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SULLIVANS' POSE WITH PRESIDENT



Niizhoo and Preston Sullivan pose with President Obama at the 2014 White House Tribal Nations Conference Dec. 3, 2014

Leahy Named LCO Ojibwe School Director



Mike and Jesse Leahy

about the future direction of the school. "Nearly all the feedback about the process and Mr. Leahy's responses to their questions has been extremely positive," asserted Dr. Jonjak.

Leahy holds a Master's Degree in school administration from St. Thomas University of St. Paul, Minnesota. He has served six years as Principal of BaiBomBah School in Souix Narrows, Ontario and five years as Principal of Onigaming School, Nestor Falls, Ontario. Both are First Nation schools.

Michael Leahy will be the new director of the Lac Courte Oreilles Ojibwe School, pending final reference and background checks which are required by the Bureau of Indian Education. He is scheduled to begin December 8th when Dr. Rick St. Germaine and Dr. Roy Jonjak will step down as Interim Co-Directors.

Leahy's prior administrative experience also includes a Principalship at Lourdes High School, Rochester, Minnesota and an Assistant Principalship/Teacher Position at Columbus High School, Marshfield, Wisconsin. He is currently certified in Wisconsin, Minnesota, Illinois, and Ontario and has taught Advanced Placement Psychology and Social Studies. His cocurricular assignments have included coaching basketball and baseball and advising student

Extensive interviews were conducted over a two day period which gave tribal elders, parents, students, teachers, administrators, and board members the opportunity to share their thoughts and feelings

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LCO Youths Open Dec. 3rd White House Tribal Nations Conference

The Lac Courte Oreilles News December 3rd starting at 7:30 & Information Staff along a.m. Central Time at www.wh.gov with the TGB would like to congratulate Marcus Morrow on being chosen to be a Youth Ambassador to the 2014 White House Tribal Nations Conference, along with Niizhoo and Preston Sullivan who were invited to the Conference and sung at opening ceremonies. It was livestreamed on Wednesday, December 3rd starting at 7:30 a.m. Central Time at www.wh.gov. With assistance from the LCO and Ho-Chunk tribes, the boys were able to attend with their parents to represent Wisconsin and all of Indian Country. Adele Morrow is also in Washington, D.C. with her son Marcus. Chairman Michael "Mic" Isham will be representing Odaawaa Zaaga'iganing.



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LCO Tribal Government Offices Holiday Closings

LCO Tribal Government Buildings will be closed for Christmas on: Wednesday, Dec. 24, 2014, Thursday, Dec. 25, 2014 and Friday, Dec. 26, 2014

For New Years: 1/2 Day Wednesday, Dec. 31, 2014 starting at noon. Thursday, Jan. 1, 2015 and Friday, Jan. 2, 2015

If you have any questions, please contact the Human Resources Department.

Wishing everyone a safe and enjoyable Holiday Season!



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EMPLOYEES OF THE QUARTER



Pictured L-R LCO TGB Vice Chair, Rusty Barber, Melinda Taylor, Dianne Sullivan, Terrance Menuelito, TGB member Gary "Little Guy" Clause and TGB Secretary/Treasurer Norma Ross at Employee's of the Quarter presentation. Not pictured is Rhonda Raines.

LCO Retail Business Employees Receive Cash and Prizes!

The Lac Courte Oreilles retail business employees just completed a four month employee incentive program designed to recognize employees who set a good example and were role models for their fellow employees.

For each month in June, July, August, and September employees had a chance to enter their name in a monthly drawing to win a \$100 bonus. Employees that exhibited good work habits

co-workers. David Fleming Sr., LCO Business Manager says, "customer service is extremely important and we wanted to let our employees know that what they do matters and we value their dedication. We wanted to encourage good work habits and maybe even make jobs in LCO a little more fun. We're looking forward to doing this again next year."

The June winner was Mike



Rusty Barber and Mike DeNasha present winner Rhieanna Larson her Vacation Pack at the LCO Quick Stop, November 22, 2014. Congratulations Rhieanna!

by showing up regularly, on time, and ready to work earned an entry for that month. In addition to the monthly drawings, each employee that qualified for a monthly drawing also earned entries into a grand prize drawing of a \$2,000 vacation gift certificate and \$700 in vacation cash!

Rhianna Larson of the Quick Stop won the grand prize. Rhianna says, "Hard work pays off!"

Congratulations to all the other employees who won and thanks for making this prize possible."

Managers developed this program last spring in an effort to recognize employees who demonstrated a strong work ethic and set a good example for their

Baker of The Landing, the July winner was Terri Troidahl also of The Landing, the August winner was Dennis Smith of the Quick Stop, and the September winner was Rhianna Larson of the Quick Stop.

Employees who qualified for an entry in all four months also received a \$100 bonus; Maruice "Bud" Grammer (Country Store), Keisha Chino (Ojibwe Java), Mike Baker (The Landing), Renee Isham (Quick Stop), and Bonita Conger (Country Store).

Participating businesses are: Country Store, Convenience Store, Ojibwe Java, C-2 Spur, Fireworks, The Landing, and Quick Stop.

Trepanier Named New Court Administrator For LCO Tribal Court

by William Trepanier, Court Administrator, LCO Tribal Court



I am currently enrolled at the University of Tulsa, College of Law and am finishing my Masters of Jurisprudence in Indian Law degree.

I spent much of my career in Indian gaming, pursuing many facets of the field from IT to regulatory compliance. While I enjoyed Indian

gaming, I wanted to pursue new challenges that faced our tribe.

I became fascinated with Indian law after taking the initial courses at Tulsa, and began to pursue interests in the field of Indian law.

With the help of my education and experience, I will look to pursue an efficient and accessible court system that is there to help the people of Lac Courte Oreilles.

My name is William Trepanier and I am the new court administrator for the Lac Courte Oreilles tribal court.

Besides some years spent living in Las Vegas, and Madison, WI I have lived in the Hayward area my whole life. My wife and I have five beautiful children ranging from 20 months to 19 years old.

I have Bachelors of Business Administration degree with an emphasis in project management.

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council and school newspaper.

Leahy's wife, Jesse Leahy, also attended several of the interviews and toured the LCO Health Clinic. She holds the distinction of being one of the first Ojibwe women in Canada to have completed medical school and is a practicing physician. Included in the motion by the Tribal Governing/ School Board to approve hiring Leahy was an endorsement of his wife for consideration as a part-time physician at the clinic.

One of the first orders of business for Leahy will be to lead the screening process for a new school principal to begin second

semester of this school year.

With the hiring of Leahy, Phase I of the transition process launched by the tribe and shared with tribal membership in August will be completed. Dr. Rick St. Germaine, Dulcie Rae Wolf, and Dr. Roy Jonjak were requested by the TGB/School Board to lead this initial phase of the transition, and significant steps have been taken to improve academic and cultural programs while laying the groundwork for career readiness pathways and a stronger co-curriculum. They will continue to assist with Phase II of the transition through December.

Thanksgiving Feast at LCOOCC November 20th, 2014



Newly-elected LCOOCC Student's Association L-R Charisse Wilber, Cheyanne Wilber, Stephanie Wilber, and Taylor Young at the Thanksgiving Feast on November 20, 2014.



Waadookodaading students at the Thanksgiving Feast at the LCO Community College, November 20, 2014.

Oakwood Haven Domestic Abuse Shelter Welcomes New Director

Sharon (Sherrie) Paulson-Tainter recently became the new Director of the Lac Courte Oreilles Oakwood Haven Domestic Abuse Shelter.

She is an enrolled LCO tribal member and her parents were Bernard Tainter and Georgianne Corbine. Her surviving siblings are Bernard Tainter III; Patrick Tainter; and Pamela Tainter. Sherrie is the mother of three grown sons who are also LCO tribal members. She is the proud grandmother of thirteen grandchildren.

Most recently Sherrie was working at the Lac du Flambeau Human Resources Department for two years as the Safety and Prevention Coordinator.

Before that she was living and working in Santa Fe, New Mexico for two years employed by a developing Elder Care franchise called Comfort Keepers. Sherrie started out as a caregiver but eventually moved into the Office Manager position. Because it was a new franchise she also held the positions of Client Coordinator, HR/Training Specialist, and Outreach Specialist. While in Santa Fe she was also employed as a child care provider for a young three year old girl while

her parents worked in their professional field as an Orthopedic Surgeon and Family Practitioner.

Personal family issues brought her back to Wisconsin.

Sherrie's past employment has also included working for the Lac du Flambeau Tribe and Lac Courte Oreilles Tribe as a Domestic Abuse/Sexual Assault Advocate.

Her educational background includes social work, criminal justice and AODA Counseling.

She has held the position as Prevention Education Coordinator and DVR Counselor at Lac Courte Oreilles. In addition she was the Director of American Indians against Abuse, Inc. representing the eleven tribes of Wisconsin for five years.

Sherrie is happy to have returned home to LCO and she has found that the staff at the shelter has made her new job as Director an easy transition. This, she feels, is due to their strong commitment to their role in the community and to the women and children and families that they serve. They are a wonderful group of women and she looks forward to once again serving her tribe and community at the local, state and national levels.

LCO Community Health Center Closings

The LCO Community Health Center will be closed December 24, 25, and 26th in recognition of the Christmas Holiday.

We will close early on December 31st at noon and be closed on January 1st in recognition of New Years.

We will also be closed on January 19th in recognition of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Thank You and Happy Holidays!

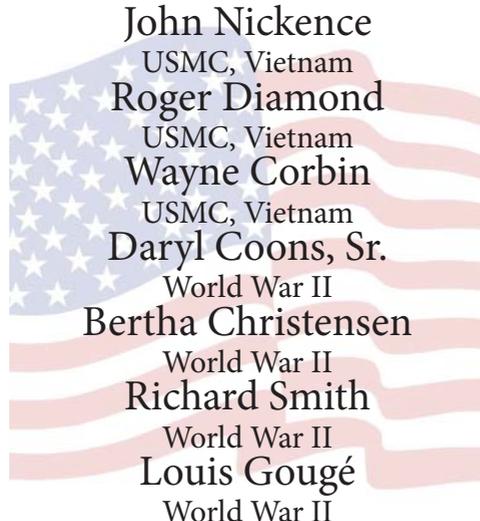


Lac Courte Oreilles Community Health Center helps in raising hats, gloves, socks and gifts for the Toys for Tots Program. Pictured are Rae Baker and Project Leader Carolyn Debrot.

Editor's Note: LCO Veterans List

by Lonnie Barber, Public Information Officer

In last months LCO VETERANS list of names, it has been brought to my attention that there were names missing. I have to accept and apologize for this misunderstanding. The list should have read LCO VETERANS REGISTERED AT LCO VETERANS DAY POWWOW. I also didn't receive a complete list, meaning that there were names of Veterans in attendance who were not on my list. My apologies again for my failure to count and assume that people would understand my intentions.



John Nickence
USMC, Vietnam
Roger Diamond
USMC, Vietnam
Wayne Corbin
USMC, Vietnam
Daryl Coons, Sr.
World War II
Bertha Christensen
World War II
Richard Smith
World War II
Louis Gougé
World War II

Veteran's Day Essay

by Michael "Makoons" J. Isham III



Michael Isham, Jr., Michael Isham III and Michael Isham, Sr. at the reading of Michael III's Veteran's Day essay.

Photo taken by: Terrell Boettcher, Sawyer County Record

I think that Veterans Day is important because, veterans put themselves in danger to protect us and we can honor them on that day. Sometimes we fight wars to help our friends. Sometimes if we lost a war we could be slaves to different countries or they could take our stuff like our oil, trees and weapons.

My grandpa, Michael J. Isham Sr. was in Vietnam for four years and a lot of people died in that war and I'm glad my grandpa

didn't die. My grandpa was in the United States Air Force. He was 19 years old when he went to war, when he came home he was 23 years old.

My grandpa said that war is bad for everybody. War is bad for both sides, its bad for the soldiers and for the people that aren't soldiers. War is bad for families to because their loved ones might die in the war and everyone is scared. My dad, Michael J. Isham Jr. was a little kid when my grandpa went to war. My dad said he missed his dad and just wanted him to come home.

On Veterans Day my grandpa will think of his friends that he served with. He will have dinner with other Veterans and go to the Veterans powwow. At the Veterans powwow the Chairman will thank the Veterans for serving our country and the drummers will sing special Honor songs for the Veterans. The veterans will get special gifts like Veterans jackets and they will get a lot of thank you's from everybody that is there. I'm proud of my grandpa.

Miigwech to all Veteran's!

LCO Casino Lodge Disaster and Recovery

Little Things Matter

Background of the incident
The Friday after Thanksgiving this year presented an interesting opportunity. At 01:56PM the LCO Fire Department received a call to an alarm at the LCO Lodge complex.

Fire Chief Eric Crowe and crew were on the scene 18 minutes later. It was quickly determined there was not fire but a lot of water. Something had activated the high pressure sprinkler system in 214, a double queen room, 2nd floor, north side about the middle of the building. The room was unoccupied.

The Fire Department quickly determined there was more than just a sprinkler head going off as water had been gushing through the bathroom wall covering the entire floor of the room, out into the hall way and through the light fixtures in the room below on the first floor.

They opened the wall to determine the cause to find water blasting out a 3/4" supply line, burst in two sections.

Fire Chief Crowe went immediately to the pump room on the east end of the building to immediately shut down the entire system. Residual water remaining in the system continued to drain out to the interior of the Lodge.

Later the investigation revealed

a window had been inadvertently left open in the room on Sunday, November 23rd. That specific room was not sold for the rest of the week.

Progressively colder weather throughout the week resulted in the ambient temperature inside the room falling to a freeze condition.

The fire protection sprinkler system is constructed to code with the proper rated PCV pipe but could not withstand the low temperature which caused the freeze and burst. This released approximately 3,000 gallons of water into rooms central to the line

break, the entire second floor corridor, the first floor ceilings and full length of the 1st floor corridor.

The Lodge was evacuated and guests relocated to available rooms in Hayward.

LCO Fire Department, casino management and staff spent the first few hours alleviating the cause of the flooding, evacuating the Lodge and relocating guests to alternate accommodations.

At 3:00AM Casino liaison and the Chairman were notified of the incident, impending damage and initial clean up activity.

At 7:30AM a conference call was organized to get everyone on



Morrow Nominated as Official LCO Youth Ambassador

by Michael "Mic" Isham, Jr., LCO Tribal Chairman

Marcus Morrow is the Lac Courte Oreilles Tribe's official nominee as Youth Ambassador to the 2014 White House Tribal Nations Conference. He has been a student at the Lac Courte Oreilles Ojibwe School his entire educational career and is one of our finest scholars.

Marcus Morrow is the Ogichidaa for our school. This is the ceremonial "warrior" and lead dancer. He represents the epitome of leadership for our youth. The Ogichidaa not only leads the dances for all of the school powwows, but in turn teaches the youth how to dance and how to handle themselves in those situations. The Ogichidaa also represents Lac Courte Oreilles at other powwows and events across the country.

As one of our top athletes, Marcus participates in basketball as well as cross country and track. This season Marcus made it to cross country sectionals. As with

all athletes, he needs to follow a code of conduct and maintain academic standing to participate in the sporting arena. In this capacity he shows our youth what one can accomplish with determination and hard work.



In academics, Marcus continues to challenge himself and make the most of the opportunities the school has to offer. He has enrolled in every STEM course the school offers. He also accepted the challenge of enrolling in Public Speaking

and Writing. Currently Marcus will graduate high school with 9 college credits, though I have no doubt he will gain another 6 before the year is complete.

I believe Marcus will be a fine representative for the Lac Courte Oreilles Ojibwe Tribe. I am proud to nominate him.

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the same page with coordination of a full response to the disaster.

ServiceMaster's recovery management team was dispatched from the Twin Cities consisting of 15 people and a Managing Director. They worked in conjunction with casino staff to mitigate the damage and conduct clean up for the next three days.

Ahern Fire Protection from Menomonie was called to assist in getting the fire suppression back in order to be able to service a large function in the Convention Center that same evening.

NEI Electrical had an electrician onsite from Trego within hours to ensure there were no hazardous electrical conditions for the clean-up effort.

Moving Forward

A recovery to full operation was initially expected to take several months.

Working with our insurance company, the insurance adjuster and a construction consultant in conjunction with our own LCO Development crew the Lodge is expected to be in full operation in less than 30 days.

The initial 20 rooms in the south wing were back on the market on Friday, December 5th, the 2nd floor of the west wing is scheduled to reopen Monday, December 15th and the 1st floor of the west wing is scheduled to reopen December 24th.

This was a herculean effort by LCO Development who came to our aid immediately and have been working 10 hour days straight through to recover from the loss. Multiple casino employees went far above the call of normal duty to address the unfortunate situation. They are to be highly commended for a job well done.

Adversity has a way of bonding a team together as there were many obvious extra efforts as well as many unseen actions that contributed to the right things

getting done at just the right time to turn an unfortunate situation into an advantage to the business.

Formal recognition is currently being planned to highlight these awesome team members and their accomplishments. The spirit of 911 was highly evident in this remarkable example of the pride many people have in their responsibilities and their place of employment.

On the upside our exceptional insurance coverage will allow us to begin refreshing the Lodge facility earlier than anticipated.

In spite of this calamity the Casino property was still able to meet its revenue projections to the Tribe for November and is ahead of plan for December.

Huge kudos and gratitude to LCO Fire Department, LCO Development, all LCO employees, ServiceMaster, Ahern Fire Protection, NEI Electrical, Young and Associates construction consulting and Crawford & Co. Adjusters.

On the downside we have found inadvertently leaving a window open can be a big deal. Little things matter.

On the upside LCO Casino employees have achieved a new high on their level of teamwork and appreciation for each other's efforts.

They are truly an "A-team".

FEMA Lottery Drawing Results

The Winners from the December 14th drawing for a FEMA home are:

1st Shiloh Beaudin
2nd Leslie Quaderer

Alternates are:

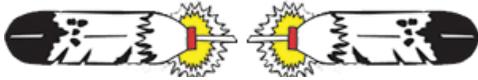
1st Derek Taylor
2nd Kaylee Trepanier
3rd Doreen Wolfe
4th Lyndsay Morrow
Thanks for participating!

GLIFWC Annual ATV & Snowmobile Class



GLIFWC Wardens put on their annual ATV and snowmobile safety class at Lac Courte Oreilles on December 6-7, 2014. Fifteen students attended the course. All students will receive snowmobile and/or ATV safety certificates from the Wisconsin DNR. Special Thanks to the LCO Fire Dept. for allowing the use of their fire hall for the class. GLIFWC Wardens Mike Popovich, Pat Retzlaff and Lauren Tuori instructed the course.

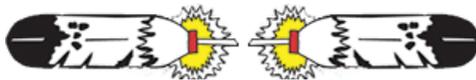
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Preston Sullivan



Niizhoo Sullivan



Preston and Niizhoo after performing at the White House for the 2014 Tribal Nations Conference, Dec. 3rd.



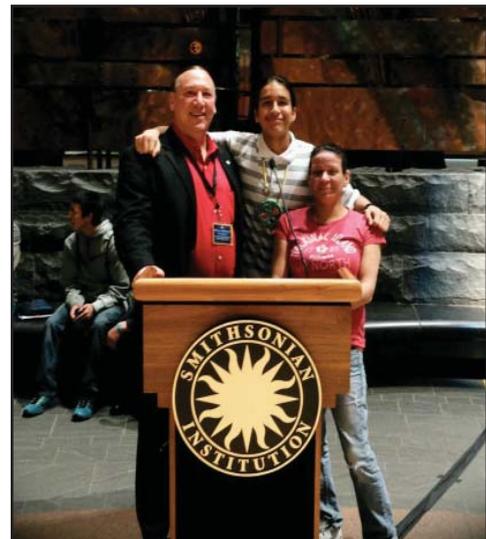
Preston and Niizhoo Sullivan performing at sound check



Preston and Niizhoo Sullivan pose with President Obama.



Niizhoo, Preston and Michael Sullivan with Chairman "Mic" Isham



Marcus and Adele Morrow with "Mic" Isham at the Smithsonian.



Preston and Niizhoo performing at the White House for the 2014 Tribal Nations Conference.



Rea L. Cisneros is the Granddaughter of Eugene Begay and Staff Attorney for the National Indian Gaming Commission in Washington, D.C.

LCO School Thanks Elders Association

The LCO School would like to take this time to say Chi-Miigwetch to the "Elders Association" for making a monetary donation of \$500.00 to help buy coats and boots for our LCO School children.

We so greatly appreciate all the help they have given us over the last couple years.

So please help support our LCO Elders Association, they are an amazing organization.



Michael and Eugene Fleming



Sharon Starr and Fern Corbine

2014 Elder's Christmas Check Disbursement



Charles and Dolores Belille



Dan "Boone" Grover



Joanne Graves, Tom Miller and Lorraine Ledbeter



Patsy Crone, Cindy Miller and Kathy Diamond



Bill Swehla and Forrest Rose Belille



Donald "Ducky" Potack



Theresa and Dick Carley



Laramie Jockey



Jim Gouge and Rusty Barber



Jim Miller

LCO Ballet/Jazz Recital Dec. 20th

The LCO Ballet/Jazz dance recital will be held at the LCO School gym on December 20, 2014 @ 2 p.m. This Event is open to the public.

We will be having a lunch after the recital. I would like to thank the LCO Elders for donating their time to cook for this event!



Ballet students are: Ali DelCampo, Alyseah Anderson, Amelia Sanchez, Dawn Denomie, Mriam Denomie, Emily Corbine, Brandi Thomas, Cassidy Kingfisher, Kylie Dishaw & Chloe Dishaw.
The Jazz students are: Delila Barber, Destiny Kingfisher, Jayden Martin, Raini Dawn Kingfisher, Stephanie Miller & Josephine Bunker.



Connor Beaulieu Is "Top Gun"

Connor Beaulieu was presented with a Certificate of Completion from the Sawyer County's Youth Police Academy Inaugural Class on November 20, 2014. Bi-aulieu took 1st in firearms marksmanship.



LCO Ojibwe School 1st Quarter Honor Roll

The staff at the Lac Courte Oreilles Ojibwe School is proud to announce the First Quarter Honor Roll:

FIRST GRADE: Nyah DeNasha, Viola Fear, Jacob Johnson, Jerni Malone, Brylee Miller, Joann Miller, Isabella Robertson, Aliana Trepania.

SECOND GRADE: Winona Baker, Sean Beaulieu, Sequoia Cooper, Aniyah Cross, Charles Grover, Evan Heath, Cassidy Kingfisher, MeShane Nickence, Dylan Quagon, Aimee Sweats.

THIRD GRADE: Michael Baker, Emma Basina-Pratt, Davien Belille, Michael Dennis, Jasmine Lynk, Adam Martin, Rena McNabb, Elizabeth Miller, Quintin Miller, Jaiden Quaderer, Thomas Quaderer, Storm Thayer, Charles Wade-Smith.

FOURTH GRADE: Matthew Baker, Jada Balber, Kyra Beaulieu, Wesley Bird, Aubrey Conger-Fowler, Avianna Cooper, Caden Grover, Savannah uaderer, Ameesio Sharlow, Jovana Skenandore, Quintin Thomas, Mahto Wade.

FIFTH GRADE: Andreanna Acosta, Nevaeh Cross, Emma Revak.

SIXTH GRADE: Rian Fleming, Elijah Grover, Sage Stands-Christensen.

SEVENTH GRADE: Feather Jack.

EIGHTH GRADE: Helen Perry, Christy Tosland.

TENTH GRADE: Chenoa Miller

TWELFTH GRADE: Brandon Carley, Casandra Carley, Marcus Morrow, Billy Jack Parent, Rosendo Parent.



2014 LCO GIRLS BASKETBALL



2014 LCO Girls Basketball Team

Winter Legends - Aadizookeng

by *Gaa-anishinaabemod gii-tibaaJimod: Obizaan—Lee Staples & Gaa-anishinaabewibii'ang: Ombishkebines—Chato Gonzalez*

Mii omaa wii-ni-wiindamaageyaan gaa-izhi-gikinoo'amaagooyaan ingiw aadizookaanag gii-tazhin-jigaazowaad. Mii eta-go iko biboonagak apii eni-aadizooked awiya miinawaa azhigwa gaa-pangishimod a'aw giizis.

I am going to tell what I was told about our winter legends or Aadizookaanag. It is only in the wintertime that these legends are told and it must be after the sun has gone down.



Ishke dash gaye niwii-wiindamaage azhigwa oshki-bangishing a'aw goon, booch da-asemaakawaad a'aw Anishinaabe inow Manidoon omaa eyaanijin gooning. Mii a'aw Gaa-biboonike ezhi-wiinind a'aw Manidoo.

I also want to tell that when the first snow falls a tobacco offering must be made to that Manidoo that exist within the snow. That Manidoo is known as Gaa-biboonike in our language.

Ishke dash azhigwa a'aw goon gii-ayaad, mii owapii eni-naazikawind netaa-aadizooked. Booch weweni da-doodawind, asemaan da-miinind, miinawaa gemaa waa-booyaan da-miinind, miinawaa aniibiish ge-minikwed megwaa aadizooked mii gaye ge-miinind.

Once the snow has arrived that is when you approach one who knows

how to tell these legends. You must treat him respectfully and give him tobacco, and possibly even a blanket, and tea to drink while he is sharing his knowledge of the legends.

Ishke booch da-biboonagak. Ishke giishpin eni-aadizooked awiya megwaa ayaasinig inow goonan, omakakiin oda-mikawaan imaa da-wiipemigod. Mii iw gaa-izhi-wiindamaagooyaan.

It has to be winter. If someone where to go ahead and tell these legends without there being any snow on the ground, that person will find a frog sleeping with him. That is what I was told.

Ishke dash a'aw mindimooyenyiban

gaa-nitaawigi'id, mii a'aw iko gaa-aadizookawid. Booch igo asemaan gii-miinag. Ishke dash gaye a'aw mindimooyenyiban gaa-izhid, "Wiikwajitooon da-goshkoziyan. Gego noonde-nibaaken dabwa-giizhaajimag a'aw aadizookaan, ishke Manidoog ingiw endazhinjigaazojig omaa aadizookeng. Weweni bizindaman omaa enaajimoyaan, gegoo-go omaa gidaa-ina'oonwewiz ge-naadamagoyan. Manidoog omaa endazhinjigaazojig omaa eni-aadizooked awiya. Gidaa-zhawenimigoog weweni bizindaman."

It was the old lady that raised me that told me these winter legends. I always had to give her tobacco. This is what the old lady told me, "Please try to stay awake. Do not fall asleep before I finish telling a legend. These are Manidoog that are being talked about in these legends. If you listen carefully to what I am telling, you could be gifted with something

from these legends that will help you, after all these are Manidoog that are talked about in these legends. They can gift you if you listen to these legends carefully."

Ishke wiin a'aw chimookamaan anooj inaaJimod, gaawiin i'iw menidoowaadadinig odazhindanziin. Mii inow endazhindamaanin dibaajimowinan eyaang a'aw chimookamaan. Gaawiin omaa gegoo menidoowaadak onjikaamagasinini a'aw abinoojiinh ge-naadamaagod.

When the white man tells his stories, there is nothing that is spiritual that he talks about. I am speaking of the stories that the white man tells. There is nothing helpful on a spiritual level that can come from his stories that would benefit a child when hearing these stories.

Ishke dash a'aw Anishinaabe gakina gegoo ezhi-apiitendang, mii iko azhigwa gaa-aabita-biboong ingoji-go wapii maadaginzod a'aw Gichi-manidoo-giizis, mii a'aw mindimooyenyiban gii-azheyaajimaad iniw aadizookaanag gayat gaa-tazhimaajin. Mii imaa gii-wiindamawid wii-azhegiwewinaad iniw Manidoon imaa aadizookaaning gaa-tatibaaajimaajin gii-aadizooked weweni wii-azhenizha'waad gaa-onjikaanid.

To show that the Anishinaabe has respect for everything, when it would be mid-winter or around the first of January that old lady would retell the legends that she had told me up until that point. It is then that she told me that she was returning those Manidoog from those legends that she had told to

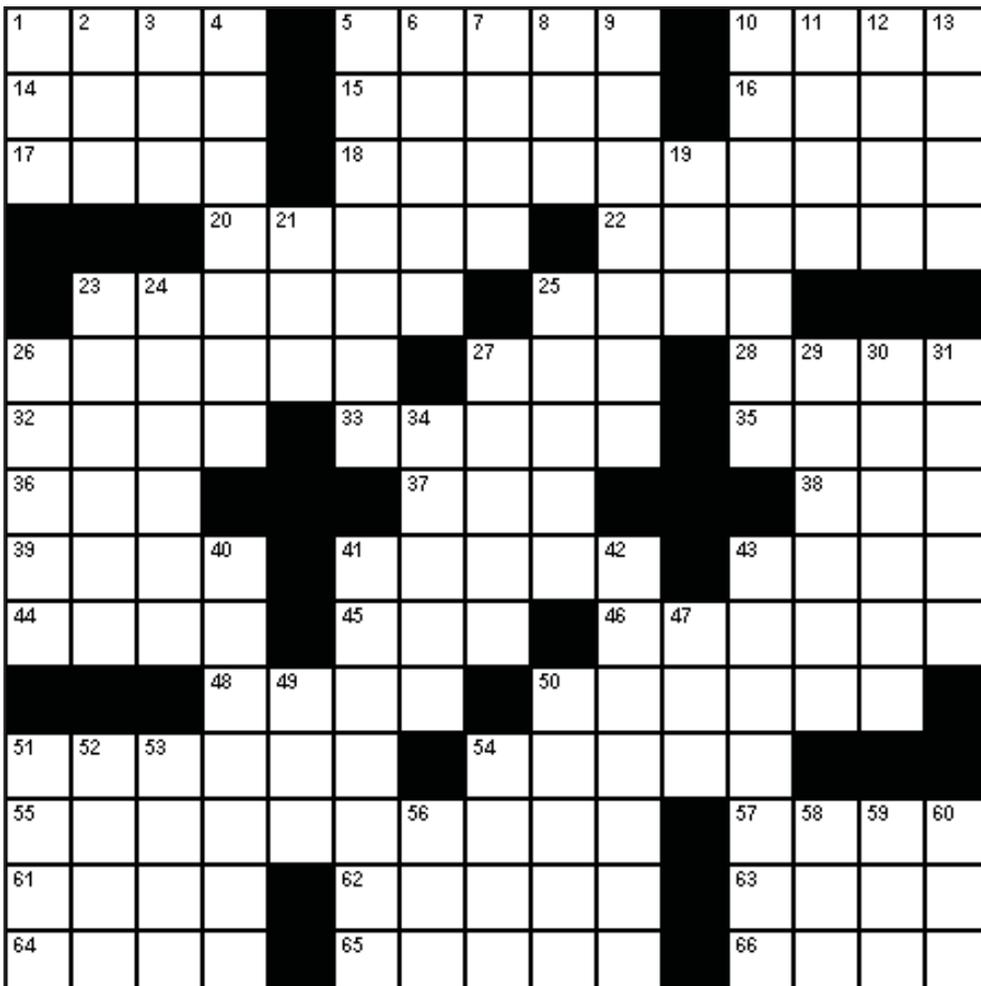
send them back to where they originally were.

Mii dash iko apii gii-aadizooked a'aw mindimooyenyiban, mii imaa gii-aayaajimaad inow Wenabozhoyan. Nebowa aadizookaanag ayaawag eni-datazhinjigaazonid inow Wenabozhoyan. Ishke bezhig inow aadizookaanag gaa-wiindamawid, mii imaa gii-tazhimaad iniw gwiiwizensan. Omigiinaazens gaa-izhi-wiinind. Miinawaa gaye aanind iniw aadizookaanag gii-kinwaabiigiziwan. Niizho-dibik maagizhaa gaye niso-dibik gii-tazhitaa gii-kiizhaajimaad bezhig iniw aadizookaanag. Miinawaa nebowa imaa ayaamagad ani-gikinoo'amawind a'aw abinoojiinh i'iw gwayak da-ni-bimiwidood i'iw akeyaa izhi-bimaadizid.

When that old lady told those legends, one those Manidoog she talked about quite often was Wenabozho. There are a lot of these legends that talk about Wenabozho. One of the legends that she told me talked about a little boy. His name was Omigi-



inaazens. Some of the legends she told me were lengthy. Sometimes it took her two to three nights for her to complete one of these legends. These legends consisted of a lot of teachings that will help a child live a good life, the way we should live our life as Anishinaabe.



Across

- 1. Small amounts
- 5. ____-garde
- 10. ____ mater
- 14. Not working
- 15. Salsa singer Cruz
- 16. Not of the cloth
- 17. This, in Tijuana
- 18. Liver cell
- 20. Has on
- 22. Warm and cozy
- 23. Warns
- 26. Cling
- 27. "Wheel of Fortune" buy
- 28. Clammy
- 32. Crucifix
- 33. More secure
- 35. "Only Time" singer
- 36. Med. specialty
- 37. Human limb
- 38. Rap's Dr. ____
- 39. Disrespectful back talk
- 41. Ice cream substitute
- 43. Type of song, to be sung solo
- 44. ____ yellow ribbon...
- 45. ____ Lobos
- 46. Put down
- 48. Boxer Spinks
- 50. Resembling a cyma
- 51. Bivalve mollusk
- 54. Boatswain
- 55. Sooty
- 57. Fed
- 61. "East of Eden" brother
- 62. Bobby of the Black Panthers
- 63. Kemo ____
- 64. Evening, informally
- 65. Behind time
- 66. Melt

Down

- 1. Vegas roller
- 2. Spots
- 3. Diner order
- 4. Kelp
- 5. Companion of Aeneas
- 6. Swerves
- 7. Swiss peaks
- 8. Actress Peeples
- 9. Narc
- 10. A jailer
- 11. Puts down
- 12. Baseball glove
- 13. ____-deucey
- 19. That's gotta hurt!
- 21. Stumble
- 23. Title of reverence for God
- 24. Fourth highest peak in the world
- 25. Adversary
- 26. Give it ____!
- 27. Big dos
- 29. Peace Nobelst Sakharov
- 30. Innumerable
- 31. Song of praise
- 34. Homerun king Hank
- 40. Brie base
- 41. Retailer of flowers
- 42. Long journey
- 43. Surrounded by
- 47. Big bird
- 49. Hosp. readout
- 50. Was able
- 51. In the blink ____ eye
- 52. Cosmonaut Gagarin
- 53. Type of machine found in Las Vegas
- 54. Male swine
- 56. PBS benefactor
- 58. ____-jongg
- 59. Lawyers' org.
- 60- Fresh

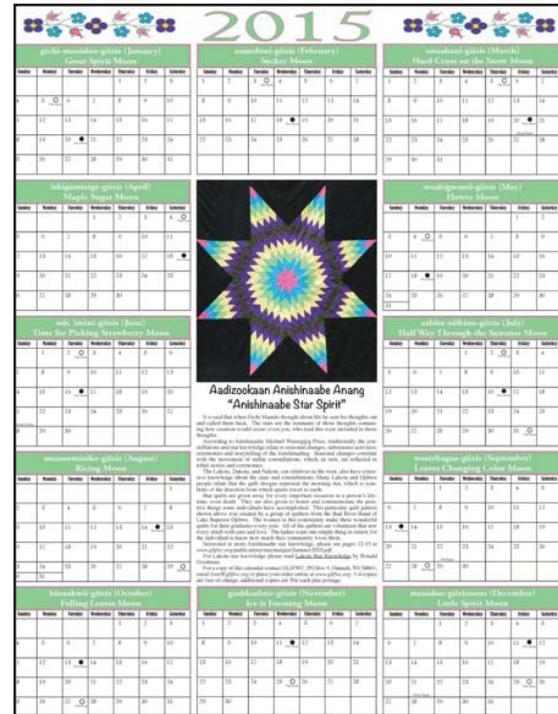
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Recycling Best Practices

by Kristi Perry, Recycling Facilities Project Manager

The LCO Transfer Station on County Highway NN is in need of your cooperation.

The Transfer Station is currently experiencing problems with their recyclable material intake. Much of the recyclable material being thrown into the collection container is either NOT a recyclable material or it's tied up in plastic bags which is not acceptable to the collection facilities. In many circumstances throughout the year, the collector will have to take the full recyclable bin to a landfill to dump because of the non-recyclable materials and the amount of plastic bags in the collection bin.

Good recyclable practices are a good habit to have especially with the new Recycling Facility gearing up for a Spring opening. Here is a list of the acceptable recyclable material that can go in the NN Transfer Station's collection receptacle:

- Milk Jugs
- Plastics #1 & #2
- All brown and clear glass (NO GREEN GLASS!!!)
- Office paper
- Cardboard/broken down (NO BEER BOXES!!!)



These items can all be accepted as long as they ARE NOT tied up in plastic Wal Mart or other plastic grocery bags. If you collect your recyclables at home in a plastic bag that is fine. When you go to throw out the recyclables at the Transfer Station please tear open the bags and empty the contents. There will be a receptacle along side of the recycling bin in which you can throw your plastic bags. PLEASE DO NOT THROW PLASTIC BAGS IN THE RECYCLING COLLECTION BIN. This practice causes the collector to have to take all the material to the landfill instead of it getting recycled.

If you are unsure of an item please ask the attendant at the transfer station if the item is acceptable before you throw it in the bin.

As Anishinaabe People we should all do our part to take care of Mother Earth.

Recycling is just one way of doing this. Please do your part. Miigwech!

Native Vote Program Results

by Matt Dannenberg, Central WI Organizer, WI League of Conservation Voters, Bad River Anishinabe Tribal Member

Like you, when I sat down to dinner with my family and friends last week, I thought of all I am grateful for. And one thing that crossed my mind at that moment was how very thankful I am for you and all you did to support our work with Native American communities during the election.

The Native Vote Program aimed to identify and address barriers to voting among Wisconsin's Native American communities. I've taken the time to pour over the results and I can now report back that the program was a huge success.

Overall, the program resulted in a 22% increase in voter participation across all Native American communities. Just a few of the highlights include an 11% increase in Lac Courte Oreilles, a



49% increase in Mole Lake and Bad River, and a staggering 73% increase in Red Cliff!

But the numbers don't tell the whole Wisconsin Native Vote story. The real stories are found in talking with people like Jerome, who absolutely wouldn't have made it to the polls on Election Day if not for the ride provided by the Native Vote program. Or

Randy, who was unsure if he was eligible to vote and only learned of his rights when contacted by a Native Vote canvasser. There are countless more stories just like these that added up to huge voter participation increases across the board. We couldn't have done it without you.

With your help, we were able to partner with tribal communities to create a program that was integrated into the communities, supported by tribal leaders, and run by Wisconsin Native Americans. The relationships built among individuals and

communities are ones that will stand the test of time...and better prepare us for the challenges ahead.

I am so grateful that your support made this important work both possible and incredibly successful. Thank you for donating, thank you for spreading the word, thank you for standing with Wisconsin League of Conservation Voters.

Waadookodaading Students & Staff

by Michael "Mic" J. Isham, Jr., Chairman LCO Tribal Governing Board

Boozhoo, Just a short note to express my sincere appreciation for your help in welcoming Senator Jon Tester, Senator Tammy Baldwin, and their key staff on October 22, 2014. You helped provide them with considerable understanding of our goals to educate our Tribal Members, while preserving our

culture through language and traditional instruction. The tours, discussions, interaction with students, and performances were outstanding.

Keep up the excellent work. You make Lac Courte Oreilles a proud Nation.

Chi-Miigwetch!

LCO Home Energy Assistance

by Phyllis Kirchner and Jordan Isham, LCO Home Energy Assist. Office

December 8, 2014

Dear Potential Energy Assistance Clients,

Winter is here, in full effect! If you haven't already, please contact the LCO Home Energy Assistance Program office as soon as possible to schedule an appointment. It is said to be another long cold winter and we are more than happy to offer assistance with your heating and electricity bills. To be eligible for the LCO Home Energy Assistance Program you must reside within the LCO Reservation boundaries and meet the following income guidelines:

items needed at time of your appointment are proof of income for the last 90 days, social security cards for all members in the household, and utility bills with account numbers provided. For applicants on a fixed income: you may request a Home Energy Assistance application to be mailed to you to fill out and send back with proof of income.

If you have any other questions or would like to make an appointment please call 715-634-8934 ext 7474.

Happy Holidays and stay warm!



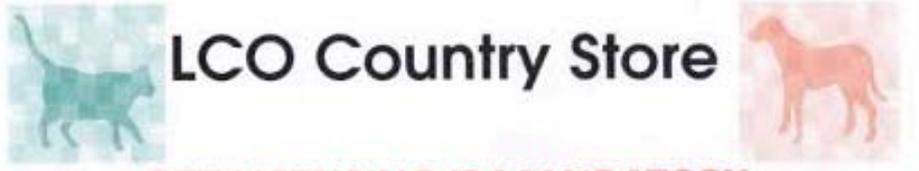
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1	2,096	6,288	25,151
2	2,741	8,223	32,890
3	3,386	10,157	40,628
4	4,031	12,092	48,367
5	4,676	14,027	56,106
6	5,320	15,961	63,844
7	5,441	16,324	65,295
8	5,562	16,687	66,746



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LCO New Years Eve Powwow

Bring In 2015 at Our Culturally Rich Family Celebration!
*Wednesday, December 31st, 2014 at Lac Courte Oreilles
 Ojibwe School Gym, 8375N Trepania Rd., Hayward, WI*

Free Admission to the public!

Doors will open for our tribal members arts/crafts and food vendors at 4:00 p.m. to set up.

Drums and dancers registration will start from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m.

Please bring a food dish to share with all our guest for the potluck dinner from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m.

Everyone whom brings a dish will receive a gift!

Also a contest for the best chili and the best fry-bread this year!

Grand Entry is at 7:00 p.m.

Drum roll call is at 6:45 p.m. for a contest for their best warrior hoop!

The 1st ten registered drums with a minimum of five singers will receive a sponsor gift.

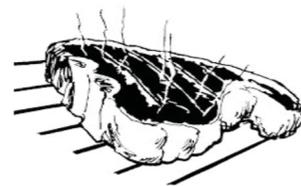
Honoring songs will be Flag, Veterans, and side step healing. An introduction of our LCO Veteran Color Guard and All Royalty.

Our different dance contest throughout the evening consist of the switch/clown/potatoes' /also with a hand-drum winner take all. Our Inter-Tribal songs will be for the spot gifts. Our Woodland songs will be the fish, swan & feather dances.

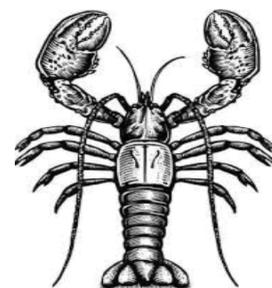
The other prizes will be for the entries of the Best Beaded Medallion, Biggest Waist, Ugliest Coffee Cup, Ugliest Hat, Newest baby, Oldest elder, Furthest guest, biggest family, Oldest Veteran, furthest casino card & each drum total top weight of their 1st 5 heavyweights!

Our last song will be at midnight honoring the brand New Year, January 1st, 2015! Hope to see you all there!

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