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## Construction of New Big Drum Hall Nearly Complete



The new Big Drum building is on course for an official opening the second week of December.

by Lonnie Barber, Editor

The construction of the new Big Drum Hall is rolling right along. Gary Butler and his carpenter crew are working hard to meet a deadline of the 2nd week in December. That is the next weekend of Ceremonies for the Big Drum Society. The weekend before, there are plans to have a feast for the new Big Drum Hall. All Lac Courte Oreilles members are welcome. I have been told that the Big Drum Society is not a closed or private group. This is a perception that a lot of LCO people have.

Bob Sharlow of LCO Development said that the new Hall will have dimensions of 32' x 100', and feature insulated concrete exterior walls. The new building will have log siding, and will look a lot like the old Hall. There are negotiations going on with the Menominee Nation for the log siding, if that falls thru, LCO will purchase log

siding elsewhere. Slab wood interior walls are in the plans, along with wood paneling. One thing Bob Sharlow stated was that some of the logs that survived the fire will be used to build benches for the new Hall. To me, that is a touch that will bring back many memories of the old Hall here on LCO and the Historyland site. The new Hall will also have a complete kitchen.

I hope everyone likes the picture I chose to run with this article. Rusty Barber told me that the wigwam frame was built a few weeks before the fire that destroyed the old Hall. That wigwam frame has been an inspiration to rebuild for the LCO and all Ojibwe's, a place to practice our traditions and Ceremonies. Miigwech again, to Jim Miller, Lewis White and their helpers on the fine Big Drum article in last month's Newsletter.

## Public Works Dept. Publishes Results of Summer Water Survey

by Jason Weaver, Public Works

I want to thank everyone that participated in the survey we put out. I was able to get a much better understanding of what some of your concerns and questions are in regards to the community water and waste water systems.

One main question about the water was the chlorine smell. Although its distinctive aroma may be unpleasant to some, it is an indication that your water supply is being adequately treated to stave off harmful or deadly microorganisms. I would like to let all our customers know that we test the water six days a week for Chlorine levels. Chlorine is our only disinfectant and it effectively kills a large variety of microbial waterborne pathogens, including those that can cause typhoid fever, dysentery, cholera and Legionnaires' disease. Chlorine is widely credited with virtually eliminating outbreaks of waterborne disease in the United States and other developed countries. The EPA recently cited the filtration of drinking water and use of chlorine as "probably the most significant public health advance of the millennium." Indian Health Service partially funds many of our projects because of the

health concerns associated with water and waste water. They provide engineering, training and technical support for each reservation and tribal community.

We also test for bacteria every month on multiple occasions and locations. We also test every year for Lead and copper, Nitrates and Nitrites, Volatile organic compounds, Synthetic organic compounds, Inorganic compounds, Radionuclides and many other contaminants as required by the EPA. These samples are taken from homes on the community system then packed on ice and sent to certified laboratories. Water samples that ensure the safety of our water are very expensive and are a major expense for our department.

Another question was "Where does our waste water go or how is it disposed of?" Waste water is treated at 3 plants on the reservation. Having waste water treatment prevents septic related outbreaks and limits the areas effected by septic waste water. Many communities still have septic tanks and drain fields. The solids are collected in the tank and fluids run into pipes and back into the ground in the yard.

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## LCO Tribal Court Looks to Address Needs of Community, Listening Sessions Planned



by Karen Breit, Project Manager

Through conducting a survey and holding community listening sessions, Lac Courte Oreilles (LCO) Tribal Court is looking to gather input from the LCO community to help improve its current court system and assure community needs are being met.

Under a grant from the Bureau of Justice, a branch of the Department of Justice, LCO Tribal Court received funding to enhance court services. The first of the grant objectives is to establish a Community Service program, which has since been in operation the last two years. A secondary objective of the grant is to conduct a community assessment

and create a ten-year strategic plan for the court.

As part of the community assessment phase, LCO Tribal Court officials will conduct interviews of key professionals within the local justice system and hold community forums, or listening sessions, to gather input on

safety concerns and how the court can improve its services. Sessions will be open to the public and announced as times and locations are determined. A written survey will be provided to those who may not wish to voice their concerns during the forums and for individuals unable to attend.

With the assessment completed, the Tribal Court's Strategic Planning Advisory Council (SPAC) will begin the planning process incorporating ways to improve the court system and how best to address the needs of the LCO community. The SPAC meets monthly to investigate possible court strategies from sentencing

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### Toys for Tots Applications Due Dec. 6

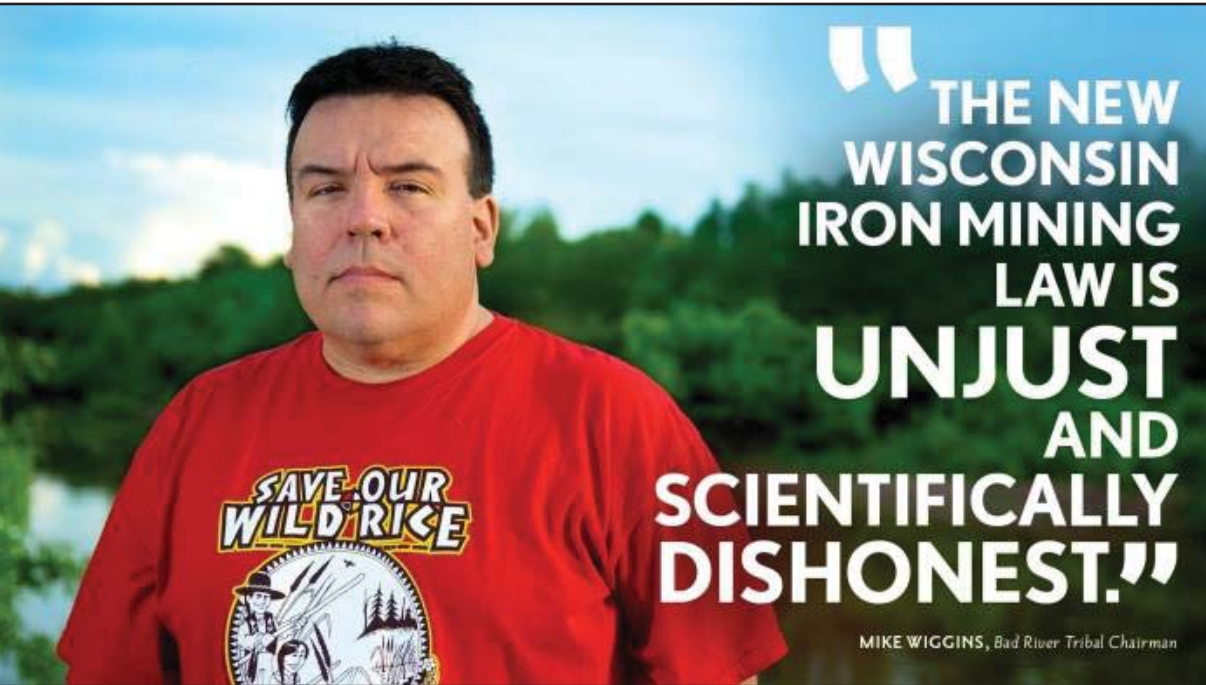
Do you need help this Christmas to get new toys for your child/children? The Lac Courte Oreilles Ojibwe School and other Tribal Entities are working together to help low income families in need. Families must be Tribal Members and live on or near the LCO Reservation or within Sawyer County.

Please feel free to fill out this year's form available at the tribal office or online for download at [www.lco-nsn.gov/newsletter](http://www.lco-nsn.gov/newsletter) and return to Patti Quaderer at the LCO Tribal Office or ask the receptionist to put it in her

mailbox. Deadline will be December 6, 2013 at 3 p.m. so we will have an idea of the number of gifts to have on hand.

If you have received gifts from Christmas for Kids in Hayward, you are not eligible for this program. Please leave your phone number so I can call you for pick up as soon as your bag is filled. You will be responsible to pick up by Dec. 14, 2013 at the LCO Tribal Office. If you cannot pick up your gifts, please let us know (by note or phone call) if someone else will be picking them up for you.

## Bad River Chairman Hopes to Save Penokee Hills from Mining Destruction



Chairman Wiggins has told countless people about why a proposed iron mine near the Bad River Reservation would be a disaster for his nation. He tells anyone who will listen about how a mine would devastate the watershed's ecosystem. "A 1,000-foot deep hole in the Penokee Hills would drop the water table and contaminate ground water with sulfuric acid and heavy metals," says Wiggins. "The sulfate pollution from metallic mining would destroy wild rice crops that grow in wetlands, including in our Tribal territory. But beyond the borders of our land, iron mining and taconite production is the source of airborne mercury emissions that pollute the air and water. We already have too many mercury consumption

warnings on fish. We cannot allow an open-pit mine to pollute our water and air." And though there are other examples in Michigan and Minnesota where iron mining has been the source of pollution, facts about the damage iron mining causes fell on deaf ears when Wisconsin state legislators ignored an outpouring of voter opposition and held limited hearings on a new law that exempted iron mining from many of the state's long-standing environmental protections. Elected officials touted the bill as a job creation plan. "The irony that we see is clear," says Wiggins. "An open-pit iron mine will destroy the ecosystem that is the foundation of what can be the sustainable economy we in Ashland

### Health Clinic Maintains AAAHC Accreditation

The Accreditation Committee of the Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care, Inc. (AAAHC) will maintain its accreditation of the Lac Courte Oreilles Health Center through August 2015.

The AAAHC determined the Health Center should maintain accreditation "...based on evidence from this recent survey that you meet, and will continue to demonstrate throughout the accreditation term, the attributes of an accreditable organization,"



Clinic Director Gregg Duffek

in a letter to the Clinic's Director Gregg Duffek.

"It is with great pride and my pleasure to announce congratulations to all of the staff of the Lac Courte Oreilles Health Center. We have recently been accredited for 2 years, until August 8, 2015 by the Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care (AAAHC)," Duffek said at the formal announcement.

"This is an important milestone in the continuing growth and success of our health care organization. Pursuing accreditation shows our commitment to providing the highest levels of quality care to our patients, and the same high level of quality in our business practices. Achieving accreditation by AAAHC is proof that we have met the rigorous standards of a nationally-recognized third party," he continued, "We are proud to have met the challenge of accreditation, and intend to consistently uphold the principles of quality improvement in patient care in the future. Again, thank you all for your hard work and dedication to our patients; your efforts are highly appreciated. It is with my gratitude, that, we the Directors, treat the Health Center Staff with this delicious meal."

### Pharmacy News

Please stop at registration and update your information prior to going to Pharmacy. This must be done every time you enter the clinic and for what ever reason, even to pickup over the counter medications. This will ensure all your insurance information is accurate so we can properly bill out your prescriptions. Thank you for your patience in this endeavor. Also, with the cold and flu season approaching please get your flu shot and one of the best ways to prevent spread of germs is frequent hand washing!!!

## Health Center Looking to Cut Down on 'No-Shows,' Cancellations

submitted by Carol Smith & Dawn Joyner

We have been asked to discuss how No Shows (when a patient does not come for their appointment) and cancellations impact other patients.

At this time as the clinic is short staffed the number of no shows and cancellations definitely impacts other patients waiting to be seen.

In regards to No Show appointments: when a patient does not show up for a scheduled appointment that leaves an empty slot in the doctor's schedule. Since we have no specific walk-in doctor for the clinic, we try to fit walk-ins in with a doctor. However, we have a set time for each patient and patients are allowed 10 minutes past their scheduled appointment time to arrive. That leaves only 20 minutes for a doctor to see a walk-in which often times puts the doctor behind making the doctor late for other scheduled appointments. Filling the time slot with a walk-in does help the clinic see patients who are here on an emergency basis, but when there are no walk-ins the doctor is idle for that time.

We have several patients waiting to make appointments who are unable to get in as soon as they may need or like to, so we need to utilize

every available time slot by filling the empty slots. At this time it is difficult to maintain a waiting list for patients needing to get in sooner. Knowing when a patient cannot keep their appointment may help us to reutilize a waiting list, at this time we are unable to use a waiting list to fill no show slots due to the time constraint of only having 20 minutes left for that patient visit.

We do understand that some patients when making an appointment are not able to get an appointment for up to 1 - 2 months after the date they make the schedule and sometimes appointments are forgotten. We ask that if a patient knows they cannot make their appointment they please let us know as soon as possible so we can fit in another patient who is waiting. We have limited appointment slots and are trying to see as many patients as possible.

In regards to cancellations: We the LCO Health Center staff are very sorry for the inconvenience that this has caused. We are trying our best to remedy the problem being that at this time we are short staffed and do need more providers. We are still trying to reschedule patients in a timely matter.

## Odamino-wiigimig Room Ready to Rock!

submitted by Dan Weingarten, Child Development Consultant

For the past 6 months, we have been converting the large room at the end of the Early Head Start wing into a combination indoor playground and therapy room. We did this because little children need opportunities to climb, throw, spin, run and tumble. These activities help them to develop new skills, and besides they have lots of energy! However, the classrooms don't have enough room for these activities and the necessary equipment. Many days it is too hot, too cold, or too wet for them to go out on the playground. Also, some of the children receive therapy services while they are here and it is often difficult for the therapists to find a good place to work with the children.

The odamino-wiigimig room's floor is completely covered with interlocking foam tiles for safety. Some of the tiles were cut and rearranged to form a large gathering circle in the center of the room. The bottom 2 feet of the walls are covered with 2 inch foam mats for more safety. An eye-bolt is mounted directly above the gathering circle to be used for special equipment that needs to be suspended in the air. The bolt is solidly attached at 3 points to the bottoms of the roof trusses, so that it cannot move. The equipment that gets suspended is kept in a locked closet, as it is only to be used by certified staff. The room is meant to be flexible. The flooring can be taken

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## Vigil Honors Belille Beebe, daughter, granddaughter



The 8th Annual Stop Domestic Violence Candlelight Vigil was held Oct. 24th. This year's vigil honored Clara Belille Beebe, her daughter Leona, and granddaughter Claretta. The vigil was held at the LCO Casino Lodge & Convention Center.

## Behavioral Health Dept Strengthens Mind, Body and Spirit: Committed to Patient Care

The LCO Behavioral Health Department is committed to strengthening the mind, body, and spiritual wellness to the members of the Lac Courte Oreilles Community. We envision an environment conducive to healthy lifestyles and positive individual behavior. We are committed to patient care and caring for the needs of our patients.

Our services are available to children, adolescents, adults, families, and groups including: AODA Counseling: Individual, Group, Support services, Inmate counseling, Prevention; crisis walk-in services for AODA; weekly outpatient AODA groups for meeting driver's safety, probation, and court-ordered requirements. (day and evening options); assessment, referral, and arrangement of Inpatient Treatment; re-entry support through weekly individual and group counseling at Sawyer County Jail. Quarterly Sobriety Feast with speaker and Talking Circles. Mental Health: Individual, Group, Family; crisis walk-

in services for Mental Health; licensed Professional MH therapists providing individualized dynamic, holistic, strength-based, confidential counseling services.

Adolescent Treatment: Individual, Group/family, Mental Health and AODA counseling services; assessment, referral, and arrangements of Inpatient Treatment; family oriented approach to wellness.

Alternative Groups: Equine Therapy; Pain Management; Anger Management; Stress Management;

Equine (horse) Assisted Therapy at local ranch w/LCO Behavioral Health Providers. Educational/therapeutic alternatives for managing chronic pain. Weekly Anger Management (separate women and men groups). Meets court ordered requirement.

Educational/therapeutic alternatives for managing stress/anxiety through relaxation.

What we do for pure enjoyment: Community Gatherings to share ideas, educate on latest drug trends, and discuss community needs.



**FRANKLIN LYNK  
Newadaaschzi Bik  
"Edge of the Cliff"**

Franklin J. Lynk, 69, of LCO, died Wednesday, October 2, 2013 at his home. Franklin Joseph Lynk was born on March 29, 1944 in Hayward, WI, the son of Joseph and Alice (White) Lynk. He attended elementary school in Couderay and attended Winter High School. Frank served in the United States Navy from 1962- 1968. He was united in marriage to Neuzza Lynk on November 1, 1968 at St. Francis Solanus Indian Mission. From 1980 -1987 Frank was a Chief Conservation Warden, 1987-2001 he worked at Ogden Martin in Minneapolis where he retired. Presently Frank was working at LCO Housing and on the Housing Board.

He is survived by his wife Neuzza; daughters Victoria Lynk, Charo (Fred Jack Jr.) Lynk, Valeria (Matt Hanlon) Lynk; 11 Grandchildren, 4 Great Grandchildren; many nephews & nieces.

Frank was preceded in death by his parents Joseph & Alice; brothers Joseph Lynk, Chauncey Lynk, Art Lynk, Ed Lynk, Fred Lynk; sisters Beatrice Lynk, Beverly Cadotte Gougé, Marie Lynk.

The Funeral Services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 5 at Pineview Funeral Service in Hayward with Father Gregory Hopefl officiating. Burial will be in St. Francis Cemetery in Reserve. Visitation will begin at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, October 4 at the funeral home.

Honorary casket bearers will be Franklin Lynk II, Tecumseh Jack, Anthony Roach, Leon Jack, Sequoia Jack, Josh Hanlon, Jesse Hanlon, Matt Hanlon, Louis Gougé Sr., Richard Kraft, Gabe Lynk and Jason Anderson.

Casket bearers will be Frederick DeLeon, Louis Gougé Jr., Frederick Jack Jr., Charles Lynk, George Perry and Charles Warner.



**EVELYN MARIE ISHAM**

Evelyn Isham, age 92, of LCO, passed away peacefully Saturday, October 26, 2013 at her home surrounded by her family.

Evelyn Marie Isham was born on March 16, 1921 in Reserve, WI, the daughter of Willis Isham and Julia (Smith) Martin. She attended St Francis Indian Mission and School, and was a devoted lifetime member of the Catholic Church. During her early years she learned traditional ways of cooking, canning, sewing, beading, quilting, gathering traditional medicines and carried that with her throughout her life. She moved to Chicago during the Relocation Act and raised her children as a homemaker for many years. When they returned to Lac Courte Oreilles, she remained there for the rest of her life residing in the Round Lake community.

Evelyn was a gifted artist who created many beautiful outfits, beadwork, baskets, moccasins, and many other traditional native crafts. She was known for her ability to sew deerskin leather and her famous champion frybread. She was active in her community, a backbone in the creation of the Lac Courte Oreilles Ojibwe School, where she cooked and taught traditional arts and crafts for over 30 years. She was involved with the Winter Dam Takeover, feeding protesting activists. In 2008, she was honored as Anishanabe Kwe "Woman of the Year" during the Annual Honor the Earth Celebration, where she had a frybread stand and also helped with the youth princess pageant since its creation. Evelyn loved to spend time with her family and "go visiting" her girlfriends, and travel all over the country to powwows and visit family. Evelyn was known for her generosity and kindness as she gave her heart to others, always living life to the fullest with a smile on her face.

She is survived by her children Gary Taylor, Michael Taylor, Muriel (Jay) Shirriff, Becky Taylor, Larry (Melanie) Ford and Sirella (Ferguson) Ford; grandchildren Kelly, Michelle, Melanie, Marcus, Carissa, Valerie, James, Sheena, Thomas, Felicia, Reanna, Tyler, Chelsea, Willis & Renae; great grandchildren Matthew, Markailen, Zoe, Quintin, Theresa, Maymangwa, Zaagi'idiwin, Zayne, and Mariah; adopted children

Patty Sam, Susan "Bitsy" Aasen, Julie Snow, Mary & Al Barber, Tweed Shuman, Michelle Robles, Rosie Shumate, Rynn Kelly and many namesakes.

Evelyn was preceded in death by her parents; brothers and sisters George, Cyrus, Joe, Archie, Veronica, Agnes, Alta, Mary, Hattie, Sophie, Julia, Jim, Leo, Albert, and Edward.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, October 30 at St. Francis Solanus Indian Mission in Reserve with Father Gregory Hopefl officiating and music provided by Sister Felissa Zander and Dianne Sullivan. Burial will be in St. Francis Cemetery. Visitation will begin at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 29 at the funeral home.

Honorary casket bearers will be Tommy Bjorkman, Louie Gougé, Lois Haskins, Mike Isham, Margie Lamorie, Vernon Martin, Herb Sam and Neil Seidel.

Casket bearers will be Thomas Cain III, Tyler Ford, Willis Ford, Julian Helsper, Jerry Martin and James Shirriff.



**BLANCHE RICHTER**

Blanche C. Richter, age 92 of Hayward, died Friday, October 11, 2013 at her home.

Blanche Cecilia Richter was born May 15, 1921 in Holcombe, WI the daughter of Albert and Sophia (Ermatinger Belille) Rolfe. She attended Indian Boarding School in Whitefish and attended high school in LaFarge, WI. She was united in marriage to Royce Richter on July 6, 1942. They lived several places including Waukegan, IL, San Francisco, CA, Bremerton, WA, North Chicago, IL and returning to Hayward 38 years ago. Blanche enjoyed knitting, crocheting, going to the casino, ice fishing, scrabble, cross-word puzzles and gardening. She was a member of Hayward Wesleyan Church, FFW Ladies Auxiliary and was an LCO Tribal Elder.

She is survived by her son Ronald (Jean) Richter, daughters Janice Lynn, Michele "Miki" (Rick) Englund; 13 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren.

Blanche was preceded in death by her parents, husband Royce of 52 years, six sisters and granddaughter, Leah Conner.

A Memorial Service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, October 16th at the Hayward Wesleyan Church. Rev.

Andrea Wittwer will officiate with music provided by Linda Gerich and Jason Lynn. Visitation will be held from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m., prior to the service on Wednesday, at the church. Burial will be in the Greenwood Cemetery in Hayward.

Honorary bearers will be Blanche's grandchildren Carrie Hicks, Sarah Galica, Rick Richter, Kelly Romano, Ronda Tworek, Jason Lynn, Krystal Knapmiller, Ashley Fugate, Kyle Korthof, Cheyenne Englund, A'ja Englund and Michael Englund, and great grandchildren Mercedes, Saskia, Nadja, Caitlyn, Elizabeth, Elias, Caroline, Evan, Austin, Hayden, Jenna, Desiree, Konner, Gabriel, Sophia, Amy, Kalie and Lillian.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are preferred to the Hayward Wesleyan Church, P.O. Box 507, Hayward.



**BONITA "BONNIE" BELILLE**

Bonita "Bonnie" Belille, age 64, of LCO, died Thursday, October 31, 2013 at Essentia Health St. Mary's Medical Center in Duluth, MN.

Bonita "Bonnie" Esther was born on February 23, 1949 in Hayward, WI, the daughter of Franklin and Martina (Rufus) Baker. She grew up at Chief Lake and attended Kinnamon School, St. Francis Catholic School in Reserve and Winter School. Bonnie worked various jobs but those most memorable was at Baby Bear Daycare and LCO Ojibwa Headstart. She was an excellent cook and devoted caregiver. Bonnie loved playing Yahtzee, working puzzles, attending pow-wows and playing Keno. She was a very active and busy person.

She is survived by her husband George; daughters Gloria (Jerry) Belille, Brenda Belille; sons Gary (Kim) Belille, Gordon Belille, George Belille Jr.; special granddaughter Trinity Mae Stone. She is further survived by grandchildren Tasha, Tisha, Gary Jr., Willie, Daeshelle; nine great grandchildren; brother Roger Baker; sister Patricia Belille.

Bonnie was preceded in death by her parents Franklin & Martina Baker; step-father Walter Bennett; son Roger Belille; sister Theresa Bennett; brother Douglas Baker; brother-in-law Frank Belille.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, November 5 at St. Francis Solanus Indian Mission in Reserve with Father Gregory Hopefl officiating and music provided by Sister Felissa Zander and Liza Diamond.

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**Halloween spirits were seen haunting the halls of the tribal office Oct. 31st. Many employees dressed for the occasion in costume and offered candy to passers-by.**

**(Note: There were so in costume we couldn't fit all the names here! But chances are you know these folks with or without the masks!)**



photos by Lonnie Barber



**Contracts Dept Hires Contract Specialist/  
Administrative Assistant**



**Jade Carrasco**

My name is Jade Carrasco, and I am the tribe's new Contract Specialist/Administrative Assistant. I am so excited to finally be a full time employee working for Lac Courte Oreilles.

I am also a new proud Aunty to Teraya LaMorie! I have two beautiful daughters, Esmeralda and Justice. They both attend Waadookodaading Ojibwe Immersion School. I love foreign foods, Netflix, shopping, listening to WOJB, traveling, and most of all spending time with my family. I have family in Belize, Central America who are also very proud of my new career.

submitted by Rose A. Oshogay

I would like to congratulate and welcome Jade Carrasco as my new Administrative Assistant/Contracts Specialist trainee who started on Oct. 21st.

Already there are plans for baseline trainings in her near future. She will be attending the OMB Circular Training presented by Great Lake Inter-Tribal Council at Red Cliff, WI and Procurement Training in Sacramento, California. Welcome to our Finance Team, Jade!

And, by the way, Happy Birthday, Pamela!!

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**'Justice' and K-9 Officer Dominic Ciatti**



"Justice" is the star of LCO's K-9 Unit. Justice is pictured here with Lac Courte Oreilles Tribal Officer Dominic Ciatti.

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## Cadotte Named Procurement Director



Bill Cadotte has been named Chief Procurement Officer to Lac Courte Oreilles. The position provides purchasing services to support various Tribal programs and businesses and manage the activities of suppliers, vendors and contractors. Bill will issue requests for proposals, oversee the creation of purchase orders, provide support for competitive bidding process, and enter into contracts with approval of the LCO Legal and Finance Departments.

## LCOVR: Transition Services for Students with Disabilities

The Lac Courte Oreilles Vocational Rehabilitation Project (LCOVR) is a program designed to assist individuals with disabilities to obtain, maintain, or improve employment. LCOVR offers guidance and assistance to eligible high school students. The focus of VR transition services is to promote completion of a high school diploma and to assist students with making employment plans and choices for after high school.

### Application Process

To be eligible for LCOVR services, the following requirements must be met:

- Must be a member of a Native American Tribe/Alaskan Native;
- Have a physical or mental disability that is a substantial barrier;
- Reside within Sawyer County
- Benefit from receiving LCOVR services to achieve an employment outcome.

If an individual has been deemed a person with a disability by the Social Security Administration, the person shall have met criteria of having a physical or mental impairment, or assumed to be able to benefit in terms of an employment outcome from VR services provided.

### To Apply for the LCOVR Program

Call (715) 638-5161 and speak to a LCOVR Staff member or visit the LCOVR office located in the LCO

CDC Building at 9790N County Rd K, Hayward, WI.

Types of services provided include: Vocational guidance and counseling; information and referral to other resources and services; assessment; career exploration; job-seeking skills; job placement/work experience to gain job skills; job coaching; assistive technology assessment and services; interpreter services for the hard of hearing or deaf; reader services for the blind; assistance in obtaining Native American healing; vocational training.

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Burial will be in Historyland Cemetery. Visitation will begin at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, November 4 at Pineview Funeral Service in Hayward.

Honorary casket bearers will be Rae Baker, Sharon Bensen, Lana Campbell, Faye Conger, Beverly Dodge and Mikki Trepanier.

Casket bearers will be Charles Belille, Gary Belille Jr., Michael Belille, Stuart Belille, Samuel Gonzales and Charles Smart.

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## Two Diabetes Learning Programs at LCO

Two new ways to learn and get healthy! The Diabetes Prevention and Education Program of the Lac Courte Oreilles Health Center has recently launched two new fun learning programs in the community. Diabetes BINGO and Healthy Lifestyle BINGO. These learning games were created by the White Earth Diabetes Program in Minnesota and have really been fun. The cards are built around sharing information:

- B= body
- I = insulin and oral medications
- N= nutrition
- G= glucose control
- O= "other"

Learning is helped with the colored pictures on the bingo cards. As the numbers are called, information and education is shared by the bingo "caller". Participants are encouraged to ask questions as they play the game or at anytime.

Diabetes Bingo Games will be played: 1. At the Lac Courte Oreilles Elder Nutrition Center once per month at 11:30 a.m. following the serving of lunch. The next session at the LCO Elder nutrition center will be on Friday November 15, 2013.

2. At LCO Clinic November 7 from noon-1 p.m. for the November

monthly support meeting (A light lunch is served at the monthly support meeting.)

The second BINGO uses Healthy Living and Diabetes Prevention topics on the cards. Everyone learns with this game. It is designed for all ages--from 3 years to 103.

Healthy Living Bingo Game will be planned: 1. At the Lac Courte Oreilles Boys and Girls Club, November 21, 2013 at 5pm.

We would love to have you join us. Everyone is a winner and prizes are awarded for getting a BINGO. More information can be obtained by contacting the AADE accredited LCO Diabetes Prevention and Education Program. In addition to the new bingo games, our program offers individual diabetes self-management education.

For more information or to schedule an appointment, please contact Sandy Zeznanski, Registered Dietitian and Certified Diabetes Educator at 715-638-5153 or Patty Subera, MS RN, Diabetes Prevention and Education Program Coordinator at 715-638-5179. Appointments can also be scheduled by contacting the general scheduling department at 715-638-5101.

## New Dental Clinic Opens at Lac du Flambeau



gaiashkibos of LCO visited the new Peter Christensen Dental Campus during a its grand opening at Lac du Flambeau (LDF) in October.

The newly-completed \$10 million, 36,000-square-foot dental clinic is open to the public and has 20 dental chairs, laboratories, and the latest technologies and classroom space to train hygienists and dental assistants.

## Elders Van Dons New Graphics



The Elders' bus has it's signage now, thanks to the artistic work of Rick Rooney at Circle Systems.

## 'The Jingle Dress' Film to Focus on Ojibwe Family

A new Minnesota film, currently in production, will focus on an Ojibwe family that moves from the White Earth Indian Reservation in northern Minnesota to the Phillips neighborhood of Minneapolis. The audience will follow the Red Elk family as they discover a new culture, and how they navigate between the two worlds. Chaske Spencer from the Twilight franchise stars as John Red Elk, the main character. Stacey Thunder plays wife, Elsie. Real-life siblings Mauricimo and S'Nya Sanchez-Hohenstein play John's son Chris and daughter Rose.

The film's producer, William Eigen, has been selected to receive

financial support from the new film production reimbursement program funded with Arts and Cultural Heritage Funds from Minnesota's Clean Water, Land and Legacy Amendment. The Legacy Arts and Cultural Heritage (LACH) Production Reimbursement Program, established by Minnesota Film and TV and Independent Filmmaker Project Minnesota, is designed to support professional, mid-career filmmakers' feature length narrative or long form documentary projects that align with Minnesota Arts and Cultural Heritage goals.

The Jingle Dress is set for release Fall 2014.

## LCO Food Distribution Program Welcoming New Households On/Off Reservation

This is a message from the staff at the LCO Food Distribution Program (FDP). We do thank all of the households that are presently with the program.

This is more of a message to all households living on or off the LCO Reservation, for past clients and new households that would like to try our program out.

We would greatly appreciate the opportunity to provide you with a very nutritious food package

each month. Most of our food products are name brand items now. We have about 84 different food products available for you.

If you are not on food stamps (or maybe you want to switch) you may be eligible for our program. Our brochure explains more about the program.

If you have any questions about the program or eligibility criteria, please call (715) 634-3677 or (715) 634-4523.

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In Reserve it is sent to a lagoon system which many lovingly refer to as Shit Lake. This process settles out solids and lets them decompose while the clarified water is transferred to a secondary lagoon for additional treatment. Clear water is discharged twice a year.

New Post is collected and sent to settling basins. The clarified water is then sent through a recirculating sand filter to increase bacteriological breakdown of the waste water. Water is then discharged to seepage basins for final disposal.

The community buildings from the College to the Head start, Akikaandag, Ishkwandem and Giuwedin are sent to the Sequential Batch Reactor behind the Public Works office. This also includes the Casino, C-Store, CDC building and Police station waste water. This waste is ground up in the lift stations, pumped to one of two basins and aerated to speed up the decomposition process. Water is then pumped to seepage cells for final disposal. This system has reached its operation limit and expected lifespan. We are in the process of working with Indian Health Service and MSA engineering to develop a new wastewater plant at the same location. We would like to extend this service to other tribal communities because so many septic systems are past their service life and failing.

Cost concerns were also brought up on almost every survey. Currently

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circles, elder panels, and teen court, to assessment systems and risk reduction programs.

During its meeting Oct. 30, the SPAC discussed visiting other tribal courts that are already implementing similar strategies.

## LCO Food Distribution Guidelines

New qualification guidelines include a \$400 allowable shelter and utility expense.

### Examples include:

- Continuing charges for the shelter occupied by the household, including rent, mortgage, condominium and association fees.
- Property taxes, State and local assessments, and insurance for the structure itself.
- Cost of fuel for heating or cooling; electricity or fuel used for the purposes other than heating

we charge a flat residential rate of \$25 for water, sewer or both. This is well below the average of \$75 for a community our size. We charge our businesses a higher rate because of the added demand to the systems. This helps offset our annual cost but we are still not charging enough to break even. The TGB currently subsidizes the Public Works to keep the cost down for each user. As financial constraints increase on the TGB budget adjustments to the user fees might be necessary.

People tend to think that if you have a well your water is free. Water is free but disinfecting and pumping it cost money. Wells are paid for by the Indian Health Service when the cost is too high to connect to the community system. This takes away from the amount of money I.H.S. can spend on other health needs for our tribe. Wells are drilled to provide an adequate amount of water so often they are very shallow and susceptible to contamination like in the signor community. When you have a well, the well has to run on electricity to pump water to your pressure tank. This averages about \$30 to \$40 a month in electricity fees depending on how many people are in your household. If you have septic system you have to have it pumped out every 3 years. It cost about \$100 to \$200 depending on the size of the tank and location of your home.

Inquiries about this project can be directed to Karen Breit, Project Manager and Community Service Coordinator, at (715) 634-4790, ext. 286 or by email to Karen.Breit@lco-nsn.gov.

or cooling; water; sewerage; well installation and maintenance; septic tank system installation and maintenance; garbage and trash collection; all service fees required to provide service for one telephone.

Shelter costs for the home if temporarily not occupied by the household.

This is not an exhaustive list. Proof of one allowable shelter/utility expense is required at the time of certification. For additional information call (715) 634-3677.

## Montano to Head Lac Courte Oreilles Housing Authority

by Mark Montano, Housing

Boozhoo Odahwah Zaaga'iganing Anishinabeg, I am the new Executive Director of LCO Housing Authority and it is a great honor to be chosen to serve the LCO Community.

I come from Miskwaabikong (Red Cliff) and have served in many capacities within my community and nationally on behalf of Native American communities. Some of my background includes the following:

- Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa At-Large Tribal Council Member
- Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior

Chippewa Vice-Chairman

- Director of Tribal Operations for Red Cliff
- Bureau of Indian Affairs Tribal Interior Budget Council Co-Chair
- Red Cliff Gaming Commission Chairman
- Wisconsin Special Committee on Tribal Relations
- Wisconsin USA Boxing President
- USA Boxing Region 6 Coordinator
- National Boxing Coach, Referee and Judge

I look forward to serving the LCO Community and I firmly believe that we will be able to improve the housing conditions of the community.

In the coming months we will have more detailed information for you in regards to the LCO Housing Authority and the things we are and will be working on. Once again it is a great pleasure to be here serving the LCO membership.



Mark Montano

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up to expose the tile floor if we want to have a messy area for paint, water or sand. There

are 2 sets of solid maple modular play systems that include slides, stairs and ramps. These parts can be rearranged to create new experiences for the kids. All the shelving is built with



locking wheels, so the shelves can be moved to create new areas within the room. Two closets contain enough equipment so it can be rotated from time to time. CDs of Native music and outdoor sounds can be played on the CD player that also has an i-phone dock. But what everyone notices first

is the WALLS! In what we think is his greatest work yet, local artist George

Perry turned all 4 walls of the 20x24 room into a continuous outdoor scene showing the movement through all 4 seasons while depicting traditional activities: sugar-bush, gathering, dancing, ricing, tanning and storytelling. He even worked in pictures of all the animals that represent the EHS classrooms, as well as some hidden surprises.

If you haven't seen it yet, make sure you stop in some time to see why our new room is known as odamino-wiigimig.

## Changes to LCO Newspaper and Website Coming Nov. 2013

There is a noticeable change to the LCO news this month as the publication moves to newsprint-style layout and expands to include more department news and events from the LCO community.

More updates will also be seen in the launch of a new website re-design for lco-nsn.gov this November. The site will be updated with additional navigation, a searchable database of department information, more YouTube

coverage of LCO events, mobile and tablet versions, photo galleries and audio/podcasts of news and historical topics for streaming online.

The LCO newspaper will also begin soliciting advertising in the hope of helping keep this publication in print each month. Interested businesses and tribal enterprises can request an advertising packet and pricing from Lonnie Barber, news editor, by email at lonnie.barber@lco-nsn.gov .

## Captain Candler of LCO Promoted at Ft. Snelling Ceremony



On Sat., Sept 21, 2013, 1st Lieutenant Adam L. Candler, from Dallas WI, was promoted to Captain Adam L. Candler, U.S. Army Reserve, by Brigadier General Robert D. Carlson, Commander, 372nd Engineer Brigade – Ft. Snelling, at a promotional ceremony held at Ft. Snelling, MN. Over the past year, Captain Candler served as the Aide to General Carlson while under his command of 5,000 soldiers across 12 mid-western states.

Candler is the son of Lewis and Dawn Candler of Dallas; grandson of Rev. Lawrence and Eileen Bisonette (late) of Dallas; Leslie Candler Sr. (late), formerly of Dallas; and Wm & Agnes Wagner of Rice Lake. His Grandfather Bisonette is a Korean War veteran (pictured) and Grandfather Candler was a WWII veteran. Captain Candler is a 2004 Barron High School graduate, Ripon College graduate, and is currently attending the Univ. of MN Law School. Candler and Bisonette are both LCO tribal members. Rev. Lawrence Bisonette has been the pastor of Northwoods Church of God, LCO for over 30 years.



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