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The Leech Lake Tribal Council at the Quarterly Meeting in Onigum, MN on October 9th, 2009.

Chairman's Report

July 2009-September 2009

October 9, 2009 Quarterly Meeting

Onigum, MN-
Good morning and welcome to the quarterly meeting of the Leech Lake Reservation Business Committee. I will keep this report fairly short even though it has been a busy quarter.



Chairman LaRose

We had a great wildrice harvest and we bought green rice at \$1.75 lb. A lot of our band members had a good season and as usual much of the money earned went for school clothes and supplies. So the kids are now back in school and we are busy preparing during this fall weather for the coming winter.

We had a wonderful fine dining dinner for the elders with entertainment last month at Northern Lights and the turnout was really great. I had many elders tell me how much they enjoyed it. Many traveled from the twin cities but said it was worth it and was worth the trip. Many also said they hoped there would be more social gatherings in the future. I think on behalf of the tribal council we can assure you there will be.

I want to touch on four main areas that are critical to our future economic and social development and job opportunities that we set in our Comprehensive Economic

Report to the People of the Leech Lake Reservation

*From Michael J. Bongo,
Secretary Treasurer:*

Greetings fellow Band members, in my last report I provided the Band membership with the 2008-09 Government Year-end Financial Report and indicated

that I would follow up this month with the Gaming Financial Report for the same period. However in addition to the Gaming Financial Report I will also wrap up the Day Labor Audit Report

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Sec/Treas. Bongo

Northern Minnesota Regional Youth Service Providers Summit

By Chris Haugene

Walker, MN- With youth leaders and their staff in attendance and dozens of organizations participating, the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe hosted a summit where the focus surrounded the task of how to more efficiently offer services to youth in northern Minnesota.

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Deputy Director Randy Finn was one of the summits organizers and has been a youth advocate in the area for years. "We want to do a systemic change to regional youth services delivery. Our Regional Youth Development Strategy is simply developing a focused regional effort on providing youth services based on using a common language, and common tools (developmental assets). This focused effort will require the development of a regional youth service provider's network to provide a communications system to help youth service providers communicate, cooperate, and collaborate in developing a more coordinated regional youth service delivery system. This strategy and system development will help improve services and programs, increase the survivability of our area youth serving nonprofits, and help close many of the large regional gaps in youth services that exist today.

Our strategy is to have a more focused regional approach to youth services instead of currently what we have. Basically, a fractionated haphazard approach

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(L to R) Ann Aitken, Student of The Year; Danielle Jourdain, Female Athlete of The Year; Martin Wind, Male Athlete of The Year

Minnesota Indian Education Awards

By Chris Haugene

In early October three students from the Cass Lake Bena high school were given awards for excelling in academics. Ann Aitken, Martin Wind, and Danielle Jourdain all received accolades for their accomplishments in the classroom.

Ann Aitken was presented with the Outstanding American Indian Student of the Year award. A National Honor Society member since she was a junior, Aitken has excelled in both the classroom and on the athletic field playing golf, volleyball, and basketball as well as receiving the ExCEL award and the Triple A award for athletics, academics and activities since 2007. Although she's not sure where she is going to college next fall Ann is scheduled to tour the campus at Harvard University this fall.

Martin Wind received the Outstanding American Indian Male Athlete of the Year Award having participated in football, baseball, and basketball. He has been nominated MVP for Cass Lake as well as having played on the AAU basketball team. Martin has also been an all conference athlete for the past several years.

Danielle Jourdain won the Outstanding American Indian Female Athlete of the Year award. She also has been an all conference athlete for the past couple years in volleyball, basketball and a captain for the track team. She has been nominated and won MVP status for more than one of her teams as well as attending Leech Lake Tribal College.

These young athletes and scholars in training are examples to all of the kids on and around the Leech Lake Reservation. They study hard, practice with intensity, and are well worthy of the laurels they have achieved. We wish you well in all of your future endeavors and we hope that wherever your talents take you that you remember where you come from.

National Congress of American Indians

By Chris Haugene

Eugene "Ribs" Whitebird, District III Representative, is going to represent the Midwest region of Tribes on the National Congress of American Indians. Mr. Whitebird was recently elected to the post at the NCAI's annual meeting in early October and will serve as an alternate Vice President for the Midwest Region of Tribes.

This will give Leech Lake a voice when it comes to national issues and how the NCAI shapes its agenda. Issues of concern will vary from Indian Health Services, telecommunications, the census, homeland security, public safety, IRS taxation and a range of gaming issues to name a few.



(L to R) Jefferson Keel, NCAI President and Dist III Rep. Eugene "Ribs" Whitebird

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due in a large part to geography that keeps any type of regional service delivery system fractionated with large service gaps as available services are usually close to larger population areas. This limits youth access and is prohibitive to service networking to develop professional support and commonalities, no common service delivery language, limits sharing of resources or coordinated staff and professional development training opportunities, and limits identification of potential partnerships to help improve or promote programming innovation and close service gaps between service providers.

With the conclusion of the day long gathering many youth service providers were left with thoughts of how to continue this process of bringing organizations like Leech Lake Youth Division and the Cass Lake area Boys and Girls Club together with 4-H, and Rabideau Conservation Academy and Learning Center Evergreen House (to name only a couple). There were thoughts offered about starting a non for profit agency that would deal solely with this organizational effort. Another idea was to begin with a website where these local youth oriented organizations can post their information and use calendars and discussion boards to coordinate efforts.

One thing is certain: there is a lot of work to be done in order to get all of the area youth service providers organized and working together. But, with efforts like this summit and area leaders on board it sounds like there is a definite consensus being built around a concerted effort regarding the younger generations of this area. Stay tuned for more on the topic of youth strategy on and around the Leech Lake Reservation.

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Development Strategy or CEDS plan; Telecommunications infrastructure, Youth education and job training, Business Development, and land acquisition.

We submitted Broadband Stimulus funding applications for our telecommunications needs for over 8 million dollars. If we get fully funded it will be a major infrastructure development opportunity for us with associated jobs and business opportunities. The Band was asked to attend a telecommunications conference in Texas last month because they wanted to use our submitted technology plan as a model and as a key presentation for the conference.

We continue our commitment to our youth and Leech Lake has hosted a Regional Youth Services Providers Summit October 14th. This summit brought together area agencies and programs that serve youth to put together a Regional Youth Development Strategy and start the process to form a regional service network to develop collaborations and partnerships for guiding and saving young lives. Leech Lake has taken the lead on this and a number of outside agencies have

joined us in this effort. We know the negative statistic for our youth and we are committed to doing everything possible to make sure they get the services and opportunities they need. I expect great things to come out of this project.

We also are continuing to move us toward Nation Building on October 1 & 2 we attended a Bush Foundation Conference for Nation Building and we will be holding informational sessions for the Band members. All of these efforts are part of the change needed if we are to move away from business as usual and toward real nation building. A real exercise of sovereignty. Changes we need to make not just to survive but to prosper. By doing this I believe that I am fulfilling to you, the Leech Lake people, my promise to not only bring change, but to bring positive change that will guarantee a good future for our children, grandchildren, and our future generations.

In regard to land acquisition we are still battling the counties who are in opposition to us placing land into trust. We have less than 5% percent of our original reservation land base so this is a critical need for us. We need to continue to identify and acquire land that is available that will help us build our land base.

Lastly, I want to report on the Nelson Act settlement the Claim Settlement Fund Account Balance as of 8/31/09 is \$28,441,608 million. On October 1, 2009 MCT had a 10-2 vote to do a 1/6th split with a per capita payment of \$300 per MCT member. Leech Lake will continue to oppose this as we always felt we should be compensated 68.9% because that is the percent of damages that occurred on Leech Lake.

I give thanks to the most important supporters of all, the members of this reservation. I want to wish all the band members on and off the reservation and employees a happy holiday season as our next quarterly will be after the next couple of major holidays. Chi Migwetch Anishinabeg on behalf of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe and the RBC.



Arthur "Archie" LaRose
Chairman

Debahjimon Essay Contest!



Two winners will have their essays published in the Debahjimon.

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750 words or less in a Times New Roman 12pt. Font typed double spaced.

Topics:

- Tribal government and tribal politics
- Ojibwe culture and traditions in contemporary times
- Ojibwe language and its significance within our culture
- Ojibwe historical perspective: past, present, and future
- Education and its impact on our future
- The merits of establishing athletic programs at tribal colleges

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Inger	Closed	9-5:30	9-5:30	9-5:30	9-5:30	9-5:30
Bena	Closed	9-5:30	9-5:30	9-5:30	9-5:30	9-5:30
Onigum	Closed	9-5:30	9-5:30	9-5:30	9-5:30	9-5:30

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Summary of Job Openings

Closing October 23, 2009

Human Services Division:

2 FT Case Manager/OTP • Job Code: 09-125
Program Assistant/A&D • Job Code: 09-124

Closing October 30, 2009

Dept Of Public Works:

Heating Technician • Job Code: 09-131
Carpenter • Job Code: 09-130
Plumber • Job Code: 09-129

Education Division:

Youth Build Counselor • Job Code: 09-127
Administrative Assistant/Youth Build • Job Code: 09-128

Health Division:

2 PT EMT's • \$11.00/hr • Job Code: 09-132
PT SHIP Health Educator • Job Code: 09-098

Tribal Development:

Community Development • \$18.25/hr • Job Code: 09-126

Twin Cities Office:

Elder Advocate • Job Code: 09-037
- Located in Minneapolis, MN

Open Continuous

Education Division:

ECD Family Service Advocates • \$8.40/hr • Job Code: 09-102
-Positions in: Inger, Bena, Bemidji, Cass Lake
Teacher's Assistant (All Sites) • \$8.40/hr • Job Code: 09-086

Human Services Division:

Case Manager • Job Code: 09-044

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

You may also fax your documents to HR, our FAX number is; #218-335-3697, or Email your documents to LLhumanresources@Llojibwe.com.

LLBO Policy: HR must receive your application documents before or no later than 4:30pm on the date the position is scheduled to close. Late applications received after 4:30pm on closing date will not be accepted. Call 218-335-3698 or toll free 1-800-631-5528 for more information.

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and I would also like to update the Band membership on some recent action with respect to the Nelson Act Settlement. This will entail a lot of information so I will try and be as brief yet as concise so as possible as not to get too lengthy.

Leech Lake Gaming 2008-09 Year-end Financial Report:

For the year, Leech Lake Gaming operations had a total combined revenue of \$81,717,154 which represented a overall decrease in revenue from the previous year's revenue of \$82,948,723 for a decrease of (\$1,231,569). While at first glance this may appear to be a negative in reality it is not. Let me explain further: last year was a record year for the Leech Lake Gaming operation with the highest recorded revenue ever. This year represents the 4th highest revenue year in the history of the Leech Lake Gaming operations in a very, very tough economic climate which I believe is outstanding given the state of the nation's economy.

While overall revenue was down slightly, operating expenses were also down from \$64,900,000 in 2007-08 to \$64,200,000 in 2008-09 or a decrease in operating expenses of approximately \$700,000. This represents good business management by controlling and keeping expenses down based upon yearly revenue and income projections and forecasts. Additional positives included and overall increases in the Leech Lake Gaming net assets up from \$11,178,486 in 2007-08 to \$12,993,333 for a net gain of approximately \$1,814,847. Other additional positives included reducing the Bremer Bank Line of Credit from \$3.1 million to \$1.4 million for a reduction of \$1.7 million with the Line of Credit scheduled to be completely paid off by July of 2010, and lastly the repayment of \$1 million toward the principal on Shakopee Sioux Community Loan agreement thus reducing the overall balance to \$40 million.

Total payroll expenses accounted for approximately 57% of the operating expenses or \$36,755,508.

In conclusion, I would like to commend all of the Gaming employees and management on what I believe to be an outstanding job given the state of the economic situation faced by our local and regional economy. Again congratulations, thank you and keep up the good work.

Should any Band members like any additional detailed information, or a copy of the annual audit, please feel free to contact my office at (218)-335-8200. I will closeout the gaming report by also reporting to the Band membership that the Leech Lake Gaming operations is also in full compliance with the requirements of the NIGA.

Day Labor Program:

In my past reports I have highlighted some of the problems and issues associated with the Leech Lake Day Labor Program to include an edited version of the internal audit report which I do not think fully captured or clarified the heart of the problems. To ensure the Band membership understand the nature of the problems associated with this program I am going to be very explicit and point each issue out completely, however before I do so I would like to report quickly that Janice Gale, since her appointment as Day Labor Program Director has done a very fine job of cleaning up many of the problems and issues that we have encountered. That is not to say that there are not still some lingering issues and problems, but by and large Ms. Gale, has done a fine job and I would like to take this opportunity to

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not only commend her but thank her as well for her hard work and dedication while dealing with some very, very difficult issues. That being said the following are some of the problems, issues and findings of the recent audit report.

First as I have pointed out before the Day Labor Program overspent their budget by some \$500,000 during the period of February, March and April of this past year, 2009.

Six of the nine site supervisors were driving Leech Lake Reservation vehicles despite the fact that they did not have valid drivers licenses. This created a huge issue in terms of liability to the Band.

Over half of the equipment purchased for the program can not be accounted for. Word on the street is that much of this equipment was transported to pawnshops outside of the area and to add insult to injury Program vehicles were used to do so. Today this equipment still remains unaccounted for.

Several pieces of used equipment were purchased by the then Program Director at far greater than the equipment's actual value.

Supervisors were openly filling up their personal vehicles with gas and charging the gas to the program along with other items such as cigarettes, energy drinks, sandwiches and other personal items.

Site supervisors were allowing daily workers to report for work, pay them \$20 and allowing them to then go home for the day and paying them for work that was not performed.

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To the People of Leech Lake,

I would like to take this opportunity to address a subject that has been on my mind since the beginning of this administration: Emergency Management Preparedness.

Ever since the numerous weather disasters and the attacks of 9/11, the federal government has placed extensive resources into state governments so that counties and their communities become better prepared to respond to any Health, natural disasters, or domestic events.

As the Chairman of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe, I also feel strongly that we must also protect and become prepared for any such threat to our people, land, and resources. With the number of activities that are now developing on our reservation, its important that we identify these potential situations and, have action plans ready to respond in case of an emergency.

To ensure this objective is met, this administration is now posting a Full-Time position to help coordinate these efforts. This individual would be responsible for the Coordination of all emergency response preparedness activities for the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe.

As of today, we have re-established (TERC), the Tribal Emergency Response Commission. This commission is compiled of key divisions such as: Gaming, Health, Public Safety, Education, and the DRM, to name just a few. This commission has been involved with divisions, programs along with initiating community outreach campaigns to inform our local communities on these potential threats.

All in all, Emergency Preparedness affects all of us. I feel that as individuals we have a personal responsibility for the well being and protection of our people, land and resources.

With that, if you have any comments or would like to become a volunteer, please contact our administrative office and we'll forward you to the proper personnel.

Thank you for your time and consideration to this matter.

Mii-Gwech

Archie LaRose, Chairman

NOTICE: DEER DISEASE TESTING

The Leech Lake Reservation DRM in conjunction with USDA APHIS will test tribally harvested deer through December for *Bovine Tuberculosis (TB)* and *Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD)*

\$25 Che We Gas Voucher
will be provided per adult deer.
Testing will be limited to 50 deer.

CWD

CWD has been found in a few domesticated elk and deer from captive herds in Minnesota.

It has not been found in wild deer in Minnesota.

To date there have been no known cases spread to humans.

Testing will create baseline information on the reservation's deer herd.



Bovine TB

TB has been found in deer just northwest of the Red Lake Reservation.

It is believed to have been spread from infected domestic cattle herds.

This disease is caused by bacteria *that can be spread to humans* from direct contact with infected animals or by consuming undercooked meat.

*Both of TB and CWD can be detrimental to deer populations, but **have not** yet been documented in the reservation deer herd.*

To receive a \$25 Che We Gas Voucher

- Starting **October 5th** you can bring your adult deer to the Leech Lake Division of Resources Management Office in Cass Lake from 8:00am to 4:30pm, Monday-Friday.
- We will not collect samples from fawns. (Fawns are too young to have contracted these diseases and exhibit symptoms), or head-shot deer. Six lymph nodes will be collected from the head of each animal. The chest cavity will also be examined for lesions. Sampling only takes a few minutes on unfrozen animals, so please do not allow the deer to freeze or sampling is more difficult.
- Bring your deer hunting license and tag information. You may not bring in more deer than your legal harvest limit.
- Be able to locate the harvest location from a map that we provide.
- In the event an animal test positive for these diseases the hunter will be notified of test results.

For additional information on this program,
Bovine TB, or **CWD** call the DRM office at 335-7423.

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There were numerous reports of both individuals and in some cases entire site crews using drugs and alcohol openly on the job.

There were also numerous confirmed reports of sexual harassment, extortion and threats of violence and intimidation by the then Program Director.

Clearly our executive management completely dropped the ball in managing this program, however in their defense their hands were somewhat tied because of continuing interference by a couple of Tribal Council members who had conflicts of interest, i.e. family and friends involved in the management of the program and were quick to try and both defend and or protect the offenders at hand. As an example when the Program Director was finally suspend without pay for his actions, Chairman LaRose signed off on the individual's timesheet thus allowing the individual to be paid while on suspension which not only sent the wrong message but in essences condoned the behavior and basically said it was ok to outright steal and swindle the Band and its funds and resources and I for one will not tolerate this type of performance or behavior.

I firmly believe that the entire situation with Jim Michaud and the Special Projects Program was nothing more then an attempt to shift and divert attention away from the major problems and issues associated with the Day Labor Program.

Chairman LaRose has attempted to insinuate that I somehow failed to do my job as Secretary Treasurer in safeguarding the Bands assets and resources in regard to the Jim Michaud situation. In all honesty I am not so much concerned with an individual using their accrued leave and getting paid while incarcerated which amounted to approximately \$4,000.00, as I am the blatant outright theft and misuse of approximately \$500,000 in Band funds and resources. Unfortunately Chairman LaRose failed to disclose this information to the Federal authorities or Cass County Attorney when he attempted to have Jim Michaud prosecuted.

If we want to talk about issues let us begin by being open, honest and objective. As I have always stated, before you can fix a problem you must first begin by properly identifying the problem. While my report will raise a lot of eyebrows, one thing I will never compromise is my honesty and integrity to the people of the Leech Lake Reservation.

I continue to maintain that the Day Labor Program is a good program and serves the people of the Leech Lake Reservation well. However it is incumbent upon us as a Tribal Council to ensure that this program like all programs and services of the Leech Lake Reservation are properly and honestly managed and as a Tribal Council member I will not stand by and tolerate anything less.

Nelson Act:

This past spring at a TEC meeting in Grand Portage the TEC held a Special Meeting in an attempt to find a compromise on this long standing impasse and deadlock. To refresh everyone's memory the four smaller tribes, Bois Forte, Grand Portage, Fond Du Lac and Mille Lacs, want the Nelson Act Settlement based upon an even one sixth split. White Earth on the other hand would like the settlement based upon population and Leech Lake's position is that we would like to see the settlement based upon actual damages of which approximately 69% occurred on the Leech Lake Reservation.

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After considerable discussion on the subject at hand at this Special meeting I offered a proposed compromise. Basically the settlement appropriated \$20 million but with interest to date the total amount is now at approximately \$27 million. My proposed compromise was to divide the money into thirds and take \$9 million and divide it based upon a one sixth split, take an additional \$9 million dollars and divide it based upon population and the remaining \$9 million and divide it based upon damages, thus allowing everyone to get somewhat of what they wanted which I thought for discussion purposes was a fair starting compromise.

The administration of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe stated that they would like to take some additional time and study this proposed compromise. Approximately one month later we received a letter from the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe offering an amended compromise which basically spilt the original settlement amount of \$20 million based upon a one sixth split and then split the interest of approximately \$7 million dollars in half and divide \$3.5 million based upon population and the remaining \$3.5 million based upon damages. This of course was unacceptable to the Leech Lake Reservation for a number of reasons.

On October 1, 2009 we were subsequently called to another Special Meeting of the TEC held at Mystic Lake for what I thought was a meeting to continue discussions on a proposed compromise. Unfortunately I was wrong. The purpose of the meeting was to act on what I can only construe as a separate deal cut by the four smaller tribes, Bois Forte, Grand Portage, Fond Du Lac, Mille Lacs and White Earth. The resolution that was proposed was basically dividing the total amount of approximately \$27 million in half and then splitting \$13.5 million based upon a one sixth split and the remaining balance of \$13.5 million based upon population. Such a proposed settlement is not only completely unfair to the Leech Lake Reservation which again suffered the greatest damages but also in my opinion is completely unethical in that Leech Lake Reservation attempted to negotiate with the leadership of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe in good faith and instead fell victim to what I can only construe as outright backdoor politics.

When Chairman LaRose and I attempted to continue the dialog and discussion in hopes of finding some middle ground, Chairwoman Viznor from White Earth immediately called the question and requested an immediate vote on their new resolution which was subsequently passed by a vote of 10 – 2 with both Chairman LaRose and I voting in opposition to the resolution and proposed settlement.

The following week, on October 7 & 8, 2009, I traveled to Washington D.C. to continue my efforts to lobby for funding for a new Bug-O-Nay-Gee-Shig High School and to attend a fund raising event for Congressmen Jim Oberstar. While in Washington D.C. I had the opportunity to meet with several of the Minnesota Congressional delegation and others to include Senator Moe Udall, from Utah and a member of the Senate Select Committee on Indian Affairs, Senator Amy Klobushar, staff from Senator Al Franken's office, staff from Congresswomen Betty McCullen's office, Congressmen Tim Waltz, and of course Congressmen Jim Oberstar.

Upon arrival at Congressmen Oberstar's office, Congressmen Oberstar's staff presented me with a copy of the resolution passed the week before by the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Tribal Executive Committee and informed me that the tribal leaders from White Earth, Bois Forte, Grand Portage, Fond Du Lac and Mille Lacs had scheduled several meetings with the Minnesota Congressional delegation during the week of October 19th to lobby and request congress to sponsor and pass a bill settling the Nelson Act based upon their newly passed resolution. Congressmen Oberstar and his staff were very interested in Leech Lake's position.

I informed Congressmen Oberstar that the Leech Lake Tribal Council had

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Obituaries

LAWRENCE KRUMREY

Lawrence Edward Krumrey, 51, of Bemidji died Thursday, October 1, 2009 at his home.

Funeral Services were held Friday, October 9, 2009 at the Veteran's Memorial Building in Cass Lake.

Interment was at the Porcupine Lane Cemetery in Cass Lake under the direction of the Cease Family Funeral Home of Bemidji.

Laurance was born October 21, 1957 in Bemidji, MN the son of Donald and Ida (Clemish) Krumrey. He was raised and educated in Blackduck and Bemidji. He worked at Jim's Recycling in Bemidji for a number of years. He then worked as a technician at Terry's Auto Electric for over 10 years. He met Patricia Morgan 24 years ago. They had two children and lived together until her death in 2005. He loved to spend time with his family especially his grandchildren. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, camping, going to the casino and working on old vehicles.

He survived by a daughter: Frances Krumrey of Cass Lake, Son: Lawrence Krumrey of Cass Lake, A step daughter- Angela Morgan of Cass Lake, 8 Grandchildren: James, Tyler, Austin, Ryan, Jessica, Derek, Katrina and Larry III. Mother- Ida Krumrey of



Bemidji, 3 Brothers- Darrell Krumrey of Bemidji, Wayne Krumrey of Bemidji, Donald "Bucky" Krumrey of Bemidji, 4 sisters- Val, Gloria, Wendy and Debbie and numerous nieces and nephews

He was preceded in death by his father, companion Patricia Morgan and 2 infant sons.

Casketbearers will be Dave Staples, Alan Randberg, Jamie Randberg, James Morgan, Derek Howard and Christopher Cross.

Messages of condolence may be left at ceasefuneralhome.com.

SEAN SAICE

Sean Earl Saice, whose Ojibwe name is "Binesii" which means "Eagle Soaring Above", 42, of Red Lake died Tuesday, September 15, 2009 at Red Lake Indian PHS Hospital in Red Lake.



Funeral Services will be 11:00 am, Saturday, September 19, 2009 at the Veteran's Memorial Building in Cass Lake, MN. A wake will begin at 4:00 pm on Thursday, Sept. 17 at the Veteran's Memorial Building in Cass Lake and will continue until the time of the service on Saturday. Interment will be at the Holy Cross Cemetery in Bemidji, MN under the direction of the Cease Family Funeral Home of Bemidji.

He was born January 17, 1967 in Chicago, Illinois, the son of Donald and Barbara (Day) Saice. He lived most of his life in

Minnesota, living in Bemidji and Red Lake. He graduated from Bemidji High School in 1985. He spent a year attending Bemidji State University. He was also an electrician apprentice through the Leech Lake Tribal College. He married Tracey Sayers on October 25, 1992 in Cass Lake. He worked at the Palace Casino in Cass Lake. He also worked for Take Pride Insulation in Bozeman, Montana. Sean's biggest passion was his family, especially welcoming his 5 grandchildren with loving arms. His other interests included playing softball, golf, and bowling which he received many awards. He was an avid Minnesota sports fan, especially the Vikings and the Twins. His love for his children and grandchildren was unmatched.

He is survived by his mother- Barbara Saice, Wife - Tracey, Sons- Matthew, Devin and daughter- Shauntel, 2 granddaughters and 3 grandsons, Brother- Donald (Julie) Saice, Several nieces and nephews

He was preceded in death by his father in 1998, brother- John and several uncles and grandparents.

Casketbearers will be John Saice, Matthew Saice, Bob Erle, Devin Sayers, Andrew Skaaren and Russ White.

Messages of condolence may be left at ceasefuneralhome.com.

LEROY PEMBERTON III

LeRoy Mark "Bruce" Pemberton III, 20, of Cass Lake, MN died Friday, October 2, 2009 at the Cass Lake IHS Indian Hospital in Cass Lake, MN.

Funeral Services were held Tuesday, October 6, 2009 at the Cass Lake Facility Center in Cass Lake with Rev. Paul Larson officiating.

Interment was at the Pine Grove Cemetery in Cass Lake under the direction of the Cease Family Funeral Home of Bemidji.

LeRoy was born April 8, 1989 in Bemidji, the son of LeRoy and Rhonda (Ness) Pemberton, Jr. He was raised and educated in Rice Lake and Plymouth, Wisconsin and returned to Cass Lake in 2001. He graduated from Cass Lake High School in 2007. He worked as a cook at the Palace Casino. He enjoyed playing video games, basketball, and poker at the Casino. He loved spending time with his family and friends.



He is survived by his father - LeRoy Pemberton of Cass Lake, 3 sisters- Laura (Nathan) Ness, Rita (Justin) Ness, Candra Pemberton all of Cass Lake, Grandparents - LeRoy and Estelle Pemberton, Sr. of Cass Lake, Numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and a nephew. He was preceded in death by his mother Rhonda Pemberton- in Oct. 2003, Grandparents- Ronald Ness and Jean Dahl, 2 aunts- Sandra Utley and Roxanne Ness and a cousin, Manda Utley.

Active Casketbearers will be Blaine Reich, Thomas Tryon, Dave Villiard, Roger Strong, Jr., Nathan Messer and Justin Gagola. Honorary Casketbearers will be Courtney Pemberton, Mindy Utley, Shawn Pemberton, Brandi Strong and all of LeRoy's nieces and a nephew.

Messages of condolence can be left at ceasefuneralhome.com.

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Countdown to Faith In Action Raffle Drawing: 4 Weeks

With 4 weeks to go in the Faith in Action raffle fundraiser, only 150 tickets remain to be sold for a chance at the grand prize, a Sunset Red 2009 Polaris Ranger Crew LE (see photo), and other prizes. The Polaris Ranger Crew seats 6, tows 2000 pounds, and comes with a built-in class 3 hitch. You may have seen the Polaris Ranger Crew at various locations around the county showing off its large "Win Me!" signs. Tickets are \$100, available at many local businesses. The drawing will be held on November 10th at 5PM at the Faith in Action office in Hackensack. The raffle is limited to 300 tickets, so the odds are fantastic!

100% of the proceeds raised by the raffle go to support the programs of Faith in Action for Cass County. Faith in Action is a community-based, non-profit organization providing non-medical assistance to older adults, people with disabilities, and other individuals experiencing difficult circumstances. Volunteers provide transportation, meal delivery, friendly visiting, homemaking, chores, ramp building, and respite. The raffle is Faith in Action's largest fundraiser. By buying a raffle ticket you are directly supporting your neighbors in need in Cass County.

For more information, call Faith in Action for Cass County at 866-675-5435 or check out the website at www.faithinactioncass.com.

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attempted to negotiate in good faith with the other Tribal Leaders of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe but unfortunately we had fallen victim to what I can only continue to construe as backdoor politics and subsequently bad faith and that Leech Lake was not in agreement or support of the proposed settlement agreement being put forth by the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe. Additionally I also informed Congressmen Oberstar that Leech Lake was open to continuing the on-going dialog, discussion and negotiations in hopes of finding a more fair and equitable settlement to potentially include the return of land to Leech Lake Reservation in exchange for a monetary settlement. I concluded by requesting Congressmen Oberstar not support the proposed settlement being offered by the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe and that he encourage the leadership of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe to return to the negotiation table and to negotiate in good faith with the leadership of the Leech Lake Reservation in hopes of finding a more fair and equitable resolution and reminded him that 69% of the damages occurred on the Leech Lake Reservation.

Given the recent direction that this has taken I felt that it was extremely important that I inform the Band membership and I would highly encourage our Band membership to write or e-mail your comments and concerns regarding the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe proposed Nelson Act Settlement to Congressmen Oberstar since he represents five of the six members of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe and I strongly doubt that any legislation would move forward without his support. Congressmen Oberstar's mailing address is as follows:

Congressmen Jim Oberstar
2365 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington D.C. 20515

I wish to conclude my report by apologizing for its length, but I felt it important to cover the issues in as much detail as possible to ensure that our Band members are fully informed.

I wish to close by thanking you for your time and to remind our Band members that I may be reached at (218)-335-8200 with any questions or concerns you may have.

Sincerely

Michael J. Bongo
Secretary Treasurer
Leech Lake Reservation

NOTICE:**IF YOU HAVE BEEN FOUND IN CONTEMPT OF COURT BECAUSE YOU RECEIVED A LEECH LAKE TRAFFIC CITATION AND FAILED TO APPEAR FOR COURT AND/OR FAILED TO PAY FINES...**

Under the Leech Lake Traffic Code, Section 303, any person who fails to appear in court after being issued a citation or summons, or any person who is found guilty and ordered to pay a fine and fails to pay the fine, is subject to an additional civil contempt penalty not to exceed \$500.00. Under the Leech Lake Judicial Code, there is no statute of limitations on collection of debts owed to the Band. If found in Contempt, the Leech Lake Tribal Court may:

1. Order seizure and impoundment of license plates;
2. Order the conviction to be reported to the Minnesota Department of Public Safety;
3. Order the seizure and impoundment of the vehicle driven in the commission of the offense charged;
4. Garnish wages or take other action to enforce the judgment;
5. Notify the Leech Lake Registrar of Motor Vehicles that the amount due is to be added to the fee charged for registration of vehicle(s).

TO CLEAR YOUR CONTEMPT OF COURT, you may appear in person in Leech Lake Tribal Court on any Tuesday at 1:00 p.m. to discuss your case with the Leech Lake Tribal Prosecutor. If you cannot afford to pay the fine, you may be allowed to do community service work instead. If you were found guilty by default and wish to contest the finding of guilt, you may be given the opportunity to do so after speaking with the Tribal Prosecuting Attorney. Once acceptable payment or community service arrangements are made, or if another plea agreement is reached with the Band, the contempt fine will be waived. This special opportunity is being offered as part of the Court's Fine Amnesty Program to help defendants take care of outstanding traffic fines. You must appear before October 31, 2009, to take advantage of this opportunity to work with the Tribal Prosecutor to finalize your case.

IF YOU DO NOT APPEAR TO CLEAR YOUR CONTEMPT OF COURT BEFORE OCTOBER 31, 2009, the final contempt order will be forwarded to the Leech Lake Registrar of Vehicles and your wages may be garnished to collect the full amount due (original fine plus civil contempt penalty). In addition, your conviction may be reported to the State of Minnesota and your plates may be confiscated.

The full Leech Lake Traffic Code is available on the Court's webpage, which can be accessed on the official Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe website under the "Legal" link. If you have questions, please call Court Administrator Patricia L. Pizzala at 335-4418. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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

6530 US Hwy 2 West
Cass Lake, MN 56633
218-335-3682/4418
Traffic Division

NOTICE OF INTENT TO PROCEED BY DEFAULT

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

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

Dated this 8th day of October 2009.

APPEARANCE DATE: December 1, 2009, at 2:00 PM

Defendant	Case No.	Charge and Date
Cecelia M. Benaise	TR-09-117	Failure to Use a Seatbelt/Child Restraint Occurring On: 05/24/2009
Jacob M. Budreau, Sr.	TR-09-081	No Insurance Occurring On: 05/07/2009
Edward J. Fairbanks, III	TR-09-116	No Proof of Insurance Occurring On: 06/06/2009
Alisha M. Hart	TR-09-087	No Driver's License Occurring On: 05/14/2009
Peter L. Headbird	TR-09-113	Failure to Use a Seatbelt/Child Restraint Occurring On: 05/24/2009
Cassandra M. Jackson	TR-09-064	Driving After Suspension No Motor Vehicle Registration-Owner Occurring On: 02/16/2009
Nathan J. Lindgren	TR-09-076	Driving After Cancellation Occurring On: 12/27/2008
Ross S. Littlewolf	TR-09-114	No Driver's License Occurring On: 06/26/2009
Thomas W. Matthews	TR-09-115	Driving After Revocation Occurring On: 06/26/2009
Michael P. Morris	TR-09-118	Failure to Use a Seatbelt/Child Restraint Occurring On: 05/24/2009
Curtis A. Ortley	TR-09-071	Failure to Use a Seatbelt/Child Restraint Occurring On: 04/01/2009
Travis L. Raisch	TR-09-070	Failure to Show Proof of Insurance Occurring On: 04/04/2009
Walter S. Reese	TR-09-061	Open Bottle Occurring On: 01/16/2009
Walter S. Reese	TR-09-031	Driving After Revocation Occurring On: 1/16/2009
Franklin L. Robinson	TR-09-108	Failure to Show Proof Of Insurance Occurring On: 05/21/2009
Glenn A. Smith	TR-09-073	Driving After Revocation Failure to Show Proof of Insurance Occurring On: 02/08/2003
Ronald J. Staples	TR-09-067	Driving After Revocation Occurring On: 02/07/2009
Ronald J. Thunder	TR-09-085	Driving After Suspension Occurring On: 05/01/2009

-LEGAL NOTICE BY PUBLICATION-

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Children of:

Rojelio Perez, Parent
Court File No. CP-09-55

NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on 8-17-2009 a Petition for Alternative Relief was filed in Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the children of the above-named parent. A Hearing will commence on November 9, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. in the Leech Lake Tribal Courtroom located in Cass Lake, Minnesota. The telephone number is (218) 335-4418 or (218) 335-3586. You are served with this notice because you are a party to this proceeding or you are a person whose presence is important to a determination concerning the custody of your children. If you fail to appear for this hearing the Court may find you in default and enter an order.

Dated: August 17, 2009 by Tom Dahl,
Paralegal

-LEGAL NOTICE BY PUBLICATION-

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Children of:

Rebecca Anderson, Parent
Court File No. CP-08-40

NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on 2-09-2009 a Petition for Alternative Relief was filed in Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the children of the above-named parent. A Hearing will commence on December 7, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. in the Leech Lake Tribal Courtroom located in Cass Lake, Minnesota. The telephone number is (218) 335-4418 or (218) 335-3586. You are served with this notice because you are a party to this proceeding or you are a person whose presence is important to a determination concerning the custody of your children. If you fail to appear for this hearing the Court may find you in default and enter an order.

Dated: October 8, 2009 by Tom Dahl,
Paralegal



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10/6/09

To Chairman Arthur LaRose,

Just a quick note to say thank you so much for your participation in our proclamation signing and for allowing me to visit with you last week. Please accept a copy of our new book entitled, "Home is Where You Live"...illustrated by the Voyageurs Expeditionary High School SAVE Group. If you would like more copies to give away, call me at 218-333-0403 and I can make arrangements to get more books to you. We are inviting agencies and organizations that work with children who may be witnessing family violence or who have experienced abuse to attend our book giveaway on October 14th, at the American Indian Resource Center from 5pm – 6pm. There we will be distributing the books to agencies working with children.

Thanks again for your interest in our cause!

Respectfully Yours,

Kathryn Anne Lavelle

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Emergency Shelter
Crisis/TTY: 218.751.0211
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Nokomagiis Program
Office: 218.444.0735

Outreach Program
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Community Education: 218.333.0403
Criminal Justice Intervention: 218.444.5098

Veteran's Fair

By Chris Haugene

Bena, MN – The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe sponsored a two day Veterans event in conjunction with the Fargo Veterans Affairs Medical Center and Dakotas Regional Office on October 7th at the Bena Community Center.

A Women's Health and Wellness Day was also held at the Community center during this two day event in yet another effort of Leech Lake leadership to try and offer some of its services outside of the Cass Lake area for some of the Band membership who might not have transportation into the Cass Lake area.

There were booths set up and information on hand regarding home loans for Veterans, benefits, how to reintegrate back into society, homelessness, and traumatic experience guidance was also on hand. Events like this are important for the wellbeing and future of those who have so selflessly served in the armed forces so they can continue to be members of a country they helped sustain and have thrived within.

Leech Lake would like to thank Disabled American Veterans, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and Frank Bowstring, Tribal Veteran Service Officer. If you are a Veteran, here are some phone numbers that could be helpful:

Women Veterans Program Manager – 1-800-410-9723 ext. 9-3786
VA Eligibility 1-800-410-9723 ext. 9-3427
Website: www.fargo.va.gov

Leech Lake American Legion Post 2001 News

- **2010 Post Membership Dues:** Just a reminder to Leech Lake Legion Post members that the Post annually pays the membership fee for its official veteran membership. Do not send in your personal check for the dues.

- **Boys State:** In the June of 2009 the Bena Legion Post 2001 was represented by Bug O Nay Ge Shig high school student Jordan Robinson at the prestigious one week Boys State conference at Southwest State University, Marshall, MN.

- **LL Tribal Veterans Service Office:** If any veteran has a need to contact your Veterans Service Office for VA military or medical services, information or application, contact Frank Bowstring, LL Tribal Veterans Service Officer at (218) 335-3691; toll free ph: (877) 777-1560; cell (218) 556-0345; e-mail Frank.Bowstring@llojibwe.com

For Legion questions or comments, contact Post Commander, Frank W. Reese at (218) 547 – 1962 or Vice Commander, Roger T. Aitken at (218) 760-0274 (rtaitken@arvig.net).



Worried About H1N1 (Swine) Flu?

What to do if you, or your child, have flu symptoms

What are the signs and symptoms of H1N1 novel influenza?

The symptoms are similar to seasonal flu:

fever (above 100°F)

cough

sore throat

stuffy nose

in some cases diarrhea and vomiting

If you, or your child, are not sick but are worried

Call the Minnesota Department of Health if you have questions at 1-877-676-5414.

If you, or your child, are mildly ill

But you wouldn't usually go to the clinic with those symptoms:

Stay home and avoid contact with other people as much as possible to keep from spreading your illness to others.

Treat the symptoms as you usually would (for example, with fluids and Tylenol).

Do not give aspirin (acetylsalicylic acid) to children or teenagers (≤ 18 years of age) who have the flu; this can cause a rare but serious illness called Reye's syndrome.

If you, or your child, are moderately ill

Call your clinic or doctor if:

You have a fever of 100°F or higher, AND

You have a cough, sore throat

You are sick enough that you would normally go to the clinic.

You have a health condition that may put you at increased risk of becoming severely ill with influenza.

Stay home and avoid contact with other people as much as possible to keep from spreading your illness to others.

More information:

- Minnesota Department of Health: www.health.state.mn.us 651-201-5414 or 1-877-676-5414 TTY: 651-201-5797

- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: www.cdc.gov/h1n1/ 1-800-CDC-INFO (800-232-4636) TTY: 1-888-232-6348

Minnesota FluLine to offer support and treatment options for people with possible symptoms of influenza

Minnesotans with flu symptoms can call toll-free line at 1-866-259-4655

A new phone-based service is now available for Minnesotans who think they may have the flu.

Beginning Oct. 21st, people with possible flu symptoms can call the Minnesota FluLine (MN FluLine) at 1-866-259-4655 for information and treatment options. Professionals will be available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. People with limited English skills will be connected with an interpreter. There is no charge for the call.

Callers with flu symptoms will be connected with a participating nurse at MN FluLine, or a nurse at a triage line operated by their own provider network or health plan. The nurses will evaluate the health concerns of callers and discuss treatment options, using consistent criteria to determine which treatment option is most appropriate for each individual.

Possible treatment options can include rest and fluids at home, a prescription for an antiviral medication, or medical evaluation in a clinic or hospital.

FluLine was developed in response to the first global influenza pandemic in over 40 years. Officials are concerned that the pandemic could overwhelm the health care system, and they believe that FluLine can reduce some of the demands on the system.

FluLine is also expected to help decrease the spread of the flu. By providing assistance over the phone, the new service is expected to limit the number of potentially infectious people

who gather in emergency rooms, urgent care centers and clinics.

“We have been concerned that this flu season could place a huge burden on our health care system,” said Dr. Sanne Magnan, Minnesota Commissioner of Health. “By providing support and treatment options to people over the phone, we hope this new service will allow our health care providers and facilities to focus on those people who most need their attention.”

MN FluLine is the first influenza triage line in the country providing statewide reach and the option of prescribing anti-virals drugs under standing orders from a physician. It is a unique public-private partnership involving the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH), the Minnesota Hospital Association, the Minnesota Council of Health Plans, health care providers, local health departments, and the Children’s Physician Network (CPN). CPN is responsible for the actual operation of FluLine. The service was developed with input and advice from a number of other partners, including the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

“This unprecedented collaboration means that Minnesotans with flu-like symptoms have another tool in their tool kit to fight the flu – a place to have questions answered about their illness and be evaluated for possible treatment,” said Dr. Aaron DeVries,

medical epidemiologist at MDH. “We’re grateful to have the support of so many partners in making the FluLine available to the people of our state.”

The Minnesota FluLine was created specifically to meet the needs of people with possible symptoms of the flu. By definition, those symptoms include a fever of 100 degrees or more, along with a cough or sore throat. Flu symptoms can also include runny or stuffy nose, body aches, headache, chills and/or fatigue. In some cases, symptoms of novel H1N1 influenza can also include vomiting and diarrhea in addition to respiratory symptoms.

In most cases, people can recover from the flu at home without needing to visit a health care provider. Those who may be at highest risk for complications from the flu include children under two years of age, people 65 years of age or older, pregnant women, and people with underlying medical conditions.

Health officials continue to emphasize prevention measures as the first line of defense against the flu: stay

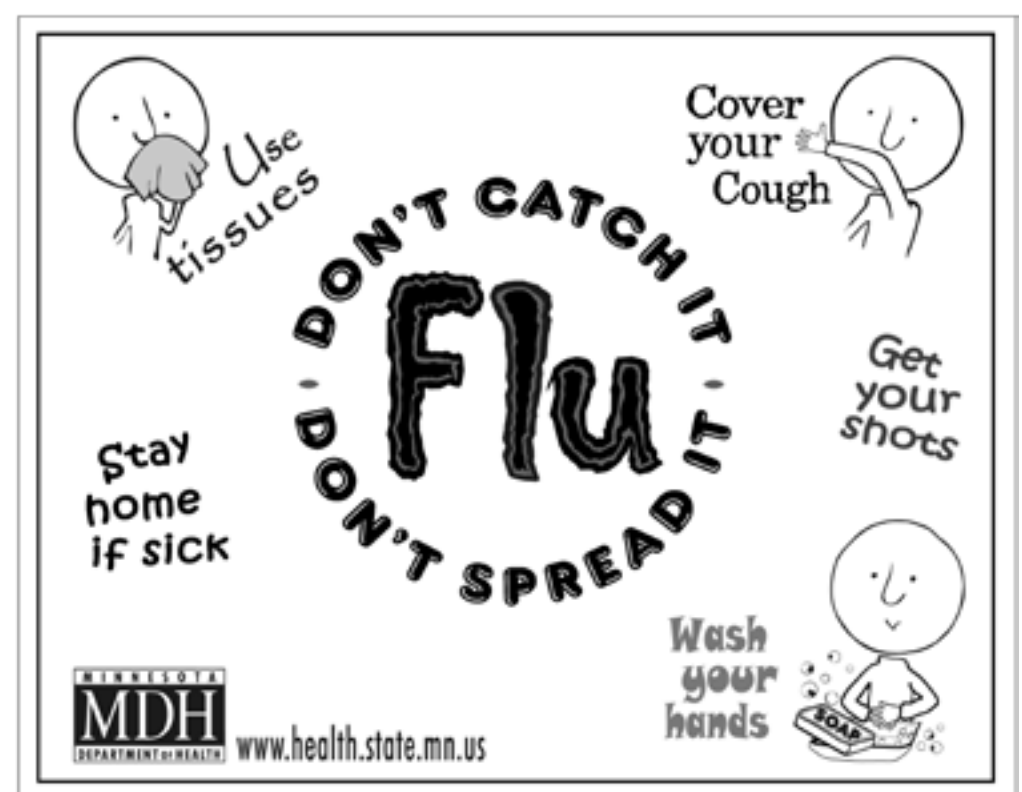
home if you’re sick with a flu-like illness, cover your coughs and sneezes with a sleeve or a tissue, and wash your hands frequently.

For most people, staying home when they are sick means staying home from work or school, and avoiding other locations where they could expose others to the flu, until at least 24 hours after their fever resolves, without the aid of medications like acetaminophen or ibuprofen. People are being encouraged to get vaccinated now against seasonal flu, and get the H1N1 vaccine as it becomes available. The H1N1 vaccine will be an extremely valuable tool for preventing infection.

People who need information about the flu, but do not have symptoms, are encouraged to visit the flu information page on the MDH Web site at www.mdhflu.com. The Web site offers a wide range of information and resources, including an interactive flu shot clinic finder.

“We hope this new service will allow our health care providers and facilities to focus on those people who most need their attention.”

-Dr. Magnan, MN Commissioner of Health



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Partnership to create an Environmental Monitoring Company

The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Tribal Development Division is excited to announce the creation of a partnership between the Division and Coleman Engineering Company of Iron Mountain, Michigan.

During the past three months negotiations have been conducted between Division Director Mike Myers and Coleman Engineering partner and Vice-president Ron Lawrence to bring to fruition the concept of developing a Leech Lake entity that will be responsible for environmental monitoring during construction.

Mr. Lawrence first proposed the concept of a "mentor/protégé" program in which Coleman Engineering's environmental professionals will work with the Division to develop a business to monitor construction activities of companies expanding across Indian Country – which includes both the reservation and the ceded territories.

On Friday, September 18, the Reservation Tribal Council gave its approval for this venture to move forward.

On Tuesday, September 22, an initial organizing meeting was held from 1:00 – 3:00pm in the Onigum Room at Northern Lights Casino/Hotel/Conference Center in Walker, MN. Representatives from other Tribal divisions, federal and state agencies, and private companies have been invited to learn about this endeavor.

Health Division Alert!

Medical Transportation services

There is no more money in our program for transporting clients as we have been doing. CHR's are seriously over budget. We must stick to our priority runs. We will no longer be transporting clients to clinics off the reservation without a referral from the Indian hospitals staff. Because the reservation offers and provides services for Leech Lake band members, clients are encouraged to use those services and take advantage of our transportation as well. We have satellite clinics also in Bemidji, Ball Club, Inger and Onigum. If you choose to go to clinics that are not related to the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe you will be directed to use county transportation or other agency services. If you have any questions regarding this, contact Emily Bakken, 335-4503.

District I Resource Sharing Summit

By Chris Haugene

Deer River, MN - On Friday October 2, 2009 Leech Lake's District I Representative Robbie Howe hosted a resource sharing summit in order to bring some of the programs and services to those that may not always have the opportunity to travel the forty plus miles (sometimes over an hour) into Cass Lake MN, where the bulk of the Leech Lake Band's programs and services are headquartered. "Some of our Band Members don't have reliable transportation every day," said Representative Howe. Which is a huge concern if their dilemma is health related, or of a severe importance that might need to be taken care of immediately.

Decentralizing certain programs and services has been a focus for some time now on the Leech Lake Reservation. It has never been as important since gas prices have gone up and the economy's decline. This has created a greater need for services for people who have less means and opportunity to get from remote Reservation communities.

The resource sharing summit had booths from mental health, Leech Lake DRM (Division of Resource Management), MCT, and the Youth Division to name just a few who were in attendance. "This is something that needs to happen on a regular basis, so our band members who live in places like S-Lake and the Winnie Dam area have the same access to resources that those who live in or around the Cass Lake area do," said Secretary Treasurer Michael Bongo.

2009 LABOR DAY CONTEST POWWOW WINNERS

Place JR Girls Fancy
1st Kianne White
2nd Oke-tw-sha Roberts
3rd Kiara Bird
4th Ciaria Fineday

JR Girls Jingle
Mariah White
Sierra White
Izabella Chaboyea
Julia Pacheco

JR Girls Traditional
Nichole Nordwell
Alexa Gabbard
Marissa Mangum
Kariya Crow



Place JR Boys Fancy
1st Muh Roberts
2nd Dwight Whitebuffalo
3rd Kelson Kingbird
4th Caten Hemingor

JR Boys Grass
Jack Auginash
Trey Panacheese
Mahpia Hemunger
Will Kingbird

JR Boys Traditional
Casey Smith
Aidan Buffalo
Malik Beaulieu
Dave Northbird



Place Teen Girls Fancy
1st Sky Blackkettle
2nd Lacy Fiddler
3rd Amayah Kingbirde
4th Chanel Dickenson

Teen Girls Jingle
Sadie Kingbird
Ryenne White
Shannen Wambdiski
Erin Isnana

Teen Girls Traditional
Raina Nelson
Verlina Blackkettle
Jade Gustafson
Khadigah Meeches



Place Teen Boys Fancy
1st Boye Ladd JR
2nd Jesse Gustafson
3rd Jordin Seenie
4th Anthony Martin

Teen Boys Grass
Pearatt Roberts
Ningozis, White Inger
Ryan Fairbanks

Teen Boys Traditional
Dwight Littlejohn

Place Golden Age Women
1st Vera Kingbird
2nd Evelyn Tom
3rd Marilyn Mountian
4th Clara Jackson

Golden Age Men
Boye Ladd
Ivan Lonechild
Howard Copenance
Stanley Bird

Place Young Adult Women Fancy
1st Brittany Crawford
2nd Jasmine Johnson
3rd Rose Lynn Jones
4th Lariss Howard

Young Adult Women Jingle
Shawna OlsonB
Stephanie Norwall
Bridget IronShield
Celine Roylette

Young Adult Women Traditional
Cheyenn Fiddler
Amber Buffalo
Sherisse McKay
Felicia Littlecreek



Place Young Adult Men Fancy
1st Toncha St.John
2nd Thunder Lovett
3rd Marquel Crawford
4th Shorty Crawford

Young Adult Men Grass
Adam Nordwell
DJ Whitehorse
Zack RedBear
Jyles Copenace

Young Adult Men Traditional
Wendall Powless
Hunter Blassingame
Howard Roulette
Beemus Goodsky

Young Adult Men Chicken
Kyle Pacheco
Lee Goodman
Frankie Graves
Daniel Kenora

Place SR Adult Women Fancy
1st Michelle Lonechild
2nd Lisa Meeches
3rd Cathy Creighton
4th Josette Staples

SR Adult Women Jingle
Dianne Desousers
Cheryl Copenance
Pat Mousseau
Vicky Hinsley

SR Adult Women Traditional
Kellie Downwind
Mary Lou Olson
Monica Raphael
Gayelynn Sparrier



Place SR Adult Men Fancy
1st Dwight Whitebuffalo
2nd Wayne Silas
3rd Eric Sheppard
4th Clay Crawford

SR Adult Men Grass
Todd Ike
William Hindsley
Gabe Desrosiers
Roland Heminge

SR Adult Men Traditional
Terry Fiddler
Ryan Gustafson
Justin Huenemann
Edmund Tate Nevaquaya

SR Adult Men Chicken
Mike Gabbard
Dale Roberts

Place Drum Contest
1st Battle River
2nd Pipestone
3rd Little Otter
4th Northern Wind
5th Mahnomen Creek
6th Smokey Hill

Red Lake, Mn
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White Earth





November 23, 2009
10am - 2pm

Where: LLBO Healthy Heart Program Building
Address: 312 1st St. NW
Cass Lake, Minnesota
56633

All welcome to tour the new offices and meet staff of the Healthy Heart, Nutrition Programs and Emergency Preparedness office. There will be healthy snacks and giveaways.

PROGRAM ASSISTANT

Full-time position with the Region 2 Arts Council to administer the artist grant and training programs; implement and promote programs, media events and outcomes, develop panels to review grants, conduct grant writing workshops and work with newsletter consultant. College degree required with experience managing programs in an arts or non-profit organization; highly organized with strong initiative and communication skills. Some in-state travel, evening and weekend meetings. Send resume and three (3) references by October 23, 2009 to: Region 2 Arts Council, 426 Bemidji Avenue, Bemidji, MN 56601.

First-Time Homebuyer Education Class

MCT Finance Corporation

Saturday, October 24th
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Building
15542 State 371 NW
Cass Lake, Minnesota

First-time Homebuyer Education is a requirement of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Finance Corporation for qualified buyers.



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Attention Alumni

And Former Leech Lake Tribal College Students



Attention Leech Lake Tribal College Alumni and Former Students: Please update your contact information by calling **218.335.4220** or online at: <http://lltc.edu/alumni/changecontactinfo.htm>

We want to see how you are doing! Let us know if you have transferred to another college or started working. Please leave additional comments on the website or when you call!



Treats For Tots

Safe Halloween Fun For Your Family, Ages 13 and Under!

Saturday, October 31st
3 pm - 7 pm

Three Climate Controlled Locations

Event Center
Northern Lights Casino
Walker, MN

Bingo Hall
Palace Casino
Cass Lake, MN

Morse Town Hall
Deer River, MN



FREE to the Public!

Candy distributed by area businesses & organizations. Children will not be exposed to casino activity.

