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Community planning meeting regarding redevelopment of the site scheduled for 5PM on May 9th at Cedar Lakes.

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LLBO Official Certified Primary Election Results – April 5, 2022.

By MICHAEL CHOSA

CASS LAKE – The Leech Lake Election Board has certified the results of the 2022 Primary Election held April 5, 2022 on the Leech Lake Reservation.

In the contest for District I Representative, Kyle Fairbanks received 129 votes or 52.23% defeating Gary Charwood 42 votes (17.0%), Norma Jackson 39 votes (15.79%), Tana Robinson 22 votes (8.91%) and Tami Jackson 15 votes (6.07%).

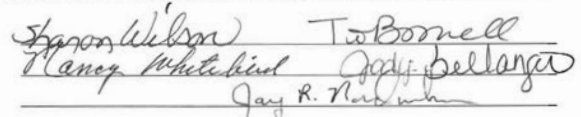
In the contest for District II Representative, Incumbent Steve White received 115 votes or 83.94% defeating Terrance Mitchell and Theodore White Sr. who each received 11 votes (8.03%).

Both prevailing candidates received over 50% of the vote during this primary election, and keeping in line with the MCT election ordinance, they are declared the winners and no general election for either position will be held.

The June General Election will take place on Tuesday, June 14, 2022. On the General Election ballot will be Secretary-Treasurer and an important referendum question regarding blood quantum from the MN Chippewa Tribe. Local level races including Local Indian Council, Housing Board and School Board will also take place on this date.

Elected candidates will serve a four year term beginning in July 2022 and ending in 2026.

Editor's Note: We have witnessed some confusion over the circumstances regarding the Secretary-Treasurer election and we would like to reiterate some of the information we have previously shared on LeechLakeNews.com. For any of our MCT Tribal Elections, if two or fewer candidates file for a position there is no Primary Election held and the contest automatically moves forward to the General Election. The

LEECH LAKE RESERVATION PRIMARY ELECTION April 5, 2022													
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DISTRICT I REPRESENTATIVE													
TAMI JACKSON	11	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	15	6.07%
GARY CHARWOOD SR.	2	11	17	0	0	0	2	3	5	2	0	42	17.00%
TANA ROBINSON	9	6	3	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	22	8.91%
NORMA JACKSON	17	12	2	0	0	0	2	3	0	3	0	39	15.79%
KYLE FAIRBANKS	25	80	4	0	0	0	4	5	8	3	0	129	52.23%
DISTRICT II REPRESENTATIVE													
STEVE WHITE INCUMBENT	0	0	0	43	22	19	12	6	3	8	2	115	83.94%
THEODORE WHITE SR.	0	0	0	7	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	11	8.03%
TERRANCE MITCHELL	0	0	0	1	1	5	0	0	1	3	0	11	8.03%
CERTIFICATION													
We, the undersigned Election Officials of the Leech Lake Reservation do hereby certify the above abstract to be a true and accurate reflection of the votes cast in the Primary Election held on Tuesday, April 5, 2022. We further certify that said election was conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribes, the Leech Lake Reservation, and Election Ordinance #10.													
													



District I winning Candidate, Kyle Fairbanks.



District II winning Candidate, Steve White.

top two candidates in each Primary Election contest will also advance to the General Election, unless they are able to secure more than 50% of the votes cast. When this occurs, they are declared the winner and no General Election is held for those races.

The election for the Secretary-Treasurer position will be carried out as normal even though there is only one certified candidate who will appear on the ballot. This will

include voting, polling places in all three districts and other election procedures as prescribed by the MCT Election Ordinance.

We have also received several inquiries on whether write-in options will be available for the Secretary-Treasurer race, the answer is no. All candidates seeking office must file during the filing period in January and must also be certified in order to run for and hold office.

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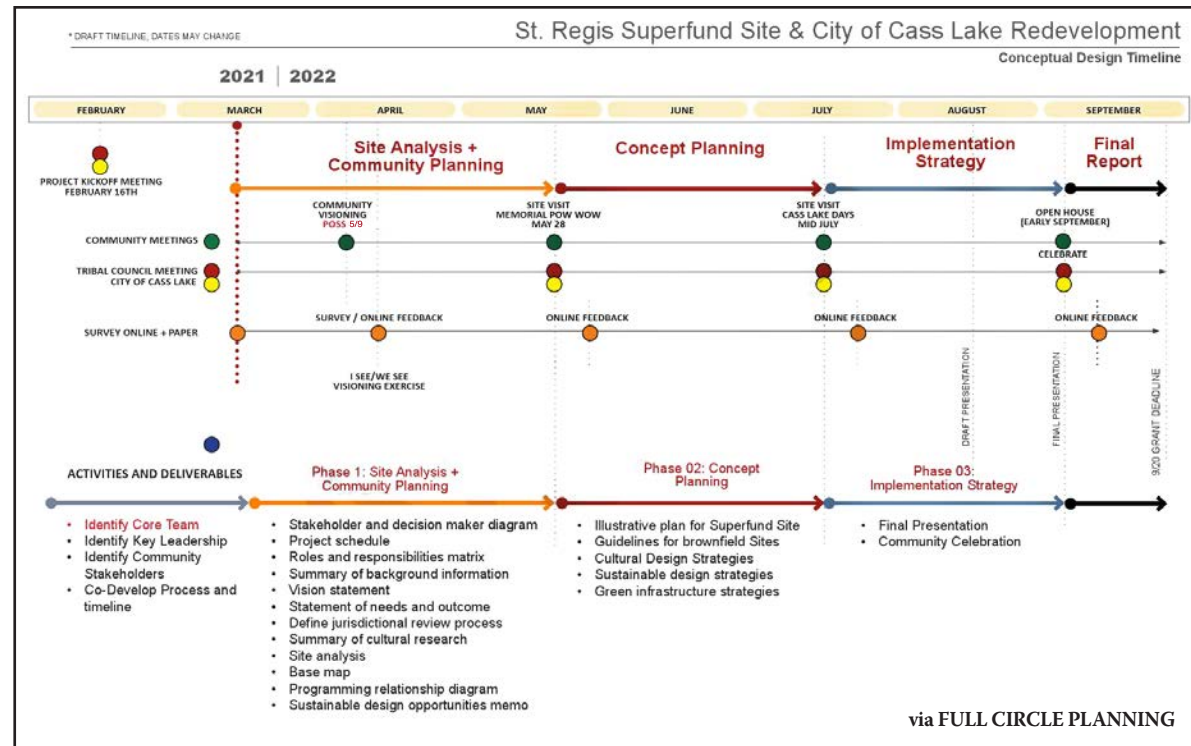
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Planning Process Begins for Redevelopment of Cass Lake St. Regis Superfund and Brownfield Sites

By KAYLA DUOOS

CASS LAKE – The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Tribal Council met with the Cass Lake City Council February 16 to kick off the redevelopment planning of the St. Regis Superfund and City of Cass Lake brownfield sites.

This redevelopment project targets brownfield sites and the St. Regis Superfund site in the City of Cass Lake. Brownfield sites are defined as potentially contaminated land parcels that may have contamination from business use, for example asbestos from previous construction. The St. Regis superfund site consists of areas within Cass Lake that have legacy hazardous waste contamination from the wood treatment facility that operated from the 1950's to 1980's. Redevelopment planning for these areas is broken into three phases. The first phase, Site Analysis & Community Planning, is to engage with the Cass Lake community to create an opportunity for people to voice their concerns with particular land parcels, identify potential brownfield sites, and share their vision for what the site should be for future generations. Following the initial phase and aggregating the Cass Lake community's vision, the project moves into the second phase, Concept Planning. This phase examines what this community vision could be through urban design and

illustrative planning. The third phase of Implementation Strategy looks to implement specific brownfield redevelopment plans, identified through the community outreach, for a final presentation and community celebration to conclude this planning effort.

Through this planning process Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe and the City of Cass Lake aspire to develop a plan to exhibit what the community would like to see the superfund and brownfield sites become once cleaned and once again become a

part of the community. This planning effort will shape the future of the City of Cass Lake as our governments will be able to share this plan with local, state and federal agencies to implement. A plan driven by the people for the community. Proposed ideas for the land include shopping centers, playgrounds, homes and apartment complexes. Final plans for the land will be based on community feedback and leadership ideas. These plans can drive hazardous substance standards and timelines for the cleanup.

COME SHARE YOUR IDEAS AND GOALS FOR A LONG-TERM VISION OF THE CITY OF CASS LAKE.

CASS LAKE COMMUNITY PLANNING

MAY 9, 2022 - 5PM
Cedar Lakes Casino Event Center

VISIONING + OPEN HOUSE

Help our community design the future of a thriving downtown Cass Lake!

“Creating a long term vision for these sites through redevelopment is important as it gives our community hope...”

-Ben Benoit, Interim DRM Director

This planning effort by the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in coordination with the City of Cass Lake, follows the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) announcement to clean the residential area of the St. Regis superfund site to Tribal environmental cleanup standards. This is a significant step forward in dealing with the environmental racism the Tribe and the City of Cass Lake have faced for decades regarding the former wood processing site. Interim Resource Management Division Director (DRM) Ben Benoit asked attendees of the kickoff meeting what justice would look like for the community when it came to developing the area.

“Creating a long term vision for these sites through redevelopment is important as it gives our community hope and it gives the Environmental Protection Agency and responsible parties an end goal they can strive for,” said Benoit.

Benoit has worked on the redevelopment plan alongside other staff from Leech Lake Band DRM, Planning, Legal, Government relations, City of Cass Lake, and Full Circle Indigenous Planning who are organizing the effort for the City and Tribe.

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Tribal Chairman Faron Jackson Sr., who was in attendance at the meeting, shared his appreciation for the proposal. “We can make this plan a reality as long as we work and keep these channels of community dialogue open. I'd really like to see it happen and to be able to envision a future for our children and what this area could be like 10 to 15 years in the future.”

An estimated timeline and further detail is provided in the illustrative timeline. The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe and City of Cass Lake invite everyone to participate in this continued planning effort. DRM will be holding a community public meeting May 9, 2022 and another in July for community feedback. We invite all community members to attend and share their insight.

Giant Mill Won't be a Good Neighbor Up North

We can't let outsiders profit at the expense of local resources.

By FARON JACKSON SR.

You may have read the news announcing a plan to build an enormous oriented strand board manufacturing facility in Cohasset, Minn. ("Environmental analysis updated for wood plant," Jan. 27.) At first glance, the project might sound pretty good. More jobs and building materials in our region. But the proposed site is one mile from our reservation in the area protected by treaty rights, so we are taking a closer look at the project proposal.

What kind of neighbor will this be?

A neighbor who starts by cutting down eagle nests and putting them into a woodchipper. We were surprised when we read about the plan to destroy bald eagle nests in the environmental assessment prepared by Huber Engineered Woods. Although bald eagles are protected by federal law and sacred to Ojibwe people, Huber wants to destroy eagle nests when they could easily avoid them.

The nests illustrate larger problems. The proposed site is 400 acres of forested wetlands on the bank of a portion of the Mississippi River that holds hundreds of acres of wild rice. Huber is seeking a permit from the Army Corps to drain and fill wetlands. Wetlands are critical to many species of fish and wildlife, for food production, spawning and nursery habitat, refuge and the reduction of harmful pollutants in water. Wetlands along the Mississippi River also store stormwater and reduce flooding downstream.

The proposed site is owned by Minnesota Power, which is the steward of a great deal of sensitive wetland habitat. These wetlands were set aside for a water-dependent public utility and should not be offered to recruit industrial customers.

Acid rain and air quality are also significant troubles. The Boswell coal plant is currently emitting 647 tons of sulfur dioxide annually, or about two tons per day. The Huber plant would be on the same site, emitting 528 tons of nitrous oxides and other pollutants.

Sulfur dioxide and nitrous oxides interact to form acid rain that can travel long distances and wash out in local rain events. Acid rain damages vegetation, particularly conifers, and

changes the acidity in soil to cause nutrient leaching. In water bodies it allows mercury to change into methylmercury, increasing mercury in fish and waterfowl. The Boswell plant has been emitting thousands of pounds of mercury for decades. Huber's air emissions would combine with Boswell's and harm everyone in our region.

Finally, the scale of air pollution hints at our biggest concern. The Huber plant would be enormous — the size of the old Metrodome. Truly a Mega Mill, it would consume far more timber than our region can sustain with significant negative effects on wildlife and treaty fisheries.

Huber has indicated that the plant will consume 614 million board feet annually. In perspective, that is half of the timber production of all state timber lands being taken from only one corner of our state. The demand for timber resources will be most intense within 75-100 miles of the plant, an area completely within the lands where Minnesota Chippewa Tribe members have protected treaty rights to hunt, fish and gather. This area includes the entire Leech Lake, Fond du Lac and Bois Forte Reservations, and portions of the Red Lake and White Earth Reservations.

One hundred years ago, timber interests destroyed our forests and decimated wildlife. Leech Lake understands the need for jobs and today provides over 1,200 jobs to Tribal and non-Tribal Minnesotans across the region. Don't let the historical tragedies of Leech Lake happen again.

The "Frontier Project" would repeat a tragic history of outsiders profiting at the expense of local resources. In this case, a New Jersey family's company wants to export Minnesota's wealth.

In 1855 the Ojibwe signed a treaty with the United States that reserved our rights to hunt and fish and gather wild rice in this area outside of our reservation. This Huber Mega Mill will diminish these rights and harm the environment that we all share. We urge everyone in Minnesota to take a closer look.

Faron Jackson Sr.

**Chairman, Leech Lake
Band of Ojibwe**

LLBO Division of Resource Management & Tribal Council Seek Community Feedback on Solar Project Located in Cass Lake

By MICHAEL CHOSA

CASS LAKE – The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Tribal Council and Division of Resource Management are seeking community feedback on a proposed solar project in Cass Lake.

The proposed project will feature a 3.4 megawatt solar array built adjacent to the Enbridge Energy pump house in Cass Lake. The estimated cost for this project will be approximately \$7.5 million and will be funded entirely by Line 3 mitigation funds.

The Line 3 mitigation funds are compensation provided to LLBO by Enbridge Energy through the Line 3 removal and deactivation agreement. More than 27 miles of Line 3 pipeline will be removed from the Leech Lake Reservation. In some environmentally concerning areas, the pipe will be capped on both ends and left in the ground in order to not disturb the local ecosystem.



Energy produced by the proposed project will be sold to Enbridge Energy to power the pumping station located near the site. All excess energy produced will be sold to Ottertail Power and distributed into the local power grid.

For a more in depth look at the project, LLBO Community members are encouraged to watch the video presentation linked here: <https://vimeo.com/691551792> and share

their feedback via the questionnaire located at: <https://bit.ly/LLBOsolar>

In addition to the online presentation and feedback, all community members are invited to view the presentation in person and join the discussion at a public meeting scheduled for April 25, 2022 at Cedar Lakes Casino Event Center in Cass Lake. The meeting will begin at 5pm with a short presentation from LLBO Resource Management Director Ben Benoit, followed by an open Q&A session and public comments.

The public comment period will be open for the next 45 days, ending on Monday, May 9, 2022. In addition to the online form and public meeting, comments can also be emailed to comments@llobjibwe.net or mailed to LLBO Communications, 190 Sailstar Dr NW, Cass Lake, MN 56633.

Please note: This project is unrelated to the solar grant received from Department of Energy previously in March.



**United States
Department of
Agriculture**

USDA Accepting Applications to Help Low-Income Individuals and Families Buy or Repair Homes

USDA Rural Development is accepting applications for very low- and low-income individuals and families seeking to purchase or repair a home in a rural area.

The Direct Home Loan program offers financing to qualified very-low and low-income applicants that are unable to qualify for traditional financing. No down payment is required, and the interest rate could be as low as one percent with a subsidy. Applicants must meet income and credit guidelines and demonstrate repayment ability. The program is available in rural communities of generally 35,000 people or less.

The maximum loan amount is \$40,000 at a one percent interest rate, repayable for a 20-year term and can

be used to improve or modernize homes and do essential repairs. Grants of up to \$10,000 are available to homeowners 62 and older and must be used to remove health or safety hazards, such as fixing a leaking roof, installing indoor plumbing, or replacing a furnace.

Contact a USDA Rural Development Housing Specialist in your area today, to see if you qualify.

USDA Rural Development loans and grants provide assistance that supports infrastructure improvements; business development; housing; community services such as schools, public safety and health care; and high-speed internet access in rural areas. For more information, visit www.rd.usda.gov/mn.

Leech Lake Tribal Council Approves New Minimum Wage for Employees

By KAYLA DUOOS

CASS LAKE – The Leech Lake Tribal Council has approved a new minimum wage of \$15.00 per hour for employees.

Among those seeing the raised wage increase include LLBO Gaming employees, LLBO Government employees, as well as TEP, who were actively employed with the Band as of March 15, 2022. In order to reduce wage compression and properly compensate employees at all wage levels, this measure includes an across the board wage increase for all employees.

Employees who currently make less than \$12.25 per hour will receive an increase that brings their pay rate to \$15.00 hour. All other employees will receive a wage increase of \$2.75 per hour.

The wage increase is retroactive to January 30, 2022 and applies to all wages earned during the period.

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe, April Quarterly Meeting

By KAYLA DUOOS

CASS LAKE – The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe held their Quarterly Meeting virtually Friday, April 15.

Tribal Chairman Faron Jackson Sr. gave the opening remarks followed by a financial report from Secretary-Treasurer, Arthur LaRose. The report featured financial data from both government and gaming operations.

A number of resolutions concerning enrollment were passed at the meeting. These resolutions included new enrollments, ineligible enrollments, and transfers to and from the band. New employees hired in the past quarter were also introduced and welcomed at the meeting.

Last on the agenda were presentations from Division Directors in attendance on their activities over the past three months. Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the event was held online through video calls. For those who were unable to watch, a livestream of the event is available on the official Leech Lake Vimeo page.

Quarterly Meetings are held every three months on a rotating schedule between each district on the reservation. The next Quarterly Meeting will be held in July 2022.

Quarterly Report Summaries

Tribal Court

- There were 75 new cases filed between January 1, 2021 and March 31, 2021.
- The court conducted 285 hearings the past quarter.
- The Council selected members for the Judicial Committee, Interviews are set for March 25, 2022.
- The Juvenile Detention Alternative Initiative (JDAI) group met March 11, 2022.

Human Resources

- Wage and Salary schedule and minimum increase was passed.
- Online portal for training modules: "Learning Management System" is live and as of March 16, 2022 there is a 65% activity for enrolled users and a 36% completion rate.
- 32 new employees attended new employee orientation.
- Investigations training and LL Civics training continue to occur monthly.
- Suicide prevention training will be offered monthly in the coming quarter.

The Band recently held it's Quarterly Meeting on April 15, the meeting was held online via livestream.

Legal

- The work with DRM and special environmental counsel on the St. Regis Superfund site towards settling Natural Resource Damages is progressing.
- The potential NRD settlement with the City of Cass Lake includes conservation easement, restricting future development along the northwest shore of Pike Bay, the transfer of a beach parcel north of Sailstar Marina and continued assistance in natural resource damage restoration projects.
- The federal multidistrict opioid litigation is moving slowly but there are now Tribal Government settlements moving toward final approval. If approved Johnson and Johnson will provide approximately \$2.3 million to LLBO for use in opioid addiction treatment. Once 95% of the participating Tribes agree then payments will begin.
- The Legal Department is actively engaged with DRM and Government relations in efforts to oppose the construction of a Oriented strand board(OSB) manufacturing facility in the City of Cohasset, 1 mile east of the LLBO reservation boundary. If constructed, the facility would be the largest OSB production facility in North America.

Education

- Work on the Leech Lake Leadership plan continues, currently identifying Tribal professional development needs.
- One additional head start classroom was opened in January following the hiring of two new teachers.
- Inclusion of an Ojibwe Language & Culture revitalization staff member has greatly improved programming areas.
- Began process of acquiring Rosetta Stone Ojibwe for all of Early Childhood division.

Tribal Roads

- Cass Lake Bike Trail project has begun this year and is scheduled to be finished by Summer 2022.

- Bena Bike trail project will be bid out in 2022, and construction is expected to be completed in 2023.

Human Services

- The 2021 legislature created new mental health uniform service standards that impact MN DHS certified programs and providers is expected to be implemented by July 1, 2022. This will impact LLBH providers, programs, policies and procedures.
- Traditional medicine and doctoring were offered at Leech Lake Behavioral health for the first time this quarter.
- In March, LLBO division directors began participating in Suicide prevention training.
- The LLBH crisis response team is working with Itasca county first for help to define operational requirements and protocols that are specific to LLBH to provide a more personalized crisis line service and triage.
- LLBH received Tribal Council approval for a new LLBH policy and procedure manual.

Health

- Rochelle Pemberton accepted role as Health Division director in November 2021.
- Implemented the "Baby and Me Tobacco" free program.
- CMS vaccine mandate policy was implemented, deadline was March 15, 2022.
- Family Spirit Program has a new a new home, the old gaming compliance building by the ARC program.
- Over 1,000 food boxes for the holidays were handed out in December with more food boxes delivered to Elders via the Elder program in early March.
- Community Healing Walk to take place in April.
- Over the past month of March there is a steady decline in Covid testing and positive cases reported by both IHS and Tribal Employee health.
- Health Emergency Response Team (HERT) and IHS have worked on providing home test kits to community members in

the metro area as well as masks/sanitization. Masks/ Sanitizations are still in large quantities for use and distribution to community members when needed.

- Mask mandate was lifted for LLBO offices due to the decrease in positive cases in the community.

Public Safety

- Food Boxes have continued to be delivered as requested.
- Community Service Officer Rory Haaland continues with planning efforts for a new Veterinary clinic. Land for the clinic has been established and funding resources are being identified. Plans are to break ground fall 2022.

Resource Management

- Incumbent DRM director is still indisposed, Interim Division Director oversaw past quarter and drafted a strategic plan to set short term and long term goals for the division.
- The DRM has been engaging with Government Relations and Legal Department on the Huber issue and has participated in a series of consultations with Federal and State agencies regarding the project.
- Monthly consultations regarding USFS, Ketchum project and Highway 2 shading project have continue this quarter.
- DRM is working with communications division for public outreach on potential solar project.
- IDD has been engage in the LL restoration act implementation where the BIA in review of the parcels discovered an addition 4,200 acres in Cass County that were not initially included in the Secretarial land transfer bill estimate. It is unclear if these lands are eligible for inclusion in current legislation.
- Work continues on Chippewa National Forest MOU implementation.
- Water Treatment as state application was approved November 3, 2021. Water

quality standards are being drafted and expected to be completed in spring/summer '22.

- The Leech Lake Heritage sites program has been conducting artifact analysis. Tens of thousands of items recovered at the greenside site of Mud lake.

Tribal Development

- Housing initiative work continues, next Wilder Foundation survey regarding homelessness on reservations will take place in October 2022.
- Land use for planning for band owned properties is being identified in all three districts.
- Acquisition of tax forfeited lots in the Cass Lake area is complete.
- The LLBO capital improvement plan is nearly ready for RBC adoption.
- The American Recovery Act Build Back Better plan grant is covering a joint effort between LLBO and LLTC to develop a training programing and training facility.
- The Food Sovereignty plan continues to be worked on through addressing food insecurity, production, processing and waste.
- Food Cooperative Feasibility study is reaching out to gaming to garner information on the newly acquired Leech Lake Market and its role in developing a food system development in the future.

Housing

- Project VII development applicants have been selected and pre qualified for vacancy. Homes are expected to be occupied by mid-May.
- 37 new HRV air exchangers in tax credit developments 1 & 2 were installed.
- Radon Control Technician inspected 6 radon mitigation systems and tested 60 homes for radon.
- New air exchange/recovery ventilation systems have been changed out in 37 tax credit project homes.
- Inspectors conducted 67 unit inspections during the reporting period.
- The modernization department renovated 12 homes during the reporting period.

Tribal Council Quarterly Reports

SECRETARY / TREASURER
ARTHUR "ARCHIE" LAROSE

Governmental Activities
Secretary/Treasurer's Summary

Remarks delivered at the Quarterly Meeting on April 15, 2022

Boozhoo, everyone. Spring is upon us and we are finally starting to get away from the extreme weather that we have been through this past winter. The Covid-19 Pandemic continues on but we have been seeing very low infection rates on the reservation as of lately so that is great news.

We are currently sitting at about a \$20.6 million reserve in our General Fund. We have almost completed our fiscal year 2020 annual audit. The adjusting entries that will accompany this audit submittal may change the reserve amount slightly. In discussions with our auditing firm, there has been a lot of confusion and delays in receiving information from the Department of Treasury as far as the audit requirements for the Cares Act and American Rescue Plan Act funding. This has led to most tribes being late in their audit submittals and this does include the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe.

The Cares Act officially ended on December 31, 2021 and the final financial report has now been submitted to the Department of the Treasury. The use of these funds remained unchanged from the summary that was provided on my last quarterly report. We are currently holding off on finalizing what

the remaining ARPA funds will be used on as we explore all of the new available funding opportunities for projects that continue to come down from the Federal and State level. The items that have been paid for from these funds to date are the stimulus payments to all band members, premium pay for LLBO, Gaming, Housing and the Tribal College and a personal leave payout to LLBO employees that were unable to utilize their personal leave due to being short-staffed as a result of the Covid-19 Pandemic. The second stimulus payment of \$1,700 is still scheduled to be distributed in August of this year. There are still approximately 1,000 band members that have not submitted an application for the first ARPA stimulus payment. These band members can still submit an application to receive these funds if they haven't already.

The country is seeing extraordinary inflation hikes due to the Covid-19 Pandemic and the Russian invasion of Ukraine. We are seeing these effects in the grocery store, at the gas pump and everywhere for our basic needs. In an effort to help band members in this situation, Tribal Council has approved a 10% discount for all band members on Thursday of every week at Leech Lake Market. Another action to assist in this situation was raising the minimum wage for LLBO and Gaming to \$15.00 per hour.

Since July 1, 2021 \$448 thousand in payments to enrolled band citizens reaching the age of 18 have been made from the Minor's Trust

Program. This amount was paid out to 153 band members that have turned 18 since July 1, 2021. We will be allocating \$250 to each minor in August 2022 and an additional \$250 in December 2022. These allocations come out of the Band's General Fund as this is not an allowable expenditure for Cares Act or ARPA funds. Statements were mailed out for each minor in August 2021. There have been about 404 statements returned due to incorrect addresses. To ensure that these statements are received please make sure to update addresses with the Enrollments office. There are also 45 adults that have not claimed their funds after turning 18. If you have not claimed these funds please reach out to the Accounting office for assistance in getting these funds claimed.

The Preliminary FY22 Budget was approved by Tribal Council. We are currently working on getting the Public Meetings scheduled to present the budget to the Public for input/comment. We will be hosting a meeting for each District and strongly encourage as many Band Members as possible to attend and provide comments and input. Please watch for the announcements coming out soon when the meetings are scheduled.

Leech Lake Gaming Summary of Operations Quarter Ending March 2022

Revenue

For the period from July 2021 through February 2022, Leech Lake Gaming brought in revenue totaling \$77.7 million. Revenue was approximately \$60.4 million that same timeframe in fiscal year 2021, which is an increase in revenue by \$17.2 million. This is a continuation of the upward trend that had been occurring prior to fiscal year 2021.

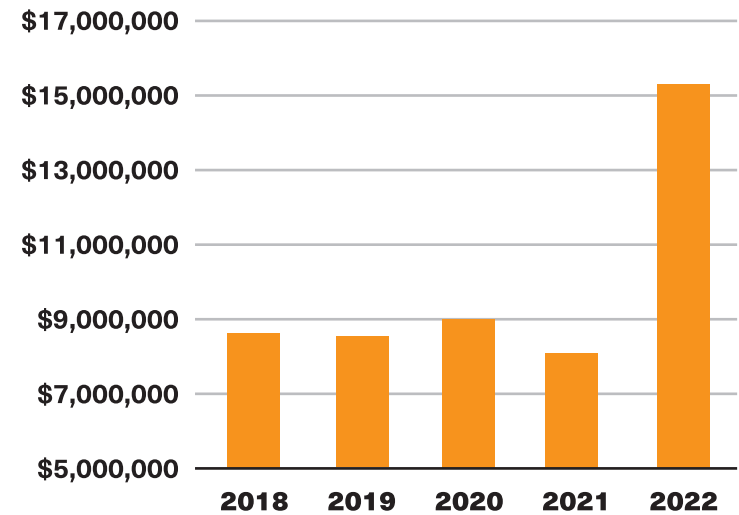
Expenses

The total of expenses from July 2021 through February 2022 was \$62.3 million. Cost of sales totaled \$16.1 million, payroll \$25 million and operating expenses were approximately \$21.2 million. The previous year total expenses were roughly \$52.4 million, which is a \$9.9 million increase from fiscal year 2021 to 2022.

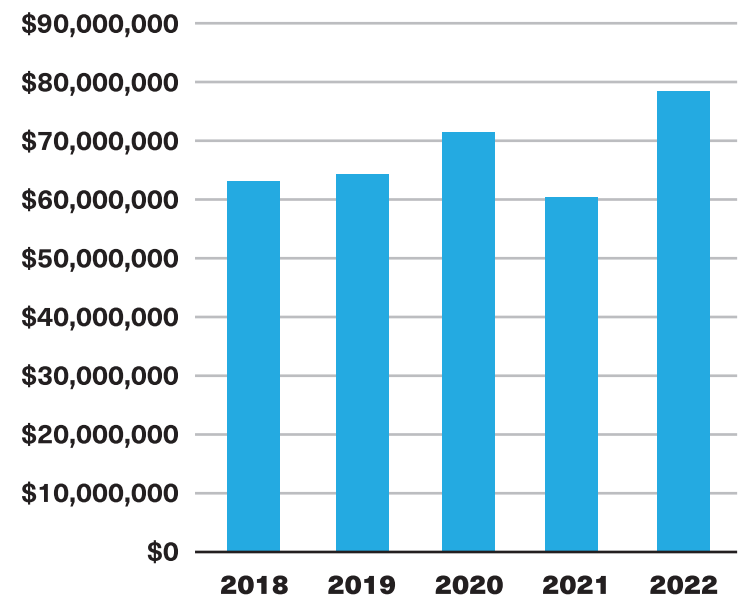
Net Profit

Net profit for this period is \$15.4 million. This is approximately a

Net Profit 5-Year Comparison
YTD Ending 2/28



Revenue 5-Year Comparison
YTD Ending 2/28



American Rescue Plan Act of 2021

ARPA – US Treasury (1 st Payment – received on 3/3/2021)	47,000,213.00
ARPA – US Treasury (2 nd Payment – received on 8/16/2021)	34,734,136.88
Other ARPA programs	17,163,106.00

(ARPA –The Band's administration is currently working on a budget for these revenues.)

Total ARPA – Revenues Only
98,897,455.88

ARPA Spending

Premium Pay	21,637,509
Personal Leave Payout	499,505
Indirect Cost	2,329,945
Total	24,466,959

\$7.3 million increase from fiscal year 2021. With the increase in revenue, while there was also an increase in expense, a good portion of revenue flowed through to the bottom line. Leech Lake Gaming is seeing a significant jump in net profit so far in fiscal year 2022.

Forecast

While Leech Lake Gaming has continued to see significant increases in revenues and profits this quarter.

It is expected there will be a point where revenues and profits will no longer continue such a significant trend upward. Leech Lake Gaming expects that revenues will level out, or potentially decline, due to the decrease in government stimulus and inflation. Expenses will be continually monitored, but with the expectation of revenue to eventually plateau or possibly return to normal levels, net profit will be respectively affected.

Governor Walz to Visit Leech Lake Reservation for Fishing Opener Celebration

By KAYLA DUOOS

MINNEAPOLIS – Governor Tim Walz announced his plans to spend the Minnesota Fishing opener around the Chippewa National Forest, Cass Lake, Lake Winnibigoshish, and Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe lands in north-central Minnesota.

Weekend events will culminate with a launch ceremony at Lake Winnibigoshish before anglers head out for the big day. Chairman Jackson and Governor Walz will be fishing on Lake Winnibigoshish with hall of fame fishing guide Tom Neustrom. Lt. Governor Peggy Flanagan will fish with Leech Lake fishing guide Rory Haaland.

The Governor's Fishing Opener has been a tradition in Minnesota since 1948. The event was designed to promote the development of Minnesota's \$2.4 billion fishing industry, and in recent years, it has served as an iconic kick-off celebration for the summer tourism season. Prior to the pandemic, travel and tourism generated \$16.6 billion in leisure and hospitality gross sales in Minnesota annually.

"The Governor's Fishing Opener is an opportunity to celebrate the



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Minnesota Governor Tim Walz.

importance of the fishing tradition to Minnesotans and highlight its impact to our businesses, tourism, and outdoor economy," said Governor Tim Walz.

"We are grateful to Chairman Faron Jackson, Sr. and the Leech Lake Band for coming forward to support and collaborate with us so we could make this year's event a successful celebration of our state's traditions, tourism, and hospitality industry."

The "Justice for Native Survivors of Sexual Violence Act" Signed into Law

The bill will help seek recourse for Indigenous victims of sexual assault, trafficking and stalking crimes.

By KAYLA DUOOS

MINNEAPOLIS – The "Justice for Native Survivors of Sexual Violence Act" was signed into Minnesota law, March 24, 2022.

The bill sponsored by Senator Tina Smith (D-MN) gives tribes the jurisdiction to prosecute crimes of sexual violence committed by non-Indian offenders and helps deter future crimes in Indian Country.

Specifically, the bill:

- Expands upon the special domestic violence jurisdiction granted to tribes during the 2013 Violence Against Women Act reauthorization to allow tribes to prosecute cases of sexual assault, sex trafficking, and stalking against non-Indian offenders.
- Eliminates the requirement that non-Indian offenders must have "sufficient ties" to the land, thereby ensuring that all non-Indian offenders can be prosecuted for their crimes

Over half of all Native American women will experience sexual violence in their lifetimes, but few

ever see justice. A report by the National Institute of Justice found that: Fifty-six percent of American Indian and Alaska Native women — and more than one in four men — have experienced sexual violence. Among those, almost all — 96% of women and 89% of men — were victimized by an interracial — or non-Indian—offender. Native women are also more likely to be targeted by sex traffickers, in part because predators can exploit confusion over the complex jurisdictional issues, according to the state's 2020 report on Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women.

Despite these alarming statistics, offenders often go unprosecuted and unpunished. In 2013, Congress included an important provision in the reauthorization of the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) to allow tribes to assert jurisdiction over crimes of domestic violence committed in Indian Country. Outside of this special domestic violence jurisdiction, Tribal governments do not have the authority to punish crimes of

sexual violence committed by non-Indians. In most instances, a victim must rely on the federal government to seek justice. Yet, federal consideration of these cases rarely result in prosecution.

"For a long time we've known that an alarming number of Native people endure sexual violence, and we have the research to show the staggering rate of sexual violence committed by non-Native perpetrators in Indian Country. The federal government has failed Native survivors when it comes to prosecuting offenders," said Sen. Smith. "I am proud of our efforts to pass this bipartisan legislation and support survivors seeking the justice they deserve."

This legislation is supported by the National Congress of American Indians, Minnesota Indian Women's Resource Center, Minnesota Indian Women's Sexual Assault Coalition, Minnesota Coalition Against Sexual Assault, and Minnesota Coalition for Battered Women.

The bill in full can be found on Tina Smith's website, <https://www.smith.senate.gov/>

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MN COVID-19 update: April

By KAYLA DUOOS

MINNEAPOLIS – As Minnesota's rolling average positivity rate for COVID-19 continues to decline, new state measures to make testing widely available have been announced.

Now within the state, Minnesotans can order two test kits per home for a total of four tests via mn.gov/covid19.

The state has secured 500,000 of the test kits and will make them available until the supply runs out, the governor's office said. Minnesota will use the program as a model for providing more access to rapid testing in the months ahead.

"Our goal has always been to

ensure that when Minnesotans need a test, they can get one quickly and easily," Gov. Tim Walz said in a statement. "Even as case numbers decline, it's important that Minnesotans test for COVID-19 if they are feeling sick. That's why we're continuing to work to make tests easily accessible — now and in the future."

Through the federal government, Minnesotans can also place 2 orders of free rapid at-home tests at CovidTests.gov. These tests are separate from the state's stock, and US minnesota citizens are eligible to place orders through both sites.

A look at the numbers as of March 29:

The Minnesota Department of

Health says the state's total number of confirmed coronavirus cases is now at 1,428,704. Of them, nearly 1,413,217 no longer require isolation.

The state's death toll is now at 12,390 with 5,669 of those deaths involving cases in long-term care (LTC) facilities.

Health officials say approximately 19,291,163 tests have been taken for the virus so far in the state including 13,122 on the reservation.

If you are experiencing symptoms or have been exposed, please call the Cass Lake IHS COVID hotline at 335-3426 or 335-3427 Monday through Friday 8:00 am to 4:30 pm. If you are experiencing shortness of breath, please contact the Emergency Department at 335-3327 or dial 911.

IHS eligible community members are eligible to receive the COVID vaccine. If you are interested please call the COVID-19 Vaccine hotline and reserve your spot now at 218-368-4763.

Energy Grant Will Fund a New Solar Installation on Leech Lake

By KAYLA DUOOS

WASHINGTON – The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe has been awarded funding for a new solar project.

The grant is courtesy of the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), who announced Tuesday March 22 their plans to provide nearly \$9 million in funding to 13 American Indian and Alaska Native communities for 14 projects that will harness their vast undeveloped solar, hydro and geothermal energy resources, reduce or stabilize energy costs, and increase energy security and resilience on tribal lands. This funding addresses President Biden’s goal of an equitable clean energy transition.

The Leech Lake Bands plan for



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LLBO plans to utilize the grant by installing 534 kilowatts of solar PV to power tribal buildings, saving over \$2.5 million. Pictured above is the 2016 installation of similar solar PV in the Prescott area of Leech Lake.

the over 1 million with a \$382k match is to install 534 kilowatts solar PV to power Tribal buildings, saving over \$2.5 million over the life of the systems. The grant was initially applied for in 2019, buildings included in the project are the Cedar Lakes Casino and Hotel,

Leech Lake Justice Center and the Cass Lake Emergency Shelter.

“This is a success that shows when we work as a team at Leech Lake to pre-plan and promote energy conservation and energy sovereignty, things do come together. There’s a lot of work that went into

this, and there’s a lot of work to come, but the benefits to the band will be enormous,” said LLBO Interim Environmental Director Brandy Toft.

Collectively, the 14 selected projects awarded to 13 American Indian and Alaska Native communities are estimated to result in 3.3 megawatts of new clean energy generation, and over 3.6 megawatt-hours of battery storage, serve over 1,200 tribal buildings and provide a combined \$48.5 million in savings over the life of the systems to these communities.

Since 2010, the DOE Office of Indian Energy has invested over \$114 million in more than 200 tribal energy projects across the contiguous 48 states and Alaska, valued at nearly \$200 million. Through these grants, DOE’s Office of Indian Energy continues its efforts, in partnership with Native communities, to maximize the deployment of energy solutions for the benefit of American Indians and Alaska Natives.

You can find more information regarding LLBO’s solar plan and the other newly selected projects on the Office of Indian Energy’s website.

District III Elder Birthdays

May

From the District III Office LeRoy, Toni & Kari

- Robert Aitken
- Mark Allen
- Kerry Anderson
- Ramona Anderson
- Sheryl Babineau
- Lani Birt
- Leonard Budreau
- Dorthea Cloud
- Muriel Crawford
- Calvin Day
- Paul Day
- Norma Ducheneaux
- Ramona Dunn
- Audrey Emineth
- Cynthia Fairbanks
- Deanna Fairbanks
- Karen Fineday
- Linda Fisherman
- Marti French
- Gordon Geving
- Emma Graham
- Lawrence Hardy
- Donnie Harrison
- Susan Headbird
- Patrick Jackson
- Darrell Johnson
- Orville Johnson
- Roberta Johnson
- Pauline Johnson
- Thomas Jones
- Bernadine Kangas
- Patricia Laudenback
- Douglas Liila
- Kathleen Lindahl
- Genevieve Lowry
- Clyde Morgan
- Herschel Ogema
- Yolanda Oxford
- Carol Parsons
- Bill Pell
- David Quincy
- John Rock
- Marcella Roy
- Carmen Roybal
- Ronald Russell
- Troy Smith
- Michael Staples
- Amberly Tesch
- Terri Veo
- John Whipple
- Deborah White-Huesers
- Edward Wilson
- Rebecca Windom
- Raymond Wittner

ALL ELDERS ARE ENTITLED TO \$10 SLOT PLAY & \$10 MEAL COUPON THAT MUST BE USED WITHIN THE BIRTHDAY MONTH.

LLBO Division of Resource Management Notice to LLBO Members

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The Leech Lake Division of Resource Management has been working with the Chippewa National Forest to recognize the reserved treaty rights of Band Members to freely camp on federally managed campsites within the Leech Lake Reservation. The Forest Service in recognition of these rights has opened all Forest Service campgrounds within the Leech Lake Reservation for free use by all Band members and resident Indians. The Chippewa National Forest and Recreation.gov, a trip planning and reservation service portal, have improved the campground reservation process for Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe’s Tribal members for easier access.

Tribal members can now go to www.recreation.gov, type in the campground name, look at available campsites for the preferred dates, and reserve a campsite without paying a reservation fee. The tribal fee waiver applies only to LLBO members for camping on the Chippewa National Forest. Five other National Forests in the upper Midwest also offer treaty-based tribal fee waivers.

Online Reservations
Once a campsite has been select-

ed on recreation.gov, Tribal members should select “Tribal Fee Waiver”, and then select Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in the drop-down box. To discourage fraudulent use of the tribal fee waiver, Forest Service staff may ask campers to present their tribal ID as verification.

The Chippewa National Forest has 11 campgrounds accepting reservations. There are also five campgrounds with first-come first-serve, or non-reservable, sites that are available at no charge to LLBO members. When occupying a non-reservable site, LLBO campers should record their information on a fee envelope. Complete all fields on the envelope and tear-off tab, write LLBO member in the fee paid field, and add their tribal id number in the last box. Keep the tear off tab and deposit the envelope in the fee station receptacle.

Tribal members can camp without a fee at all Forest campgrounds, including those outside the Reservation boundary. Sites that can be reserved are available up to six months in advance of the first camping night. Reservations made online or through the toll-free number are limited to 14 days, ensuring all have the opportunity to use a campsite.

Current campground opening and closing dates can be found on the Chippewa National Forest webpage at: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/>

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of Recreation Fee

Valid for the days paid; fill in date(s) of use

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4. Vehicle License #	5. State	6. Home Zip Code
7. # In Party	8. Other Charges	
10. Interagency Pass / Golden Passport or Regional / Forest Pass #	11. Planned Departure Date	

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After completing, detach proof of payment stub and deposit envelope into box provided.

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The only federally managed campground that is exempt from this process currently is the Winnie Dam and Leech River campgrounds as they are managed through the Army Core of Engineers. Work is ongoing to allow the same opportunity at that campsite as all the others within the Leech Lake Reservation. We hope to

have a solution this summer.

Although use of the campsites is free we should behave responsibly and remember that responsible use of all our resources will keep these campsites clean and available for seven generations.

If you have questions or comments please contact the Leech Lake Environmental Director, Ben Benoit at (218) 335-7417.



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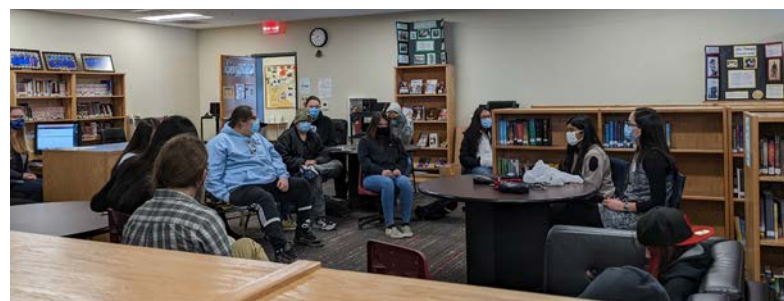
▲ The Senior Class at Bug O Nay Ge Shig High School was finally able to go on their first field trip since pre-covid two years ago. They used some of the money that they have raised through fundraising to go to Mount Itasca near Coleraine for tubing. They also invited the 11th graders since they have had no field trips either. In spite of the cold weather, everyone stayed out the entire two hours having a great time with their classmates.



▲ The Bug O Nay Ge Shig School Food Service is pleased to announce the return of a full daily salad bar and the use of trays rather than disposable take-out containers. Because of covid protocol, every measure was taken to keep students safe and that will continue to be a priority as these changes are implemented.



◀ Third grade students in Priscilla Smith's class at the Bug O Nay Ge Shig School recently competed in the statewide reading challenge "Read to the Final Four". This 9-week challenge is sponsored yearly by the NCAA, Women's Final Four and the Minnesota Local Organizing Committee as a way to "inspire and incentivize third graders across the state to develop their abilities". Students can win fun prizes by recording the number of minutes they read each week. A total of 140 schools across the state participated. In spite of suddenly going back to virtual learning, the Bug O Nay Ge Shig students earned wristbands for being in the top 68 schools. **Participants were, front row:** Deondra, Lillian, Tala, Jada. **Back row:** Tori, Priscilla Smith, Trindon, Aidan. **Not pictured:** Tayla, Misaabii and Matthew.



◀ Bug O Nay Ge Shig High School was pleased to host students from Dartmouth University after a two year absence due to Covid. Their presentations focused on their paths to medical school and a discussion about the various careers in the health care fields.

The students pictured are listening to a presentation about pharmacy careers.



▲ Bug O Nay Ge Shig School's Cultural Department sponsored a Snow Snake (Shoshome) Competition this week. The event included three events: Distance Throw, Accuracy Throw and Hoop Throw. According to the oral tradition, the game of Snow Snake dates back more than 500 years, before the arrival of Europeans in North America. The throwing of "snow snakes" in a trough of snow developed into a competitive sport. The name snow snake, is said to have come from the serpentine wiggling motion of the poles as they slide down the icy track.

Gweyakmino Wiisinidaa!

Let's eat the right foods!

Recipe of the Month by Chyrle LaDuke (Food Distribution), Josh Red Day (Leech Lake Diabetes Program)



This recipe was inspired by Alyssa from "SimplyQuinoa.com"

Cilantro Lime, Black Bean Tacos with quinoa

Ingredients

(*Items that can be picked up at food distribution)

- 2 cups of vegetable broth
- 1 cup of quinoa Juice and Zest of 2 limes
- 1 can of black beans, drained and rinsed*
- 2 avocados Juice of 1 lime
- ¼ cup of chopped red onion*
- ½ cup of chopped cilantro
- Sliced red cabbage
- Chopped cilantro to garnish
- 10 corn tortillas*
- Salt and pepper to taste*

Serves: 5 **Prep time:** 10 min. **Cook time:** 15 min. **Total Time:** 25 minutes.

Directions:

1. Add Veggie broth, quinoa and lime juice to a small sauce pan. Bring to a boil, cover and reduce to simmer for 12-15 minutes until all the liquid has been absorbed.
2. Remove from the heat and let cool for 10-15 minutes. Stir in lime zest, ½ cup cilantro and season with salt & pepper.
3. In a separate bowl, mash avocado until almost smooth. Stir in onion, lime juice and ¼ cup cilantro. Season with salt and pepper.
4. To assemble tacos, place ¼ - ½ cup of quinoa mixture onto base of each tortilla. Top with black beans, cabbage and the guacamole. Garnish with cilantro (and/or hot sauce) and enjoy immediately.

Nutritional Notes: This month's focus is the grain Quinoa, pronounced as KEEN-WAH. Quinoa comes from the country of Bolivia, and has many different varieties dating back 5,000 years. It also provides bountiful nutrients and is minimal in caloric density which is beneficial for weight loss! Quinoa provides key nutrients like fiber and phytochemicals (plant chemicals) but what separates Quinoa from other grains is, Quinoa provides a complete protein by itself. Because of the nutrient density this grain is beneficial for people with Diabetes and would be encouraged to eat daily and in abundance.

Quinoa, directly translating to "mother grain" in the Inca language, is native to the Andes

Mountains of Bolivia, Chile and Peru. This has been a staple crop for the Inca people for an estimated 5,000 years or more. This grain is not only a staple crop for the Inca people but it also provides many uses such as; making flour, cereals, soups, and even alcohol.

Comparing quinoa to other grains, Quinoa is often times labeled as a "superfood". Why is it so super? When compared to other whole grains we see today, Quinoa offers more; protein, antioxidants, minerals and fiber. Other nutrients this wonderful grain provides are; iron, lysine, magnesium, amino acids, and flavonoids. What truly separates quinoa from the other grains is that it offers, standing alone, a

complete protein, one of the only grains to do so!

Quinoa and Diabetes management, because this grain offers so many nutrients at such a low caloric cost this would be encouraged to eat daily and in abundance for people wanting to control their blood sugar or aid in weight loss. Because of the abundance of fiber in Quinoa it will help you stay fuller longer, making cravings easier to fight off. The fiber and protein content also puts Quinoa lower on the glycemic index, offering a more balanced blood sugar level throughout the rest of the day. So, if you're looking to manage your blood sugars in a tasty and healthful way. Try this quick taco Tuesday recipe out and enjoy.

For more recipes and resources on this delicious recipe contact Chyrle or Josh at the Leech Lake Diabetes Clinic at 218-335-4511 or stop by.



Obituaries

Michael "Big Mike" LaRose



Michael Edward "Big Mike" LaRose, age 52, of Cass Lake, MN, and the Martin Clan started his spiritual journey on Monday, March 21, 2022, from the Cass Lake IHS. He was born on March 20, 1970, in Cass Lake, MN the son of Roxanne (LaRose) and Michael E. Jones.

Big Mike enjoyed spending time with family. He helped take care of his auntie Paula and would help anyone he could. He liked to cook, draw, go to the casinos, and play dominoes. He enjoyed lifting weights and working out, he also liked the outdoors and being on with nature. Big Mike was a very handy man, he had his boiler's license and was a licensed barber, he cut everyone's hair.

Those welcoming Big Mike to the spirit world are his parents, Roxanne and Michael E. Jones; grandma, Delores Clark, great-grandma, Julia Goodwin-Jones; great-nephew, Denzell Cloud; cousin, Daniel "Fudly" Wilson; and uncle, Franklin "Doc" LaRose.

Those left behind to cherish the memory of Big Mike are his sons, Dylan Stately, Michael E. Jones, Jr., Jaylen LaRose, John Fairbanks; daughters, MaKyiah Staples-LaRose, Adrienne Jackson; brothers, Arthur "Archie" (Tammy) LaRose, Jeremy (MaryJane) Jones, Frank (Missy) LaRose, Anthony "Tony" LaRose, James LaRose, Michael N. Jones, Thomas Jones; sisters, Michelle Carrier-LaRose, Tasha LaRose, Ruth Naya LaRose, Reba LaRose, Mary Jones; special auntie, Pauline "Paula" LaRose; special uncle, Timothy LaRose; numerous grandchildren; many other family members, nieces, nephews, and friends.

A two-night wake for Big Mike will begin Thursday, March 24, 2022, at 12:00 p.m. and continue until his Saturday, March 26, 2022, 1:00 p.m. service all to be held at the Facility Center in Cass Lake, MN with Pastor Mark Pesky officiating. Those helping lay Big Mike to rest will be Joseph Briski, Edmund Williams,

Jr., Damon LaRose, Charles "Chucky" Briski, Dominic LaRose, Josh Briski, Jr., Makhua Martin, Archer Oothoudt and alternate Anthony "Tony" LaRose. Honorary pallbearers are Dean Senarighi, Dave Jones, Steve Humphrey, Robert Budreau, Jr., Alden Fairbanks, Amos Laduke, and all his family and friends. Interment will be in the LaRose Family Cemetery, Track 34, Cass Lake, MN.

Big Mike's care has been entrusted to Northern Peace Funeral Home of Walker, MN. Online condolences for the family may be left at www.northernpeace.com

Shannon Haugen



Shannon Eric Haugen, 48, went home on Saturday, March 19 at his home in Wilkinson, MN. He was born on July 13, 1973, in Rochester, MN, the son of Cecil Orrin Haugen and Fern Elizabeth Morgan.

Shannon lived with his brothers in Zumbrota, MN until moving to their Cass Lake home in 1976, where he was 3 years old, and he lived in the area until his passing. After high school he worked with his father and brothers building and repairing pipelines. He also worked many positions at Leech Lake Gaming and was a PCA for the last few years. Shannon loved hunting, ricing, fishing, setting net, picking boughs, playing keno, and just about everything outdoors with his brothers and father. In recent years, he enjoyed joking around and spending time with family around the farm in Wilkinson.

The family that Shannon joins again are his parents Cecil, Sr. and mother Fern, brothers; Kelly Haugen, Gerald Haugen, Brian Haugen, Patrick Haugen and Robert Morgan; sister Deedee Haugen, great nephew; Miskwaadesi Roberts, and numerous uncles, aunts, cousins, and friends.

Those he leaves behind are his son; Devin Smith-Haugen, siblings; Cecil, Jr. (Tiny),

Thomas, Therese (Christopher) Konecne, and Faye Haugen, auntie; Cookie Cloud, grandson; Tristan Smith, nieces; Cathy (Trevor) Haugen, Carlie (Andrew) Cagle, Jessica (Joey) Carter, Tiffanni Haugen, and Anita Dunn nephews; Devin Smith, John Dunn, Jason Dunn, Jesse (Angie) Dunn, Great nieces; Lyra, Danika, Maya, Jessica, and Gracelyn, Great Nephews; Cecil, Randy Jr, Spud, Lucas, Marvin, Calvin, and Benny, many cousins, and a lot of friends.

A wake for Shannon will begin at the Veterans Memorial Building in Cass Lake, MN on Wednesday, March 23 at 5:00 p.m. and continue until his funeral on Friday, March 25 at 11:00 a.m. Pallbearers for Shannon are Devin Smith-Haugen, Christopher Konecne, Jesse Dunn, Cecil Haugen, Trevor Rosebear, and William Morgan. Alternate pallbearers are Richard Morgan and Thomas Haugen. His honorary pallbearers are all of his nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Shannon's care has been entrusted to Northern Peace Funeral Home of Walker, MN. Online condolences may be left for the family at www.northernpeace.com

Sidney Whitebird



Sidney Glenn Whitebird, 58, of the Bear Clan Sand from Remer, Minnesota journeyed to the spirit world on Saturday, March 26, 2022, from St. Mary's Hospital in Duluth, MN.

Sidney was born in Cass Lake, MN on September 11, 1963, the son of Leota (White) and Edmund Whitebird. His childhood years were spent mostly outdoors with friends and family playing baseball for his dad and Gordy Giffin in Federal Dam, MN. After graduating from high school, he attended trade school in Staples, MN where he received his certification in diesel mechanics. In 1984, Sidney enlisted in the United States Air Force and was honorably discharged in 1986. His adult years brought him to Minneapolis, MN where he started his laborer career roofing with Bobby Kangas. After returning to Boy Lake, he continued to work at Menards Construction and JP Concrete. When he wasn't working, he liked to spend time with his dogs and his family. He especially enjoyed when his great nieces and nephews came to visit and starting his mornings with coffee and TV, with his sister Myrna.

Family that greets Sidney in the spirit world are his parents, Leota and Edmund; sis-

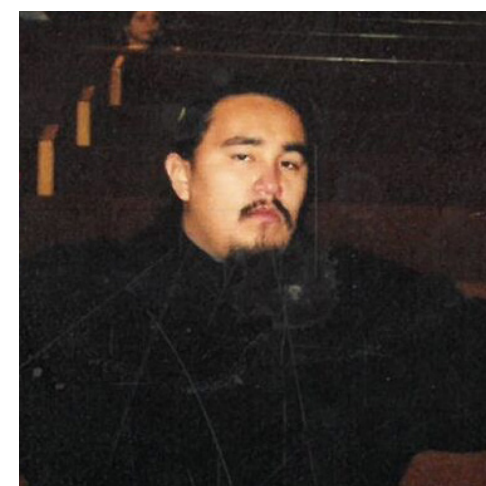
ter, Dorcus; brothers, Kenneth, Edmund, and Jeffrey and niece Ashley.

Those left behind to cherish his memory are his sister, Myrna Whitebird of Remer; sister in-law, Deidre Whitebird of Wisconsin; uncles, Joseph (Lucille) White and Steve Bebeau, many nieces, nephews, great nieces and nephews, and other relatives.

A Celebration of Sidney's Life will begin at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 2, 2022, at the Battle Point Community Center in Federal Dam, MN. His honorary pallbearers are Jim Purvis, Rodney Johnsons, Jamie Hare, Richard Bevins, Mike and Pat White, Ryan Whitebird and Kenneth Whitebird, Jr. Inurnment of remains will be held at a later date.

Sidney's care has been entrusted to Northern Peace Funeral Home of Walker, MN. Online condolences for the family may be left at www.northernpeace.com.

Neil Cutbank



Neil Curtis Cutbank, age 44, of Pennington, MN, passed away on Wednesday, March 9, 2022.

Neil was born on September 21, 1977, in Bemidji, MN, and was raised by his mother, Beverly Cutbank and Gary Miettinen, Sr. He worked as an electrical apprentice for many years. Neil loved the outdoors and enjoyed hunting, fishing and ricing. He liked collecting knives and was an excellent marksman with his bow. Neil loved family and looked forward to visiting with his nieces and nephews. Above all, he loved his daughters and grandchildren who were his pride and joy.

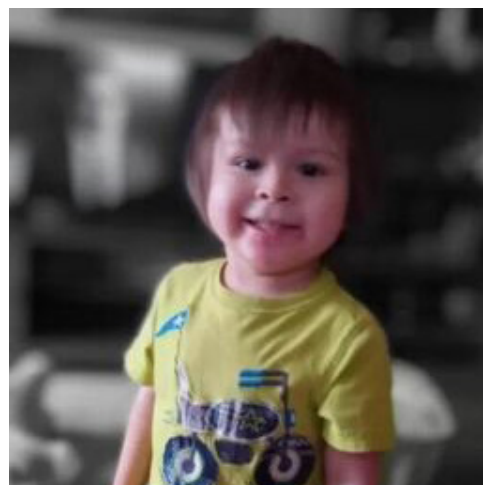
He will be lovingly remembered by his daughters: Memree (Filiberto Ramirez) Jones, Angeline (Thayne Thompson) Woundedfoot and Kelly Hough; his mother, Beverly Guernsey; father, Gary Miettinen, Sr.; grandchildren: Emiliano, Elaia and KaLea; siblings: Gary (Sheila) Miettinen, Jr., Christopher (Candice) Miettinen, Sr. and Scott Miettinen; as well as numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. Arrangements provided by Whispering Pines Funeral & Cremation Service of Walker.

Neil was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents: Richard and Angeline Cutbank; paternal grandmother, Shirly Bebeau and his uncle, Richard Cutbank, Jr.

The wake will begin at Noon on Monday, March 14, 2022, at the Mission Community

Center and continue until the service at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 16, 2022, with Pastor Vincent Roy officiating. Active casketbearers will be: Gary Miettinen, Jr., Christopher Miettinen, Sr., Christopher Miettinen, Jr., Jeff Oakgrove, Daniel Loeken, Filiberto Ramirez and Thayne Thompson. Honorary casketbearers will be: Norman Cutbank, Jack Cutbank, Scott Miettinen and Gary Miettinen III. Burial will be at the John Brown Cutbank Cemetery near Pennington, MN.

Antoine LaRose



Antoine James LaRose, "Manidoo Ininii" which means "Spirit Boy", 2 ½ years old, unexpectedly began his journey to the spirit world on Thursday, March 10, 2022, from his home in Minneapolis, MN.

Antoine was born in Bemidji, MN on August 3, 2019, to Gerri LaRose and Frank Jones. He was very close with his brother Robert and was a "Big Grandma's Boy" who he prayed with every morning. Antoine loved powwow music, especially the Sidestep Jingle Dress song. His other favorite songs were Lose Control, Lose it by Missy Elliot and Family Affair by Mary J. Blige. Antoine loved being in the spotlight of attention, dancing, watching Paw Patrol, Sponge Bob, Peppa Pig and YouTube as well as doing fun activities with his cousins Mykiana, Lamayah and Areanna. He made sure that he always had his Mario and Luigi pillow and blanket with him and would not let anyone touch it. His happy and joyful spirit will forever be remembered and missed.

Family that will care for Antoine in the spirit world are his grandma, Evelyn Jones; auntie, Roxy; uncles, Dimitri and his namesake Antoine S.; great uncle, Doc; cousin, Baby Boy LaRose and many more relatives.

Those left behind to forever cherish his memory are his mom and dad, Gerri LaRose and Frank Jones; brothers, Robert Holstein, Jr. and Misko-Benae Holstein-LaRose; sister, Chanel Holstein-LaRose; grandma, Pamela Smith-Jones; grandpas, Timothy LaRose, Sr. and Frank Hall; aunties and uncles, Larissa, Gordon (Shannon), Raymond, Allend, Chelsea, Vincent, Cody, Anara, James, Tanya, Timothy Jr., David, Cheryl and Paula (Brian), Special auntie, Paula; numerous cousins and several other family members.

An overnight wake for Baby Antoine will

begin at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 17 and continue until his 1:00 p.m. traditional services on Friday, March 18 all being held at the Veteran's Memorial Building in Cass Lake, MN. Allen Hardy will be his Spiritual Advisor. Pallbearers for Antoine will be Cody Hall, Darren Frazer, Jeremy Jones and Makhoha Martin. The alternate pallbearers are Charles Briski, Darron Wilson and Edmund Williams. His honorary pallbearers are all his loving family. Interment will be in the LaRose Family Cemetery at Cass Lake, MN following his services on Friday.

Baby Antoine's care has been entrusted to Northern Peace Funeral Home of Walker, MN. Online condolences for the family may be left at www.northernpeace.com

Thomas Roy



Thomas Joseph Roy, 74, of Cass Lake, MN passed away Tuesday, March 8, 2022 at his home.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, March 15, 2022 at the Christian and Missionary Alliance Church in Cass Lake, MN. A visitation will held from 5:00-8:00 p.m., Monday, March 14, 2022, at the Christian and Missionary Alliance Church in Cass Lake, MN, and from 9-11:00 a.m. before the service on Tuesday. Arrangements are with the Cease Family Funeral Home in Bemidji.

He was born on June 16, 1947, in Ponemah, MN, the son of Morris and Josephine (Northbird) Roy. His family spent some time living on the Iron Range before moving to Cass Lake, MN. He graduated from Cass Lake High School in 1966. He married Susan Beaulieu in August of 1966. They started a family and together had three children. He attended Bemidji Vo-Tech and became certified as an Electrician. He worked as an Electrician for the Leech Lake Band, later he began a career with Leech Lake Gaming as a Surveillance Manager at the Palace Casino. Towards the end of his career, he worked a variety of jobs for the Leech Lake Band before his retirement in 2019. He enjoyed the outdoors, fishing, and going to the Casino. He loved to spend time with his family, especially the grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. He enjoyed attending their many sporting events.

He is survived by his: Wife, Susan Roy of Cass Lake, MN, Daughters, Shelly (Vincent)

Morris of Cass Lake, MN, Melissa (William) O'Neal of Cass Lake, MN, Special Grandson, Marcus (Cora) Roy of Cass Lake, MN, Zachariah McDermott of Bemidji, MN, Grandchildren, Nena Lovelace, Joel Thomas Roy Jr., Dylan Morris, Cedric Morris, and Alexander O'Neal. 8 Great-Granddaughters, and 5 Great-Grandsons, Sisters:

Leona Kmett, Phyllis Johnson, Marcy Sargent, Sharon Finn, Marilyn Whiteeagle, Karen Roy, and Ruby Roy, Brothers, Alvin Roy, Mike Roy, and Richard (Aletta) Roy. Numerous Nieces, Nephews, and Cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his son Joel Roy Sr., brother Donald Roy, nephews Craig Pemberton, Todd Pemberton, Todd Roy, and niece Kathy Roy.

Active Casketbearers will be: William O'Neal, Dakotah Burnelle, Clifford Beaulieu, Kiel Roy, Scott Johnson, Vince Roy, with alternates: Chris Finn and Tim Beaulieu. Honorary Casketbearers: Thomas' Grandchildren and Great-Grandchildren.

Condolences may be left at ceasefuneralhome.com.

Lee Wakefield



Lee Mark Wakefield, our beloved father, Lgrandfather, uncle, and friend lost his battle with heart disease and passed peacefully at home on December 21, 2021. Lee was the loving husband of Donna for 62 years before her passing in 2012; and the father of 8 living children and one child lost hours after birth; 19 grandchildren, 24 great grandchildren with another on the way, 6 great great grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

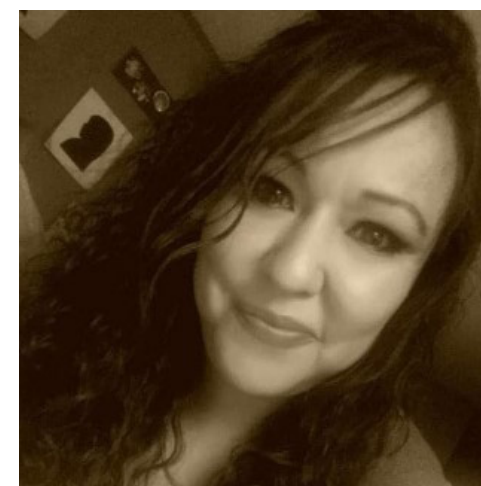
Lee was born in Ball Club, Minnesota and moved to Spokane, Washington after following his brothers Rusty and Kenny when he was 17 years old. He worked at the Kaiser Aluminum Mead Plant for almost 40 years before retirement. Lee is survived by his 8 children – Deborah, Mark (Patti), Gayla (Frank, deceased), Diane (Mike, deceased), Connie (John), Scott (Pam), Richard (Bett), and Leanne (John "JT"). Lee was preceded in death by wife Donna, son David Eugene, grandson Jerome, mother Mina, father Robert and several brothers, sisters and Wilson family members.

Lee and Donna spent their retirement

years at Waitts Lake where they had a seasonal spot at Silver Beach Resort. Many wonderful memories were made with family and friends boating, fishing, swimming, and celebrating birthdays and holidays together. Lee enjoyed going to casinos, watching Gonzaga basketball, Atlanta Braves and Seattle Mariners baseball, listening to country music, watching western movies, and eating beef noodles and crackers with red sauce at the Cathay Inn. The family would like to give a special thanks to the ladies at Horizon Hospice for coming each week to help us take care of our dad so that he could spend his last days at home.

A memorial service will be held at Heritage Funeral and Cremation on Saturday, March 26 at 1:00 PM, 508 N. Government Way, Spokane, WA 99224.

Trista French



Trista Corine French, "Eisch-cah-nah-nah-wahb-equay" or Strong Standing Woman, age 42, of Fargo, ND, started her journey on March 19, 2022, surrounded by her family. She was born on June 22, 1979, in Park Rapids, MN, to James TeJohn, Jr., and Valerie Jensen (French).

Trista went to Park Rapids Area Schools and graduated from Bemidji Youthbuild. She attended Leech Lake Tribal College and studied to become an EMT. She grew up in the Cass Lake and Park Rapids area, worked as a CNA, and at the local casinos. Trista was a strong woman who brightened the day of everyone she came across, her personality was vibrant. No matter where she went, she made friends with everybody and everyone loved her, she was truly one of a kind. She really lived life to the fullest and helped anyone who needed it. Trista also loved going to powwows, doing arts and crafts, and most of all just spending time with her friends and family. She loved her children with all her heart, they truly were the center of her world. She will be deeply and forever missed by all those who loved her.

Trista is survived by her children: Iroquois, Naquoai, and Joaquin Anoka, of Fargo, ND. Her mother: Valerie Jensen, of Bemidji, MN. Her brothers: Jason French (Carla), Steve French (Stephanie), Lucas French (Jenny), James TeJohn III (Allison), and Johnson TeJohn (Sunni). Her sisters: Justine and...

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...Jasmine Jourdain (Ken), and Shawna Semmens (David). Many aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Trista is preceded in death by her father, James TeJohn, Jr.; grandfathers: James TeJohn, Sr. and Anton "Sonny" Mountain; grandmothers: Elizabeth "Betty" Blakely and Florence Mountain (LaRose); uncles: Kenny and Kevin TeJohn, Arlen Mountain; aunt: Arlette "Angel" Mountain.

Wake services for Trista will begin at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 24 and continue until her 11:00 a.m. traditional service of Saturday, March 26 all to be held at the White Earth Family Center in Cass Lake, MN. Melvin Goodman will be her Spiritual Advisor. Helping to lay Trista to rest are Jordan Troy, Jage Hunt, Ronald Hunt, Lance Summers, Mike West and Lisa Johnson. Her honorary pallbearers are her children Iroquoai, Naquoai, and Joaquin and all her nieces and nephews. Interment will be in the Chippewa Bible Church Cemetery.

Trista's care has been entrusted to Northern Peace Funeral Home of Walker, MN. Online condolences for the family may be left at www.northernpeace.com

Mary Beckett



Mary Cecelia Beckett, age 89, went home to her Lord and Savior on Wednesday, March 30, 2022, from her home in Cass Lake, Minnesota. She was born in White Earth, MN on December 29, 1932, one of seven children born to Jeanetta (Ortley) and Samuel Jones, Sr.

Mary was born and raised in Ponsford, MN until she attended the Flandreau Indian School. Later in her life, Mary moved to California where she met and married Donald Beckett. They would later move back to Minnesota. Mary was a very caring and generous person who would help anyone if she could. She loved parades, liked to play bingo, playing at the casino, and visiting with her family and friends.

Family that Mary reunites with are her parents, Jeanetta and Sam Jones, Sr.; sisters, Delphine, Fran, Theresa, and Dorothy; brothers, Sam Jr., and Steve; grandson, Leroy; and many other family members.

She leaves behind her children, Donna

Cree, and Royce (Virginia Bunker) Beckett both of Cass Lake; special grandson, who she raised, Matthew Beckett, Sr.; special friend, Eugene "Dopey" Budreau; nine more grandchildren, 17 great grandbabies and numerous nieces, nephews, and relatives.

Mary's family would like to send a special "Thank you" to Virginia Bunker for her compassion and continuous care of Mary, especially over the last few months.

The wake for Mary will begin at 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 2 and continue until her 10:00 a.m. Memorial Mass on Monday, April 4 all being held at the White Earth Family Center in Cass Lake, MN. Father Matthew Cobb will officiate. Mary's honorary pallbearers are all her family and friends. Per Mary's wishes, her cremains will be cared for by her family.

Mary's care has been entrusted to Northern Peace Funeral Home of Walker, MN. Online condolences for the family may be left at www.northernpeace.com

Clara Jackson



Clara Louise Jackson, Ododinumayshe. Shigog was an avid traveler, beadwork artist as well as regalia maker. She enjoyed creating things for people to wear, oftentimes she would give her creation to our youth to encourage them to keep dancing. She traveled across the United States and Canada to dance in her jingle dress with her sisters and niece. They were often known as the Jackson sisters, they had a van at one time that said Jingle Express. Everything she did was out of love for her friends and family.

She attended IAIA in Sante Fe NM, where she learned how to hone her skills as an artist. She also graduated from the Leech Lake Tribal College with her AA in early childhood education. From there she received a job offer at the Bug O Nay Ge Shig School, a dream job. She was able to teach our Ojibwe ways of life, she taught many about our history and many traditions. She helped orchestrate the dance troupe there, where they raised funds for trips. One was to Yakima WA, Alaska and Germany. She also took a job for the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe at their first Ojibwe Language Immersion camp. She had again taught many people everything that she knew about our ways of life, from how to hand tan

hides, processing our manoomin from start to finish and sugar camp. There were so many things she accomplished, but her most memorable and cherished was being a loving daughter, sister, mama, aunty and grandma.

She will be joining her great grandparents, grandparents, her parents Murphy and Susan Jackson, her brothers Peter, Glen Sr, Steven. Her sister Ramona, adopted sister Bonnie Sam-White and other siblings as well as her nephews Fred and Glen Jr. special grandson Aedan. Her special friend Marlon Lucas and former husband Richard Rice.

She is survived by her adopted mother Elfreda, her sisters, Sarah, Bev, Norma, Selma, Helen and her remaining Brother Gimiwon. Her daughters Coleen and Tarah, sons Todd, Frankie, Andrew and Korwin. Adopted Sisters Theresa Henry, Eva White, Christine Flocken and many others. Adopted brother Joe Lafferty and many others. Grandchildren Gabriel, Jacob, Hana, Naesh, Trey, Murphy, Luna, Honey, Aubrie and Siyv and many others. In addition she had many we'ehs She also adored her chicken babies, grandchickens, great grandchickens, great-great grand chickens, and great-great-great grand chickens.

Rose Losh-White



Rose Mary (Marie) Losh - White, age 84, of Federal Dam passed away on January 22, 2022, at her home in Sugar Point, with her family by her side. Rose was born on February 21, 1937, the daughter of Walter Losh, Delia Morgan & Mary Reynolds who raised her from infancy.

Rose Mary (Marie) was a good woman who loved her family dearly and she is a lifetime member of the Native American Church. She met her lifelong companion Benny and together raised their children in Sugar Point. Rose Mary was employed with the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Health Division until February 2018 when she retired full time after 38 years. After Retirement she enjoyed playing bingo, going to thrift stores, rummage sales and attending family gatherings, birthday parties, graduations ceremonies and hosting Christmas eve dinner for all her family.

Rose was legendary for her skills in harvested wild rice; She went out on the rice beds with her grandsons until she was 81 years old! She would often find herself competing with all the

'youngster,' when they heard she was out on the lake it became a competition to try and beat her. Majority of the time, she would put them to shame, but she never bragged she would just giggle and say, 'if they went out before noon and stayed out on the lake longer, they could have done better.'

Family that Rose Mary reunites with are her parents, Walter Losh, Delia Morgan & Mary Reynolds; Adopted parents through the Native American Church; Pete and Lucy Rave, Jake Morgan and Daisy Woods; Husband, Benjamin 'Benny' White; Brothers, Walter Losh Jr., and William Losh; Sisters, Ramona White, Louella Anoka and Beatrice Norman; Children, Timothy W. Losh-White, Douglas F. White, Richard Losh and Marilyn Losh; four great grandchildren & 1 great-great grandchild.

Family she leaves behind to cherish her memory are her son's Allen White, Ronald (Rita) White Sr. & adopted son, Dr. Thomas Faulhabor; daughter, Diane Smith; thirty-five grandchildren; fifty-seven great-grandchildren and fifteen great-great grandchildren.

An overnight wake for Rose will begin at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 26 and continue until her 11:00 a.m. Thursday, January 27 Traditional Service all being held at the Battle Point Community Center in Battle point, MN. Tony Jenkins will be the Native American Church Roadman. Those helping to lay Rose to rest are Dylan Hess, Jack Wilson, Donnie Harrison, Adam White, Ryan White, Timothy Smith, Kyle Gordon, Donald Geving, Aaron Boswell, Ronald White Jr., Dustin White Jr., and Joshua Boswell. Her honorary pallbearers are Rita Fairbanks, Evening Starr White, Ashley Combs, Betty Jenkins, Carol Jenkins, Tony Jenkins, Crystal Hanson, Dawn Jaspers, Sharon Burnette, Eva Mangum, Tonya Losh, Debbie White, Leeanne Nelson - White, Toby Losh, Stella Mitchell, All her Grandchildren, Great Grandchildren and Great-Great Grandchildren, Nieces, Nephews, Family & Friends. Interment will be in the Battle Point Cemetery at Battle Point, MN.

On behalf of the family of Rose Mary we would like to express our gratitude to St. Croix hospice for providing the care and compassion in our time of need.

Our mother / grandmother lived her life to the fullest, she led by example and often told us there 'is no one way' if you have faith in the almighty, he will show you the way. She made a promise to our father/grandfather before he traveled on that she would stay, take care of the family and keep us together until we were ready for her to leave this world, from that day forward she fulfilled her promise to the very end, she made sure she had everything in place and often told us what she wanted and expected from us during this time. While our hearts are heavy, we find comfort knowing she will reunite with those she has missed with all her heart. We would also like to thank each one of you for the prayers, words of encouragement and taking time out of your day to sit with our family in mourning during these uncertain times. Miigwech, The family of Rose Mary Losh.

Rose's care has been entrusted to Northern Peace Funeral Home of Walker, MN. Online condolences for the family may be left at www.northernpeace.com

ELECTION NOTICE FOR LOCAL INDIAN COUNCIL (LIC), LEECH LAKE HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND BUG O NAY GE SHIG SCHOOL BOARD

Elections for Local Indian Council seats, Leech Lake Housing Authority Board and Bug O Nay Ge Shig School Board will take in place in conjunction with the Leech Lake MCT General Election on June 14, 2022. Precinct polling sites in all three districts and urban areas will be open from 8:00AM to 8:00PM on Election Day.



The filing period to sign up to run for any of these positions will be open from **Monday, April 18, 2022 at 8:00AM through May 16, 2022 at 4:30PM.**



Interested Candidates may sign-up in person at the:

Election Board Office
Che We Building (SE Corner)
115 6th St. Ste. E
Cass Lake, MN 56633

Additionally, candidates for Local Indian Council can sign up via telephone by calling 218-335-7219.

OPEN POSITIONS AND ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR EACH BOARD ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Local Indian Councils

There are 17 Local Indian Councils in total. All current LIC member terms will end in June 2022. All elected LIC members will serve four-year terms beginning in July 2022.

District I has five LICs:

- Deer River
- Ball Club
- Inger
- Winnie Dam
- S. Lake

District II has three LICs:

- Bena
- Kego Lake / Smokey Point
- Sugar Point

District III has six LICs:

- Cass Lake
- Mission
- Noopiming
- Onigum
- Oak Point
- Sugar Bush/Buck Lake

Urban areas have three LICs:

- Twin Cities
- Duluth
- Bemidji

The top five candidates in each LIC Election will be elected to the LIC.

Eligibility Requirements

All enrolled Leech Lake Band members who live within the communities/areas named above are eligible to serve on their respective Local Indian Council. You must also be at least 18 years of age and have resided within the specified community/area for at least 30 days prior to the election.

Housing Commissioner Board

- District I has 1 open position(s)
- District II has 1 open position(s)
- District III has 1 open position(s)

Eligibility Requirements

From Leech Lake Reservation Tribal Council Ordinance Number 79-9 amended 03/24/22.

Article IV - Board of Commissioners

In order to run for election to the board, a person must have reached their twenty-first birthday on or before the election date, and must be a member to the Leech Lake Reservation Band or other Tribal member, recognized by the United States Government, who has resided on the Reservation for at least twelve months prior to the election.

- Shall be in good financial standing with the Housing Authority; and
- Shall not be an employee of the Housing Authority; or
 - Must resign their position with the Housing Authority to serve on the Board; and
- Shall not have a felony conviction within the ten-year period prior to running for election for the following crimes:
 - Felony sale or possession of a controlled substance or an equivalent conviction from a different jurisdiction.
 - Felony criminal sexual conduct, or an equivalent conviction from a different jurisdiction.
 - Crimes of violence as defined in MN Statue 624.712 Subdivision 5. or an equivalent conviction from a different jurisdiction.
- Shall pass a standard drug test. Cannabis exempt.

Bug O Nay Ge Shig School Board

- District I has 1 open position(s)
- District II has 1 open position(s)
- District III has 2 open position(s)

Eligibility Requirements

From Bug O Nay Ge Shig School Board By-Laws revised on 6/09/16, Page 5.

Section 1: Eligibility

In order to be eligible to run for election to the Board;

- A person must have reached their eighteenth birthday by the election date and must be a member of the Leech Lake Band.
- Has resided in their respective district on the Reservation for at least twelve months prior to the election.
- Must have a minimum of an Associate's degree and experience of working in a school is required.
- Currently enrolled students and faculty and staff of the School system are not eligible to run for election.
- Board members must pass a yearly background check and must continue to reside in their respective districts while serving on the board.
- A school employee who has been terminated by the School Board is not eligible to run or hold office on Bug O Nay Ge Shig School Board.
- Any individual who has been removed from the school board for nonfeasance, misfeasance, or malfeasance, as well as, any individual who has any felony or 2 misdemeanor offenses under Federal or State law as verified by a background check; crimes against persons; or offenses committed against children is not eligible to run or hold office.
- Annual state background check and random drug testing will be completed.

Bids Wanted for 2022 Royalty Items



The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe is seeking bids for Princess and Brave crowns and ties needed for each community Pow Wow. Submit separate bids for each Royalty item listed below.

Bids are being sought for:

- Leech Lake Princess and Brave (Sr. and Jr.) Beaded Crowns and Neckties with community and year.
- Miigwech Manoomin Princess and Brave Beaded Crown and Necktie with community and year.
- Onigum Princess and Brave (Sr., Jr. and Tiny-tot) Beaded Crowns and Neckties with community and year.
- Cha Cha Bah Ning Princess and Brave Beaded Crown and Necktie with community and year.
- Battle Point Princess and Brave Beaded Crown and Necktie with community and year.

How to submit your sealed bid:

- State bid amount, royalty item(s) that bid is being put in for and affix signature. Place document in envelope and seal.
- Name and address of the bidder must be shown in the upper left corner of the envelope.
- **The phrase "SEALED BID ENCLOSED: POWWOW NAME" must be shown in the lower left corner of the envelope.**
- Bids must be postmarked by May 18, 2022 or delivered in person to the Purchasing Office by 4:30 PM May 18, 2022.

MAIL TO
LLBO Purchasing
Attn: Adam Nason
190 Sailstar Dr NW
Cass Lake, MN 56633

Any questions relating to the royalty Items can be directed to the Pow Wow Coordinator at 218-335-3637. Questions related to the sealed bidding process can be directed to LLBO Purchasing at 218-335-8200.

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MARCH 12, 2022 • BIG WINNIE DENNY'S RESORT BENA, MN



Perch Jerk Prize Winners:
Anna G., Drake G.,
Sawyer G. and Cyrus G.



Perch Jerk Prize Winner:
Amari W.



Perch Jerk Trophy Winner:
Brayden J.



Perch Jerk Trophy Winner:
Lil' Todd



Perch Jerk Trophy Winner:
Brayden B.



Perch Jerk Trophy Winner:
Davina T.

We would like to thank our sponsors: Leech Lake Gaming and MD Pawn & Bait.

As well as the following LLBO programs for their contributions: Leech Lake Tribal Police, Leech Lake DRM, LL Ambulance, Human Services, Heavy Equipment, Tribal Roads, Big Winnie Denny's Resort, Gaming Office, Cash Management, Emergency Management, Accounting Offices, Facilities Maintenance & Opioid Program.

And of course our many volunteers throughout Leech Lake. *Miigwech!*




LEECH LAKE TRIBAL COLLEGE
CLASS OF
2022
SPRING GRADUATION
SATURDAY MAY 14TH, 2022
11AM-2PM
AT THE
NORTHERN LIGHTS CASINO IN WALKER



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR
2022 GRADS



Dax R. Anderson <i>AA - Liberal Education</i>	Brian J. Gauthier <i>AA - Liberal Education STEM</i>	Sara Mountain <i>AA - Early Childhood Education</i>
Tamika-Jo Andy <i>AA - Indigenous Leadership</i>	Logan Humphrey <i>Residential Carpentry Diploma</i>	Miguel J. Reyes <i>AAS - Business Management</i>
Taylor M. Burns <i>AA - Liberal Education STEM</i> <i>AA - Forest Ecology</i>	Rhianna Johnson <i>AAS - Integrated Residential Builder</i>	Eric Rivera <i>Residential Carpentry Diploma</i>
Dylan Chase <i>AAS - Law Enforcement</i>	Arnold Kingbird <i>AAS - Integrated Residential Builder</i>	Alex A. Rivera <i>AA - Liberal Education</i>
Isaiah T. Delapaz <i>AAS - Law Enforcement</i>	Jordan W. Lawrence <i>AA - Liberal Education</i>	Alannah C. Weitzel <i>AAS - Law Enforcement</i>
Ean J. DuBois <i>AA - Liberal Education</i>	David J. Mansavage <i>AAS - Law Enforcement</i>	Harley Windom <i>AAS - Integrated Residential Builder</i>
Jacalyn Dunn-Pacheco <i>AAS - Integrated Residential Builder</i>	Coltin Mitchell <i>AAS - Law Enforcement</i>	

A SMALL CEREMONY FOR THE GRADUATES AND THEIR FAMILIES WILL BE HELD MAY 14TH AT THE NORTHERN LIGHTS CASINO.

Leech Lake Area Boys & Girls Club Opportunity for Local High School Seniors

The Boys and Girls Club of the Leech Lake Area in partnership with Connect MN would like to get technology into the communities of Leech Lake. Our team at Boys and Girls Club of the Leech Lake Area will be giving local area senior students that are attending college, starting fall 2022 a chance at receiving a new laptop.

Rules for applying for the laptop with be as follows:

- Be a student at one of the following: Cass Lake-Bena High School District, Deer River High School District, Walker-Hackensack-Akeley District, and Bug O Nay Ge Shig High School.
- Submit a copy of your college acceptance letter.
- Submit the completed questionnaire next to this article along with a one-page essay.
- Submit a completed Boys & Girls Club application.
- Submit a copy of your fall class schedule.

You can submit all the documents to your School Representative:
Cass Lake-Bena *Brian Stuebner*
Deer River *Kari Borgmann*
Bug O Nay Ge Shig *Jay Malchow*

We will have limited laptops available deadline to submit will be May 13. Awarded winners will be announced May 27. Any questions or concerns please contact: Martin Wind, Dave Northbird or Rebecca Graves at the Boys and Girls Club of the Leech Lake Area 218-335-8144.



BOYS & GIRLS CLUB
OF THE LEECH LAKE AREA

Award Application

Name:

Age: Gender:

Tribal Affiliation:

High School:

Parent / Guardian Name(s):

Are you a first-generation college student?
List where your family has attended college?

What college are you attending? Part time or full time?
List Major:

Will you be living on or off campus?

What made you choose this college?

Will you be doing extracurricular activities?

Write a one-page essay on how a laptop will help towards your success at college. Describe what it means as a student to receive the laptop.

Is your address up to date?

If you need to update your address, please send in a completed and signed W9 for an address change to the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Accounting office.

The W9 can be found at www.irs.gov

Mail to:

"Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe, Attn: Accounting
PO Box 60, Cass Lake, MN 56633"

Or fax to the accounting office at: **218-335-3781**





Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Tribal Court

200 Sailstar Dr. NW
Cass Lake, MN 56633
218.335.3682 • 218.335.4418

Honorable Paul W. Day **Chief Judge of Tribal Court**
Honorable Amber Ahola **Associate Judge of Tribal Court**

LEGAL NOTICE

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In Re: Estate of: Juanita Claire White, f/k/a Juanita Claire Morris, f/k/a Juanita Claire Finn, DOB: 09/11/1947, Decedent.

Court File No. CV-21-75

NOTICE

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND CREDITORS IT IS ORDERED AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above-named decedent, Juanita Claire White, died April 15, 2021. **A hearing was held before the Honorable Paul W. Day, Chief Judge of the above-named Tribal Court located in the Leech Lake Tribal Justice Center**, 200 Sailstar Drive NW, in Cass Lake, Minnesota on the 22nd, day of July, 2021 at 11:30 a.m., upon the filing of a Petition for Formal Probate of Will, Determination of Heirs and Formal Appointment of Personal Representative by Tony L. Morris, surviving son of the decedent.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that at the Initial Probate Hearing held on July 22, 2021, in Leech Lake Tribal Court, Tony Morris, PO Box 1338 Cass Lake, MN 56633, was appointed to act as Personal Representative of the Estate of Juanita Claire White, 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 the Clerk of the Leech Lake Tribal Court within ninety days (90) days from the date of the first publication of the notice or claims will be barred.

LEGAL NOTICE

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In Re: Estate of: Della Mae Kingbird, DOB: 09/23/1943, Decedent.

Court File No. CV-21-122

NOTICE

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND CREDITORS IT IS ORDERED AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above-named decedent, Della Mae Kingbird, died January 12th, 2021. **A hearing was held before the Honorable Paul W. Day, Chief Judge of the above-named Tribal Court located in the Leech Lake Tribal Justice Center**, 200 Sailstar Drive NW, in Cass Lake, Minnesota on the 21st, day of October, 2021 at 1:30 p.m., upon the filing of a Petition for Formal Probate of Will, Determination of Heirs and Formal Appointment of Personal Representative by Diane Kingbird, surviving daughter of the decedent.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that at the Initial Probate Hearing held on October 21st, 2021, in Leech Lake Tribal Court, Jordan Wind, 16757 69th Ave. NW Cass Lake, MN 56633, was appointed to act as Personal Representative of the Estate of Della Mae Kingbird, 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 the Clerk of the Leech Lake Tribal Court within ninety days (90) days from the date of the first publication of the notice or claims will be barred.

LEGAL NOTICE

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Child(ren) of: Traci Cloud (deceased) and Randall Shaugobay

Court File No. CP-19-06

NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that **a Petition to Suspend Parental Rights has been filed in the Leech Lake Tribal Court** regarding the child(ren) of the above-named parents. A hearing will be scheduled for Thursday May 19 at 11:30AM in the Leech Lake Tribal Court. Please Contact Leech Lake Tribal Court Administration for any further questions and/or a copy of the documents. 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 against you.

LEGAL NOTICE

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Child(ren) of: Heather TeJohn and Any Man As Father

Court File No. CP-19-19

NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that **a Petition to Suspend Parental Rights has been filed in the Leech Lake Tribal Court** regarding the child(ren) of the above-named parents. A hearing will be scheduled within the next sixty (60) days in the Leech Lake Tribal Court. Please Contact Leech Lake Tribal Court Administration for any further questions and/or a copy of the documents. 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 against you.

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Debahjimon can be found at the following locations:

District I

Ball Club Comm. Center
White Oak Casino
Cenex Station
Max Mart
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Words and sentences list April

OJIBWEMOWIN

ZHAAGANAASHIIMOWIN

waabiqwan(iin)	flower(s)
gitige	She/he plants, gardens
miinikaan(an)	seed(s)
qitiqaan	field, garden, farm
waabiqwanii-qitiqaan	flower garden
mashkode	prairie
mashkosi	grass
qitiqaanens(an)	vegetable(s)
binaakwe'igan(an)	rake(s)
bimijaaqaakwad(oon)	hoe(s)

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Anama'e-giizhigad	Maadanokii-giizhigad	Niizho-giizhigad	Aabitoose	Niiyo-giizhigad	Naano-giizhigad	Gibiizigisaginige-giizhigad
1 Ziigwan. It is spring.	2 Aabawaa. It is warm weather.	3 Wii-aabawaa waabang. It will be warm weather tomorrow.	4 Mizhakwad. It is a clear sky.	5 Ziigwang abaate. When it is spring, it is warming up.	6 Awanibiisaa. It is sprinkling rain.	7 Zaagibagaa. The leaves come out.
8 Gwekaanimaad. The wind changes direction.	9 Ondaanimad. The wind comes from a certain direction.	10 Waabani-noodin. There is an east wind.	11 Ningaabii'anong. There is a west wind.	12 Zhaawani-noodin. There is a south wind.	13 Giowedinong. There is a north wind.	14 Dakaanimad. It is a cool wind.
15 Aandi gibabiinzikawaagan? Where is your coat?	16 Gibabiinzikawaagan ina o'ow? Is this your coat?	17 Awenen obabiinzikaawagan o'ow? Whose coat is this?	18 Odaminodaa agwajiing. Let's play outside.	19 Bakakonan waasechigan. Open the window.	20 Bakakonan Ishkwaandem. Open the door.	21 Gibaakwa'an ishkwandem. Close the door.
22 Nisidotam. She/he understands.	23 Ninisidotam. I understand.	24 Ginisidotam ina? Do you understand?	25 Gimiwan wayiiba. It will rain soon.	26 Bizidan. Listen.	27 Bizaan. Be quiet.	28 Ginoondam ina i'iw? Do you hear that?
29 Noondaagoziwag ingiw omakakiig. The frogs are making noise.	30 Daga ikidon miinawaa. Please say it again.	31 Ojibwemotawishin daga. Speak Ojibwe to me please.				

The Ojibwe word list in the March edition of the Debahjimon (Vol. XXXVIII No. 9) the Ojibwemowin word "Maple Sugar" was incorrectly listed as "Anishinaa-ziinziibaakwad." The correct wordage is "Anishinaabe-ziinziibaakwad."

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- Home Healthcare Manager RN ~ Health ~ Job Code: 21-115*
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- Cook (Inger) ~ Education ~ Job Code: 21-119*
- Home Healthcare LPN (2) ~ Health ~ Job Code: 21-122*
- Cook (Ball Club) ~ Education ~ Job Code: 21-124*
- Pre School Teacher (Onigum) ~ Education ~ Job Code: 21-125*
- Community Health Representative (2) ~ Health ~ Job Code: 21-129*
- Pre School Teacher/Family Service Advocate ~ Education ~ Job Code: 21-130*
- Infant Toddler Teacher/Family Service Advocate ~ Education ~ Job Code: 21-131*
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- Driver ~ Human Services ~ Job Code: 22-041*
- Cook ~ Human Services ~ Job Code: 22-042*
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- CNA/HHA ~ Health ~ Job Code: 22-045*
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- Clinic LPN ~ Health ~ Job Code: 22-053*
- Nutrition Coordinator ~ Education ~ Job Code: 22-054*
- Cook ~ Education ~ Job Code: 22-055*
- Education Program Manager ~ Education ~ Job Code: 22-056*



Antwon William Joseph Michael Wade and Rebel Sue Robinson gave their mother Myra Faith in marriage to their father Keith Robinson on 02/22/2022 at 2:22 PM.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Judge Harrington (and friend) for coming out to Bena on a blustery cold windy day.

I would like to thank Scott and Reichen Anwiler owners of the Big Winnie Bar and Café for donating the venue and Donald Sherman and Andrea Dolney (Bigfoot Entertainment) for doing Karaoke for the night.

I would also like to thank Amanda Richardson and Jaqueline Wright for working so diligently on getting this event together from behind the scenes. I would also like to take this time to thank all of our friends and family that came out to help celebrate the union of Myra and Keith. A wonderful time was enjoyed by all.

Once again miigwech for all that attended and helped make it happen.

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