23<sup>rd</sup> throughout the Leech Lake Reservation.

For more info call Delina White in Planning at **335.3511**



**Legal Notices****Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. Tara Ann Brown, Defendant,**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that **Tara Ann Brown, Defendant** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **November 21, 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, Section 215 C, Driving after Revocation.

**YOU ARE NOTIFIED BY PUBLICATION BECAUSE:**

1. Failure to appear in court on September 5, 2006 pursuant to the summons duly served upon you.

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**Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. Jesse W. Cournoyer, Defendant,**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that **Jesse W. Cournoyer, Defendant** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **November 21, 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, Section 214 A, Motor Vehicle Insurance-Owner

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**Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. Claudette M. Jackson, Defendant,**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that **Claudette M. Jackson, Defendant** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **November 21, 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, Section 214.C, Failure to show Proof of Insurance.

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**Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. Leah**

**Renee Jacobs, Defendant,**  
**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that **Leah Renee Jacobs, Defendant** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **November 21, 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, Section 215.A, No Driver's License.
2. Chapter 200, Section 217.A, Failure to stop for stop sign/red traffic control light.

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**Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. Raymond W. Jenkins Jr., Defendant, Raymond W. Jenkins Sr. and Shirlene Jenkins (Parents)**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that **Raymond W. Jenkins Jr., Defendant and Parents** are hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **November 21, 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, Section 215.A, No Driver's License

**YOU ARE NOTIFIED BY PUBLICATION BECAUSE:**

1. Failure to appear in court on August 29, 2006 pursuant to the summons duly served upon you.

**YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED** that if you fail to appear as required, judgment by default will be entered against you.

**Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. Jason C. Kornezos, Defendant,**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that **Jason C. Kornezos, Defendant** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **November 21, 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, Section 215.C, Driving after Revocation.

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**Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. Fena J. Reese, Defendant,**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that **Fena J. Reese, Defendant** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **November 21, 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, Section 215.A, No Driver's License.

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**Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. Ronald E. Skinaway, Defendant,**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that **Ronald E. Skinaway, Defendant** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **November 21, 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, Section 214.C, Failure to show Proof of Insurance.

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**Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. Cheryle L. White, Defendant,**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that **Cheryle L. White, Defendant** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **November 21, 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, Section 215.C, Driving after Revocation.

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**Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. Dora M. White, Defendant,**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that **Dora M. White, Defendant** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **November 21, 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, Section 208.A, Speeding from 1-10 mph over the limit.
2. Chapter 200, Section 215.C, Driving after Revocation.

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**Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. Vincent G. White, Defendant,**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that **Vincent G. White, Defendant** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **November 21, 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, Section 215.C, Driving after Revocation.

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**Leech Lake Band, Plaintiff vs. James E. Wilson, Defendant,**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that **James E. Wilson, Defendant** is hereby required to appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on **November 21, 2006 at 2:00 P.M.**, and answer the complaint filed alleging that **he** committed the following violation of the Leech Lake Traffic Code:

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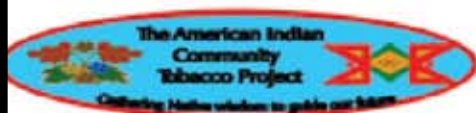
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