

## LLBO SUSTAINABILITY

The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe recently received an award due to the tribe's efforts in the Green Step Tribal Nation Program.

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## QUARTERLY MEETING

Leech Lake Tribal Council and Division Directors recently hosted the Band's Quarterly Meeting in Cass Lake.

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## WILD RICE ACCESS

LLBO and MN DNR officials completed newly constructed boardwalks improving access to important wild rice areas.

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## HONORING OUR VETERAN'S

LLBO Veterans, their descendants, and any Native American and their descendants who have lived on or worked for LLBO.

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## Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe

# State of the Band 2023



Chairman Faron Jackson, Sr. delivering the 2023 State of the Band Address.



Miss Indian World Candidate Rozalinda Hunt.



Former U.S. Representative Rick Nolan addresses those in attendance.



Event Master of Ceremonies Gary Charwood.

Photos and Article By KAYLA DUOOS

WALKER – The 2023 Leech Lake State of the Band Address was delivered by Tribal Chairman Faron Jackson Sr. on Friday, April 21 at the Northern Lights Casino Event Center.

Community members were invited to the event, alongside both state, Tribal, and county officials. U.S Senators Tina Smith, Amy Klobuchar, MN Secretary of State Steve Simon, and Lieutenant Governor Flanagan all greeted the crowd remotely through video. Flanagan used her time to highlight the advancements that have been made for Tribal communities since establishing a number of legislative measures.

“For far too long, decisions have been made without us at the table ...Now we're seeing the impact of representation at all levels of government,” Flanagan said. “I'm excited about the work together on advancing our shared priorities. Building one Minnesota means working toward a better future for all of us in Mni Sota Makoce.”

Chairman Faron Jackson who gave the closing address covered a wide variety of initiatives that had been completed over the past year, including; the discovery of an additional 4,000 acres belong-

ing to the Band that they hope to include in the secretarial land transfer legislation that was previously passed in 2020, the Tribal wide minimum wage increase to \$15 per hour, plans to construct a Leech Lake Area Health and Wellness Center, and expressing support behind the States sports betting legislation and increased funding for the Leech Lake Tribal College.

Jackson in his speech called for unity amongst Leech Lake when it comes to advancing the band. “My motto from day one has been “moving forward.” We always want to move forward and work together to find common ground to address the needs of Leech Lake,” said Jackson.

Gary Charwood served as Master of Ceremonies for the event and Guest Speakers included: former U.S. Representative Rick Nolan, state auditor Julie Blaha and Miss Indian World Candidate Rozalinda Hunt.

Mike Smith provided a blessing and invocation for the event and the Leech Lake Honor Guard posted colors on stage. Following the speeches, lunch was served and door prizes were given to those in attendance.

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## Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Recognized for Sustainability Efforts

*GreenStep Tribal Nation recognized for work to conserve resources & increase efficiencies.*

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CASS LAKE – Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe recently received awards for Steps 3, 4, and 5 in the Minnesota GreenStep Tribal Nations program. Leech Lake is one of 147 participating Tribal Nations and cities in the state of Minnesota's 13-year-old sustainability challenge, assistance, and recognition program.

"These awards of the three steps in less than one year show our Tribal members and peer communities across Minnesota that the Leech Lake Band is taking great strides in the direction of energy and resource conservation and innovation," shared Brandy Toft, Environmental Director and GreenStep program lead with the

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Division of Resource Management (DRM).

The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe has worked hard to implement best practice actions in order to meet their own sustainability goals with support from the GreenStep program. Actions taken within the program focus on cost savings, energy use reduction, resource conservation, energy benchmarking and climate change.

The actions that propelled the Band through three steps of the program in under a year were related to a project between the MN Green Corps Member serving with the DRM, Monica Miles, and the Jon Barcnas, the Band's Construction Management Assistant, to track the energy usage of all Tribal facilities on the Reservation. DRM staff stressed that the partnership with Roads



GreenStep Tribal Nation sign entering Leech Lake Reservation.

via LLBO DRM

and Construction and the assistance of MN Green Corps Members were vital to achieving these steps. The data tracking activities, along with reductions in both electricity and natural gas usage at these buildings allowed Leech Lake to reach step 5. You can learn more about LLBO's GreenStep actions at <https://greenstep.pca.state.mn.us/city-detail/12634>.

"This award is a great achievement for the Leech Lake Band," Toft continued. "By being part of the Green Step Tribal Nation program,

the Band is assisting to make Minnesota more resilient for the future while assisting our Tribal Reservation thrive economically."

About GreenStep: Minnesota GreenStep is a voluntary challenge, assistance, and recognition program to help cities, Tribal Nations, and schools achieve their sustainability and quality-of-life goals. This free continuous improvement program is based upon best practices that are tailored to Minnesota Reservations and communities. More at [www.MnGreenStep.org](http://www.MnGreenStep.org).



The event boasted over 30 booths providing attendees with health services, info, and check-ups.

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## Leech Lake Health Division Hosts Annual Health Fair at Cedar Lakes Event Center

By KAYLA DUOOS

CASS LAKE – The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe kicked off the spring season, April 25, by holding the bands annual Health Fair.

The Health Fair ran from 10:00

a.m. - 3:00 p.m. and featured over 30 programs. Programs in attendance provided information and a number of services to attendees such as: SDI Screenings, Fluoride Varnishing, Blood pressure checks, A1C checks and foot exams.

Attendees were able to walk away with a number of gifts, and enter to win large door prizes.

For more information on the Health Fair and any of the attending programs, contact the LLBO Health Division at (218)-335-4500.





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The Earth Day Celebration, hosted by the LLBO DRM featured games, informational booths and seedlings for attendees.

## Earth Day Hosted by LLBO DRM

By KAYLA DUOOS

CASS LAKE – The Leech Lake Department of Resource Management Celebrated Earth Day with the community, April 22.

The event which ran from 11am to 3:30 pm featured 20 booths run by various Leech Lake divisions, and DRM Earth Day partners providing information to community members on ways to reduce waste and create a sustainable life. Over 400 students from Cass Lake-Bena elementary, middle school and high-school attended and learned about the band's programs and picked up plants and goodies.

Lakota Ironboy, DRMs Environmental Justice Liaison who helped plan this year's event said the focus for 2023 wasn't a sole program or theme but a showcase on how far the DRMs reach is when it comes to protecting the Reservations natural attributes and all of its wildlife.

"We originally had to reschedule this event due to the weather, but making sure this event took place was a priority. We know how much this event means to the community. We have so many great programs, and so much going on in our community, so instead of really limiting ourselves with one theme, we really want to share what we're all doing this year in all the different aspects of our work."

If you want more information on Earth Day, please contact the LLBO Environmental Department at 218-335-7400.



## RBC BRIEFS • May 2023



By KAYLA DUOOS

CASS LAKE – The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Reservation Business Committee (RBC) holds weekly briefings on Tuesdays, followed by RBC meetings on Thursdays.

RBC briefings are attended by all available council members alongside scheduled presenters and LLBO division directors. Agenda items are presented for discussion at the Tuesday briefings and then are voted on for passage at the Thursday meeting. Occasionally, due to time constraints, a combination briefing and meeting will take place on the same day.

Two meetings were held in April 2023. All RBC briefings and meetings are live streamed via Vimeo and are available to view on [leechlakenews.com](http://leechlakenews.com) under "Videos." Official meeting minutes can also be found on [leechlakenews.com](http://leechlakenews.com) under "LL Tribal Council" and "Tribal Council Meeting Minutes."

### BRIEFING/MEETING RECAPS

**1. April 4, 2023** A briefing & meeting was held in the RBC Government Chambers. Due to inclement weather, decisions on briefing agenda items took place April 6, 2023.

#### Presentations Given:

- **District III Representative, Leroy Staples Fairbanks** – Presented an ongoing issue with Enbridge offering donations to Reservations LIC's and asked for an official decision to be made whether the Band will accept or reject any donations from Enbridge.
- **Doris Jones, Health Director / Vince Rock, Health Division** – Presentation focused on securing grants focused on food security and food sovereignty for the Reservation and the determining the best way to distribute/spend grants.
- **Lee Turney, Early Childhood** – Presentation focused on funding and helping expand classroom capacity sizes by retaining and drawing in new staff.
- **Melissa George Humphrey, Behavioral Health** – presentation focused on acquiring new contracts for additional staff to help with stress reduction for current employees.
- **Earl Robinson, Tribal Development** – presentation focused on securing final furnishings for Ahnji-Be-Mah-Diz(ARC) recovery center to open doors for Female clients.

**2. April 25, 2023** A briefing & meeting was held in the RBC Government Chambers.

#### Presentations Given:

- **Chris Murray, Legal** – Presentation continued discussions on rejecting Enbridge donations and deciding formal language for future policy.
- **Laurie Harper, Education** – Presentation focused on getting final approvals for Leech Lake Education Plan and Proposal. The plan will incorporate year round cultural activities and empowering youth/mentors.

# Chairman's Report



**CHAIRMAN  
FARON JACKSON SR.**

Governmental Activities  
Chairman's Summary

*Monthly Report*

Boozhoo, my relatives, friends, community members and all! The Leech Lake RTC has been knocking on every door from the Minnesota State Legislature to the Nation's Congressional leadership in Washington, D.C. on funding opportunities and protecting the sovereignty of Leech Lake. The Tribal Council members have been very busy this month testifying and fighting for new dollars on our unmet needs at Leech Lake. As we keep moving forward, here is some of the news being reported to the great Leech Lake People.

**The 2023 State of Band Address** – On April 21, 2023, Leech Lake Chairman Jackson, Sr. had finally been able to deliver the Leech Lake State of the Band Address (SOTB), but old man win-

ter had other ideas. The Master of Ceremonies Gary Charwood had introduced Nut Hill Drum group for the Opening Song and Flag Song with Leech Lake Youth Dancers and Posting of Colors by the Leech Lake Honor Guard. Mike Smith was the spiritual advisor and started with an invocation that started the SOTB in a good way. MC Charwood had stated, "It's been a while since we gathered (due to the pandemic). The SOTB had video greetings from U.S. Senators Amy Klobuchar and Tina Smith. The Special Guest Speaker was former U.S. Representative Rick Nolan and Guest Speaker Rozalina Hunt, who was vying for Miss Indian World had spoken.

The 2023 Leech Lake State of the Band Address had a moment of silence for those we lost to Covid-19, Band employees, our family members, loved ones, and friends. The SOTB had served as a reflection on the successes and challenges of 2022 and an optimistic look at the remainder of 2023, Leech Lakers took in messages of community and resilience. Leech Lake Chairman Jackson, Sr. had stated, "As I look out into the audience my

motto has been "Moving Forward", we have to work together and find common ground to address the needs of Leech Lake.

Chairman Jackson had kicked off the SOTB with Protecting our Children, the Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School's source of water has been of great concern and countless hours in identifying and resolving the necessity for clean drinking water for the students and staff. The Plan of Action had consisted of more testing of the wells, BIA/BIE had set aside \$27 thousand dollars for safe drinking water, intermediate plan could be charcoal infiltration of the present water but follow-up tests are required, and the long-term plan would be transporting in fresh water and stored in holding tanks at the school. The Tribal Council had stated, "The highest priority has been placed on the safety and health of the students and staff at the school with an immediate resolution on the contaminated water and providing safe drinking water." Continuing on the subject of our children, the Minnesota Governor had officially signed the Indian Family Preservation Act modifications with Tribal leaders on March 28, 2023 at the State Capitol.

Defending Our Sovereignty had been announced by the Chairman on Leech Lake's inherent sovereignty that relates to Enrollment Membership. The greatest piece of evidence in support is the MCT Constitution itself, Article II-Membership, Section I, (a) Basic Membership Roll states, "All persons of Minnesota Chippewa Indian Blood whose names appear on the annuity roll of April 14, 1941, prepared pursuant to the Treaty... the basic membership roll of the Tribe." Chairman Jackson had further stated, "Leech Lake had thought each Tribe should be able to decide its own enrollment criteria because we are sovereign independent Tribal governments and

the Nation's self-determination should rule here." On the same theme, it's only been 70 years, Leech Lake had finally prevailed in retaining 11,760 acres in the Chippewa National Forest. In 2023, a Technical Correction bill is being introduced at the U.S. Congress on the Leech Lake Reservation Restoration Act in 2020. The Technical Correction had identified another 4,000 plus acres of reservation land that had been illegally transferred in the 1940's and 50's.

Chairman Jackson had identified a number of key topics that included: Strengthening Our Economy by the Tribal Council raising the minimum wage to \$15 dollars per hour. Housing Needs are critical and Band members are expressing their frustration with the lack of housing. The Tribal Council will continue to work with LLHA and the elected Board's endeavors and support for more homes. Elders had inquired about the Red Cedar Assisted Living Center being re-opened. Chairman Jackson, Sr. had stated, "The significant importance for the assisted living care for Leech Lake Elders is to keep family members on their homelands so they do not have to go anywhere else for their care." Expanding Health Care Services at I.H.S. has been a continued process under direct consultation. Expanded services would include drive thru Pharmacy and orthodontist to provide braces for our children. Finally, Strengthening Care & Aftercare by Leech Lake Human Services has been establishing a Medical Assisted Detox.

Leech Lake Area Health and Wellness Center bill in the Minnesota Legislature was defeated last year. In 2023, the Tribal Council has pulled out all stops in lobbying on the \$25 million-dollar bonding bill for a new Health and Wellness Center. This bond funding would be under the Governor's bonding package of \$200 million for Minnesota projects. The youth and children of Leech Lake need a place to call there's and a place to expand their skills, be themselves, and explore their opportunities in the world.

Chii-Mi-Gwetch to the Leech Lake Employees, I want to thank our TEP for their work in the communities and assisting our Elders. Chairman Jackson, Sr. had also thanked our snow plow drivers for their hard work in dangerous conditions. I say this with great pride, we have great employees, those employees work hard, and their hard work needed to be recognized.

The new Executive Director Terri Finn had an introduction and introduced the division directors. Executive Director Finn had provided a brief overview of the administration's goals and objectives for the year.

**The Leech Lake Tribal Council has continued to knock on doors, testify, and attend meetings on various bills before the Minnesota State Legislature that include:** The Sports Betting Proposal has raged on with negotiations on a one-time \$20 million-dollar payout for the horse tracks. The base percentages have been heavily discussed on what those final numbers will be in the State of Minnesota's cut and what the 11 Tribes have to pay; The \$25 million-dollar Tribal Aid bill is moving through the legislature for the 11 Tribes; and the \$6 million-dollar Tribal College funding bill is also moving through the process.

## **MN STATE BOY'S AND GIRLS CLUB BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Leech Lake Chairman Jackson, Sr. is the Secretary Officer on the Board of Directors for the Minnesota State Boy's and Girl's Club. The board of directors has been advocating for additional dollars in increasing the budgets for the Boys and Girls Club. In the near future, we should be able make an announcement on where these proposals stand.

Safety note, please be safe and check your burn warnings before doing a control yard burn. Those pesky wood tics have become a nuisance, please check the kids and animals. Its finally warming up and the barbecuing season is on!

## **Leech Lake Twin Cities Office Tribal Identification Cards**

Thursday **May 18 2023**  
10:00am until 6:00pm

Friday **May 19 2023**  
10:00am until 4:30pm

**AT: LLTCO**  
2438 27th Ave S  
Minneapolis, MN

### **FEE:**

- ONLY FIRST TIME ID'S & EXPIRED ID'S ARE FREE
- \$15.00 (CASH / MONEY ORDER)
- Name change: Bring documents of proof
- After issued the cards will be valid for four (4) years

### **To receive a card the applicant must provide one of the following:**

- Minnesota Identification Card
- Valid Driver's License
- Social Security Card
- Certified Birth Certificate

# Secretary Treasurer Monthly Report



**SECRETARY / TREASURER  
LEONARD FINEDAY**

Governmental Activities  
Secretary/Treasurer's Summary

*Monthly Report*

Greetings and happy Spring, Leech Lake Band members! It is my honor and privilege to present the Secretary/Treasurer report to you for April 2023, including a financial report with numbers for the first and second quarters of Fiscal Year 2023, which ran from to July 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022.

## **GOVERNMENT FY23 QUARTER 2 REPORT**

For the six months ending December 31, 2022, the total revenue for the General Fund was \$15,297,008, reflecting an increase of \$4,027,852 over the same period last year, for a year over year increase of 35.7%. Total General Fund expenditures for the six months ending December 31, 2022 were \$18,833,135, reflecting a \$2,736,925 increase over the same period last year, for a year over year increase in General Fund expenditures of 17%.

For the six months ending December 31, 2022, the total revenue for the Special Revenue Fund was \$27,589,587, reflecting a decrease of \$19,172,161 over the same period last year, for a year over year decrease of 41%. Total Special Revenue Fund expenditures for the six months ending December 31, 2022 were \$48,104,460, reflecting an increase of \$358,627 over the same period last year, for a year

over year increase in Special Revenue expenditures of 0.8%. The substantial decrease in this quarter's Special Revenue report is reflective of a change our Accounting Department has made to the way they record the receipt of certain grant revenue. In the past, Accounting would only record grant revenue at the end of the year for presentation purposes, but in order to follow auditing standards, Accounting now records the grant revenue as it comes in. In this past quarter, Accounting completed journal entries for the last fiscal year, which reflects the noteworthy decrease in revenue over last year. This is a reporting issue that will correct itself as time goes on, and not an issue with the Special Revenue Fund revenue itself.

For the six months ending December 31, 2022, the total revenue for the Indirect Cost Pool was \$6,687,211, reflecting an increase of \$1,005,520, for a year over year increase of 17.7% for the same period last year. Total Indirect Cost Pool expenditures for the same period were \$7,308,031, reflecting an increase of \$681,458 over the same period last year, for a year over year increase of 10.3%.

## **GAMING FY23 QUARTER 1 REPORT**

On our enterprise side, for the six months ending December 31, 2022, which covers the first and second quarter of Fiscal Year 2023, Total Casino, Small Business and Gaming Administration revenue increased by 0.88% over the same period last year. The Total Cost of Goods increased by 22.27% over the same period last year. Total

Payroll Expense increased by 15.36% over the same period last year. Total Operating Expenses increased by 10.01% over the same period last year. The total Net Profit from Casino, Small Business and Gaming Administration for the first two quarters of Fiscal Year 2023 decreased by 50.10% over the same period last year. Despite this year over year decrease in overall profitability, our enterprises remain in a strong financial position for the long term. These short-term losses are indicative of fluctuations within the broader marketplace coming out of the COVID-19 pandemic shutdown and reopening and the resulting inflationary trends. Total revenue is up only slightly from last year, while all areas of expenses are up substantially more than revenue. From a profitability standpoint, last year was a banner year due to low costs. A year of correction to balance costs and revenue is not unexpected. However, we will continue to closely monitor our financial position, especially our expenditures, to ensure our enterprises are stable over the long term.

## **FY23 BUDGET UPDATE & FY24 BUDGET STATUS**

On January 24, 2023, the RBC adopted the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget. We approved a total direct funding budget of \$25,125,151, including \$22,961,798 in the General Fund and \$2,163,353 in the Special Revenue Fund. As of December 31, 2022, we have expended \$12,145,751 in direct funding. This means we have expended just over 48% of our direct funding budget 50% through the fiscal year. We will continue to closely monitor this spending to ensure that we remain on track to come in at or under budget.

Work is well underway for the FY 2024 Budget, which commences on July 1, 2023. Division Directors and Program Managers were scheduled to have their budget requests in by April 15, 2023, and the Budget Team met on April 26, 2023 to begin the process of balancing the budget requests with the amount of available funding. We are scheduled to again meet with the Budget Team on May 2, 2023 to continue the work of balancing the budget requests. We will then schedule community meetings and hopefully have an approved budget in place by July 1, 2023.

## **EXTERNAL AUDIT STATUS UPDATE**

As I have previously reported, we have engaged REDW as our external auditors in January. They are working diligently with our Finance and Accounting staff to get us caught up on our external audits. Our auditors were on site during the week of April 10th, 2023, and I was able to meet with them briefly on April 13th, 2023. We are on track to complete our FY 2021 audit in late spring or early summer, and then complete our FY 2022 audit on time by September 30, 2023. I will continue to monitor the progress on these audits and keep our members informed.

## **THIRD PARTY BILLING AND FOUR WALLS UPDATE**

One of the areas that has been an RBC priority surrounds the reimbursement for services we provide. This reimbursement is accomplished through billing third parties, usually the federal government, for these services. The taskforce that has been working on this issue reports that nearly all billable service programs are showing promising projections for the remainder of the year, meaning they will exceed the revenue brought in last year. While there is still room for improvement and we have a long way to go to ensure our services are sustainable, we are moving in the right direction. There are a couple programs that have not shown improvement and an action plan for those programs is being implemented. At my year end report in July, I will have a full report on the progress made this year and the plan to ensure long term sustainability for our operations.

As work continues on our billing processes, we are also advocating with the federal government to ensure that many of the programs we provide will still be allowed to bill for the services offered at the federally negotiated all inclusive rate for reimbursements. The Centers for Medicaid and CHIP Services is in the process of enforcing a policy on all IHS and tribal facilities that would severely limit our ability to collect reimbursements. This policy requires all reimbursable services to be provided within the "four walls" of a clinic facility. Any service provided outside of a designated clinic would not be eligible for reimbursement. Enforcement of this policy would

currently have a detrimental impact on the services we provide through our A&D program, behavioral health, and home health programs, and would cut our reimbursements by approximately thirty eight percent.

Recently, Leaders from Leech Lake joined leaders from other Minnesota tribes in meeting with the Deputy CMCS Administrator to push CMCS for a permanent administrative fix to this issue. We are continuing to work with other tribes and CMCS to resolve this issue in manner that will allow us to continue to provide the services we have been providing. Our position was well received and we hope to hear back from CMCS in May regarding our path forward. We will continue to keep all informed of our progress.

## **MFIPA BILL SIGNING**

On April 28, 2023, Governor Tim Walz held a ceremonial signing of the law updating the Minnesota Indian Family Preservation Act. We are grateful these revisions were adopted by the legislature and signed into law. The revisions ensure that MIFPA will stand strong for years to come as a Minnesota State Law, even as the Indian Child Welfare Act remains under attack at the federal level. We, along with other tribes and national tribal organizations are monitoring the Supreme Court and awaiting the decision in the Brackeen case, which could have a negative impact on ICWA at the federal level. But MIFPA will remain strong at the state level due to these recent changes.

## **CONCLUSION**

This concludes my monthly report for April 2023. Next month, I hope to report in more detail on the results of the legislative session in Minnesota, which is scheduled to adjourn on May 22, 2023. We are hoping for positive results on our many priorities, including law enforcement, sports betting, housing and tribal aid to name a few. I also hope to have more information to report regarding our Revised Gaming Ordinance, currently under review by the National Indian Gaming Commission.

It is an honor to serve the people of Leech Lake. If you have any questions or need any additional information, please reach out to my office. In the meantime, I hope you all get the opportunity to enjoy the spring weather! *Miigwech!*



## Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe, April Quarterly Meeting

*The Band recently held it's Quarterly Meeting April 7, this quarters meeting was held at Cedar Lakes Casino Event Center.*

By KAYLA DUOOS

CASS LAKE – The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe held their Quarterly Meeting in person Friday, April 7, at Cedar Lakes.

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

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

Last on the agenda were presentations from Division Directors in attendance on their activities over the past three months. For those who were unable to attend in person, a livestream of the event is available on the official Leech Lake Vimeo and Facebook page.

Quarterly Meetings are held every three months on a rotating schedule between each district on the reservation. The next Quarterly Meeting will be held in July 2023.

### Quarterly Report Summaries

#### Tribal Court

- 79 new cases filed in court, 323 hearings conducted this quarter.
- Staff met with several Senators throughout the past quarter regarding the Minnesota Indian Family Protection act. MIFPA was later passed and signed into law by Governor Walz on 3/16/23

#### Education

- Native American Parent Program (NAPP) is being offered to the families of LLECD in person at the Bena and Cass Lake sites.
- February was national dental month, and early childhood collaborated with IHS/Give Kids a Smile to provide each child with a bag of dental products and information on proper hygiene, checkups and treatments.
- Snap-Ed "Gardening and Community Food Sovereignty Project" will run April 2023-September 2023.

Community members will participate in planting, growing and harvesting their own crops. Participants will also engage in classes about traditional food and prep. Classes are expected to be held at 14 different sites throughout the Reservation.

#### Health

- Division will be hosting the annual Health Fair, April 25, 2023 at Cedar Lakes event center.
- Bemidji IHS Clinic will reopen in June 2023, returning after a 3 year hiatus.

#### Public Safety

- Public Safety division renewed the BIA Highway Safety Officer Grant.
- Pets for Life is currently working on collaborating with vets and their techs. Program still does transports across the state for dogs, and has begun working with a cat sanctuary. Army vets will be visiting the reservation in July for animal wellness checkups. Current

estimate for openings is around 300 pets.

- Land has been established for Veterinary clinic on reservation and funding resources are currently being identified.

#### Resource Management

- Work continues on Cass Lake Redevelopment plan.
- Collaboration work has begun with the Leech Lake Broadband team to start the environmental assessment portion of the project.
- Staff work continues on finalizing the 2023 Water Quality Standards for Tribal Council review.
- Work continues with EPA on Superfund site OU7.
- DRM met with EPA and R5 regarding OU1 and OU2 using the HSCA as an ARA in January.
- In August, Cass County excavated and moved potentially contaminated soils from the Superfund site. DRM is working with LL Legal on issuing a letter and remedial plan for Cass County. Remedial action is expected to be taken after Spring thaw.
- Leech Lake had a significant win with the MN Court of Appeals which pushed Huber to abandon plans to build near Cohasset.
- Construction to remove legacy L3 within the Leech Lake reservation is being coordinated by DRM, Enbridge, CNE, and MNDNR on a bi-weekly basis. Public outreach will occur regarding L3 removals.
- LLDRM staff is currently collaborating with other LLBO divisions to amend the Secretarial Land Transfer legislation to include an additional 4,362 acres of land in Cass County.

#### Human Services

- All transitional homes are cur-

rently filled. Ongoing case management continues with families.

- Leech Lake Behavioral Health is at caseload capacity but has stretched to continue to accept new clients when possible. A waitlist for LLBH has been started, clients are given resources to other local providers as well to check for availability.
- The Traditional Healing program continues to support families with Indigenous food boxes.
- Traditional Cultural advice/ceremonies and medicine teaching are ongoing at LLBH.
- The Cass Lake Emergency Shelter re-opened February 2023 without COVID restrictions after approval from LLBO Health Division.
- Lyman Losh Transitional Home in Bena has now opened its doors to all community members not just LLBO enrollees. This has increased numbers significantly, and shown staff that homelessness in the area is an ongoing epidemic.

#### Tribal Roads and Maintenance

- Construction surveyed the Onigum area for pedestrian walkway.

#### Housing

- Housing inspections conducted 192 unit inspections for substandard conditions in the LLHAA stock. Inspectors have been working on a renovation schedule for crews and procuring work out to subcontractors.
- The Modernization Department renovated 26 homes during the reporting period. 2 ADA ramps were installed this quarter and modernization has added 2 new crews to staff.

## LLBO Anishinabe Legal Services Awarded Grant to Assist with Funding

*Otto Bremer Trust Grant will assist the program with general operations.*

By KAYLA DUOOS

ST. PAUL – The Leech Lake Anishinabe Legal Services have been awarded \$80,000 in grant funding from Otto Bremer Trust.

Anishinabe Legal services were one of 225 grants awarded by the Otto Bremer Trust, amounting to \$17,933,712 in grants and program-related investments.

Anishinabe Legal Services funds will go to general operations to provide free civil legal services and education to low-income members of the Leech Lake, White Earth, and Red Lake Reservation communities.

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Chub Lake Boardwalk.

via CHIPPEWA NATIONAL FOREST

## LLBO Wild Rice Access Improvement Project Completed

via CHIPPEWA NATIONAL FOREST

Construction of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Wild Rice Access Improvement Project was completed in February and March 2023. The project was recommended and developed in cooperation with the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources and the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe as part of the Ottertail Powerline Hunting and Gathering Agreement 2020-2025.

The project was funded by the Ottertail Powerline Mitigation Fund and was implemented in cooperation with both the LLBO and the MN DNR. The LLBO Wild Rice Access Improvement Project is located at two different sites on the Chippewa National Forest's Deer

River Ranger District. The Pine Grove Boardwalk is located on the Bowstring River near Inger, Minnesota and the Chub Lake Boardwalk is located on Minnesota DNR lands in the Mud Goose Lake WMA. Both projects involved placing floating boardwalks across sensitive wetlands to provide safe access to important wild ricing areas. Located on user developed trails through riparian and canoe access paths, the boardwalks will mitigate impacts to sensitive wetlands from foot and ATV traffic.

Minnesota Boardwalks out of Glencoe, Minnesota constructed the boardwalks. The Pine Grove Boardwalk was completed on February 14, 2023 and the Chub Lake Boardwalk was completed on March 8, 2023

## Chippewa National Forest Tribal Fee Waiver Form in *recreation.gov*

After selecting camping dates and site in *recreation.gov*, click on **Add To Cart**; in the **Order Details** screen, select **Apply a Pass Discount**, choose **Tribal Fee Waiver** from the drop-down menu, and select **Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe (FIGURE 1)**. Then check the box acknowledging you may be asked to show your tribal membership card upon check in to prevent fraudulent use. *Recreation.gov* does not require entry of your tribal identification number. Check the box to agree with site rules and regulations. Your reservation is complete after you click on **Proceed to Cart (FIGURE 2)**. You must click on **Proceed to Cart** to complete your order and receive a confirmation number.

Figure 1:

Figure 2:

## Improved Forest Campground Reservation Process for Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Tribal Members

via CHIPPEWA NATIONAL FOREST

CASS LAKE – The Chippewa National Forest and Recreation.gov, a trip planning and reservation service portal, have improved the campground reservation process for Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe's tribal members. Tribal members can now go to [www.recreation.gov](http://www.recreation.gov), type in the campground name, look at available campsites for the preferred dates, and reserve a campsite without paying a reservation fee. The tribal fee waiver applies only to LLBO members for camping on the Chippewa National Forest. Five other National Forests in the upper Midwest also offer treaty-based tribal fee waivers.

Alternatively, tribal members may reserve through the toll-free reservation line seven days a week from 9:00 am to 11:00 pm CST. The Reservation line number is 1-888-444-6777.

The new fee waiver eliminates the need for LLBO members to submit a paper reservation form to Forest Service offices. Reserving through *recreation.gov* provides increased options through real-time site availability and results in immediate reservation confirmation.

Once a campsite has been selected on *recreation.gov*, tribal members should select "Tribal Fee Waiver", then select Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in the drop-down box. The attached guide may be a helpful reference when reserving through *recreation.gov*. To discourage fraudulent use of the tribal fee waiver, Forest Service staff may ask campers to present their tribal ID as verification.

The Chippewa National Forest has 11 campgrounds accepting reservations. There are also five campgrounds with first-come first-serve, or non-reservable, sites that are available at no charge to

LLBO members. When occupying a non-reservable site, LLBO campers should record their information on a fee envelope. Complete all fields on the envelope and tear-off tab, write LLBO member in the fee paid field, and add your tribal id number in the last box. Keep the tear off tab and deposit the envelope in the fee station receptacle.

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

Visit [https://bit.ly/LLBO\\_CNF](https://bit.ly/LLBO_CNF) to view a list of Chippewa National Forest campground opening and closing dates.



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# BUG O NAY GE SHIG



# SCHOOL NEWS

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▲ Bug O Nay Ge Shig's Kindergarten class learned about the story of Alice in Wonderland and made white rabbit masks. The Mad Hatter came and joined in. They also had an Alice in Wonderland birthday party.



▲ Bug O Nay Ge Shig Seasonal Activities classes continue to work at the Sugarbush Camp despite deep snow followed by temperatures that are not ideal for sugaring.



▲ 6<sup>th</sup> grade Bug O Nay Ge Shig students were taught about teamwork by constructing structures in groups with marshmallows and spaghetti. The highest structure at the end won!

6<sup>th</sup> Grade students made a lot of progress in reading this year. We celebrated lexile gains. Many of the students received certificates for already gaining over 100 lexile points this year!



▲ Niigaane students are working on an introduction to the Scientific Method. The goal is to make a fire, on top of the snow, using only one match. 1 out of 3 partner groups were successful!



▲ Bug O Nay Ge Shig's Student Council sponsored their first Round Dance at the school on Friday afternoon 4/7. The Round Dance included a Feast, a Hand Drum Contest, as well as a Sidestep Contest, a Potato Dance and several Spot Dances. All prize money was raised through raffles sponsored by the Student Council. The Round Dance was a success thanks to the students from two area schools and other visitors who participated.

## Bug O Nay Ge Shig School 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter A & B Honor-roll

2022-2023



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

Malachi M.  
Joelle S.  
Jordan W.

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

Aaron B.  
Juliette B.  
Alaina G.  
Cecil J.  
Waylon L.O.  
Michaelana S.F.  
Justin S.  
Leon T.  
Adrian T.  
La'Laina W.

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

Evan G.  
Peter H.  
Jazmine H.  
Robert M.  
Karley R.

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

Loralea A.  
Joseph C.  
Kylee C.  
Laura C.M.  
Cam'ron O.

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

Garan F.  
Marlo M.  
Elias M.  
Natalie S.

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

Kimmela G.  
Bryson R.  
Connor T.  
Arryelle W.  
Malayah W.

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

Ava L.

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

Violena B.  
Dakota B.  
Andy C.  
Amareah G.  
Tyren H.  
Kyler J.  
Benjamin M.  
Adrian M.

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

Joshua B.  
Derek H.K.  
Hattie K.  
LaKaylee K.  
Randall R.



# Gweyakmino Wiisinidaa!

*Let's eat the right foods!*

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



## Bison Meatballs with Pasta & Tomato Sauce

### Ingredients (\*Commodity Foods)

1 lb Bison\* (ground) ½ cup onions\* (chopped)  
1 cup Corn Flakes\* (crushed) 1/3 cup raisins\*  
2 tablespoons vegetable oil\* 1 teaspoon salt (optional)

### Pasta and Sauce

1 box Spaghetti\* 2 tablespoons vegetable oil, divided  
2, 15 ounce cans tomato sauce\* (low-sodium)  
1 teaspoon garlic powder (optional)  
1 teaspoon dried oregano (optional)  
Salt to taste (Optional)

### Meatball Directions:

Soak raisins in hot water for 10 minutes to rehydrate. Drain, then crush the raisins to form a mash. Place ground bison, onion, cornflakes, salt, and raisins in a large bowl. Mix well. Form into balls, about 1 inch in diameter. Heat vegetable oil in a pan over medium heat. Turn the heat on low. Add meatballs cooking for about 3 minutes on each side. Turn twice until evenly browned. Keep warm.

### Pasta & Sauce directions:

Heat 4 quarts of water in a large pot. Add 1 tablespoon of salt and oil. Stir to dissolve the salt. Add pasta and cook as directed on the package. Drain pasta and return to pot. Toss with 1 tablespoon oil. Pour a can of tomato sauce into the pasta. Add the garlic powder and oregano (this will add flavor). Add the meatballs and let simmer for about 5 to 10 minutes.

**Note:** You can substitute hamburger or ground turkey for bison.

### Nutrition facts

Bison meat is also richer in protein. Bison meat has higher amounts of micronutrients like vitamin B12, zinc, iron, selenium, and omega-3 fatty acids. Compared to beef, bison has less saturated fatty acids (SFA) and more polyunsaturated fatty acids (PUFA) and omega-3 fatty acids. Raisins are a good source of soluble fiber, which aids digestion and reduces stomach issues. Raisins also contain tartaric acid. This protein may have anti-inflammatory properties, improve intestinal function, and help regulate the balance of bacteria in your gut. Onions: yellow onion's nutrition is especially impressive because this type contains the most quercetin and also the most sulfur compounds. Red onions (or purple onions) are higher in other protective antioxidants (as indicated by their color). All onions are beneficial in their own ways, particularly due to their sulfur-containing compounds.

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

## June

### District III Elder Birthdays

Joseph Aitken  
Linda Aitken  
James Allen  
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Gloria Beaulieu  
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Jathon Bebeau  
Kenneth Bellanger  
Tracey Benjamin  
Timothy Boisvert  
Evelyn Brown  
Sue Brown

### From the District III Office LeRoy, Toni & Kari

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Carl Day  
Ramona Day  
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Ronald Finn  
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Kenneth Hough  
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Nanette Howard  
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Michael Johnson  
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Francis Kangas  
Matthew Kangas  
Verna King  
Carol Kingbird  
Gregory Kleebe  
Timothy Littlewolf  
Linda Losh  
Sharon Lovelace  
Nina Martin

Rhonda Michaud  
Edwin Monroe  
Tony Morris  
Janet Northbird  
Richard O'Brien  
Michael Olson  
Garr Pemberton  
Phyllis Pendleton  
Diane Pieri  
Dawn Purdy  
Sue Robinson  
Berton Rock  
Thomas Roy  
Ernest Ryan  
Paul Smith  
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Carol Staples  
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Charles G Taylor, Charles J Taylor, Daniel D Taylor, Donald Taylor, Joseph G Taylor, Phillip F Taylor, Robert D Taylor, James L Tejohn, Laurel Teal Tierney, Damian L I Thielke, Earl G Thompson, Clayton F Thompson, George E Thompson, John K (Losh) Thompson, Herbert C Thunder, Joseph M Thunder, Bob F Tibbetts, Burnham L Tibbetts, Clyde C Tibbetts, Edward Tibbetts, Elmer E Tibbetts Jr, Eugene R Tibbetts, Franklin R Tibbetts Sr, Frederick A Tibbetts, Frederick W Tibbetts, James W Tibbetts Jr, James W Tibbetts III, Jesse J Tibbetts, Kenneth D Tibbetts, Mark H Tibbetts, Marvin C Tibbetts, Raymond E Tibbetts, Robert R Tibbetts, Rockne A Tibbetts, Rosco G Tibbetts, Sewell S Tibbetts, Steven B Tibbetts, Wallace Tibbetts, Warren B Tibbetts, Benjamin Tonce, Kenneth L Turney, Leroy T Turney, Marvin J Turney, Ronald Turney, Russell J Turney, Ricardo A Valtierra, Ronald L Valiant, James K Van Nett, Vernon H Van Nett, Robert Van Pelt, Annette Fairbanks Vaughan, Jessie B Vernwald, Jessie B Vezina, 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White, Richard B White, Robert D White, Sam L White, Shannon D White, Simon A White Sr, Steven White, Terrance R White, Vivian S White, Walter P White, William W White, Donald L Whitebird, Donnell M Whitebird, Edmund Whitebird, Elmer G Whitebird, Eugene D Whitebird, Everett Whitebird, Francis Whitebird, George G Whitebird, James R Whitebird, Joseph C Whitebird, Leroy J Whitebird Sr, Lyman E Whitebird, Sidney G Whitebird, Alfred Whitecloud, Robert W Whitefeather, Spencer G Whitefeather, Charles Whipple, Frederick B Whipple, George Whipple Jr, George Whipple, John H Whipple, Robert D Whipple, William W Whipple, Charles Wilkins Sr, Allen J Wilson Jr, Allen J Wilson Sr, Burnham J Wilson, Burton C Wilson, Edwin L Wilson, George Wilson, James E Wilson, James E Wilson Jr, Jeffery A Wilson, John Wilson, Louis E Wilson, Thomas Wilson, Thomas E Wilson, Thomas R Wilson, Alvin J Wind, Cecil D Wind, Charley A Wind, George F Wind, Francis D Wind, John J Wind, Joshua E Wind, Matthew M Wing, William W Windom, Dean E Wittner, Dexter E Wittner, Ruth A M Wittner, Amos Woods, Donald J Wright, Donald R Wright Jr, Donald R Wright Sr, Earl Wright, Earl E Wright, Terrance J Young.

The above veterans are Leech Tribal members and their descendants and any Native American and their descendants who have lived or worked on the Leech Lake Reservation who have served in the military from the civil war to present. If your name or a name of a loved one who has served or is serving in the military does not appear on this list, we apologize for the oversight. Please contact Frank Reese at **218-335-3626** and your/their name will be added to this list and to the Wall of Warriors located at the entry of the Leech Lake Veteran's Memorial Pow wow Grounds. Please contact Frank and leave a message and phone number if he is not available to take your call.

*Thank you, miigwech.*



# Obituaries

## Devin Villebrun Sr.



Devin Mitchell Villebrun Sr., age 30, of the Bear Clan and of Cass Lake, MN, unexpectedly journeyed to the spirit world on April 9, 2023, at IHS in Cass Lake. Devin was born on June 7, 1992, in Bemidji, MN the son of Donald Villebrun Sr., and Patricia Wilson. Devin graduated from Orr High School in 2011 and attended Leech Lake Tribal College for a while. He worked for Cedar Lakes, Teals, and Fortune Bay before the job he was most proud of, being a stay-at-home dad. He loved spending time with his children and was always smiling. Devin enjoyed playing basketball and teaching Anna how to play, playing video games, VR games, and watching sports on TV. He was like his mom, talked to everyone, visited with his buddies and family. Devin loved music, snacking, fishing, and jumping off Mission Bridge. He was always ready to listen and offer his guidance. He had the utmost respect for his elders and his family. Although he didn't have wheels, he always got where he was going. Devin always said, "I love you" and will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Devin is survived by his mom, Patricia Wilson; dad, Donald (Tina) Villebrun Sr.; sons, Aiden Boblink, Devin Villebrun, Jr.; daughters, Annaleigh Villebrun, Alani Villebrun; brothers, Donovan (Jen) Willebrun, Matthew (Leann) Villebrun, Nathan Villebrun, Freeman Rock II, Gabriel Rock, Donald Villebrun Jr., Marshall (Matiya) Villebrun, Alex Kingbird, Devin Kingbird, Aiden Kingbird; sisters, Linzie Villebrun, Donelle Villebrun, Alexis Villebrun, Tiandra (Jimmy) Geyshick, Tehya (Saul) Geyshick, Kylie (Chad) Lindgren, Jamie (Jordan) Baird; uncles, Timmy Jordan, James (Ashley) Brown Sr., Joel Ortley, Frank Villebrun Jr., Joe (Connie) Wilson Sr.; aunts, Eva (Bryan) Wilson, Sharon (Terry) Johnson, Melissa (Tim) Wilson, Lynette (Zac) Villebrun, Leighann Villebrun, Rhonda Burcher, Michelle Gutierrez, Lori Littlewolf; Goddaughter, Casidee Pacheco; nieces, Lilith,

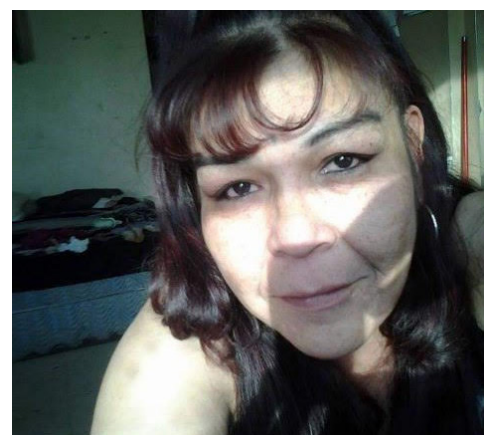
Ella, Kyloni, Kal'leigh; nephew, Landon; special friend, Jerrica Hardy-Morris; numerous other relatives, and many friends.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Gary and Shirley Wilson, Frank and Viola Villebrun; uncles, Brian Wilson, Sonny, Booty, Maynard, Sheldon, Bob, Skimmer, Kippy; aunts, Joanne Ortley, Mona Villebrun; stepdad, Kevin Kingbird; niece, Vina Rose Brown; nephew, Mason Budreau; cousin, Jolene Wilson; and special brother, Jordan Smith.

A two-night wake for Devon will begin on Thursday, April 13th, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. and continue until his service Saturday, April 15, 2023, at 1:00 p.m., all to be held at the Mission Community Center in Mission, MN. Father Bill Butcher and Lenny Fineday will officiate. Devin's pallbearers are Donovan Villebrun, Matthew Villebrun, Marshall Villebrun, Nick Villebrun, Little Don Villebrun Jr., Javan Villebrun, Derrick "Tiny" Morrison, Isaiah Smith, Antonio Ducheneaux, and Jared Allen. Honorary Pallbearers are Jim Brown Sr., James Brown Jr., Jordan Thompson, Tristan Villebrun, Gage Headbird, Joel Ortley, Joe Wilson Sr., Jaycen Goggeye, Cody White, Kent Villebrun, Quinton Howard, and Cedric Villebrun. Interment will be in the Prince of Peace Cemetery, Cass Lake, MN.

Devin'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).

## Ruth Wind



Ruth Arlene Wind ("Thunder Woman," Animikiikaakwe), age 58 of Minneapolis, MN, Journeyed to the Spirit World on Monday, April 24th, 2023 at the Red Lake Hospital with family at her side. She was born on February 2, 1965 in Minneapolis, MN, to Philomene "Mousey" Armstrong and John Wind Sr.

Ruth loved being around family and friends as much as possible. She also loved going to the casino, watching her TV shows and coloring. Growing up, Ruth enjoyed soft-

ball and being with friends. She went to school at Center School, Minneapolis, MN, and lived in many places, including Minneapolis, Red Lake, and Cass Lake.

Ruth was a kind and caring Daughter, Sister, Friend, Mom and Grandma. She wanted nothing more than to spend time with family and friends. Ruth cherished every person in her life and every amazing adventure she experienced.

Ruth was preceded in death by children Crystal Stand, Bruce Armstrong and Rachel Armstrong; sister Sheryl Hill, parents John Wind Sr. and Philomene "Mousey" Armstrong; grandparents Carl Wind, Josephine Rogers, Dan Raincloud Sr and Fannie Robertson.

She is survived by children Danielle Stand, Leeann Armstrong, Shayla Wind and Tyannah Wind; 18 Grandchildren; 1 Great Grandson Grayson Bruce Wahpepah; brothers John Wind Jr, Charlie Wind, Reggie Wind, Ivan Wind and Fabian Wind; sisters Marilyn Wind and Diane Fineday; Step Mom Carol Charnoski.

The wake will begin at 6:00 PM on Wednesday, April 26, 2023 at Mission Community Center and continue until the 10:00 AM service on Friday, April 28, 2023 at Mission Community Center with Spiritual Leader Melvin Goodman. Active Casketbearers will be Deon Wahpepah, Daniel Wahpepah Jr, Charles Wind, Donovan Wind, John Wind Jr, Fabian Wind, Reggie Wind, and Michael Stone Jr. Honorary Casketbearers will be Irene Weiss, Marilyn Robertson, Rae Ravensborg, Karyn Wind, Anna Wind, Marilyn Westbrook, Sharon Finn, and all her many friends and family. Burial will be at Porcupine Lane Cemetery in Mission.

Arrangements provided by Whispering Pines Funeral & Cremation Service of Walker & Hackensack, MN ([whisperingpinesnorth.com](http://whisperingpinesnorth.com)).

## Carolyn White



Carolyn Louise White, age 69 Journeyed to the Spirit World on Saturday, April 1, 2023 at her home in Brooklyn Park, Minnesota. She was born on August 5, 1953 in Cass Lake, Minnesota the daughter of Benjamin White Sr. and Marie Howard.

She liked going to Thrift Stores, her favorite show was Law and Order. Before losing her eyesight, she enjoyed going to the casino, playing her favorite game Keno. She liked teasing people about getting her Whiskey and enjoying going to Perkins, which was her favorite

restaurant. Carolyn loved all her grandchildren and great grandchildren

Carolyn is survived by her sons: Dale White Sr., David White Sr., and Dakota Bluebird; daughters: Carla Marcil and Misty Laureano; sisters: Cheryl White and Eraine Benoit; 21 grandchildren; 8 great grandchildren; many other loving relatives and friends.

Preceded in death by her father: Benjamin White Sr.; mother: Marie Howard; brothers: Benjamin White Jr., and Gerald White; sister: Lori White.

An all-night visitation will be held on Tuesday, April 11, 2023 beginning at 4:00 P.M. at the Cass Lake Veterans Building in Cass Lake, Minnesota.

A funeral service will be held on Wednesday, April 12, 2023 at 11:00 A.M. at the Cass Lake Veterans Building in Cass Lake, Minnesota.

Interment will be held at the Fineday cemetery in Pennington, Minnesota.

The Chilson Funeral Home assisted the family with funeral arrangements. On-line condolences can be directed to [www.thechilsonfuneralhome.com](http://www.thechilsonfuneralhome.com).

## Cicely Smart-Dick



Cicely Smart-Dick entered God's kingdom on April 15, 2023, at the age of 68. Cicely was born on August 24, 1954, and lived a vibrant and fulfilling life that touched the hearts of many.

Cicely was a free-spirited and glamorous woman who lived her life with joy and enthusiasm. She had a love for 1950s music, which she enjoyed dancing and listening to. Her caring and loving nature were traits that she shared with everyone around her, and she was a source of comfort and support to those in need.

She had the personality and natural charisma to make friends no matter the situation, and her laugh was infectious to everyone around her.

Cicely was preceded in death by her parents, Sam Smart and Grace Larsen (Bongo), her siblings Lois Smart (Mustache), Linda Smart, and Michael Bongo, and her husband Gary Abel.

She is survived by her brothers Keith Beechtree and Dale Smolinski, her sons Ira Smart and William Dick, her daughters, Rita Dick and Nakia Tellinghuisen, and her 10 grandchildren who she adored: Tawney, Aaron, Joe, Clement, Julie, William, Logan, Willow, Meadow, and Hunter, as well as her

great grandchild Dakota.

Cicely's legacy will live on through the memories she created with those she touched. She was a beautiful soul, full of warmth, kindness, and grace. She was a devoted mother and grandmother, and her love for her family was evident in all that she did. Cicely was also a friend to many, her joyful spirit will be missed by all who knew her.

A private service will be held to honor Cicely's life and legacy. The service will take place at 1:00 pm, Monday, April 24, 2023 at the Cease Family Funeral Home in Bemidji. A wake will be held from 3:00 pm – 7:00 pm, Sunday, April 23, 2023 at the Cease Family Funeral Home in Bemidji. Interment will be at the Moose Lake Township Cemetery in Pennington, MN.

## Isabelle Charwood Endasobaakaakonigekwe



Endasobakaakonigekwe gii-zhaaganaashi-winiikaazo Isabelle Mary (Howard) Charwood. Ogii-wiinigowaan niizh mediwijig gaa-daawaad Chi-aachaabaaning oodenang miinawaa gii-chiikendam ji-dazhimaad gaa-wiinigowaad. Endazhi-ganawenimaawaad Ininaatig Aakoziwigamigong gii-maajaa gii-ayaad imaa, Onaabinigiizis niizhtana ashi niyogonagizid, niizhing midaaswaak ashi niizhtana ashi niso-biboonaagak.

Endasobaakaakonigekwe ogii-nitaawigi'igowaan Ernestan miinawaa Rose an Howard Sr., iwapii gii-iskigamizige-giizis midaaswi ashi zhaangasogonagizid midaaswaak ashi zhaangaswaak ashi niimidana ashi ingodwaaso-biboonaagak imaa Waawaashkeshiwi-zaaga'iganiing, naawayi'i Anishinaabewaking. Gii-ombigi imaa Gaa-zagaskwaajimekaag Ishkoniganing, mii gaye gii-apiitenimod gii-ozhibii'igaazod imaa Gaa-waabaabiganikaag Ishkoniganing; gii-onjinoonde-niishtanawewaad netaa-ojibwemojig eta go megwaa gii-ayaawaad nawaj igo midaaching midaaswaak ashi nishwaaching midaaswaak gaa-ozhibii'igaazowaad iwapii niizhing midaaswaak ashi nishwasobiboonaagak gii-babaa-asigimigaazowaad wejibwemojig omaa naawayi'i Anishinaabewaking.

Ogii-nagishkawaan Walteran (Wallyan) Charwood Jr. Endasobaakaakonigekwe, gii-oshkii-ayaawid mii gaye gii-oniijaanisiwaad niizh abinoojiyag Giniwmiigwan Kevin Charwood miinawaa Ginagijiin Tickley

Bernard Charwood gii-wiiji-ayaawaad onaabeman. Gii-maajaa Wally gii-aapiichishing oodaabaaning, mii dash baanimaa iwapii gii-nagishkawaad Benjamin (Bunky) Fairbanks, mii dash gii-nitaawigi'aawaad Waabishkimiigwanan (Shirleyan) miinawaa Scottan Fairbanks Sr. Endaso-baakaakonigekwe gii-gichi-gete-anishinaabekewewi gii-izhicheged gakina gegoo agwajiing gii-aandakiiwang endasobiboon. Mii gii-mazinaatesa'igaazowaad wiin miinawaa gaa-wiiji'ayaawaad ji-waabanda'iwewaad ezhi-manoominikewaad ingiweg Anishinaabeg imaa Chi-aachaabaaniziibiing. Endasobaakaakonigekwe gii-nitaamaziniiwigwaasike, jiimaaniked, anooji wiigwaasonaaganiked gaye weweni ji-bami'idozod. Gii-onizhishinooon gaa-ozhiitood. Gii-paataniinowag miziwekamig aanikoominodewiwan miinawaa mayeshkwadonogejig gaa-apiitendamowaad gaa-ozhiitood.

Gegapii ogii-nagishkawaan gaa-gichi-zaagi'aad Davean Volkmann. Miziwekamig gii-pabaa-ayaawag minobimaadiziwaad biinish gii-maajaad Dave niizhing midaaswaak ashi midaaswi ashi ningodwaasobiboonaagak.

Iniwen waa-nagishkawigowaad imaa gaa-gige-minawaanogizing mii izhinikaazowaad ogosisiman Kevinan Charwood miinawaa Scottan Lee Fairbanks Sr., owiidagamaaganiman Davean Volkman miish miinawaa oniigi'igoog Ernestan dash Rosean Howard Sr., naa gaye nenoondiwisijig (biibiins George), Donna, Loretta, Ernest Junior, Nellie, Eddie, Evelyn, Thomas, Pauline, and Rose.

Ingiweg nenoondiwisijig giwii-gichimiigwechiwi'igowaag gakina giinawaa gaa-naadamaweg Endasobaakaakonigekwe gii-izhi-aandakiid: shke naa ge wiijimidewiwag Giniwgiizhig idash Aanimikii Giizhigadoon, nayenzh ogii-wiidookaagowaan gii-gagwaadagitood obimaadiziwinig. Medewijig Zoongikamig miinawaa Zhaawanong Binesikwe wii-maajaa-iwegawag memindage gaye odinawemaagan Dorothy Robinson. Gaye odoozhiman eshpabid Michael Fairbanks.

Ogii-bagosenimaan gakina awiyan Endasobaakaakonigekwe endasogiizhig ji ojibwemonid.

Isabelle Mary (Howard) Charwood, Endasobaakaakonigekwe, Woman Who Opens Many Doors was Isabelle Mary (Howard) Charwood's spirit's name she was named by a midewin couple who lived in her village of Bowstring and was very glad to tell you the story of her namesakes. She passed away at the Maplewood Hospice Care Center on March 24 2023.

Isabelle was born to Ernest & Rose Howard Sr. 04/19/1946 in Deer River, Minnesota. She grew up on the Leech Lake Nation and was a proud member of the White Earth Nation just as her mother Rose was. (Rose was a removal from Leech Lake to White Earth this happened to many Anishinaabe during that time without their consent to the US government) Isabelle was probably one of the last original born fluent speakers from the White Earth Nation; as there were fewer than 20 fluent speakers out of over 18,000+ band members at that time in 2008 when she participated in a survey which was counting Ojibwe fluency in Minnesota.

Isabelle met Walter (Wally) Charwood Jr. in her early years and had two children with him,

Giniwmiigwan, Golden Eagle Feather Kevin Charwood and Ginagijiin Tickley Bernard Charwood. Wally passed away in a car accident than a few years on she met Benjamin (Bunky) Fairbanks and they had WaabishkiMiigwan (Shirley) & Scott Fairbanks Sr. Isabelle was very traditional Ojibwe woman who practiced all of the seasonal traditions. She and some of her family were interviewed and featured for a documentary on Ojibwe Ricing and harvesting right on the Bowstring River. Isabelle was a birch bark artist who made birch bark canoes and every type of birch bark baskets for a living. Her work was beautiful and admired by many companies and buyers from around the world.

Later on in life she finally met the love of her life Dave Volkmann they spent their years traveling the world and enjoying life until Dave passed in 2016.

Those who are there welcoming Belle into the Happy Hunting Grounds are her beloved sons Kevin Charwood & Scott Lee Fairbanks Sr., and her spouse Dave Volkmann along with her parents: Ernest & Rose Howard Sr. siblings ( baby George) , Donna, Loretta, Ernest Junior, Nellie, Eddie, Evelyn, Thomas, Pauline, and Rose.

The family would like to give a huge thank you to everyone who helped Isabelle in her journey: her lodge brother Giniwgiizhig, and Aanimikii Giizhigadoon, both helped her through hard times in her life. Traditional Ojibwe services by medicine man Allen Hardy & lodge sister Patty Graves and special niece Dorothy Robinson. Also the family would like to thank Chairman Michael Fairbanks- her nephew.

Endasobaakaakonigekwe wanted us to speak Ojibwe every day.

(Isabelle loved family, children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren & nieces and nephews she leaves behind very much and wanted everyone to know that before she passed in hospice care).

## Geraldine Gale



Geraldine Mae Gale, age 81, of the Eagle Clan and Longville, MN, journeyed to the spirit world on Wednesday, April 12, 2023, from the Sanford Medical Center in Bemidji, MN. She was born March 13, 1942, in Cass Lake, MN, the daughter of Jerome and Daisy (Allen) Johnson.

Geraldine grew up and attended school in Longville. She was a lifelong Elvis Presley fan.

She enjoyed listening to country western music, cheering on Jimmy Johnson in NASCAR, playing cribbage, Yahtzee, shopping, doing word searches, and jigsaw puzzles. Geraldine always talked about and treated her pets like they were her babies. She liked to get all dolled up to go out. She liked going to the casino and gambling. Geraldine made the best baked beans and loved having big family gatherings where they shared a meal together. Geraldine was proudly employed by Northern Lights Casino for 25 years where she worked as a Vault Cashier and Audit Clerk.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Jerome and Daisy; sons, Justin Johnson and Alvin Gale; brother, Bruce Johnson; nephews, Jerome Johnson, Sr., Rodney Johnson, Sr., and Bruce Anoka; grandparents, Martin and Grace Allen.

Geraldine is survived by her sons, Darrell (Missy) Johnson, Ronald (Roxanne) Johnson; special daughter-in-law, Sue Dahlberg; brothers, Dave Johnson, Sr., Richard C. Johnson, Robert G. Johnson, Sr.; sisters, Marlene Mitchell, Lorraine Johnson; 8 grandchildren, Cicily, Louis, Darrel Jr., Matthew, Tasheena, Tracie, Donovan, Richard; 23 great-grandchildren; special nieces, Melissa LaRose, Marcy Whitebird, and Lucy Bagley; other relatives and many friends.

An overnight wake for Geraldine will start on Monday, April 17, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. and continue until her Tuesday, April 18, 2023, 10:00a.m. service, all to be held at the Onigum Community Center in Onigum, MN. Geraldine's Spiritual Advisor is Allen Hardy. Those helping to lay Geraldine to rest are Matt LaRoque, Steve Johnson, Devin Johnson, Rydell Wheeler, Rodger Johnson, Rodney Johnson, James Johnson, and Amare Whitebird. Honorary Pallbearers are Richard Reese, Bill Brown, Darrel Johnson, Jr., Johnathan Johnson, Jerome Johnson, Jr., Aaron Jackson, Ken Whitebird, Jr. Interment will be in the Old Agency Catholic Cemetery in Old Agency, MN.

Geraldine'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).

## Henry "Hank" Wakanabo III

Henry Joseph "Hank" Wakanabo III, "Gaa Hbidikwed" meaning "The One Who Rumbled Deeply", age 66, of the Bear Clan and Inger, MN, journeyed to the spirit world on Monday, April 3, 2023, at Essentia Health in Fargo, ND. He was born on January 15, 1957, in Cass Lake, MN, the son of Thea (Ogema) and Henry John Wakanabo, Jr.

Hank grew up in the Inger area and graduated from Deer River High School. Hank was able to enjoy a special road trip to California with his brother, Gordy, otherwise he only travelled between Inger and Cass Lake. He had a great sense of humor and was always picking on his grandkids. He loved spending time with his grandchildren, playing slots at the casino, ...and Holidays with the entire family at Mary Rushman's. Hank liked watching baseball on tv and reading a good book before bed. Before...



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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 the Matter of the Guardianship of: K.A.T., Child, DOB: 02/12/2007. Derrick Therriault, Petitioner, And Jamie Peterson & Zachary Therriault, Respondents,

Case No. FA-21-107

#### NOTICE

OF LEGAL PUBLICATION NOTICE OF HEARING YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that on August 12th, 2021, **a Petition for Appointment of Guardian (Minor) was filed with the Leech Lake Tribal Court** regarding the child(ren) of the above-named parents. You, the respondent herein, are hereby notified that you must appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on May 24th, 2023 at 1:30 p.m., the date of the Permanency Hearing scheduled in Leech Lake Tribal Court, Tribal Justice Center, Cass Lake, Minnesota. Failure to appear at the above date and time may result in the relief requested in the Petition, and any other relief may be granted as prayed for by the petitioner.

You are served with this notice via legal publication in the DeBahJiMon in two consecutive issues (Leech Lake Judicial Code, title 2, Part II, Rule 5, Section C(5)) because you are a party to this proceeding or you are a person whose presence is important to a determination concerning your child.

## LEGAL NOTICE

### Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In Re: Estate of: Leonard Bruce Parks Sr., DOB:

08/28/1967, Decedent.

Court File No. CV-22-25

#### NOTICE

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND CREDITORS IT IS ORDERED AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above-named decedent, Leonard Bruce Parks Sr., died December 30, 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 9th, day of June, 2022 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 Madeline Dorothy Parks, surviving spouse of the decedent.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that at the Initial Probate Hearing held on June 9, 2022, in Leech Lake Tribal Court, Madeline D. Parks, 1144 Porcupine Rd. SE Cass Lake, MN 56633, was appointed to act as Personal Representative of the Estate of Leonard Bruce Parks Sr., decedent.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that all creditors having a claim against the estate are required to present the same to the Personal Representative or 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: Casey Jean Richards (Jones), DOB: 10/12/2002, Decedent.

Court File No. CV-22-135

#### NOTICE

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND CREDITORS IT IS ORDERED AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above-named decedent, Casey Jean Richards, died August 13, 2022. **A hearing was held before the Honorable Rebecca McConkey-Greene, Associate 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 1st day of December, 2022 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 Robert Jones Sr., surviving father of the decedent.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that at the Initial Probate Hearing held on December 1, 2022, in Leech Lake Tribal Court, Robert Jones Sr., PO Box 367 Cass Lake, MN 56633 was appointed to act as Personal Representative of the Estate of Casey Jean Richards, 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: Patricia Lynn Wade, DOB: 08/27/1967, Decedent.

Court File No. CV-22-154

#### NOTICE

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND CREDITORS IT IS ORDERED AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above-named decedent, Patricia Lynn Wade, died July 3, 2022. **A hearing was held before the Honorable Rebecca McConkey-Greene, Associate Judge of the above-named Tribal Court** located in the Leech Lake Tribal Justice Center, 200 Sailstar Drive NW, in Cass Lake, Minnesota on the 25th, day of January 2023 at 10:30 a.m., upon the filing of a Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy, Determination of Heirs and Formal Appointment of Personal Representative by Bryan Finn, surviving significant other of the decedent.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that at the Initial Probate Hearing held on January 25, 2023, in Leech Lake Tribal Court, Bryan Finn., PO Box 62 Bena, MN 56626 was appointed to act as Personal Representative of the Estate of Patricia Lynn Wade, 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: Dominic L. Meeshenow and Alyssa N. Beaulieu, Parents

Court File No. CP-23-02

#### NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that an Emergency Child Protection Petition, Motion for Immediate Custody and Affidavit in Support have been filed in the Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the child(ren) of the above-named parents. **An admit/deny hearing has been scheduled** for March 23, 2023 at 9:30 am 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 adjudicate the children as in need of protection by default.

## LEGAL NOTICE

### Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Child(ren) of: Tiana L. Sumner and Jimmie D. Harrison, Parents

Court File No. CP-23-08

#### NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that an Emergency Child Protection Petition, Motion for Immediate Custody and Affidavit in Support have been filed in the Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the child(ren) of the above-named parents. **An admit/deny hearing has been scheduled** for April 3, 2023 at 11:30 am 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 adjudicate the children as in need of protection by default.

## LEGAL NOTICE

### Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe, Plaintiff, vs. Francis D. Ortega, Defendant.

Case No. TR-23-05

#### SUMMONS

AND COMPLAINT TO: Francisco D. Ortega, 171 Ryans Cir NE Bena, MN 56626 **YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to appear before the Judge of this Court for an Initial Hearing** on May 2nd, 2023 at 9:00am in the Tribal Courtroom located at the Tribal Justice Center, 200 Sailstar Drive, in Cass Lake, Minnesota, then and there to answer to and defend against the Complaint in Traffic Violation attached hereto and filed with the undersigned attorney for the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe.

NOTICE: You must pay the fine for this offense or appear at the above time and place for the hearing. If you fail to appear, you will be found guilty by default and charged additional Court processing fees. Failing to pay your financial obligations can result in additional contempt penalties being imposed against you, including garnishment of wages, impoundment of your license plates and suspension of your driver's license.

Payment plans and community service options are also available at Court Administration.

Obituaries Continued.



...Hank's amputation, he was always out walking around, as he loved to go for a walk. He was a rabbit snarer, deer hunter, ricker, and a bough picking/slayer. He had fun playing softball in a "beer league". Henry was a shy guy and kept close to family. He made the best "Hangover Soup" and was known for it. He was a very kind and genuine man and would go out of his way to help others. He will be greatly missed by all who were lucky enough to know and love him.

Those welcoming Hank to the spirit world are his parents, Thea and Henry, Jr.; brothers, Roger, Joseph, and Richard Wakonabo; sister, Sharon Wakonabo; and nephew, Shawn Guinn.

Hank leaves behind his Ex-wife, Mary Rushman; sons, Henry Jordan (Lisa) Wakonabo IV, Roger Wakonabo; daughters, Rose Rushman, Marilyn (Allison) Wakonabo, Grace (Justin) Wakonabo, Jamie Wakonabo, Candace (Landon) Wakonabo, Lorena Wakonabo; brothers, Gordon (Tess) and Jerome Wakonabo; sisters, Roberta Wakonabo, Janice (Simon) Garbow; special granddaughters, Tasheen (Peter) Richardson, Malia Robinson; special grandson, Tyrell Wakonabo; 43 grandchildren with 2 on the way; and 8 great-grandchildren.

An overnight wake for Hank will begin Saturday, April 8, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. and continue until his Sunday, April 9, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. service, all to be held at the Inger Community Center in Inger, MN. Adrian Liberty is Hank's Spiritual Advisor. Those helping to lay Hank to rest are Derrick Cloud, Marvin Bowstring, Joseph Guinn, Francis Guinn, Brian Wakonabo, and Darrin "DJ" Wakonabo. Alternates will be Simon Crum-Garbow, Johnathan Putski-Wakonabo, Valarian Kingbird, and Jim Bowstring. Honorary pallbearers are all Henry's grandchildren, nieces, and nephews. Interment will be in the Inger Cemetery in Inger, MN following services.

Hank'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).

## Jason Swan



Jason Wayne Swan, age 47, unexpectedly passed away with family by his side on Sunday, April 16, 2023, in Cass Lake, MN. He was born in Minneapolis, MN on December 14, 1975, the son of Vicki Swan and Clifford Howard, Jr. Jason's nickname was "Little Sister," and his brother was referred to as "Big Sister".

Jason was a hard worker who loved to keep busy. He stayed busy all of the time until his health started to fail him, then he still did what he could. He was quick to laugh and tease. Jason loved cookouts, he was known for being the grill master, making sure the meat was done to perfection. He continued to supervise that position of grill master after he could no longer do it himself. He was a handy man who could fix anything, and was good at anything he put his mind to. Jason was always helping family out. He truly was a family man. In his youth he was a Golden Gloves boxer, winning numerous trophies, he played baseball and enjoyed getting into mischief. He was a self-taught guitarist. Jason's favorite music to listen to was heavy metal.

Jason met the love of his life, Coree, and they created a life together since March 4, 1994. They were officially married in Cass Lake on January 2, 2015, but often forgot which anniversary they were celebrating because they always knew 1994 as their start time.

Jason is survived by his wife, Coree; sons, Corey (Mariah) Drouillard, Ervin (Autumn) Swan; daughters, Jaylynn, Leighanne, and his mini me, Jasmine Swan; 5 grandchildren, Landon, Talon, Luella, Sora, and Jordan; mom, Vicki Swan; brothers, Jeremy (Darci) Swan, Sr., Dale Fairbanks; sisters, Judi Swan, Lynn Morgan, Elise, Willow, and Amelia Howard, and Kate

Whitebird; aunts, Bev Swan, Vikki Howard, Patricia Strom; uncle, Mike Swan; special cat, Milo; numerous nieces and nephews.

Family Jason is reunited with are father, Clifford Howard, Jr.; grandparents, Maynard Swan, Cleo Armstrong, Shirley Scuby, and Clifford Howard, Sr.; uncle, Wayne Howard; and nephew, Brandon Morgan, Jr.

An overnight wake for Jason will begin Friday, April 21, 2023, at 4:00 p.m. and continue until his Saturday, April 22, 2023 1:00 p.m. service, all to be held at the White Earth Family Office in Cass Lake, MN. Jason's pallbearers are Felix Briseno, Richard Laroque, Loyd Fowler, Dale Fairbanks, Mario Reyes, and Robert "Robbie" Budreau, Jr. Jason's honorary pallbearers are all his nieces, nephews, and grandchildren. Inurnment will follow services and Jason's final resting place will be at home with family.

Jason'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).

## John Rock Sr.

Reverend John Sloane Rock, Sr., his Native name- "Mii Zhe' Kwad" meaning "Ray of Sunshine Through a Cloud", age 84 of the Wolf Clan and Bemidji, MN, called home to his Lord and Savior on Saturday, October 8, 2022, from Sanford Hospital, in Bemidji, MN. He was born in Cass Lake, MN on April 23, 1938, the son of Anna (White) and Reverend Rueben Rock, Sr. He was the second to the oldest of seven children.

John served his country by joining the Navy as a Gunner's Mate. A Gunner's Mate is responsible for all gunnery equipment. He later joined the Army where he completed two tours in the Vietnam War in 1968 TET Offensive and again 1969 after the TET Offensive as a Combat Engineer. John dedicated 22 years in the United States Military. He traveled abroad and throughout the States. While stationed in Furth, Germany he met and married Hanna Fimble in 1966.

After his retirement from the U.S. Military, he went to Culinary School and graduated as a Chef. He was employed with the U.S. Government Indian Hospital in Eagle Butte, South Dakota. He later transferred to Cass Lake Indian Hospital, where he retired.

John then followed in his father's footsteps and studied to become a Deacon of the Episcopal Church in 2005. As he continued his studies, he was later ordained to the Priesthood in 2007. He served the White Earth and Leech Lake communities in the Department of Indian Work, Episcopal Church in MN.



John in his earlier years was heavily involved in Golden Gloves Boxing in Ponsford. He enjoyed playing and watching sports, especially soccer and football. He enjoyed spending time with family, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, which he always referred to as the "Greats". John loved life and dedicated his life to serving. He made many friends and will be dearly missed by all who knew him.

Those left behind to cherish the loving memory of Reverend John Rock, Sr. are his sons, John (Brenda) Rock, Jr. of Bemidji, MN and Dr. Patrick (Rita) Rock of Maple Grove, MN; daughter, Monica (Dean) Hooker of Laporte, MN; sisters Stella Rock, St. Paul, MN and Anna (Tom) Magoris, Park Rapids, MN; 9 grandchildren, Royal, Roslyn, Raven, Rozene, Ella, Cedric, Cassandra, Nicole, and Gabrielle; 13 great-grandchildren; close friends, Jackie Bernacci and Mark Olson; and numerous other members and friends.

John is reunited with his late wife of 52 years, Hanna and his parents, Anna and Reverend Rueben Rock, Sr. His mother and father-in-law, Fritz and Frieda Fimble, an infant baby boy; grandsons, Joshua and Zachariah; granddaughter, Willow; brothers, Sam, Reuben Jr. and Melvin; sister, Mary Favorite; and numerous family members and friends.

A memorial service for John will be held Saturday, April 22, 2023, at 11:00 a.m. with a one-hour visitation prior, all to be held at St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church in Bemidji, MN. Pastor Mark Olson, Father Matthew Cobb, and Reverend Jackie Bernacchi will be officiating. Urn bearer will be Royal Rock. His honorary urn bearers are all his family and friends. Inurnment will be at a later date in Minnesota State Veteran's Cemetery in Little Falls, MN. Military Honors for John will be accorded at time of inurnment.

Reverend John Rock'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).

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Tesoro Station

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The current Minnesota State Flag.

via MN.GOV

## With Tribal Input, MN Looks to Change the State Flag

By KAYLA DUOOS

ST. PAUL – The State of Minnesota is looking at redesigning the State Flag with Tribal help.

House File 274 which recently advanced within the House asks for the implementation of “State Emblems Redesign Commission” which would create and recommend new designs for the official state flag to the legislature and governor. The commission, if formed, would have 16 members from the state’s Tribes and other groups.

The push for a new design dates back to many believing the current flag / seal doesn’t represent the State and features callbacks to racial prejudice against Indigenous peoples. Mary. Kunesh-Podein (Standing Rock-Sioux), the bill’s author, said the state seal which sits center on the flag depicts a white settler taking possession of the land while a Native American

rides on a horse in the background.

“We are supposed to be proud of our state symbol, and it’s hard to be proud of a seal that seems to say our Indigenous people are not wanted in their own state,” Kunesh-Podein said.

The present state flag was adopted by the 1957 legislature. The flag is royal blue with a gold fringe. Pictured in the center of the flag is the state seal. Three dates are woven into a wreath of the state flower: 1858, the statehood year; 1819, the year Fort Snelling was established; and 1893, the year the original flag was adopted. Nineteen stars ring the wreath, symbolizing the fact that Minnesota was the 19<sup>th</sup> state to enter the Union after the original 13. The largest star represents the North Star and Minnesota.

This bill continues to move through senate and house committees. If it passes, the bill says the redesign would need to be done by May of next year.



Justine Day at the 2022 UMAC Tournament in Becker, Minnesota.

via UNIVERSITY OF MN MORRIS

## Red Lake Nation’s Justine Day to Compete in NCAA Division III Women’s Golf Championship

By KAYLA DUOOS

MORRIS – Justine Day (Red Lake Nation) is a University of Minnesota Morris women’s golf team member and will be heading to Florida in May for the NCAA Division III National Championship.

The University of Minnesota

Morris women’s golf team won its first UMAC title since 2010 last fall, holding off a challenge from the University of Northwestern to win by two strokes.

Justine Day’s contributions to the team at the UMAC conference helped the Morris Cougars claim victory. The victory at the confer-

ence championship tournament gives Minnesota Morris the UMAC’s automatic bid to the NCAA Division III Women’s Golf Championship this spring.

The tournament will be held May 9 - 12, 2023 at the Mission Inn Resort and Club in Howey-in-the-Hills, Fla.

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# Niigaane Ojibwe Language Immersion Program

## Words and sentences list for May

### OJIBWEMOWIN

Animikiikaa  
Anangokaa  
Aabawaa  
Awanibiisaa  
Gizhaate  
Zaagaate  
Waawaate  
Gimiwan  
Awan  
Noodin  
Mizhakwad  
Ningwakwad

Animikiikaa na noongom?  
Eya' animikiikaa noongom.  
Gaawiin animikiikaasinoon noongom.

Gizhaate na noongom?  
Eya' gizhaate noongom.  
Gaawiin gizhaatesinoon noongom.

Gimiwan ina noongom?  
Eya' gimiwan noongom.  
Gaawiin gimiwanzinoon noongom.

Mizhakwad ina noongom?  
Eya' mizhakwad noongom.  
Gaawiin mizhakwasinoon.

Mino-giizhiqad endaso-giizhik.  
Miish iw minik eta go noongom.  
Mii iw.

### ZHAAGANAASHIIMOWIN

It is thundering.  
It is a starry night.  
It is warm (weather).  
It is misty.  
It is hot (weather).  
The sun is shining.  
There are northern lights.  
It is raining.  
It is foggy.  
It is windy.  
It is a clear sky (absence of clouds).  
It is cloudy.

Is it thundering now/today?  
Yes, it is thundering now/today?  
It is not thundering now/today?

Is it hot now/today?  
Yes, it is hot now/today?  
It is not hot now/today?


Is it raining now/today?  
Yes, it is raining now/today?  
It is not raining now/today?

Is it a clear sky now/today?  
Yes, it is a clear sky now/today?  
It is not a clear sky now/today?

Every day is a good day.  
That is enough for today.  
That's it.

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# CLASS OF 2023

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1:00-3:00PM  
AT THE  
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Each graduate is allowed up to 7 guest/family members to attend the ceremony.

All graduates/guests are encouraged to practice social distancing and wear a mask.

All graduates/guests will be screened for COVID-19 symptoms & recent COVID-19 contact.  
*Any person showing symptoms, will not be allowed in ceremony area.*

Only graduates and pre-identified staff/faculty are allowed on the stage.

Event will be broadcasted via Facebook live.

## 2023 LLBO POW WOW SCHEDULE

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Waa Wiye Gaa Mag 19 <sup>th</sup> Annual Traditional Pow Wow June 16 - 18, 2023 S. Lake, MN 56681	Cha Cha Bah Ning 42 <sup>nd</sup> Annual Traditional Pow Wow August 25 - 27, 2023 Inger, MN 56636
4 <sup>th</sup> Annual Leech Lake Days Traditional Pow Wow June 23 - 25, 2023 Cass Lake, MN 56633	Sagasweiwe 2 <sup>nd</sup> Annual Traditional Pow Wow September 8 - 10, 2023 Cass Lake, MN 56633
Mii Gwitch Mahnomen Days 60 <sup>th</sup> Annual Traditional Pow Wow July 14 - 16, 2023 Ball Club, MN 56636	Battle Point 25 <sup>th</sup> Annual Traditional Pow Wow September 15 - 17, 2023 Battle/Sugar Point, MN 56641

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### LEGAL NOTICE

**IF YOU, A CHILD IN YOUR CARE, OR ANOTHER LOVED ONE WERE HARMED BY ENDO OR A RELATED COMPANY, INCLUDING PAR OR AMS, OR THEIR PRODUCTS INCLUDING OPIOIDS, RANITIDINE, OR TRANSVAGINAL MESH, YOUR RIGHTS MAY BE AFFECTED BY DEADLINES IN THE ENDO BANKRUPTCY.**

The deadline to file a claim in the bankruptcy is July 7, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time). The deadline to object to Endo's sale is July 7, 2023, at 4:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time).

#### WHAT IS THIS ABOUT?

On August 16, 2022, Endo International plc and certain of its affiliates filed for chapter 11 bankruptcy in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York. Certain Endo affiliates manufactured and/or sold, among other things, branded opioid medications (including but not limited to OPANA<sup>®</sup> (oxymorphone hydrochloride), OPANA<sup>®</sup> ER (oxymorphone hydrochloride extended release), and PERCOCET<sup>®</sup> (oxycodone and acetaminophen tablets)), generic opioid medications, generic ranitidine medications, and transvaginal mesh. **This notice is intended to inform you of your rights in this bankruptcy regarding the bar date and proof of claim process and Endo's proposed sale of substantially all of its assets.**

#### WHAT IS A CLAIM?

A "claim" means a right to seek payment or other compensation. If you, a child in your care, or another loved one were harmed by Endo or a related company, including Par or American Medical Systems (AMS), or their products, including opioids, ranitidine, or transvaginal mesh, you may have a claim against one or more of these entities. To make a claim, you will need to submit a proof of claim in the bankruptcy case. You may file a claim on behalf of yourself, a child in your care (including a child exposed to opioids in the womb), or a deceased or disabled relative. Examples of claims

that may be filed in the Endo bankruptcy include but are not limited to:

- > **Opioid Claims:** Claims for death, addiction or dependence, lost wages, loss of consortium, or neonatal abstinence syndrome (sometimes referred to as "NAS"), among others.
- > **Ranitidine claims:** Claims for cancer, including bladder, esophageal, pancreatic, stomach, and liver cancer, among others.
- > **Transvaginal mesh claims:** Claims for pelvic pain, infection, bleeding, among others.

#### WHAT DO YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT THE BAR DATE AND PROOF OF CLAIM PROCESS?

The deadline to submit your proof of claim is called a bar date. The bar date, or the deadline to submit your proof of claim, is **July 7, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time)**. If you do not submit a proof of claim by the deadline, you will lose any rights you may have had to seek payment or compensation. You must file a proof of claim form so that it is **actually received** by the bar date. A proof of claim form can be filed by you, a legal guardian, survivors, or relatives of people who have died or are disabled. You do not need an attorney to file a proof of claim for you.

For a more complete list of relevant companies and products manufactured and/or sold by Endo and its related companies, including full prescribing

information and BOXED WARNINGS for OPANA<sup>®</sup> (oxymorphone hydrochloride), OPANA<sup>®</sup> ER (oxymorphone hydrochloride extended release), and PERCOCET<sup>®</sup> (oxycodone and acetaminophen tablets), and for more complete details about the bar date and instructions on how to file a confidential personal injury claim, visit [EndoClaims.com](http://EndoClaims.com) or call **877.542.1878 (Toll-Free)** or **929.284.1688 (International)**.

#### WHAT DO YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT THE SALE?

Endo intends to sell substantially all of its assets in an auction and sale process in the bankruptcy case and subject to approval by the bankruptcy court. **Endo is seeking relief that the sale will be free and clear of all claims, liens, and encumbrances.**

If you disagree with the proposed sale, you must object to the sale in writing, so that your objection is received on or before **July 7, 2023, at 4:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time)**. **Any party in interest who fails to properly file and serve its objection by the objection deadline may lose its claim against Endo's assets if the sale is approved.** Objections not filed and served properly may not be considered by the bankruptcy court.

Complete details about the proposed sale, including any auction for Endo's assets, the date of the hearing to consider the sale, and instructions on how to file an objection, are available at [EndoClaims.com](http://EndoClaims.com) or by calling **877.542.1878 (Toll-Free)** or **929.284.1688 (International)**.

### IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

CALL: 877.542.1878 (Toll-Free)  
929.284.1688 (International)

VISIT: [EndoClaims.com](http://EndoClaims.com)  
EMAIL: [EndoInquiries@ra.kroll.com](mailto:EndoInquiries@ra.kroll.com)

WRITE: Endo International plc Claims Processing Center  
c/o Kroll Restructuring Administration LLC  
Grand Central Station, PO Box 4850, New York, NY 10163-4850

# Honoring & Celebrating Our Elders

## May Birthdays



### District I



Kelly Campbell  
Detra Lyons  
Delmor Best  
Carol Goggeley  
Barbara Kannas  
Bonnie Rautio  
Kimberly Egan

Lisa Jackson  
Francine Smith  
Sandra Charwood  
Rose Gotchie  
Melvina Sherman  
Lani Birt  
Kim Hanson

Candace White  
James Howard Sr.  
Katherine Gale  
Robert Fairbanks  
Michael Kirt  
Janet Grossman  
Leona Day

From the District I Office Kyle, Amanda & Janelle



### District II

Joe Chase  
Donna White  
Bonita Strong-Desjarlais  
Terri Goggeley  
Tony Stangel

From the District II Office Steve, Stephanie, & Michelle



### District III\*



Robert Aitken  
Mark Allen  
Kerry Anderson  
Ramona Anderson  
Sheryl Babineau  
Lani Birt  
Leonard Budreau  
Dorthea Cloud  
Muriel Crawford  
Calvin Day  
Paul Day  
Norma Ducheneaux  
Ramona Dunn  
Audrey Emineth  
Cynthia Fairbanks  
Deanna Fairbanks  
Karen Fineday  
Linda Fisherman

Marti French  
Gordon Geving  
Emma Graham  
Lawrence Hardy  
Donnie Harrison  
Susan Headbird  
Patrick Jackson  
Darrell Johnson  
Orville Johnson  
Roberta Johnson  
Pauline Johnson  
Thomas Jones  
Bernadine Kangas  
Patricia Laudenback  
Douglas Liila  
Kathleen Lindahl  
Genevieve Lowry  
Clyde Morgan

Herschel Ogema  
Yolanda Oxford  
Carol Parsons  
Bill Pell  
David Quincy  
John Rock, Jr  
Marcella Roy  
Carmen Roybal  
Ronald Russell  
Troy Smith  
Michael Staples  
Amberly Tesch  
Terri Veo  
John Whipple  
Deborah White-Huesers  
Edward Wilson  
Rebecca Windom  
Raymond Wittner

From the District III Office LeRoy, Toni & Kari

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

## Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Summary of Job Openings

[www.llojibwe.org](http://www.llojibwe.org) | drop off or mail documents to:

**Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe - Human Resources**

**115 Sixth St. NW, Suite E - Cass Lake, MN 56633**

Fax documents to: 1-218-335-3697

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

### THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS ARE OPEN UNTIL FILLED

- Alcohol & Drug Counselor (2) ~ Human Services ~ \$22.65/hr ~ Job Code: 23-003*
- Case Manager (2) ~ Human Services ~ D.O.Q ~ Job Code: 23-007*
- Mental Health Professional (4) ~ Human Services ~ D.O.Q ~ Job Code: 23-008*
- Mental Health Targeted Case Manager ~ Human Services ~ D.O.Q ~ Job Code: 23-009*
- CTSS Mental Health Practitioner ~ Human Services ~ D.O.Q ~ Job Code: 23-010*
- Mental Health Clinical Trainee (4) ~ Human Services ~ D.O.Q ~ Job Code: 23-011*
- ARMHS Mental Health Practitioner ~ Human Services ~ D.O.Q ~ Job Code: 23-012*
- On-Call Crisis Response Mental Health Professional (3) ~ Human Services ~ D.O.Q ~ Job Code: 23-013*
- On-Call Crisis Response Mental Health Practitioner (5) ~ Human Services ~ D.O.Q ~ Job Code: 23-014*
- Program Accountant (2) ~ Finance ~ Job Code: 23-015*
- Infant Toddler Teacher (5) ~ Education ~ \$17.20/hr ~ Job Code: 23-016*
- Infant Toddler Team Leader ~ Education ~ \$21.00/hr ~ Job Code: 23-017*
- Infant Toddler Teacher/Family Services Advocate (2) ~ Education ~ \$17.20/hr ~ Job Code: 23-018*
- Pre School Teacher/Family Services Advocate (3) ~ Education ~ \$17.20/hr ~ Job Code: 23-020*
- Pre School Teacher (6) ~ Education ~ \$17.20/hr ~ Job Code: 23-021*
- Mental Health Professional ~ Education ~ D.O.Q ~ Job Code: 23-022*
- Gekinwaaamaaged (Teacher) (4) ~ Education ~ D.O.Q ~ Job Code: 23-025*
- Naagaanizid Gekinwaaamaaged (Lead) ~ Education ~ D.O.Q ~ Job Code: 23-026*
- Infant Toddler Teacher (Onigum) (2) ~ Education ~ \$17.20/hr ~ Job Code: 23-029*
- Infant Toddler Teacher (Ball Club) (2) ~ Education ~ \$17.20/hr ~ Job Code: 23-030*
- Pre School Team Leader ~ Education ~ D.O.Q ~ Job Code: 23-031*
- Community Food Systems Coordinator ~ Health ~ \$19.00/hr ~ Job Code: 23-032*
- Lead Nurse (A.R.C) ~ Human Services ~ D.O.Q ~ Job Code: 23-035*
- Community Health Representative (2) ~ Health ~ \$15.00/hr ~ Job Code: 23-038*
- Intake & Assessment Mental Health Case Manager ~ Human Services ~ D.O.Q ~ Job Code: 23-041*
- Watercraft Inspector (2) ~ DRM ~ \$15.00/hr ~ Job Code: 23-042*
- Seasonal Invasive Species Crewmember (2) ~ DRM ~ \$15.00/hr ~ Job Code: 23-043*
- Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) Attendant (4) (Part Time) ~ Health ~ D.O.Q ~ Job Code: 23-044*
- Emergency Medical Responder (EMR) (4) ~ Health ~ D.O.Q ~ Job Code: 23-045*

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MAY 5 - JUNE 10

**UP TO \$4,000 IN CASH & FREE PLAY GIVEN AWAY NIGHTLY**  
4 WINNERS EACH HOUR

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Earn 1 entry for every 10 points April 30 - June 10, 2023.  
See Players Club for rules and complete details. Management reserves all rights.

**Mother's Day BUFFETS**

SUNDAY, MAY 14

<b>NORTHERN LIGHTS</b> CASINO • HOTEL	Event Center 10:30am-5pm	\$28.95 \$9.95 Under 10
<b>CEDAR LAKES</b> CASINO • HOTEL	Event Center 10am-3pm	\$28.95 \$9.95 Under 10
<b>Shingobee</b> SPORTSBAR MARINA	9am-3pm	\$17.95 \$9.99 Under 10

Reservations recommended!  
Call 1-844-554-2646

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**SUMMER TO SKOL**

PLAY TO WIN  
CLUB PURPLE SEASON TICKET

**DRAWINGS**  
**AUG. 2, 2023\***

6pm-7pm	2-\$250 Free Play and 2-\$250 Cash
7pm-8pm	2-\$500 Free Play and 2-\$500 Cash
8pm-9pm	2-\$1,000 Free Play
9pm-10pm	2-\$500 Free Play and 2-\$500 Cash

**GIVEN AWAY AT EACH CASINO**  
**TWO PAIRS OF CLUB PURPLE SEASON TICKETS**  
Each pair valued at over \$3,000 and include all-inclusive complimentary food and beverages (beer & wine), cash bar, access to VIP club lounge & balcony.

**\$7,000 IN CASH & FREE PLAY**

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\*Must be present to win. Earn 1 entry for every 10 points May 4 - July 30, 2023.  
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**\$3K ADDED**

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**CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT**

MAY 19-21, 2023

<b>FRIDAY</b> 6pm: Luck of the Draw	<b>REGISTRATION</b> (Capped at 40 teams per event.) Social Singles: \$10 Social Doubles: \$20
<b>SATURDAY</b> 2pm: Social Singles Competitive Singles	Competitive Singles: \$20 Competitive Doubles: \$40
<b>SUNDAY</b> 2pm: Social Doubles Competitive Doubles	Luck of the Draw: \$5

To pre-register contact Dave Cronin at 218 556 9720 or email david.cronin@whiteoakcasino.com

For lodging contact 844 LLGAMING.  
(Mention Cornhole Tournament.)

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\*60% of \$3,000 would go to Competitive League and remaining 40% to the Social League.  
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**JUNE 9**

**ICE CUBE**

TICKETS: \$109/\$99/\$89/\$79

OUTDOOR EVENT - RAIN OR SHINE

**NORTHERN LIGHTS**

**JUNE 15**

**The Oak Ridge Boys**

TICKETS: \$49/\$39/\$34

OUTDOOR EVENT - RAIN OR SHINE

**NORTHERN LIGHTS**

**JUNE 23**

**BRETT YOUNG**  
WITH PRISCILLA BLOCK

TICKETS: \$79/\$69/\$59/\$49

OUTDOOR EVENT - RAIN OR SHINE

**NORTHERN LIGHTS**

**AUG. 12**

**GEORGE THORGOOD AND DESTROYERS**  
50 YEARS OF ROCK

TICKETS: \$69/\$59/\$49/\$39

OUTDOOR EVENT - RAIN OR SHINE

**NORTHERN LIGHTS**

NEW SPECIAL GUEST TO BE ANNOUNCED SOON

**AUG. 26**

**TESLA**  
Great White QUIET RIOT

TICKETS: \$79/\$69/\$59/\$49

OUTDOOR EVENT - RAIN OR SHINE

**NORTHERN LIGHTS**

**SEPT. 8**

**GABRIEL "FLUFFY" IGLESIAS**

TICKETS: \$89/\$79/\$69/\$59

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