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## April 5 is Primary Election Day

Polls open Tuesday, April 5, 2022 from 8:00AM to 8:00PM

By MICHAEL CHOSA

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Primary  
District I Candidate  
**Tami Jackson**



Primary  
District I Candidate  
**Gary Charwood, Sr.**




Primary  
District I Candidate  
**Tana Robinson**



Primary  
District I Candidate  
**Norma Jackson**



Primary  
District I Candidate  
**Kyle Fairbanks**



Primary  
District II Candidate (Incumbent)  
**Steve White**



Primary  
District II Candidate  
**Theodore James White, Sr.**



Primary  
District II Candidate  
**Terrance Lee Mitchell**

A Primary Minnesota Chippewa Tribe (MCT) Tribal Election of the LEECH LAKE Reservation Business Committee a/k/a Tribal Council will be held on April 5, 2022 to fill the following positions:

**CANDIDATES FOR SECRETARY  
TREASURER- 4 Year Term**  
• No Primary Election

*\*Editor's Note: At the time of printing for the February issue, two candidates were certified to run for Secretary / Treasurer by the Leech Lake RBC, however a challenge to the certification of incumbent Secretary-Treasurer Arthur LaRose was filed with the MCT. On February 16, the MCT Tribal Election Court of Appeals overturned the certification and found Mr. LaRose ineligible to be a candidate. The MCT Tribal Executive Committee has scheduled a meeting for March 10, 2022 to discuss this issue. It was unclear at press time what the outcome of this meeting will be. Regardless, because only two candidates filed to run for this position, no Primary Election will be held.*

**CANDIDATES FOR DISTRICT I  
COMMITTEEPERSON- 4 YEAR TERM**  
• Tami Jackson  
• Gary Charwood, Sr.  
• Tana Robinson  
• Norma Jackson  
• Kyle Fairbanks

**CANDIDATES FOR DISTRICT II  
COMMITTEEPERSON- 4 YEAR TERM**  
• Steve White (Incumbent)  
• Theodore James White, Sr.  
• Terrance Lee Mitchell

The Secretary-Treasurer, District I Representative and District II Representative seats will be decided during this election cycle for all six tribal nations of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe. The April Primary Election on Leech Lake will feature five candidates for District I Representative and three candidates for District II Representative.

Any candidate who captures more than 50% of eligible votes cast during the Primary Election on April 5 will be declared the winner. If no candidate receives a majority of the votes on Primary Election Day, The top two candidates for each position will face off in the General Election which will be held on June 14, 2022.

The Minnesota Chippewa Tribe will also be conducting a referendum on blood quantum during the June 2022 General Election. Essays / platforms for General Election candidates and more information on the referendum will be published in the May issue of Debahjimon. The exact wording and nature of the referendum question(s) have not yet been finalized by the MCT.

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- » Arthur "Archie" LaRose Secretary-Treasurer
- » Robbie Howe, District I Representative
- » Steve White, District II Representative
- » LeRoy Staples Fairbanks III, District III Representative

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via BEMIDJI NOW

District III Representative LeRoy Staples Fairbanks accepts a gift from Tim Sumner, Beltrami County Board of Commissioners Chair.

## LLBO and Beltrami County Hold Inaugural Meeting in Cass Lake

By KAYLA DUOOS

CASS LAKE – An inaugural meeting was held between the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe and the Beltrami county board of commissioners, Wednesday March 2.

Leech Lake District III Representative LeRoy Staples Fairbanks III and Board Chair Tim Sumner gave opening and closing remarks acknowledging the historic gathering after an invocation by Leech Lake elder Mike Smith, Sr.

No formal action was taken during the joint meeting, but discussions were held about Leech Lake's land ownership, and history.

The two parties agreed to move forward with establishing an annual meeting schedule, similar to what is currently set up with the other surrounding counties and drafting a formal memorandum of understanding.

## Indigenous Peoples' Day Bill Passed out of Education Policy

SAINT PAUL – Yesterday, legislation authored by Rep. Heather Keeler (DFL-Moorhead) to establish Indigenous Peoples' Day as a state holiday was discussed and passed out of the House Education Policy Committee with a vote of 11-7, and one member absent. The holiday would be celebrated on the second Monday in October in place of Christopher Columbus Day. The bill also outlines that if schools happen to be in session on Indigenous Peoples Day, they should spend one hour of the day to focus on Indigenous issues.

"I've worked twelve years in Indian education and have worked diligently to acknowledge the importance of Indigenous Peoples Day in our communities," said Rep. Heather Keeler. "This is something that I started as a local effort, the city of Moorhead passed this and recognizes it as a local holiday along with many other cities across our state, and states across this nation. By passing this bill, we are affirming that our first nation's people and history matter in Minnesota."

"For too long we have ignored

our state's Indigenous history while uplifting and celebrating a perpetrator of genocide who never set foot on North America, let alone Minnesota," said, Rep. Jamie Becker-Finn (DFL – Roseville), co-author of the bill. "This bill will elevate and honor the history of those who first called Minnesota home while teaching students across the state the value of our

Indigenous history."

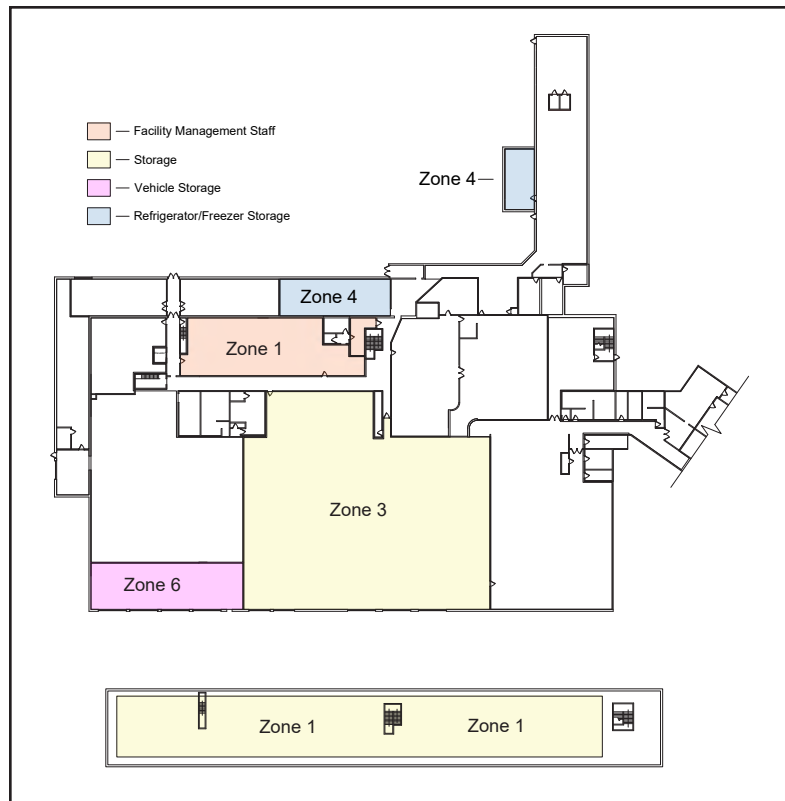
The committee heard testimony from three Indigenous leaders in support of the bill. Many Minnesota cities have already moved to celebrate Indigenous Peoples' Day rather than Columbus Day. Last year, Governor Walz declared Indigenous Peoples' Day as a holiday.

The bill is now on the agenda to be heard in the House State

Government Finance committee on Tuesday, March 15. The House bill has a companion in the Senate authored by Sen. Mary Kunesh (DFL-New Brighton).

Rep. Keeler has also asked that those who support the bill send a few sentences of testimony to her legislative assistant, Robin Schmidt at [robin.schmidt@house.mn](mailto:robin.schmidt@house.mn), as outlined in the above graphic.





via LLBO PUBLIC WORKS

Floor plan of the Old Palace building with intended renovation areas highlighted, these areas will utilize the \$1.7 million dollar grant.

## LLBO Awarded ICDBG Grant Providing the Opportunity for Old Palace Building Renovations

By KAYLA DUOOS

CASS LAKE – The Leech Lake Band Of Ojibwe has been announced as grant recipients in the latest round of Indian Community Development Block Grant Program (ICDBG) awards.

The ICDBG provides eligible grantees with direct grants for use in developing viable Indian and Alaska Native Communities, including decent housing, a suitable living environment, and economic opportunities, primarily for low and moderate income persons.

The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe will use their grant of \$1.7 million dollars to renovate the now vacant gaming side of the former Palace Casino and Hotel, which will serve as an emergency food bank and distribution center.

The building's partial renovations will include remodeling

36,000 square feet of the available 81,000 by replacing the buildings roof, creating office spaces, climate controlled storage, and a walk in freezer.

Department of Public Works Director Alden Fairbanks said the building's partial renovation is only the beginning of a large undertaking in helping develop the band's food sovereignty and economic stability goals.

"Foodbanks are an integral part of food security, food security is a very necessary part of any Nation. Leech Lake as a Nation has to be prepared for longevity and survival in a Sovereign way, food security, economic stability, and sovereign integrity are essential to ensure that our Nation is healthy and prepared. These are only a few of the things that have to happen in order for us to be prepared."

The band is the only Tribe within the state of Minnesota to receive such a grant and the project is expected to begin within this calendar year.

The renovation project is only the first step within a three part plan to fully renovate the palace casino and hotel for community use and the band is now taking public comment and feedback on the palaces beginning renovations.

Community members with feedback or ideas for the project are encouraged to email [Val.Pacheco@LLOjibwe.net](mailto:Val.Pacheco@LLOjibwe.net)

## Fire-dependent Ecosystem Restoration Project Comment Period Extended

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CASS LAKE – The USDA Forest Service, with the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe as a Cooperating Agency, is proposing to restore fire-dependent ecosystems and associated wildlife habitat and cultural resources and uses throughout a portion of the Chippewa National Forest. This area is within the proclamation boundary of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Reservation and within Beltrami, Cass, and Itasca Counties.

In order to provide the public with a greater opportunity to participate in the planning process, the comment period has been extended to March 15, 2022. There are several ways to submit comments:

**Submit your comments electronically in a common file format (.doc, .docx, .pdf, .rtf, .txt) to:** [comments-eastern-chippewa@usda.gov](mailto:comments-eastern-chippewa@usda.gov)

[usda.gov](https://www.usda.gov) with the subject line "Fire-Dependent Restoration Project." Please include your name, address, telephone number and the title of the project with your comments.

**Mail your comments to the Chippewa National Forest Supervisor's Office:**

Attn: Christopher Worthington  
200 Ash Avenue NW  
Cass Lake, MN 56633

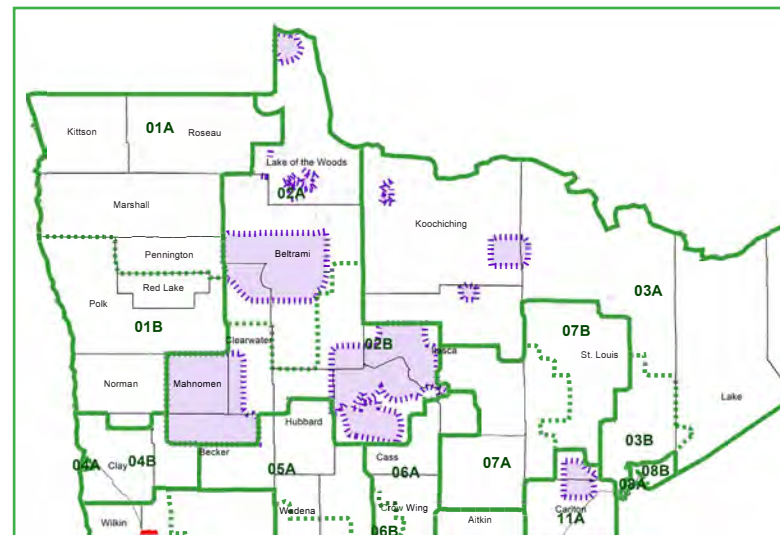
**Submit comments by fax to:** (218)-335-8641

**For additional information, please contact Christopher Worthington, Forest Planner at:** 218-335-8643 or [christopher.worthington@usda.gov](mailto:christopher.worthington@usda.gov).

More detailed information about the project is included in the following sections and additional information is available on the Forest's project website: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=59126>.

## Newly Redrawn Legislative and Congressional District Maps a Potential Win for MN Tribes

By KAYLA DUOOS



MINNEAPOLIS – The Minnesota Judicial Branch Special Redistricting Panel has released its final maps for Legislative and Congressional Districts for the upcoming decade (2022-2032) that include huge beneficial changes for Tribes in the state.

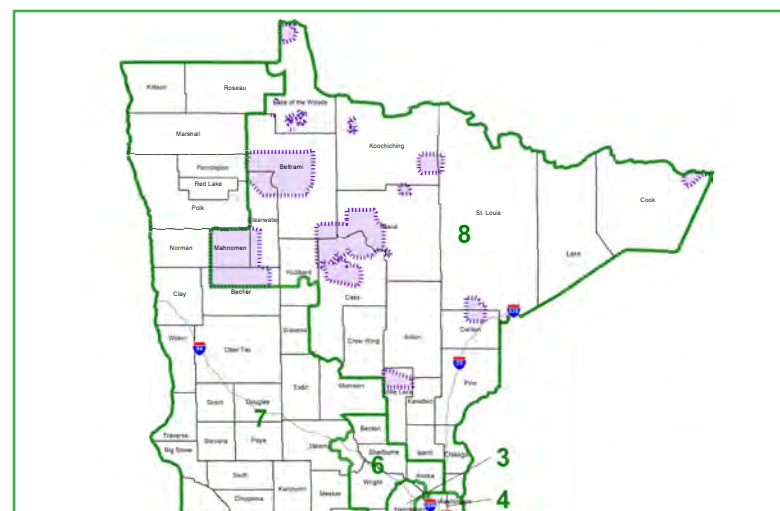
All seven Ojibwe bands in Minnesota will now be in the same Congressional District (CD8). Leech Lake, White Earth, and Red Lake are now in one State Senate District (District 2), White Earth and Leech Lake now share a State House District (2B) and Red Lake is in its own House District (2A).

This significant district line shift includes the addition of White Earth and Red Lake in CD8, which means that if all three Tribes come together they have the power to influence and have a stronger say in who represents the Bands in Congress.

The current incumbent in this powerful position is Pete Stauber (R) who will be seeking re-election in August of this year.

Additionally the band is now in House District 2B which is represented by Incumbent Matt Bliss (R), whose term runs until 2023. Joining the band in House District 2B includes White Earth and the city of Walker.

Community members interested in seeing the new district lines mapped out can visit the MN courts website for further information. <https://www.mncourts.gov/2021RedistrictingPanel>



Maps showcasing new Legislative Senate and House District lines (top) and new Congressional District 8 lines (bottom) for the seven MN Ojibwe Bands.





A MMIW / MMIR awareness march held in Bemidji, MN, February 14, 2019.

MINNEAPOLIS – A new Missing, Murdered, Indigenous Relatives (MMIR) bill was introduced to the Minnesota house floor, Thursday March 3.

The bill HF3055 sponsored by Representative Jamie Becker-Finn (D) and co-sponsor Representative Heather Edelson (D) asks for a fund to be created by the state treasury to offer rewards for information on missing and murdered Indigenous relative investigations, and an advisory committee to be created to determine reward amounts/advertising initiatives to spread public awareness.

The six person advisory committee will consist of a representative from the Office for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Relatives, a representative from a Tribal, statewide, or local organization that provides legal services to Indigenous women and girls, a representative from a Tribal, statewide, or local organization that provides advocacy counseling for Indigenous women and girls who have been victims of violence; a representative from a Tribal, statewide, or local

organization that provides services to Indigenous women and girls; a Tribal peace officer who works for or resides on a federally recognized American Indian reservation in Minnesota; and a representative from the Minnesota Human Trafficking Task Force.

The bill is a larger scale version of a Duluth MMIR mutual-aid fund that was created in January of this

that only 116 of the 5,712 MMIW cases were logged into the Department of Justice's nationwide data base," Kozlowski explained. "Seventy percent of those were declined due to lack of evidence. We know that the statistics are difficult and staggering, [but] these aren't just statistics we've heard. These are our moms, aunties, sisters, cousins, [and] your neighbors."

"Like Duluth's reward fund, House File 3055 will provide renewed hope and a missing link for more effective investigations through financial incentives that will yield critical evidence needed to bring our people home to justice and promote healing," she continued. "This fund won't bring somebody back, but it will let people know there's value in them opening up and sharing the information that they know."

The house will vote on the bill later this year, and if passed it will move onto the senate floor for a final vote. If implemented as written, the MMIR fund will receive \$110,000 for its first year.

year. The fund was created by the community's drive to solve the open case of Sheila St.Clair in Duluth Minnesota. St. Clair has been missing since September 10, 2015.

Alicia Kozlowski, a Community Relations Officer for City of Duluth, was one of five people who offered testimony on the importance of the bill.

"A recent study by the Urban Indian Health Institute revealed

## Introduction of New Bill Plans to Create State Funded Cash Incentives for Information Regarding MMIW and MMIR

By KAYLA DUOOS

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## MN COVID-19 Update: March

By KAYLA DUOOS

MINNEAPOLIS – As numbers have fallen from the latest peak of Covid, also going away is a number of public health mandates.

The previous Minneapolis indoor mask mandates that required residents to wear masks while inside businesses/entertainment areas were lifted in late February.

Following this trend were both Bemidji State University and the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe. On March 1st, Bemidji state removed their indoor mask mandates for campus residence halls, the Gillett Wellness Center, on-campus dining facilities, in the Hobson Memorial Union, or at home intercollegiate athletics events. Masks are still required for classroom settings and offices.

On March 3, the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe also lifted its mandatory mask requirement for employees and visitors in Tribally owned buildings. The use of face coverings will be optional for most employees and visitors. The mandate does have exceptions and is subject to change at notice.

### LLBO locations still requiring masks:

- Tribal Clinics
- Emergency Services: EMT, Police
- Communal Living Spaces: Assisted Living, Homeless

Shelters, Ahnji-Be-Mah-Diz Recovery Center  
• Early Childhood

Community members interested in keeping up with further COVID updates are encouraged to visit the CDC website.

### A look at the numbers as of March 3:

The Minnesota Department of Health says the state's total number of confirmed coronavirus cases is now at 1,417,015. Of them, nearly 1,398,659 no longer require isolation.

The state's death toll is now at 12,172 with 5,586 of those deaths involving cases in long-term care (LTC) facilities.

Health officials say approximately 18,845,272 tests have been taken for the virus so far in the state including 12,887 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.

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## Supreme Court to Hear Case Challenging Indian Child Welfare Act

By KAYLA DUOOS

WASHINGTON – The U.S. Supreme Court will hear challenges to ICWA (Indian Child Welfare Act) later this year.

In a press release dated February 28, the U.S. Supreme Court announced its plans to review a ruling by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 5<sup>th</sup> Circuit that invalidated portions of the Indian Child Welfare Act.

The child welfare law passed in 1978 prioritizes that Native American children remain with extended family / community

members instead of being moved to homes off reservation. The law is a direct response to the disproportionate removal of Native children from their homes, families, communities and forced assimilation in the decades prior.

Many of the arguments opposing ICWA say that law illegally discriminates against non-Native families based on race when placing Native children in homes.

This argument was the main focus of the Texas Brackeen v. Haaland case, which started the conversation around ICWA's legal reach years prior. Plaintiffs Chad

and Jennifer Brackeen, a couple from Texas, sued the Department of the Interior and former Secretary Ryan Zinke, challenging ICWA in 2017.

At the time, the couple were seeking adoption of a child who is eligible for membership in the Navajo and Cherokee nations. Their request was initially denied after Navajo Nation found a potential Native American home in New Mexico.

U.S. Interior Secretary Deb Haaland, whom the lawsuit transferred to once she began leading the Department of Interior, said that the legal classification of someone as Native American is a political determination, and not a racial one, and the argument used in the Brackeen vs Haaland case does not stand.

“On the merits of the plaintiffs’ equal protection claims, a majority of the en banc court of appeals held that ICWA’s Indian-based classifications are political, not racial, classifications and are thus subject to rational basis review,” Haaland’s brief said, referring to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit previous decision that was split on the constitutionality of ICWA.

“The majority then upheld the constitutionality of ICWA’s definition of ‘Indian child,’ finding it to be ‘rationally linked to the trust relationship between the tribes and the federal government, as well as to furthering tribal sovereignty and self-government.”

Haaland said that ICWA advances the government’s “substantial interests in the welfare of Indian children and their parents, the integrity of Indian families, and ‘the stability and security of Indian tribes.”

ICWA is widely supported by a number of stakeholders within and outside of Indian Country. At the lower court, 486 Tribal Nations, 59 Native organizations, 31 child welfare orgs, 26 states + DC, and 77 members of Congress have offered public support for ICWA.

## Dept. of Interior Task Force Set to Review Public Opinion on S. Lake Name Change

*3 Minnesota Locations Among the 660 Across U.S. Slated for Change Due to Offensive Terminology towards Indigenous Peoples.*

By KAYLA DUOOS

WASHINGTON – The Department of the Interior announced the list of national geographic features that will undergo name changes to remove derogatory terminology or slurs, alongside a list of featured name proposals.

The list which can be found on the Department of Interior website includes over 660 geographic features, including 3 Minnesota locations, two of which are within reservation boundaries. The locations are S. Lake located in Pine county, and the City of S. Lake and S. Lake located in Itasca county which are housed in Reservation boundary lines.

The Department of the Interior has reached out to Tribes for name change consultations and made the list of locations / name ideas public for community members to recommend and review proposed replacement names.

“Words matter, particularly in our work to make our nation’s public lands and waters accessible and welcoming to people of all backgrounds. Consideration of these replacements is a big step forward in our efforts to remove derogatory terms whose expiration dates are long overdue,” said Secretary Deb Haaland. “Throughout this process, broad engagement with Tribes, stakeholders and the general public will help us advance our goals of equity and inclusion.”

Prior to the implementation of the Task Force, changes to derogatory names for geographic features were submitted as a proposal to the Board on Geographic Names, which then worked through its deliberative process. The BGN has received 261 proposals to replace geographic features with sq\*\*\* in the name in the past 20 years.

The Task Force will review feedback from Tribes / community members and provide a final name recommendation for the BGN to vote on when it convenes later this year.

You can leave your name change comment or feedback by



via DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR Secretary of Interior Deb Haaland.

either of the following methods:

**Federal eRulemaking Portal:** You may submit written comments online at <http://www.regulations.gov> by entering “DOI-2022-0001” in the Search bar and clicking “Search”.

**Mail:** Reconciliation of Derogatory Geographic Names, MS-511, U.S. Geological Survey, 12201 Sunrise Valley Dr., Reston, VA 20192.

**Instructions:** All submissions received must include the agency name and docket number. All comments received will be posted without change to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided.

Please include the Feature ID (FID) of the feature(s) of interest when submitting your comment. The FID for each feature is located in Column B of the posted list.

**Minnesota Locations on the DOI Name Change List + Name Replacements:**

- S Lake FID 658441 located in itasca county— suggested name round lake, popple lake, natures lake, Dunbar river, alic lake
- City of S Lake FID 2395945 located in itasca county— suggested name popple river, round lake, natures lake, dunbar river, alic lake
- S Lake FID 2069951 located in pine county — suggested name cross lake, rock creek, snake river, mission creek, pokegama creek

## LEECH LAKE MARKET

### Attention Leech Lake Band Members!

Beginning March 10 and Every Thursday at Leech Lake Market!

LLBO enrolled members can now receive a **10% discount** on grocery items (*excluding gas, tobacco and lottery*).

\*Discounts only apply with main store cashiers and not C-Store cashier.







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# BUG O NAY GE SHIG SCHOOL NEWS

15353 Silver Eagle Drive, Bena, MN 56626 | Phone: 218-665-3000 Toll Free: 1-800-265-5576 | [www.bugonaygeshig.org](http://www.bugonaygeshig.org)Ben B. 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, Jr. BraveNaomi F. 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, Jr. Princess

Nine students from Bug O Nay Ge Shig High School had the opportunity to attend the Close Up Youth Summit in Washington D.C. for a week in February. Attending are: Tehya, Keira, Cece, Ameera, Josh, Raven, Helainea, Emilio and Isabella. While there, the students met in person with Sen. Tina Smith and also with staff members at Rep. Pete Stauber's Office. They also were chose to do a presentation at the Summit about an issue that their tribal nation is facing. The students chose "Blood Quantum Reform," as their topic and laid out several possible options. When not in the Close Up seminars, they were able to see many of the sights in our nation's capitol.

Bryson R. , 9<sup>th</sup> grade, Sr. BraveDakota B. 10<sup>th</sup> grade, Sr. Princess

## Bug O Nay Ge Shig School 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter A & B Honor-roll 2021-2022

### 7<sup>th</sup> Grade B Honor-roll

Tamara B.  
Peter H.  
Jazmine H.  
Kaylia M.  
Robert M.

### 8<sup>th</sup> Grade A Honor-roll

Hailey M.  
Cam'ron O.

### 8<sup>th</sup> Grade B Honor-roll

Aarik B.  
Anthony G.  
Angelo M.

### 9<sup>th</sup> Grade A Honor-roll

Mareena T.  
Arryelle W.  
Flora W.

### 9<sup>th</sup> Grade B Honor-roll

Marlo M.  
Connor T.

### 10<sup>th</sup> Grade A Honor-roll

Josh H.  
Anishtah J.  
Benjamin M.

### 10<sup>th</sup> Grade B Honor-roll

Violena B.  
Dakota B.  
Andy C.  
Amareah G.  
Tyren H.  
Kyler H.  
Adrian M.  
Michaela T.

### 11<sup>th</sup> Grade A Honor-roll

Emilio R.  
Helainea R.

### 11<sup>th</sup> Grade B Honor-roll

Lanahny B.-B.  
Joshua B.  
Francis G.  
Derek H.-K.  
Chance L.  
Raven M.  
Randall R.

### 12<sup>th</sup> Grade A Honor-roll

Ameera J.-W.

### 12<sup>th</sup> Grade B Honor-roll

Caitlynn J.  
Daunte R.



Bug O Nay Ge Shig School will be represented by these four students as ambassadors at area pow wows and gatherings this pow wow season.



# Niigaane Ojibwe Language Immersion Program

## Words and sentences list March

### OJIBWEMOWIN

iskiqamizigan(an)  
 ininaatig(oog)  
 zinziibaakwadaaboo  
 anishinaa-ziinziibaakwad  
 anishinaabe-zhiiwaagamizigan  
 biqiwizigan  
 zhiiwaagamizige  
 iskiqamiziqewiqamiq  
 aqwawanaak  
 akik(oog)  
 boodawe  
 manise

### ZHAAGANAASHIIMOWIN

sugar camp(s)  
 maple tree(s)  
 maple sap  
 maple sugar  
 maple syrup  
 maple taffy  
 She/he makes syrup  
 sap-boiling lodge  
 sap boiling frame  
 kettle(s)  
 She/he builds a fire  
 She/he cuts firewood

### Niigaane Ojibwe Language Immersion Program

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

### Iskiqamizige 2022

Anama'e-giizhigad	Maadanokii-giizhigad	Niizho-giizhigad	Aabitoose	Niyo-giizhigad	Naano-giizhigad	Giziibiigisaginige-giizhigad
					1 Aaniin gakina awiya. Hello everyone.	2 Ojibwemodaa. Let's speak Ojibwe.
3 Niminwendam waabaminaan. I am happy to see you.	4 Aaniin enakamigak? What's happening?	5 Aaniin enakamigiziyaa? How's it going with you?	6 Nimino-ayaa. Giin dash? I am fine. And you?	7 Niminwendam. I am happy.	8 Ninishkaadiz. I am mad.	9 Ginishkaadiz ina? Are you mad?
10 Bawaajige. She/He dreams.	11 Inaabandam. She/He has a vision.	12 Nimbiindaakoogijige jiiigibiig. I am offering tobacco by the lake	13 Nimbiindaakoogijige jiiigaabik. I am offering tobacco by the rock.	14 Nimbiindaakoogijige jiiigaatig. I am offering tobacco by a tree.	15 Bagidin asemaa. Offer tobacco.	16 Miigwechiwendan. Give thanks for it.
17 Gidoondamiz ina? Are you busy?	18 Gaawin nidoondamizisii. I am not busy.	19 Ajina niwii-pi-mawadishiwe. I want to come visit a little while.	20 Ambe bi-namadabin! Come sit down.	21 Ataagedaa. Let's play cards.	22 Gegoo na giwii-minikwen? Do you want something to drink?	23 Makademashikiwaaboo niwii-minikwen. I want to drink coffee.
24 Aniibiishaaboo niwii-minikwen. I want to drink tea.	25 Gibakade na? Are you hungry?	26 Gaawin nimbakadesii. I am not hungry.	27 Gidani-giwe na? Are you going home?	28 Inga-azhegiwe. I shall return.	29 Miigwech bi-mawadishiweyan. Thank you for coming to visit.	30 Ganoozhishikan baanimaa. Call me later.



Boys & Girls Club Members enjoying the new iPads. via CASS LAKE B & G CLUB

## Cass Lake B&G Club Provides Youth Members with New Apple iPads Thanks to ConnectMN Grant

By CASS LAKE BOYS & GIRLS CLUB  
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CASS LAKE – The Cass Lake Boys and Girls Club 2021 Reading Initiative Program at the Cass Lake Unit provided members with new iPads for completing their summer literacy program.

iPads were provided by funds from The Saint Paul Minnesota Foundation (ConnectMN). Also; our partners from Initiative Foundation assisted in writing the proposal for the grant we received.

100 iPads and cases were purchased from Adopt-a-Mac of Bemidji. Thank you Adopt-a-Mac!

The club plans to continue to reward club members that complete required programming. They will be giving away laptops to high school graduates who have applied to college for fall 2022.

### LLBO Communications Division Survey



We would love to hear your thoughts or feedback on how we can give you LLBO News.

Leech Lake Community members are invited to complete this short survey regarding LLBO Communications. Please type the link below into your computer or mobile device's web browser to be taken to the survey. *Miigwech!*

[tinyurl.com/LLBOsurvey](http://tinyurl.com/LLBOsurvey)

## 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  
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## 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"  
Mailing Address: P.O. Box 217, Cass Lake, MN 56633-0217 • Street Address: 15542 State 371 N.W., Cass Lake, MN 56633

### 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.





### State Park passes now available for Band Members at LLBO DRM

MN State Parks vehicle permits are now available at the DRM! These passes void the cost of entering State Parks in Minnesota and are available at **NO COST** to any member of the 11 Federally recognized Tribes in MN. Please, bring your Tribal ID for verification when obtaining passes. They will be available at our front reception area at DRM. *Miigwech.*

**LLBO DRM location:**  
15756 State 371 NW  
Cass Lake, MN 56633

Stop in and get  
your pass today!



### District III Elder Birthdays

#### April

Robert Adams  
Sandra Beaulieu  
Roberta Berg  
Thomas Brown  
Darrell Charwood  
Robert Charwood  
Arthur Chase  
Clifford Cloud  
Michael Command  
Donna Day  
Lawrence Day  
Elizabeth Drumbeater  
Scott Elliott  
Crystal Estey  
Dale Fairbanks  
Edward Fairbanks  
Judith Fairbanks  
George Fineday  
Karen Fineday  
Patrick Finn  
Randy Finn  
George Goggeye  
Lawrence Goggeye  
Gary Hanson

Yvonne Hardy  
Kenneth Harrison  
Ronald Harrison  
Cecil Haugen  
Earl Headbird  
Robin Hron  
Caroline Hulett  
Steven Humphrey  
Peggy Hunt  
Kay Jackson  
Louise Jackson  
Anthony Jenkins  
Rose Johnson  
Maxine Johnson  
Susan Jones  
Margaret Jordan  
Therese Jordan  
Jeffery Kingbird  
Patricia Kluever-Holbrook  
Mary Lou Ladeaux  
Sidney LaRose  
Arlene Larson  
James Littlewolf  
Charles Lyons

Cherilyn Martin-Wade  
Evelyn Monroe  
Susan Morris  
Patrick Newell  
Brenda Northbird  
Terrence O'Connor  
Joanne Ortle  
Peter Paquette  
Sherly Peters  
Leslie Reese  
Linda Reese  
Franklin Robinson  
Bryan Rock  
John Rock  
Donald Saice  
Dawn Schubel  
Ramona Silk  
Eunice Taylor  
Clyde Tibbetts  
Beverly Tonce  
Robert Whipple  
LeRoy Whitebird  
George Wind  
Deanna Younklin

From the District III Office LeRoy, Toni & Kari

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



via **STRONGHEARTS NATIVE HELPLINE**

Ribbon cutting Ceremony at Strong Hearts headquarters in Eagan, MN. From left to right: Tara Azure, Katie Ray-Jones, Lori Jump, Lucy Rain Simpson, Shawndell Dawson and Gwendolyn Packard.

## StrongHearts Native Helpline Observes Five-Year Anniversary with more than 20,000 Calls

By CC HOVIE | Strong Hearts  
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EAGAN – This month StrongHearts Native Helpline observes five years of successful operation. More than 20,000 calls have been received since the organization's launch in 2017.

Significant organization milestones over the past five years include:

- An increase in operating hours to 24/7/365
- Launch of a new website
- Addition of sexual violence advocacy, chat and text advocacy
- Opening of a branch office in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan (in addition to the national headquarters in Eagan, Minnesota)
- Launch of the Michigan Enhancement Project to expand that state's existing domestic and sexual violence advocacy services to support tribal programs and their contacts (a partnership with the

Division of Victim Services at Michigan's Department of Health and Human Services, which also provided the funding)

- In October 2021, StrongHearts became an independent, national Native non-profit 501(c)3 organization with its own board of directors

"In 2021, StrongHearts Native Helpline continued its commitment to provide culturally-appropriate advocacy despite the continuing Covid-19 pandemic — it is through the resilience of our ancestors and our own experience with hardships that we were able to stay the course," said Lori Jump (Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians) director, StrongHearts Native Helpline. "With tenacity, we will continue our mission to restore power to Native Americans and Alaska Natives impacted by domestic, dating and sexual violence by providing a system of safety, sovereignty and support in 2022 and beyond."







# Obituaries

## Ione Taylor



Ione Louise Taylor, 80, of Cass Lake, MN died Saturday, February 19, 2022 at the Sanford Fargo Medical Center in Fargo, ND.

Funeral Services will be held at 1:00pm, Saturday, February 26, 2022 at the Veteran's Memorial Building in Cass Lake, MN. A wake will begin at 3:00pm, Thursday, February 24, 2022, at the Veteran's Memorial Building in Cass Lake, and will continue until the time of the service. Arrangements are with the Cease Family Funeral Home in Bemidji.

She was born on September 21, 1941, in Klamath Falls, OR, the daughter of Louis Taylor and Bertha (Watah) Taylor. After her parents passed away while she was young, she was raised until the age of 13 by her great grandfather Perry Parker in Burns, OR. After leaving the foster care system at 18 she moved to Red Lake, MN. She spent several years traveling and living in a number of the western states but always came back to the Cass Lake area. She worked as a Certified Nursing Assistant at Nursing Homes in Minneapolis, and after moving to Cass Lake in the 1960's, she worked as a CNA at the Jourdain-Perpich Extended Care Center in Red Lake and the Beltrami County Nursing Home in Bemidji. She later worked for Leech Lake Gaming in laundry, and in the day care. She was a caretaker at home for her son Marlin. She enjoyed going to the Casino, going for car rides, fill-in puzzles, crocheting, beadwork, painting, and drawing as a sketch artist.

She is survived by her: Children, Marlin Harper of Cass Lake, MN, Derrick (Lisa Monroe) Harper of Cass Lake, MN, Sharlene (Brett Nevitt) Harper of Cass Lake, MN, Grandchildren: Derrick Harper Jr., Aryn (Ken

Copenace) Harper, Autumn (Brandon Murray) Harper, Avery Harper, Ashley (Tim Goodman) Harper, and Amity Nevitt, all of Cass Lake, MN.

She was preceded in death by her parents, uncle Robert Taylor, son Colin Harper, and granddaughter Madison Harper.

Honorary Casketbearers will be: Gladys Saragosa, Charlys May, Rachel Harper, Lynette "Squeege" Morris, Nikolai Copenace, and William Capenace.

Active Casketbearers will be: Avery Harper, Derrick Harper Jr., Amity Nevitt, Brett Nevitt, Calvin White, and Ken Fahlstrom.

Condolences may be left at [ceasefuneral-home.com](http://ceasefuneral-home.com).

## Belinda Smith



Belinda Lea Smith, age 37 of Ryan's Village near Bena, began her journey to join her relatives that went on before her on February 13, 2022. Belinda was born June 18, 1984, in Bemidji to Donald "Wayne" Smith and Dawn Morgan.

Belinda grew up in Ryan's Village. She attended Cass Lake-Bena School where she received her GED and later attended the Leech Lake Tribal College and then moved on to Bemidji State University earning a bachelor's degree in psychology. She loved the outdoors, whether she was harvesting wild rice or just working in the woods. Belinda enjoyed swimming, going on walks, and visiting with friends and family. Belinda loved her job with the Leech Lake Heritage Sites and enjoyed spending her days with "the crew". She very much enjoyed her most recent position as a cook for the Bena Headstart.

Belinda was a caring and supportive per-

son, making sure everyone was "okay" and was always ready to listen. She was a great storyteller and had a special way of telling her stories in a comical way. Belinda had a special bond with all of her nieces and nephews, spoiling them and having a nickname for each one. From the day she found out she was going to be a mother she lived every day for her daughter Avry. She worked hard and spent all of her time taking good care and teaching and talking with her baby girl Av. Throughout her life, Belinda always turned to God, she believed in and trusted in Jesus though everything.

Family welcoming Belinda in paradise are grandparents, David and Josephine Morgan, John Smith and Frances "Muzzin" Gould, aunts, Patricia Moose, Karin Morgan and Janice Morgan; uncle Gilbert "Sonny" Moose, special cousins Lynda Morrison and Merrick Moose and many other relatives.

She will be missed by her daughter Avry Smith, parents Donald "Wayne" Smith and Dawn Morgan, brother Michael "Dave" Bismarck (Wendy) and sisters Davina Smith, Jeannie Smith (Patrick), and Valerie Whitebird.

A wake for Belinda will begin at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 23 and continue until her 10:00 a.m. funeral service on Friday, February 25 all to be held at the Dave Morgan Community Center in Bena, MN. Officiating her services will be Lenny Fineday. Pallbearers for Belinda will be Michael Bismarck II, Emilio Ortega, Dorian Bismarck, Devry Bismarck, Carlos Ortega, and Francisco Ortega. Her honorary pallbearers are Joshwah Morgan, Sakita Prichett, Josie Rae Ryan, James Ryan, Jr., Crystal Morgan, Luvette Moose, Jolin Smith, Philamena Warner, Dasesya Smith, Patrick Warner, Jr., and Daseson "Junior" Smith. Belinda's cremains will remain at home with her family.

Belinda'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)

## Carol Morrow-Rainey

Carol Jean Morrow-Rainey, age 72, "Ogidibii" mosekwe, which means "Woman Who Walks on Water" of Isanti, MN and formally of Cass Lake, MN journeyed to the spirit world from the Cambridge Medical Center in Cambridge, MN on Saturday, February 19, 2022. She was born the daughter of Caroline Morrow and Orville Lovffkins in Cass Lake, MN on February 28, 1950.

Carol grew up in the Cass Lake area and at the age of 14 became a Candy-Striper, which began a life in the medical field helping people for Carol. She went on to obtain her LPN, CNA and finally her RN degree. Carol worked in several different places including a nursing home in Grand Rapids helping with the mentally challenged, a Mental Institute in Jacksonville, FL from 1970-1980, as a kidney dialysis technicians' aide in Cass Lake and at the Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch in Devils Lake, ND for her last job.

Carol was an amazing woman that no words can truly describe, but we're going to try. On July 8, 1970, Carol married Clayton



Rainey and together they had four children, Clayton Jr., Marvin, Juanita and Sarah. Carol and Sarah had special names for each other, Carol called Sarah her "Baby Bear" and Sarah called her "Mama Bear". She also affectionately called Tenesha "Beanie" from the time she was very young. Carol had a love for thrift and garage sale shopping, country music and babies...all babies. Carol loved to bake and was amazing at it. Her pies and bread, especially her fry bread, were of professional caliber. She was quite the jokester and made it her mission to make everyone who crossed her path laugh and smile, with jokes like Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson was her husband. All joking aside, Carol had a loving and caring heart and despite any of her situations or illnesses she never let it get her down or gave up. In fact, after being diagnosed with cancer she said, "I am fighting for my life because of my great grandbabies", who meant the world to her. Carol adored and was very proud of her entire family but two of her proudest moments were when her son Clayton Jr. was named a World Champion Dancer and the day he graduated from the Law Enforcement Academy.

She is welcomed to the spirit world by her husband, Clayton Rainey, Sr.; mother, Caroline Morrow; her fathers, Marvin Kessler and Orville Lovffkins; brother, Joseph Morrow, several aunts, uncles and other relatives.

Those left behind to forever cherish her memory are her children, Clayton (Rhonda) Rainey, Jr., Marvin Rome Rainey, Juanita Jean Hayes and Sarah (Eric Sr.) Anderson; mom, Lavonne Kessler; siblings, Todd (Sharon) Kessler, Kim Kessler, Rome (Tammy) Kessler, Nate Kessler, Drae (Susan) Kessler, Lori Kessler, Tiel (Michael) Bordersen, Tanya (Brian) Newman, Trista (Erik) Aker; grandchildren, Tanyalita, Tenesha (Jared), Tausha (Josh), Tristen, Kylie, Hunter, Blair, Marshall, Carson, Cassidy, Emylee, JadaRose, Eric Jr., Logan, Megan, Lilly-Anna, Channel, Lander, DJ, Torrey, Josh, Kai, Cheyanne, Noah, Delaney, Lanaya and Peanut; great grandbabies, Tatum and Alexis, numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and many friends.

An overnight wake for Carol will begin at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 23 and continue until her 10:00 a.m. traditional ser-



vice on Thursday, February 24 all to be held at the Mission Community Center in Cass Lake, MN. Allen Hardy will be her Spiritual Advisor. Helping to lay Carol to rest will be Jeff Harper, Josh Schmidt, Jared Azure, Eric Anderson, Sr., Kyle Kohlhoff and Eric Anderson, Jr. Her honorary pallbearers are Tenesha Rainey, Emylee Anderson, Lilly-Anna Rainey, Tatum Rainey, Alexis Azure and Rome Kessler. Interment will be in Porcupine Lane Cemetery at Cass Lake, MN following her Thursday service.

Carol'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)

## Terri Allen



Terri Lynn Allen, "Biiians" age 59, of the Bear Clan and Sugar Point, MN, journeyed to the spirit world on Monday, March 7, 2022. She was born on June 12, 1962, in Cass Lake, MN, the daughter of Beverly (Burnette) Allen.

Terri was a busy lady, she enjoyed beading, painting, and crafting. She grew up in the Remer, MN area and after school moved to the cities. She had a passion for kids and taught Head Start for 15 years and also managed a McDonald's for 15 years. She was always helping others; she was her uncle's caregiver. Terri was an excellent baker and made the best banana bread. She loved her plants and animals.

Those greeting Terri in the spirit world are her mom, Beverly Allen; step-dad, Leo Allen; sisters, Karla Ostby and Grace Allen; brothers, Eric Lunde and Everett Allen; grandparents, Alice and Mike Burnette; and cousins, Charlotte Voas and Brandon Bellanger.

Those left behind to cherish Terri's memory are her son, Peter Allen of Sandstone, MN; best friend, Tamara (Ronald) Burnette of Sugar Point; brother, Kevin Lange of Minneapolis, MN; sisters, Laura Vizenor, Kathy Napper, and Diane Grooms; 1 grandchild, Ebonie Lopez; one great-grandchild; and numerous other family members and friends.

A two-night wake for Terri will begin Thursday, March 10, 2022, at 4:00 p.m. and continue until her Saturday, March 12, 2022, 2:00 p.m. service all to be held at the Sugar Point Community Center in Federal Dam, MN. Those helping to lay Terri to rest are Randall Richardson, Justin Robinson, Malik Matthews, Marcello Matthews, Josh Losh, and Daniel Mitchell. Honorary pallbearer is Peter Allen. Interment will be in the Boy Lake Cemetery.

Terri'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)

## Ernest Bebeau

Ernest Paul Bebeau, 76, of Townsite Township, Ball Club, MN passed away peacefully at his home on February 21, 2022.



He was the husband of Mary "Cookie" (Fairbanks) Bebeau. They shared 51 years of marriage together.

He was the son of Joseph and Tina (Martin) Bebeau. Growing up he was known by the name Drag. Ernest attended Ball Club School and later graduated from Deer River School. At the age of 19 he enlisted into the Navy and served during the Vietnam War. He was a store keeper and shore patrol on the USS Marion. His rank was Petty Officer Second Class. After his years in the service he went to Georgia to work for Fire Stone. 2 years later he returned home to Ball Club, This is where he met the love of his life Mary Frances on April 1, 1970 and united in marriage on November 14. He soon went on to Fargo, ND to complete Auto Body school. He worked at Maki's Auto Body and eventually became an IronWorker. Ernie decided to attend Bible School in MoBridge, SD. On his return to Ball Club he was involved in the creation of the Assembly of God Church. Before retiring he held many different jobs

that included helping people. Such as Mental Health Counselor, Auto Body Teacher and Elementary Counselor at Bug O Nay Ge Shig School, YCDPP Youth Counselor and a Domestic Violence mediator.

Together, Ernie and Mary created 4 Children which was the beginning of the big family we have today. Paula, Duane "Skudder", Brandon and Abigail. Ernie took pride in his Children, GrandChildren and Great GrandChildren. Dad and Gramps were his favorite titles. One thing his GrandChildren will hold close is the nicknames their Gramp's gave them. Some to name: TBear, Will beaver, Nanners, Nina Bena, Miss T, Nutshel, and Beebs He always made sure his Family had what they needed. He showed us how to be a hard worker and to work for what we have. He was so very proud of his children and grandchildren and all their accomplishments. We always knew we could call on Gramps for anything. As the years passed, gifts for Gramps got harder... he had a bedroom, house, garage, sheds and yard full of everything he could need. That's when we realized time was the best gift. In his free time he enjoyed going to the casino, listening to the scanner, checking the DVDs at Walmart and spending time with his family. Thank you Gramps for the time, conversations, support and lessons learned.

Survived by: Wife, Mary. Brothers, Ernest & Joe Bebeau. Children, Del Best, Ernest Paul, Paula, Duane (Robbie), Brandon & Abigail Bebeau. Grand Children, Tim, Jared, Nikki, Nina, Nashel (Brendan), Natalie, Will, Cody, Brett, Teona, Christian, Jimmy, Josh & Nicole. Great Grand Children, Audrina, Easton, Addisan, Tronathan, Bubby, NaShae, Taylor, Quinton, Izaiah, Landon, Bailey, Aubree and Josh Jr.

Preceded by: His parents, Joseph & Tina (Martin) Bebeau, Brothers George, Francis "Poncho", Duane & Anthony Bebeau, Edmund & Joseph Whitebird. Sisters, Delores Jenkins, Alice Penny, Edith Warner & Betty Oothoudt.

## 2022 LLBO POW WOW SCHEDULE

**Memorial Day  
Traditional Pow Wow**  
May 27 - 28, 2022  
Cass Lake, MN 56633

**Waa Wiye Gaa Mag 19<sup>th</sup>  
Annual Traditional Pow Wow**  
June 17 - 19, 2022  
S. Lake, MN 56681

**4<sup>th</sup> Annual Leech Lake Days  
Traditional Pow Wow**  
June 24 - 26, 2022  
Cass Lake, MN 56633

**Mii Gwitch Mahnomen Days  
60<sup>th</sup> Annual Traditional Pow Wow**  
July 15 - 17, 2022  
Ball Club, MN 56636

**Onigum 24<sup>th</sup> Annual  
Traditional Pow Wow**  
July 22 - 24, 2022  
Onigum, MN 56484

**Cha Cha Bah Ning 42<sup>nd</sup>  
Annual Traditional Pow Wow**  
August 26 - 28, 2022  
Inger, MN 56636

**Sagasweiwe 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual  
Traditional Pow Wow**  
September 9 - 11, 2022  
Cass Lake, MN 56633

**Battle Point 25<sup>th</sup> Annual  
Traditional Pow Wow**  
September 16 - 18, 2022  
Battle/Sugar Point, MN 56641

For more info call: 218-335-4483 or visit [facebook.com/llpowwows](https://www.facebook.com/llpowwows)

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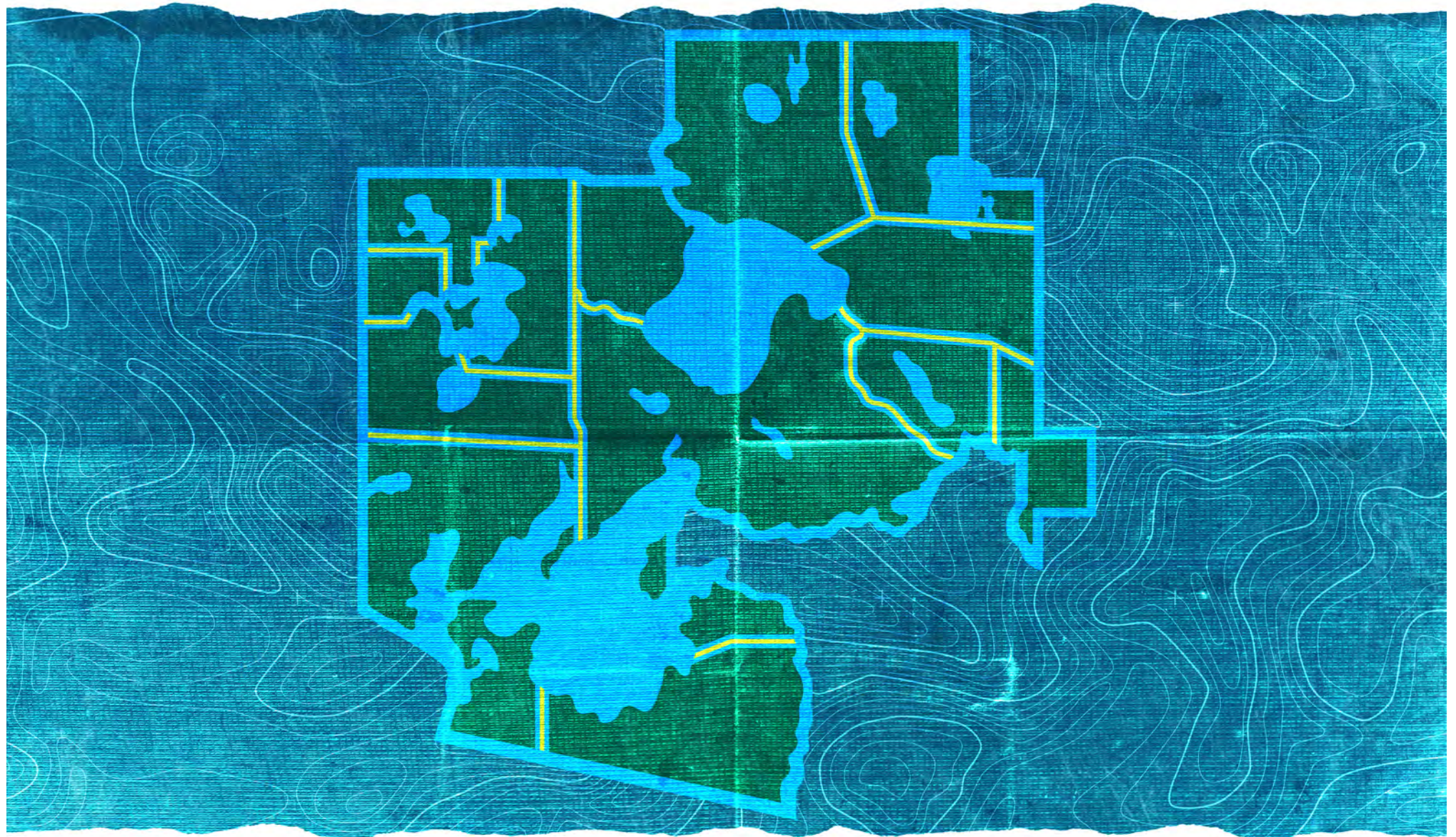


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# CANDIDATE ESSAYS



PRIMARY ELECTION | APRIL 2022



**Vote April 5, 2022**

DISTRICT I REPRESENTATIVE

DISTRICT II REPRESENTATIVE

**EDITOR'S NOTE:**

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## Tami Jackson

**A**aniin' My name is Tami Jackson, a candidate for District I's Representative seat. I am a resident of Inger and was raised in this community. I have three children who are all grown now, and I have four beautiful granddaughters. The oldest granddaughter, whom I have raised, will be graduating this year from Deer River High School. My parents are Lewis and Agnes Bowstring. My family is the Bowstrings, which has a long history within this community.

I graduated from Deer River High School in 1981, attended Itasca Community College, obtained an AA degree with an emphasis in business and accounting. I am currently enrolled in Walden University in their BS in Business Administration (BSBA) program.

I am currently employed at Leech Lake Housing Authority as a warehouse laborer. I have been employed with the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe and Leech Lake Gaming and come with years of experience in administrative work and am familiar with their policy and procedures within both entities.

What makes me your candidate is the empathy, integrity, and respect I have for the people of this reservation and those within the District I communities. I have seen the social and economic disadvantages that persistently affect our communities. I have also seen the advantages and gains our communities benefit from when leadership works to meet the needs while having clear, cooperating, and open-door policies in place.

I pledge to work with an open-door policy. I will encourage and welcome open transparent communication on issues that affect each and every one. I will work to make sure our workforce is treated with fair and equitable practices. The pandemic has shown that the workforce is important in every aspect and we should not take our workers for granted.

I will work to make sure that our Band's programs and services are reaching our communities and members. Those range from health, social, education, and transportation for our youth, families, elders, and veterans.

I will work to address addictions in the form of opioids, drugs, and alcohol substance abuse. I would like greater expand our education and services so those that are affected directly and indirectly will get the support they need. As a community no one should be alone in their recovery nor should we allow the stigma of addiction bring shame to anyone. I have seen the disadvantages that are out there from services that provide help. We need to evaluate the policies and rights so our citizens are able to get the help they need when they need it.

I will work to explore new avenues to open up more



housing in our communities, I will also work towards making sure our current homes/units are being renovated in a timely manner.

I will support our language and cultural activities that are currently in place as well as seek out new ideas and/or reform to better meet the needs of our communities. I look forward to building community trust in our district. The communication I will bring to our communities will be equal, consistent, and unified. I pledge to listen to all voices and concerns.

I support more police presence in all our communities, safety is an essential right for a community and members.

These are only some of the concerns and issues that I have seen and experienced, I know there are more that need to be addressed and if elected they will be addressed. I will work for you!

I ask for your support. I ask for your vote. I will continually ask for your input. Vote\* Tami Jackson~ Leech Lake District I Representative~ *Chi Miigwetch!* •

Candidate • DI

## Gary Charwood, Sr.

**B**oozhoo, Nindaawemaangunidok! (Greetings my Relatives), Niizho-anang Nindizhinkaaz, Maang Indoodem. (Two Star is my Anishinaabe name, from the Loon Clan) My English name is Gary Charwood, from S. Lake.

My message is solid and my commitment is unwavering. If I am elected as your District I Representative, you will experience the integrity, compassion and stability I will bring as your elected official and member of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe. I have demonstrated in each of our eleven communities a commitment of time and effort, and will always continue to offer heartfelt support with all our programs here on Leech Lake.

As your Representative, my vision is clear. My priorities include continuing to support our elders, youth, families and the programs that serve our people here on the Leech Lake Reservation, including our Gaming Enterprise. The Covid pandemic has put us through trying times over the past couple years, but with hope and prayers, we can soon look forward to safely getting back to providing the important services we very much need in all our communities.

For the past fifteen years, I worked with our Leech Lake Youth Division, directly serving youth and their families. I commend all the division coordinators for the time and effort they dedicated to ensuring our youth are safe, supported, and thriving.

My first priority is to see that our elders are cared for by ensuring they have full access to a variety of services and benefits that will enhance their lives; from lowered health insurance premiums, to increased access to enrichment activities, to something as simple as rides to the grocery store and back. Many of our elders live on fixed income and every little bit counts, as they are often caring for their immediate and extended families.

Secondly, I will prioritize supporting the development of our Leech Lake students. Education is key in ensuring the strength of our communities within our Nation. Having served as a Board Member with the Leech Lake Tribal College, I have been able to witness the wonderful growth of this institution and the incredible impact their graduates have on the community when they return. With remote learning becoming a part of many students' lives, I will support the college in developing the technological infrastructure needed so our students can receive the best possible education.

Additionally, I will bring to this leadership position my passion for supporting our culture through ongoing pow-wows, language and traditional practices. Our language is central to who we are as Anishinaabe people; >>





« I will ensure our language thrives by securing funding resources to support language education in all our communities. I will make certain our natural resources can sustain traditions such as ricing, hunting, fishing, sugar bushing and gathering medicines so that it will always be available for generations to come.

Finally, I will prioritize a variety of services that will benefit all communities across our Nation. To better serve our People who are struggling with addictions, I will bring our existing programs to the table along with our community members to collaborate on solutions that will benefit those who need support. This is an issue that must be addressed with compassion and care. I will support our People with a second community automotive servicing garage in District I, similar to the one located in Cass Lake behind Che-we, so people can purchase their own auto parts and have their vehicle serviced free of charge.

As a decision-maker, I will collaborate with our local Indian Councils, exploring ways to better our communities through trust, dignity and stability. I will work in coordination with other leaders in revising our Constitution so it reflects the current needs present in communities across Leech Lake Nation.

As your representative, I will look for answers and guidance from Our People, especially our youth. I will lead with integrity and compassion to ensure stability in the lives of all Leech Lake people. I close with what they say in our lodges, "We will not leave anyone behind". As we work together to build a strong, bright, thriving Nation, let's be kind to one another and live by those seven sacred grandfather teachings: Nibwaakaawin, Zaagi'idiwin, Manaaji'idiwin, Zoongide'iwin, Gwayakwaadiziwin, Dabasendizawin and Debwewin. •

*Mii gwech ga-kina gii na waa*

Gary Charwood Sr.

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## Tana Robinson



**A**aniin, Tana here. I apologize as I will not be coming to you bragging myself up as I am humbly coming to you from selfless heart and I'm not here to impress and influence you to vote for me based on any misconceptions that this role/job as District Representative is here to give handouts and/or enable in anyway shape or form. Our Tribal Officials sitting in office, whoever they may be, need to get back to our cultural practices and restart the long standing traditions of offering their own skills, knowledge and wisdom gained through their own first hand experiences and provide you with support and resources through effective tribal programming to help you maintain and/or find a healthy balance in your own personal life so that you can become that support, mentor and positive role model who will pass good healthy ways of living onto your children, grandchildren, etc. Historical trauma is a key factor in how we have become unwell over the last few generations in a sense of lacking communication skills leading to loss of connection to others within our own families and communities but more importantly the loss of cultural practices that were once strong in assisting us to maintain healthy spirits, bodies and minds with understanding prayers and gatherings for ceremonies and openly sharing love, respect, life skills, food, daily necessities and stories with an open heart. We have currently found ourselves struggling to cope with our loss of such powerful teachings and values and with that loss of our own individual identities. We often ask, Who am I? Where do I belong? How did I get here?. Many of you have found some stability and successes with your own lives and kudos to you. But sadly for far too many who lack the proper teachings and support systems turn to drugs and alcohol as a coping mechanism and on the rise, suicide. If I find myself in this job, yes it is a job, not a title I will start by creating a team of community members to begin construction of a new system that will effectively and timely provide assistance to help each adult set goals for themselves and their families whether it be getting help with addictions, getting children back home from Foster Care, finding a home, buying a home, home repairs, gaining employment or better employment, child care, furthering education, gaining financial stability with better understanding of money management and credit, purchasing household appliances and furniture, purchasing vehicles and more. Having even just one of these hardships creates a downward spiral effect. For example, not having a car can mean no way

to get to a job or school. Having no job can mean no food on the table or having funds available to make rent/mortgage payments, keep electricity and heat in a home keeping in mind many households have children. Even issues one might think are so small and meaningless can bring about depression, anxiety, fears and worry which can lead to unintentional negative attitudes which can only bring about new sets of problems being added to one's shoulders. No one should ever have to bear so much unnecessary weight in their lifetime, especially us tribal members as we are lucky to have our Tribal Government available. Not to offer any useful support or useless hand outs, but rather provide the resources we need to gain and maintain self-sufficiency. I wish the five of us running for this job could equally take it together because we all have so much to bring to the table. But as stated no matter who gets elected into this position/JOB we the people take precedence. Make your vote count! Do not vote for me, relative, neighbor, best friend, etc because of the misconceptions of the District Representative role. VOTE FOR YOU!!! This job on the Tribal Council and every job position within the Tribal Government itself exists because you exist and the elected individuals are there to serve you. We the people are not supposed to sit powerless waiting to be called upon to serve tribal officials in their time of need. I am going to leave these thoughts with you and hope you can begin to feel empowered to make wise choices for you and your family. We can do this! You want change, right? Now is the time! Bring it folks! In closing I do want you to know that no matter my job or where I reside or what personal endeavors I may be on at any given time I am always here for you, even if just to listen. Do not hesitate to reach out to me at any time with any hardships that may have jumped out of nowhere. If I can't help out myself I will walk with you on your journey far enough to help you find the resources to get you moving in a better direction. I can be called or text messaged at 218-368-8056 or you can always find me on Facebook 'Tana Morgan-Robinson' sharing my life. I also created a group 'Tana Robinson: You and us, not me or them' to share my ideas of what building our district support system might look like as well as ideas for restructuring the Tribal Government support systems. Please call or send me a message to learn more about myself and my story or I'd really like to hear your ideas and your story which can comfort and help each other out. I would love to come to you for a one-on-one heart-to »



Candidate • DI

## Norma Jackson



«-heart as well. Due to COVID and personal privacy I have respectfully avoided going about unannounced, but If you're willing to get to know me and chat about how we can help one another live and learn so we become more knowledgeable to benefit our children, grands and so on please don't hesitate. I look forward to positive change also!!

With good old fashioned Native love and respect, *MiiGwech!* •

Tana Robinson, District I Candidate and Inger resident

I decided to run for Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe District 1 Representative

Here is my take on how I think that the tribal government should run on our reservation.

I believe there are issues and duties that the chairman and treasurer are responsible for on the behalf of our tribe.

The chairman's role is to lead the tribe on government matters whether at tribal, county, state, and federal levels with the consensus of others tribal officers

The treasurer role would be to ensure that the money we have in our treasury be equally available to help all tribal members or earning us more to help all members.

The district representatives should look for what is needed in their communities, find it what is working and what is not working regarding programs or processes of our tribal government.

I believe when we help meet the needs of all our members, when we leave no one behind, we can start the journey of prosperity and lay the foundation for our future generations.

We are a semi sovereign nation. I say that because we depend on Federal and State government grants for funding which go into the general fund and respective programs. Gaming profits are used to fund different tribal programs not covered by any grants or added to certain programs that need additional funding. We are dependent on these grants and monies. We need to diversify our businesses and enterprises so that we are not solely dependent on gaming and grants.

I believe that education at all levels is very important and plays a key role in how we can better ourselves and families. Let's look at what and how we can improve all levels of schools that are serving our Native children. We need more vocational education also, we need native electricians, plumbers, masons, welders. These skills are going to be much needed as elders retire, we will need to be placing younger native in these positions. I went to public school, and I felt like I did not learn a lot or had the school care whether I was learning or not. This must change; we need to start paying attention to how area schools are educating our children. I graduated and earned my high school diploma and after some life learnings I entered Leech Lake Tribal College and earned my AA in Business Entrepreneurship.

I can say that the most I have learned is through life's lessons and experiences. I was under the poverty guideline, so I was poor. I realized that if I wanted anything, I would have to work for it. I started a part time job and learned how to make a product and found a market

for it in the cottage industry of Lady-Slipper Designs. I realized I had potential to change my life!

I learned budgeting from going to powwows. We needed to make plans, earn money and budget for our travels to and from the many places in US and Canada that we visited. We went to many places to dance at powwows to dance in our jingle dresses. It was one of the most rewarding and memorable experience of my life. I will cherish the times of following the powwow trail, meeting many people, and making lifelong friends.

I have worked in the education department for the past 28 years.

I started work as a youth supervisor, which was a seasonal job. I applied for JTPA now called WIOA where I was placed at energy assistance. After I completed that successfully, I was offered a job as secretary and through the years after having a good work ethic, good work attendance I moved up to office manager, to job developer, to job counselor. I became the WIA program manager where we help with short term employment and supportive services to those who require assistance to stay employed.

It is a rewarding job as I get to meet and assist people that are counting on the program to lift them up. It has made me who I am today, if I didn't have that opportunity, if I didn't have that program that helped me, I wouldn't have made the decision to run for your District 1 Representative on the Tribal Council. I see the shortcomings of how reservation is not equal for everyone and where we need to improve.

Being a single parent with raising a child alone is no easy task. I had family to help me, some young adults don't have the level of support I had. We need to find ways to support one another.

We cannot rely on our tribal government for everything, and tribal government shouldn't try. What tribal government should do is help us get the tools and resources so we can start being independent. How about we start making it possible to help us all to become productive members of our tribe, by providing a good livable wage so we don't have to be dependent on programs to try to get ahead. Not having a livable wage and a good job is holding a lot of our people back from enjoying life and having the opportunity to be prosperous Leech Lake band members.

The local councils know more about the community than any one or two council members do, their input would help in bringing forth any needs or lack of, that will ensure those needs are met for all our tribal members. I believe in working with our local councils >>





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## Kyle Fairbanks

◀ regularly so that information can be given to the district representative, which they can bring to the tribal council.

Only in working together can we improve our communities and our tribal members lives.

I will work to the best of my abilities to work with the other members on the council to get our reservation moving forward.

There are many issues that are plaguing our native population such as, lack of good livable wage jobs, lack of adequate and affordable housing.

Lack of incentives and rewards, such as promotions and raises to get out of the stuck cycle that stops us from being productive and prospering and enjoying life. Remembering the students who get educated and come back to the reservation to put their education and trainings to use for our tribal members.

We need to provide training, such as world of work skills and life skills. Examples of this are:

How to find out what kind a job you will enjoy and want to be there every day; How to budget and maintain a household, a car; How to maintain finances and get some savings for emergencies; Balance life's many aspects to be a happy and stable native and tribal nation. Find out what the needs are that are not being met and plan to meet the goals and accomplish them, both on the council and personal levels.

One idea is to start things small and eventually they will grow to become greater goals so that everyone will have the best life we can help them have.

We need to make it possible for members to become the best that they can be.

I also want to give the members the ability to have a say in what our tribal government has to offer, only then can we help our reservation thrive.

Thanks in advance for taking the time to take part in your tribal election process. •

*Humbly - asking for your support.*  
Norma Jackson

**any comments and or questions**  
nmj\_01@yahoo.com  
Or look up my Facebook account

**H**ello, my name is Kyle Fairbanks. My Wife Amanda and our two children live in the Oteneagen area. I have been a resident of the Leech Lake Reservation my whole life.

I graduated from Deer River High School in 2005 and attended the Leech Lake Tribal College and obtained an A.A.S. Degree in Law Enforcement in 2008.

I went on to further my education at Bemidji State University where I obtained a B.S. Degree in Criminal Justice. I also attended St. Cloud State University where I received a Master's Degree in Public Safety Executive Leadership.

I'm currently working for the Leech Lake Tribal Police Department where I have worked my way through the ranks to Assistant Police Chief.

I'm humbly asking for your support in the upcoming Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe District 1 Election.

I've always had a desire to make positive changes for our people. Coming from a public service background, I strive to make positive impacts on peoples lives on a daily basis. I'm going into this election with a "WE CAN DO BETTER" mindset.

I've had the opportunity to visit with many people while working in the law enforcement profession. I have spoken with people from all walks of life and seen first-hand the struggles and barriers many of our Band Members must face in their daily lives.

If elected, I will listen to every individuals questions, comments, and concerns and try to help in anyway possible to tackle these obstacles and barriers preventing our Band Members from living their lives to the fullest.

I have thought about the many needs and concerns that I have heard from our community members. I have found that I share the same thoughts and feelings as many of you. I have prepared a list that I feel are our top priorities that need significant changes to better meet the needs of our community members.

Please engage in conversation with me regarding your questions, comments, and concerns with the following topics. I will attempt to visit as many homes as possible throughout my campaign.

**Collaborations-** Build and strengthen working relationships with various organizations who want to work with the Band. Many resources are available to bring needed infrastructure and services to the Band.

**Youth-** The youth are the future of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe. We need to improve programming and activities that promote well-being and success in life. Our

youth need to achieve their maximum potential to better themselves, which will lead to a better quality of life.

**Education-** Leech Lake Band Members need access to a high quality education from Early Childhood to Post-Secondary Education. We need to educate as many Band Members as we possibly can and assist families in achieving these opportunities.

**Elders-** Our Elders need to be regarded as the highest importance of our culture and the Leech Lake Reservation. We need to get an Elder Abuse and Neglect Code in place for the safety and well-being of our Elders.

**Chemical Dependency-** We are losing too many of our Band Members to the chemical dependency battle. Many Band Members want to seek help but have nowhere to go. I feel a Band Member should be offered the services they need right here on the Leech Lake Reservation. This is among one of our biggest battles on the reservation and need to come together as a community to help our struggling family, friends, and co-workers.

Community outreach and attending public events is something that I enjoy, and I feel is very important. I feel this is a way to bridge the communication gap between you and your District One Representative ensuring your voice is always heard.

If elected, I will make sure the people of District One are heard and your concerns are brought to the table. •

*Miigwech*



Incumbent • DII

## Steve White

**B**oozhoo/Aanin, My name is Steve White; I have been a lifelong resident of the Leech Lake Reservation. For a short period of time, I relocated to the Twin Cities for school and work. I attended St. Paul College, where I obtained my (HVAC) degree and worked sheet metal for ten years before returning to the reservation, where I have been employed for 20 plus years. I have had the pleasure of serving as the District 2 representative for the last 12 years. I am running again for another 4-year term to continue to be the voice of the District 2 constituents. Over the years, I have gained and maintained strong ties with the community members of the district 2 area, not only in my own district but also in 1 & 3. I have involved myself with many government areas over the last 12 years. I have established well-working relationships with local, state, and federal officials. I take pride in being in this office and being available to my district constituents on and off the reservation, as well as all other Leech Lake Band members and their families.

I am an avid sportsman; I enjoy taking my grandchildren and their friends out hunting and fishing and just being outdoors. I continue to support the elders and youth with community-driven events and activities to bring our people together in a positive way. Some of the events we host are the kid's perch jerk, end-of-summer valley fair trips, feasts, and community picnics.

A few of the things that I have accomplished since I have been in office are:

- Secured ICDGB funding to construct the Sugar Point Community Center; after completing the center, then secured funding to add the Sugar Point Head start, which opened less than a year later.
- Continued Cooperation with leading vendor Reinhart Foods has contributed over \$200,000 in the past 12 years for LLBO post-secondary scholarships.
- Has increased minimum wage not once but twice in the last 12 years.
- I am working on expanding and improving the Battle Point Pow-Wow Grounds.
- Completion of the Boy River Bridge Project.
- Completed a new pavilion/picnic area right behind the Community center in old housing, on Lake Winnibigoshish.
- I strive to secure funding to build a new and improved bridge for the Leech Lake River in Federal Dam.
- Secured funding to complete phase 1 of the Bena Bike Path and expand from Old Housing to the Big



Fish Supper Club. I am still working on getting the funding for phase 3.

- The new roadway in Bena, the stretch from Old Housing to Denny's Resort, will be installing curb, gutter, and turning zones to reduce the chance of vehicles crashing.
- I assisted in securing funds for the New and Improved school at Bug O Nay Ge Shig School.
- I have worked with the Health Division to develop a Mobile Clinic that can access the outer communities.

I would appreciate the opportunity to continue to listen to the needs of District 2 constituents as well as other Leech Lake Band members and be the voice for our communities. I will do my best to make needed improvements continue to happen in our area as well as the rest of the reservation. My number one priority as your leader is to put our people and their needs first. Miigwetch for your time and consideration! •

Candidate • DII

## Theodore White, Sr.

**A**aniin, I am Theodore James White Sr. I am running for Leech Lake Tribal council member District two. It would be an honor to serve you as your district two representative. I respectfully ask for your support and votes. I currently reside in the Boy Lake loop. I was born in Minneapolis MN and was raised Southside. My father is Randolph J White SR of Onigum and my Mother Virginia M Martin was from White Earth. During my childhood we went to my Grandmother Jenny Ryan Smith's home in Onigum every other weekend for years. As an adult I moved to the reservation. I married and moved my family up to Nut hill near Kego lake. We raised our four children and now have seven grandchildren. We divorced in 2009 however we still function as parents and grandparents. We believe that it was important to remain friends after marriage. I served in the United States Marine Corp during desert shield and desert Storm. Becoming a Marine was one of my life's great honors and accomplishments of my lifetime and I am proud to be a Veteran. In 2007 I attended MMN State College Southeast Technical in Red Wing, MN where I received a carpentry diploma and Construction Management A.A.S. After the recession I started the apprenticeship to become a journeyman carpenter. I finished the course in four years and went on to work on many projects in Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa, Kansas and Michigan. I returned to the reservation in 2018 Where I ran a crew on the Cedar lakes Casino. Today I am a table games dealer at Northern Lights Casino.

I would like to accomplish during my time in office. Address the housing needs of the homeless individuals and families. Create more resources for families in need. Ensure more resources for drug and alcohol addiction. Work with education, adult education, early childhood programs to improve opportunities for the children and adults in our communities. Work with law enforcement to create a working relationship within the communities. Continue following pandemic policies to ensure the health standards of our reservation. The creation of jobs is an important role in financial stability in families. Everyone needs a wage you can live on and not struggle. There is a lot of work to be done. I would also make it my personal interest to go out into the communities to get to know what the people want. I would like to hear from everyone about the issues they would like to have addressed. Ted White Sr. 612.812.9439 call or text

A vote for Theodore J White Sr is a vote for the future! Miigwetch! •





*Candidate • DII*

## Terrance Mitchell

**B**oozhoo! My name is Terrence Terry Mitchell and I'm running for Leech Lake District II Representative. I would appreciate your vote in having the opportunity to serve you to overcome the issues our reservation faces today. Employment and housing elderly, youth + health care programs expansion and creation I would like to "help everyone" in District II, I would also like to push for more solar power on the reservation. •

*"Miigwetch"*

**Questions?** (218) 513-3158



# 2022 Leech Lake Tribal Council Primary Election Information



**Primary Election Date :** Tuesday April 5, 2022  
Polls open from 8 AM until 8 PM

**General Election Date :** Tuesday June 14, 2022  
Polls open from 8 AM until 8 PM

## Absentee Voting Information

In order to receive an absentee ballot, voters can fill out an absentee ballot request card provided by a candidate or submit a written request to the Election Board. Written requests MUST contain the following information:

- Full Name
- Mailing Address
- Physical Address (if different)
- Date of Birth
- Voting District
  - A District must be declared on your request in order to receive an absentee ballot, failure to provide one will lead to significant delays
  - District cannot be changed without establishing residency (see "Establishing Residency" below)
  - Out of State voters who have not declared a district in a previous election shall declare a district to vote in
  - Out of State voters are not eligible to select a new district if they have chosen one previously without meeting the residency requirements outlined below

Voters can also cast an absentee ballot in person by visiting the Election Board office. Absentee voters must bring an acceptable ID when voting in person. Ballots are not permitted to leave the Election Board office. The only exception is if there is a voter that is unable to vote in person (handicapped, elder, etc.) Those voters are able to sign a form requesting assistance to vote and a minimum of two Election Board members will walk the ballot out and assist the voter.

## Acceptable Identification for Voters

\*Must have acceptable ID – No vouching

The forms of identification that may be used by a voter who appears at a polling place to vote on Election Day include:

- Official Valid Tribal Identification Card of Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe; or
- A current and valid photo identification card issued by the State of Minnesota or the United States government; or
- Military ID; or
- US Passport or US Passport Card

## Establishing Residency

\*A voter must have resided within that district for at least (30) days immediately preceding the election.

The forms acceptable to establish residency:

- An original or copy of a current utility bill; or
- An original or copy of a current bank statement; or
- An original or copy of current government check; or
- An original or copy of current paycheck; or
- An original or copy of a current other government document that shows the voters name and current address.

## Leech Lake Election Board

**Physical Address:**  
SE Corner CheWe Building  
115 Sixth St. NW  
Cass Lake, MN 56633

**Mailing Address:**  
PO Box 787  
Cass Lake, MN 56633

**Phone:** (218) 335-7222  
**Fax:** (218) 335-7248  
**Toll free:** 1-877-577-7945

## Election Board Members:

Chair- Sharon Wilson  
Clerk- Terri Boswell  
Clerk- Nancy Whitebird  
Clerk- Jody Bellanger  
Clerk- Jay Nordmarken

## Polling Sites

<b>DISTRICT I</b> Ball Club Community Center 31627 County Rd #39 Deer River, MN	10051 Battle Pt. Dr. Federal Dam, MN
Inger Community Center 53736 County Rd #146 Deer River, MN	<b>BEMIDJI</b> Bemidji City Hall Chamber of Commerce 317 4 <sup>th</sup> St. NW Bemidji, MN
S. Lake Community Center 59979 County Rd #4 S. Lake, MN	<b>DULUTH</b> Dr. Robert Powless Culture Center 212 W 2 <sup>nd</sup> St. Duluth, MN
<b>DISTRICT II</b> Bena Community Center 15032 Old Housing Drive Bena, MN	<b>TWIN CITIES</b> Leech Lake Twin Cities Office 2438 27 <sup>th</sup> Ave S Minneapolis, MN
Smokey Point Kego Lake Community Center 6159 Kego Lake Trail NE Longville, MN	<b>ABSENTEE VOTING GENERAL ELECTION BOARD</b> Che We Building (SE Corner) 115 6 <sup>th</sup> St. Ste. E Cass Lake, MN
Sugar Point Community Center	

## June Referendum

The Minnesota Chippewa Tribe will also be conducting a referendum on blood quantum during the June 2022 General Election. Essays / platforms for General Election candidates and more information on the referendum will be published in the May issue of Debahjimon. The exact wording and nature of the referendum question(s) have not yet been finalized by the MCT.

## APR 5

Primary Election (Polling Places open from 8 AM until 8 PM).

## APR 6

Reservation Election Board certifies results of Election prior to 8 PM.

## APR 7

Reservation Election Board publishes Primary Election results.

## APR 8

Deadline for Request for Recount.

## APR 12

4:30 PM deadline for Contest of Primary of Primary Election.

## APR 13

Deadline for Decision on Request for Recount and Results of Recount, if allowed.

## APR 22

Deadline for Decision on Contest

## APR 25

4:30 PM Deadline for Appeal to Court of Election Appeals.

## MAY 13

Notice of General Election.

## JUN 14

General Election (Polling Places open from 8 AM until 8 PM).

## JUN 15

Reservation Election Board certifies results of Election prior to 8 PM.

## JUN 16

Reservation Election Board publishes Election results.





# 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: 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: 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: 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 Au-

gust 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 locat-**

**ed 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.

## 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 Peti-**

tion 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: 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.



**LEGAL NOTICE**

**Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court**

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Child(ren) of: Caitlin Roy and Jason Littlewolf

Court File No. CP-20-10

**NOTICE**

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that an Petition to Transfer Permanent Legal and Physical Custody has been filed in the Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the child(ren) of the above-named parents. **A hearing has been scheduled for March 3, 2022 at 1:30PM 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: 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.

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Robbie, Stephanie, &  
Zagajiiw

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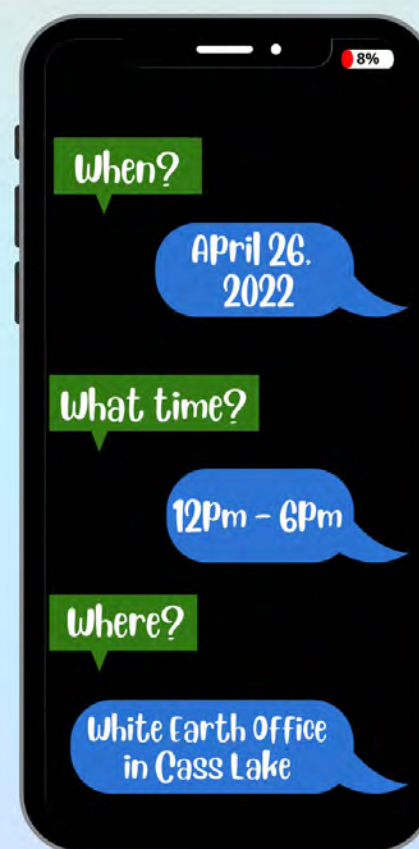
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From the District III Office LeRoy, Toni & Kari

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Month



**Cornhole Tournament:**  
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**Drawings:**  
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# Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Summary of Job Openings

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**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 CLOSE ON MARCH 18, 2022

*Administrative Assistant ~ Human Services ~ Job Code: 22-030*

*Security Officer (ARC) ~ Human Services ~ Job Code: 22-031*

*Family Violence Program Manager ~ Human Services ~ Job Code: 22-032*

## 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*

*Mental Health Professional (4) ~ Human Services ~ Job Code: 21-018*

*Infant Toddler Teacher (Onigum) ~ Education ~ Job Code: 21-023*

*Cook (Cass Lake) (2) ~ Education ~ Job Code: 21-024*

*Demographer Research Manager ~ Tribal Development ~ Job Code: 21-033*

*Infant Toddler Teacher (Bena) ~ Education ~ Job Code: 21-036*

*Infant Toddler Teacher (Ball Club) ~ Education ~ Job Code: 21-037*

*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*

*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*

*Registered Nurse (Assisted Living) ~ Health ~ Job Code: 21-111*

*Home Healthcare Manager RN ~ Health ~ Job Code: 21-115*

*Gekinwaadamaaged (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*

*Pre School Teacher (4) ~ Education ~ Job Code: 21-141*

*Legal Director ~ Legal ~ Job Code: 21-150*

*Controller ~ Finance ~ Job Code: 21-151*

*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 (2) ~ Finance ~ Job Code: 22-003*

*Operations Manager ~ Health ~ Job Code: 22-004*

*Registered Dietitian ~ Health ~ Job Code: 22-008*

## THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS ARE OPEN UNTIL FILLED

*Adolescent & Maternal Child Health Manager ~ Health ~ Job Code: 22-009*

*Long Term Care (LTC) Case Manager ~ Health ~ Job Code: 22-010*

*Infant Toddler Teacher (Cass Lake) (2) ~ Education ~ Job Code: 22-011*

*Pre School Teacher/Family Service Advocate (Ball Club) ~ Education ~ Job Code: 22-012*

*Procurement Clerk ~ Administration ~ Job Code: 22-013*

*Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner ~ Health ~ Job Code: 22-014*

*Facility & Grounds Keeper ~ Health ~ Job Code: 22-015*

*Fire Restoration Forestry Fuels Technician (2) (Seasonal) ~ DRM ~ Job Code: 22-016*

*Administrative Assistant/Emergency Medical Technician ~ Health ~ Job Code: 22-017*

*Training Center Coordinator/Emergency Medical Technician ~ Health ~ Job Code: 22-018*

*Office Manager ~ MIS ~ Job Code: 22-019*

*Network Associate ~ MIS ~ Job Code: 22-020*

*Help Desk T1 ~ MIS ~ Job Code: 22-021*

*Help Desk T2 ~ MIS ~ Job Code: 22-022*

*Pre School Teacher (Inger) ~ Education ~ Job Code: 22-026*

*Family Skills Worker (2) ~ Human Services ~ Job Code: 22-027*

*Program Manager (Urban Office) ~ Human Services ~ Job Code: 22-028*

*Recovery Center Technician ~ Human Services ~ Job Code: 22-029*

*Driver (Part time) ~ Human Services ~ Job Code: 22-033*

*Intake Worker ~ Human Services ~ Job Code: 22-034*

*Family Support Specialist ~ Human Services ~ Job Code: 22-035*

*Cook (ENP) ~ Health ~ Job Code: 22-036*



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