

Nahgahchiwanong

(Far end of the Great Lake)

Dibahjimowinnan

(Narrating of Story)



Fourth graders Lilly Hudson and Mary Ammesmaki, and FDL Resource Management Environmental Education Coordinator Shannon Judd are making a recycling tour through the FDL Tribal Center March 3. See page 6 For more recycling information and other natural resources news.

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Local news

Advisory committee presents Per Capita recommendations for RBC and Band Member review; feedback

During an open meeting in April 2010, several Band Members voiced their concerns regarding the current per-capita program with the FDL Reservation Business Committee. Chairwoman Karen Diver issued a request, seeking interested Band Members to form an advisory committee to discuss possible changes in per-capita payments.

Since June, the Fond du Lac per-capita Advisory Committee has been meeting to discuss possible modifications to the current FDL Income Distribution Plan to address concerns

related to first time recipients of per-capita payments. The committee met on six separate occasions to discuss issues and concerns related to the current distribution plan and to develop recommendations for the Tribal Council to consider.

Although there was much debate about how the plan might best be modified, the committee agreed to propose two options (A&B) for the Tribal Council to consider. In addition, several committee members felt that pursuing higher education and understanding Fond du Lac history were important for first time recipients of per-capita payments, and we have included these provisions under either plan.

The per-cap recommendations were presented to the Tribal

Council on Dec. 7, 2010. At the Council's request, the proposals are being published in this issue for public review and feedback.

RECOMMENDATIONS (Plan A)

1. Must be 18 years of age and possess a high school diploma or GED.
2. Must have financial counseling and an approved financial plan documented.
3. When requirement #1 and #2 are present, then a \$5,000.00 lump sum payment is made and the enrollee is eligible to receive regular annual or monthly per-capita payments.
4. If requirement #1 and #2 are not present, the Band member is eligible to begin receiving a \$400.00 monthly per-capita payment with no lump sum payment.

5. Upon reaching the age of 21, the enrollee would receive 50% of funds held in trust.
6. Upon reaching the age of 25, the enrollee would receive the remaining balance of funds held in trust.

RECOMMENDATIONS (Plan B)

1. Must be 18 years of age and possess a high school diploma or GED and received documented financial counseling.
2. Lump sum payment is withheld until requirement #1 is met or the Band member reaches age 25.

Two other recommendations were suggested by the committee for possible inclusion in either plan:

1. Hiring an employee to monitor distribution and progress toward meeting financial/educational goals.
2. Developing a process/possible curriculum to help young Band members appreciate the history of the FDL Band and the significance of their privilege to be recipients of per-capita payments.

The Reservation Business Committee would like to hear your feedback. Please contact your district representative regarding the proposed changes to the Per-cap program.



Legal Notices

The Fond du Lac Reservation Traffic Code has been amended to adjust fines, to increase the maximum penalties for recurrent violations, to impose court costs, and to make traffic records available to the public.

New Fines:

- Defacement or removal of signs: \$100
- Speeding - In posted school zone: \$75 surcharge
- Violation of headlight/rear lamp requirements: \$40
- Illegal muffler: \$50
- Failure to provide proof/carry liability insurance: \$250
- Driving without valid driver's license: \$150
- Driving after suspension, revocation or cancellation of driver's license: \$200

- Failure to use seat belts: \$75

- Failure to use child restraint devices: \$150
- Violation of school bus stop arm signal requirements: \$300
- Obstructed View: \$40

Recurrent Violations:

For recurrent violations by any individual within 1 year, the Tribal Court may increase fines up to three times the standard amount.

Court Costs:

In addition to the fine imposed, the Tribal Court shall impose court costs of \$25.

Record Keeping:

Traffic records will be maintained for a minimum of ten years. Traffic records are a matter of public record and shall be available to law enforcement agencies and courts of other jurisdictions.

The following is a list of deceased band members who have monies in trust with the Fond du Lac Band. We are requesting the heirs of these deceased band members contact the Fond du Lac Legal Affairs Office at (218) 878-2632 or toll-free at (800) 365-1613, to assist the band in distributing the trust monies to the appropriate heirs.

BEGAY, Raymond Sr.; **BRIGAN**, Calvin; **CHRISTENSEN**, Terry; **CROWE**, Gary; **GANGSTAD**, Harold; **GLASGOW**, Edith; **HANDY**, Jonathon; **HERNANDEZ**, Sherry; **HUHN**, Cheryl; **JEFFERSON** (Drucker), Mary; **JONES**, William Sr.; **JOSEPHSON**, Charles; **KAST**, Cheryl; **LAFAVE**, John; **LEMIEUX**, Elvina; **LEMIEUX**, John; **LIVINGSTON**, Bruce; **MARTINEAU**, David; **OJIBWAY**, Steven; **OLSON**, Daniel G. Sr.; **SHARLOW**, Gerald D.; **SMITH**, Carl; **STANFORD**, Cathy.

Local news

Ojibwe Language fundraiser update

The numbers are in: The second annual Ojibwe language fundraiser held Feb. 19 at the Sawyer Center raised \$3,250 from the 50/50 drawing and silent auction. Proceeds will benefit the Language immersion camp June 23-26 in Sawyer.

“Last year we made \$2,700,” Jim Northrup, one of the event organizers said.

“Winter is the usual time for telling stories, so we continued to do that,” Northrup said.

The event was successful thanks to the staff at the Sawyer Center. Emcees were Veronica Smith and Pebaamibines, Reggie DeFoe interviewed guests, and a group of volunteers from the Mash ka wisen Treatment Center helped set up tables and chairs, worked in the kitchen, and served guests during the feast. The University of Minnesota Extension 13 Moons Program provided food for the feast. Pat and Jim Northrup, Dave Wilsey, Nikki Crowe, and many singers, storytellers, and guest speakers also contributed.

Facebook subscribers can now see the 13 moons page on the free social network by typing 13 Moons Ashinisiw giizisooq in the search box; for photos, reports on events around the community, and information on upcoming events.

Census: Cloquet and Carlton County population climbs; Rochester leaps ahead of Duluth

The 2010 Census indicated steady growth in Carlton County, while St. Louis County saw a decline of about 300 people.

Carlton County gained 3,715 people since 2000 an increase of nearly 12 percent. Cloquet grew at a slightly lower pace, up more than 8 percent, with 12,124 people.

Thanks in large part to the addition of 9,000 new health care jobs over the past decade, Rochester’s population increased by nearly 21,000; an increase of 24 percent. Rochester now has a population of nearly 106,700, thus surpassing Duluth as the third largest city in Minnesota. Duluth lost 54 people since 2000.

Duluth and St. Louis County would likely have seen sharper declines were it not for an increase in the minority population.

St. Louis County is now 93 percent white, down from 94.9 percent in 2000.

Duluth’s white population is 90.4 percent white, down from 93.3 percent a decade ago.

Minnesota’s population topped 5 million for the first time in

history. The population of 5,303,925 was an increase of 7.8 percent from the 2000 Census.

The U.S. population grew to 308,745,538, an increase of 9.7 percent. The U.S. population a decade ago was 281.4 million. Of the 50 states, only Michigan’s population declined. Puerto Rico, a U.S. territory, also declined.

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, the participation rate of 74 percent matched the 2000 Census. Minnesota had the second highest participation rate at 81 percent. Wisconsin led all states with 82 percent participating in the survey.

Extra enforcement planned for Distraction Free

Driving Day, April 21

By FDL Law Enforcement staff

Driver distraction is a leading factor in crashes in Minnesota, accounting for at least 25 percent of all crashes annually. This means at least 70 deaths and 350 injuries result from distracted driving. These numbers are conservative estimates because it is difficult for officers to determine “distraction” as a contributing crash factor.

A University of Utah study reports that using a cell phone while driving delays a driver’s

reaction time as much as having a blood alcohol level of 0.08 percent does. Statistically, drivers take their eyes off the road for up to 4.6 out of every 6 seconds while texting. This is equivalent to traveling the length of a football field at 55 mph without looking up.

Results from an August, 2010 AAA/Seventeen survey indicate that nearly nine in 10 teenage drivers have engaged in a distracted driving behavior, such as texting or talking on a cell phone, even though the majority know their actions increase the risk of crashing.

In 2008, Minnesota made it illegal for drivers to read or compose texts/e-mails and access the Web on a wireless device while their vehicle is in motion or is part of traffic, such as sitting at a stoplight. It is also illegal for drivers under age 18 to use a cell phone at any time while driving.

There are other distracted driving laws that address a driver’s duty “to drive with due care.” The campaign targeted all distractions behind the wheel, not only phone use and texting. Tips to minimize distractions:

- Cell phones — turn off cell phones or place them out of reach to avoid the urge to dial or answer. If a passenger is present, ask them to handle calls/texts.
- Music and other controls —

pre-program favorite radio stations and arrange mp3 player/CDs/tapes so your music is easy to access. Adjust mirrors and heat/AC before traveling or ask a passenger for assistance.

- Navigation — designate a passenger to help with directions. If driving alone, map out destinations in advance and pull over if you need to study a map.
- Eating and drinking — if you cannot avoid consuming a food/beverage while on the road, avoid messy foods and be sure food and drinks are secured.
- Children — teach children the importance of good behavior in a vehicle; do not underestimate how distracting it can be to tend to children while driving.

Speak up if you’re a passenger and notice your driver engaging in distracted driving behavior.

Be focused in order to react. Take driving seriously and don’t use your time in the driver’s seat to conduct other, less necessary business that could endanger you, your passengers and the people around you.

Distraction Free Driving:
Try it for a day, do it for life.

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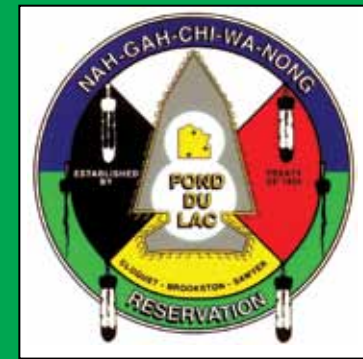
The mission of this publication is to provide the Anishinaabeg community of the Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa, Fond du Lac Reservation, with news and information that will be of help to them in their everyday lives. In addition, our goal will be to highlight many of the honors, accolades, accomplishments and awards that are earned by community members but are mostly overlooked by the mass mainstream media.

It is our hope that through greater information about the activities of our people, this publication can be an instrument of true community. It is not our intention to be a vehicle of divisiveness. To that

end, we do not publish editorials, opinion pieces or letters to the editor. There is an abundance of opportunity for the publishing, airing and dissemination of material of personal opinion in other communication vehicles available throughout the area, region and state.

Our mission is to provide for Fond du Lac Anishinaabeg a publication that will not dismiss their culture, heritage, hopes and dreams. We are striving to make this newspaper fill that role.

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A few thoughts from RBC members

From Chairwoman Karen Diver

The Band has been very involved for the last several years in the proposed mining initiatives that are happening on the Iron Range.

In particular, the Polymet project has been the most visible and controversial. There are many issues. The proposed project is the largest that has ever applied for a wetland permit from the Army Corp of Engineers at 850 acres, much of it being pristine, high quality forested wetlands. Polymet's project will directly affect the St. Louis River with discharge from its operations. According to Fond du Lac Water Quality



Karen Diver

Coordinator Nancy Schuldt, the St. Louis River has already seen wild rice beds diminish substantially. The mining will produce harmful sulfates, which are known to diminish wild rice production, have a long lasting impact on the river ecosystem, increase mercury concentrations in fish, and will eventually discharge into Lake Superior.

The State of Minnesota has a law that prohibits companies from discharging a level of sulfates that will affect wild rice production. Because of Fond du Lac's "treatment-as-a-state" status over water quality, the state and federal government are compelled to include Fond du Lac's concerns into the

development of a draft environmental impact statement.

According to a representative of the EPA for the region, hard rock mining has a legacy of leaving behind extraordinary environmental damage, so the EPA is developing rules for companies to provide financial assurances so that taxpayers are not burdened with environmental clean-up. Fond du Lac has been a leader in the permitting process for this project. The themes have been that the wild-rice standard for sulfate discharge has to be followed, and that the company should have the financial means to make sure that any potential damage to the environment be prevented and the company must provide financial assurances for any damages. There has been legislation introduced

in Minnesota to change the wild rice standard to allow for more sulfate discharge, and the Band will vigorously oppose this change.

The Band has purchased the property directly behind the Fond-du-Luth Casino in Duluth. The property became available and the Band purchased it before it hit the real estate market assuring that the Band got a good price and did not get into any bidding wars with people who may have wanted to speculate on the property. While there are no immediate plans for the property, having it will ensure that the Band has future options once the litigation is settled. The casino litigation is still pending, and we are awaiting word about the Fond-du-Luth agreements compliance with the Indian Gaming

Regulatory Act.

On a personal note, my mother had a milestone birthday in March. She turned 70. My dad will shortly turn 73, and they will have their 53rd wedding anniversary next month. There is not a day that goes by that I am not grateful for my parents. Your strength, unconditional love and support throughout my life have been a constant. You are both role models in your honesty, hard-work, and your commitment to each other and your family. *Thanks Dad and Mom!*

Please get in touch if you have questions or comments, office 218 878-2612, cell 218 590-4887 or email at karendiver@fdlrez.com

From Ferdinand Martineau

Boozhoo nijji I don't know about you, but I am tired of this winter. It seems to me to be extra long with all the snow and the cold. I am ready for the grass to start to grow again.

There have been several things happening around here this past month. The storytelling event was held in Sawyer a few weeks ago. It was well attended and several thousand dollars were raised to help sponsor the language immersion camp held in the summer. The afternoon presented plenty of opportunity to participate with a silent auction, food and stories. I have received several comments

from participants about the fun time and good humor that took place. It is important for us to keep our language alive and well. All the projects that are currently operating on the reservation with a focus on our language are important to the success of keeping our language. It is good to see the interest that is being generated through this small effort to keep our language a part of our community. Thank all of you involved for the efforts to make this a success.

I followed the boy's basketball

trek through the playoffs again this year. They won two games and lost an amazing and close district semifinal game. The team has developed quite a following this year. The stands were packed with cheering fans during most of the season, but, I was glad to see the support of our community at the playoffs. The thing that impressed me the most though, was seeing the mature attitudes of the players themselves. There were plenty of calls that could have gone either way, but the players accepted them



Ferdinand Martineau

and played on. The coaches have done a fantastic job with the team. The plays the team executed and their defense was tremendous. I would like to congratulate the team, the coaches and the school on a very successful season.

We are continuing to buy land within the reservation boundaries. We are currently working with Carlton County to purchase their tax forfeited land on the reservation. There is approximately 6,500 acres that the county has in their possession. We are trying to work out a way to purchase it through legislative action. We did however purchase a piece of property located next to our

casino in Duluth. We did this to preserve our options with the casino during our negotiations. We will keep you informed as we progress with them.

Again, I am always interested in hearing any new ideas, so please feel free to call me. My home number is (218)879-5074, Office (218)878-8158 or you can e-mail at ferdinandmartineau@fdlrez.com.

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Mary Northrup

From Mary Northrup

Boozhoo everyone! It was great to see everyone that was able to make it to the State of the Band Address last month. I would like to thank the Fond du Lac Honor Guard for presenting the flags and Jeff Tibbetts for the pipe ceremony. There are copies of the reports from the

address that are available at the tribal center. We received a lot of positive feedback, and it is appreciated!

There are quite a few fun activities that are being held at the Brookston Center, both for our youth and our adults please check the calendar, or give Bryan Bosto a call at (218) 878-8033, or Becky

Salmon at (218) 878-8150. We are also open to any suggestions that you may have for programming, so let us know if you have any ideas.

I would like to add that our Fond du Lac boys basketball team had a great season and we would like to congratulate them for their Tourney Journey!

In closing, I would like to ex-

press my deepest sympathies to the families that lost loved ones recently, they will be missed.

My door is always open if you have any suggestions or concerns please call me at (218) 878-7583 or at (218) 461-7986, or email me at marynorthrup@fdlrez.com. Miigwetch!

From Wally Dupuis

Hello all: I would like to congratulate the Ogichida boys basketball team as they advanced through the regional playoffs all the way to the district semifinals. Both the boys and girls teams have had a very successful season and both have represented us all very well throughout the season. Good job players and staff.

Our Natural Resources Division has been very busy gearing up for the spring spearing/netting season and will be putting together the details for this year's harvest, up to and probably through the season. This is an annual event and changes need to be made each year based on information received from previous years. I am sure this is not an easy task for our staff.

A couple of upcoming events being held at the Cloquet Community Center that will be interesting and fun include an art/talent show sponsored by the FDL Clinic along with a family dance, and a Spring Fun fair complete with an Easter egg hunt for ages 4-12 and a "pool duck hunt"



Wally Dupuis

in our swimming pool, for ages 8-12. This is happening at 1 p.m. on April 23.

As I have mentioned before, the one thing that I am confronted with daily is housing and housing issues.

Our efforts are to place families as soon as possible when and where we can. However, our housing stock is

limited making it impossible to accommodate each request. I wish I had a better answer for these requests. I find it is very frustrating for you, as well as me, when we cannot fulfill your request.

Please feel free to contact me. You can call me at (218) 878-8078 (work) or (218) 879-2492.

From Sandra Shabiash on the Local Sawyer Scene:

This year's Thirteen Moons Storytelling fundraiser was a huge success. The event was held Feb. 19 at the Sawyer Center. An estimated 400 plus were in attendance. The silent auction was supported generously by attendees. Again, I was outbid on the four items I bid on. Monies raised on this event will be used to help fund the Language Immersion Camp held at Kiwenz Park this summer in Sawyer.



Sandra Shabiash

activities taking place in March. This past weekend we had seventy plus adults and youth participating from the three districts enjoying pool tournaments, roller skating, and taco game day.

Reservation Wide:

After the State of the Band Address there isn't too much information to address this month.

The weather is something we can all smile about. I don't know about you, but I know I have had it with winter.

Any questions or concern please contact me at: sandrashabiash@fdlrez.com Office (218) 878-7591 Home (218) 879-3667



Taylor Netland Seacord, pictured in January in front of the birchbark canoe donated by the Fond du Lac Reservation to the Smithsonian Institution in Washington D.C. Taylor with her Grandparents Tom and Kathy Seacord, along with mom, dad, and her sister Brooke, toured the White House and the Smithsonian. Taylor is the daughter of Kim and Randy Seacord of Cloquet.

Editor's note: The following list contains the names of Fond du Lac Band Members and affiliated family members whose whereabouts are unknown according to the Minnesota Agency, U.S. Department of the Interior.

The list should be considered time sensitive, as the April 20, 2011 deadline to act on the Cobell v. Salazar class action lawsuit is approaching. For more information regarding the Cobell Indian Trust settlement, call (800) 961-6109, or visit www.IndianTrust.com.

Legal Notice

These Tribal Members have money on deposit at the Office of the Special Trustee for American Indians or maintain ownership in trust land.

The U.S. Department of the Interior,

Minnesota Agency would like to locate these Tribal Members and get them to update their Individual Indian Money (IIM) account with a current address and telephone number. If

your name appears on the list: Please call the Office of Special Trustees at (218) 751-4338 to update your account.

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AMMESMAKI, NICOLE;
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ANDERSON, JEAN;
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GUNDY, ANNA M;
GURNO, PATRICIA KAY;
HARNOIS, CHARLOTTE;
HARVEY, JAMES WILLIAM;
HARVEY, MICHAEL JAMES;
HARVEY, THOMAS LEO;
HARVEY THOMAS, MONA;
HATCHER, ROBIN L;
HAUGE, MARY L;
HEBARD, JUANITA M BARTEN;
HECKARD, EVELYN;
HEELAM, DOROTHY MARIE SLEVA;
HEIM, TERRY;
HEINKEL JR, HARRY H
HENDRICKSON, HENRY;
HENSCHEL, BARBARA BELLE;
HENZIE, CYNTHIA L;
HILL, GORDON A;
HILL, NELSON D;
HILTON, TINA M;
HOFFMAN, ROBERT A;
HOGUE, MYRON DEAN;
HOGUEHAGE EARLEN JEAN;
HOGUEHAGE, ELIZABETH ANN;
HOKE, DEBORAH;
HOLMES, JAMES;
HOLMES, LAWRENCE J;
HOLSCHUH, JILL;
HOLTEN, AUDREY;
HOULE, AMBROSE T;
HOULE, DAVID R;
HOULE, MICHAEL D;
HOULE, PATRICK P;
HOULE, PHILLIP M;
HOULE SR, CHARLES J;
HOWES, BETH A;
HOWES, ELAINE;
HOWES, JOSHUA;
HOWES, TRAVIS;
HOWES III, WILLIAM B;
HUCULAK, JACKI;
HUTTON, SHARON C;
INGALLS, MICHAEL D;
INGALLS, ROBERT STANLEY;

FDL People in the News

Her bite makes her bark better

Local artist places at annual art fair

By Dan Huculak

There are many different forms of indigenous artwork. Some artists create their work through sewing and beading, some artists paint, and others make pottery; but how many use their teeth to create art?

Wanesia Spry Misquadace does. She practices birch bark biting, a tradition she learned growing up as a Fond du Lac Band Member.

Misquadace was one of more than 700 American Indian artists selected to showcase their work March 5-6, at the 53rd Heard Museum Guild Indian Fair and Market in Phoenix, Ariz.

Artists, musicians, and Native Americans from nearly every North American tribe attended the two day

fair; one of the most prestigious in the country.

In a process similar to making a paper snowflake, Misquadace creates a birch bark piece by folding a thin layer of bark. She then uses her eye-teeth to make imprints in the bark, without piercing through. Images of flowers, turtles and dragonflies appear when the bark is unfolded.



Wanesia Spry
Misquadace

Her birch bark basket took second place at the Heard Fair in March. Her collection also earned her two first-place ribbons at last year's Santa Fe Indian Market.

According to a statement in her internet blog, she first became interested in birch bark biting after she learned that her late mother used to do it. She would gather and peel the bark that she col-

lected and she discovered a connection with her mother in the process.

"Birch bark is the strength of our people," Misquadace told the Arizona Republic Newspaper. "It's used in our baskets and canoes and (the bitings) as a means to tell our stories."

Misquadace began to incorporate elements of her birch bark works into jewelry within the past few years; a skill she learned from her husband, Fritz Casuse, a member of the Navajo community. Her husband is also a teacher at the Poeh Arts Center in New Mexico. She calls her jewelry work "The Essence of the Lake Collection," a series of silver jewelry and ornate pieces decorated with birch bark and semi-precious and precious stones.

"I'm contemporizing the traditional use of birch bark by using silver and wood," she said. "It's very organic. I'm making it my own."



Photo of a basket made by Wanesia Spry Misquadace

FDL Enrollee oversees daily operations at one of Golf Magazine's top new courses

By Dan Huculak

Jerry Doolittle has lived away from the area for a few years. The former course superintendent of the Black Bear Golf Course now works as the course superintendent at Seneca Hickory Stick Golf Club, located about 20 minutes south of Niagara Falls in Lewiston, New York.

Designed by Robert Trent Jones Jr., the par 72, 7026 yard course opened a year ago. The \$25 million Seneca Hickory

Stick sits on 253 acres. Hickory Stick was listed as one of the best public courses in the country by Golf Digest Magazine. The publication rated Hickory Stick as the 6th best new course in the U.S.

Robert Trent Jones' architectural firm has designed more than 230 courses in 38 countries on six continents, including a remarkable 108 venues that have hosted USGA Championships, PGA Tour events, and World Cup competitions.

According to the Seneca Ni-

agara Casino website, Hickory Stick was named to reflect the presence of rare Shellbark Hickory trees on the site of the course. The course features a scenic layout highlighted by numerous lakes and ponds and a double green on the 9th and 18th holes. The project is of special significance to Robert Trent Jones, Jr., whose father grew up and worked in upstate New York.

There is a sense of satisfaction after receiving word of the course's top ten ranking. "This

is three years of my life here, Doolittle said. "For six months I was slopping in mud. I was wearing hip waders to work."

When he's not working on the course, Doolittle enjoys spending time on the course playing the game. His handicap ranges between 10 and 15 strokes. For non-golfers, that would equate to playing par to less than a bogey per hole over the golf course. Professional (scratch) golfers typically play without a handicap. "That's why I got into the business - for the love

of the game," Doolittle said. "I was getting ready to get out of the navy. I retired in 1999, and I didn't want to sit at a desk all day."

Doolittle attended college while he was in the navy. He received his Associates degree in turf grass management at Virginia Tech, and a Bachelors degree in meteorology from Alameda College in California.

FDL Law Enforcement news

The following is a summary of about one month of select police reports.

- 2/15/11 Traffic stop on University Rd.; driver warned for faulty equipment.
- 2/15/11 Report of underage drinking party at Black Bear Hotel; parties cited.
- 2/15/11 Report of a client out of control at Mash Ka Wisen; party charged with assault and disorderly conduct.
- 2/16/11 Report of domestic assault at Black Bear Casino; one party brought to jail on domestic assault charges.
- 2/16/11 Traffic stop on University Rd.; driver cited for no seat belt.
- 2/16/11 Traffic stop on Hwy. 2; driver cited for reckless driving, speeding 102 mph in posted 60 mph zone and no proof of insurance.
- 2/17/11 Traffic stop on Brandon Rd.; driver warned for speeding.
- 2/17/11 Traffic stop on Hwy. 2; driver warned for trailer lights not working.
- 2/17/11 Report of young male who appeared intoxicated walking down Brookston Rd.; located male who was cited for underage consumption.
- 2/18/11 Traffic stop on Brevator Rd.; driver cited for speeding and driving after revocation (DAR).
- 2/18/11 Traffic stop on Mahnomen Rd.; driver cited for DAR; warned for expired plates.
- 2/18/11 Report of two males fighting in compound; parties separated for the night.
- 2/19/11 Traffic stop on Hwy. 210; driver cited for speeding.
- 2/19/11 Report of a fight on Ridge Rd.; witness statements taken.
- 2/19/11 Report of intoxicated female walking down Moorhead Rd.; located female and brought home.
- 2/20/11 Traffic stop on Jarvi Rd.; driver arrested for DWI.
- 2/20/11 Report of tree blocking White Pine Trail; notified city crew to remove tree.
- 2/20/11 Report of males having alcohol in hotel room at Black Bear Hotel; escorted males out of the room and told them not to bring alcohol to hotel.
- 2/21/11 Report of an assault on Ridge Rd.; party located and brought to jail.
- 2/21/11 Report of alcohol use at Black Bear Hotel; parties were asked to leave.
- 2/21/11 Traffic stop on Reservation Rd.; driver cited for DAS
- 2/22/11 Traffic stop by Black Bear Casino; driver arrested for possession of a large amount of marijuana and DAR.
- 2/22/11 Report of a fire on Whispering Pine Dr.; officers found a small pile of debris burning.
- 2/22/11 Traffic stop on Pinewood Dr.; driver advised of taillight not working.
- 2/23/11 Report of loud music coming from supportive housing; located the house and asked the resident to turn it down.
- 2/23/11 Traffic stop on Big Lake Rd.; driver cited for DAR and child not in proper child restraints.
- 2/23/11 Black Bear Hotel requested a welfare check by police; while doing it officers located drugs and party was taken to jail for drug possession.
- 2/24/11 Traffic stop on Big Lake Rd.; driver cited for DAS.
- 2/24/11 Traffic stop on Hwy. 2; driver warned for speeding.
- 2/24/11 Traffic stop on Hwy. 2; driver cited for speeding and no proof of insurance.
- 2/25/11 Traffic stop on Big Lake Rd.; driver warned for failure to use turn signal.
- 2/25/11 Traffic stop on Moorhead Rd.; driver cited for DAS and possession of a small amount of marijuana.
- 2/25/11 Traffic stop on Hwy. 210; driver cited for speeding and DAS.
- 2/26/11 Report of garbage all over the road and ditch on Brookston Rd. and Mahnomen Rd.; located owner who came and cleaned it up.
- 2/26/11 Report of unruly customer at Black Bear Casino; male party was arrested.
- 2/26/11 Traffic stop on Brevator Rd.; driver warned for no working taillights, and cited for DAS.
- 2/27/11 Assisted State Patrol in locating a possible suicidal male; located individual and brought to Miller Dwan.
- 2/27/11 Report of a gas drive off at FDL Gas and Grocery.
- 2/27/11 Traffic stop on Reservation Rd.; driver cited for DAS
- 2/28/11 Traffic stop at the FDL Gas and Grocery; checked window tint on a vehicle.
- 2/28/11 Traffic stop on Big Lake Rd.; driver arrested for driving after Canceled Inimical to Public Safety.
- 2/28/11 Recovered stolen property from a vehicle.
- 3/1/11 Traffic stop on Stevens Rd.; driver and passenger arrested for warrants.
- 3/1/11 Welfare check at supportive housing; located one female brought to jail for probation violation.
- 3/1/11 Traffic stop on Hwy. 210; driver cited for speeding.
- 3/2/11 Request window tint test be done on car; test performed.
- 3/2/11 Traffic stop on Hwy. 210; driver cited for speeding and no proof of insurance.
- 3/2/11 Traffic stop on Brookston Rd.; driver warned for speeding.
- 3/3/11 Report of a structure fire on Central Hall Rd.; building was a total loss.
- 3/3/11 Report of gas drive off at FDL Gas and Grocery.
- 3/3/11 Traffic stop on Jarvi Rd.; driver arrested for Driving after Canceled Inimical to Public Safety.
- 3/4/11 Traffic stop on Jack Pine Dr.; driver cited for DAS.
- 3/4/11 Traffic stop on Hwy. 2; driver cited for speeding.
- 3/4/11 Report of intoxicated male at Black Bear Casino; male was arrested for disorderly conduct.
- 3/5/11 Traffic stop on Twin Lakes Rd.; driver cited for DAS.
- 3/5/11 Report of people causing a disturbance at Black Bear Casino; individuals were asked to leave.
- 3/5/11 Traffic stop on Higbee Dr.; driver arrested for warrant.
- 3/6/11 Report of unwanted female; individual had ride coming.
- 3/6/11 Report of unwanted female did not leave; officers stood by until ride came.
- 3/6/11 Traffic stop on Hwy. 210; driver cited for DAR and attempt to evade motor vehicle tax.
- 3/7/11 Report of fight on Ridge Rd.; one cited for underage consumption.
- 3/7/11 Traffic stop on Brevator Rd.; driver cited for expired registration.
- 3/7/11 Assisted Cloquet officers during an assault investigation.
- 3/8/11 Traffic stop on Big Lake Rd.; driver warned for headlight out.
- 3/8/11 Traffic stop on Reservation Rd.; driver warned for speeding.
- 3/8/11 Traffic stop on Brookston Rd.; driver warned for suspicious activity.
- 3/9/11 Report of structure fire on Big Lake Rd.; trailer house a complete loss.
- 3/9/11 Traffic stop on Hwy. 2; driver cited for marijuana possession and DAS.
- 3/9/11 Traffic stop on Hwy. 33; driver cited for speeding.

Chief Buffalo

Hero of the Lake Superior Ojibwe

Love for his People, the Journey, land in Downtown Duluth and Armstrong's blindness

A photo of the 1852 Washington Delegation. Chief Buffalo is seated in the center. Benjamin Armstrong is standing to the far right. The others are unidentified.



By Christine Carlson

Chief Buffalo of LaPointe was called: Kechewaihkhe or Ke-che-wash-keenhe or Kitchi Waishke; Peezhickee or Pee-che-kee; Bezhike or Bizhiki; LeBoeuf – French for buffalo. There are other important people named Buffalo but they are members of different bands. Chief Buffalo was born about 1759 at Madeline Island and died on Sept. 7, 1855. He loved his people. Buffalo was respected, wise and a powerful orator. This story is just a small fraction of his many accomplishments.

Buffalo included Benjamin Armstrong in his family and called him his adopted son. Benjamin Green Armstrong also known as Elias Armstrong was born in 1820 in Hannibal, Missouri. On August 25, 1850 at LaPointe, he was married by the priest Otto Skolla to Caroline Medwegwan who was born 1835. Caroline was Chief Buffalo's daughter. Armstrong was a non-Indian trader but lived with the Ojibwe since childhood. Armstrong interpreted and assisted Buffalo and the Ojibwe in many of the official dealings with the United States government. Armstrong wrote a book in 1892 called "Early Life among the Indians: Reminis-

cences from the life of Benj. G. Armstrong." He died in 1900.

Removal orders from Agent John Watrous and Alexander Ramsey, Governor of Minnesota

The Removal Act was signed by President Andrew Jackson in 1830. It enabled the United States to move any Indian nation east of the Mississippi River across to the western side of the river. Watrous and Ramsey conspired

in a plan to force the Ojibwe out of Minnesota. Chief Buffalo sent runners to all bands to check that the Ojibwe were keeping their part of the treaty. There were no infractions. By this removal action, Watrous and Ramsey stood to gain economic and political benefits. This removal effort also caused the tragedy at Sandy Lake.

Buffalo Writes to the President Regarding Agent Watrous

{W}e have lost all confidence in his words and he is known amongst our people as a common liar... We are satisfied that he takes no particle of interest in our welfare, and we fully believe that he is guided in his measures by self interest and by traders with whom he is peculiarly and secretly interested...

The Journey in 1852 - Buffalo and Armstrong Take a Delegation to Washington

Chief Buffalo and Benjamin Armstrong went to Washington with a promising young Chief Oshoga.

Oshoga was born before 1831 and from the LaPointe Band. Another unidentified chief and two headmen also traveled to Washington. I have not found the names of these other three men. The delegation left Madeline Island on April 5, 1852 in a custom made canoe that was four fathoms or 24 feet long and had six paddles. Armstrong had

a very small amount of money with them as well as some crackers, sugar, coffee and some gifts. They fished and hunted along the way. They paddled from Madeline Island to Sault Saint Marie, Michigan. They left Sault Saint Marie by steamer to Detroit and from Buffalo N.Y. took the iron monster called the train. At Albany N.Y. they stayed a few days and then took another steamer down the Hudson River to New York City. There were storms, negative people and set backs on this long trip but the group overcame them all! They arrived in Washington on June 22, 1852. The delegation was turned away by the Commissioner of Indian Affairs. They were also turned away by the Secretary of the Interior.

A Chance Meeting with Congressman George Briggs

There were several kind and compassionate folks throughout the trip. Whig Congressman George Briggs from New York was one of them. Their meeting was accidental but Briggs came through and arranged a time to see President Millard Fillmore. They smoked the pipe of peace and had a meeting with the president. Buffalo chose Chief Oshoga to speak and he talked for about an hour with Arm-

strong being the interpreter. From that meeting, President Fillmore rescinded the removal orders that would have forced the Ojibwe to leave their homelands and relocate west of the Mississippi River. He also stated that the annuity payments would be made at LaPointe. Regrettably Chief Oshoga died of smallpox in February of 1854 leaving a wife and child. I have searched but have found nothing more of this special Chief.

Seeing the name Briggs brings to mind the late President Jack Briggs of the Fond du Lac Tribal and Community College. He was the one that welcomed me at the FDLTCC Pow-Wow I attended in the spring of 2001. I will always remember his heartfelt kindness.

Treaty of 1854 signed at LaPointe

Chief Buffalo signed this treaty. This is a provision of the treaty:

And being desirous to provide for some of his connections who have rendered his people important services, it is agreed that Chief Buffalo may select one section of land at such place in the ceded territory as he may see fit, which shall be reserved for that purpose, and conveyed by the United States to such person or persons as he may direct.



This photo of Chief Buffalo is courtesy of the Wisconsin Historical Society

We have lost all confidence in his words and he is known amongst our people as a common liar...

- Chief Buffalo, referring to Agent John Watrous, in a letter to the President of the United States.

Chief Buffalo's selection which is now West End and Downtown Duluth

Some historians and writers have not been very kind to old Buffalo. It seems there is even mockery at the thought that his claim was out in Lake Superior six miles. This history needs to be corrected.

Chief Buffalo's love for the burial grounds of his people is why he chose the land and it was not six miles out into Lake Superior. He wanted to include both Minnesota Point and Rice's Point burial grounds. Buffalo's Rock was about First Avenue West and Michigan Street. This square mile from Buffalo's Rock encompasses the Minnesota Point burial grounds and Rice's Point burial grounds. It was his love for his people's sacred burial grounds that was in the heart of Chief Buffalo. This is why he chose the site that he did. In 1854, the city of Duluth was not even named. The area Buffalo selected is in west end and part of downtown Duluth and the bay front area.

Driving along Michigan and Superior Street

I wanted to find the area of Buffalo's claim. There are two large rock areas between west end and downtown Duluth. One is by the M & C gas station. The other is below the Bethel Mission by Mesabe Avenue. I thought it might have been around the area between these

two spots by the large gray apartment complex at Glen Place. This is where I set my odometer. I traveled a mile east and it ended at Lake Avenue or Minnesota Point. I drove back to Glen Place and set the odometer again and one mile west ended about 21st Avenue West. This included Rice's Point or Garfield Avenue.

Wrong information in the book "History of Duluth and St. Louis County" – 1910

The Chief, with rare good judgment for an Indian, elected to take his land in what is now the heart of Duluth, but which at that time was a tract of land that was covered with a heavy growth of pine. It was probably the timber on it which guided the chief in his choice.

An Undated Duluth Newspaper Article Called Prentice's Dream Empire – by Nathan Cohen says,

Just how Chief Buffalo managed to select his land along the shores of St. Louis bay has never been recorded. It may have been the timber on the land which intrigued him, but more likely it was on the advice of white men who viewed great developments in this region.

West Duluth pioneer Alfred Merritt's reminiscences of early days at the head of the lakes

There the rocks came out to the bay and made a lee on either

side of this point of rocks, so that when the wind was from the northeast or northwest you could lay with your small boat or canoe in perfect safety. I am sure that this is the land mark chosen by Chief Buffalo at the Indian treaty at LaPointe in the fall of 1854, as the starting point, the line to run one mile north, one mile east, one mile south and one mile west back to the point of starting. This would have taken in the old burial ground at the foot of Rice's Point.

They had this large burial ground there and as you know, the Indians are more particular than the white people about these things. The treaty was tampered with, unquestionably, by interested parties. In fact, when this land was looked up, according to the treaty papers, it was found to be located six miles out in Lake Superior.

Mystery Powder that Made Benjamin Armstrong Blind

Several months after the Treaty of 1854 had been signed; Armstrong led a group of non-Indians from Ontonagon, Michigan for a visit to the new territory at the head of the lakes. The whole trip was paid for by Daniel S. Cash and his nephew W. W. Spaulding. A stranger joined the group along the way. One night while Armstrong was sleeping, someone threw an unidentified powder into his eyes. Skin on his face peeled off, his

eyeballs were swollen and he became blind. A few months later, this stranger who joined the group was found dead in his cabin. Someone paid this guy to do the dirty deed and then had him killed to keep him from talking. The Ontonagon group had the most to gain in this land matter.

The trustful Armstrong signs papers

Armstrong wanted to go east for medical treatments for his eyes. He needed some extra money so he agreed to sell a small part of his land. Keeping in mind he was blind. As he was about to sign the documents, they were switched so Armstrong actually signed away a whole piece of land. Later the story came out that Armstrong owed Daniel Cash a lot of money so therefore it was payment for the debt. Armstrong denied this.

Incident that restored part of Armstrong's sight

Armstrong had given up hope of ever seeing again and wore bandages over his eyes. Around December of 1860, an irritable teamster complained to Armstrong that a tree had fallen across his road and that he could not or would not cut it up to be removed. Armstrong was blind but he was reluctantly led to the tree and would try and cut it. Armstrong was handed the ax and from the first blow

it was proved to be a sappy balsam tree. A bulb of sap flew above his eyes and dripped under the bandages. Armstrong was upset and immediately led home. Upon re-doing the bandages, his wife noticed the film that had covered his eyes had been broken by the dripping sap. For three weeks, she continued using balsam pitch and Armstrong's eyesight was partially restored.

Armstrong and his wife Caroline had a son that was born on August 25, 1851 at LaPointe. The son's name was also Benjamin and he was baptized Sept. 14, 1851. The son Benjamin became a railroad conductor and at one time he did live in the city of Duluth.

Please return Buffalo's tobacco pouch

While researching on line, I saw that Chief Buffalo's pipe had been returned to the Red Cliff Band. I was happy that it had been returned. There is one more item that needs to be returned from Washington. Before he died, Buffalo requested that two items be carried to Washington. One was the pipe and the second was his tobacco pouch. Buffalo's tobacco pouch should also be repatriated to his people.

Ashi-niswi giizisoog (Thirteen Moons)

Iskigamizigeigiizis

Iskigamizigeigiizis starts April 3rd: This is the moon of the sugar bush. An-other name for this moon is Pokwaagamigiizis meaning Broken Snowshoe Moon.

Shushumeg (Snow Snakes)

By Nikki Crowe and Brant Miller

A game that has been played by tribes in the U.S. and Canada for the last 500 years has become popular through tournaments pitting tribal schools, 4-H clubs, and community groups against one another. Maybe it's our social networks like Facebook and YouTube and Tribal newspapers that have given rise to all the talk about shushumeg and brought about newly formed tournaments and revitalized competitions.

Shushumeg can be carved out of any hardwood, most often Aninaatig (maple) or Baapaagimaak (ash). Some shushumeg can travel up to 100 mph!

Tribes once used snow snakes for com-

munication, marking them with charcoal and sending them onto the next village. Men were responsible for keeping the track clean and unobstructed.

Brant Miller from the University of Minnesota has taken it one step further and incorporated science, technology, engineering, and math into a grade school curriculum using snow snakes. Another result of his work was the 3rd Annual Shushumeg Tournament held at Bemidji State University on March 4. There were three tribal schools represented by 45 students: White Earth Indian Reservation's Circle of Life, Pine Point and the Naytahwaush Community Charter Schools.

You don't have to join a tournament to enjoy the game of Shushumeg, and remem-



photo courtesy of Joe Courneya, Extension Educator, American Indian Youth Program.

ber it is a game for all ages. For those interested in learning more about snow snakes and the associated curriculum please visit: <http://bit.ly/b8NQa7>.

For the Kids:

Match the correct names to trees

Maple	Wiigob (iig)
Black Ash	Giizhik (ag)
Basswood	Gaawaandag (oog)
White cedar	Mashkiigwaatig (oog)
Birch	Wiigwaas (oog)
Spruce	Aninaatig (oog)
Tamarack	Aagimaak (wag)

Answers: Maple, Aninaatig; Black Ash, Aagimaak; Basswood, Wiigob; White Cedar, Giizhik; Birch, Wiigwaas; Black Spruce, Gaawaandag; Tamarack, Mashkiigwaatig.

EAB: A Different Perspective

Story and photo by Dave Wilsey

The story was originally published at www.MyMinnesota-woods.umn.edu.

Last spring, I spent a weekend at the North House Folk School in Grand Marais learning the art of black ash (*fraxinus nigra*) basketry from Michael Benedict. Mr. Benedict is a member of the Oneida Nation in New York and lives and works near St. Paul.

You've likely heard about ash trees in recent months because of Emerald Ash Borer (EAB), which is swiftly radiating from its 1990s port of entry, near Detroit, Michigan. EAB is an invasive insect species native to Asia. The beetle infests ash trees by laying its eggs in crev-

ices in the bark. Larvae bore into the tree and feed beneath the bark. Infested trees typically die within two to three years.

In May 2009, EAB was detected in St. Paul. Although the EAB can fly only short distances on its own, much of its spread results from human transport of firewood and landscape trees that contain burrowed larvae. The potential loss of Ash trees is tragic and associated challenges are numerous.

EAB discussions often focus on urban and suburban land-

scapes. Ash species were used to replace elm trees after Dutch elm disease wiped out what was once the predominant urban landscaping tree. Another issue is the loss of several species that are an important component of Minnesota's forests. Ash species are also culturally important, most notably to Indian communities, which brings me back to the



A basket made of black ash wood.

North House and Mike Benedict's ash basket class. The wood of black ash trees

is used to create baskets, a practice that dates back to the communities that encountered the first visitors from the old world.

Only black ash trees with straight and smooth trunks are selected for basketry. According to Benedict, availability of quality basket trees has diminished in recent years. The cut trunk is pounded to remove growth layers. Pounding separates growth rings into strips about the thickness of a nickel.

Pounded strips are then soaked, cleaned, and separated again into thinner strips. Depending on the thickness of the original strip, this process can occur several times, each yielding thinner and finer "ribbons" of wood.

Black ash baskets have a rich

tradition that goes far beyond what can be explained here, but is worth exploring. Ash "pack" baskets were likely used to transport goods by the voyageurs. Ash baskets fetch high prices in the marketplace, with small baskets priced around \$50 and larger baskets costing in the thousands. Basketry is not a quaint relic of the past; even today people use this early technology to create and sustain forest-based lives and livelihood strategies. It remains to be seen what the broader implications of the looming loss of this culturally significant species will be.

Upcoming Events: 13 Moons and Gitigaan will be hosting a gardening class "Extending the Growing Season and Community Gardening" at 5:30 p.m. April 19, at the Cloquet Community Center

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Child Abuse Prevention Month activities in April

April is Child Abuse Prevention Month. Fond du Lac Human Services and co-sponsors are planning the annual Child Abuse Prevention events that are open to community children and adults from 1-6 p.m. April 1, at the Ojibwe School, located at 49 University Rd., Cloquet. The Art & Talent Show begins at 1 p.m. followed by a dance at 3 p.m. Lunch will be

served at 4:30. The dance will continue until 6 p.m. Transportation will be provided from the CAIR Building in Duluth at 12:20 p.m.

Please note: riders will be expected to remain at the event until the conclusion as the van will only make one round trip from Duluth.

Free family pictures will be available from 1-3 p.m. April 2nd at the Ojibwe School gymnasium, during

the art and talent show; from 5-7 p.m. April 5, at the Brookston Center; from 5-7 p.m. April 12, at the Sawyer Center; and from 5-7 p.m. April 19 at the Cloquet Center.

The Child Abuse Prevention Conference will be held from 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. April 14-15 at the Cloquet Forestry Center, 175 University Rd.; Cloquet. The conference is for providers and community members. The theme for

the conference is "Our Children, Our Future."

The annual walk starts at 10 a.m. April 30, at the Head start gym. A pancake and sausage brunch will follow. Free T-Shirts and caps will be given to the first 250 participants. Please arrive at 9:15 to register and receive your T-shirt and hat.

Recipe of the month: Cinnamon oatmeal

(One serving)

- 1/3 cup rolled oats (do not use instant)
- 3/4 cup water
- 1 tsp wheat germ
- 1 tsp natural bran
- Nonfat milk (optional)
- 1/4 tsp cinnamon

Combine all ingredients, except milk, in a small covered saucepan. Mix thoroughly. Bring to a boil. Lower heat and simmer 4-5 minutes. For a creamier consistency, let stand for 5 minutes covered. Serve with milk as desired.

Nutritional Information: Calories 114; total fat 2g; percentage of fat 15 percent; cholesterol 0 mg; sodium 1 mg.

Recipe courtesy of The National Foundation for Cancer Research

Benefit Office available to assist Elders

The Adult Benefit Specialist office at the Min No Aya Win Clinic as a part of the Fond du Lac Human Services Division help to administer Medicare benefits for patients that are Medicare eligible. If you have changes that occur please let our benefit workers know as soon as possible.

You can call (218) 879-1227 and ask for the Adult Benefit office. Changes that affect the Medicare programs are: Entering a nursing home, moving to an assisted living, moving out of Minnesota, address changes or changes in Medicare plans or other insurances. We can also assist you with any questions you have regarding Medicare coverage, turning 65, working older adult or working disabled. With your cooperation, our

programs will continue to be a great success.

Disney contest reminder

Have your blood sugar checked at a community screening for your chance to win a trip to Disney World. The winner will receive an all inclusive trip for four at Walt Disney World for five days and four nights.

To be eligible, participants must be:

- 1) 18 years of age or older on the date of the blood sugar screening
- 2) American Indian
- 3) Eligible for services at the MNAW and/or CAIR clinics
- 4) If diagnosed with diabetes or pre-diabetes you can participate by getting an A1C blood test at a community blood sugar screening.

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medical department as well as their spouse and household members (whether related or not) are not eligible. The contest ends May 31. The winner will be announced at the annual FDL Health Fair. Please see the calendar page for blood screening locations and dates for April.

The Cancer Corner

Nutrition and Physical Activity Guidelines for Cancer Prevention

By the FDL Wiidookaage Cancer Prevention Team

We recommend maintaining a healthy weight throughout life. Being overweight or obese increases the risk of some cancers. It can also increase the risk for other diseases as well. Individuals should strive for balancing calorie intake with physical activity. It is important to avoid excessive weight gain throughout life and if currently

overweight or obese, work to achieve and maintain a healthy weight.

The best way to achieve a healthy body weight is to balance intake (food and drink) with output (physical activity).

There are several ways a person can reduce calories. Some examples are:

- Reduce the amount of food eaten. Decrease portion sizes; use the "plate method"- 50 percent of the plate is fruit and vegetable, 25 percent is grain and 25 percent is a protein source; order half meals or split the meal with a friend.
- Reduce the amount of foods and drinks that are high in calories, fats, added sugars, and alcohol. These choices tend to provide many calories and few nutrients. Examples include fried foods, cookies, sweetened drinks such as pop and Gatorade type beverages.

- Eat breakfast. Breakfast eaters tend to eat fewer calories throughout the day.
- Eat at the table, without distractions, such as the television.
- Slow down and think about what you're eating. Is it a healthy choice or just an occasional type of food or beverage?

Fond du Lac Human Services has a weight management program called "Your Way" and it is available to provide education, discussions, problem solving, goal setting, support and recommendations to help achieve your weight loss/maintenance goal. Contact Jenn at (218) 878-2146 for more details.

Sources: World Cancer Research Fund, American Institute for Cancer Research Prevention, American Cancer Society

Natural Resources

Recycling facts

By Dan Huculak

With the 41st annual Earth Day approaching on April 22, here are some recycling facts and things Band Members are doing to take better care of our planet:

According to research obtained by FDL Environmental Education Outreach Coordinator Shannon Judd, the recycling rate in the U.S. is about 35 percent. The energy saved from just one-third of people recycling versus making items from raw materials equates to the energy produced by 50 power plants. "Recycling is one of those things that is always on the radar and always something we push for, but there is always more that needs to be done," Judd said.

Americans use more than 80 billion aluminum cans every year. Aluminum cans are the most recycled item in the U.S. Old gutters on homes, storm window frames, and old lawn furniture are other types of aluminum which may be recycled.

Students at the FDL Ojibwe School are getting into recycling. One group is meeting after school to form a sustainability team and students from the fourth grade have been walking through the Tribal Center for several months with a recycling cart (see cover photo) to save newspapers, bottles and cans from the landfill.

Local recycling efforts in 2010 resulted in significant reduction in energy usage and landfill space. The FDL Resource Management Environmental Division recycled more than 32 tons of paper; 543 pounds of aluminum, nearly four tons of tin cans, and nearly seven tons of plastic.

The 32.34 tons of paper we recycled amounts to 97 cubic yards of landfill space saved. Recycling 32.34 tons of paper saved 12,287 gallons of oil,

226,345 gallons of water, and about 550 trees were saved.

About 167,052 bottles were recycled; an amount equal to 51.5 cubic yards of landfill space - nearly three dumpsters full of compacted plastic bottles were spared from the landfill. Yet more work needs to be done. People still dispose of their old newspaper, glass containers, plastic bottles, and aluminum cans in the trash. Please recycle your items when you bring your garbage to the dump.



Did you know?

- An aluminum can that is thrown away could still be reused 500 years from now through recycling.
- Americans use 2.5 million plastic bottles every hour. Most of them are thrown away.
- To produce each week's Sunday newspapers around the country, 500,000 trees must be cut down.
- If Americans recycled just 10 percent of their old newspapers, we would save about 25 million trees per year.
- Each ton of recycled paper can save 17 trees, 380 gallons of oil, three cubic yards of landfill space, 4,000 kilowatts of energy, and 7,000 gallons of water.
- The 17 trees saved can absorb 250 pounds of carbon dioxide from the air each year. Burning that same ton of paper would create 1,500 pounds of carbon dioxide.
- A single quart of motor oil, if disposed of improperly, can contaminate up to two million gallons of fresh water.
- Motor oil never wears out, it just gets dirty. Oil can be recycled, re-refined, and used again, which reduces our dependence on foreign oil.

Source: *Recycling-revolution.com*

Fond du Lac spearing and netting season, spring 2011 - Mille Lacs Lake

By Fond du Lac Resource Management staff

The 2011 spearing and netting season at Mille Lacs Lake is fast approaching. This year the Fond du Lac Band will have a 25,428 pound quota for walleye. Fond du Lac Resource Management Division (FDLRMD) is allowing individual Band Members to set multiple nets per day, depending upon the remaining allocation. As approved by the RBC, Band Members will be allowed to set two nets per night for the first five nights. If FDL still has allocation after five nights, Band Members will be allowed to set five nets per night during the sixth and seventh nights. After seven nights of netting, if allocation for walleye still remains, then FDLRMD will allow unlimited nets per Band Member. The FDLRMD and the Great Lakes Indian Fish and Wildlife Commission (GLIFWC) will be staffing several public landings this spring for spearing and netting. FDLRMD has negotiated to have GLIFWC issue FDL Band Members spearing and netting permits at other available public accesses.

As a gesture of respect for our Elders age 52 and older, the FDLRMD will be providing boat rides for Elders to set their nets. This service will only be available at one of the landings that FDLRMD will be staffing. The specific landing will be determined by ice condi-

tions. FDLRMD will require the use of a personal floatation device (life jacket), and asks that Elders bring their own life jacket so that they are wearing something that fits and protects them properly. The FDLRMD will have one boat available to safely accompany Elders. Elders will be responsible for setting and pulling their own nets. FDLRMD is encouraging able bodied Band Members to consider taking an Elder to set a net, or set additional nets yourself and share your harvest.

The FDLRMD also would like to stress the importance of releasing northern pike from gill nets, if the pike appear able to survive. **This is extremely important this year.** Although Fond du Lac has an allocation of 25,428 pounds, the northern pike quota is only 964 pounds. Regulations state that once FDL harvests its quota for any species, then netting is shut down for all species. So once FDL has harvested 964 lbs. of northern pike, our netting season is over, even if we've only harvested 100 lbs. of our walleye quota. Please keep that in mind when you are pulling your nets.

The FDLRMD would like to remind Band Members that there are numerous invasive species present in Mille Lacs Lake. An increased effort will be made at landings this spring to inform harvesters how they can do their part to limit the spread of invasive species. Of particular concern

are zebra mussels, spiny water flea, and curly leaf pondweed. Band Members should be aware that the 1837 Ceded Territory Conservation Code requires individuals to take the following actions each time they remove watercraft, trailers, nets, and associated equipment from infested waters:

- Aquatic vegetation must be removed from boats, trailers, nets and associated equipment
- Boat live wells and bilges must be drained by removing the drain plug
- Bait containers and any other boating related equipment that can hold water must be drained
- All nets and associated fishing gear including any trap, buoy, anchor, stake, or line must be dried for at least 10 days or frozen for at least 2 days before being used in other waters

The FDLRMD would encourage Band Members to talk to their families and friends, and make arrangements to be part of the harvest activities this spring. It is always a great time.

Updated information on the 2011 spearing and netting harvest will be posted on the FDL webpage, community centers, and FDL Gas and Grocery. If you have any questions, please call the Resource Management Division at (218) 878-7101, or visit the website at www.fdlrez.com/nr.

New Head Golf Professional at the Bear

Dan Walker is currently preparing for his first full season as the new PGA Head Golf Professional at Black Bear Golf Course. Walker started his new position at the Bear in August, shortly before the end of the 2010 season.

A native of Superior, Wis., Walker graduated from Superior Senior High in 1993

and went on to graduate from Ferris State University and the Professional Golf Management Program.

What is it like to be home again? "It's kind of surreal, to be honest with you; I moved out when I was 18,"

Walker said. "It's nice to be back home; to see mom and dad, nice to reunite with friends and people I'm familiar with."

Walker had been working in the Chicago area for the past 14 years, and has been a Class A PGA Professional since 1999. He was the Head Teaching Professional at Exmoor Country Club in suburban Chicago, where he was introduced to Hank Haney; former instructor to Tiger Woods.

Dan was personally able to work with Haney at his ranch in McKinney, Tex. There he learned his hands-on teaching philosophy and became a certified Hank Haney Instructor.

He has also had the chance to work with Mike Bender, instructor to PGA Tour Player and 2007 Masters champion Zach Johnson. Walker worked with Bender and his MEGSA (Most Efficient Golf Swing Attainable) teaching equipment.

Through his experiences with these two nationally recognized instructors, Walker has been able to put together an instructional program capable of producing immediate results.

Some of the latest technology that Dan and Black Bear have to offer is the K-Vest teaching equipment, Zelocity Launch

Monitor and the Online Skills Coach lesson software on HankHaneyPro.com. They will also be offering a Summer Junior Golf Program.

Not only is Dan an excellent instructor but he has been competing in PGA section tournaments where he was among the top 30 players in the Illinois section.

Walker will be offering free club fittings if you

purchase new clubs through Black Bear Pro Shop. The Bear will be stocking Taylor Made, Ping, Nike and Callaway equipment. They will be hosting "demo days," where you can come and test out the latest equipment from Taylor Made on May 22, Ping on June 4; and Nike and Cleveland Golf on June 11. They will also be offering re-gripping services at competitive prices.

Unlike last year's temperatures in the 70s in mid-March, the course still sits under a blanket of snow. The weather will always play a major role in determining the opening date. "We're shooting for April 23," Walker said.

For more information please visit www.golfatthebear.com.



Dan Walker

Black Bear Golf Course 2011 Membership Rates

FDL Enrolled Rates *(No sales tax)*

Golf Pass	
Junior	\$195.00
Elder	\$265.00
Single	\$390.00
Family	\$560.00

Cart Pass	
Junior 16 +	\$115.00
Elder	\$115.00
Single	\$225.00
Family	\$325.00

Driving Range	
Junior	\$75.00
Elder	\$80.00
Single	\$120.00
Family	\$175.00

General Memberships *(prices before sales tax)*

Golf Pass	
Junior	\$295.00
Senior	\$395.00
Single	\$649.00
Family	\$999.00

Cart Pass	
Junior 16 +	\$195.00
Senior	\$195.00
Single	\$249.00
Family	\$475.00

Driving Range	
Junior	\$115.00
Senior	\$125.00
Single	\$150.00
Family	\$200.00

Juniors: 17 and under

Elder: 52 +

Senior: 62 +

Family: Husband & Wife and children up to 25 years of age living at home and in school.



Etc.

Elders essentials

Wisdom Steps looking for Elders age 55 & over

Wisdom Steps will hold its monthly meeting from 5-7 p.m. April 5 at the Cloquet ENP. Please come and find out more about this statewide preventative health organization. Our non-profit organization has members in 11 reservations and three urban areas around Minnesota.

First launched in Minnesota in 1999, Wisdom Steps is a partnership among the American Indian communities and the Minnesota Board on Aging designed to invite Tribal Elders to participate in activities that build their health.

Wisdom Steps encourages Elders to take simple steps toward better health. Activities such as participating in health screenings, attending a health education class, or enjoying a healthy living activity are promoted. Elders learn that the path to health is easy and can be walked by visiting with a physician and setting a personal health goal like losing weight or stopping smoking.

Each year, Elders are honored at a Wisdom Steps feast. Elders who successfully complete their Wisdom Steps goals are presented with a Wisdom Steps pin, special charm and certificate of completion.

By walking the Wisdom Steps path, elders teach the entire community about the importance of health.

Our local Wisdom Steps board members will have monthly meetings with the elder community to plan activities and discuss any health issues or needs as necessary. These meetings will be held first Tuesday of each month.

Annual Wisdom Steps Conference

This year's Wisdom Steps Conference will be held June 14-16 at the Shooting Star Casino in Mahanomen, Minn.

Please register early for this year's

conference. Early bird registration ends April 15 and costs \$20. Registration from April 16-30 costs \$30. The deadline is April 30.

Registration for Non-Wisdom Steps participants will be \$100. Travel, hotel, and meal costs are not included.

Contact Patti at (218) 878-2606, Char (218) 279-4119 or Debra (218) 878-8053 for information on how to register.

Elders Meetings schedule

The 52+ Elder Meeting: Open to all Elders age 52 and older. Meetings are from 5-7 p.m., the 2nd and 4th Wednesday each month, at the Cloquet Community Center. Dinner is pot luck. For more information, contact Debra at (218) 878-8053.

Elders Concerns Group: Meetings are from 10 – noon every Wednesday, at the Cloquet Community Center. The mission of this group is to actively work on tasks to support the health and well being of the FDL Elders on the reservation. This is a working group and each individual member is to be an active participant to support the mission of the group. Members must be at least 62 years of age.

Elder Activity Fund Board: Meetings are held at 1 p.m. on the first Tuesday of the month, at the Cloquet Community Center library. This is open to all Elders who are interested in learning about or planning future activities. For more information, contact Russ Savage, Elder Activity Fund Board Chairman at (218) 878-1134.

Age to Age Traditional Speaker: Meetings start at 4:30 p.m. on the third Tuesday of every month. The next meeting will be held April 19 at the Cloquet Community Center. This month's guest: Lee Staples. Dinner starts at 4:30; speaker's presentation starts at 5 p.m.

Ojibwe School seeking Elders

Fond Du Lac Ojibwe School Journey Garden Program is in need of two elders to assist with teaching students about gardening. The program would start on June 13 and last about three to four weeks.

There is a stipend for two elders to share their knowledge of gardening and traditional teachings. Please call (218) 878-7239 for more information.

Home heating assistance available

The Venezuelan Government and the CITGO Company are offering home heating assistance to Fond du Lac Band Members living on the Fond du Lac Reservation.

Applicants must have applied for and received Minn. State Energy Assistance. All applicants must complete a W-9 form.

Grants are made per household. Applications must be turned into the Energy Assistance Office no later than April 29, 2011.

Attention all enrolled Ogichidaa veterans:

The Veterans Powwow will be held July 8-10 at the Mash-ka-Wisen Treatment Center in Sawyer, Minn. We will have a booth to collect veteran's information at the Veterans Powwow. Deadline for submission is Oct. 15.

We will honor our peacetime veterans at this year's Veterans Day celebration on Nov. 11 the Otter Creek Convention Center located

in the Black Bear Casino Resort. In order to receive your jacket and other gifts we will need a certified copy of your DD214 or discharge papers. Please send to my attention, Chuck Smith, 1720 Big Lake Road, Cloquet, Minn. 55720. The DD214 or discharge papers can also be faxed to me at (218) 878-2696.

Please include your name, address, your phone number where you can be reached, your jacket size, and the number of people attending the banquet

For more information, contact Chuck Smith at (218) 878-2670 or Mary Northrup at (218) 878-7583. Deadline for submission is Oct. 15.

New location for the Veterans Office

The Veterans Office has recently moved. I am now located at the old Natural Resource building (the blue building) at the south end entrance. Please feel free to contact me at the same phone number (218) 878-2670 or call (218) 206-1568. My email address is chuck-smith@fdlrez.com

Fundraiser for Guy Pattison

There will be a spaghetti dinner fundraiser for Guy Pattison from 12-3 p.m. April 2, at the Cloquet Community Center. Admission is \$7.

Guy is hearing impaired, and needs to raise money to study in Florence, Italy. There will also be a bake sale and auction items for sale at the event.

Fundraiser for Kelly Boedigheimer

A spaghetti dinner and fundraiser For Kelly Boedigheimer will be held from 2-6 p.m. April 16, at the Carlton VFW, located at 124 Chestnut Street, Carlton.

Boedigheimer, a Vault Manager at the Black bear Casino Resort, needs to raise money for his continuing medical treatment.

Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for children age 12 and under. There will be a silent auction from 2-6 p.m., and raffle drawings will be held throughout the evening.

There will be live entertainment from 8 p.m. – midnight featuring the Rock-A-Billy-Revue.

Cash donations will also be accepted at all Wells Fargo locations for Kelly Boedigheimer. For more information, call (218) 384-9271.

Fond du Lac Construction is accepting bids

Bid opening: April 1, 2011
Bid closing: April 29, 2011

Item for bid: 1976 American Hoist 599C. The item can be seen at Fond du Lac Construction, 1696 Big Lake Rd., Cloquet.

Send Sealed bids to: Fond du Lac Reservation, Attn: Tina Myhre, 1720 Big Lake Rd., Cloquet, MN 55720. Or drop off Sealed bids to: Fond du Lac Tribal Center, Attn: Purchasing Department. For more information, call Jack Bassett at (218) 878-8043. The Fond du Lac Reservation reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

HIGH SCHOOL PLAYOFFS



Ogichida playoff run ends at a packed Romano Gymnasium

The most successful season in school history ended at a packed Romano Gymnasium at the University of Minnesota Duluth March 16.

After winning easily against Cherry High School in the first round of the section playoffs at Hermantown, and winning a nail biter against Cook County in a hard-fought 42-37 battle March 12 at Duluth East High School, The Fond du Lac Ogichida Boys basketball team, underdogs in both of their previous two games went up against the top-seeded Chisholm Bluestreaks.

Fond du Lac fell to Chisholm by a 64-62 score in the section 7A semifinals.

Losing by five points at half-time, the Ogichida went on a 33-17 burst that gave the team an 11-point lead with four minutes left to play against state-ranked and heavily favored Chisholm.

Then coach Bob McDonald, a high school coaching legend in the state of Minnesota in his 50th year at Chisholm, attacked the FDL guards with a full-court press.

Chisholm went on a 15-2 run over the final four minutes to take the lead, thanks to excellent defense, some FDL turnovers, and a couple of 3-pointers by Adam Vake.

McDonald, has more than 900 wins to his credit, but almost didn't get this one. The Bluestreaks missed some crucial free throw attempts late in the game which could have put the contest out of reach. Fond du Lac also missed out on their opportunities to extend the game.

After two missed Chisholm free throws, Trevor Brown, who sealed the second round game against Cook County with a three point dagger down the stretch of that game, launched a three point attempt from

beyond half court. The shot hit the rim, but missed as the buzzer sounded.

The large crowd at UMD let out a collective groan. For the Chisholm faithful, it was a sigh of relief; for the large contingent of friends, family, and fans from Fond du Lac, it was the longest three seconds in the history of the Ogichida program.

Speaking about the final four minutes of the game afterward, FDL Coach Ken Fox said, "The ball literally bounced their way. One shot went straight up in the air and fell through."

The Fond du Lac late season run resembled the "Hoosiers" movie. In both situations, the small school upset larger schools along the way during the playoffs. In both cases, each school rallied an entire community. In the movie, the underdogs won the state championship. FDL fell short of reaching the state semifinals, however.

"We couldn't buy a bucket," Fox said.

Dewey Dupuis led Fond du Lac with 19 points. The senior guard had five 3-pointers. Kello Brown scored 13 points, and Lee St. John and Travis Brown 11 points each.

Their final record of 14-15 was very misleading. The level of competition on the Fond du Lac schedule was as difficult as any school in the state. They played schools with student enrollment many times larger than their school. Fond du Lac has 62 students in grades 9-12, not including 24 students studying in the Apex e-learning program from home.

The program came a long way. Just last year the team only won five games. "Everybody looked at us as a homecoming game," Fox said. Assistant Coach Jarvis "Chubby" Paro added "We couldn't get public schools to schedule us." The

26 year old Paro played for the Ogichida throughout his junior high and high school years until he graduated.

Today, the team was able to witness the Girls Basketball Team become unofficial cheerleaders for the boys. The Girls fell in their first round playoff game two weeks earlier. Another indication of the growth of the program: Fan buses. A bus full of fans from each of the community centers followed the team to their second and third round playoff games.

Notes: Travis Brown was selected to play in "The Border Battle," an annual all star game April 1, between Northeastern Minnesota and Northern Wisconsin high school seniors at the UMD Romano Gymnasium. Brown was the only one from the Fond du Lac Ojibwe School to be selected.

Community News

These community pages are yours, the members and employees of the Fond du Lac Band. We welcome family news. Please send us information about births, engagements, weddings, anniversaries and deaths. Please include the full names of the individuals in the greeting announcement, as well as the date of the occasion.

Also, we will include news of graduations (high school and post-high school) and military service. Memorials to loved ones or notes of appreciation are also welcomed.

Please submit materials during the first two weeks of the month preceding the next issue. For example, send notices to us by or on April 15, 2011 for the May issue. Information may be sent by U.S. mail to FDL News, 1720 Big Lake Rd., Cloquet, Minn. 55720, or by email to danielhuculak@fdlrez.com

The telephone number is (218)878-2682. You may also drop off items at our office at the Cloquet Tribal Center. Always include your daytime phone number and your name with anything you submit. Materials will be edited for clarity and length.

Birthdays

Happy belated 35th birthday to our daddy, **Herb Fineday** (March 28)
Love, Molly & Greenlee

Happy 2nd birthday to our sweet baby girl, **Greenlee Fineday** (April 5)
Love, Mama, Daddy, & Molly



Happy 3rd Birthday **Mathew Whitebird Jr.** (March 23)
Love Dad, Mom, River, Sydney, and "Dude"

Happy Birthday **Grandma Wendy** (April 19) & **Grandpa Pink** (April 10)!
Love your Punkin, Olivia

Happy 13th Birthday **Fhenix Elijah Savage** (April 28)
We love you, Mom, Gage and Tayden



Happy birthday to **D'zhae Goodwin** (April 7)
Love you, Auntie Jessie, Uncle Joe and kids

Happy birthday to **Justice Paro** (April 21)
Love Auntie Jessie, Uncle Joe and the kids

Happy 7th Birthday to our Sunshine, **Justice Marie Paro**
Luv you all the way to the stars. Luv Auntie Nell & Uncle Mel

Happy 2nd Birthday to **Baby Jaimie Petite** (April 1).
Luv Auntie Nell & Uncle Mel

Happy 6th Birthday **Dannin Barney** (April 27)
*WE LOVE YOU LOTS!
Love, Momma & Dad*



Happy 11th Birthday to our nephew **Dylan Savage** (April 9)
Love Auntie PJ and Uncle Danny

Happy Birthday to my favorite "cousin D" **Dylan Savage**
Love, "little D" Dannin

Happy Birthday **Viola Foldesi** (April 11).
Love, from your family

Happy Anniversary **Viola and Thomas Foldesi** (April 11).
Love, from your children

Happy Birthday **Jimmy Waller** (April 5)
Love, from your family

Happy Birthday **Rick Sunde** (April 30). You're the greatest brother, uncle and son!
Love, your family

Happy Birthday **Dave Merrill** (April 23)
Love, from your family

Margaret Needham would like to wish Happy Birthday to the following staff here at CAIR: **Dr. David Jorde, M.D.**, April 5; **Donna Bergstrom**, Adult Benefit Specialist, April 23; **Grace Bennett**, Families First Social Worker, April 2; **Laura Garza**,

WIC CAIR/MNAW, April 6; and **Vi Foldesi**, RBC, April 11.

The CAIR staff would also like to welcome some new staff members to our great staff here: **Michelle O'Leary**, Social Services; **Donna Newgren**, Social Services; and **Shelly Degainy**, Smoking Cessation, CAIR/MNAW.

Happy Birthday to our **KarmaLynn "Sunshine" Marshall** (April 9) THE BIG 4!
*Kisses and Hugs!
We love you,
Mommy, Daddy and Justyce*



Birthday wishes to my grandpa **Art Diver** and my sister **Sherelle Graves** (April 14)
Love, Boss

To the Birthday girl that's turning the BIG 2-9, **Candice Quaderer** (April 28)
Love, Boss

Happy 21st Birthday **Danelle "Pooh" Diver** (April 7)
*Be good and stay safe - we all love you!
Your cousin, Boss*

Happy Birthday **A.J. Quaderer** (April 19)
Love, your aunts and cousins

Happy 4th Birthday **Daisa Jones** (April 25)
Love, mom

Happy belated Birthday **Stephanie Shabaiash** (March 14)
Love, Candace Long and Brandyce Q.



Happy Birthday **Jerrad Ojibway** (April 4) Happy Birthday and many more,
From Dad and Kim, Chris, Rae

Lyn, Heather, D'Angelo, and Beah

Happy 18th Birthday **Nicole Schultz** (April 21)
*Love,
your family*



Happy Birthday **Ed "Pink" Jaakola** (April 10)
Love, Lorri

Happy Birthday **Wendy Jaakola** (April 19)
Love, Lorri

Happy Birthday **Curtis Jaakola** (April 20)
Love, Lorri

Happy Birthday to **Beau Diver** (April 13)
Love Dad, Jeanne and Lu

Happy 18th Birthday to my **Uncle Beau Diver!!**
*Love You Lots,
Dannica Grace Marie Martin*

Happy Birthday **Beau Diver**
Love You Lots Little Bro!
We have been through a lot together and I just wanted to say I Love you and I am so proud to call you my little bro. Happy 18th Birthday; hope you have a blast!
Love, Carissa & Denny

Happy Birthday **Dad** (April 10) and **Mom** (April 19) I love yous!
Love, Your Daughter, Ashley Jean

Community News

Happy 81st Birthday, **Gloria (Pee Wee) Bimberg** (April 7)
Love you Ma!
From your first batch, Barbara

Happy 3rd Birthday **Jayden Wise** (April 16)
From Papa Russ and Grandma Ann



Renee Sutherland, Slot Administrative Supervisor at the Black Bear Casino Resort, would like to wish the following Slot Dept. employees a Happy Birthdays Birthday for April: **Jeff Swanson** (April 20); **Alawna Antilla** (April 25); **Cindy Bistis** (April 29); and **Rose Axtell** (April 30).
Happy Birthday to all!

Happy Birthday **Darrel** (April 5) and **Annette Welsand** (April 9)
Love, your family

Happy 18th Anniversary **Darrel & Annette Welsand** (April 14).
Love, your family

Happy Birthday **Diane Welsand** (April 1)
Love, your family

Happy Birthday **Alaina DeFoe** (April 13)
With love, from your friends and family

Happy Birthday **Judy DeMuth** (April 16)
With love, from your friends and family

Happy Birthday **Mark Macham** (April 16)
Love, your family and friends

Happy Birthday **Archie Villiard**

(April 17)
Love your friends and family

Happy Birthday **Daryold Blacketter** (April 19)
Love, your Sawyer family

Happy Birthday **Amelia Steves** (April 9)
Love, from your friends and family



Happy belated Birthday to **Macegoziid Martin** (March 9)

- **My Macegoziid** - I know you, little one; but I am just a grain of salt, a small spark lost in a blaze. If I kneel and ask you to stare in my eyes, what would you say? Would "Father" slip through your thin lips?

Would your arms circle my neck? Would you kiss my cheek?

In my dreams you smile at me and ask me to recite old stories that mean little to some but mean the world to you.

You clap your hands to puffy clouds high in the sky and laugh at the dawns' snowflakes. Have I told you no snowflake is the same?

Have I told you no life is the same?

Have I told you no pain is the same?

There you go, slipping by the monkey cage and clowns. I watch you go the same way you never saw me arrive, face flush and full of confusion. I may have given you life, may have been that small angel who breathes life into puppets, but now I am only a stranger, lost in a strange world of words and woes.

I love you and miss you; I can't wait for us to be reunited.
Love, Dad

Thank You

Thank you to the Fond du Lac RBC, Bonnie Wallace, Veronica Smith, my father David Rabideaux, and the rest of my Fond du Lac family. I graduated from the University of Nebraska at Omaha in December with a Bachelor's degree in Secondary Education. I'm looking forward to continuing my education and starting a new career. I couldn't have reached this goal without the support of the Fond du Lac community and the Scholarship Program.

With profound gratitude, Carolyn Rabideaux

Announcement

Jennifer Jo Fox would like to introduce her new brother, Lee Anthony St. John Jr., 8 lbs. 2oz. and 21" long. Born March 9 to Vanessa Fox & Lee St. John



Congratulations

Congratulations to Justice Skow. Justice is only eight years old, but he has been riding dirt bikes for four years. He has been racing a 50 cc Honda on ice with the Minn. Stud Club Association for the



past two years. Races are held on lakes throughout Minnesota during Jan. and Feb.; with the Ice Racing Season finales being held on Garrison Bay, Lake Mille Lacs. Last year Justice placed 3rd in the State in his class. This year, at the finals held Feb. 26-27, Justice placed 2nd in the State of Minnesota in the 50 cc class. Good job Justice!

Justice is the son of Raelea Skow, and Grandson of Gene Reynolds and the late Ruby Reynolds, and Lois and Brad Johnson.

In loving memory In memory of Terra Bishop Lind, who passed away April 13, 2003.

Sadly missed along life's way; Quietly remembered every day. No longer in our life to share, But in our hearts she's always there.

We Love and Miss you, Terra. Dad, Mom and Family

In memory of Gloria Yellow, who passed away April 6, 2010. We are happy you're at peace; and with all the family together.

We'll never forget you mom, grandma, great-grandma - you even enjoyed being that yourself. We'll always love you.

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