

4TH ANNUAL UNITY DAY

The 4th Annual Unity Day Celebration was held at the Onigum Community Center, Saturday, September 23.

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October 5, 1898: The Battle of Sugar Point

By KAYLA DUOOS
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On the early Wednesday morning of October 5, 1898 a handful of young Pillager men held off approximately 100 U.S. soldiers on the shores of Sugar Point. The firefight resulted in seven dead and ten wounded with no casualties reported on the Ojibwe side. The soldiers were eventually forced to retreat back to Walker, MN. This event has come to be recognized as the last military conflict between the U.S. and American Indians.

As with many conflicts, the tensions that led to the Battle of Sugar Point were varied. Lumber companies routinely swindled the Ojibwe people out of large amounts of money through unscrupulous practices.

One of the most cited complaints among the Ojibwe at that time was a "dead and burnt wood" clause which allowed the lumber barons to purchase timber at a greatly reduced rate if it was in such condition. They would often start forest fires and then quickly harvest both semi-burnt and green wood and claim it all as "dead", reaping massive profits at the expense of the Ojibwe.

In addition to practices such as these, timber was routinely appraised at a severely lower rate on the Reservations in Minnesota than it would have been elsewhere. Money received for the timber, which was intended to sustain the Ojibwe people was mishandled, misappropriated and frequently spent frivolously by Indian Agents on behalf of the Ojibwe. When the payments would come, they were notoriously late, much to the ire of the Pillagers and other bands at that time.

Mistreatment and injustices at the hands of U.S. Marshals and other agents also played a large role. Kickback schemes abounded between these federal agents and local hotel and railroad men, who were paid by the U.S. Government each time a witness or defendant was brought before the court in Duluth. Ojibwe were routinely rounded up and brought to Duluth on false charges to line the pockets of those involved in the scam.

Delayed payments and consistent arrests in weak, unsubstantiated bootlegging cases eventually led the leaders of the Pillager tribe to send a letter to the U.S. Government asking them to look into the on-going injustices the tribe was facing.

We, the undersigned chiefs and headmen of the Pillager band of Chippewa Indians of Minnesota, respectfully represent that our people are carrying a heavy burden, and in order that they may not be crushed by it, we humbly petition you to send a commission, to investigate the existing troubles here.

The Chippewa Indians of Minnesota have always been loyal to the United States and friendly to the whites, and they desire this friendship to be perpetual.

We now have only the pine lands of our reservations for our future subsistence and support, but the manner in which we are being defrauded out of these has alarmed us.

We trust that you will protect us when the truth reaches you.

The letter went unacknowledged by the U.S. Government, further perpetuating the poor relationship between the tribe and U.S. officials.

Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig (Hole-In-The-Day) was an elder Pillager man and one of the many Ojibwe who had first-hand experience of the downfalls within the U.S. justice system. In April 1898, Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig was arrested by a U.S. Marshal on bootlegging charges and brought to Duluth for court.

Once arraigned and let go due to insufficient evidence, Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig was left to make the 135 mile journey home on his own accord. Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig hitched rides on multiple trains, only making it so far in the journey before being repeatedly thrown off for not having a ticket. Leading him to eventually walk the last 40 miles home in his moccasins, wearing them down to his bare feet. It was at that moment he swore he would never allow himself to be arrested ever again, lest he may perish on his next forced journey home. He kept true to this word and never again sat before the U.S. Judicial system.

When Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig was called on to stand in Duluth as a witness for another



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"Old Bug" Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig.

bootlegging case a few months later, he ignored the U.S. Marshals warrant for his appearance. He was then detained along with Sha-Boon-Day-Shkong, another Pillager man when they went to collect their annuity payments in Onigum. Recognizing the stakes at hand at the possibility of another trip to Duluth, Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig called out for help. The other Ojibwe in Onigum, hearing the pleas of one of their elders, surrounded, and gently, yet forcefully secured his release.

The army officials who were in charge of the arrest of Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig that day, went forward to tell a tale of how they were surrounded by over 200 warriors and attacked, when in reality it was a small group of Pillager band members. Reportedly, less than 20 people, mostly women, aided in Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shigs escape.

Once the U.S. Army received word of Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shigs escape, they put out wanted notices for those reported to have been involved in his escape. To be certain those men were caught, they sent down an additional 77 soldiers from Fort Snelling.

The 80 soldiers began their quest that fateful morning and arrived on the shores of Sugar Point that afternoon. After failing to find Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig, the army set up base camp.

How the battle began has often been disputed throughout the years. The Pillager have held that the soldiers began firing on a canoe containing two women and a child as it rounded the corner of Sugar Point. The military claims that a rifle was accidentally discharged towards the Ojibwe side. Regardless, an intense firefight between the two sides erupted. The Pillager people went into that day not wanting battle but were prepared if it came.

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Governor Walz Hosts 2023 Tribal Leaders Summit



ST. PAUL – Earlier this month, Governor Walz convened his fifth annual Governor and Tribal Leaders Summit, where he met with tribal leadership and affirmed his commitment to supporting the 11 tribal nations in Minnesota.

"Over the past four years, we've made a lot of progress in building relationships and trust with the 11 tribes in Minnesota. I look forward to continuing our work together – government to government – as we push to be the best state in the country for tribal state relations," said Governor Walz.

The summit featured a diverse range of topics, including health-care access, education, economic development, environmental conservation, and law enforcement collaboration. These discussions were not only about identifying problems but also about sharing success stories and best practices from different tribal nations and state agen-

cies. The goal was to create a roadmap for a future that benefits all Minnesotans and respects the cultural heritage and sovereignty of tribal nations.

"Our work to improve government-to-government relations with the 11 tribal nations in Minnesota is happening 365 days a year. I'm thrilled to work together on advancing our shared priorities to move towards a future that lifts up all people who live in Mni Sota Makoce," said Lieutenant Governor Flanagan.



4TH Annual Unity Day Held at Onigum Community Center

by KAYLA DUOOS

ONIGUM – "Our doors are always open for everyone," said Tribal Chairman Faron Jackson at the 2023 Unity Day celebration.

The celebration held at Onigum community center brought together the city of Walker, the Leech Lake Cultural Alliance and the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe to promote unity amongst the community. This year's event was the 4th annual celebration, following the holiday's inception in 2019.

Both governments described the event as a "yearly celebration of joint efforts in promoting government to government relations, as well as successful partnerships throughout the counties."

Tribal Chairman Faron Jackson

who spoke to the crowd at the event emphasized the importance of keeping up the tradition of the yearly meeting.

"We all work here, we all play here, we all live here — it's good for us to meet like this. This is how we celebrate our collaboration and look toward the future," said Jackson.

Rod Northbird played hand drum, Gary Charwood was spiritual advisor, and introduced community members to the importance of the cultural components the band included at the event; prayers, drum, smudging.

Alongside the cultural information, attendees were treated to a potluck dinner, and a raffle of home goods.

RBC BRIEFS • October 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 September 2023. All RBC briefings and meetings are live streamed via Vimeo and are available to view on lechlakenews.com under "Videos." Official meeting minutes can also be found on lechlakenews.com under "LL Tribal Council" and "Tribal Council Meeting Minutes."

BRIEFING/MEETING RECAPS

1. Thursday, September 14, 2023 A briefing & meeting was held in the RBC Government Chambers.

Presentations Given:

- **Christopher Murray, Legal** — Presented a proposal for the creation of Leech Lake Cannabis company LLC. The proposal included creation of an oversight committee and signing of a lease for a future dispensary location.
- **Tracy Hawg, Homeless program** — Presented a proposal for a new emergency shelter to be constructed in Bena, as the current building is aging and has no space for private meetings or ADA compliant locations. The building will be modeled after the Cass Lake emergency shelter. A new location for the current shelter has been identified. The new location would be more centered within the community. There was discussion of a shelter eventually being constructed in district 1.

2. Tuesday, September 26, 2023 A briefing & meeting was held in the RBC Government Chambers.

Presentations Given:

- **Rebecca McConkey-Greene and Jackie Wright, Tribal Courts** — Presented the updated Memorandum of Understanding between Leech Lake and Cass County for the joint jurisdiction Wellness court. The MOU replaces a former MOU that was signed in 2019. The joint wellness court has been in operation since 2006
- **Melissa Bowstring, A&D Director** — Presented a proposal for Dorothea Cloud to be the Leech Lake Representative for the American Indian Advisory Council.
- **Christopher Murray, Legal** — Sought approval for the band's participant for receiving a one time payout in the McKinsey opioid lawsuit. The band is expected to receive around \$300,000 from the marketing company.

How the Farm Bill Can Help Native American Communities

By U.S. SENATOR TINA SMITH

One of the best parts of my job is traveling around the state to talk to Minnesotans about what they care about and the issues impacting them. A top priority this year has been discussing the upcoming Farm Bill. My staff and I have had conversations with dozens of stakeholders, including farmers, researchers, co-ops, Native and Tribal communities, and other farmers and producers of color to ensure the next Farm Bill works for everyone.

Native and Tribal communities face persistent inequities in nutrition and the agriculture sector, and the Farm Bill is the best opportunity this year to address them. As a member of both the Senate Indian Affairs and Agriculture committees, I have a unique opportunity to help lead the next Farm Bill so it works for your communities. It is critical that we include the priorities and voices of Native American producers and Tribal governments in the decision-making process. Native communities across the nation face unique challenges in the agriculture sector



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U.S. Senator Tina Smith.

and it is our responsibility in Congress to address these disparities by providing meaningful support for Tribal agricultural programs.

Food is medicine, and it's also a central part of cultural heritage. For Ojibwe people, wild rice, or manoomin, is a part of your origin story and an essential way to feed your people. I have heard from the Leech Lake Band and many others about the importance of protecting wild rice and water resources in the

upcoming Farm Bill. I am fighting back against proposals that would hurt Tribes, like cuts to food programs and the proposal to make wild rice a specialty crop. Tribes must always be in the driver's seat when it comes to wild rice, but this proposal disregarded them. I'm working to support Tribes' efforts to make Indigenous food accessible to Tribal members by expanding food sovereignty and self-governance opportunities in the next Farm Bill.

Congress passes a new Farm Bill every five years. It's important legislation that funds and sets the policy on a wide variety of programs ranging from nutrition and agriculture to conservation and forestry. It also supports Tribal colleges by providing funding for agricultural education, research, scholarships, and rural development initiatives. This bill touches the lives of every American and is vital to our state and Tribal economies. But it hasn't always been equitable or fair. We're working to change that with the creation of a 'Native Farm Bill.'

I am working in Congress to create the 'Native Farm Bill,' a col-

lection of policy proposals that collectively would mean real progress throughout the Farm Bill for Native and Tribal communities. This package will include everything from self-governance expansion to making it easier to access federal agricultural programs on trust land.

Tribal sovereignty and self-governance are at the center of this work. New opportunities for self-governance are the biggest priority for Indian Country; they would allow Tribal Nations to administer federal programs within their own communities. This model has proven itself to be very successful in health care and Tribal programs through the Bureau of Indian Affairs. In 2018, the Farm Bill included the first ever self-governance expansion at the USDA for food distribution and wildfire management. These policies proved that it's time for broader self-governance expansion at USDA.

Self-governance policies are important because they make federal dollars work better to address the unique needs of Tribal communities. The Farm Bill gives us the

chance to expand self-governance at USDA to include the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), food distribution program, forestry, conservation, and meat processing. Expanding self-governance at USDA will mean that Tribal Nations can build food systems to address food insecurity, increase access to Indigenous foods, use Indigenous knowledge for forest management and conservation and support strong Tribal economies.

The Farm Bill presents us with an opportunity to rectify historical injustices, address disparities, support the self-determination of Native American producers and the sovereignty of Tribal governments. By working with Native and Tribal leaders, we can ensure the next Farm Bill empowers Tribal governments to develop and implement sustainable agricultural strategies that align with their unique needs and priorities. Together, we are forging a path towards a more just, equitable, and inclusive agricultural landscape that benefits us all. Now is the time to seize the moment and work collaboratively to ensure that the upcoming Farm Bill is the best one yet and reflects the needs of our Native and Tribal communities.



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Chairman's Report



**CHAIRMAN
FARON JACKSON SR.**

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Monthly Report

Boozhoo, my relatives, friends, community members and all! The Leech Lake RBC Tribal Council is always switching gears in moving forward on our aggressive agenda with Minnesota Governor Walz and the U.S. Congress. The Tribal Council members continue to focus on a strategy in testifying and advocating for unmet need dollars for the Leech Lake Band and its People. As we keep moving forward, here is some of the news being reported to the great Leech Lake Nation.

Minnesota Governor Walz Visits with the Leech Lake RBC Tribal Council – On September 28, 2023 the Leech Lake RBC Tribal Council had a government-to-government consultation with Minnesota Governor Walz. Leech

Lake Tribal Council had expressed their appreciation for Governor Walz for personally supporting the three (3) Wellness Centers in the three (3) district. Governor Walz and the Minnesota Legislature had approved \$24 million under the Governor's bonding priorities. In addition, Governor Walz was further thanked for providing \$40 million in Tribal Impact Aid for the 11 Indigenous Nations.

Chairman Jackson, Sr. had a very straight forward agenda that included: 1. Leech Lake Housing needs have reached a point of a crisis as it relates to homelessness and the Leech Lake Housing Authority having a "waiting list" of 573 eligible applicants needing a home. The Tribal Council is looking for every option to partner with the State of Minnesota Housing Agencies in developing any housing opportunities for the Leech Lake Band Members; 2. Leech Lake Chairman Jackson, Sr. had expressed the support for the Leech Lake Nation in expanding economic development as it relates to gaming. The Leech Lake Tribal Council has been exploring every revenue stream as it relates to exclusivity with gaming. As we all know, sports betting has been on the table but the private sector has requested too much money upfront for their support. Other options in gaming that relate to I-gaming have been profitable for the Michigan Indian Tribes. The Michigan Gaming Control Board provides an Annual Report on the taxes paid by the Michigan Indian Tribes as a benchmark in determining if I-gaming is profitable; and 3. Chairman Jackson, Sr. is reporting other conversation topics with Governor Walz had been strength-

ening MIFPA Phase II, Cannabis Compacting, Medical Assisted Detox, Cass Lake I.H.S. expansion, and revisiting Minnesota legislation.

After Leech Lake's consultation had ended with Governor Walz, Chairman Jackson, Sr. had invited Governor Walz and his team to the Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School. Governor Walz had stated, "Chairman Faron Jackson had invited us to come here, and Jackson has the same job I have." When the tour ended at the school, a closed meeting with Superintendent Dan McKeon, Governor Walz, and Leech Lake Tribal Council had discussed the PFAS and PFOS in the school's drinking water. The Leech Lake Tribal Council has been working with the Leech Lake DRM, EPA, MPCA, BIE, BIA, and Leech Lake employees in resolving the forever chemicals in the drinking water. Chairman Jackson, Sr. had immediately issued a memorandum to the Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School's Superintendent McKeon that the water uses for drinking and cooking will stop. Chairman Jackson, Sr. had also expressed the first step in any process, we must provide safe and clean drinking water for our children attending the school.

Chairman Jackson, Sr.'s Office supporting the search for missing Tribal members in the Bemidji area – On September 25, 2023 Chairman Faron Jackson, Sr. had stated that we need to bring our family members' home, provide closure for their families, and support these families by joining in the search for Navaeh, Jeremy, and other Tribal members that disappeared in the Bemidji community. Leech Lake had employees, community members,

the Tribal Police Department, Emergency Response Department, and other law enforcement agencies, citizens of Bemidji, Fond Du Lac, Red Lake, and the newly created Minnesota Missing and Murdered Indigenous Relatives Office joining in the search. Theresa Jourdain, the mother of Jeremy had delivered a very powerful speech on her gratitude for the hundreds of volunteers, the feelings of a mother looking for her son, not giving up, and wanting him to be okay. Theresa had thanked the experts for teaching their Tribal neighbors on how to search for someone lost, providing the searchers with new technology, the caltopo program on their cell phone that records each searchers path and its transferred to a grid on a computer screen, the people that brought the search dogs, and other equipment used to detect images underground. When the search ended for the volunteers had been emotionally exhausting with fear and the intensity of searching for our loved ones missing.

Minnesota's Greatest Hockey Player Henry Boucha, who was Ojibway – The late Warroad Ojibwe community leader Henry Boucha had wanted to visit Chairman Jackson, Sr. on a topic that he was advocating before recently passing. Mr. Boucha was seeking support from the 11 Tribal Nation's in supporting Warroad School's team name and logo as 'Warrior'. Mr. Boucha had been educating NCARSM, who fights against offensive names or pictures of Indians in sports teams. Mr. Boucha had stated, "In 1989, after two years of discussion, Warroad Public Schools settled out-of-court with NCARSM. At the time Warroad agreed not to use an Indian mascot and to reaffirm with the local Ojibwe community its support of the Warrior's name and logo." The late Henry Boucha was an Olympian, Minnesota North Star hockey player and considered the

greatest hockey player from Minnesota and he was Ojibwe.

Governor Walz Hosts Tribal Summit 2023 – On September 20, 2023 Chairman Jackson, Sr. and District I Representative Fairbanks had attended the Tribal Summit with Governor Walz. Chairman Jackson, Sr. had presented a detailed agenda on the need for partnerships with housing, furthering economic development of the Leech Lake Nation in Sports Betting and I-Gaming, Addressing MIFPA Phase II non-compliance issues with the counties, medical assisted detox, issues with expansion of the I.H.S. project, and revisiting Minnesota Legislation that was passed and being involved in those discussions.

Leech Lake Woman's Recovery Center Grand Opening – In long awaited news, Chairman Jackson, Sr. is proud to announce on December 1, 2023 the Woman's Recovery Center will be opening. The Woman's Recovery Center will be the same as the Men's Program with 20 housing units for patient program services.

Leech Lake Notice for Members on Minnesota Cannabis Expungements – The Volunteers Lawyers Network is protecting and promoting the basic needs of people in poverty through the power of legal volunteers. The contact person is Elizabeth Fowlds at (612) 752-6677. This lawyer and their network will assist the Leech Lake People needing to expunge their cannabis criminal records.

Safety note, we are in the flu and covid-19 season. I.H.S. is providing flu shots and the Leech Lake Health Department had in the past provided flu vaccination shots. Let's protect our children, the Elders, and our vulnerable family members. Please be safe and take care.

University of Minnesota Empowers Native Students in Data-Driven Public Health

By KAYLA DUOOS

ST. PAUL – The University of Minnesota is training Native American students to use data to save lives.

The university masters 2 year program, Public Health Informatics will be able to fill a big gap in the healthcare workforce. Public health informatics is the use of a wide range of digital data to understand the causes of both illness and health, and

design, implement, and evaluate programs to create healthy communities.

The program specifically seeks to use this education to help Tribal communities lead the way on protecting data sovereignty — ensuring Tribes have a say in how data collected on their lands is used. The program came to fruition following the COVID-19 pandemic lockdown in which there was a large gap in data coming from underserved communities.

To ensure Tribal members are gaining access to the program, the university is offering 3 different levels of remote/on-campus learning and full funding scholarships to any Native American student interested in getting a Master of Public Health degree. These offers in the program allow Native American students to continue to live in and serve their communities while they get their degrees.

Feather LaRoche(Kul Wicasa

Oyate Sioux Tribe of Lower Brule, South Dakota,) the Native American student services coordinator at University of Minnesota School of Public Health who works with students in the program says "We are looking to educate and train a workforce of Native people who can push for better processes and advocate for their tribe and their tribal members,with this program, we can have specialists from our communities who better understand how to gather and combine health care data from the Indian Health Service, environmental health and wildlife data from departments of natural resources, and administrative data

from Tribal governments, in a way that is sensitive and respectful to tribal members' needs."

Laroche encourages all students who have interest to apply and reach out, even if you believe you're not fully fitting the program's required components. "Our main goal is to create access for students and generate representation in the public health field."

Applications for the January 2024 cohort for the programs are due November 15, 2023. Fall deadline for 2024, July 15, 2024. For more information on the program, you can reach out to Feather LaRoche at laroche@umn.edu.

Secretary Treasurer Monthly Report



**SECRETARY / TREASURER
LEONARD FINEDAY**

Governmental Activities
Secretary/Treasurer's Summary

Monthly Report

Greetings Leech Lake Band members! It is my honor and privilege to provide you with this report on the activities undertaken during the month of September 2023. While we continue to see progress in a number of areas, we still have much work to accomplish!

BUDGET AND FINANCIAL UPDATE

The Budget Committee met on September 13, 2023 and September 29, 2023 to discuss a number of ongoing issues, primarily surrounding budget modifications and compliance with the FY 24 budget, as well as planning for the FY 25 budget cycle. The goal this year is to ensure that we meet all the Budget Ordinance deadlines as we approach the FY 25 budget process. Simultaneously, work continues on updating the Budget Ordinance to ensure it adequately reflects our present procedures and to increase Band member participation in the budget process, including helping to establish budget priorities.

I am disappointed to report we are not making the progress we would like to see on our annual external audits. I want to commend our Accounting Division staff, as well as our external auditors at REDW for their diligent work; however, in order to complete these external audits, we need completed audits for similar timeframes from our affiliated entities like the Housing Authority and Tribal College. Unfortunately, the Tribal College is

behind in its audits and it is negatively impacting the ability of the Tribal Government to complete our audits. Despite this set back, our team continues to prioritize getting these audits done so we can be caught up as soon as possible. We still need to finalize FY 21, FY 22 and FY 23 audits, ideally by March 2024.

CANNABIS UPDATE

At the very end of August 2023, the RBC adopted the Leech Lake Cannabis Regulatory Act, which legalized medicinal and adult-use cannabinoid possession and use. A primary comment that we received during the public comment period was the provision for individual licensing for manufacturing, cultivation or sales purposes. While the LLBO is not in a position at this time to license individuals due to the need to establish a solid regulatory structure, it is the ultimate goal of the Cannabis Regulatory Act to get LLBO into the position of providing individual licenses. However, before we do so, we must ensure that we have a strong regulatory system in place to oversee and enforce the issuance of those licenses to guarantee the consistency and quality of the final product issued to consumers on the Reservation and to the general public. We are currently in the process of appointing members to sit on our first Cannabis Regulatory Commission. If you are interested in being part of this Commission, please watch closely for updates and announcements on the application process.

As we are moving forward with regulatory development, we also have a team looking at entering the cannabis industry on the business side. Recently, an RFP was issued seeking a consultant to provide start up expertise as we contemplate fully entering the cannabis industry. The RFP is open until October 6, 2023. We will continue to keep everyone informed as we move forward in this arena.

GAMING UPDATE

We continue to see great numbers from our initial Class II off-site location in Bena, Minnesota. Leech Lake has made more than \$50,000.00 in the first full two months of operation on one site alone. Importantly, in the same timeframe, revenue at our existing Class III facilities also increased, displaying that the off-site Class II expansion will not cannibalize our existing Class III operations.



via SECRETARY TREASURER'S OFFICE

Secretary/Treasurer Lenny Fineday and Governor Tim Walz review a map of Lake Winnie while discussing a land transfer proposal that would increase Leech Lake's land base and provide much needed tribal access to one of our largest lakes.

On September 26, 2023, an informational session was held at Cedar Lakes Casino to provide more in-depth information regarding the legal and regulatory rationale, as well as the business strategy, behind the Class II gaming expanded jurisdiction. Overall, the roll out of off-site Class II gaming regulation continues but at a slow pace. This slow pace is to ensure we are doing things correctly and without injury to our existing operations.

On September 13, 2023, I attended the Indian Gaming Association Annual Membership Meeting. It was a great opportunity to discuss Class II gaming, particularly the emerging concept of tribal self-regulation of Class II gaming (akin to Self-Governance with Health and Human Services and the Department of Interior in the tribal government context). This concept would allow Leech Lake to fully regulate our Class II operations independent of the National Indian Gaming Commission. At the

IGA meeting, I was able to discuss this Class II self-regulation with NIGC Chairman Sequoyah Simermeyer. It is something we will explore from a regulatory standpoint as we continue to expand our Class II jurisdiction throughout the Reservation.

At the IGA meeting, I was also able to hear an update on the new Class III federal regulations from Paula Hart, the Director of Indian Gaming in the Department of Interior. These new regulations could be beneficial if Leech Lake finds itself in a position to negotiate a sports betting compact with Minnesota in the near future. Of course, and to be clear, we will never do anything or engage with any entity that would open or in any way threaten our existing Class III compacts on slot machines and blackjack. Anything and everything we are doing with gaming at this point will protect those important compacts, but also place us in a better position for years to come.

CONSULTATIONS UPDATE

Throughout September, the RBC met with many state and federal partners to discuss and strategize on a number of issues. These annual consultations are important and provide Leech Lake leadership an opportunity to provide input on tribal priorities.

On September 6, 2023, the RBC met with Commissioner Ida Rukavina and the Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation Department. At this consultation, we heard about the priorities of the IRRR, but we also discussed a couple Leech Lake priority projects within the IRRR's area. These projects include a tourism center in S. Lake at the old school, and updated powwow grounds in Inger and S. Lake. Work will move forward on these projects as expeditiously as possible.

On September 22, 2023, Leech Lake leadership met with Commissioner Jodi Harpstead and the Minnesota Department of Human Services. Priority areas at this consultation included the four walls policy, establishing an LLBO medical detox facility, expanding recovery and behavioral health services, and streamlining the grants and contracts process between LLBO and MNDHS. We have come a long way in our relationship with DHS and look forward to continued collaboration in the coming year.

On September 27, 2023, Leech Lake leadership and DRM staff met with the Regional Forester for Region 9, as well as the Deputy Chief of the US Forest Service from Washington, D.C. This meeting is an annual consultation and focused on a number of areas including the MOU between the Forest Service and the Band, vegetative conditions, resource management, and land. Of importance this year of course is finalizing implementation of the Leech Lake Reservation Restoration Act and completing the transfer of 12,000+ acres of land back to LLBO. This should be accomplished before December 31, 2023. Please continue to watch for updates and announcements as we complete this process.

On September 28, 2023, Leech Lake leaders and staff again met with the Minnesota Department of Human Services, but this meeting was with all eleven tribes and DHS, and conversation focused on what...

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...each tribe and DHS will work on collaboratively in the upcoming legislative session. The meeting focused on a number of areas, including the four walls policy, housing stabilization services, medical detox and other issues.

GOVERNOR'S VISIT TO LEECH LAKE

On September 27, 2023, Governor Tim Walz and Lt. Governor Peggy Flanagan visited the Leech Lake Reservation. They toured some state-owned lakeshore land on Lake Winnibigoshish adjacent to the Dave Morgan Bena Community Center. Both pledged their commitment to working with LLBO to transfer that state land back to Leech Lake, so we can expand community development opportunities as well as utilize

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The battle continued into the night and no harm came to any of the Ojibwe people outside of Indian Officer Gay-Gway-Day-Be-Tung (George Russell), who was allegedly shot by mistake, by a soldier who assumed he was fighting alongside the Pillagers. The 3rd U.S. Infantry saw six casualties and ten wounded that night.

On the morning of October 7, 1898, the soldiers retreated from Sugar Point, battered, hungry and cold. Once back to safety in Walker, the commanding officer, General Bacon, would be quoted in newspapers as saying that he "scattered" and "whipped the indians good", a poor attempt at saving face.

Once word of the battle spread, hysteria ran rampant in the surrounding areas that an "Indian Uprising" was coming. Additional troops were sent to the area, and outcries to the US Government for assistance and protection were pouring in from the non-native people in Minnesota. Memories of Custer's defeat at Little Big Horn, just 22 years prior in 1876, led the newspapers of the day to run wild with unsubstantiated headlines.

The townspeople of Walker surrounded themselves with a 24-hour rotating shift of armed guards.. In Bemidji, all of the women were herded into a courthouse as 200 armed "militiamen" stood guard outside. It took a few weeks for the buzz to die down, though the relationships between the Ojibwe and

access to Lake Winnie. Currently, LLBO holds no tribal lakeshore land on Lake Winnie. This land transfer would be the first step in reclaiming our lakeshore land on one of our largest lakes.

The RBC and the Governor then went to tour the Bug O Nay Ge Shig school. The tour was fantastic as many of the kids enjoyed meeting the Governor and Lt. Governor. The RBC then met with the Governor to discuss a number of priority issues, including the PFAS water contamination at the Bug O Nay Ge Shig site, the status of the tribal-state cannabis compact, and legislative priorities for the upcoming session. It was a productive and fruitful visit and we are hopeful for positive outcomes based on our discussion.

This concludes my report for September 2023. Miigwech to each of you for all you do for your families and your community! It is my pleasure and honor to serve you!

their neighbors were never fully repaired.

With all of the nation's attention turned towards Leech Lake, the U.S. Government was forced to hear the grievances put forth by the Ojibwe people. Commissioner of Indian Affairs, William A. Jones, was soon dispatched to the area. After an extensive number of meetings with the tribal elders, an agreement was reached. Several Pillagers turned themselves in for warrants related to Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig's escape, although Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig himself upheld his pledge to never return to U.S. Court or jail. Most of those who turned themselves in served between two to six months, and everyone involved received a full pardon from President McKinley a short time after.

Further investigations revealed the damage that had been done to the Ojibwe at the hands of the logging companies, as well as during the first arrest of Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig and those who aided in his escape. Reforms in the management of timber on the Leech Lake Reservation eventually led to the establishment of the Chippewa National Forest.

None of the Pillager Ogichidaa who engaged in battle at Sugar Point ever were tried or received punishment for their involvement. Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig went on to live another 18 years in the area before passing peacefully. The U.S. Army never returned to the shores of Sugar Point on Leech Lake, the site of their final battle and defeat in the period now known as the "Indian Wars".

Gweyakmino Wiisinidaa!

Let's eat the right foods!

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



Spiced Apple Wild Rice Pilaf

Ingredients
(*Commodity Foods)

2/3 cup wild rice, rinsed and drained*
1/2 teaspoon sea salt 1 medium onion*
2 medium apples, quartered, cored, and thinly sliced*
1/2 teaspoon ground ginger
1/2 teaspoon ground allspice
1/4 teaspoon cinnamon or ground nutmeg
1/2 teaspoon ground pepper
2 tablespoons chopped pecans lemon wedges

Directions:

In a large saucepan combine wild rice, 1/4 tsp salt, and 1 1/3 cups water. Bring to a boil: *reduce heat*. Cover and simmer for 40 to 50 minutes or until rice is tender and most of the liquid is absorbed. Remove from heat; let stand, covered, 5 minutes. Drain any excess liquid. Chop onions and core apples and thinly slice. In a large skillet add onion and apples over medium heat for 4 to 6 minutes or until crisp-tender, stirring frequently adding water, 1 to 2 tablespoons to prevent sticking. Sprinkle with ginger, allspice, cinnamon, pepper, and remaining 1/4 teaspoon salt: *toss to coat*. Add wild rice to apple mixture; toss to combine. Sprinkle servings with pecans. Serve with lemon wedges. Makes 5 cups.
Hints: You can cut a lemon in half and place in a heated skillet for 4 to 5 minutes until charred. Toast chopped pecans for a different taste.

Nutrition Facts

Wild rice is a balanced food source, it provides a healthy mix of protein and fiber. It's low in calories, it contains manganese, which is an antioxidant; that plays a role that breaks down your food into usable energy for cells. Ginger provides benefits for anxiety, depression, dementia, Alzheimer's disease, and post-traumatic stress disorder. Ease stomach pains. Cinnamon has a lot of health benefits: it lowers blood pressure, reduces heart disease risk factors, and inflammation. Pecans are a good source of calcium, magnesium, and potassium, which help lower blood pressure and lower levels of bad LDL cholesterol. Apples protect your heart, boosts your brain health, weight loss, lower risk of type 2 diabetes, and fights cancer. Allspice is used to combat headaches, muscle cramps and tooth pain. Onions improve your heart health, better blood sugar regulation, and increase bone density. Nutmeg can relieve pain, soothe indigestion, strengthen cognitive function, detoxify the body, boost skin health, alleviate oral conditions, reduce insomnia, increase immune system function, prevent leukemia, and improve blood circulation. Black pepper is a good source of manganese, a mineral that can help with bone health, wound healing and metabolism. Lemons aid in weight loss and reduce your risks of heart disease, anemia, kidney stones, digestive issues, and cancer.

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

Niigaane Ojibwe Language Immersion Program

Words and sentences list for October

OJIBWEMOWIN

Weweni go.
 Weweni namadabin.
 Weweni odaminon.
 Bekaa.
 Wewiib.
 Wewiib biizikonayen.
 Maano.
 Maano bina.
 Mii qwayak.
 Mii na qwayak?
 Bizaan.
 Geget ina?
 Maamakaaj.
 Giminochige.

ZHAAGANAASHIIMOWIN

Be careful, take it easy.
 Sit carefully.
 Play nicely.
 Wait, hold on.
 Hurry.
 Hurry up and get dressed.
 Let it be, never mind.
 That's okay.
 That's right.
 Is that right?
 Be quiet.
 Really?
 It's amazing.
 You are doing a good job.

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OJIBWE SOUND CHART

VOWELS

a
 aa
 e
 i
 ii
 o
 oo

OJIBWE SOUND

asemaa (tobacco)
 omaa (here)
 esiban (raccoon)
 bine (partridge)
 niiwin (four)
 opin (potato)
 oodena (town)

ENGLISH EQUIVALENT

about
 father
 way
 pin
 seen
 obey, book
 boat, boot

CONSANANTS

b
 ch
 d
 g
 h
 j
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OJIBWE SOUND

bakwezigan (bread)
 gichi-oginiig (tomatoes)
 doodooshaboo (milk)
 gaag (porcupine)
 hay' (oops)
 maajaan (go)
 mikinaak (turtle)
 mamoon (take it)
 bine (partridge)
 baapiwag (they laugh)
 es (clam)
 waagosh (fox)
 anit (fish spear)
 waawaan (egg)
 babagiwayan (shirt)
 mooz (moose)
 niizh (two)
 ma'iingan (wolf)

ENGLISH EQUIVALENT

big
 chin
 dog
 go
 hi
 jello
 kite
 milk
 name
 pig
 sun
 bush
 time
 woman
 yell
 zebra
 measure
 oh – oh (glottal stop)

Notes:

The English letters and sounds of f, l, q, r, u, v, and x are not part of the Ojibwe alphabet.

The Ojibwe alphabet contains the additional double-letter symbols of aa, ch, ii, oo, sh, and zh.

The glottal stop, which is represented by an apostrophe, is a sound made by a release of air from your throat, similar to when someone punches you in the stomach.

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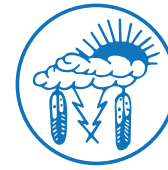


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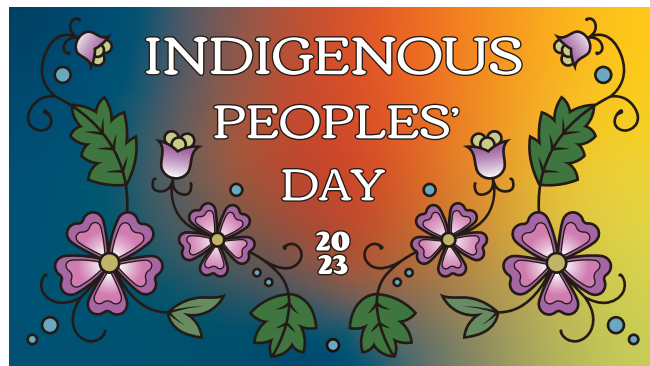
▲ Bug O Nay Ge Shig High School students had the opportunity to participate in Wild Rice Camp at Mud / Goose Wildlife Preserve on September 7. The weather cooperated and students enjoyed a day outdoors with ricing, fishing, study stations, grilling and camaraderie.



▲ A group of Bug O Nay Ge Shig Elementary students enjoyed a lesson based on the importance of Wild Rice and practiced their knocking techniques.



▲ The Bug O Nay Ge Shig Seasonal Activities Class had a busy week constructing push poles for ricing, as well as making pickles and salsa from the vegetables in the class garden.



By KAYLA DUOOS

MINNEAPOLIS – Monday, October 9 is Indigenous Peoples day in Minnesota.

The holiday which replaces Columbus day in the state of Minnesota via proclamation, and various cities throughout the state is meant to focus on how Indigenous communities have persevered despite history. This year marks the seventh anniversary of the official holiday recognition for the city of Bemidji and the state.

The official change to replace Christopher Columbus day with one honoring Indigenous people in Bemidji came about in 2016. The change was made through a grassroots effort by Bemidji State Professor Vivian Delagado and students in a previous Indigenous treaty and law course who brought their pitch to the city council.

The state of Minnesota signed their proclamation replacing Christopher Columbus day that same year. Governor Tim Walz has renewed former Governor Dayton's original proclamation since being elected.

Earlier this year, a bill to replace Columbus Day with Indigenous Peoples' Day as an official holiday in the state was presented in the House. HF 211 (Rep. Heather Keeler, DFL-Moorhead) was first heard on Feb. 21 in the House State and Local Government Finance and Policy Committee. This holiday would require that no public business be conducted on the second Monday in October.

HF 211 passed out of committee and was referred to the House floor. Its companion, SF 104 (Sen. Mary Kunesh, DFL-New Brighton) which seeks a similar change and recognition of the holiday, has not yet been heard.

U.S. Again Offering Free At-Home COVID Tests

By KAYLA DUOOS

WASHINGTON – Starting September 25, 2023 you can order four free test kits per household through [COVIDtests.gov](https://www.covidtests.gov).

The United States is once again providing free, at-home rapid COVID tests. All households can order four of these tests by going to a website — [covidtests.gov](https://www.covidtests.gov). Tests are free of charge and will be delivered for free by the United States Postal Service. Once your order ships, you should get a tracking number sent to the email you include with your order.

This is the fifth round of free at-home tests delivered by USPS. The Postal Service has delivered 755 million tests in previous rounds. The government first launched the site in January of 2022, but stopped taking orders in June 2023.

The tests will detect the currently circulating COVID-19 variants and are intended for use through the end of 2023. The kits will include instructions on how to verify extended expiration dates. Many kits have had their expiration dates extended beyond what may be printed on the packaging.

The ordering form is expected to stay open for the next few months.



Capacity Building Program Manager

Position Overview

Greater Minnesota Housing Fund (GMHF) seeks to hire an experienced housing development practitioner to manage a multi-year regional housing initiative designed to build housing development capacity, create new and strengthen existing housing partnerships, and increase regional affordable housing production in and around Itasca County and the Leech Lake Reservation.

This is a new program for GMHF created to address housing production needs and build on momentum of those working to produce and preserve affordable housing in this region. The successful candidate must be able to travel to meet with stakeholders in the target area. This position will report to the Chief Operating Officer. The Capacity Building Program Manager will be an integral part of the GMHF team and work closely with staff at all levels to promote our mission and achieve our goals. If you are a highly motivated, creative individual with a passion for affordable housing and social and racial justice, we encourage you to apply.

Responsibilities

- Serve as program manager including developing and implementing program work plan and budget.
- Work in partnership with local organizations to identify and engage with existing and new developers interested in providing affordable housing, and design appropriate developer incentives and program resources to foster local housing production.
- Assist in the development of a toolbox of strategies and incentives to attract existing and new housing developers (including HRAs) such as market research, regulatory incentives, local public financing, and other public and philanthropic financial resources for housing.
- Work with local organizations and community leaders to broaden the base of public acceptance and understanding of the need for affordable and workforce housing of all types through relationship building, publications, media relations, and presentations.
- Inventory planned developments and project opportunities on the horizon that can be supported with planning, predevelopment, and capital resources.
- Identify and evaluate tribal, state, county, and federal and other housing-related funding resources to help implement adopted housing plans and assist organizations in applying for funding.
- Support the creation of a long-term collaborative environment for housing development by supporting existing and creating new partnerships.
- Assist in the development and implementation of near-term and long-range housing action plans and goals.
- Establish a tracking and reporting mechanism for pipeline and completed projects against shared housing goals to foster accountability in achieving shared results.

Qualifications

- Expertise and experience in housing development, ideally in small cities, rural areas, and tribal communities.
- Ability to develop a strong working knowledge of the communities and tribal nations and establish effective working relationships in and near the Itasca County and Leech Lake Reservation region; Preferred – existing knowledge of and relationships in the communities and tribal nations in and near the Itasca County and the Leech Lake Reservation.
- Ability to engage and strengthen existing and build new coalitions with the common goal of increasing housing opportunities within their respective communities and tribal nations.
- Ability to think strategically, anticipate emerging opportunities, assess evolving circumstances, and adapt plans and activities accordingly.
- Excellent communication, public speaking, meeting facilitation, and negotiation skills.
- High tolerance for ambiguity and the ability to move work forward.
- Proficient in using MS Office applications.
- Valid Driver's License and auto insurance, and access to a car for travel.

About Greater Minnesota Housing Fund

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Obituaries

Christopher Barrett



Christopher Lee Barrett, 38, "Manidoo-Inini" which means "Spirit Man" of Cass Lake, Minnesota began his journey to the spirit world on Wednesday September 5th, 2023.

Christopher was born in Bemidji, MN on June 6th, 1985. To Marla LaDuke. He spent his whole life in Cass Lake MN.

Christopher was known to all for his great sense of humor and teasing people. He loved spending time with his family and friends, especially his daughter Destinee, along with his mother and brothers, as well as his nieces and nephews.

He was a true outdoors man and he enjoyed snowmobiling, yard work and taking drives to look at the scenery and listening to music. He also liked to watch crazy TV shows that made him laugh! He was known for his crazy selfies, with wigs and other things. He had all types of filters to make him look funny.

Family Christopher is reunited with are his grandparents, Iva Lou LaDuke, Alfred Leo LaDuke, and Gladys Norcross Barrett; Aunt Lori Ann LaDuke, and numerous other aunts and uncles, and cousins.

Those he leaves behind to forever cherish his memory are his fiancé Roxanne Jones, daughters, Destinee Layah Lee Barrett, and Ninii- Moshae Conger; Brothers, Shawn Staples, Joshua LaDuke, and Joseph Fineday; sister Beth Barrett, and special grandson William "chilly willie" Jones.

A 3-day wake for Christopher will begin at 6p.m. on Friday September 8th and continue, until his 10 a.m Sunday, September 10, 2023 traditional service all to be held at the Mission Community Center in Cass Lake, MN. Allen Hardy is the spiritual advisor. Those helping to lay Christopher to rest are, Tanner LaDuke, Dale Fairbanks, Alfred LaDuke, Shawn Staples, Joshua LaDuke, Donald Armstrong Jr., and Kyle Little. His honorary pallbearers are Dedrick

LaDuke, Terry LaDuke Jr., Chev Wind, and all his all his aunt's uncle's family and friends.

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

Lila (Nason-Birt) George



Lila Jean (Nason-Birt) George, *L*Miskobinesii (Red Thunderbird), 77, passed peacefully with her daughter by her side, in the early hours of September 15, 2023, as a result of her second round battling breast cancer. Lila was born in 1946 at the Cass Lake Indian Hospital. Her parents were Cecelia Agnes Nason and Lyle Birt. She was one of eleven children, with eight brothers and two sisters. She deeply loved all of her family, relatives, and community.

Lila married David George, and together they raised a family that included two biological children; Clement (Waabiitus) and Melissa (Waabiigoniis), along with one long-term foster-son, Dennis. In her lifetime, Lila provided foster-care for many Anishinaabe children, and for those that knew Lila, she "fostered" quite a few adults she met along the way as well.

Lila led a life of integrity. She was loving, articulate, compassionate, and hard-working. She taught and practiced social work and advocated for social justice. A few months before her death, her published journal article was cited by Justice Gorsuch as the United States Supreme Court ruled to uphold the Indian Child Welfare Act. Lila left a remarkable legacy.

Lila, Misko Binesii, was born into beauty and strife, she was known for her humor, intelligence, generosity, and loving-kindness. She taught and touched so many people's lives in her time here, she will be missed profoundly. Lila's legacy will live on, but now

she goes home, and rests.

Lila George's wake will start at 6:30pm on 9/18/23 at the Ball Club Community Center. Her funeral will follow the next day, starting at 10:00AM (Tuesday 9/19/23) also at the Ball Club Community Center. Her services will be Traditional Anishinaabe & spoken in Ojibwemowin and English. For those that carry pipes, please bring them. Everyone is welcome to bring your own ceremony dishes and utensils. There will be dinnerware and utensils provided for guests. Following her burial, there will be a time to gather and share, laugh, sing, eat, talk and celebrate Lila's life more socially. We hope to have a drum and the Ojibwe Singers come during that time (after burial). All are welcome, Miigwech/Thank you!

Shaun "Keeto" Windom, Sr.



Shaun Allen "Keeto" Windom, Sr., age 32, *S*journeyed to the spirit world on Thursday, September 7th, 2023, from IHS in Cass Lake, MN. He was born on February 5, 1991, in Minneapolis, MN, the son of Rebecca (Cutbank) and Robin Windom, Sr.

Shaun played basketball and football before graduating from Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig High School. He loved playing basketball with his brothers and watching the Minnesota Vikings. Shaun was an outdoorsman, enjoying wild rice harvesting, setting net and catching fish, bough picking, and spirit fires. He loved wild rice, mashed potatoes, and China buffets. Most of all, he loved spending time with his 4 children.

Those greeting Shaun in the spirit world are his grandparents, Angeline and Richard Cutbank, Sr.; brother, Dakota Windom; sister, Angel Windom; numerous aunts and uncles.

Those Shaun leaves behind to forever cherish his loving memory are his parents, Rebecca and Robin Windom, Sr.; son, Shaun Allen Windom, Jr.; daughters, Shariah, Ambria, and Aurora Windom; brothers, Robin Jr., Kyote, Harley, and Wakon Windom; sisters, Jennifer and Lindsay Windom, Summer Fairbanks, and Rebecca JSara Windom; grandma, Anna Windom; and numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, aunts, uncles, and friends.

A two-night wake for Shaun will begin Thursday, September 14, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. and continue until his Saturday, September

16, 2023, 11:00 a.m. service, all to be held at the Pennington Revival Center in Pennington, MN. Pastor Octavius "O.T." Lopez will officiate. Those helping to lay Shaun to rest are Robin Windom, Sr., Robin Windom, Jr., Kyote Windom, Harley Windom, Wakon Windom, and Antonio Windom. Honorary pallbearers are all Shaun's family and friends. Interment will be in the John Brown Cutbanks Cemetery in Pennington, MN.

Shaun'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.

Clarice White



Clarice Mary White, age 86, also known as "Babe and Mindy" of Minneapolis, Minnesota, began her journey to the spirit world on September 17, 2023, from her home, Providence Place.

Clarice was born on June 4, 1937, in Onigum, Minnesota to John and Gladys (Allen) Day.

Clarice spent her life teaching at various schools in the state of Minnesota. She enjoyed playing softball and bowling with her sisters. They were bowling champions in Bemidji, MN. She also enjoyed a good game of cribbage. She quilted with her sisters for ceremonies that her family held twice a year, and she was a pipe carrier for the ceremonies. Clarice was part of the Ojibwa Hym Singers.

She never turned down the chance to take care of her grandchildren or great-grandchildren. Clarice liked to cook and bake bread, but before you could eat, she was known for telling you to wash your hands first. Clarice was in a birthday club, where she started out as the youngest member then ended up the oldest one. She loved to travel, especially to Mexico.

Family Clarice is reunited with are her husbands, Howard White, Sr., and James White; parents, John and Gladys Day; sons, Howard White, Jr. and Ralph White; sisters, Donna Morgan, Barbara Saice, and Janice Day; brothers, Ralph Day, Ronald Day, Richard Day, and Raymond Day; and granddaughter, Elizabeth White.

Those Clarice leaves behind to cherish her memory are her sons, Rodney (Glenda)

White, and Russell White; daughters, Mary (Philip) Flocken, and Barbara White; brothers, Paul (Betty) Day, John (Monica) Day, Donald (Pricilla) Day, Steve (Tammy) Day, Lawrence (Gloria) Day; sisters, Sue Jones, and Doris Jones; grandchildren, Nicholas White, Brandon Beaulieu, Adam White, John White, Clint White Sr., Scott White Sr., Zach White, Ralph White, Devonte White, Robert White, Marcus White, Jared White, Corey Weaver, Stephanie Adams; great-grandchildren, Clint White Jr., Quin Brown-White, Scott White Jr., Olivia White, Lauren Adams, Aries Weaver, Elijah Weaver, Dani White, Heather White, Raven Beaulieu, Mariss Beaulieu, Angelique, Zena, Phoenix, Clarice, and Linnea White; great great-grandchildren, Sakari Weaver; great great-great-granddaughter, Saige Lewis.

A two-night wake for Clarice will begin at 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, September 24, 2023, at the Onigum Community Center, in Onigum, Minnesota. Mass of Christian Burial will be Tuesday, September 26, 2023, at 11:00 a.m. at St. Agnus Catholic Church in Walker, MN. Interment will follow lunch after the service in Evergreen Cemetery in Walker, MN.

Clarice'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.

Kenneth Hough, Sr.



Kenneth Wayne Hough, Sr., age 68 of Cass Lake, Minnesota, began his journey to the spirit world on September 19, 2023, for Abbott Northwestern in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Kenneth was born to Jack Hough and Caroline Wind on June 8, 1955, in Cass Lake, MN. He grew up in California and Washington.

Ken joined the United States Marines in 1974 and was honorably discharged in 1975. He met and married Roberta Headbird in 1976. After being discharged from the Marines he went to tech school to become an auto mechanic. Ken's passion was working on vehicles, welding, building generators, and fixing anything that needed to be fixed. Ken enjoyed going to the casino, fishing, and grilling out with his family. He enjoyed family get togethers, he was always the first to arrive. In the past couple of years, he started to watch

grilling videos and sharing them with his kids on "tik tok". Ken will always be remembered as a very kind patient man, always willing to do anything for anyone.

The family that Kenneth is reunited with are his parents, Caroline Wind, Marvin Mokeac and Jack Hough; brothers, Anthony Rivera, Terrance Mokeac, and Steven Hough in infancy; sisters, Enola Ortiz, Patty Hough, and Kathy Burnette.

Those Kenneth leaves behind to cherish his memory are sons, Kenneth Hough, Jr. and Andrew Hough; daughters, Jawnie Hough and Elizabeth Hough; sisters, Elizabeth Maliepaard, Audrey Hough-Staples, and Jennifer Robins; grandchildren, Meghan Brun, Aaron Wind, Jr., Mya Jones, Hannah Saul, Cameryn Rice, Lonan Rice, Kendall Rice, Eliana Hough, Jurnee Hough, Tucker Hough, Dani Hough, Cali Hough, William Isham, and Oliva Hough.

An overnight wake for Kenneth will begin at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, September 22, 2023, and continue until his 10:00 a.m. traditional service on Saturday, September 23, 2023, all to be held at the Veteran's Memorial Building in Cass Lake, Minnesota. Kenneth's Spiritual Advisor is Dustin Burnette. Those helping to lay Kenneth to rest are Aaron Wind, Jr., Lonan Rice, Kenneth Hough, Jr., Andrew Hough, John Wind, and Josh Wind. Alternates are Bobby Headbird, Kevin Burnette, and Martin Wind. Honorary pallbearers are Kenneth's grandchildren, Larry Keezer, Harry Morris, Tonia Bissonette, and Mike Robinson. Interment will be at the Leech Lake Veteran's Cemetery in Cass Lake following the service.

Kenneth'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.

Sheila Brown



Sheila Marie Brown, age 52, of Sisseton, South Dakota, began her spirit journey on September 22, 2023, from Sandford USD in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. She was born to Rodney St. John and Barbara Brown on April 29, 1971, in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

She went to Heart of the Earth Survival School where she spoke proudly of being a part of the Drum and Dance group, where

she met her lifelong friend, Darla Diver. She spoke fondly of being on the cheerleading squad. Her dad Rodney "Rock" St John always bragged about how smart his "lil Sheila" was and how much she enjoyed reading. He also fondly reminisced of her childhood stay in Veblen, SD, with him and her other "mom" Roselyn St John.

Some of the books and movies she enjoyed were the "tear-jerker" life/love story dramas. So many times, you could catch her reading a short story, or watching a movie, TV show and she'd be shedding a tear. It's probably because for such a tiny woman she carried a love so big it couldn't be measured. She always had such a kind, caring heart. She loved the people in her life wholeheartedly. She made many friends in her lifetime, some of which she placed as close as family. If you asked her or anyone else, her best friend was her mother, Barbara Brown. But it can't go without saying the adoration she had for the children in her family. From her own children to her younger siblings, to her nieces and nephews, as well as all her cousins, and most recently her grandchildren. The warmth and glow from her heart to the smile on her face when she'd watch them play and play with them and hear them laugh. Her smile grew even more when she spent time with the rest of her family. She carried the same devotion and love for her faith and prayer, which she always credited her grandmother Rose Brown and later her mom Roselyn St John with. She spent many times in her life praying with and for those she held close. She spent so many moments creating beautiful memories with people that there's not enough room on a page to list them all. She was a typical 80's '90 teen she talked about Tupac Shakur and listened to Prince. Her exterior beauty she caringly mirrored to her internal beautiful heart. She lived life on her terms and goals, whether it took minutes, hours, or years she met every single one. She was strong, beautiful, loving, faith-filled, fun, and will be remembered as the Beautiful Soul she was and forever will be in the hearts of her loved ones.

Family that she is reunited with in the spirit world are her mother, Barbara J. Brown; grandparents, Daniel Kingbird, Rose M. Brown, Edward M. and Celesta E. (LeBlanc) St. John; brother, Burton J. Brown; sisters; Hope R. St. John, Clara M. St. John, Jessie Brown, Kelly Brown and "Babyboy" St. John. Those she leaves to cherish her memory are her parents, Rodney (Rose) St. John; son, Jordan Brown; daughter, Alyssa (Alice) Brown; brothers, Charles Headbird, S., and his 6 children and Sheldon T. Brown, and his 3 children; sisters, Angelic St. John and her 4 children and Sarah St. John and her 5 children.

An overnight wake for Sheila will begin at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 26, 2023, and continue until her 11:00 a.m. traditional service on Wednesday, September 27, 2023, all to be held at the Veterans Memorial Building in Cass Lake, MN. Allan Hardy will be Sheila's Spiritual Advisor. Those helping to lay Sheila to rest are Delano Brown, TeeJay St. John, Sheldon Brown, Jr., Donovan Staples, Mark Hanson, and Jim Brown. Alternate pallbearers are Joe Wilson

and Jeff Brown. Honorary pallbearers are Kim St. John, Cheryl Spider, Nita Brown, and all Sheila's family and friends. Interment will be at Prince of Peace Cemetery in Cass Lake, MN.

Sheila'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.

Jonie Johnson



Jonie Marie Johnson, 54, of Cass Lake, MN died Sunday, September 24, 2023, surrounded and cared for by her children and family.

Traditional Funeral Services will be held at 10:00am, Wednesday, September 27, 2023 at the Pike Bay Town Hall in Cass Lake, MN. A wake will begin 6:30pm, Tuesday, September 26, 2023, at the Pike Bay Town Hall and will continue until the time of the service. Burial will be at the St. John's Episcopal Cemetery in Onigum, MN. Arrangements are with the Cease Family Funeral Home in Bemidji.

Jonie was born on June 7, 1969, in Sacaton, AZ, the daughter of John and Louella (Lewis) Johnson Jr. She was raised in Idaho by the Larsen family, where she graduated from the Snake River High School. She attended Trade School in Provo, UT, and moved to Cass Lake, MN, after graduation in 1989. She met Jeff Harper, they moved to Minneapolis, where they started their family, and she attended school. They moved back to Cass Lake in 1994. Despite seperating, Jonie stayed close to Jeff, Michelle, and their children. Jonie worked at numerous entities in the community, which she enjoyed. She was a talented cook and seamstress. She made roaches to moccasins, and other beautiful powwow regalia, she enjoyed sharing her gifts with family and the community. She enjoyed berry picking, playing games with family, camping, traveling to powwows, and shopping for deals and saving coupons.

She is survived by her: Children, Sydney (Mike), Cori (Clayton), Alex (Raejah), Jackson, Grandchildren: Miikawaadizi, Landon, Aniziigwan, Tavion, Easton, Kharion, Sisters, Lavina Manuel, Nora Benjamin, Jolene...



Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Tribal Court

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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

Leech Lake Housing Authority v. Shallah Washington

Court file No. CV-23-70

NOTICE YOU ARE HEREBY notified that a Complaint in Unlawful Detainer has been filed in the Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding Unit 23 – 16190 John Moose Drive, Cass Lake, MN 56633. A hearing has been scheduled for November 7, at 1:30pm in the Leech Lake Tribal Court. Please Contact Leech Lake Tribal Court Administration for any further questions and/or a copy of the documents. The telephone number is (218) 335-3682 or 3586. You are served with this notice because you are a party to this proceeding. If you fail to appear for this hearing the Court may find you in default and enter an order against you.

LEGAL NOTICE

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In Re Estate of: Diane Frances Goodman, DOB: 09/03/1946, Decedent.

Court File No. CV-23-88

NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND CREDITORS IT IS ORDERED AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above-named decedent, Diane Frances Goodman, died November 30, 2020. 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 7th, day of September, 2023 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 Gary Miettinen III, surviving nephew of the decedent.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that at the Initial Probate Hearing held on September 7th, 2023, in Leech Lake Tribal, Court, Gary Miettinen III, 16598 65th Ave., Unit B, Cass Lake, MN 56633 was appointed to act as Personal Representative of the Estate of Diane Frances Goodman, 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: Debra Elaine Beaulieu, DOB: 08/25/1957, Decedent.

Court File No. CV-23-84

NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND CREDITORS IT IS ORDERED AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above-named decedent, Debra Elaine Beaulieu, died February 2, 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 10th, day of August 2023 at 11:30 a.m., upon the filing of a Petition for Formal Probate of Will, Determination of heirs,

and Formal Appointment of Personal Representative by Jesse Beaulieu, surviving son of the decedent.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that at the Initial Probate Hearing held on August 10th, 2023, in Leech Lake Tribal, Court, Jesse Beaulieu, PO Box 175 Bena, MN 56626 was appointed to act as Personal Representative of the Estate of Debra Elaine Beaulieu, decedent.

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

LEGAL NOTICE

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In Re Estate of: Daniel Charles May, DOB: 12/01/1993, Decedent.

Court File No. CV-23-64

NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND CREDITORS IT IS ORDERED AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above-named decedent, Daniel Charles May, died April 2, 2023. 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 3rd, day of August 2023 at 2:30 p.m., upon the filing of a Petition for Formal Probate of Will, Determination of heirs, and Formal Appointment of Personal Representative by Penny Jones, surviving significant other of the decedent.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that at the Initial Probate Hearing held on August 3rd, 2023, in Leech Lake Tribal, Court, Penny Jones, PO Box 1022 Cass Lake, MN 56633 was appointed to act as Personal Representative of the Estate of Daniel Charles May, 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: Leona Elizabeth Cloud, DOB: 01/09/1936, Decedent.

Court File No. CV-22-144

NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND CREDITORS IT IS ORDERED AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above-named decedent, Leona Elizabeth Cloud, died September 29, 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 27th, day of July 2023 at 11:30 a.m., upon the filing of a Petition for Formal Probate of Will, Determination of Heirs and Formal Appointment of Personal Representative by Colleen Gullickson, surviving child of the decedent.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that at the Initial Probate Hearing held on July 27, 2023, in Leech Lake Tribal, Court,

Merrill Cloud, OID #169024 MCF – Moose Lake, 1000 Lake Shore Drive Moose Lake, MN 55767 was appointed to act as Personal Representative of the Estate of Leona Elizabeth Cloud, 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: David Bruce Seelye, DOB: 01/25/1953, Decedent.

Court File No. CV-22-114

NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND CREDITORS IT IS ORDERED AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above-named decedent, David Bruce Seelye, died February 2, 2015. 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 2nd, day of March, 2023 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 Jesse Seelye, surviving nephew of the decedent.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that at the Initial Probate Hearing held on March 2, 2023, in Leech Lake Tribal Court, Jesse E. Seelye, PO Box 83 Bena, MN 56626 was appointed to act as Personal

Representative of the Estate of David Bruce Seelye, 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: Shirley Jane Young, Petitioner, v. Nicholas Boyd Sherman, Respondent,

Case No. CV-23-27

NOTICE OF LEGAL PUBLICATION AND HEARING TO THE ABOVE-NAMED RESPONDENT, An Emergency Order for Protection has been issued based on the Affidavit and Petition for Order for Protection in this matter. You are hereby required to appear before the Judge of this Court on June 6th, 2023 at 10:00 a.m., in the Tribal Courtroom located at the Tribal Justice Center in Cass Lake, Minnesota. If you fail to appear, judgement by default will be taken against you.

NOTICE OF RESTRAINING PROVISIONS

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

- 1) RESPONDENT SHALL NOT COMMIT ACTS OF DOMESTIC ABUSE AGAINST THE PETITIONER.
- 2) RESPONDENT MUST NOT HAVE ANY CONTACT WITH PETITIONER WHETHER

ER IN PERSON, WITH OR THROUGH OTHER PERSON, BY TELEPHONE, LETTER, OR ANY OTHER WAY. IF YOU VIOLATE ANY OF THESE PROVISIONS, YOU WILL BE SUBJECT TO SANCTIONS BY THE COURT.

LEGAL NOTICE

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In Re the Custody of: Anoodin S. Isham, DOB: 09/05/2013. Kristen Bryan, Petitioner, and Daniel Isham, Respondent,

Case No. FA-23-68

ORDER

Based on the above Affidavit, IT IS ORDERED:

1. Notice shall be given by publication in two consecutive issues of the DeBahJiMon.
2. Notice shall be given by publication in a newspaper of general circulation of at least once a week for three consecutive weeks at Petitioner's expense.
3. The date and time of the Hearing in this matter is December 14th, 2023, at 11:00 a.m. at the Leech Lake Tribal Court in Cass Lake, Minnesota.
4. Applicant's request for publication is denied.

LEGAL NOTICE

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Child(ren) of: Delores Rose Kingbird-Tibbetts, Scott Ambrose Roy and Darrin John Wakonabo, Parents

Court File No. CP-23-14

NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that a Child/Family Protection Petition, Motion for Immediate Custody and Affida-

vit in Support of Immediate Custody have been filed in the Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the child(ren) of the above-named parents. 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 in these proceedings, the Court may proceed on behalf of the children by default.

LEGAL NOTICE

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Child(ren) of: Janice Skinnaway, Juan Blanco, Alfredo Gil-Onfre, and Antonio Snow, Parents

Court File No. CP-20-29

NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that a Petition to Transfer Permanent Legal and Physical Custody has been filed in the Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the child(ren) of the above-named parents. A hearing has been scheduled for June 8, 2023 at 10:00 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 transfer permanent custody of the children to the individual(s) named in the petition by default.

LEGAL NOTICE

Leech Lake Band of

Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Child(ren) of: Lillian Rushman, Jonathan Wakonabo, Sr. and any other persons claiming paternity of minor children I.G.H and/or B.J.H., Parents

Court File No. CP-20-15

NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that a Petition to Transfer Permanent Legal and Physical Custody has been filed in the Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the child(ren) of the above-named parents. 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. The next hearing in this matter is on December 7, 2023 at 11:30 a.m. If you fail to appear for this hearing, the Court may transfer permanent custody of the children to the individual(s) named in the petition by default.

LEGAL NOTICE

Leech Lake Band of

Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In the Matter of the Guardianship of: T.C. Jr., Minor Child, DOB: 12/08/2008 Z.C., Minor Child, DOB: 04/12/2017. Tashina Mountain, Clarice Mountain, & Dr. Giniwgiizhig, Co-Petitioners, and Wabigwaninzs Mountain & Thomas Casey Sr., Respondents,

Case No. FA-23-09

NOTICE

OF LEGAL PUBLICATION NOTICE OF HEARING YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that

on January 26th, 2023, a Petition for Guardianship of a Minor was filed with the Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the child(ren) of the above-named parent. You, the respondent herein, are hereby notified that you must appear in Leech Lake Tribal Court on November 14, 2023 at 10:30 a.m., the date of the Review 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 petitioners.

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

Colleen Rushman, OBO, N.W., minor child, Petitioner, v. Amber Lord, OBO, A.L., minor Child Respondent.

Case No. CV-23-63

NOTICE

OF LEGAL PUBLICATION TO THE ABOVE-NAMED RESPONDENT, A Temporary Restraining Order has been issued based on the Affidavit and Petitioner for Harassment/Restraining Order in this matter. You have 30 days to request a hearing from the date of this publication. Failure to do so will result in the Harassment/Restraining Order being in effect for 2 years.

NOTICE OF RESTRAINING PROVISIONS

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

- 1) RESPONDENT SHALL NOT HARASS THE PETITIONER.
- 2) RESPONDENT MUST NOT HAVE ANY CONTACT WITH PETITIONER WHETHER IN PERSON, WITH OR THROUGH OTHER PERSONS, BY TELEPHONE, LETTER, OR ANY OTHER WAY.
- 3) RESPONDENT IS PROHIBITED FROM BEING WITHIN 200 FEET OF PETITIONER'S HOME.
- 4) RESPONDENT MUST STAY AT LEAST 20 FEET AWAY WHILE AT SCHOOL.

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

LEGAL NOTICE

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Child(ren) of: Carla Gale (Deceased) and Jerome Anderson, Parents.

Court File No. CP-17-11

NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that a Petition to Transfer Permanent Legal and Physical Custody has been filed in the Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the child(ren) of the above-named parents. A Hearing is scheduled for December 6, at 10:00 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 transfer permanent custody of the children to the individual(s) named in the petition by default.

LEGAL NOTICE

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In Re Estate of: Duane Anthony Beaudreau Sr., DOB: 05/31/1937, Decedent.

Court File No. CV-23-95

NOTICE

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND CREDITORS IT IS ORDERED AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above-named decedent, Duane Anthony Beaudreau Sr., died November 12, 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 21st, day of September, 2023 at 11:30 a.m., upon the filing of a Petition for Formal Probate of Will, Determination of Heirs, and Formal Appointment of Personal Representative by Desiree Finn, surviving granddaughter of the decedent.

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

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- Bena Store
- Sugar Point Comm. Center
- Kego Lake Comm. Center

District III

- Cass Lake Rest Area
- Che We Station
- Leech Lake RTC

- Tribal Justice Center
- Facility Center
- Dairy Queen
- Cass Lake IHS
- Cass Lake Dental Clinic
- Leech Lake Market
- Shell Station
- Diabetes Clinic
- Woman's Halfway House
- White Earth Office
- Child Welfare Office

- Financial Services
- Woman's Services
- Opioid Clinic
- Leech Lake DRM
- MCT Headquarters
- Cass Lake-Bena H.S.
- Cedar Lakes Casino
- Leech Lake Gaming
- Junction Station
- Leech Lake Tribal College
- Men's Halfway House

- Leech Lake Health Division
- RBC Building
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- Sanford Center Box Office
- Tesoro Station
- Bemidji Public Library
- Social Services Building
- Bemidji IHS Building

- LLBO Health Clinic
- Bemidji State Univ. AIRC
- Northwest OIC
- Oshki Manidoo Center
- Simonson's Station
- Tesoro Station

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Obituaries Continued.

...Johnson, Darla (Tommy) Francisco, Numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, and all of her Larsen family in Idaho. She was preceded in death by her: Son Truman Harper, Dad Stephen Larsen, Parents John Johnson Jr. and Louella Johnson, In-laws Dennis and Judy Harper, Siblings Franklin Manuel, Carl Johnson, Alex Johnson, Neal Johnson, Brian Johnson, Kerwin Johnson, and Reynold Johnson.

Cherlene Jenkins



Cherlene Gail Jenkins, 63 of Cass Lake MN, began her journey to the spirit world on Friday, September 15, 2023. Cherlene was born August 22, 1960, to Naomi "Leona" and Joseph "Junior" Fineday, Jr. in Red Lake, Minnesota.

Cherlene enjoyed playing volleyball, softball, and horseshoes. She enjoyed cooking for the family, also sneaking in ingredients that some didn't like. She loved to spend time with her grandchildren. She would spend time with the girls one day and the boys the next. She especially enjoyed going rummaging with the "wild one" Kaidance Fourstar. Cherlene loved to go the casino and play keno with her husband, Raymond Jenkins Sr.

Family Cherlene is reunited with are her husband, Raymond Jenkins, Sr.; parents, Joseph and Leona Fineday, son Raymond (B-Ray) Jenkins Jr, sister Sharon Fineday-Smith, brothers, Duane Fineday Sr., and Burton

Fineday, along with numerous aunts and uncles.

Those she leaves behind to forever cherish her memories are her daughter, Shauna (Matt) Fourstar; brother, Robert (Tina) Roybal; sister, Lorna (Al) Roybal-Kiehne; grandchildren, Naomi, Arden, Kaidance Fourstar, Ameera, Anishtah, Rashawn Jenkins, Raelyn Jenkins, Creed Jenkins, Ayianna Jenkins, and Julius Huesers; mother-in-law, Susan Jenkins.

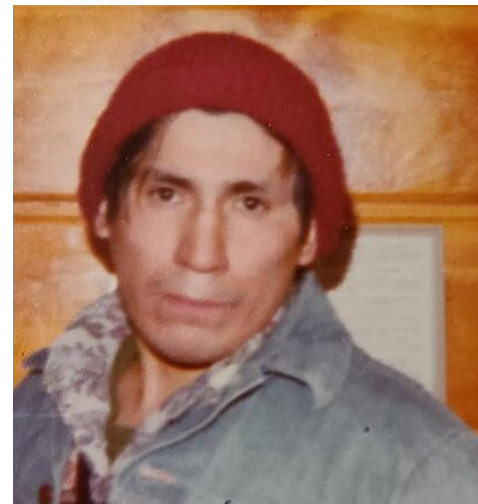
An overnight wake for Cherlene will begin on September 20, 2023, at 7 p.m. at the Veterans Memorial building in Cass Lake, Minnesota and continue until 1 p.m. on September 21, 2023, when her service will begin, with clergy, Jeff Oakgrove. Those helping to lay Cherlene to rest are Mitch Kiehne, Marvin Staples Jr., Matt Fourstar, Duane Fineday Jr., and Deion Burris. Alternate pallbearers will be Devin Butcher and Robert Butcher. Honorary pallbearers will be her grandchildren, Ameera Jenkins, Anishtah Jenkins, Ayianna Jenkins, Raelyn Jenkins, Naomi Fourstar, Kaidance Fourstar, Raymond Jenkins III, Rashawn Jenkins, Robert Roybal, Lorna Roybal-Kiehne, Tina Roybal, and Al Kiehne. Interment will be at the Fineday Family Cemetery in Pennington, MN following the service.

Cherlene'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.

John Munnell

John David Munnell, age 70, began his journey to the spirit world on August 22, 2023, from the Sanford Medical Center in Bemidji, Minnesota. John was born December 30th, 1952, in Cass Lake, Minnesota to Myrtle Mary (Wind) and David Robert Munnell.

John attended school in Cass Lake except for the years he participated in the Mormon Placement Program. In high school, John enjoyed playing football and wrestling. He graduated from Cass Lake High School and following that he briefly attended Brigham Young University in Utah before returning home. In John's younger years he enjoyed riding motorcycle, snowmobiling, exercising, and hanging out with his uncles. John enjoyed family gatherings in the summers. He spent most of his working years in gaming. Later he spent his time traveling around the country. John was always teasing everyone.



Preceding John in death are his parents, David and Myrtle; brother, Francis; sister, Karen; and all of his aunts and uncles.

Those left behind to cherish John's memories are his son, David; two estranged children; a niece; and many cousins.

A Celebration of Life for John will be held on Saturday, September 2, 2023, at 12:00 p.m. with a visitation one hour prior to the service, all to be held at the Veteran's Memorial Building in Cass Lake, MN. Father William "Bill" Butcher will officiate. John's urn bearer is Anita Simons. Honorary urn bearers are all of John's cousins. A lunch will follow the service. Interment will be in the Old Agency Catholic Cemetery in Onigum, MN.

John'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.

Calvin Lindner

Calvin Seth Lindner, born on August 2, 2023, unexpectedly passed away at home on September 6, 2023 at the age of 1 month and 4 days. Calvin Seth was named after his great grandfather Calvin Goggleye, his middle name from his uncle, Raige Seth Tappo and last name from his father, Andrew Michael Lindner. Although his time was short with all of us, he was absolutely adored by everyone who laid eyes on him and especially loved by his parents. As he's the first born, great grandchild, grandbaby, nephew, etc he



was given lots of love and attention.

Calvin was always a joy to have around and care for. He was a surprisingly calm and happy baby although he didn't seem very calm in the womb. Calvin being a calm baby was a little bit of a shock because it was a little expected we'd have a handful with him. He might've looked grumpy all the time but I promise you he wasn't :) regardless, it was heartfelt watching him develop a bit of personality and see it come out here and there. Watching him get as big as he did really makes you look at life a little more positive. Although we didn't get to see him grow and watch him experience the beauty life has to offer.

Calvin is survived by his mother Sian-Rose Tappo, his father Andrew Michael Lindner, his great grandparents Calvin Howard, Aurelia Chamema, his great great grandparents Arlou Femrite, John Lindner(now passed), Gale and Larry Brynjulfson, grandparents Calea and Michael Roybal along with Melanie and Jeff Lindner, his uncles Dorian, Raige and Leighton Tappo, Robert, Rylee, and Michael Roybal, Mike and Lewis Lindner, Terrance and Kale Fleming, his aunts Samantha Tappo, Rayna Roybal and Piper Fleming.

His celebration of life will be held at the community center in Inger on Tuesday 09/12/23 and the wake on Monday night 09/12/23, where he'll be buried by his great great grandmother Beatrice Biven's. We know his ancestors are waiting to welcome our little light of life with open arms and will watch over him until we can be with him again.

November

District III Elder Birthdays

Bonnie Beaulieu
Sharon Bebeau-Cavitt
John Bedeau
William Bedeau
Willis Burnette
Evelyn Campbell
Sheryl Charwood
Janet Cloud

From the District III Office LeRoy, Toni & Kari

Eleanor Craven
George Donnell
Dean Elmsberg
Anita Fahlstrom
Kenneth Fahlstrom
Donald Fairbanks
John Fairbanks
Jerome Finn
Glen Fisher
Mary Goggleye
Russell Goggleye
Charles Hanson



Kerry Harper
Shari Headbird
Peter Hunt
Debra Jackson
Kenneth Johnson
Marlene Johnson
Karen Jones
Connie Littlewolf
Roselyn Loeken
Andrea Lyons
Darlene Monroe
Cynthia Morris
Peter Morris
Terrence Morris
Eugen Northbird

Suzanne Northbird
Steven O'Brien
Clayton Oothoudt
Ethelyn Peacock
Joseph Plumer
Richard Raish
Robert Randall
Walter Reese
Winona Richardson
Jeffrey Riewer
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Lyman White
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Geraldine Goodwater	Melvin Northbird	Machell Wiltse
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From the District III Office
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Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Summary of Job Openings

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 POSITION CLOSES OCTOBER 6, 2023

Case Manager (Urban Office) ~ Child Welfare ~ D.O.Q ~ Job Code: 23-141

THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS ARE OPEN UNTIL FILLED

Alcohol & Drug Counselor (2) ~ Human Services ~ \$22.65/hr ~ Job Code: 23-003
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
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
ARMHS Mental Health Practitioner ~ Human Services ~ D.O.Q ~ Job Code: 23-012
Program Accountant ~ Finance ~ D.O.Q ~ Job Code: 23-015
Infant Toddler Teacher ~ Education ~ \$17.20/hr ~ Job Code: 23-016
Infant Toddler Team Leader ~ Education ~ \$21.00/hr ~ Job Code: 23-017
Pre School Teacher/Family Services Advocate (3) ~ Education ~ \$17.20/hr ~ Job Code: 23-020
Pre School Teacher (3) ~ Education ~ \$17.20/hr ~ Job Code: 23-021
Mental Health Professional ~ Education ~ D.O.Q ~ Job Code: 23-022
Gekinwaaamaaged (Teacher) ~ Education ~ D.O.Q ~ Job Code: 23-025
Infant Toddler Teacher (Ball Club) (2) ~ Education ~ \$17.20/hr ~ Job Code: 23-030
Lead Nurse (A.R.C) ~ Human Services ~ D.O.Q ~ Job Code: 23-035
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
WIC & Nutrition Registered Dietician (2) ~ Health ~ D.O.Q ~ Job Code: 23-054
Advanced Practice Provider ~ Health ~ D.O.Q ~ Job Code: 23-055
Adolescent & Maternal Child Health Manager ~ Health ~ D.O.Q ~ Job Code: 23-058
Maternal Child Health RN ~ Health ~ D.O.Q ~ Job Code: 23-059
Home Healthcare RN ~ Health ~ D.O.Q ~ Job Code: 23-061
Registered Dietitian (Diabetes Program) ~ Health ~ D.O.Q ~ Job Code: 23-063
Driver/Operator ~ Tribal Roads ~ \$19.00/hr ~ Job Code: 23-075
Police Officer ~ DPS ~ D.O.Q ~ Job Code: 23-076

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THROUGH OCTOBER 28

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KIOSK SWIPES	WIN UP TO \$200 FREE PLAY FOR EVERY 30 POINTS EARNED	TIME	CASH
		6PM	\$100
		7PM	\$150
		8PM	\$200
		9PM	\$250
		10PM	\$300

PICK A LEAF MULTIPLIER AND WIN UP TO \$600 IN FREE PLAY OR \$1,500 IN CASH.

WALKER, MN: northernlightscasino.com
 CASS LAKE, MN: cedarlakescasino.com
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Earn 1 entry for every 10 points, September 30 - October 28, 2023. See Player's Club for rules and complete details. Management reserves all rights.

\$20K PAYDAYS

\$20,000 IN CASH GIVEN AWAY AT EACH CASINO

WEDNESDAY DRAWINGS*

TIMES	CASH
7pm	\$2,500
8pm	\$2,500
9pm	\$5,000
10pm	\$10,000

NORTHERN LIGHTS - NOVEMBER 1
 CEDAR LAKES - NOVEMBER 8
 WHITE OAK - NOVEMBER 15

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*Must be present to win. Earn 1 entry for every 10 points August 3 - October 31, 2023. See Player's Club for rules and complete details. Management reserves all rights. Subject to change.

GET A GIFT! Sunday or Monday

OCTOBER 2023

Earn 30 points until 10pm on Sundays or Mondays and receive a featured gift of the week. Redeem from 8am-11pm Sundays or Mondays.	 OCTOBER 1st or 2nd Spc. Kitchen Utensil Set.
 OCTOBER 8th or 9th Handled Serving Board with Dip Bowl.	 OCTOBER 15th or 16th Lazy Susan.
 OCTOBER 22nd or 23rd Salad Bowl with Server.	 OCTOBER 29th or 30th Condiment Server.

*Only one gift per person per week. While supplies last. Dates of gift distribution subject to change. Free play will be given if gift is unavailable. See Player's Club for details. Management reserves all rights.

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ALL YOU CAN EAT SPECIALS

 MONDAY: 5PM-9PM KING CRAB LEGS *75 WITH POTATO, VEGETABLE & SALAD.	 TUESDAY: 10AM-9PM TACOS *13 FRY BREAD OR SOFT SHELL.
 WEDNESDAY: 5PM-9PM SPAGHETTI *15 WITH MEAT SAUCE & GARLIC TOAST.	 THURSDAY: 5PM-9PM SMOKED PRIME RIB *30 WITH POTATO, VEGETABLE & SALAD.
 FRIDAY: 5PM-9PM FISH FRY *15 WITH POTATO & VEGETABLE.	 SATURDAY: 5PM-9PM BBQ SMOKED RIBS *20 WITH POTATO & VEGETABLE.
 SUNDAY: 10AM-9PM FRIED CHICKEN *16 WITH POTATO & VEGETABLE.	 WALKER, MN shingobeeonthebay.com

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SUNDAYS: 10AM-10PM
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*75¢ each wing. Minimum 3 wings per order. 12 wing max on to-go orders.

TREATS FOR TOTS

OCT. 31ST, 2023
4PM-7PM

WALKER, MN Northern Lights Casino Event Center	CASS LAKE, MN Cedar Lakes Casino Event Center
DEER RIVER, MN Morse Town Hall	BENA, MN Bena Community Center

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