

# DEBAHJIMON



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Get up, let him/her sit.

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## Leech Lake State of the Band



LtoR Steve White, Penny DeVault, Rep. Lowenthal, Carrie Jones, Rep. Nolan, Leroy Staples-Fairbanks, Archie LaRose.

On August 21<sup>st</sup> the Tribal Council hosted the second annual State of the Band address at the Northern Lights Casino Event Center. This event was designed to offer a glimpse into the inner workings of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe.

Congressman Rick Nolan from Minnesota's 8<sup>th</sup> District was a headlining speaker. He spoke about the band's presence in Washington and how important it is to have a constant voice on the Federal stage. Likening it to the squeaky wheel getting the grease, he espoused the Band's, noting Chairwoman Jones' visits to the Nation's capital as paramount with regard to things like finding replacement funding for Leech Lake's Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig school. Federal lobbying has already helped pay for things such as the Boy River Bridge, roads funding, and many other aspects that directly affect people's lives across the Leech Lake Reservation.

Chairwoman Jones began her address by thanking our Veterans and remembering those that have given their lives in the line of duty. She continued with an overview of the Band's finances regarding budget spending and projections. "As you can see from the charts and graphs in the annual report, our gaming financials are on track to grow," said Jones. "I am pleased to report that on the government side, our spending came in at more than 598,000 dollars under our budget projections. We have been implementing more rigid policies when it comes to our budgets and spending and our staff has done a great job of following them."

She mentioned that almost forty percent of Leech Lake's overall budget is grant funded noting that having a healthy working relationship with Washington helps us keep these monies flowing.

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## Secretary of the Interior Tours Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School



August proved to be a busy month for the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe. With the State of the Band address later in the month, President Obama's Interior Secretary paid a personal visit to Leech Lake to discuss Leech Lake's lobbying agenda on Capitol Hill and with the Interior Department. Several issues were discussed including the protecting of wild rice beds, relations with the Forest Service, the oil pipeline, and, of course, the current state of dilapidation concerning the Band's Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig High School, which was built to house an auto mechanic school and bus garage and has served as a school since 1984.

The construction needs are nothing new as these lobbying efforts have been ongoing for close to a decade now with regard to funding a new high school facility.

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## Secretary Sally Jewel Tours Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School

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With students needing to wear winter coats to class, the occasional squirrel appearance in class, and things such as exposed wiring and structural issues being quite prevalent, some as a result from an explosion that the facility endured, the Band, and now our Federal Reps. in D.C. are well aware of the need for school funding.

Assistant Secretary Kevin Washburn accompanied Secretary Jewel on her visit as well, and was noted in a question saying that there are several schools on the Bureau of Indian Education's replacement list, and that there was no guarantee that Leech Lake's school was at the top of that list.

Congressman Nolan was a keynote speaker at the State of the Band event noting, "It's so important for anyone and everyone, but particularly the Leech Lake Band, to have good strong representation in Washington, not just from your representatives in Congress, but from the leaders in your tribe. Carri Jones has just been one of the extraordinary leaders. "The school campus serves about two hundred students and is centrally located within the Leech Lake borders about ten minutes west of Bena MN, on Highway 2.

Secretary Jewel and Education Secretary Arne Duncan met earlier in August at another East Coast BIE school. The two had previously organized a study group whose focus was American Indian students as their performance as BIE funded schools are some of the worst performing schools in the country. Leech Lake leadership has been constantly reminding our own Minnesota Representatives of this fact every time they are in Washington. As a result, our Reps. have been making the disrepair of these schools, and subsequent state exam performance, a talking point over and over again. "Architecturally distinctive schools deliver a subconscious message to students that their education is valued," said Congressman Nolan. "Studies have shown students attending better built schools do better in class, attendance, and on required exams."

With elections in November, this time of year proves to be a busy time for our elected officials and there is no better time to get them to come and take a first-hand look at some of the issues that Leech Lake has been trying to fix and improve.



## MCT Tribal Executive Committee Swears in new Officers

Last August, the Tribal Executive Committee swore in new executive officers at Fortune Bay Casino and Hotel. Leech Lake's Archie LaRose, Fon Du Lac's Ferdinand Martineau, Mille Lacs Lake's Caroline M. Shaw-Beaulieu, Boise Forte's Dave Morrison, Grand Portage's Dennis B. Morrison, and White Earth's Tara Mason were all sworn in as officers for the new Tribal Executive Committee officials.



Grand Portage Chairman Norman W. Deschampe was elected President again, Fon Du Lac Chairwoman Karen Diver was elected Vice President, Mille Lacs Chariwoman Melanie Benjamin was elected Secretary, and Boise Forte's Dave Morrison was elected Treasurer.

There was also a very nice presentation and gifts offered to Linda Aitken who had just retired from Minnesota Department of Transportation after liasiing with the State of Minnesota and the eleven federally recognized American Indian Tribes on several issues for many many years. Congratulations Linda!

## Satellite Voting Locations in Cass and Itasca Counties

The Band has worked with non-profit Four Directions, Inc. and River Bluff Strategies to establish two satellite locations for voter registration and in person absentee balloting on the Reservation. One location will be at the Government Center in Cass Lake and the other located at the Ball Club Community Center in Ball Club. These locations will be open to Band members who want to cast their votes for the state and federal general election in November 2014. The collaboration between Leech Lake and Itasca County Auditor-Treasurer Jeffrey Walker and Cass County Auditor-Treasurer Sharon Anderson to increase Band member access to voting illustrates that relationship building with our neighbors creates positive results for Band members and our Leech Lake community.

The hours and locations of the two locations will be announced at a later date.

## New Homeless Shelter

**6pm Wednesday the 24th  
Of September,  
@ New Center in Bena**

Public Meeting about New Shelter Opening in the Old Community Center in Bena!

Energy Assistance & DPW will be Available to Help fill out Applications

**Dinner will be Served!**

*Deer meat & Fish, wild rice  
mashed potatoes & gravy, Corn*

## The District I Office would like to take this time to introduce and congratulate our current and recently elected Local Indian Council members:

### Inger LIC:

Melissa Bowstring, Chairperson  
Debra Rushman, Vice-Chairperson  
Anita Cloud-Johnson, Secretary/  
Treasurer  
Carol Johnson, Community Rep.  
Dorothy Robinson, Community Rep.  
Donna Cloud, Elder Representative  
Sonny Rushman, Student Representative

### Winnie Dam LIC:

Gina Munnell, Chairperson  
Janelle Jenkins, Vice-Chairperson  
Betty Jenkins, Secretary/Treasurer  
Natasha Jenkins, Community Rep.  
Savannah Smith, Community Rep.  
Melvina Sherman, Elder Rep.  
Eugene Jenkins, Student Rep.

### Ball Club LIC:

Rosanne Wilson, Chairperson  
Bernadette Charnoski, Vice-Chairperson  
David Cronin, Secretary/Treasurer  
Amanda YoungRunningCrane, Community Representative  
George Goggleye IV, Community Representative  
Elder Representative, to be filled  
Student Representative, to be filled

**S. Lake LIC** Yearly Elections will be scheduled in October. More information will be available at a later date.

## Local Indian Council Meetings Schedule

- Oak Point** 1st Sunday 4:00pm Oak Point Center
- Ball Club** 1st Monday 7:00 pm Ball Club Center
- Cass River** 1st Monday 6:00pm Pennington Center
- Kego Lake Boy Lake Smokey Pnt** 1st Wed. 7:00pm Kego Lake Cntr
- Bemidji** 1st Thurs. 6:30pm-8pm Oshki Manidoo Center, Bemidji
- Winnie Dam** 1st Thursday 7:00 pm Winnie Dam Center
- Cass Lake** 2nd Monday 5:00pm Facility Center
- Sugar Bush Buck Lake** 2nd Monday 6:00pm Palace Casino
- Inger** 2nd Monday. 7:00 pm Inger Center
- Bena** 2nd Tues. 6:00pm Bena Center
- Onigum** 2nd Tuesday 6:30pm Onigum Center
- Sugar Point** 2nd Wed 6:30pm Sugar Point Center
- S Lake** 3rd Monday 6:00 pm S Lake Center
- Mission** 3rd Monday 6:00pm Mission Center
- Duluth** 3rd Thurs. 5:00 pm AICHO Building (Former YWCA)
- Deer River** Last Monday 7:00pm Deer River Resource Center or Legion
- Twin Cities** Last Tuesday Women's Res Center. MPLS



## LEECH LAKE TRIBAL COLLEGE JOB OPENINGS

OPEN UNTIL FILLED



### Position Title: Information Technology Instructor

**Primary Function:** This is a full-time, nine-month faculty teaching position. Instruction in up-to-date Microsoft Office software, other multi-media applications, and geographic information systems (GIS) management, which promotes and enhances the college commitment to excellence in instruction and which supports the current needs of the students and faculty. **Requirements:** A Master's in discipline area is required. Equivalent combination of education, training, and experience may be considered. The ideal candidate will have college or university-level IT teaching experience, demonstrate a dedication to working with diverse communities, and be able to teach courses at all appropriate levels.

### Position Title: Wellness Center Director

**Primary Function:** Coordinate all areas of responsibility to achieve the Center and college's mission and goals. Develop mechanisms to ensure quality customer service to achieve student wellness and safety, provides leadership and administrative oversight for the Wellness Center. **Requirements:** Bachelor's degree in related field required, Masters preferred. A minimum of two years of professional health promotion work experience, preferably in a higher education setting.

Visit our website at [www.lltc.edu](http://www.lltc.edu) for more information. Send LLTC application and résumé to: Human Resources Director, Leech Lake Tribal College, PO Box 180 Cass Lake, MN 56633 Phone 218-335-4289

## LLBO WIC FOR September 2014

LLBO WIC Program will be holding WIC Clinics as follows:

### WIC CLINICS AT THE NEST

Nutrition Education Sessions and Certifications by appointment only

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

Monday: 8,15,22,29<sup>h</sup>

Wednesday: 3,10,17,24<sup>th</sup>

Tuesday: 2,9,16,23,30<sup>th</sup>

Thursday: 4,11,18, 25<sup>th</sup>

### WIC CLINICS AT OUTLYING CLINICS

1<sup>st</sup> Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> - Onigum Community Center Appointments 10a.m.- 2p.m.

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

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

4<sup>th</sup> Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup> - Bena Clinic Appointments 10a.m. - 12p.m.

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

## LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE SUMMARY OF JOB OPENINGS

Leech Lake Band Member preference, MCT, and other Native American Indian preference apply. Please submit Cover Letter, Resume, Credentials, 3 Letters of Reference, and Transcripts for positions requiring any Degree above High School Diploma or General Education Diploma

www.llojibwe.org and may: **drop off or mail documents to:**  
Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe – Human Resources  
115 Sixth St NW, Suite E - Cass Lake, MN 56633;

**Fax documents to:** 1-218-335-3697;  
**email documents to:** [andrea.jones@llbo.org](mailto:andrea.jones@llbo.org)  
**Call 218-335-3698 or toll free 1-800-631-5528 for more information.**

THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS CLOSE ON SEPTEMBER 26th, 2014

Twin Cities Director ~ Twin Cities Office ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-180  
Child Support Office Manager ~ Legal ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-179  
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer ~ Division of Resource Management ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-178  
Receptionist ~ Tribal Assistance ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-177  
Secretary ~ Health ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-176  
2 Case Managers ~ Human Services ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-175  
ARMHS Mental Health Practitioner ~ Human Services ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-135B

THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS ARE OPEN UNTIL FILLED

3 Inft/Tdlr Teachers – Cass Lake ~ Early Childhood ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-160  
3 Special Needs Teacher Asst ~ Early Childhood ~ DOQ ~ Job Code: 14-136  
2 Cass Lake Pre-School Teachers ~ Early Childhood ~ Job Code: 14-172  
Department of Revenue Director ~ RTC ~ Job Code: 14-013

THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS ARE OPEN CONTINUOUS

Pt Cashier/ NLE ~ Business Development ~ \$10.25/hr ~ Job Code: 14-001  
Pt Cashier/Che-We ~ Business Development ~ \$10.25/hr ~ Job Code: 14-000



**Application Intake Sessions are available:  
Wednesday's & Thursday's**

**1st Session begins at 9:00am  
2nd Session begins at 10:00am**

Leech Lake Gaming Regulatory Board  
16641 69th Avenue NW – Building north of Palace Casino

We need the following forms to complete the process...

1. Social Security Card 2. Birth Certificate 3. Picture Identification  
MOTOR VEHICLE REPORT from the DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES.  
Call Calvin, Brenda, or Jackie for more info: (218) 335-7549 or 1-866-690-4828



**EPA Is Holding a Meeting and  
Conducting Community Interviews on the  
St. Regis Paper Co. Superfund Site**

Cass Lake, Minnesota

Meeting: 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 23

Interviews: Sept. 23-24; call for an appointment

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency will hold a meeting to update you on progress toward a soil cleanup and other activities at the St. Regis site, and to introduce Heriberto León, the new EPA community involvement coordinator. The meeting will be at 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 23, at Cass Lake-Bena Elementary School, 15 Fourth St., Cass Lake.

EPA representatives want to interview members of the St. Regis community to learn more about site conditions and local concerns. We invite you to participate. Day appointments are available Sept. 23 and day and evening appointments are available Sept. 24. To schedule an interview, call or email Cheryl Vaccarello, 312-201-7791, or [cheryl.vaccarello@tetrattech.com](mailto:cheryl.vaccarello@tetrattech.com). Cheryl is a contractor working with the EPA.

Each interview takes about 30 minutes. We can meet at the City of Cass Lake Municipal Center, 330 2nd St. NW, Cass Lake, or at your home, office, or other location such as the library or coffee shop.

You may contact Heriberto León at 312-886-6163; or toll-free, 800-621-8431, Ext. 66163, 9:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. weekdays; or [leon.heriberto@epa.gov](mailto:leon.heriberto@epa.gov). Visit [www.epa.gov/region5/cleanup/stregis](http://www.epa.gov/region5/cleanup/stregis) for more information.

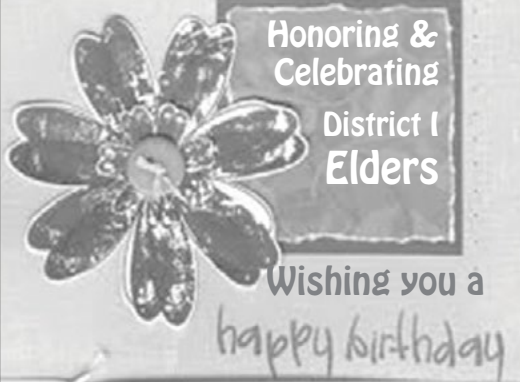


**Wishing District II Elders a  
*Happy Birthday!***

**September Birthdays** From District II Office Steve & Michelle

Melvin Losh  
Ruth White

Cheryl Chalich  
Robert Losh Sr  
Ruth Ann White



**From District I Office  
Penny, Sarah, & Gil**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY &  
MANY MORE TO COME!!**

**September  
Birthdays**

Leo Gotchie Jr.  
Shirley Hardy  
Terry Robinson  
Myrna Hardy  
Ernest Johnson  
Melvena Omer  
James Michaud  
Diana Sherman  
Anthony Bebeau  
Robert Schaaf  
Harold Gogleye  
Beatrice Bivens  
Marella Dodson



## Capitol Christmas Tree Raffle & Fund Raising Efforts

The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe is raising funds so that we can send some of our best and brightest students to the lighting of the Capitol Christmas Tree Ceremony in Washington D.C. this December.

If you would like to donate please visit this link: [www.llojibwe.org/dctree.html](http://www.llojibwe.org/dctree.html) if you would like to donate online.

We will also be doing at least three raffles to help secure funding for the students. The first raffle will be September 30<sup>th</sup>, and will include a 2005 Crown Victoria that was donated, and a 2001 Sportsman 500 as well as 10 casino packages and a lot of native artwork, including moccasins, medicine pouches, berets a rock carving and two native themed hand towels.

**Tickets are \$10.00 and can be bought at the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Government (and at local indian education offices at Cass Lake Bena school and at the Bug School) Offices in Cass Lake where additional information can be found regarding the event. Also, please visit us on Facebook @ Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe.**

If you would like to donate in person you can go to Wells Fargo bank in Bemidji, Western Bank in Cass Lake, and in the Accounting Office at LLBO Facility Center. Notify the Institute that you would like to donate to From Our Home to Capital Hill student trip for the 2014 US Capitol Christmas Tree.

"Being selected to provide the Capitol Christmas tree is an honor," said Chairwoman Jones, "It brings national exposure to our community showing the country our incredible natural resources, and continuing our partnerships with Choose Outdoors and the Chippewa National Forest will raise awareness for the community and the Band."

## Leech Lake Students participating in the Christmas Tree to DC Festivities asked to put Forth much Effort

The students that will be allowed to go to Washington D.C. to participate in the lighting of the Capital Christmas Tree are being asked to not only be in good standing at school regarding attendance, grades, behavior, and have their parents' permission are also being asked to write an essay on why they deserve to go, participate in fund raising, and to have their school work done before the trip commences.

The students chosen will include: 7<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> graders and further information regarding the stipulations for participating can be sought from each of the schools Indian Education Offices including:

Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig students (800)-265-5576,

Black Duck 218-835-5300,

Cass Lake Bena 218-335-2203,

Grand Rapids 218-327-5700,

Deer River 218-246-8241,

Remer 218-566-2351,

Bemidji 218-444-1600,

Laporte 218-224-2288,

Walker 218-547-5322.

Parents please contact the school your child goes to and ask for the Indian Education Offices. They will have more information and the list of the students that qualify to attend the Trip to Washington D.C.

LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE  
From Our Home  
to Capitol Hill  
2014 US CAPITOL CHRISTMAS TREE



### Raffle Tickets \$10

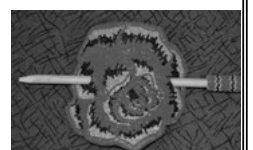
Drawing will be held on **Sept 30<sup>th</sup>**, at Mission Community Center during the Elders Wellness Expo.

Don't have to be present to WIN!

Contact Person: (218) 335-8200

### Prizes Include:

2005 CROWN VICTORIA  
2001 SPORTSMAN 500 ATV  
10 CASINO PACKAGES  
LOTS OF NATIVE AMERICAN ART WORK  
(2 moccasins, 2 barretts, birch basket  
2 medicine pouchs, rock carving,  
2 Native themed Hand towels)





## Capitol Christmas Tree Parade

As we have been hearing over the summer, the tree that stands on the Mall in front of the Capitol Dome in Washington D.C. is coming from the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe's forests.

Monday November 3rd, 2014 the Leech Lake Band, in conjunction with the Chippewa National Forest (CNF) will be hosting a parade with the tree on display as well as floats other festivities. The parade will begin at 1pm and last until 3pm beginning at the CNF building in Cass Lake, head downtown on 2nd street, and from there to the Leech Lake Government Center next to Che-We.

There will be informational booths from Leech Lake, CNF and anyone else that would like to participate in the event set up at LLBO Government Center. If you would like to have a float in the parade please contact the Public Relations office at 218-335-8200.

Leech Lake would also like to invite the public, local elected officials, Reps, Mayors etc. and public service organizations, and any private organizations that would like to come celebrate this event with us.

The event will help to raise money for students from Leech Lake to attend the lighting-of-the-tree festivities in Washington D.C..

Further information about donations for the Capitol Christmas Tree can be found at the Public Relations Office at 218-335-8200

## Leech Lake Tree to DC Forest Service Booth at State of the Band Address

On Thursday, August 21, 2014 Lynn Dee Stangel and Traci Cloud, Chippewa National Forest employees, staffed the Capitol Christmas Tree booth at the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe State of the Band Address, at the Northern Lights Casino Event Center near Walker, MN.

Around 100 people stopped by the booth to ask questions, pick up a brochure, and tell of their interest. A few teachers and others stopped in telling us of their participation in the Tree to DC event back in 1992; some remember making the trip with the Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School and Leech Lake Band. There was a woman that said her father had helped cut the tree down in 1992. Others said some of their own kids helped make ornaments this year for the 2014 Tree to DC. Many surprised faces when we told them the size of the tree and how many ornaments were needed to place on the tree. That sparked their interest to help with ornaments! It was an informative day for all, and people seemed proud that the Christmas tree in front of the U.S. Capitol in Washington DC this year is coming from the Leech Lake Reservation.



## U.S. Capitol Christmas Tree 2014 TOUR DATES ANNOUNCED

CASS LAKE, Minnesota (Sept. 9, 2014) – For the past 50 years, a beautiful tree has appeared on the west lawn of the U.S. Capitol in Washington, D.C. during the holiday season. The U.S. Forest Service, in partnership with Choose Outdoors and the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe, will bring this special gift from Minnesota to Washington, D.C. for the 2014 season, involving nearly 30 communities along the way.

“This annual tradition provides the opportunity for communities to celebrate the spirit of the season and the forests that connect us all,” said Darla Lenz, Forest Supervisor of the Chippewa National Forest. “It is truly an honor that the Chippewa National Forest was selected to provide this year’s U.S. Capitol Christmas Tree and we are extremely proud to share a tree that represents Minnesota’s natural resources.

With great fanfare, the tree – a whopping 80-foot plus white spruce– will leave the Chippewa National Forest followed by a caravan of caretakers for the journey to the U.S. Capitol. “From Minnesota’s Chippewa National Forest all the way to Washington D.C., the 2014 Capitol Christmas Tree will showcase our state’s natural beauty in communities across the country,” Senator Klobuchar said.

The tree will be cut during a public ceremony Wednesday, Oct. 29 and will then be moved to Bemidji State University, where it will be prepared for the nearly 2,000-mile cross-country expedition.

70 companion trees will be provided by the Minnesota Tree Growers Association to decorate the inside of the U.S. Capitol building and other sites throughout Washington, D.C., along with 10,000 ornaments created by children and others in Minnesota as a gift from the “Land of 10,000 Lakes.”

The tree lighting is expected to occur in early December, as determined by the U. S. Rep. John Boehner, Speaker of the House, and will be broadcast on C-SPAN.

For news, updates, tour info and to track the tree cross-country, visit [www.capitolchristmastree.com](http://www.capitolchristmastree.com).

### 2014 Capitol Christmas Tree Route Stops:

- Itasca State Park, MN (Nov. 2)
- Bemidji, MN (Nov. 2)
- Walker, MN (Nov. 3)
- Cass Lake, MN (Nov. 3)
- Blackduck, MN (Nov. 4)
- Marcell, MN (Nov. 4)
- Deer River, MN (Nov. 4)
- Cohasset, MN (Nov. 4)
- Grand Rapids, MN (Nov. 5)
- Duluth, MN (Nov. 5)
- West Saint Paul, MN (Nov. 6)
- Eden Prairie, MN (Nov. 6)
- Rochester, MN (Nov. 7)
- Red Wing, MN (Nov. 7)
- Owatonna, MN (Nov. 8)
- Fort Snelling, MN (Nov. 8)



## District I Rep. Penny DeVault Monthly Report for August 2014

All staff participated, attended and worked at the LLBO "Take Your Child to Work" Event in Cass Lake, MN-August 1, 2014

Assistant: GLIHA meeting in Bloomington, MN-August 4, 2014

Representative: Leech Lake Gaming Commission meeting at PCH-August 6, 2014

Assistant: State of the Band planning meeting at NLC-August 6, 2014

Rep./Assistant: Winnie Dam Regular LIC meeting-August 7, 2014

Assistants: Inger Regular LIC meeting-August 11, 2014

Representative: T.E.C. meeting at Fortune Bay-August 11-12, 2014 MCT Health, Human Services & Education Sub-committee Meeting

Assistant: State of the Band planning meeting at NLC-August 13, 2014

Assistant: School Supply/Backpack Event planning meeting-August 14, 2014

All staff meeting w/ Sarah Larsen, re: G.E.D. Standards-August 14, 2014

Assistant: LLHA BOC meeting-August 14, 2014

Rep./Assistant: Mn Dept. of Education meeting in Roseville, MN-August 15, 2014

Assistant: Cajun Fest promotional meeting at NLC-August 15, 2014

Representative: Youth trip to Cajun Fest at NLC-August 16, 2014

All staff: S. Lake Regular LIC meeting-August 18, 2014

All staff meeting with LLBO Department of Public Works-August 19, 2014

Representative: Department of Interior Secretary Jewell and Assistant Secretary Washburn at Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School-August 19, 2014

Assistant: State of the Band finalization at NLC-August 20, 2014

All staff: 2014 State of the Band at NLC-August 21, 2014

Assistant: Winnie Dam LIC Elections/Special Meeting-August 21, 2014

Assistant: LLHA Employee Picnic at Stony Point-August 22, 2014

ChaChaBahNing Celebration Weekend-August 22-24, 2014

Representative/Assistant: ChaChaBahNing Special in Inger, MN-August 22, 2014

Representative: Constituent visits in Duluth, MN-August 23, 2014

All staff participated, attended and worked at the LLBO "District I Backpack Event" in Winnie Dam, MN-August 25, 2014

Representative: District I Valleyfair Tri-Community Trip-August 26, 2014

All staff participated, at LLBO "Duluth Backpack Event" Duluth, MN-Aug 27, 2014

Assistant: LLBO Employee Picnic-August 28, 2014

Assistant: LLHA BOC meeting-August 28, 2014

Representative/Assistant mtg re: District I School Clothes Scholarship w/ committee in Winnie Dam, MN-August 29, 2014 (5 scholarships privately funded)

Representative/Assistant/Chairwoman: District I School Clothes Scholarship event with Youth (4)/(1) parent to Duluth, MN-August 30, 2014

Representative: District I School Clothes scholarship event w/Youth (1) to Bemidji, MN-September 1, 2014

All staff at LLBO Tribal Office in Cass Lake, MN verifiable through Empower Time System-all other days

Tuesdays-Tribal Council Briefings

○ Thursdays-Tribal Council Meetings

### Upcoming Events

- ✓ Monthly LIC Meetings, continuous
- ✓ Ball Club LIC Elections-September 2, 2014
- ✓ Twin Cities/RTC Appreciation Gathering at Brackett Park, Minneapolis, MN-September 13, 2014
- ✓ Battle Point Celebration Weekend-September 19-21, 2014
- ✓ S. Lake Fall Ceremony-September 28, 2014
- ✓ LLBO Qrtly Meeting at S. Lake Community Center-October 10, 2014
- ✓ Tree to D.C. Events-t.b.a.

## District I Representative Penny DeVault

### Biography

Penny DeVault was recently elected in June 2014 to serve as District I Representative on the Leech Lake Tribal Council. District I is the eastern portion of Leech Lake Reservation, comprised of the following communities: Ball Club, Deer River, Inger, S. Lake and Winnie Dam.

Penny grew up just outside the village of Inger and has spent a majority of her life living and working on the Leech Lake Reservation. Prior to being elected as Representative, Penny worked as Executive Assistant to the District I Representative for six years where she gained valuable experience and vast knowledge of the internal and external operations of the Band; also working hand in hand with the five Local Indian Councils of District I as well as the at-large LIC's Twin Cities and Duluth. Penny has served as Chairperson of the Winnie Dam LIC which allowed her first hand insight into the needs, wishes, and dreams for their communities and the pride each and every community member holds. This experience was extremely beneficial and only strengthened her belief on how much working together as a team can accomplish. The office of the District I Representative attends all District I LIC meetings along with all community events and cultural activities.

Before beginning her career in Tribal Government, Penny worked at the Leech Lake Tribal College as a federal work study student providing administrative support, to eventually becoming Dean of Student Services. Penny was employed as Office Manager for the Health Division, then Tribal Health Director for the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe. She was able to complete her A.A. degree while working at LLTC and later attended Bemidji State University working towards a B.A. in Indian Studies.

Since her election as a member of the Leech Lake Tribal Council, Representative DeVault has been working tirelessly advocating for her District and the Band as a whole, in so many areas. One major highlight: her office has held the groundbreaking and grand opening of the Jackson Village Playground/Recreational Area. The local youth came to the Winnie Dam Local Indian Council meeting and expressed some of the opinions about lack of activities in their community. It was suggested that the children pool their efforts, write a letter and request a remedy to this situation, and the result is the 3 new playgrounds in District I, II and III. Dreams achieved through hard work and commitment from the local youth, LIC, Tribal Council and Planning Division. Representative DeVault also recently became selected to sit on the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Health & Human Services and Education Sub-Committee.

**District I LIC Community Bio's to be featured in upcoming issues of the Debahjimon.**

## DISTRICT I QUARTERLY MEETING

**Friday, October 17, 2014 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. @ Inger Community Center**

Inviting all District I LIC's, interested community members and any students who would like to participate!

\*District I LIC's 2015 Yearly Calendar Scheduling

\*District I LIC's Budgets & By-Laws

\*Facilities Maintenance, working together with LIC's

\*District I Rep. Roles & Responsibilities

\*Informational Booths/Critical Service Programs

\*District I sponsored Capital Tree to D.C. Ornament Making

*For more information please contact the District I Office, 218-335-4444.*



## District I Backpack Give Away

The District I office held their own backpack give-away at the Ball Club community center in August. They as well gave away school supplies to 452 participants in order to help prepare the kids for school this year. The LLBO also sponsored an event in Duluth MN, to give away school supplies to those that needed it. Both events had face-painting and food for everyone as well as the school supplies. The District I office would like to thank the Executive Staff, volunteers, the RBC, Leech Lake Housing employees, District I LIC's and all of the parents that brought their kids.

LLBO District I Dance Special held Friday evening, August 22nd, 2014 at ChaChaBahNing 34th Annual Traditional Pow-wow.

Representative Penny DeVault honored our youth with a regalia give-away where 19 boys and girls were selected by community elders to receive dance regalia.

Thank you to the Pow-wow Community, LIC, Elders and all of the youth for making this a success.



## District II Backpack Give Away

The District II office held their annual school supply and backpack give-away event in late August at the Sugar Point community center. Along with the school supplies, the kids got one last fun event of the summer before it was time to go back to class. They had bouncy-houses, face painting, and food for everyone during the event.

The District II office would like to thank all those that helped with the event including the Executive Staff, the RBC, the District I Office, the District II LICs and all the children that came with the parents.





## Leech Lake State of the Band

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A five year contract with the Canterbury Park Holding Corporation was a talking point and was highlighted by Chairwoman Jones. “When this agreement is finalized, patrons at Northern Lights will be able to watch and wager on live broadcasts of horse races taking place across the country. I’d like to emphasize that Leech Lake is the first sovereign nation in Minnesota to sign this sort of simulcasting agreement; jobs will be created and the Band’s revenue will increase when this horse racing agreement is finalized,” said the Chairwoman.

Education was also an important component to the Chairwoman’s speech. She highlighted how people that achieve a post-secondary education are more qualified to attain better paying jobs, increasing their standard of living which helps them raise their kids in a healthier environment with less poverty. “Hard work and dedication towards an education equips our Band members with the tools necessary for understanding the social, economic, and political factors affecting the health of our community,” Said Jones, having received multiple degrees from Bemidji State University in finance and forensic accounting.

She also mentioned that President Obama’s Interior Secretary Sally Jewell and Assistant Secretary Kevin Washburn visited the Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig school the previous week and had promised efforts to help replace the dilapidated facility.

The Leech Lake Tribal College new library expansion was noted as the new center for learning will house a new computer lab, classrooms, and space for students to study. Continuing on from education, She mentioned programs and services that revolve around the Band’s youth. She mentioned Leech Lake’s Early Childhood Program helping kids socialize and start their education early on in life. Head Start graduated over 130 students adding that the Wraparound Program offers child care in the mornings and after school to help families whose parents work full time with long commutes to and from work. The Chairwoman mentioned partnering with MN Tribal Resources and how it helped model teaching such culturally significant activities such as maple syrup and wild rice harvesting. She talked about the Kids Perch Jerk having over a thousand kids registered, the backpack give away in August to help with school supplies and four brand new playgrounds in local communities such as Jackson Village, Kego Lake, Oak Point, and the Mission community.

A special part to the evening’s events, during the Chairwoman’s speech, she turned the floor over to Leech Lake’s youth hand-drum group the Northland Eagles. The kids did a wonderful job and stole a little bit of the show each time they performed.

Health and Human Services was next on the Chairwoman’s list of talking points. The department is made up of twenty five different programs that specialize in clinical health, addictions and dependencies, elder care, general welfare, child welfare, and behavioral services. All programs are influenced by and sensitive to the philosophies, practices, and traditions of the Leech Lake Ojibwe culture. The Diabetes

Fitness Center was mentioned as this disease affects our communities a lot. They held their 22nd annual walk/run with over 1,000 participants in Cass Lake this year, and are planning on expanding the facility to twice the size of their current building. The also help bring Work-out/Low-fat (WOLF) curriculum into our schools.

A new Elder assisted Care Living Facility will be built soon. Chairwoman Jones made a special point of thanking the Shakopee Mdwakanton Sioux Community for offering a \$1 million dollar grant to help with construction and equipment costs.

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## New Mission Community Center

The new community center that was built in the Mission neighborhood of Cass Lake held a grand opening last week, and is now fully open. There was raffle prizes and food for everyone. It includes new space for meeting and community gathering and dinners with a full kitchen and meeting space. The project has been in the works since late last fall and the latest of new community centers to be built on the Leech Lake Reservation.

The ICDBG Program provides eligible grantees with direct grants for use in developing viable Indian and Alaska Native Communities, including decent housing, a suitable living environment, and economic opportunities, primarily for low and moderate income persons. The ICDBG program can provide funding for recipients in the following categories: Housing, housing rehabilitation, land acquisition to support new housing construction, and under limited circumstances, new housing construction. community facilities, infrastructure construction, e.g., roads, water and sewer facilities; and, single or multipurpose community buildings. Economic Development, wide variety of commercial, industrial, agricultural projects which may be recipient owned and operated or which may be owned and/or operated by a third party.



## District III Backpack Give Away

On August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2014 there was a backpack give away at the RBC building for the District III kids that were getting ready for the school year. There were almost a thousand students that received school supplies as well as participated in bouncy-houses, face painting, and a barbeque lunch all held in the field next to the new gov't offices in Cass Lake.







## New Community Playground Equipment for the Kids

With deteriorating equipment for the kids to play on becoming a bit dangerous, the Leech Lake RBC decided to replace the old with some new and upgraded equipment for our kids to utilize. Local communities in Jackson Village, Kego Lake, and the Mission neighborhoods all received new structures of equipment for their youth to play on as summer comes to a close. Pictured on this page are the new assemblies that some of our Reservation youth will be enjoying in the weeks and months to come. The RBC would like to thank the local LIC's for their efforts and communications regarding the replacement of the playground equipment.



Dear Winnie Lam LL

We would like you to help us fundraise for a playground. We think it is a good idea because so kids won't be sitting around in the summer. We are willing to supervise the playground. We think a good location is at the end of the caldaseck. We would like at least four swings, one slide, one tire swing, one merrygo-round, two monkey bar sets (Big + small), one jungle gym those are the suggestions. We also want a basketball court.

People how agree with the idea

Adam D.  
Dwan W.  
ES a a c R / Isaac R.  
Solcan W.  
Kee (K Inn Johnson 5  
Kendall Johnson 2  
Kaison Johnson 1 Infant  
Eugene Jenkins 16  
Kiana Johnson  
David Downwind



MONTHLY OJIBWEMOWIN LESSON

# Ojibwemotaadidaa!

*Let's speak Ojibwe to each other***Waatebagaa****-Giizis***(September)**leaves changing  
color moon*Gii' -  
Past Tense  
Wii' -  
Future TenseDibikak-  
Tonight  
Dibikong-  
Last night**VERB TYPES:***vai – aadizookwe – s/he  
tells a traditional winter story**vii- biboon – it is winter**people – s/he is root word**EX: aadizooke – s/he tells a tradi-  
tional winter story**4th person – root –wan/-oon**EX: Aadizookewan omaamaayan  
– her mother tells a traditional story***Vocab for this month:****Aniibiish** *Leaf***Aniibiishan** *Leaves***Dagwaagin** *be fall; it is fall***Dagwaagong** *last fall***Dagwaaging** *When it is fall; in the fall***Waatebagaa** *leaves are turning color***Gikinwaa'amaage** *a student / a teacher***Gikinwaa'amaagewikwe** *Female teacher***Gikinwaa'amaagewinini** *Male teacher***Gikinwaa'amaage wigamig** *Place of School***Gikinwaa'amaagewin** *School (as in a noun)***Gikinwaa'amaadii odaabaan** *School Bus***Agindaaso** *Someone is reading,  
counting, or studying***Gikendaaso** *be smart;  
have knowledge; to know*Ina = ?  
QuestionIna always comes  
in 2<sup>nd</sup> place  
in a sentenceNi - I  
(nindagindaaso)  
Gi - you  
(gidagindaaso)  
s/he - just the word  
(agindaaso)**\*Trivia Question -***Are you going to study tonight?***\*Answer to Trivia Question Last Month:***Wabang niwii'manoomanike.*

## Leech Lake State of the Band

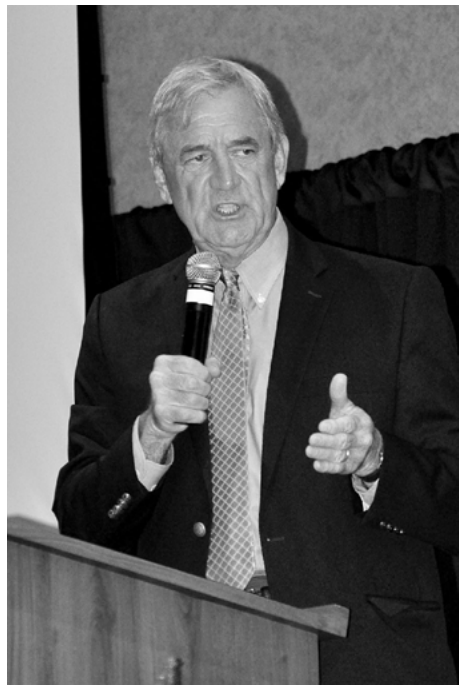
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Indian Health Service is going under a renovation process as well as an expansion process. The construction is expected to be complete by the end of 2016. The expansion will add a new entrance, exam rooms and renovated pharmacy and lab. “Our community members will have an updated and more efficient health care facility for many years to come.”

She mentioned a new Opioid Treatment Center that is in the works. It will be bigger and provide more counseling, case management, and group therapy sessions. A new Regional Justice Center was also mentioned. A \$4 million dollar grant from the Department of Justice will help Leech Lake create the new center, to be located near the new Government offices in Cass lake, that will house Tribal Courts, Tribal Police, and the Leech Lake Legal Department. These new facilities should help facilitate more efficient service delivery for Band members.

Other things that have been accomplished or are still being worked on are the Boy River Bridge (completed this summer), a new bike path in Bena, to keep Band members off the road and safe from traffic, and the bike path in front of the Palace Casino. The Chairwoman also mentioned the new community center in the Mission neighborhood that will be bigger and provide more space and a safer facility.

As well as highlighting new and continuing infrastructure projects Chairwoman Jones noted that our partnerships with other Federal, State, and local entities as well as private corporations helps us secure monies to help with these efforts. For example: Cass County and Itasca County have agreed to work with the Band to establish satellite voting locations on the Reservation for State and Federal elections in November. One location will be open at the Government Center in Cass Lake and the other located at the Ball Club Community Center. Additionally, Cass County



now provides office hours on the first floor of the Government Center. Band members no longer have to secure transportation and gas money driving to Walker if they are seeking eligibility services and assistance. In addition to the efforts to expand voter access for elections, the Band has collaborated with Itasca County on raising the Leech Lake government flag outside the Itasca County Court House and Grand Rapids Depot. “We are continuing to strengthen and legitimize our sovereignty by building stronger relationships,” said Chairwoman Jones. The installment of the Band’s flag outside the Itasca County Court House symbolizes the strength and mutual respect of our relationship. “I’d like to mention that this is the first Native flag-raising ceremony in a non-reservation community to take place in Minnesota!”

Another partnership that is growing stronger is between the National Forest Service and the Leech Lake Band. “Chippewa National Forest and Leech Lake are working together with non-profit Choose Outdoors to bring the official Christmas tree to the U.S. Capitol in Washington D.C. Leech Lake was originally honored to provide the Capitol Christmas tree in 1992 and we are excited to be a part of these celebrations for 2014,” said Jones.

Meanwhile, Leech Lake Housing Authority was awarded a \$4 million dollar Indian Housing Block Grant. The grant will be used to cover operations for housing

rehabilitation, maintenance, and relieves some of the stresses of affordable housing concerns in our local communities.

Leech Lake’s Division of Resource Management (D.R.M.) has always been an important division for the Leech Lake people. The D.R.M. division works hard every day to protect our water, land, forest, fish, wildlife, plants and other natural and cultural resources. The D.R.M., the Legal Department and the Chippewa National Forest signed a Memorandum of Understanding to provide a framework for cooperation concerning natural resource management, economic development, employment and training.

This memorandum reaffirms the U.S. Forest Service’s Federal Indian Trust responsibility to recognize and support tribal hunting, fishing, and gathering rights on U.S. Forest Service land.

The Chippewa National Forest must also consider the impact to these traditional Anishinaabe resources when making current and future decisions on their end. “Since the signing of this Memorandum, the Chippewa National Forest has been one of our strongest community partners and together we are collaborating on various projects,” said Chairwoman Jones. The D.R.M. Land Department has reached an agreement with Potlatch to purchase 1,824 acres of land by the summer of 2019. The Band has purchased 532 acres so far.

D.R.M. has also negotiated the signing of an Memorandum of Understanding with Cass County which has led to the County refraining from sending written appeals to the Bureau of Indian Affairs when the Band applies to put fee land into trust land.

Cass County agreed appealing the Fee-to-Trust applications was not productive and agreed to partner with Leech Lake instead. The M.O.U. has made over \$45,000 dollars available annually to D.R.M. to clean up tribal lands.

In the 1940s, the federal government allowed the Chippewa National Forest to

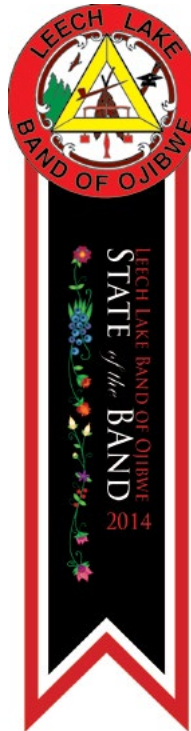




illegally acquire 17,000 acres of land through a process called "Secretarial Transfers". The D.R.M. and members of the Reservation Business Committee continue to work on seeking legislative remedy to return these lands to Leech Lake. "This past July, I traveled to Washington D.C. along with District II Representative Steve White to meet with Congressman Nolan, Congresswoman McCollum, and Senators Klobuchar and Franken to discuss this issue. Leech Lake continues to keep this issue on the Minnesota delegation's radar. We hope to get our lands back in the near future through collaborative work with Minnesota politicians," stated the Chairwoman.

The event was filled with informational booths from most all of the divisions and programs around Leech Lake and was very well attended. Local media as well as the local TV station covered the event.

Leech Lake would like to thank all those that attended, Congressman Nolan and Congressman Lowenthal especially. Thanks to all of the employees and executive staff that helped plan the event and to all of the Leech Lake Band members: we hope to see you again next year.



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## Tree to D.C. from 1992

By Crystal Redgrave

Nearly twenty-two years ago, five Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig school buses carried over 200 students, teachers, and community members across the country for the Annual National Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony in Washington D.C. Once again, this year, the School is preparing to trek over 2,000 miles with nearly forty Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig students to participate in the national event. The School is excited to offer our students this unique learning opportunity. It is a learning opportunity that extends beyond the classroom, the school, and even the community!

The five day fieldtrip is scheduled for November 30 through December 6. Our students will experience new places, meet new people, and learn new customs. The School believes the new experiences will help build a strong sense of belonging, placement, responsibility, and identity for our students. The fieldtrip is a powerful strategy that naturally builds background knowledge, especially when the content is relevant and meaningful, the learning is cooperative, and teaching is shared.

The School is excited to offer this wonderful learning opportunity for our students. Over the next few weeks, our teachers are eager to incorporate all kinds of science and geography lessons into their regular instruction. Following the trip, students may be asked to present to the staff, school board, and community about their trip.

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*Everyone Welcomed to Join!*





# Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Tribal Court

115 Sixth Street NW, Suite E  
 Cass Lake, MN 56633  
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Honorable Paul W. Day, Chief Judge of Tribal Court  
 Honorable Megan E. Treuer, Associate Judge of Tribal Court

## Civil/Probate Division

<p><b>In Re: Estate of</b>  <b>Frank Wayne White Sr.</b>  <b>DOB: 02/20/1951,</b>  <b>Decedent.</b></p>	<p>NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED                  PERSONS AND CREDITORS</p> <p>Court File No. CV-</p>
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**IT IS ORDERED AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the above-named decedent, Frank Wayne White Sr, died 05/29/2014. A hearing was held before the Honorable Paul Day, Chief Judge of the above-named Tribal Court located in the Leech Lake Facility Center, Upper Level, 16126 John Moose Drive NW, in Cass Lake, Minnesota, on the 25th day of June, 2015, at 3:30 p.m., upon the filing of a Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy, Determination of Heirs, and Formal Appointment of Personal Representative by Frank Wayne White Jr, surviving child of the decedent.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that at the Initial Probate Hearing held on June 25th, 2014, in Leech Lake Tribal Court, Frank Wayne White Jr, PO Box 3, Cass Lake, MN, was appointed to act as Personal Representatives of the Estate of Frank Wayne White Sr, decedent.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that all creditors having a claim against the estate are required to present the same to the Personal Representative or to the Clerk of the Leech Lake Tribal Court within ninety (90) days from the date of the first publication of the notice or claims will be barred.

**DATED** this 31st Day of July, 2014.  
 Hon. Paul W. Day, Chief Judge of Tribal Court

## Civil/Probate Division

<p><b>In Re: Estate of</b>  <b>Eli Owen Hunt (DOB: 06/13/1953),</b>  <b>(Date of death: March 5, 2014);</b>  <b>Decedent.</b></p>	<p>NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED                  PERSONS AND CREDITORS</p> <p>Court File No. CV-14-48</p>
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**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a Petition for Probate and Formal Appointment of Personal Representative for the above-named decedent was filed by Matthew C. Hunt, surviving brother of the decedent. A hearing shall be held before the Honorable Megan Treuer, Associate Judge of the above-named Tribal Court located in the Leech Lake Facility Center, Upper Level, 16126 John Moose Drive NW, in Cass Lake, Minnesota, on the 22nd day of January, 2015 at 1:00 p.m.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that all creditors having a claim against the estate are required to present the same to the Clerk of the Leech Lake Tribal Court within ninety (90) days from the date of the first publication of this notice or claims will be barred.

**DATED** this 18th day of August, 2014.  
 Hon. Megan E. Treuer Associate Judge of Tribal Court

## -LEGAL NOTICE BY PUBLICATION-

### Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Child of:  
 Destiny L.L. Ford and  
 Douglas W. Wind, Parents.  
 Court File No. CP-13-35

### NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on April 8, 2014, a Petition for Alternative Relief was filed in Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the child of the above-named parents. Please contact Leech Lake Tribal Court Administration for the next hearing date and time. The telephone number is (218) 335-3682 or 3586. You are served with this notice because you are a party to this proceeding. If you fail to appear for this hearing the Court may find you in default and enter an order.

## -LEGAL NOTICE BY PUBLICATION-

### Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Children of:  
 Andrea D. Birt, Jamison L. Bellanger,  
 and anyone who may claim parental  
 rights to the child, V.B., dob: 1.18.2010.  
 Court File No. CP-13-32

### NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on April 29, 2014, a Petition for Alternative Relief was filed in Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the children of the above-named parents. Please contact Leech Lake Tribal Court Administration for the next hearing date and time. The telephone number is (218) 335-3682 or 3586. You are served with this notice because you are a party to this proceeding. If you fail to appear for this hearing the Court may find you in default and enter an order.

**The Affordable Care Act & The IHS Website.**

**For more information go to**

**<http://www.ihs.gov/ACA>**



## Leech Lake Tribal Council Special Meeting

April 10, 2014

RTC Conference Room  
Cass Lake, Minnesota



Chairwoman Carri Jones called the meeting to order at 2:12pm

### Roll Call:

Carri Jones, Chairwoman	Present
Donald Finn, Secretary/Treasurer	Absent
Robbie Howe, DI Rep.	Present
Steve White, DII Rep.	Present
LeRoy Staples Fairbanks, DIII Rep.	Present

Motion by Robbie Howe, second by Steve White to approve the agenda with addition. Motion carried 3-0-0.

### OLD BUSINESS:

Motion by Steve White to approve the March 25, 2014 and April 4, 2014 meeting minutes. Second by Robbie Howe. Motion carried 3-0-0

### NEW BUSINESS:

#### TRIBAL COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS:

Motion by Robbie Howe to approve Resolution 2014-85 BIA; Update IRR Roads Inventory. Second by Steve White. Motion carried 3-0-0.

Motion by Steve White to approve Resolution 2014-86 to Support Tribal Transportation Unity Act. Second by LeRoy Staples-Fairbanks. Motion carried 3-0-0.

### OTHER

Motion by LeRoy Staples-Fairbanks to authorize staff to begin the financial and design phase of the Onigum Community Center plans. Second by Robbie Howe. Motion carried 3-0-0

Motion by Steve White to allow Economic Development to request funding from Lower Mdewakanton Sioux for the assisted living project. Second by Robbie Howe. Motion carried 2-1-0 (as a matter of record LeRoy Staples-Fairbanks was opposed).

Discussion regarding the ability to complete "mobile" chemical use assessments (Rule 25). Deputy Director will be following up.

Discussion of the ability to allow the Minneapolis office to LSS, Deputy Director will follow up with legal again, past conversations tied us with lease until November 2015.

Council moved to Executive Session.

Motion by LeRoy Staples-Fairbanks to adjourn at 3:30pm. Second by Robbie Howe. Motion carried 3-0-0

## Leech Lake Tribal Council Special Meeting

April 15, 2014

RTC Conference Room  
Cass Lake, Minnesota



Chairwoman Carri Jones called the meeting to order at 2:47pm

### Roll Call:

Carri Jones, Chairwoman	Present
Donald Finn, Secretary/Treasurer	Present
Robbie Howe, DI Rep.	Absent
Steve White, DII Rep.	Present
LeRoy Staples Fairbanks, DIII Rep	Absent

Donald Finn made a motion to approve agenda, second by Steve White. Motion carried 2-0-0

### NEW BUSINESS:

#### TRIBAL COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS:

Motion by Steve White to approve Resolution 2014-87 the Administration for Native Americans Niganee Program. Second by Donald Finn. Motion carried 2-0-0.

Motion by Steve White to adjourn at 2:50pm. Second by Donald Finn. Motion carried 2-0-0

## Leech Lake Tribal Council Special Meeting

April 24, 2014

RTC Conference Room  
Cass Lake, Minnesota



Chairwoman Carri Jones called the meeting to order at 11:29am

### Roll Call:

Carri Jones, Chairwoman	Present
Donald Finn, Secretary/Treasurer	Present
Robbie Howe, DI Rep.	Present
Steve White, DII Rep.	Present
LeRoy Staples Fairbanks, DIII Rep.	Present

Motion by Steve White to approve the agenda with addition, second by LeRoy Staples-Fairbanks. Motion carried 4-0-0.

### OLD BUSINESS:

Motion by Donald Finn to approve the April 10, 2014 and April 15, 2014 meeting minutes, second by Steve White. Motion carried 4-0-0.

### NEW BUSINESS:

Motion by LeRoy Staples-Fairbanks to approve the Playground Equipment for the communities. Second by Robbie Howe. Motion carried 4-0-0

Motion by Donald Finn to approve the Leech Lake Mini Worker Program.

Second by LeRoy Staples-Fairbanks. Motion carried 4-0-0

Motion by Steve White to approve the 2014-2015 Leech Lake Fishing Dates. Second by Robbie Howe. Motion carried 4-0-0.

### TRIBAL COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS:

Motion by Robbie Howe to approve resolution 2014-088 Byrne Criminal Justice Innovation Grant. Second by LeRoy Staples-Fairbanks. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by LeRoy Staples-Fairbanks to approve the GED Bonus Awards to Leech Lake Band Members. Second by Robbie Howe. Motion carried 4-0-0

### LAND RESOLUTIONS:

Motion by Robbie Howe to approve the "Homesite" resolutions second by LeRoy Staples-Fairbanks. Motion carried 4-0-0.

**LD2014-125** Lyman W. Lowry, new lease, Buck Lake area.

**LD2014-126** Irene Mitchell, rescind resolution No. LD2006-158, South Cass Lake Area.

**LD2014-127** Irene Mitchell, New Lease, Southwood Loop area

**LD2014-128** Bruce R. Baird & Loralee F. Baird, lease assignment cancellation, Ball Club area.

Motion by Steve White to approve the "Lakeshore" resolutions, second by Donald Finn. Motion carried 4-0-0

**LD2014-129** Amos Pladson, lease cancellation, Pug Hole area.

**LD2014-130** Derek Hansen, recreational lease, Pug Hole area.

**LD2014-131** Barbara Strumstad, lease cancellation, Chippewa Heights area.

**LD2014-132** Douglas D. & Doreen L. Boettcher, recreational lease, Chippewa Heights area.

**LD2014-133** Ernestine Fairbanks, Bill of Sale, Onigum area.

### OTHER

Discussion Northern Lights Golf Tourney & Gas and Food Voucher.

Motion by Donald Finn to adjourn at 11:45am, second by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks. Motion carried 4-0-0.

## Leech Lake Tribal Council Special Meeting

June 30, 2014

RTC Conference Room  
Cass Lake, Minnesota



Chairwoman Carri Jones called the meeting to order at 1:22pm

### Roll Call:

Carri Jones, Chairwoman	Present
Donald Finn, Secretary/Treasurer	Absent
Robbie Howe, DI Rep.	Absent
Steve White, DII Rep.	Present
LeRoy Staples Fairbanks, DIII Rep.	Present

Motion by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks, second by Steve White to approve agenda, with addition of the Temporary Spending Resolution. Motion carried 2-0-0.

### NEW BUSINESS:

#### TRIBAL COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS:

Motion by Steve White to approve Resolution No. 2014-98 concerning DHHS grant application for LL Domestic Violence Prevention Program Funding, second by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks. Motion carried 2-0-0.

Motion by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks to approve Resolution No. 2014-99 concerning Grant Rights of Way on CSAH 33 (Mission Road), second by Steve White. Motion carried 2-0-0.

Motion by Steve White to approve Resolution No. 2014-100 approving Transfer of Small Business Loan Fund to LLFSS, second by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks. Motion carried 2-0-0.

Motion by Steve White to approve Resolution No. 2014-101 concerning approval of Temporary Spending Resolution, second by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks. Motion carried 2-0-0.

Motion by LeRoy Staples Fairbanks, second by Steve White to adjourn at 1:45 p.m. Motion carried 2-0-0.

## Gas Discount

Beginning April 1, 2014, all convenience stores owned by the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe will offer a \$.05 per gallon discount to enrolled Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe (LLBO) members on gasoline and diesel purchased for the member's personal use.





# Obituaries



## Dominic Moses Parkhurst



**D**ominic Moses Parkhurst, three months old, passed away on August 10, 2014 at the Sanford Hospital in

Fargo, ND with his family by his side.

Dominic was born on May 19, 2014 in Fargo, ND the son of Uri Nusman and Nona Parkhurst.

He was preceded in death by his grandma; Barbara Parkhurst, great grandmas; Marian Wright and Nona Belisle. Dominic is survived by his mother; Nona, father; Uri, brothers; Joshua and True Nusman, and one sister Suri Nusman, paternal grandparents; Charlene and Benjamin Nusman, maternal grandparents; Patrick (Traci Cloud) Parkhurst, numerous aunts, uncles and other relatives.

A wake service for Dominic will begin at 5:00 p.m., Thursday, August 14, 2014 and will continue until the 11:00 a.m. service on Friday, August 15, all at the Onigum Community Center. Rev. Mark R. Olson will officiate. Active pallbearers for Dominic will be Sabrina Pugh and Ariel Anderson. Honorary pallbearers will be Uri Nusman, Patrick Parkhurst, Dorian Olson and Cedric "Butch" Olson. Interment will be held in the Old Agency Catholic Cemetery following the service at the center.

Dominic's care has been entrusted to Northern Peace Funeral Home of Walker, MN.

Online condolences for the family may be given at [www.northernpeace.com](http://www.northernpeace.com)

## LEE "LEO" MITCHELL

**Makwagabo  
"Standing Bear"**



**L**ee "Leo" C. Mitchell, 58, of LCO, died Thursday, August 21, 2014 at Riverwood Health Center in Aitkin, MN.

Leo Clarence Mitchell was born on April 1, 1956 in Hayward, WI, the son of Leo Bildeau and Marie Quagon. Dora, Leo and Darrell were raised by grandparents Stella and James Drumbeater. Leo completed his GED and enjoyed hunting, fishing and being in the outdoors. He also loved playing his guitar, cooking and animals.

He is survived by sons Wade Dauphinas, Leo Mitchell Jr.; daughter Lesley Decorah; sisters Dora Mitchell, Ann Plakut, Stella Makola; brother Darrell Mitchell, Doug Mitchell, Jamieson Wambolt; step children Susie DeNasha, Erin Lynk, Linda Lynk & Diane Lynk; former wife Ann Mitchell.

Leo was preceded in death by his parents; grandparents Stella & James Drumbeater; son Kenny Quagon; aunt Bonita Quagon; uncles Lloyd Quagon, Peter Quagon, Barnabus Quagon; special beloved friend Darcy Quaderer.

Tribal Funeral Rites will be held beginning with a feast at 10:00 a.m., Monday, August 25 at Pineview Funeral Service in Hayward with Larry Smallwood officiating. Burial will be in Whitefish Cemetery. Visitation will begin at 5:00 p.m., Sunday, August 24 at the funeral home.

Honorary casket bearers will

be Tami DeMarr, Brett Dennis Sr., Anthony Miller, Cheri Ann Miller, Dena Quaderer and Michael Quaderer.

Casket bearers will be Jerry Benjamin, Thomas Benjamin, Ron Bildeau, Dave Jack, Darrell Mitchell and Jamieson Wambolt.

Online condolences can be made at [pineviewfuneralservice.com](http://pineviewfuneralservice.com)

## Bert Gale Jr.



**B**ert Gale Jr., age 79, of Sugar Point, passed away Monday, July 28, 2014 at St. Mary's Hospital in Duluth,

surrounded by many of his family. He was born to Bert Sr. and Lillian Gale on November 19, 1935 at Bear Island.

Bert was a paratrooper with the 101st division 82nd airborne U.S. Army stationed in Ft. Bragg, NC; he served active duty during the Korean War Era as a Squad Leader and Section Sgt. for the 57th Recoilless Rifle Platoon from Dec. 1952 - Dec. 1955 then switched to the Army Reserve until Jan. 1961. He was a member of the Bena American Legion 2001 and also a member of the Leech Lake Honor Guard. His wife Lucy was a member of the Leech Lake Auxiliary.

Bert was employed in numerous jobs including working in factories in Illinois, many construction

and welding jobs in Minnesota and worked security for the Northern Lights Casino. He enjoyed fishing, hunting, and visiting with friends. His hobbies included painting on handmade miniature drums, wood burning nature pictures on buckskin and wood pieces. Both Bert and Lucy enjoyed working on their crafts side-by-side, he doing wood burning and painting and she doing her beadwork.

Bert was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Lucy Gale, sons: Alvin Gale and Bert Headbird; brothers: Alvin Gale, Vernon Gale, Ronald Gale; and sisters: Betty Lou Mettler and Dolly Kottmeyer.

He is survived by his daughters; Katherine Gale, Lorna K. Urrutia, Cynthia M. Gale. His brothers; Kenneth Gale, Darrell Gale, sisters; Lavina Marion, Stella Gale, grandchildren, great grandchildren, numerous nieces and nephews.

Arrangements with Northern Peace Funeral Home. Viewing Thursday, 3:00 pm, July 31, at the Sugar Point Center and will continue until the double service for both Bert and Lucy Gale at 1:00 p.m., Saturday, August 2, also at the Sugar Point Center. Active pallbearers will be Dean A. Gale, Jon-Erik Gale, Evan Gale, Byron Whitebird, Kenneth Gale, Darrell Gale, Tyler Luther, and Michelle Marion. Honorary pallbearers will be Barney Jones, Scott Dahmen, Lyman White, James Mitchell, Brian Mitchell, Mike Mitchell, De De Losh, Guy Green, Ron Burnett, Frank Robinson, Terry Robinson, Frank Marion, Kirk Kottmeyer, Logan Monroe, and David Chase. Burial to follow at the Battle Point cemetery.



# Obituaries





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## BUILDING ON MINNESOTA'S MOMENTUM

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## Elders Wellness Expo 2014

Welcome Elders (55+) & caregivers !!  
You're invited to join us  
as we walk down memory lane.  
-Meet old /new friends & service providers-

Tuesday, September 30, 2014  
10 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

New Mission Community Center  
02126 Osprey Lane SE—Mission Road

Lunch Provided  
by Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe  
On-Site Registration

### Demonstrations

Wild Rice Parching  
Smoked Fish  
Birch Bark Canoe Making

### Activities

Information booths  
Music  
Homemade Apron Contest  
Ojibwe Memory Game

### For information:

Gloria (Jean) Beaulieu : 218-335-3013  
Carol Jenkins: 218-308-3256

### For Transportation in the

Leech Lake Area :  
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## FOOD SHELF COMES TO LEECH LAKE

LLBO members can go to the food distribution building on Highway 2 once a month to receive food. **Every Wednesday** from **10am-3:30pm** food distribution is available, and as needed. For more information please call food distribution at **218-335-2676**.



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### September Community Gathering

**When** September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2014 starting at 8:00 am

**Where:** Bena Community Center

**What:** Starting at 8:00am, we will be cleaning nets, cleaning fish and prepare them for smoking. We will be smoking fish, making breads and other foods. This is all hand on teaching and learning.

Come join us for a day of cooking and conversation.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!





# Annie

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### *Donation from an Elder*

John Oshkinaway Fairbanks, 76yrs old of Mission Corners, donated a riding lawnmower to the T.E.P, to help the program continue to provide services to the communities.

*Miigwech, John!*

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