

## QUARTERLY MEETING

Leech Lake Tribal Council and Division Directors recently hosted the Band's Quarterly Meeting online via livestream.

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LLBO Food Distribution and SHIP Team Members offer up a delicious Apple Cinnamon Oatmeal recipe for January.

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The 2022 Minnesota Chippewa Tribe lists important dates and deadlines for the upcoming election season.

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With Tribal and State Officials present LLBO Band Members Gary Charwood and his aunt Helen Johnson, both of S. Lake, conclude the ribbon cutting ceremony on the newly built S. Lake Community Center.

## S. Lake Community Center Completed, Grand Opening and Celebration Held

By KAYLA DUOOS

S. LAKE – The S. Lake community center is now open.

The center, which has been a community goal for a number of years, features the following amenities; a gym, sauna, kitchen, handi-capable restrooms, and two offices. Bringing the center up to date and similar to the semi-recent Onigum community center build was a goal for staff members who worked on the project.

The center which is still undergoing updates, will receive computers in the near future, as well as fiber optic internet installed throughout the building to ensure the community will have fast and reliable internet access.

The grand opening for the center took place January 7, 2022, and featured the Nut Hill drum group, invocation by Michael Smith Sr. and a number of speeches by Tribal and State officials, followed by a shared meal in celebration.

Tribal Chairman Faron Jackson Sr. opened the celebration with a speech focused on thanking those involved with the creation of the center, and sharing why community spaces like the center are important, especially to the reservations outer communities.

“It takes teamwork to make things like this center happen. It comes through advice of the elders, the local LIC, and staff members. Having a community so far from the hub, made updating this community center a priority. Distance has always been a barrier and this center is going to be able to address a lot of the communities’ needs that they’ve had for years,” said Jackson.

LLBO Deputy Director Gordon Fineday who also spoke at the grand opening emphasized the importance of having a place to gather following the COVID-19 pandemic shutdowns.

“The best thing we can do as leadership is hopefully create more opportunities for communities to gather in a safe place. In this day and age – where everyone had to stay home for two years, mental health is a priority. Getting out to a place like this, where it feels safe – is a great thing for everybody,” said Fineday.

Community members looking to use the space for additional activities outside of regular use or seeking maintenance for the building are encouraged to visit the LLBO website and fill out a coordinating form.

The center is located at 59979 County Rd 4, S. Lake, MN, and is open M-F 8am-4:30pm.



## Leech Lake Tribal College Conducting Search for New President

By KAYLA DUOOS

CASS LAKE – The Leech Lake Tribal College Presidential search is underway.

The college's presidential search is a tedious and time consuming process. One that the college prides itself on, as the community driven process helps narrow down potential candidates through shareholder feedback.

The succession plan, which Human Resources Director Carol White broke down, was first enacted in 2015. It begins with the posting of the colleges open position on a number of sites, immediately followed by the choosing of a selection committee and said committee narrowing down the colleges first set of applicants to a set of finalists.

The selection committee, who narrows down the first set of applicants is composed of three board of trustee members, the dean of academics, one LLTC employee, and three community members from each of the reservations districts, who are selected by their RTC district representative.

Following the selection committee's decision, all remaining candidates will present their five-year plan to the college's staff, students and community members. All those present at the public presentations are asked to fill out a survey on their opinions of each candidate which are forwarded to the LLTC board of trustees, who then will do the college's final round of interviews based on community feedback and the college's needs.

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## Give 2 The Max 2021, LLTC Donation Drive

*The Leech Lake Tribal College exceeded it's donation goals set for 2021, surpassing funds raised in the previous year*

By KAYLA DUOOS

CASS LAKE – Leech Lake Tribal College exceeded it's donation goal during 2021's Give to the Max day.

Give to the Max Day is one of Minnesota's and LLTC's biggest days of online giving. Every year in November, GiveMN hosts thousands of organizations raising money online to improve the quality of life in Minnesota. In 2021, 6,457 nonprofits and educational institutions raised 34.3 million dollars total in 24 hours during Give to the Max day. LLTC themselves raised \$120,923, placing them in the top 10 most donated to educational institutions within the state.

The college nearly doubled their donations from the previous year, thanks in part to a \$15,000 LLBO gaming match donation, as well as the Blandin foundation \$60,000 match donation. The college held a number of events on campus to garner donations such as the pick a prize raffle, a silent auction and the LLTC Laker's basketball taco sale. The taco sale remained one of the

college's biggest event turnouts, similar to years prior, selling out within an hour and a half.

LLTC Multimedia & Marketing Specialist Ryan White who oversees the event, said none of the goals they obtained would be possible without the help of the staff behind the scenes and those who donated raffle/auction items or provided monetary assistance.

"I just want to thank all of our staff who help out with this event every year and get everything together. The donations mean a lot to the college and help us achieve our goals," said White.

Just because Give to the Max day is over, that doesn't mean you can't still donate. You can find ways to donate to the college online at [www.lltc.edu/give](http://www.lltc.edu/give) or by mailing in a tax deductible check.

If you have questions about supporting LLTC or you'd like to tour the college, you can visit them at 6945 Little Wolf Rd NW, Cass Lake, MN from 8 am - 4:30 pm.

LLTC would like to say Chi Miigwech (Thank You) to the following businesses that helped support LLTC Give to the Max Event.

**Miigwech!** To this years supporters during LLTC Give to the Max!

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Western Bank \$3,000  
Leech Lake Gaming with a \$15,000 Matching Gift  
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## Bemidji Miikinaan Gallery Featured Artist : David Ben White

By KAYLA DUOOS

BEMIDJI – The Bemidji Watermark Art Center has a new exhibit in the Miikinaan Gallery.

The Miikinaan Gallery which is home to the center's Traditional art exhibits is now displaying "Indigenous Expressions, Illustrations," By David Ben White (Oglala Lakota).

Whites collection of illustrations explores indigenous art, culture and traditions and is influenced by stories passed forward from Anishinaabe, Lakota and other tribal nations. Whites artistic styles include acrylic painting, soft chalk pastels, drawing, sketching, cartooning, wood burning and leather work. He also designs unique wearable art and creates found object displays.



via WATERMARK ART CENTER

"Three Sisters" is one of the many pieces on display at the Watermark Art Center.

White lives in Ponemah on the Red Lake Reservation. He is Oglala Lakota and an enrolled member of the Fort Peck Reservation at Wolf Point, Montana. He is a survivor

of the boarding school era.

White has been an artist for a number of years and has entered pieces in various exhibitions, community art fairs and contests.

He is a member of the Region 2 Anishinaabe Arts Initiative Council and a former Grantee.

He has displayed pieces at the Two Rivers Art Gallery and the Minneapolis American Indian Center in Minneapolis and locally at various art markets and expos including Region 2 events, Art From Within of the Greater Minnesota Racial Justice Project, Red Lake Nation College, Leech Lake Tribal College, and Headwaters School of Music and Arts. He has also attended various art workshops learning about art resources from the First Peoples' Fund and Springboard for the Arts.

The Indigenous Expressions exhibit will be on display at Watermark Miikinaan Gallery until February 25, 2022.



RAINING WHITE | LLBO DRM

A newly installed Clean, Drain, Dry and Dispose Station near Cass Lake.

## Cass Lake, Lake Winnie Fitted With New CD3 Stations Aimed to Combat AIS in Waters

By RAINING WHITE | LLBO DRM

In January, the LLBO Division of Resource Management Plants Department, with the help of LL Heavy Equipment, installed three new CD3 Stations located on Cass Lake and two on Lake Winnibigoshish. These stations were paid for through a state grant provided by LCCMR- lottery funds. These stations are a tool to be used in the fight against Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) that threaten our waters. All CD3 stations, including a fourth waiting to be installed, are solar powered and self-operated. Equipped with a shop vac, air blower, boat brushes, grabber, and plug wrench, the CD3 stations are meant to be a self-service boat cleaning station. Boaters willing to help would use the tools provided to remove all plant and animal material from their boats and trailers before moving on to their next location. Clean, Drain, Dry, Dispose for boats and other watercraft is immensely important to prevent the further spread of AIS. The DRM Plants Department also utilizes

inspectors at landings with a decontamination unit during the warmer seasons, but with Leech Lake having so many bodies of water, it is unrealistic to cover every landing and boat launch. Starry Stonewort, an AIS, has been found in Cass Lake, Lake Winnie, and Leech Lake. Although effective management of this AIS is being assessed and utilized, it is extremely important to do our best to prevent further infestations of our many other lakes and rivers within the Reservation and surrounding area. It is unclear how Starry Stonewort and other aquatic invasive species will affect our natural resources, but the DRM is determined to preemptively protect our rice, fish and water from further AIS harm.

If you suspect an Invasive Species within the Reservation, please contact the DRM Plants Department at 218-335-7400 and ask for Kate or Raining. A full list of AIS affected lakes can be provided through the DRM along with materials to help identify AIS and terrestrial invasive species found within or near the Reservation.

## FCC Announces Affordable Connectivity Program, Enrollment Now Open

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January 3, 2022 Paul Bunyan Communications announced it is working to help build awareness about the Affordable Connectivity Program, a Federal Communications Commission (FCC) program. The new long-term benefit will help to lower the cost of broadband service for eligible households struggling to afford internet service.

The \$14 billion Affordable Connectivity Program provides a discount of up to a \$30 per month toward broadband service for eligible households and up to \$75 per month for qualifying households on qualifying Tribal lands. The benefit also provides up to a \$100 per household discount toward a

one-time purchase of a computer, laptop, or tablet if the household contributes more than \$10 and less than \$50 toward the purchase through a participating broadband provider.

A household is eligible if one member of the household meets at least one of the criteria below:

- Has an income that is at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines;
- Participates in certain assistance programs, such as SNAP, Medicaid, Federal Public Housing Assistance, SSI, WIC, or Lifeline;
- Participates in one of several Tribal specific programs, such as Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance, Tribal Head Start (only households meeting the relevant income qualifying standard) Tribal

TANF, or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations;

- Is approved to receive benefits under the free and reduced-price school lunch program or the school breakfast program, including through the USDA Community Eligibility Provision;
- Received a Federal Pell Grant during the current award year; or
- Meets the eligibility criteria for a participating broadband provider's existing low-income program.

Affordable Connectivity Program enrollment opened on December 31, 2021. Eligible households can enroll through a participating broadband provider or by (1) going to [ACPBenefit.org](http://ACPBenefit.org) to submit an online application or print a mail-in application and (2) contacting their preferred participating broadband provider and selecting a plan. Additional information about the Emergency Broadband Benefit is available at [www.fcc.gov/ACP](http://www.fcc.gov/ACP), or by calling 877-384-2575 between 9 a.m. and 9 p.m. ET any day of the week.

### Who Is Eligible for the Affordable Connectivity Program?

- Has an income that is at or below 200% of the federal poverty guidelines
- Participates in certain assistance programs, such as SNAP, Medicaid, Federal Public Housing Assistance, SSI, WIC, or Lifeline
- Participates in Tribal specific programs, such as Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance, Tribal TANF, or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations
- Is approved to receive benefits under the free and reduced-price school lunch program or the school breakfast program, including through the USDA Community Eligibility Provision in the 2019-2020, 2020-2021, or 2021-2022 school year
- Received a Federal Pell Grant during the current award year
- Meets the eligibility criteria for a participating provider's existing low-income program

Find out if you qualify and how to participate. Visit: [fcc.gov/ACP](http://fcc.gov/ACP)

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## Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe, January Quarterly Meeting

*The Band recently held it's Quarterly Meeting January 14,  
this quarters meeting was held online via livestream*

By KAYLA DUOOS

CASS LAKE – The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe held their Quarterly Meeting virtually Friday, January 14.

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 Facebook page and on LeechLakeNews.com

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 April 2022.

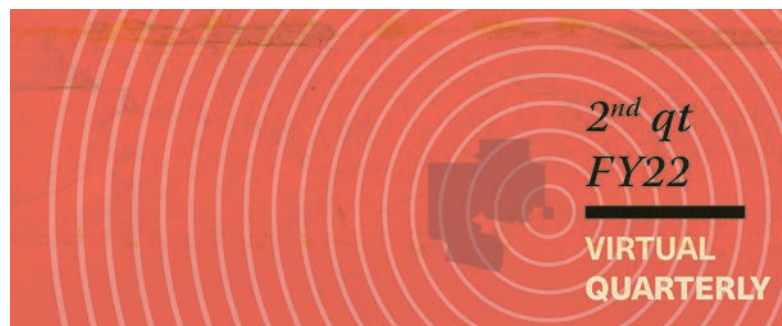
### Quarterly Report Summaries

#### Tribal Court

- There were 82 new cases filed between October 1, 2021 and December 31, 2021.
- The court conducted 311 hearings the past quarter.
- Chief Judge Paul Days judicial contract was renewed for another 3 years in October 2021.

#### Tribal Development

- Tribal Development in coordination with other divisions con-



tinues to work on the bands planning ordinance.

- Work with Wilder Foundation will continue in 2022 with a secondary homeless survey being planned for October 2022.
- American Recovery Build Back Better plan currently in developmental stages with LLTC to fund developmental training on band owned property.
- A land use planning committee was formed with the intention of putting together a formal document for land use and zoning to address community issues.
- Early design model being produced for potential ball club homeless shelter.

#### Tribal Roads

- Womack Road project has been completed.
- Cass Lake Bike Trail is expected to be finished by summer 2022.
- Bena Bike trail expected to begin 2022.

#### Resource Management

- Interim director named in December to oversee Department.
- Interim Director has begun developing a strategic plan of short term and long term goals

of division that will be presented to leadership in 3<sup>rd</sup> qt of FY22.

- Removal of starry stonewort invasive species in Steamboat bay occurred during reporting period.
- Installation of pollinator gardens at LLTC, Family Spirit, Palace Casino, Prescott community Center, RTC building, Jackson Village took place during the reporting period.
- Beginning phases of working on snowshoe hare habitat creation have started.

#### Human Services

- Change in department leadership towards end of the quarter, with an interim leader placed 12/6/21.
- October-December all childhood welfare programs were fully operational.
- The need for mental health services continue to rise as the pandemic continues. In October 2021, referrals to the LLBO Behavioral Health appointments exceeded capacity. Exceeding capacity caused a mental health service informal waiting list to be created with appointments taking 1 to 2 months to be scheduled unless

community members were in need of urgent help, in which they were referred out.

- The LLBO Behavioral Health Children Services (CTSS) successfully completed the MN DHS recertification process and was awarded a 3 year recertification.
- The LLBO Behavioral Health Crisis Response team is working with Itasca County first to call for help to contract their services. They will assist in screening and triaging mental health crisis calls for Leech Lake 24/7.
- The Cass Lake Emergency Shelter has taken in 68 singles and 12 families during this reporting period.

#### Education

- Education division has focused on developing the Leech Lake leadership plan to further professional development needs.
- The education administration held the first of two tribal consultations with CLB schools. They've also implemented regular meetings with WHA schools and held their first tribal consultation meeting in December. Deer River and Bemidji schools bypass Tribal Education department consultation.
- Post Secondary Education awarded 157 students during the reporting period and are still accepting new applications.
- YouthBuild program is currently being revamped to include more language and cultural components.
- Early Childhood met with LLTC to develop partnership for workforce development.
- Ojibwe Language Program has visited each of the early childhood classrooms and provided enrichment tools / lessons. Further field trips and events are in planning stages.
- Leech Lake Tribal College provided 570 Ojibwe flashcards, books, and games for FFN support kits.
- Snap-Ed / Diabetes Prevention Program has begun collaborating.
- Snap-Ed reestablished partnership with Boys and Girls club for youth classes.
- Community cooking courses were started during the reporting period.

#### Housing

- Project VIII has 30 houses set on foundations with hopes of having half the units occupied by the end of January. 24

of these units have furnaces installed and operating.

- Radon Control Technician inspected 25 radon mitigation systems and tested 5 homes for radon.
- New roofs have been installed on 15 low rent homes.
- New air exchange / recovery ventilation systems have been changed out in 37 tax credit project homes.
- Inspectors conducted 98 unit inspections during the reporting period.
- The modernization department renovated 8 homes during the reporting period.

#### Health

- No reported outbreaks of COVID-19 at assisted living
- Health division has provided 193 clients with rides to dialysis, medical transport, and covid support.
- Family Spirit program moved into a new building during the last month of the quarter, currently becoming situated.
- Car Seat program served 37 families and provided 44 car seats during the reporting period.
- Continued reporting weekly updates to Division Directors and RTC on health matters of importance.
- 186 COVID vaccines were given during the reporting period.
- Amish Produce Distribution continued through the reporting period.
- New Tobacco Cessation program for Pregnant mothers "baby and tobacco free" to be launched 1/1/22.

#### Public Safety

- Program awarded 2021 "coordinated tribal assistance" funding grant for \$840,000. Grant will aid the program with cars, uniforms, equipment and methamphetamine prevention project.
- Officers continue to assist in delivering food boxes.
- Public Safety has identified potential land and funding for a veterinary clinic with hopes to break ground in 2022.
- Public safety coordinated with MNSnap / S.I.R.V.I.S. to provide animal care services including vaccination clinics during the reporting period.
- Participated with shop with a cop in which gift cards were distributed to community members for holiday season.

# Tribal Council Quarterly Reports

SECRETARY / TREASURER  
ARTHUR "ARCHIE" LaROSE

Governmental Activities  
Secretary/Treasurer's Summary

Remarks delivered at the Quarterly  
Meeting on January 14, 2022

Boozhoo, everyone. I hope that everyone had a good and safe Christmas and New Year's holiday season. The COVID-19 pandemic continues to be a roller coaster ride and the number of cases has been rising in the recent months. We need to continue to keep our guard up and do what we can to continue to protect our elders, family and fellow Band Members.

This past quarter has been a very busy and exciting time for Leech Lake. Leech Lake celebrated the Grand Opening and acquisition of Leech Lake Market (formerly Teal's Market). This opportunity will assist us in achieving what Leech Lake is striving for in regards to food sovereignty. We also celebrated the Grand Opening of the newly remodeled S. Lake Community Center last week. This will provide the S. Lake Community with a beautiful and safe place for gathering. The annual Tax Rebate was distributed to all adult Band Members, the payment of \$500 was mailed out in the beginning of December. If you have not received it as of yet, please reach out to our Accounting Department.

We are currently sitting at about a \$13 million reserve in our General Fund. Our tax reimbursement amounts have remained fairly consistent throughout the Covid-19 Pandemic. Gaming revenues have rebounded after a temporary shutdown of the casinos at the beginning of the pandemic. Expenditures have been slowly growing to pre-pandemic levels now that all employees have been brought back to work as of July 1, 2021.

The Cares Act ended on December 31, 2021 and was fully expended. A breakdown on how the funding was utilized is provided at the end of this report. Management is continuing to work on a plan and budget for the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding. We will be reaching out for the Public's input in the near future in regards to these funds.

The Health Division received an

## CARES Act Spending

Gaming	7,595,892.00
Economic Stimulus Pmts. (All LLBO Enrollees)	18,473,950.00
Housing Assistance (LLHA rent April - July)	620,584.00
Network / Computers	1,179,363.59
Personal Leave Payout (Any employees over 240 hours)	634,616.00
Masks, hand sanitizer, PPE, etc.	673,854.74
Food for Communities	465,271.38
Garbage Truck	174,801.00
IMT Wages (reimbursing Grant programs)	266,286.00
Veteran's Housing	262,647.00
Tribal Police - Equipment	740,061.00
Tribal Police - Hazard Pay	330,155.02
Refrigerated Trucks (Egg & Produce Contracts)	99,963.00
Other Vehicle Purchases - Health, Fleet, LLTPD	330,133.00
Boys & Girls Club	96,000.00
Transportation Vans	135,000.00
Cass Lake Area Food Shelf	145,500.00
Public Safety Wages & Fringe	4,698,980.36
<b>Total Spent</b>	<b>36,923,608.09</b>

## Other CARES Act Expenditures

Emergency Rental Assistance	1,870,471.70
Cares Act - Child care	333,087.37
Cares Act - Health Resources Adm	1,363,040.92
Cares Act - Food donations	864,047.41
Other misc. Cares Act programs	2,442,127.72
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>6,872,775.12</b>

## American Rescue Plan Act of 2021

ARPA - US Treasury (1 <sup>st</sup> Payment - received on 3/3/2021)	47,000,213.00
ARPA - US Treasury (2 <sup>nd</sup> 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.)

<b>Total ARPA - Revenues Only</b>	<b>98,897,455.88</b>
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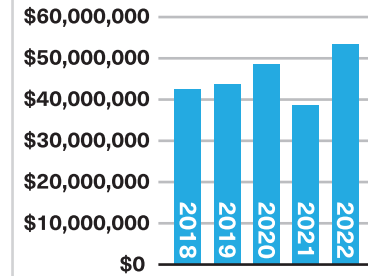
## ARPA Spending

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

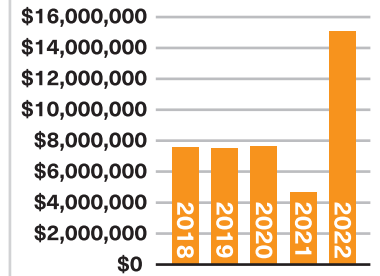
HRSA grant for \$4.17 million at the beginning of the COVID-19 Pandemic. It was initially communicated to us by the agency that there was no deadline on spending these funds. It was later communicated to us that the deadline for spending these funds was actually June 30, 2021. We had to act quickly to ensure that we didn't have to send these funds back to the agen-

cy. We ended up utilizing the HRSA funds to cover a portion of the network rebuild, the COVID homes in Cass Lake, vans for ENP and some PPE supplies. This in turn left us with unspent funds in our Cares Act program. We utilized these unspent funds from Cares Act to cover the Stimulus payments that were distributed to Band Members in August 2021.

## Revenue 5-Year Comparison YTD Ending 11/30



## Net Profit 5-Year Comparison YTD Ending 11/30



## Leech Lake Gaming Summary of Operations Quarter Ending September 2021

### Revenue

From July 2021 through November 2021, Leech Lake Gaming had revenue totaling \$53.5 million. Compared to that same timeframe in FY 2021, revenue was approximately \$38 million, which is an increase of \$15.6 million. Looking at the 5-year trend, you see that revenue has made a move back to an upward trend after fiscal year 2021.

### Expenses

Total expenses for Leech Lake Gaming from July 2021 through November 2021 was \$38.5 million. The previous year totaled roughly \$33.4 million, which is a \$5.2 million increase. Cost of sales accounted for much of the increase, \$3.1 million, while operating expenses increased by about \$2.2 million. Payroll expenses decreased by about \$81 thousand, not including the Premium Pay to LLG employees that was funded by ARPA funds.

### Net Profit

Net profit after expenses for this period is \$15 million. This is approximately a \$10.4 million increase from fiscal year 2021. When looking at the 5-year comparison, this is rather significant increase in net profit.

### Forecast

While Leech Lake Gaming has seen significant increases in revenues and profits, it is expected there will be a point where revenues and profits will no longer continue such a trend upward. Revenues are expected to start to level out or potentially decline due to the decrease in government stimulus. Expenses will be continually monitored, but with the expectation of revenue to eventually plateau or possibly return to normal levels, net profit will be proportionately affected.

The Minor's Trust activity continues to make the "18" payments. Since July 1, 2021 \$320 thousand in payments to enrolled band citizens reaching the age of 18 have been made. We allocated the annual \$250 contribution to the Minor's Trust account in December 2021. An additional \$250 was contributed to each Minor's account in August 2021. Another \$250 contribution will be made in August 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 Enrollment office.

The FY22 budget is currently being developed and the Council needed to pass a continuing spending resolution in order to comply with the Band's Budget Ordinance. We are getting closer to having the budget ready to present to the Public for comment. We will distribute this information as soon as possible. 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 see the inset list showing the projects, services, and activities that have been funded so far by the Cares Act revenue and ARPA.

# MINNESOTA COVID-19 update: JAN

By KAYLA DUOOS

MINNEAPOLIS – A number of COVID related procedures have changed within the past month.

As COVID numbers continue to climb within the state due to the recent introduction of the Omicron/Delta variants which are highly contagious, the CDC has reduced the number of quarantine days down to 5 for both symptomatic and asymptomatic carriers of the virus.

The change is motivated by science demonstrating that the majority of SARS-CoV-2 transmission occurs early in the course of illness, generally in the 1-2 days prior to onset of symptoms and the 2-3 days after.

The state's biggest problem with keeping numbers down remains not the updated isolation period, but the large number of unvaccinated residents. Currently 68% of the state's total population has received at least one vaccine dose; 93% of seniors are fully vaccinated. The state is approaching 9 million vaccine doses administered, with over 1.8 million of those being booster shots.

The high number of unvaccinated residents in the state has prompted a new executive order to be initiated by Minneapolis Mayor Jacob Frey and St. Paul Mayor Melvin Carter, citing that people



via MAYOR'S OFFICE | MINNEAPOLIS, ST. PAUL

entering establishments serving food or beverages will need to show proof of vaccination or a negative test within 72 hours to enter. The rule will also apply to anyone going to see the Timberwolves at Target Center or the Wild at Xcel Energy Center.

In Minneapolis, the policy will apply to anyone who can be vaccinated, meaning anyone 5 and older. Children between the ages of 2 and 5 will need to show proof of a negative test. Children under 2 will be exempt.

In St. Paul, the rules are slightly different: Children under 5 will be exempt. However, those who are older will need to show proof of vaccination or a negative test.

The policies for both cities will go into effect on Jan. 19, and they'll extend to cover ticketed events on Jan. 26.

This executive order comes a week after both cities reissued their mask mandates for public areas.

Currently most Northern Minnesota cities have not reissued any public mandates despite the climbing number of cases.

Minneapolis Mayor Jacob Frey (inside left) and St. Paul Mayor Melvin Carter (outside left) both of whom enacted the new executive order for both cities requiring a proof of vaccination or negative COVID-19 test when entering establishments that serve drinks or beverages.

## A look at the numbers as of January 13:

The Minnesota Department of Health says the state's total number of confirmed coronavirus cases is now at 1,126,697. Of them, nearly 1,054,656 no longer require isolation.

The state's death toll is now at 10,939 with 5,219 of those deaths involving cases in long-term care (LTC) facilities.

Health officials say approximately 16,954,490 Minnesotans have been tested for the virus so far including 11,976 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.

## « LLTC PRESIDENT

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An LLTC staff member who is currently in the middle of this process is Helen Zaikina-Montgomery. Zaikina-Montgomery was the college's only presenting finalist, after her fellow candidates withdrew their applications. She has a long-standing history with the college, first serving two years as the college's Director of Assessment and Institutional Research prior to holding the interim position of president at the college in May 2021. Zaikina-Montgomery has a PHD in experimental psychology and a 20-year background working in higher education.

During Zaikina-Montgomery's 40-minute public presentation, she detailed a 5-year plan built on increasing enrollment, further incorporating cultural programming, staff benefits and student retention. Later answering community questions from those attending in person and via zoom.

If hired, Zaikina-Montgomery will oversee many of the college's day to



via LEECH LAKE TRIBAL COLLEGE  
Interim LLTC President Helen Zaikina-Montgomery

day processes and operations. The board of trustees is expected to do a final interview with Zaikina-Montgomery in the coming month.

If you have questions about the LLTC presidential search or if you'd like to tour the college, you can visit them at 6945 Little Wolf Rd NW, Cass Lake, MN from 8am-4:30pm or call (218) 335-4200.

## Free State Park and Rec Access Granted to All MN Tribal Enrollees

By KAYLA DUOOS

MINNEAPOLIS – All enrolled Minnesota Tribal members now have free access to Minnesota's 75 state park and recreation areas.

The Minnesota DNR worked with the Governor's office and the State Legislature during the 2020 season to change laws so Tribal members can obtain a state park vehicle permit at no charge. The change ensures open access for Tribal members to ancestral lands.

Each of Minnesota's 11 Federally recognized Tribes participated in coordination meetings with DNR staff to determine how Tribal membership is defined, and the kind of identification needed for members to receive a permit.

To receive a state park vehicle permit, Tribal members have a number of ways to self identify for free parking. Tribal members can show Tribal identification at the park office. If the office is closed, self-payment envelopes can be used at the park entrance with "Tribal



Permit" written over the payment section.

Vehicles with a Tribal license plate are also allowed free access without the pass as your license plate signals the driver as an identifiable member of a federally recognized Tribe. Other forms of identification accepted include a certificate of Indian blood or an 1854 Treaty Authority Window Cling or ID Card.

LLBO is working with DNR to have these available at the DRM office in Cass Lake in the near future.

**KIDS DESERVE A SHOT!**

**\$200**

**Get kids 5-11 vaccinated.  
Get \$200.**

January 1 — February 28

LLBO Health Division

# minopogwad

*"it tastes good"*

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

*gweyakmino wiisinidaa! (Let's eat the right foods!)*

**Nutritional notes:** Starting the new year off we are also going to be focusing on starting our day off right! Breakfast is the most important meal of the day! What's more important is the composition of our breakfasts. So, what would a healthy breakfast be composed of? Take this study for example,

1. Columbia University randomized individuals into one of three breakfast conditions: oatmeal made from quick oats, the same number of calories in Frosted Flakes, or just plain

water. They then measured how many calories people took in at lunch three hours later... Overweight participants who had eaten oatmeal for breakfast consumed less than half as many calories at lunch, about four hundred fewer calories, which is more than the oatmeal itself had contained. So, in effect, the oatmeal provided "negative" calories.

In our last article (Debahjimon VoL. XXXXVIII No. 6, Dec. 2021) we mentioned that fiber creates

short chain fatty acids, which in turn, helps regulate our appetite. Curbing those cravings later on. It makes sense that oatmeal, which offers an abundance of fiber, would help us feel fuller longer, and therefore tends to reduce our caloric intake later on in the day.

A quick note in oatmeal types, we want to encourage minimally process grains, in the example above they highlight quick oats. Other types of oatmeal like the microwave variety although do offer fiber, when they're processed they often times added unwanted sugars and sodium so be mindful of the variety of oatmeal you're choosing. We would encourage using the "old fashioned" oatmeal if available.

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9. Josh Red Day & Chyrle Laduke, "minopogawd, it tastes good" Debahjimon, December 1, 2021.

## Apple Cinnamon Oatmeal



- 1 cup of water
- ¼ cup of apple juice
- 1 apple, cored and chopped
- ⅔ cup of rolled oats
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1 cup of non-dairy milk or milk of your choice
- Maple Syrup to taste

### Directions

1. Combine the water, apple juice, and apples in a saucepan. Bring to a boil over high heat, and stir in the rolled oats and cinnamon. Return to a boil, then reduce the heat to low, and simmer until thick, about 3 minutes. Spoon into serving bowls, and pour milk over servings along with maple syrup.

This recipe was inspired by a recipe from DOUGSMAMI on Allrecipes.com

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## BUG O NAY GE SHIG SCHOOL NEWS



The Holiday Spirit was alive and well at the Bug O Nay Ge Shig School's Care and Share Store. Students and staff brought in gifts to share and each elementary student was able to purchase gifts for their loved ones for 25 cents each. The older students wrapped the presents and the younger students left with their presents and big smiles. In addition, there was cookie decorating, games, movies and an appearance by Santa for photos.

### District III Elder Birthdays

## February

From the District III Office LeRoy, Toni & Kari

Roger Anderson  
Joanne Bellanger  
Clifford Benjamin  
Ruth Bongo  
Mary Burnette  
Leon Butcher  
Theresa Cash  
Maxine Charwood  
Stanley Chief  
Marlene Clausen  
Ronald Cloud  
Tina Cloud  
Steven Day  
Roberta Decker  
Diana Eason  
Carol Fairbanks  
Georgianna Feigum  
Sally Fineday  
Sharon Finn  
Stanley Hare  
Wallis Humphrey  
Bruce Johnson  
Cheryl Johnson  
Ronald Johnson  
James Jones  
Tara Jones  
Elizabeth Kingbird

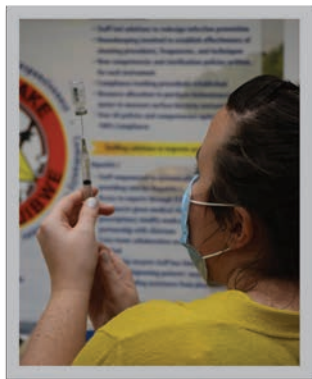
Brenda Kornezos  
Pauline LaRose  
Kenneth Losh  
Fred Lovelace  
Herbert Medina  
Pamela Michaud  
Timothy Moon  
Michael Murphy  
Tracy O'Brien  
Richard Robinson  
Alan Ruppelius  
Henry Rushman  
Bernie Smith  
Stacy Smith  
Keith St. Cyr  
Karen Staples  
Kenneth Staples  
Ramona Staples  
James Starr  
Jacquelyn Tibbetts  
Lois Tibbetts  
Delcie Tonce  
Lucille Wakanabo  
Flora White  
Beverly Whitebird  
Ruth Wind

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

# Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Year **in** Review

## 2021 »

*A look back to the events and important dates in the year 2021 for the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe.*



**•2.22.21**

Anniversary of the 1855 Treaty signing which lead to the formation of Leech Lake and Mille Lacs Reservations.

**•2.25.21**

LLBO expands COVID-19 vaccination efforts. Extending vaccine eligibility to Band members 18 and older.

**FEB**

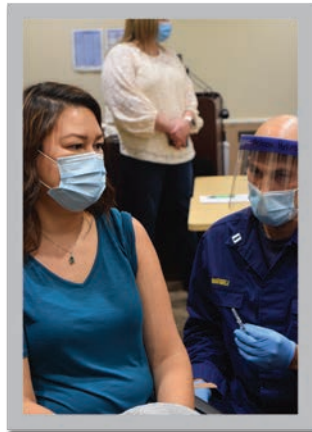
**JAN**

**•1.15.21**

LLBO Quarterly Meeting held virtually online and broadcast via livestream.

**•1.16.21**

Leech Lake begins COVID-19 vaccination campaign, issuing Pfizer and Moderna vaccines to all 55+ Band Members.



**MAR**

**•3.11.21**

LLBO expands COVID-19 vaccination plans to include all persons 18 and older in neighboring communities of the reservation.

**•3.26.21**

LLBO State of the Band Address held at the Cedar Lakes Event Center in Cass Lake, MN and broadcast online via livestream.

**•4.9.21**

LLBO Quarterly Meeting held virtually online and broadcast via livestream.

**•4.13.21**

LLBO pauses all J&J vaccinations amid investigations into potentially harmful side effects.

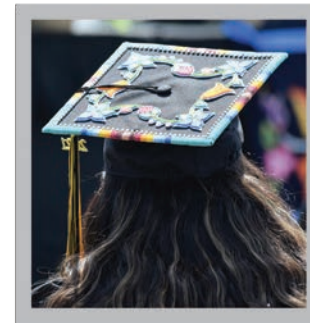
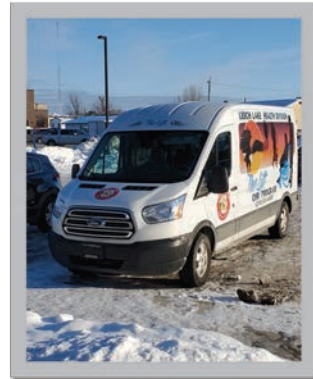
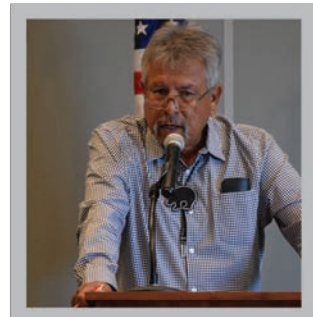
**•4.14.21**

Via CARES Act support, LLBO Health Division purchased upgraded machinery and equipment. Among them were new handicap transportation vans and mobile clinic trailers.

**•4.15.21**

LLTC holds virtual conference dealing with post-pandemic online and distance learning at Tribal Colleges.

**APR**



**MAY**

**•5.15.21**

LLTC holds outdoor ceremony on Campus for the 2021 Spring Graduation.

**•6.3.21**

LLBO Tribal Council lifts mandatory portion of mask mandate across Tribal businesses, offices and other properties.

**•6.14.21**

Anniversary of the landmark U.S. Supreme Court decision in Bryan v. Itasca.

**•6.22.21**

MCT Tribal Executive Committee holds a special meeting on the Bois Forte Reservation to discuss amending blood quantum requirements for enrollment.

**•6.25.21**

Leech Lake Veterans Cemetery receives Blue Star Memorial Marker.

**•6.25.21**

The Annual Leech Lake Days celebration returned after a 2020 hiatus due to COVID-19. The event was held at the Veterans Memorial Grounds in Cass Lake. Apart of the celebrations was the first pow wow held in over a year on Leech Lake and a community clean up day.

**JUN**







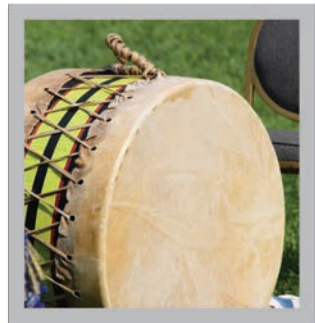
**•8.3.21**  
Operation Walking Shield returns to Leech Lake, offering zero cost health care and services to Leech Lake and surrounding communities.



**•8.19.21**  
Leech Lake DRM opens lakes for beginning of 2020 ricing season.

**•8.27.21**  
The 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Cha Cha Bah Ning Pow Wow takes place in Inger, MN.

## AUG



**•10.5.21**  
Anniversary of the Battle of Sugar Point.

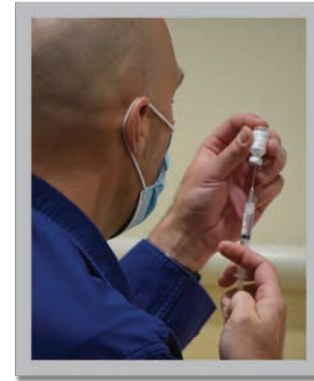
**•10.7.21**  
LLBO begins offering COVID-19 Pfizer vaccination booster shots at Cass Lake IHS.

**•10.21.21**  
LLBO holds ribbon cutting ceremony for the newly opened Leech Lake Market, formerly Teals, in Cass Lake, MN.

**•10.22.21**  
LLBO Quarterly Meeting held virtually online and broadcast via livestream.

**•10.31.21**  
LLBO holds Treats for Tots drive-thru events for Leech Lake across four sites, Walker, Cass Lake, Deer River and Bena, MN.

## OCT



**•12.22.21**  
LLBO holds Annual Toys for Tots Program supplying area families with gifts for the Holiday Season.

## DEC

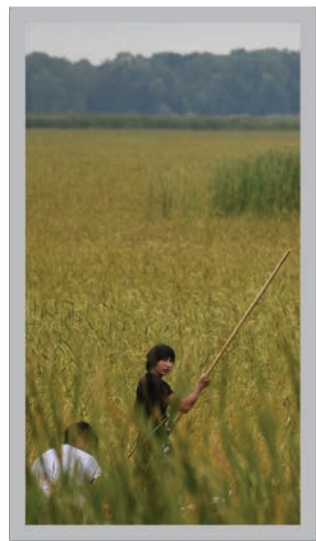
## JULY

**•7.9.21**  
LLBO Quarterly Meeting held in person at Cedar Lakes Event Center in Cass Lake, MN.

**•7.12.21**  
Onigum holds its 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Traditional Pow Wow in Onigum, MN.

**•7.13.21**  
First portion of American Rescue Plan Act funding received. LLBO establishes new much needed economic assistance program for enrolled members

**•7.16.21**  
The 58<sup>th</sup> Annual Miigwech Mahnomen Pow Wow takes place in Ball Club, MN.



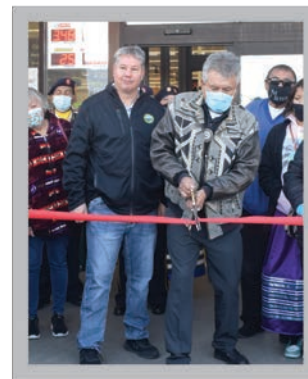
## SEP

**•9.2.21**  
District I hosts meet & greet with local State Candidates for upcoming U.S. General Election.

**•9.10.21**  
LLBO holds the Inaugural Sagasweive Traditional Pow Wow in Cass Lake, MN.

**•9.13.21**  
Leech Lake DRM concludes the 2021 ricing season.

**•9.22.21**  
LLBO holds ribbon cutting ceremony and Grand Opening for Maajigin, a newly constructed child care center in Cass Lake, MN.



## NOV

**•11.8.21**  
LLBO offers COVID-19 vaccination boosters for Moderna, Pfizer and J&J at Cass Lake IHS.

**•11.11.21**  
The Leech Lake "Honoring our Veterans" Pow Wow takes place at the Bena Community Center in Bena, MN.

**•11.17.21**  
LLBO holds the Annual turkey and wild rice distribution for Band members across the three Districts and urban offices.

**•11.18.21**  
LLTC celebrates Give to the Max Day with online auctions and donation drive.





# Obituaries

## Giiwedín Biindige



Giiwedín Biindige peacefully began his spirit journey on December 13, 2021. He is survived by his wife Erma, children Debra (Brent), Jeanni, Kurt, Tami (Vance), Derick (Todd), Jon (Melissa), Melanie (Desmond), and Joe. He also leaves behind many grandchildren, great grandchildren, and countless family and friends whom he loved very much.

Giiwedín was born in Federal Dam to Guy and Rachel on February 12, 1940. He spent almost his entire life living near his beloved Leech Lake. As a young man he developed a passion for working with horses and playing guitar. Giiwedín spent his life fostering these passions and became a world class horse breeder and trainer and a professional musician. He was a talented artist and loved drawing and carving antlers.

More than anything, Giiwedín loved his connection to his cultural beliefs and his practice of becoming a respected member of his Midewewin Lodge. He loved practicing and sharing the teachings of his Anishinaabe people. He spent the majority of his time engaging in the native traditions of hunting and netting. More than the activities, he enjoyed sharing his harvest with friends and family.

Giiwedín will be missed for his sense of humor, generosity, kindness and delicious naboob (soup). His love for music, art and Anishinaabe culture will never be forgotten.

**Gaagige-Anishinaabe**, Wake services for Giiwedín will begin at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 16 and continue until his 10:00 a.m. traditional service on Saturday, December 18 all to be held at the Battle Point Community Center in Federal Dam, MN. Zac Earley will be his Spiritual Advisor with Ty and Kaitlyn as assistants. Pallbearers for Giiwedín will be Braden Motz, Ethan Greene, Brad Black Bull, Joseph Haake, James Greene, and Jay Blake.

Interment will be in the Battle Point Burial Grounds at Federal Dam, MN immediately following his Saturday service.

Giiwedín'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](http://www.northernpeace.com).

## Donald Vizenor



Donald James Vizenor, 82 of Pengilly MN went to be with the Lord on Tuesday, December 21, 2021.

Donnie "DJ" was born on April 3rd, 1939, in White Earth, MN to Maynard Sr. and Elsie Vizenor. He was the fourth child out of a family of six children. He was an enrolled member of White Earth Tribal Nation. The Vizenor Family moved from Little Sugar Bush to the Iron Range in 1950. Donnie attended and graduated from Greenway High School in 1957. He married Carol Marie Hudson on September 2, 1961, in Goodland, MN. Together they raised six children and lived in various locations around Minnesota, eventually moving back to the Iron Range in the early 90's.

He always had a passion for cars and was self-employed most of his life doing auto body work. He was an avid outdoors man and loved hunting, fishing, restoring guns, woodworking, restoring furniture, and making fishing lures. He also had a lifelong passion for his roots of Native American Culture. He spent years working on White Earth Constitution Reform Efforts and one of his lifelong dreams was to see a Native American Culture Center built on the Iron Range. He established and led the White Earth Nation Iron Range Council representing White Earth Nation and area Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Members.

Donnie is preceded in death by his wife of 51 years, Carol; his parents Maynard Sr. and Elsie, his oldest brother Irvin, his sister Ruby, and brother Leonard.

He is survived by his brother Maynard Jr (Wanda) Vizenor of Lake Park MN, sister Norma Haggemiller of Hibbing MN, his six children, Gloria (Larry) Day, Walker MN, Dan (Andrea) Vizenor, Bemidji MN, Steven Vizenor,

Bemidji MN, Julie (Jim) Peacock, Cass Lake MN, Laurie Troumbly Bovey, MN, Bryan Vizenor, Bovey MN, 12 Grandchildren, and 9 Great-Grandchildren.

Visitation will be from 10:00 a.m. until the 11:00 a.m. Funeral Service on Tuesday, December 28, 2021, in the Peterson Funeral Chapel of Coleraine.

To leave an online message of condolence please visit our website at [www.petersonfuneralchapelofcoleraine.com](http://www.petersonfuneralchapelofcoleraine.com).

## Mark Banks



Mark Libby Banks was born on July 19, 1932 in Onigum, Minnesota, on the Leech Lake Reservation, in Anishinaabe Territory. The son of Frank Dick and Annie Banks, Mark's traditional Ojibwe name was Ogemahwahjewebe, and he was a proud member of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe. He endured Bureau of Indian Affairs boarding schools in Pipestone, Minn., and Flandreau, South Dakota, then served in the United States Air Force.

Mark attended Brown Institute in Minneapolis and became a successful disc jockey, opening radio stations across the Midwest. His distinctive on-air presence, endless sense of humor, intelligence and articulate voice allowed him to cross over into acting in television and film, and Mark moved to Southern California. Under the stage name Johnny West, he got his start from legendary comedian Jonathan Winters, and Mark's TV credits include "The Mary Tyler Moore Show," "Barney Miller," and "The Bob Newhart Show." He was a member of the Screen Actors Guild, and the American Federation of Television and Radio Artists.

As a savvy, seasoned broadcast journalist, and the older brother of American Indian Movement cofounder Dennis Banks, Mark delivered the true, behind-the-scenes stories of the Wounded Knee occupation of 1973 to the mainstream media, facilitating multicultural understanding, and celebrity support for the Native side of the story. Mark loved to enlighten and educate people on Native issues, and traveled to the United Kingdom, where he spoke in Parliament.

Mark loved singing with a big band, playing basketball, baseball and cribbage, and traveling. Most of all, Mark loved to make people laugh – and he was legendary at it. He is survived by daughters Lori Kuester (Charlie), and

Wishelle Banks; a son, Todd Dale Banks; a sister, Charlotte Banks Wagner; three grandchildren: Dawn Roethler; Ryan Roethler (Dawn Willingham Roethler); Gia Banks; and 3 great-grandchildren: Ashleigh; Andrew; and Jude; many beloved nieces and nephews, and his longtime love, Cherie Leni. He was also loved by those who knew him as "Papa Mark" – Jody, Wayne, Sunday, Lars, Cherie, Steve, Dion, Franco, Brennen, Jade, Jaclyn, Mike, Tristan, Emma, Ean, McKenzie, Nathaniel, Elijah, Jason, Kevyon, Natalia, Gianna, Gabriel, Mia, Dion, Giovanna, Berlin, Alyla, and Wilder. Mark was a proud member of the Church of Christ, and loved Jesus, and the Bible.

Mark made his journey to the spirit world on Tues., August 24, 2021, in Deer River, MN. A private burial service was held August 28 at Battle Point Cemetery; at a later date, the family will gather for a celebration of Mark's life. He was a sweet, kind, intelligent, generous, highly-accomplished, hilarious and happy man. Mark will be forever missed by his family, friends, and sweetheart...he has earned his Eternal Salvation, and rests in the arms of God.

## Steven Jackson



Steven Andrew Jackson "Wa bish gib be Snaise", (meaning white thunderbird) aged 75 passed away on December 11, 2021 at his home in Inger MN.

Born in Cass Lake, MN Steve is survived by: son (Mark Jackson), daughters (Stephanie Jackson, Susan Hart), sisters (Sarah Jackson, Beverly DeVault, Norma Jackson, Selma Jackson, Clara Jackson, Helen Jackson) various grandkids and nieces and nephews.

Steve is preceded by: Father Murphy Jackson, Mother Susan Jackson, brothers and sister, step son and other family members who have passed on.

Visitation will take place on Tuesday, December 14, 2021 from 9:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. at Inger Hall. Burial will take place at Inger Cemetery.

Steven loved to joke around and be around family / friends, he worked for Leech Lake for many years. Steve liked to go hunting, fishing, watching sports and going to cultural events, being around his grand kids, always helping everyone and anyone he could.

## ELECTION CALENDAR 2022

### REGULAR ELECTION

<b>JANUARY 14</b>	8:00 am - Opening period for filing for office
<b>JANUARY 24</b>	Close of filing period
<b>FEBRUARY 10</b>	Deadline for notice of Certifications to TEC
<b>FEBRUARY 15</b>	Deadline for appointment of Election Boards
<b>FEBRUARY 22</b>	Deadline for Decision of certification or non-certification by Tribal Court of Appeals
<b>FEBRUARY 24</b>	Notice of Primary Election and posting
<b>MARCH 31</b>	Notify MCT on choice of appellate forum
<b>APRIL 5</b>	Primary Election (Polling places open at 8:00 am until 8:00 pm)
<b>APRIL 6</b>	General Reservation Election Board certifies Primary Results (Prior to 8:00 pm)
<b>APRIL 7</b>	General Reservation Election Board publishes Primary Results
<b>APRIL 8</b>	Deadline to post Regular Election Notice without Primary
<b>APRIL 12</b>	4:30 pm - Deadline for Contest of Primary Election (Filed with Reservation Election Judge and Executive Director of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe)
<b>APRIL 13</b> <i>Results if Allowed or 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> if earlier request</i>	Deadline for Decision on Request for Recount and Results of Recount, if allowed
<b>APRIL 22</b>	Deadline for Decision on Contest
<b>APRIL 25</b> <i>or within 3 days of decision on contest</i>	4:30 pm - Deadline for Appeal to Court of Election Appeals (Filed with Executive Director of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe and with Reservation Tribunal rendering decision)
<b>APRIL 28</b> <i>at least two (2) days prior to the hearing date</i>	Record of Contest forwarded to Court of Election Appeals
<b>MAY 2</b> <i>hearing within 7 days of notice of appeal</i>	Last day for Hearing on Appeal
<b>MAY 12</b> <i>10 days from hearing on appeal</i>	Last day for Decision on Appeal
<b>MAY 13</b>	Notice of General Election (or earlier if no appeal)
<b>MAY 13</b>	TEC provides ballots for General Election (or earlier if no appeal)
<b>JUNE 14</b>	General Election (Polling places open from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm)

CATHERINE J. CHAVERS, PRESIDENT  
TARON JACKSON, SR., VICE PRESIDENT

GARY S. FRAZER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

APRIL MCCORMICK, SECRETARY  
DAVID C. MORRISON, SR., TREASURER



## The Minnesota Chippewa Tribe ANNOUNCEMENT

**TO: LEECH LAKE RESERVATION BUSINESS COMMITTEE  
AKA LEECH LAKE RESERVATION TRIBAL COUNCIL**

Administration  
218-335-8581  
Toll Free: 888-322-7688  
Fax: 218-335-8496  
Home Loan  
218-335-8582  
Fax: 218-335-6925  
Economic Development  
218-335-8583  
Fax: 218-335-8496  
Education  
218-335-8584  
Fax: 218-335-2029  
Human Services  
218-335-8586  
Fax: 218-335-8080

The Minnesota Chippewa Tribe hereby announces that a Regular Election will be held on  
June 14, 2022, on the LEECH LAKE RESERVATION.

This REGULAR ELECTION provides for an April 5, 2022, PRIMARY ELECTION in the event  
there are more than two (2) eligible candidates for each open position.

Elected positions to be filled are as follows:

- A. **SECRETARY/TREASURER – LEECH LAKE RESERVATION BUSINESS COMMITTEE – FOUR (4) YEAR TERM**
- B. **COMMITTEEPERSON DISTRICT I – LEECH LAKE RESERVATION BUSINESS COMMITTEE – FOUR (4) YEAR TERM**
- C. **COMMITTEEPERSON DISTRICT II – LEECH LAKE RESERVATION BUSINESS COMMITTEE – FOUR (4) YEAR TERM**

Candidates shall file with the Secretary/Treasurer or his designee during regular business hours  
beginning on January 14, 2022. Filing will close on January 24, 2022, at 4:30 P.M.

Attached are the Dates & Guidelines for the 2022 Tribal Elections.

Date: January 13, 2022

Gary S. Frazer, Executive Director

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NI-MAH-MAH-WI-NO-MIN "We all come together"  
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## MCT ELECTION ORDINANCE- SECTION 1.6 VOTER ELIGIBILITY

### 1.6 (A). Judging Qualifications.

Each Band governing body will be the sole judge of the constitutional qualifications of its voters and may, by official action, delegate this responsibility to its General Reservation Election Board.

### 1.6 (B). Eligibility to Vote: Generally.

Eligible voters are enrolled members of the Tribe, 18 years of age or over. All eligible voters shall vote by secret ballot. To be eligible to cast a

ballot a voter must meet all constitutional requirements. In addition, to be eligible to cast a vote for Committeeperson, a voter must have resided within that district for at least thirty (30) days immediately preceding the election, unless the voter casts an absentee ballot as permitted by this Ordinance.

### 1.6 (C). Eligibility to Vote: Absentee.

Whenever, due to absence from the reservation, illness or physical disabili-

ty, an eligible voter is not able to vote at the polls and notifies the General Election Board consistent with this Ordinance, he/she will be entitled to vote by absentee ballot in the manner and under the procedures as provided by Section 2.2(B). To cast an absentee ballot for Committeeperson, an eligible voter must have resided within that district for a period of at least thirty (30) days as his/her last reservation residence. In the event an eligible

voter has never resided on the reservation of his/her enrollment, he/she must declare in his/her request which district has been selected in which to cast the ballot for Committeeperson. A voter may not thereafter change his/her district for absentee voting purposes without actually residing within a different district on his/her reservation of enrollment for at least thirty (30) consecutive days immediately preceding the election.



# 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

Leech Lake Child Support Enforcement Program, by Assignment of Esther Howard, Petitioner, vs. Elizabeth Danielson, Respondent.

Case No. FA-21-111

### SUMMONS & NOTICE OF CHILD SUPPORT ACTION

YOU, RESPONDENT Elizabeth Danielson, ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to appear before the Judge of this Court for **an Initial Hearing on March 10, 2022, at 2:30 p.m., in the Tribal Courtroom located at the Tribal Justice Center, 200 Sailstar Drive NW, in Cass Lake, Minnesota**, then and there to answer to an defend against the Petition for Adjudication and Establishment of Paternity, Establishment of Child Support and Income Withholding filed the undersigned Clerk of Tribal Court.

You are notified that judgment by default may be taken against you unless you file with the Tribal Court an Answer and appear for the Initial Hearing, at the date, time and place specified above.

## LEGAL NOTICE

### Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In the Matter of: Dianne O'Shea, Petitioner, And Carla Gotchie, Respondent.

Case No. CV-21-107

NOTICE OF LEGAL PUBLICATION TO THE ABOVE-NAMED RESPONDENT, **A Ha-**

**rassment / Restraining Order has been issued based on the Affidavit and Petition for Harassment / Restraining Order** and the hearing held on November 5, 2021 in this matter. The Harassment/Restraining Order is in effect for one year.

### NOTICE OF RESTRAINING PROVISIONS

SERVICE OF THIS SUMMONS MAKES THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS APPLY TO THIS ACTION UNLESS THEY ARE MODIFIED BY THE COURT OR THE PROCEEDING DISMISSED:

- 1) RESPONDENT SHALL NOT HARASS THE PETITIONER.
- 2) RESPONDENT MUST NOT HAVE ANY CONTACT/INDIRECT CONTACT WITH PETITIONER WHETHER IN PERSON, WITH OR THROUGH OTHER PERSONS, BY TELEPHONE, LETTER, OR ANY OTHER WAY.
- 3) RESPONDENT IS PROHIBITED FROM BEING WITHIN 300 FEET OF PETITIONER'S RESIDENCE.

IF YOU VIOLATE ANY OF THESE PROVISIONS, YOU WILL BE SUBJECT TO SANCTIONS BY THE COURT.

## LEGAL NOTICE

### Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In Re: Estate of: Laura Ann Therriault, DOB: 08/04/1953, Decedent.

Court File No. CV-21-62

NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND CREDITORS IT IS ORDERED AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above-named

decedent, Laura Ann Therriault, died March 4, 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 6th, day of July, 2021 at 10:00 a.m., upon the filing of a Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy, Determination of Heirs and Formal Appointment of Personal Representative by Wahkuna Therriault, surviving daughter of the decedent.**

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that at the Initial Probate Hearing held on July 6, 2021, in Leech Lake Tribal Court, Wahkuna Therriault, 3900 Avion Ln. NW Unit E Bemidji, MN 56601 was appointed to act as Personal Representative of the Estate of Laura Ann Therriault, 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: Marian Mae Molash, DOB: 06/14/1954, Decedent.

Court File No. CV-21-87

NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND CREDITORS IT IS ORDERED AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above-

named decedent, Marian Mae Molash, died July 30, 2020. **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 12th, day of August, 2021 at 11:30 a.m., upon the filing of a Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy, Determination of Heirs and Formal Appointment of Personal Representative by Senoah Molash, surviving daughter of the decedent.**

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that at the Initial Probate Hearing held on August 12, 2021, in Leech Lake Tribal Court, Julian Molash PO Box 575 Cass Lake, MN 56633 was appointed to act as Personal Representative of the Estate of Marian Mae Molash, 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: Donna Mae Beaulieu, DOB: 03/28/1947, Decedent.

Court File No. CV-21-120

NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND CREDITORS IT IS ORDERED AND NOTICE IS HEREBY

GIVEN that the above-named decedent, Donna Mae Beaulieu, died August 9, 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 23rd, day of November, 2021 at 11:00 a.m., upon the filing of a Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy, Determination of Heirs and Formal Appointment of Personal Representative by Cheryl Peterson, surviving daughter of the decedent.**

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that at the Initial Probate Hearing held on November 23rd, 2021, in Leech Lake Tribal Court, Cheryl Peterson, 7335 Beaulieu Circle N.E. Bemidji, MN 56601, was appointed to act as Personal Representative of the Estate of Donna M. Beaulieu, 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: Colleen Frances Hess-Mitchell, DOB: 09/30/1955, Decedent.

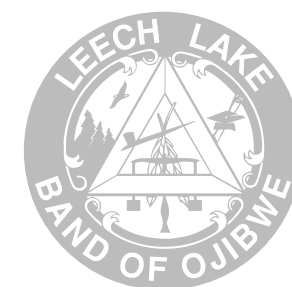
Court File No. CV-21-121

NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED

PERSONS AND CREDITORS IT IS ORDERED AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above-named decedent, Colleen Frances Hess-Mitchell, died August 23, 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 25th, day of August, 2021 at 3:00 p.m., upon the filing of a Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy, Determination of Heirs and Formal Appointment of Personal Representative by Senoah Molash, surviving daughter of the decedent.**

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that at the Initial Probate Hearing held on August 25th, 2021, in Leech Lake Tribal Court, Joshua Hess 9317 Ghe We Zance Ln. Remer, MN 56672 was appointed to act as Personal Representative of the Estate of Colleen Hess-Mitchell, 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.



Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Tribal Police

# 2021 Illegal Drug Statistics

SUBMITTED BY KEN WASHINGTON | TRIBAL POLICE CHIEF

In 2021 Leech Lake Tribal Police Officers executed seventeen (17) drug related search warrants specific to residences and vehicles. Officers seized twelve (12) firearms, consisting of both handguns and long guns. Approximately \$1,672.00 of US cash currency was seized, which investigators believe is tied directly to the sales and distribution of illegal drug sales.

**Approximate total of seized drugs in 2021**

Crystal Methamphetamine	3,248.95 grams
Processed Marijuana	1,527.58 grams
Fentanyl	246.93 grams
Powder Cocaine	23.01 grams
Gabapentin Prescription Pills	514 pills

The approximate street value of the above listed drugs is roughly \$337,118.00. *\*Please note this is a rough estimate broken down to "Street Values" and that the prices on illegal drugs can fluctuate up or down on a daily basis depending on supply and demand in the local area.*

The Leech Lake Tribal Police Department will continue its proactive approach to protecting the community and continues to seek the public's help with obtaining information to crimes in the area.

If anyone has information related to the sales or possession of illegal drugs within the Leech Lake Reservation, please contact the Leech Lake Tribal Police Department Narcotic Investigator(s) at (218) 335-7118, or via [tips@llpolice.org](mailto:tips@llpolice.org).

Methamphetamine	Marijuana	Fentanyl
2014 25.83 grams	2014 23.63 grams	2020 17.9 grams
2015 1,690.52 grams	2015 1,199.07 grams	2021 246.39 grams
2016 1,082.07 grams	2016 725.26 grams	
2017 989.26 grams	2017 894.77 grams	
2018 401.71 grams	2018 10,074.13 grams	
2019 971.37 grams	2019 1,453.79 grams	
2020 1,381.43 grams	2020 1,630.67 grams	
2021 3,248.95 grams	2021 1,527.58 grams	



Heroin	Cocaine	Gabapentin Pills
2014 1.4 grams	2014 .1 grams	2014 78 pills
2015 11.42 grams	2015 0 grams	2015 952 pills
2016 105.96 grams	2016 12.51 grams	2016 437 pills
2017 201.85 grams	2017 115 grams	2017 359 pills
2018 52.42 grams	2018 258.73 grams	2018 377 pills
2019 313.93 grams	2019 19.43 grams	2019 577 pills
2020 5.82 grams	2020 1.8 grams	2020 43 pills
2021 1.41 grams	2021 23.01 grams	2021 514 pills

<b>CHIEF OF POLICE</b> Kenneth Washington	<b>ASSISTANT CHIEF OF POLICE</b> Kyle Fairbanks	<b>ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER</b> Natasha Thompson
(218) 335-8277 Phone	888-622-9225 Toll Free	(218) 335-8297 Fax

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## Niigaane Ojibwe Language

### Immersion Program

Words and sentences list January

**OJIBWEMOWIN**

**ZHAAGANAASHIIMOWIN**

Giigoonyikewinini  
Giigoonyikewikwe  
Anit  
Okeyaw  
Akwa'wewiqamiq  
Akwa'waa  
Wewebanaabii  
Noojiiqoonujiwe  
Noojiiqoonujiwe-mazina'igaans  
Bakazhaawe

Fisherman  
Fisherwoman  
Fish spear  
Fish decoy  
Fish house for spearing  
She/he fishes through ice with a spear  
She/he fishes with a hook and line  
She/he goes fishing  
Fishing license  
She/he cleans fish

**Niigaane Ojibwe Language Immersion Program**

15353 Silver Eagle Drive, Bena MN 56626  
Telephone: 218-665-3000  
Toll free: 1-800-265-5576  
[www.bugonaygeshig.org](http://www.bugonaygeshig.org)

Developed by Camille Naslund, Ed.D.,  
Niigaane Program Coordinator / Teacher

**NAMEBINI-GIIZIS 2022**

Anama'e giizhigad	Maadanokii-giizhigad	Niizho-giizhigad	Aabitoose	Niyo-giizhigad	Naano-giizhigad	Gizibiigisaginige-giizhigad
		1 Aaniin ezhinkaazod noongom giizis? What is today's moon called?	2 Namebini-giizis izhinikaazo noongm giizis. The Sucker Moon is the name of today's moon.	3 Namebin iinzan ogii-shawenimaan iniw Anishinaaben. The sucker fish took pity on the Anishinaabe.	4 Mii wenji-izhinkaazod. That is how it got its name.	5 Namebini-giizis o'apii ningiitibishkaa. The Sucker Moon is my birthday month.
6 Gichi-zoogipon. It is snowing very hard.	7 Gichi-noodin. It is very windy.	8 Noongom dagisinaa. Today it will be cold.	9 Maagizhaa wiisoogipon. Perhaps it will snow.	10 Niiskaadad. It is bad weather.	11 Maadanimad. The wind starts to blow.	12 Giwedonong ondaanimad. The wind is from the north.
13 Aaniin ezhichigeyan? What are you doing?	14 Gaawiin gegoo. Nothing.	15 Nindagindaas nimazina'igan. I am reading my book.	16 Ninganawaabandaan mazinaatesijigan. I am watching television.	17 Nimbizindaan bizindamoo-makak. I am listening to the radio.	18 Nimbiinichige. I am cleaning.	19 Ningii-anweb gabe-giizhig. I rested all day.
20 Ma'ingan oono ani-dibikak. The wolf howls at night.	21 Gookooko'oog namadabiwag mitigong. Owls sit in trees.	22 Waaboozoog waabishkiziwag biboong. Rabbits are white in the winter.	23 Migiziwag babaamisewag ishpinim. Eagles are flying about high in the sky.	24 Aandegwag azhegiwewag ziigwang. The crows return in the spring.	25 Ogaawag bimaadagewag zaaga'iganing. The walleye swim along in the lake.	26 Opichi dagoshin ani-ziiigwang. The robin arrives in the spring.
27 Ojibwemodiwag. They are speaking Ojibwe to each other.	28 Mii' iw. Ayaangwaamizin. That's it. Take care.					

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Leech Lake DRM  
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Leech Lake Tribal College  
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Leech Lake Health Division  
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## January is Human Trafficking Awareness Month

**OUR STATE. THEIR LIVES. YOUR CALL**

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This last few years have been difficult for everyone but moving into 2022, remember that there are victims out there that are in need. In 2020, the Leech Lake Tribal Police Department opened 4 human trafficking cases, and investigated multiple Criminal Sexual Contact, Child Welfare reports, and runaways for possible trafficking ties. We look to you, the Leech Lake Tribal Community, to assist us in helping keep our reservation safe and free of this and all criminal activity.

If you suspect someone is a victim of human trafficking, call 911 or you can report directly to our offices at **218-335-8277** or, if you wish to remain anonymous, you can contact the Your Call Minnesota hotline at **877-966-6222**, or text "Help" to **233733**, or go to the following website for more information: <https://yourcallmn.org/>

## January is National Radon Action Month



Radon is a naturally occurring radioactive gas that can enter your home through cracks in the foundation. Just like air, radon is invisible and has no odor. Radon could be in your home, and you would never suspect it. Radon is a health concern because it is a carcinogen and causes lung cancer. Radon is the 2nd leading cause of lung cancer in the U.S. for people who don't smoke and is responsible for an estimated 21,000 deaths from lung cancer each year. There is no known safe level of radon.

People spend more time indoors now than in the past, so long-term exposure to radon has become more of an issue. Many of us live in houses that are well sealed from the outdoor air. This can lead to high levels of radon in our homes. It doesn't matter what type of home you live in; any home could possibly have a radon issue.

Homes on the Leech Lake Reservation range from low to high levels of radon. To date, we have assisted almost 400 Leech Lake community members in making sure their homes are safe by testing for and reducing radon levels. Testing is the only way to determine radon levels in your home.

### Protect your Family – Prevent Lung cancer – Test your Home.

**Contact:** Radon Technician at 218-335-3716 or DRM Air Quality Specialist at 218-335-7441

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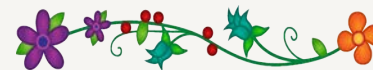
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# Honoring & Celebrating Our Elders

## January Birthdays



### District I

Louis Bowstring  
Michael Cronin  
Kevin Fairbanks Sr.  
Myrna Gotchie  
Corinne Nason  
Frances Nason  
Alvina Omer  
Marilyn Roybal  
Lorna Urrutia  
Sharon Wakonabo  
Marilyn Wilson

From the  
District I Office  
Robbie, Stephanie, &  
Zagajiiw

### District II

James Campbell  
Richard Losh  
Walter "Butch" Chase III  
Bonnie Fairbanks-Stangel

From the  
District II Office  
Steve, Lindsey, &  
Michelle



### District III\*

Leroy Aitkin  
Dorothy Beauskene  
Kenneth Bedeau  
Robert Bedeau  
Darlene Bellanger  
Lareatha Bradford  
Elizabeth Brown  
Larry Bryan  
Marcella Buck  
Lillian Burnette  
Lisa Cariveau  
Deborah Chase  
Leona Cloud  
Mary Cloud  
Joseph Day  
Priscilla Day  
Anita Demarr  
Alice Donovan  
Marie Duncan  
Ernest Dunn  
Bonita Earth  
John Fairbanks  
Brian Funk  
Stuart Gale  
Sylvia Gale  
Isabelle Gilman  
Robert Gogleye  
Alisa Goodshield  
Jeffrey Goose  
Leonard Headbird  
Tina Headbird  
Cheryl Holk  
Ramona Jackson  
Joseph James  
Gary Johnson  
Derek Kingbird

From the District III Office LeRoy, Toni & Kari

*\*all coupons must be used within Birthday Month\**

Geneva Lawrence  
Connie Lewis  
Lance Lewis  
Toby Losh  
Tonya Losh  
Daryl Lyons  
Frances Lyons  
Louise Masten  
Gloria Mellado  
Julian Molash  
Roger Monroe  
Edward Morgan  
Linda Morris  
Paula Morris  
Robert Morris  
Hazel Nordmarken  
Patrick Northbird  
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Avis Poupart  
Theodora Redwing  
Angela Reyes  
Byron Rock  
Carol Blue  
Byron Sayers  
Joan Scorza  
Thelma Smith  
Wilfred Smith  
Doreen Staples  
Anna Starr  
James TeJohn  
Alice Town  
LaVerne Wakanabo  
Louisa White  
Nancy White  
Donald Wind  
Marion Wind



# Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Summary of Job Openings

[www.llojibwe.org](http://www.llojibwe.org) | drop off or mail documents to:  
**Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe - Human Resources**  
**115 Sixth St. NW, Suite E - Cass Lake, MN 56633**  
 Fax documents to: 1-218-335-3697

Call 218-335-3698 or toll free 1-800-631-5521 for more info

## THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS ARE OPEN UNTIL FILLED

*Tribal Planner (2) ~ Tribal Development ~ Job Code: 21-005*  
*Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) Attendant (4) (Part Time) ~ Health ~ Job Code: 21-009*  
*Transportation Dispatcher (Part Time) ~ Fleet Management ~ Job Code: 21-011*  
*Mental Health Professional (4) ~ Human Services ~ Job Code: 21-018*  
*Pre School Teacher (Sugar Point/Remer) ~ Education ~ Job Code: 21-020*  
*Infant Toddler Teacher (Onigum) ~ Education ~ Job Code: 21-023*  
*Demographer Research Manager ~ Tribal Development ~ Job Code: 21-033*  
*Infant Toddler Teacher (Bena) ~ Education ~ Job Code: 21-036*  
*WIC Competent Professional Authority ~ Health ~ Job Code: 21-040*  
*On-Call Crisis Response Mental Health Professional (3) ~ Human Services ~ Job Code: 21-062*  
*On-Call Crisis Response Mental Health Practitioner (5) ~ Human Services ~ Job Code: 21-063*  
*Pre School Teacher (Ball Club) ~ Education ~ Job Code: 21-076*  
*Training Officer/Emergency Medical Technician ~ Health ~ Job Code: 21-080*  
*Field Director ~ DRM ~ Job Code: 21-085*  
*CTSS Mental Health Practitioner ~ Human Services ~ Job Code: 21-095*  
*ARMHS Mental Health Practitioner ~ Human Services ~ Job Code: 21-096*  
*Mental Health Targeted Case Manager ~ Human Services ~ Job Code: 21-097*  
*Mental Health Clinical Trainee (4) ~ Human Services ~ Job Code: 21-099*  
*Clinic Licensed Practical Nurse ~ Health ~ Job Code: 21-105*  
*Driver (2) ~ Health ~ Job Code: 21-107*  
*Registered Nurse (Assisted Living) ~ Health ~ Job Code: 21-111*  
*Home Healthcare Manager RN ~ Health ~ Job Code: 21-115*  
*Nenda-Gikenjiged (Trainee) (1) ~ Education ~ Job Code: 21-117*  
*Gekinwaa'amaaged (Teacher) (4) ~ Education ~ Job Code: 21-118*  
*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*  
*Security Guard (Part Time) ~ Human Services ~ Job Code: 21-126*  
*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*  
*Police Officer (4) ~ DPS ~ Job Code: 21-133*  
*Case Manager ~ Human Services ~ Job Code: 21-135*  
*Driver (Part Time) ~ Human Services ~ Job Code: 21-137*  
*Allotment Specialist ~ DRM ~ Job Code: 21-140*  
*Pre School Teacher (4) ~ Education ~ Job Code: 21-141*  
*Legal Director ~ Legal ~ Job Code: 21-150*  
*Controllor ~ Finance ~ Job Code: 21-151*  
*Environmental Specialist ~ DRM ~ Job Code: 21-154*  
*Program Accountant (2) ~ Finance ~ Job Code: 21-155*  
*Accounts Receivable Clerk I ~ Finance ~ Job Code: 21-157*  
*Infant Toddler Teacher (Tribal College) ~ Education ~ Job Code: 21-158*  
*Director of Nursing ~ Health ~ Job Code: 21-166*  
*Driver (2) ~ Human Services ~ Job Code: 21-167*  
*Accounting Assistant ~ Health ~ Job Code: 21-168*  
*Security Guard (Part Time) ~ Health ~ Job Code: 21-169*  
*ARC Program Manager ~ Human Services ~ Job Code: 21-170*  
*Family & Community Partnership Manager ~ Education ~ Job Code: 21-171*  
*Child Care Assistant ~ Education ~ Job Code: 22-001*  
*Miziwegin Engagement Coordinator ~ Education ~ Job Code: 22-002*  
*Accounts Payable Clerk ~ Finance ~ Job Code: 22-003*  
*Operations Manager ~ Health ~ Job Code: 22-004*  
*Cook (A.R.C) ~ Human Services ~ Job Code: 22-005*

## LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE Job / Contract Opportunity



### POSITION TITLE: Full Time Associate Judge

#### SUMMARY:

The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe is seeking a Full Time Associate Judge. Applicants must possess a Juris Doctorate from an accredited Law School and be admitted to practice in the state of Minnesota or any other state. Successful applicants will have well-rounded litigation experience and a thorough understanding of Indian law, especially jurisdiction. Salary is DOQ.

**Please submit a cover letter with a resume and a copy of current attorney License to:**

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe  
 Jacquelyn Wright  
 Court Administrator  
 190 Sailstar Drive NE  
 Cass Lake, MN 56633

Or email to: [jackie.wright@llojibwe.net](mailto:jackie.wright@llojibwe.net)

**CLOSING DATE IS FEBRUARY 28, 2022 AT 4:30PM**

## LEECH LAKE TRIBAL COLLEGE Job Opening

**POSITION TITLE:** Wellness COVID Coordinator

**DEPARTMENT:** Administration

**REPORTS TO:** Interim President

**STATUS:** Non-exempt

**LICENSE / CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:** Valid MN Driver's License, current insurance or be insurable.

#### SUMMARY:

This position is funded by the COVID-19 Cares Act, with continuation dependent on available funding. All duties will be focused toward the preparation and safety management of all students and staff. The Wellness COVID Coordinator will be the key resource and central point of contact for all matters concerning COVID-19 for the LLTC campus community. In addition, the Coordinator is responsible for implementing all applicable procedures adopted by LLTC in response to the pandemic. Also, the Coordinator is in charge of maintaining workplace safety by limiting potential environmental hazard risks to students, employees, and visitors. The main task is to ensure the LLTC follows safety standards and government regulation, including designing and implementing safety processes and procedures and maintaining documentation and records.

**APPLY AT:** <https://www.lltc.edu/about-us/employment/>



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8PM-9PM	\$250	\$500	8PM-9PM	\$1,500	\$3,000
9PM-10PM	\$300	\$600	9PM-10PM	\$2,000	\$4,000
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## SUPER GAME

AT NORTHERN LIGHTS  
SUNDAY, FEB. 13TH, 2022  
4PM - EVENT CENTER

**\$3,750 IN FREE PLAY PUNCH BOARD**  
1st Qtr: \$500 3rd Qtr: \$1,000  
2nd Qtr: \$750 4th Qtr: \$1,500

**\$50 ONLY 400 TICKETS AVAILABLE!**

- >> 1 punch board square.
- >> \$1,500 pre-game & \$1,000 post-game slot tournament entries.
- >> 1 entry into front row man cave seats drawing.
- >> \$5 Free Play offer.
- >> 2 complimentary drinks.
- >> Over \$1,000 Prize drawings.

**SLOT TOURNAMENTS**  
PRE-GAME (3PM-5PM) POST-GAME (9PM-10PM)

PLACE	FREE PLAY	PLACE	FREE PLAY
1st	\$500	1st	\$250
2nd	\$400	2nd	\$200
3rd	\$300	3rd	\$150
4th	\$200	4th	\$100
5th	\$100	5th	\$50

Earn additional tournament entries for every five points earned.

**FRONT ROW MAN CAVE SEATS**  
2 guests win a pair of reclining chairs, bar table and mini fridge with complimentary beverages and appetizers during the game.

Walker, MN  
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## SUPER GAME

AT CEDAR LAKES  
SUNDAY, FEB. 13TH, 2022  
4PM - EVENT CENTER

**\$3,750 IN FREE PLAY PUNCH BOARD**  
1st Qtr: \$500 3rd Qtr: \$1,000  
2nd Qtr: \$750 4th Qtr: \$1,500

**\$50 ONLY 200 TICKETS AVAILABLE!**

- >> 1 punch board square.
- >> \$1,500 pre-game & \$1,000 post-game slot tournament entries.
- >> 1 entry into front row man cave seats drawing.
- >> \$5 Free Play offer.
- >> 2 complimentary drinks.
- >> Over \$1,000 Prize drawings.

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5th	\$100	5th	\$50

Earn additional tournament entries for every five points earned.

**FRONT ROW MAN CAVE SEATS**  
4 guests win a pair of reclining chairs, bar table and mini fridge with complimentary beverages and appetizers during the game.

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## SUPER TICKET

GO VIP AT THE 33  
EXCLUSIVE BIG GAME PARTY  
4:30PM SUNDAY, FEB. 13TH, 2022

**\$3,500 CASH PUNCH BOARD**

1st Qtr: \$500 3rd Qtr: \$750  
2nd Qtr: \$750 4th Qtr: \$1,500

- >> 2 punch board squares.
- >> Complimentary gourmet appetizers.
- >> 2 complimentary drinks.
- >> \$5 Free Play offer.
- >> Over \$1,000 prize drawings.

**\$100 ONLY 50 TICKETS AVAILABLE!**  
PURCHASE AT PUB 33  
(21 OR OLDER. MUST HAVE TICKET TO ATTEND EVENT.)

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CASINO · HOTEL  
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## BIG GAME

AT THE BAY  
3PM SUNDAY, FEB. 13TH, 2022

**\$3,500 CASH PUNCH BOARD**  
1st Qtr: \$500 3rd Qtr: \$1,000  
2nd Qtr: \$750 4th Qtr: \$1,250

**\$50 ONLY 100 TICKETS AVAILABLE!**

- >> 1 punch board square.
- >> \$1,000 pre-game & \$500 post-game slot tournament entries.
- >> \$5 Free Play offer.
- >> Complimentary appetizers starting at 4:30.
- >> Over \$1,000 Prize drawings.

**SLOT TOURNAMENTS**  
PRE-GAME (3PM-5PM) POST-GAME (9PM-10PM)

PLACE	FREE PLAY	PLACE	FREE PLAY
1st	\$400	1st	\$200
2nd	\$300	2nd	\$150
3rd	\$200	3rd	\$100
4th	\$100	4th	\$50

Earn additional tournament entries for every five points earned.

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## TORONE

MIXED MARTIAL ARTS

DOORS 6PM | FIGHTS 7PM

**FEBRUARY 5**

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