



# LAC COURTE OREILLES NEWSPAPER

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### LCO Officers Receive Body Camera's



The LCO Indian Child Welfare Department is in their final year of a 3-year grant provided thru the Department of Justice. This grant was given for the sole purpose of improving how LCO-ICW in conjunction with Sawyer County Human Services, Sawyer County Sheriff's Department, the District Attorney's Office and the LCO Police Department in handling joint child abuse and neglect investigations.

It was through this funding that we were able to purchase Body

Cam's for 2 LCO Police Officers.

These recording devices will be used when interviewing children that may have been victims of physical, sexual or other forms of abuse and/or neglect.

We look forward to continue working with the Multi-Disciplinary Team to not only educate how to prevent child abuse and neglect from occurring, but to also prosecute offenders that have abused children to the highest extent of the law!



### HTE Anishinaabekwe Announcement

by Odaawaazaaga'iganing, LCO, Hayward, WI

April 11, 2015

Our 2015 Honor The Earth Anishinaabekwe is Asin, Thelma Nayquonabe. The powwow is in memory of her sister, Trixie also known as Tiggie. The powwow will be filmed for an upcoming episode of Stacy Thunder's show. She will

be filming the 2015 Honor The Earth Home Coming Celebration and Powwow. Powwow button contest ends April 24 amongst area schools. Next mtg where we will choice the artwork for the powwow button will be April 27 at five o'clock at the Lco tribal office.

### Health Center Records Investigation

Over the past few months the Tribal Governing Board along with the Lac Courte Oreilles Police Department ("LCO PD") and Lac Courte Oreilles Health Center ("LCOHC") Administrative Staff has been investigating possible violations of the Federal Health Information Portability and Accountability Act ("HIPAA") at the LCOHC.

In late 2014, the current Director of the Lac Courte Oreilles Health Center was informed that several pieces of Health Center information from 2010 – 2011 were discovered at the residence of an LCOHC Employee. The Employee had allegedly taken this Health Center information home to complete work. The Employee failed to return the Health Center information in a timely fashion. Following the Employee's separation from their significant other, the significant other discovered the Health Center information in the home. At that time, the Health Center information was secured, sealed, and handed over to the Lac Courte

Oreilles Police Department ("LCO PD"). The incident was then forwarded to the Tribal Governing Board, which directed the Legal Department to conduct an internal investigation. During the course of the investigation it was concluded that the Health Center information was Protected Health Information ("PHI"). The Employee was subsequently terminated.

It was determined by the Legal Department, at the conclusion of the investigation, that there were no violations of the Federal Health Information Portability and Accountability Act ("HIPAA") as the facts of the investigation established that this incident was statutorily excluded from being constituted as a breach of the standards of HIPAA pursuant to 45 C.F.R. §164.402, however there were clear violations of the Tribes Confidentiality Policy. The Tribal Governing Board has called the Indian Health Service to independently provide an opinion on our conclusion.

As part of the investigation

### 101 Years Ago- Event Recreated in 2015

On March 12 & 13 Lac Courte Oreilles Chairman Mic Isham attended the Summit of Native American leaders in Wisconsin.

This Summit was held at the University of Wisconsin Madison Campus. The event was modeled after what was termed the first ever

SOCIETY OF AMERICAN INDIANS' 4th MEETING  
October 6-11 at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, 1914



## 2015 LCO Tribal Governing Board Nominees

Names of the TGB nominees for the 2015 election on May 16th, 2015.

1. Ron Gokey
2. Rhonda Quagon
3. Brian Bisonette
4. Al Baker Jr
5. Joe Morey
6. Wade Bowling
7. James Jack Hamilton
8. Dan Sullivan
9. Jason Schlender
10. Lori Taguma
11. Michael Taylor
12. Lisa Perry
13. Brian Diamond
14. Gaiashkibos
15. Cindy Miller
16. Rosalie Gokee
17. Shondel Barber
18. Dorothy Sharon
19. David L. DeNasha
20. Jason Bisonette

21. Chris Grover
22. David Dennis Sr
23. Jeff Tribble
24. Deanna Baker
25. Larry Kagigebe
26. Gordon Thayer
27. Terry Tribble
28. Sue Quaderer
29. Louis Taylor Sr
30. Karen Isham
31. Jason Weaver
32. Joel Valentin
33. Joe Post Grover
34. Gary "Lil Guy" Clause
35. Brodie LaRush
36. Lorraine Gouge
37. Dulcie Rae Wolf
38. Chuck Martin
39. Nancy Cooper
40. Don Carley
41. Doreen DeBrot
42. Lawrence Smith

## NO Spring Clean-up This Year



The intent of Spring Clean-up was always to provide our members the opportunity to properly dispose of items generally not accepted by regular garbage pick-up services. However it was found over the years those intentions were not followed. Some people were storing household garbage in garages, and old cars/trucks throughout entire year just waiting for Spring Clean-up to get rid of the waste. These actions have swelled the costs of the annual spring clean-up efforts to unsustainable levels.

Household garbage is the responsibility of the home owner/renter to dispose of properly. Due to these reasons, Spring Clean-up will not occur this year as it has in the past years. Please DO NOT start putting your waste on

the side of the roads as it will not be picked up this year! There will be two designated days, one at the end of April the other at the beginning of May to bring your waste to the transfer station at no cost. These days are yet to be determined and will be announced in the coming days. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding with this matter.

Drive a little...  
Save a lot!

at the LCO Convenience Center

Food, Deli, Grocery, Gas,  
Cigarettes, Beer, Car Wash,  
and Awesomeness!

Chesters Chicken

Hours: 6am—Midnight

## 2015 LCO TGB Election Committee



2015 LCO TGB ELECTION COMMITTEE-STEVE CRONE, CINDY MILLER, KELLY NAYQUONABE (ALT.), MARCIE GOUGE, JULIE BLUESKY AND SHARON STARR. NOT PICTURED :JULIE SNOW AND ELAINE DEBROT (ALT.), AND DAN CROSS (ALT.).

## April Is Proclaimed As Child Abuse Awareness & Prevention Month

The Lac Courte Oreilles Band of Lake Superior Chippewa (LCO) Tribal Governing Board has proclaimed April "Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention Month" affirming its commitment to help protect children from neglect and abuse on the LCO Reservation.

Joined by members of the Tribal Governing Board, local law enforcement, LCO Child Services Personnel and Children's Justice Coordinator Jane Flygstad, LCO Chairman Michael Isham Jr. held an official proclamation signing event at the tribal office Tuesday, April 7, 2015.

According to the signed proclamation, American Indian children experience a high rate of child abuse and victimization at a rate of 11.6 children out of every 1,000. Acknowledging higher than average rates of anxiety, unemployment, substance abuse, depression, and alcohol use among the Native community, the proclamation identifies these as known risk factors for the mistreatment of children.

"It is important to remember that Child Abuse is not just hitting or hurting a child. Many times neglect is just as bad and often



worse, when a parent exposes their child to drug abusing environments," said Flygstad.

Education and training of adults is an effective method to help prevent child abuse, with strategies that succeed through partnerships between law enforcement, business, human services, faith communities, health care providers, and citizens of the community.

"Child abuse in any form - physical or mental - is unacceptable. We have all heard the proverb that it takes a village to raise a child. I want to call our whole community to action to protect our children and end child abuse in its entirety," said Chairman Isham.



**Raymond Louis Quagon**  
*Bagwajinini 'Bear Clan'*  
April 3, 1985 - March 16, 2015

Richard, Rayne and Reyauna. He liked to play Keno and gamble at the casino, loved spending time with his kids, his brother Leonard and his sister Melissa and their daughters and also his mother Charlene.

He is survived by his wife Candace Swehla; sons Richard Quagon, Rayne Quagon; daughter Reyauna Barber-Quagon; father Leonard; brothers Leonard Quagon Jr. Ahsinees Larson, Rob Edley; sisters Melissa Quagon, Shawnie Louis, Rhieanna Larson, Nichol Petit, Desiree Conger; nieces Alana Gougé, LaMina Quagon and many others.

Raymond is preceded by his mother Charlene Barber; sister Ashley Quagon; grandfather Dick Barber; great grandmother Mary Frogg; great grandfather Louis Barber; cousin Bic Dauphinas.

Tribal Funeral Rites will be held at 11:00 a.m. Thursday, March 19, 2015 at Pineview Funeral Service in Hayward with Lee Staples officiating. Burial will be in Round Lake Cemetery. Visitation will begin at 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, March 18 at the funeral home.

Honorary casket bearers will be Alex Barber, Alton Barber, Derek Barber, David DeNasha, Monty Diamond, Joe Gougé, Stephan Milam, Kyle Spencer and Koonse Thayer.

Casket bearers will be Waylon Barber, Cory DeMain, Jeremy Quagon, John John Quagon, Larry Quagon and Dusty Wilber.

Mary's Medical Center in Duluth.

Susan Elaine Stone was born October 17, 1949 in St. Paul, MN, the daughter of Eugene and Mary (Anderson) Kampmann.

She is survived by her brother Gary Kampmann; two nieces; many aunts, uncles and cousins.

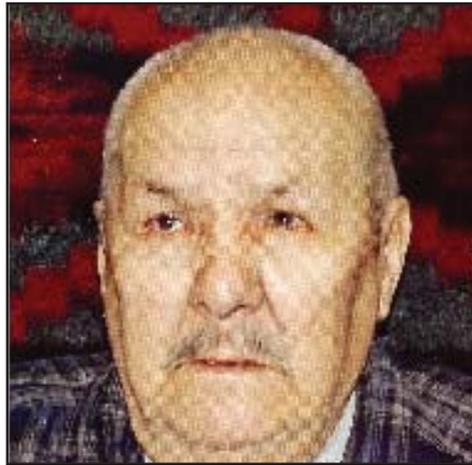
A Memorial Service will be held at 3:00 p.m. Saturday, March 28, 2015 at Pineview Funeral Service in Hayward with Rev. Gary Hilgendorf officiating. Burial will be in Evergreen Cemetery in Couderay. Visitation will be from 2:30 – 3:00 p.m. prior to the service at the funeral home.



**Susan Elaine Stone**

October 17, 1949 - March 17, 2015

Susan E. Stone, age 65, died Tuesday, March 17, 2015 at St.



**Ronald Louis Martin**

December 30, 1934 - March 25, 2015



Ronald L. Martin, age 80, of Webster, died Wednesday, March 25, 2015 at

Spooner Health System.

Ronald Louis Martin was born December 30, 1934 in Hayward, the son of John and Mildred (Corbine) Martin. He grew up and attended school at St. Francis and Hayward. In 1950 Ron moved to Milwaukee then enlisted in the US Army in 1954. He served during the Korean War until 1956 receiving the National Defense Service Medal, Army of Occupation Medal (German) and the Good Conduct Medal. After the military he lived in Milwaukee for several years where he was self-employed as a construction roofer. Ron was united in marriage to Mary (Huff) LeMieux on October 19, 1985 in Milwaukee. They moved to the Webster/Siren area where they resided.

He is survived by his wife Mary; children Richard (Betty) Martin, Jeanne (Jim Anderson) Martin, Susie Thayer; step-children Gary (Gaynell) LeMieux, Dale (Bambi) LeMieux, Ron (Kari) LeMieux, Kathy (John) LeMieux; 25 grandchildren; 56 great grandchildren; 2 great great grandchildren; brothers Fred Martin, Raymond Martin; sister Deanne Martin.

Ron was preceded by his parents; step-children Ed, Kenny & Marie LeMieux; brothers Joe Corbine, John Thomas Martin Jr., Elwood K. Martin, Chester B. Martin and baby siblings Gordy and Sharon.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, March 31, 2015 at St. Francis Solanus Indian Mission in Reserve with Father Gregory Hopefl officiating and music provided by Sister Felissa Zander. Burial will be in St. Francis Cemetery. Visitation will begin at 6:00 p.m. Monday, March 30 at the funeral home.

Honorary casket bearers will be Dale LeMieux, Gary LeMieux, Ronald LeMieux, Carl Miller, Richard Morgan and Dickie Patrick.

Casket bearers will be Damien LeMieux, Ronald "RJ" LeMieux, George LaRonge Jr., Billy Martin, John Martin, Frank "Cricket" Wade, Paul Obbie Wade and Wayne "Doogie" Wade.

PRICE REDUCTION!

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**The LCO County Store**  
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**Andrew John Crowe**  
*Miskwaa Giizhik 'Red Sky'*  
April 26, 1990 - March 31, 2015

Andrew J. Crowe, age 24, of LCO, died Tuesday, March 31, 2015 at his home.

Andrew John Crowe was born April 26, 1990 in Hayward, the son of Antoine & Roberta (DeCora) Crowe. After graduating from Lac Courte Oreilles Ojibwe School in 2008, Andrew worked for the Great Lakes Fish & Wildlife Commission as a creel worker. He also worked for LCO Housing and also with LCO Signs with his brother Curtis DeCora. He lived at home with Grandma, Grandpa and brother. Andrew's best past-time was enjoying time with family & friends. When Andrew entered a room there was always a "warm smile"

on his face and would help anyone in need. He had a very kind heart.

He is survived by his mother Roberta; brothers Dwayne F. and Curtis W. DeCora, Michael, Tony, Larry, Gerald, Ronald and Donald Crowe; grandmother Myrna DeNasha; grandfather John Bluesky; many nephews, nieces and cousins; his very dear and close friend RaeAnne St. Germaine.

Andrew was preceded by his father Antoine; great grandmother Frances DeNasha, uncles Ronald and Paul Crowe.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 7, 2015 at St. Ignatius Catholic Church in New Post with Father Gregory Hopefl officiating and music provided by Sister Felissa Zander. Burial will be in New Post Cemetery. Visitation will begin at 5:00 p.m. Monday, April 6 at New Post Community Center.

Honorary casket bearers will be Jr. Bildeau, Carol DeMain, Cory DeMain, Mikey DeNasha, Rick Denomie Jr., Shondel Pringle, Thomas Smith Jr., RaeAnne St. Germaine and Catrina White.

Casket bearers will be Aaron DeBrot, Rich Hollen Jr, Duane "DJ" Miller, Ernie Sharlow, Richard Trepanier Jr., Andrew White and David White.

and Ethel "Wob" (Nayquonabe) Barber. He belonged to the Awaazisii Dodem.

He is survived by his brothers Russell "Rusty" Barber, Dan Barber and Terry (Linda) Barber; sisters Dowie Barber, Melanie Barber; many nephews, nieces, aunts and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents; infant sister Brenda Lee Barber; grandparents William Barber, Ollie Benton, Johnson Nayquonabe, Mary Frogg; niece Miranda Barber; uncle Franklin Barber. Tribal Funeral Rites will be held beginning with a feast at 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, April 14th at Big Drum Ceremonial Center in Lac Courte Oreilles. Bobby Williams will officiate. Burial will be in Round Lake Cemetery. Visitation will begin at 5:00 p.m., Monday, April 13th at Big Drum.



**Thomas Edward Barber**  
*Baagwaajinini*  
March 19, 1960 - April 11, 2015

Thomas E. Barber, age 55 of LCO, died Saturday, April 11, 2015 MCHS-Red Cedar Hospital in Menomonie, WI surrounded by his family.

Thomas Edward Barber was born March 19, 1960 in Hayward, WI, the son of Russell "Buck"



**Daniel Jay Gokey**

Sept. 27, 1968 - April 3, 2015

Daniel J Gokey, age 46, of Superior, died Friday, April 3, 2015 in the palliative care unit at St. Mary's Hospital in Duluth, Minnesota.

Daniel Jay Gokey was born September 27, 1968 in Superior, WI, the son of Gregory and Betty (Patrick) Gokey. As a child, he attended Superior schools and spent many hours at Charlie Allen's farm, with his pony, Sam. In later years, he worked at a die casting shop in Minneapolis, and did construction work in Superior.

Daniel and his girlfriend, Nellie Hammond, were together for nearly 20 years, until her death in 2004.

He is survived by his four brothers Greg (Ann) Gokey Jr., Dean (Jeanne) Gokey, Dennis (Cindy) Gokey, Jeff (Debbie) Gokey; four sisters Diane (Doug) Allen, Dawn (David) Rask, Tina (Tom) Anderson, Lois (Steve Urban) Vnuk; many nieces and nephews; several great nieces and nephews.

Daniel was preceded by his parents Greg and Betty and his brother Charles.

The Funeral Service will be held at 11:00 a.m. Thursday, April 9, 2015 at the Pineview Funeral Service in Hayward with Father Gregory Hopefl officiating. Burial will be in St. Francis cemetery in Reserve. Visitation will be held from 9:00 - 11:00 a.m. prior to the service at the funeral home.

Casket bearers will be Rick Anderson, Gabe Gokey, Bruce Martinson, Troy Orlovski, Daniel Sloan and Ross Vnuk.



**Robert Brian Villebrun**

May 22, 1970 - April 8, 2015

Robert B. Villebrun, age 44, of St. Paul, MN, died Wednesday, April 8, 2015 at his home.

Robert "Crush" Brian Villebrun was born May 22, 1970 in St. Paul, MN, the son of Robert Taylor and Constance (Spiegelberg) Villebrun. He grew up in Danbury and attended Webster High School. Crush worked for St. Croix Casino and Turtle Lake Casino.

He is survived by his children

Kayleen Villebrun, Devin Villebrun, Sterling Villebrun; grandchildren Terrence & Tayvin Villebrun; mother Connie Villebrun; brother Keith Spiegelberg; sisters Patricia Villebrun (Robert), Jessica Villebrun (Amy), Sharon Villebrun (Patrick); many nephews & nieces.

Crush was preceded by his grandparents Charlie & Sophie Taylor and his father Robert.

The Funeral Service will be held at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 14th at Pineview Funeral Service in Hayward with services provided by Rev. M. John Quaderer. Burial will be in Whitefish Cemetery. Visitation will be held beginning at 5:00 p.m., Monday, April 13th at the funeral home.

Casket bearers will be Burleigh Miller III, Duane "DJ" Miller, Ward Staples, Donald "Bozo" Trepania, Devin Villebrun and Sterling Villebrun.



**Billy Ray Campbell**

February 19, 1940 - April 4, 2015



Billy R. Campbell, age 75, of Hayward, died Saturday, April 4, 2015 at his home.

Billy Ray Campbell was born February 19, 1940 in Bel Flower, CA, the son of Raymond and Virginia (Owens) Campbell. He attended school in Grand Prairie, TX. In 1959, after graduating he joined the U.S. Marines with his cousin Jim. He retired from the service in 1979 as a Captain. Bill was VERY proud of his military life. After retiring he worked

for Douglas Aircraft. Bill moved his family to Hayward where he began managing the LCO Athletic Club for some years. He owned and operated the Countryside Bar up until he decided he wanted to enjoy his later years, relaxing and doing what he loved most...taking care of his yard, flowers and his springer spaniel, Hal.

He is survived by his wife Lana; children William, Deanna, and Paul Campbell; step-children Suzanne Smith, Clinton Price, Vicki Shibilski, Anthony Price Sr., Marilyn Ramsburg, and Reone Rusk; 10 grandchildren, one great grandchild, several step-grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Bill was preceded by his parents, his first wife Norma Kathy (Corbine) Campbell, and special cousin Jim Campbell.

A Memorial Service will be held at 11:00 am Friday, April 10 at Pineview Funeral Service in Hayward, with Gary Hilgendorf officiating. Burial will be in St. Francis Cemetery, with military

honors accorded by the LCO AMVETS Post 1998 and State of Wisconsin Military Honors Team. Visitation will be held from 10-11 a.m. on Friday prior to services at the funeral home.

Honorary casket bearers will be Art Dennison, Jan Fisher, Randy Fisher, Sylvia LaRonge, Tim Miller, Denise Nelson, Terry Nelson, Louie Nickence, Robert Radtke and Dennis Smith.



**Donald Steven Trott Sr.**

July 16, 1959 - March 25, 2015



Donald Steven Trott Sr., age 55, of Hayward, died Wednesday, March

25, 2015 at St. Mary's Medical Center in Duluth, MN.

Steve was born July 16, 1959 in, Baltimore, Maryland, the son of Edwin and Dorothy (Scott) Trott. Steve served in the United States Army from 1976 to 1981.

He is survived by his daughter Jessica (Jeff) Williams of Owens Cross Roads, AL; son Donald Steven Trott Jr of Huntsville, AL; grandchildren Jericoe, Jared & Kristopher of Owens Cross Roads, AL; partner of 20 years Marilyn Reyes of Hayward; several brothers, sisters, nieces and many tribal friends.

Steve was preceded by his parents Edwin & Dorothy; several brothers and sisters.

The Funeral Service will be held at 11:00 a.m. Monday, March 30, 2015 at LCO Assembly of God Church in Signor with Pastor Marvin Wilber officiating. Visitation will be held from 5:00 – 9:00 p.m., Sunday, March 29th at LCO Assembly of God Church and again from 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. prior to the service at the church.

## Veterans Corner - VA Eliminates Net Worth as Health Care Eligibility Factor

by Renee Brown, Sawyer County VSO - March 22, 2015

Sawyer County Veterans,

Many of you are enrolled in VA health care. For those of you who are not, the VA will enroll Veterans based on certain eligibility factors. Most Veterans who do not receive a VA disability or pension payment or have a VA special eligibility, such as a recently discharged Combat Veteran or a Purple Heart recipient, must complete a financial assessment when applying for enrollment to determine their eligibility for enrollment and copay responsibility for VA health care and/or prescription medication. These Veterans must provide their gross household income (which includes spouse and dependent children) for the prior calendar year. This income information will be used to determine the Veteran's enrollment status and copay responsibility for VA

health care and/or prescription medication.

If you have applied in the past and were denied for VA health care based on income requirements due to net worth being over \$80,000.00, I encourage you to schedule an appointment and see if anything has changed. Some Veterans were denied in the past because their net worth (second homes, land, bank accounts, etc.) exceeded \$80,000.00 (even though their yearly gross household income may have been within the thresholds). Bottom line is the VA Forms have changed effective March 2015 and the VA no longer requires a Veteran to provide their net worth, but only their previous calendar's yearly gross household income. The VA will look at your previous year income as follows:

Sawyer County threshold for

single Veteran is \$36,135.00. Sawyer County thresholds for a Veteran plus 1 Dependent is \$41,305.00. With each additional dependent, the threshold gets higher. You can also deduct previous calendar year deductible medical expenses and funeral/burial expenses to get you under the threshold. We always recommend the Veteran bring in their previous year tax return so we get the accurate number. The VA is required by law to verify Veterans' household income. The Income Verification (IV) process is used to match Veterans' household income with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and Social Security Administration (SSA). If through the IV process it is determined that the veteran's household income exceeds the established

VA national threshold, the veteran may be responsible for copays for health care provided since the date of completion of the initial financial assessment.

The information above covers the income portion of VA health care eligibility. Don't forget the other factors to consider such as character of discharge, duration of active duty, etc. Veterans may submit updated income information at the Sawyer County Veterans Service Office.

Office Renovation

Due to numerous factors, our office visits and contacts continue to rise significantly. In the next few months, the Sawyer County Veteran Service Office will undergo renovation allowing us to best accommodate and serve our Veterans. Through the past

*veterans corner story continued on pg. 10*

# Headstart Kids & Teachers Parade Through LCO Tribal Office April 1, 2015



# 2015 Lac Courte Oreilles Spearing Opener

by Lonnie Barber, Public Information Officer

I had a great night at the Big Lac Courte Oreilles boat landing off HWY K. At least 10 boats of Ojibwe exercised their sovereign right to hunt, fish and gather in the ceded territories of Wisconsin. LCO Ojibwe School had a boat out and what was so great was, all of the students/spearers were young

ladies! LCO Game Wardens, Police Dept., Conservation and GLIFWC Wardens and Creel teams were all there, doing a great job. Hats off to everyone! As usual, a lot of joking and teasing. There were three good-sized Muskies taken, 39, 46.5 and 48 inches by midnight.



## LCO Ojibwe School Project Feeder Watch Message From Ackley At The Penokee H.E.L.P.

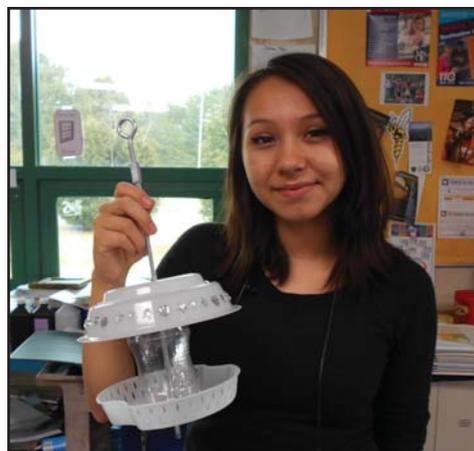


type of precipitation, and snow depth. The data is then sent to Project Feeder Watch scientists to track winter bird populations and climate data to determine if there is any correlation between the number of birds observed and climate change. Feeder Watch results from all



**Bethany Carley and Mary Dust**

participating citizen scientists will be combined, tabulated, and published in scientific journals. The data will indicate whether the environment is healthy or not. Students thought this was a worthwhile project and enjoyed being part of an international study that monitors the health of our environment. This year the Biology students each made their own bird feeders from repurposed materials. Lac Courte Oreilles Ojibwe School Project Feeder Watch was supervised by Wendy Fuller (High School Science Teacher) and Linda Tennis (Gifted and Talented Teacher).



**Latesha Benjamin**



Welcome again to another year here at H.E.L.P in the beautiful Penokees...we have been so lucky to be here for everybody who couldn't...

Once again in this month we came together and to take a stand against those who look for ways

to line their pockets and destroy everything around by having another Pancake Feast....

So around 2pm on April 25th we will be cooking up pancakes and corn bread...for all who come out....please bring your favorite mix so it can be turned into pancakes....I think we will have some Penokees Gold for all to have on their pancakes....

So let's come together and celebrate this year in happiness and harmony with mother earth and all of her beauty she has given to us here in the Penokees....see you all soon....jen and larry



### Vice-Chairman Barber Visits H.E.L.P.



Lac Courte Oreilles Vice-Chairman Rusty Barber was invited to visit the LCO Harvest Camp (H.E.L.P) in the Penokee's near mellen, Wi. on March 25,2015. With "sugar bushes" in full tilt production in the ceded territories, the H.E.L.P. Camp has tapped nearly 250 trees with the help of Larry and Jen Ackley, Paul DeMain and many volunteers.

The Biology students from Lac Courte Oreilles Ojibwe School participated in Project Feeder Watch sponsored by Cornell Lab of Ornithology and Bird Studies of Canada. This is the 3rd year that Lac Courte Oreilles Ojibwe



**Maria Acosta and Connor Beaulieu**

students have participated. Project Feeder Watch is a citizen scientists program that nature centers, community areas, and other locales in North America



**Alyssa LaRush**

can participate in to monitor bird populations throughout North America. Data collection takes place from November through early April, and includes not only the species and numbers of birds observed at a specific feeder, but also the daily high and low temperature, amount and

*native leaders summit continued from pg. 1*

“Conference of Native Americans” held in 1914, which was also held at UW-Madison. This conference of Native Leaders eventually morphed into what is now known as the National Congress of American Indians.

Dr. Larry Nesper, UW Professor, was one of the organizers of the event and gave an overview of the “conference” that was held over 100 years ago. He had pictures, handouts and literature from the event. One newspaper account was entitled “Chief Ira Isham from Lac Courte Oreilles presides over first ever Conference of Native Americans”. Dr. Nesper noted that here we are over 100 years later and we have Chief Isham’s Great great grandson present as the current Chief [or Chairman] of the Lac Courte Oreilles Tribe. Issues that were discussed back in 1914 were much the same as the issues Tribes face today such as Environmental; Land base, Treaties and State/Tribal relations. One issue that Chief Ira Isham and Steve Grover (also from Lac Courte Oreilles) were advocating for was Citizenship for Native Americans. At that time Native Americans were not United States Citizens.

The main focus of this year’s

event was how the University system can utilize its resources like PHD, Masters and other



Chief Ira Isham from LCO (2nd row, right of center) attended first ever Conference of Native Americans.

students to work with Tribal Nations. Chairman Mic Isham stressed the importance of utilizing their experts to collect baseline data in and around the Lake Superior Region as well as in the entire ceded territory so that we may strengthen our knowledge about how any project such as a mine may affect the region as a whole. Isham stated, “so often times projects are looked at an individual or local level and no one takes into account the accumulative affect of all the projects that are occurring”. He added, “one project alone may not have a huge impact but taken together the effects can be devastating”.

The other Tribal Leadership was in full agreement. Chairman Wiggins from Bad River termed the accumulative effects as “a death from a thousand cuts”.

Chairman Mc Geschick from Mole Lake, spoke of how his Tribe had to struggle with mountains of

scientific data as his tribe fought the Crandon Mine project.

The meeting was held in a packed auditorium and some questions were allowed as time permitted. One audience member termed the Tribal Leaders as “Hero’s” for the fights they fight everyday on behalf of their people and on behalf of the environment. Most of which occur against multi-million dollar corporations or against huge State Governments.

The audience gave the Tribal Leaders a standing ovation.

There were many breakout sessions for the attendees such as Environmental, Treaty Rights, Education and more.

Tribal Leaders present were Greg Miller, Vice-president of Stockbridge-Munsee, Bryan Bainbridge, Vice-Chairman of Red Cliff, Brooks Big-John Tribal Councilmember fro Lac Du Flambeau, Gary Besaw, Chairman of Menomonee Nation, Jon Greendeer, President of Ho-Chunk Nation, Christina Danforth, Onieda Tribal Chair as well as the aforementioned Lac Courte Oreilles Chairman Mic Isham, Bad River Chairman Mike Wiggins and Chris McGeshick from Sokaogan Band of Chippewa.



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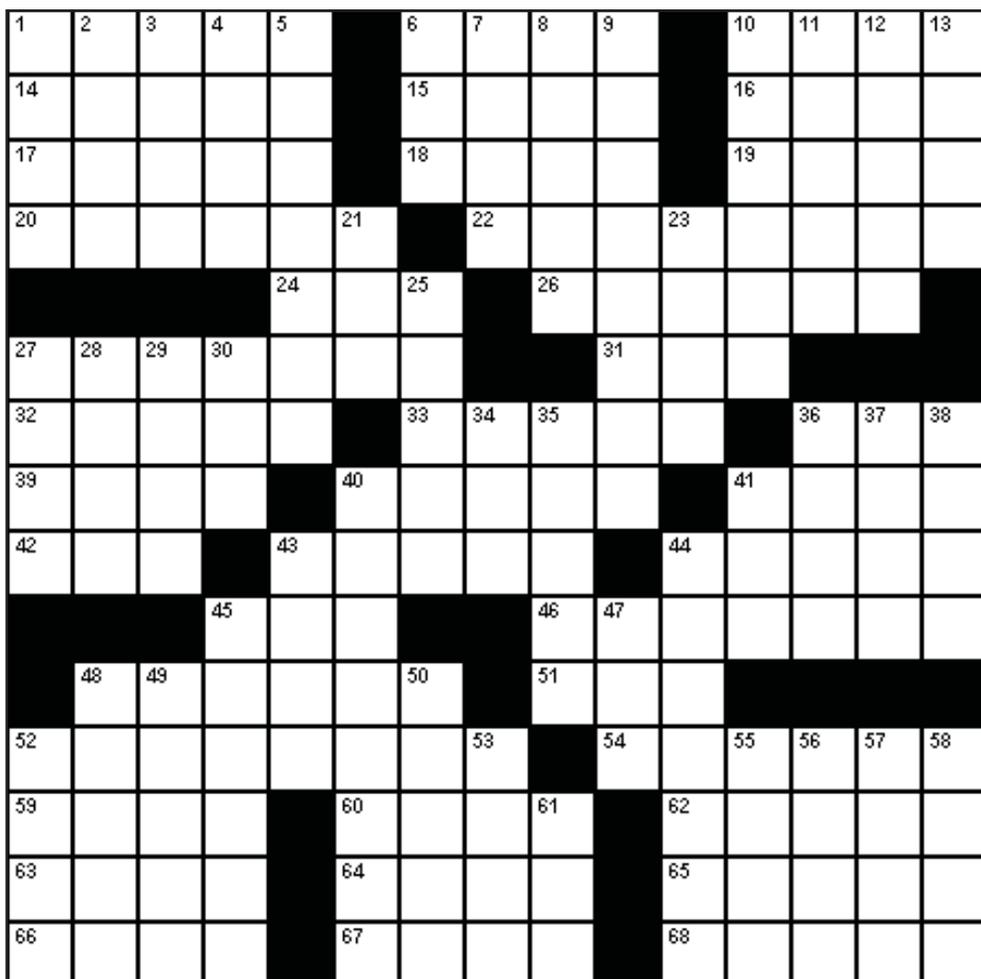
back in January, LCOPD personnel made an inventory list of the obtained Protected Health Information. In recent days, this confidential and proprietary inventory list was illegally obtained and disseminated publicly from a source other than the Health Center. The recent release of this inventory list constitutes a breach of not only the Tribe’s internal confidentiality policies, but also HIPAA. In compliance with the HIPAA,

those persons included in the illegally obtained and publicly disseminated confidential and proprietary inventory list will be contacted on an individual basis by the Health Care Center, to be notified of the breach of their PHI. In addition to the requirements of HIPAA, the Tribal Governing Board has directed that as part of this notification, individuals that are concerned about the information that was involved in this confidentiality and HIPAA

breach will be allowed to make an appointment to view their patient related information that was part of this breach. The Tribal Governing Board shares in your concerns that this matter be handled thoroughly but efficiently. We also want you to know that stringent policies and procedures have been in place to safeguard Protected Health Information.

The matter has been referred to the Sawyer County Sheriff

and Sawyer County District Attorney for criminal proceedings consistent with the illegal obtainment and dissemination of your PHI. Finally, it should be known that individuals currently in possession of, and/or distributing, the inventory list can be held liable civilly or face criminal charges to be determined at the conclusion of the investigation.



*Veterans Corner story continued from pg. 5*

year, I have met with several Veterans and discerned their greatest need is through services we provide locally. High on the list is our counseling services offered through the La Crosse Vet Center outreach program. We have a counselor meeting at our office with local veterans. What turned out as a small group of individuals has increased to a large number of veterans seeking help in the form of one-on-one counseling to group sessions for our combat veterans making it abundantly clear the need for increased space and an improved, safe environment.

For example, because our Vietnam Support Group has grown so large, we will need to take a wall down to open up a larger space. Additionally, this will also allow a safe and private space for Sawyer County Veterans to meet with other local resource agencies that also provide assistance to our Veterans. Examples of these other resources are DWD, local employment representatives, Supportive Services for Veteran Families-Indianhead Community Action Agency, Veterans Emergency Team, and awareness meetings for local combat veteran recreational

therapy opportunities including horse equine therapy, veterans on the river initiative, and art therapy. We are excited about this opportunity and we look forward to sharing the changes when complete. During this time, we request your patience and understanding as we serve you through the renovation.

#### Outreach Schedule Update

Due to a conflicting schedule, we will not be holding outreach hours the month of April, but will begin again in May. Outreach will resume the third Thursday in May with meetings at the Exeland Senior Center between 10:00 AM-NOON and the Winter American Legion between 1:00 and 3:00 PM. Please note we will no longer be meeting at Exeland Village Hall, but instead at the Exeland Senior Center. Additionally, I will be available at the Hayward VA Clinic on the first and third Tuesday of each month between 2:00 and 4:00 PM. I kindly ask that you please consider scheduling appointments. Please contact us at (715)-634-2770 with any questions you may have about this article or other Veteran benefits.

#### Across

1. Grannies
6. Monumental;
10. Signs
14. Diciembre follower
15. Change the decor
16. Christmas song
17. Throat problem
18. Approach
19. Away from port
20. Adventurous expedition
22. Phraseology
24. Whiz
26. Edmonton team
27. Wide strait
31. Dwarf with glasses
32. Lout; 33. From head \_\_\_\_
36. Abner's adjective
39. Storage shelter
40. Hue
41. Assistant, particularly to heads of state
42. Skye cap
43. Discovers
44. St. \_\_\_\_ fire
45. Gun, as an engine
46. Capable of being cured
48. The other inheritor
51. "Rope-a-dope" boxer
52. Cabbage salad
54. Compositions
59. Romance novelist Victoria
60. Metal filament
62. Claw
63. Potpourri
64. Warts and all
65. Pineapple fiber
66. River of Flanders
67. Nerve network
68. Strangle

#### Down

1. Capone's nemesis
2. Architectural pier
3. Soft ball brand
4. Geographical expanse
5. Highest singing voice in women
6. East ender?
7. Quick look
8. Boise's state
9. Hallway
10. Momentarily
11. Polite refusal
12. Wails
13. Smelting waste
21. Frozen water
23. Drug-yielding plant
25. Singer John
27. Fluid-filled sac
28. Very funny
29. Excuse me
30. Tacit assent
34. Advanced in years
35. Puccini classic
36. Leg or arm
37. Worshiped one
38. \_\_\_\_ majeste
40. War within the same country
41. \_\_\_\_ carte
43. Professional charges
44. Controversial
45. Daniel Webster, e.g.
47. Suffix with glob
48. Loses heat
49. Stan's pal
50. Bluffer's ploy
52. Bok \_\_\_\_
53. Sealed document
55. Scarf
56. Choir member
57. Yellow of an egg
58. Dagger of yore
61. End for Siam

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# AIHEC Competition Results

by Daryl Coons, Jr.

Greetings All,  
Attached are the results for the AIHEC competition.

Needless to say, I am really happy with how we did with everyone's contribution. I think we all did a great job!

I think, as Ojibwe representatives, with a pretty good heritage, that's something to be proud of. Everyone contributed. Thank you!

On the second day, the Team Competition, we placed fourth out of a total of ten four member teams. Again, that is pretty dang good, something for us all to be proud of. The placement breakdown was in the same order as for the results of the individual days shooting.

When you consider the numbers of individual competitors, 81 total archers (40 women, and 41 men) that's pretty dang good. Some of the archers from the top teams are from schools and tribes that have archery programs as part of their school curriculum, compete nationally and have archers that are nationally ranked.

We carry on a great LCOOCC school tradition for AIHEC Archery Competition. We again did ourselves proud as Ojibwe representatives, and as representatives of our LCO Tribe. I can personally tell you our skills are recognized by other schools and tribes.

As a team member, and as a coach, I am proud of you all.

Next year we are co-hosts for the AIHEC meeting, which will be held in the Twin Cities. I expect us to practice harder, and I expect we will do a lot better...I'm expecting us to Medal!!



In the first days round, the Individual Competition, we got a total composite score of 316 (Billy Johnson-105, Mike Clarquist-99, Me-84 and Taylor Young-28). That put us in fourth place for that day. The scoring for that was:

1. Navajo Technical College 478
2. Oglala Lakota College 362
3. Keweenaw Bay Ojibwe Community College 343
4. Lac Courte Oreilles Ojibwe Community College 316
5. Insitute of American Indian Arts 230

The interesting aspect of this to me is I know there are those who think that the better archers are coming from western Tribes, but out of the top four schools that placed in the individual scoring bracket, two of them were Ojibwe tribe schools. That's carrying on a pretty good historical Ojibwe tradition. The next scorer down the list, IAIA, scored 230.

# LCO Varsity Eagles Track Schedule 2015

Date	Event	Site	Time
4/16	Invitational	Siren	4:00
4/21	Invitational	Unity	4:00
4/23	Invitational	Bruce	4:00
4/28	Invitational	Chetek-Weyerhaeuser	4:00
4/30	Invitational	Cornell	4:00
5/5	Invitational	Saint Croix Central	4:00
5/7	Invitational	Amery	4:00
5/12	Meet	Siren	4:00
5/14	Invitational	Grantsburg	4:00
5/21	Invitational (JV)	Ashland	4:00
5/26	WIAA Regional	Chequamegon	4:00
5/29	WIAA Sectional	Colfax	4:00

# WI Tribal Court Clerks Association Est. 2015

by Mary Thunder, Vice President, WI Tribal Court Clerks Association

March 12, 2015

Today we established the Wisconsin Tribal Court Clerks Association for the Tribal Courts of Wisconsin. I am so very happy and proud for all of our tribes. I am very proud to be a member of this association, and to be a part of what we envision for our tribes as a whole.

I want to congratulate the Board of Directors on the votes of confidence received from the association. Please congratulate

the following individuals and the office they will be holding:

Wayne Malone, President (Chief Clerk, Stockbridge-Munsee)

Mary Thunder, Vice President (Court Administrator/Clerk of Court - Ho-Chunk Nation)

Ariana Johnson, Secretary/Treasurer (Clerk of Court, Lac Courte Oreilles)

Jamie Stark, At-Large Member (Assistant Court Clerk, Ho-Chunk Nation)

# Waadookadaading Receives \$10K Check

S o k a o g o n  
Chippewa Tribal  
Chairman Chris  
M c G e s h i c k  
presented a check for \$10,000 to Brooke Mosay Ammann Director of the Waadookadaading Ojibwe Language Immersion School and LCO Chair Mic Isham at the Chippewa Federation meeting today in Mole Lake.



The school is operated by the Lac Courte Oreilles Band and is facing massive program cuts.

Kudos to the Sokaogon Chippewa Community and Tribal Council!



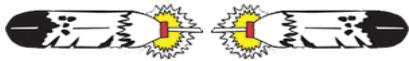
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## Lac Courte Oreilles TGB Election Dates

**Saturday, May 16, 2015: Primary Election**

**Saturday, June 20, 2015: General Election**

**Tuesday, July 7, 2015: Inauguration**

Nominees have until May 1st to accept or decline their nominations. Stay tuned to lco-nsn.gov for the latest news and results. Subscribe to e-news alerts by logging on to the tribal website at lco-nsn.gov/subscribe.

## WAADOOKODAADING

Ojibwe Language Immersion School



## Spring Music Showcase

**Friday, May 1, 2015**

**7:00 p.m.**

**Park Theater**

**Hayward, Wisconsin**

**Admission: Free, free will donations appreciated**

Hear hits by Bruno Mars, Taylor Swift, Pharrell Williams, Israel Kamakawiwo'ole and others, all performed in the Ojibwe language by Waadookodaading Ojibwe Language Immersion School students!

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Unable to attend? Donations can be sent to

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Or at <http://www.gofundme.com/waadookodaading>

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