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Stories from where the water stops



The medical departments at both CAIR (left) and MNAW wore pink Oct. 21 for Indigenous Pink Day.

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# Local News

## Henderson to be honored with Wilma Rudolph Courage Award

The Minnesota Coalition of Women in Athletic Leadership (MCWAL) names an honoree every year for the Wilma Rudolph Courage Award, and this year they have named Tyjha Henderson. Tyjha will be named at the 2022 National Girls and Women in Sports Day, Minnesota in recognition of her efforts to overcome adversity.

Back in June of 2020, 13 year-old Tyjha was hit by a car while riding her bike on the Fond du Lac Reservation and suffered broken ribs but even worse, was unconscious from an injury to her brain. Due to her very serious Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI), Tyjha faced many challenges but has done so with grit and courage.

As she worked to re-learn many skills like walking and eating, Tyjha has done so with a fierce determination. While she worked hard for many reasons, her main goal was to return to the game she loves—softball. The family has encouraged everyone to be #tyjhatough just as she was while she re-learned many things. Today, Tyjha and her family are living in Kansas where Tyjha is doing well and even did return to softball earlier this year.

Tyjha will receive the award at a ceremony in St. Paul Feb. 2, 2022.



Tyjha Henderson

## FDL Constitution delegates update

Boozhoo from your delegates! By the time you read this article, we will be in full swing with an option for you to win some wonderful gifts from our local artists. If you want to know how to get your entries: email your name, address and phone number to [delegate@fdlconstitution.org](mailto:delegate@fdlconstitution.org). By doing this, you will receive your first entry. You will then receive a return email with the opportunity to earn more entries so that delegates can learn more about what our community really needs and wants us to change in our Constitution. Be quick though! The drawings will be held on Dec. 29 at our last Community Input Meeting of 2021 via Zoom.

If you haven't yet, check out our new and improved website at [www.fdlconstitution.org](http://www.fdlconstitution.org). The Minnesota Chippewa Tribe recently linked to our website because it contains all of the Constitution Reform meeting minutes. There is a lot of information on our website including educational handouts and links that delegates are examining during the process. We also accept submissions for the website at [delegate@fdlconstitution.org](mailto:delegate@fdlconstitution.org) if

you have information that you would like to share.

Our Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Constitution Reform Convention meetings are being held on the third Friday of each month. Depending on COVID-19 restrictions, meetings are currently being held in person, if possible, with Zoom added for those who cannot travel. Watch our website for meeting details. They can be found on the Calendar of Events on our website (<https://www.fdlconstitution.org/calendar-of-events>).

We are currently working on several issues. Enrollment discussions are being had at every meeting and we are working with the Tribal Executive Committee to establish wording for a referendum vote on an amendment to the Constitution regarding 1) Removing the term "blood quantum" from our Constitution. 2) Giving the establishment of enrollment criteria to the local reservation. 3) Removing the Secretarial election from our Constitution.

Speaking of vote... Please mark your calendar for the Primary Election on April 5, 2022 and the General Election on June 14,

2022. This is where your voice will count on these decisions! Can we count on you to vote?

At the same time, we are also working on government structure. One of the reasons that Constitution Reform began is that the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, Tribal Executive Committee decided that reform needed to happen to remove the Department of the Interior from our Constitution. In order to do that, we need to decide who and how will the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe and the Tribal Executive Committee receive oversight? This is the basis for determining Government Structure.

We will also be discussing the Rights of Nature and how we will establish these in our Constitution as well. As Anishinaabe people, we have responsibilities to speak for those who cannot speak for themselves. The delegates are hearing from their communities that nature needs our protection. We all depend on nature every day and we have learned that nature depends on people acting responsibly.

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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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Association*

# Local News

## Moderna approved for booster in adults

Many Americans were vaccinated back in the spring, and for those who were, immunity has begun to wane. For those Americans, a booster shot will be necessary and now they will have options as the Food and Drug Administration has approved boosters for all adults after six months.

*The approval of boosters from the FDA is just the first approval. Dr. Rochelle Walensky, Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Director, said that they would act quickly to review the data and provide authorization on their end. Once the CDC approves boosters, adults would then be able to go and get booster shot, potentially as early as this weekend.*

*This comes at a crucial time as case numbers and hospitalizations are on the rise, but as CNBC reports, top scientists were recommending boosters back when numbers were just starting to come up across the country.*

The approval comes about two months late — after scientists advising the FDA rejected the administration's original plans to start distributing boosters to all adults the week of Sept. 20, citing a lack of data supporting the third doses. FDA Acting Commissioner Janet Woodcock also cleared the doses without the usual public meeting to review new data submitted by the companies in the last week.

Moderna resubmitted its application just two days ago. The companies announced the decision Friday morning.

“This emergency use authorization comes at a critical time as we enter the winter months and face increasing COVID-19 case counts and hospitalizations across the country,” Moderna CEO Stéphane Bancel said in a statement.

With Pfizer's and Moderna's COVID-19 mRNA vaccine about to be approved for booster shots, many may be wondering if they have to get the same one as their first two doses, or if getting the opposite adds any benefits.

The data doesn't show that any of the boosters are necessarily better than the other, however, most medical experts are recommending that people who got the Johnson and Johnson jab, get either one of the two mRNA vaccines after six months.

The main deciding factor according to Dr. Thomas Balczak, Yale New Haven Health chief clinical officer, who spoke with WTNH News in New Haven, Conn., is getting whichever one is easiest and quickest for each of us.

*“The FDA has basically said, and I'm paraphrasing here, that mixing and matching is OK,” says Dr. Thomas Balczak, Yale New Haven Health chief clinical officer.*

*He added, “You should probably get a booster if you're eligible for what's easily ac-*

*cessible to you; in most cases, that's going to be one of the mRNA vaccines.”*

*Pfizer and Moderna are the mRNA COVID vaccines.*

Despite the delay over the past few months, many states moved ahead of the CDC's recommendations, but today, the CDC could go ahead and recommend it to all adults which would make shots available soon.

*A Centers for Disease Control and Prevention committee of independent experts is scheduled to meet Friday afternoon to take up the matter. If the panel approves and CDC Director Rochelle Walensky concurs, the booster shots could become widely available right away.*

*Both Pfizer and Moderna have shown data that an additional shot improves the efficacy of their vaccines in adults. Pfizer and Moderna first made their request for boosters in September, but advisers to the FDA were cool to the idea of boosters for all adults.*

*The FDA narrowed the authorization to groups of people at elevated risk. Earlier this month, Pfizer and Moderna renewed their requests for broader use of their boosters.*

*Even so, several states — including California, Kansas, Maine, Rhode*

*Island and Louisiana — have moved ahead of federal health authorities in recent days and independently authorized booster shots for their adult residents.*

It's also important to note that in their own guidelines the CDC declared it is safe to mix and match the vaccines. Meaning that the only confusion left remaining was who was eligible, and that's exactly what the FDA is hoping to do away with by providing these recommendations.

*“The FDA has determined that the currently available data support expanding the eligibility of a single booster dose of the Moderna and Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccines to individuals 18 years of age and older,” said Peter Marks, M.D., Ph.D., director of the FDA's Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research. “Streamlining the eligibility criteria and making booster doses available to all individu-*

*als 18 years of age and older will also help to eliminate confusion about who may receive a booster dose and ensure booster doses are available to all who may need one.”*

As the pandemic continues to rage on, boosters are going to play a crucial part in navigating this pandemic, especially as cases continue to spike across the country. If you have questions about boosters, contact your healthcare provider who will have the best available information.

Sources: <https://www.cnn.com/2021/11/19/fda-clears-modernas-covid-vaccine-booster-shots-for-all-us-adults.html>, <https://www.wtnh.com/news/health/coronavirus/yale-doctor-on-mixing-different-covid-19-vaccines-for-booster-shot/>, and <https://www.npr.org/sections/coronavirus-live-updates/2021/11/19/1056832774/the-fda-authorizes-covid-19-booster-shots-for-all-u-s-adults>



# RBC Thoughts

## Secretary/Treasurer News

Boo zhoo nii gii,

Winter has begun with our first snowfall. We had about 4 inches recently. This reminds me of years ago and getting ready for deer hunting. I couldn't wait for the first snowfall so I would be able to track the deer. My grandpa and uncles would be excited as the snow began to accumulate so we could see where the deer were moving to and from. We would make drives to push the deer out for us to harvest. This is also a sad time for me as my grandfathers are both gone and all my uncles too. My father is in a long-term care facility so we don't see each other much because of COVID and lockdowns. I miss the days when all that was important was where are the deer going to be.

I have not been into work for 6 weeks now with my knee replacement. I did not think the recovery process was going to be as long as it turned out to be. I thought I would back walking and driving by now but it is a long slow process for recovery. I will say that the staff at our physical therapy department is very good. They have pushed me when I wanted to rest and have me do things that I didn't feel I could. If you need any therapy at all you should consider our department to provide it.

I have not kept up with the progress of our Constitutional Reform Committee lately so I don't have much of an update. I do know that they are supposed to be preparing a question on enrollment for the upcoming election. My understanding is they will ask if we want to change the blood quantum for enrollment. Depending on the results there could be a secretarial election to make the changes recommended. It is still up to each of us to educate ourselves on the questions being asked and the potential impact on us and our Band. Please check out the committee's website for further information.

The last thing that I would like to talk about this month is some of the programs we are implementing with some of the American Recovery Program Act (ARPA). We sent out a stimulus payment to all Band members that sent in their form. We also sent it out to all Band members under guardianship and minors. We are also going to implement our energy assistance for all eligible Band members. You need to be paying for heat or electric and the bill needs to be in your name. We also have a furnace repair program to help you with any maintenance issue for your heating plant.

*Until next time, be safe and stay healthy.*  
Ferdinand Martineau Jr.



Ferdinand Martineau

## Cloquet News

It has been a somewhat slow month for us, mostly finishing up projects and preparing for the winter months. Our road and parking lot projects are complete. Our moose hunt was somewhat successful so far. However, there are still a few permits that need to be filled.

As November is dedicated as Native American Heritage month, I attended the opening ceremony of the Native American Heritage month at the Black Bear Casino Resort. It was a pleasure to again attend a community event. I watched and listened as Charlie Smith opened with a prayer and asked that we not just

celebrate the event but asked that we celebrate who we are. The Drum Group, Cedar Creek, honored us with songs and the Fond du Lac Honor Guard entered and displayed the flags.

I also attended the Native American contractors gathering held in Duluth. There were a number of Native contractors in attendance. It was an ideal time for Native contractors to get together to discuss some of the projects they are working on and to also learn from each other the hurdles that have to be overcome as Native contractors.

Nov. 1 was also the date for vaccine mandate for all employees of Fond du Lac including casino and clinic employees. This was not an easy decision to make but we have to do what we can to protect

our community and employees. We have lost some employees that chose not to vaccinate and some of those have chosen to retire. Our divisions are doing what they can to replace these employees. We are still requiring mask and social distancing here as this virus continues to affect us all. Please stay safe.

November is also a month in which we honor our Veterans. I would like to say Chii Miigwetch for your service to all Veterans.

*As always, please feel free to call or write as I am always glad hear from you. Cell (218) 428-9828, Office (218) 878-8078, or email wallydupuis@fdlrez.com*



Wally Dupuis

## 13 Moons FDLTCC Extension Program Birch Bark Ornament Demonstration



Friday, December 17th 2021

When: 5:30pm-7:30pm

Where: ZOOM

Contact: [phillipsavage@fdlrez.com](mailto:phillipsavage@fdlrez.com)  
to sign up for this event.  
Check 13Moons Facebook page  
for updates.

Phone Contact: 218-878-7123

13 Moons will host a Birch Bark Ornament Demonstration. We will demonstrate different creations you can make with Birch bark. Participants will be able to obtain a craft kit and tool list to follow along and create Bark ornaments. Follow 13 Moons on Facebook!!



Tasheana's Photography

# Photos with Santa

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# RBC Thoughts

## Thanksgiving food bundle distribution to college students

Fond du Lac Tribal and Community College places high value in supporting students and the community. For the second year, FDLTCC staff created Thanksgiving Food Bundles to express support and appreciation for current students and their families during the traditional holiday time to give thanks.

Through a partnership with B&B Market of Cloquet, the food bundles were assembled into convenient packages for contactless pick-up on Friday, November 19, 2021. Each food bundle included a turkey, one box of stuffing, pumpkin pie and whipped cream, vegetables, potatoes, cranberries, rolls, and butter. In total, roughly 70 current students registered to receive a Thanksgiving Food Bundle from FDLTCC faculty and staff.

The annual Giving Thanks

Feast presented by FDLTCC could not be held this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic, so creating the Thanksgiving Food Bundles was an important alternative to fill the needs of students and celebrate the holiday. "COVID has been tough for everyone and while classes have been on campus this semester, it is still impacting the activities and events we are able to do on campus while keeping everyone safe. Although we haven't been able to do the Giving Thanks feast for two years now, we have been fortunate enough to be able to support our students and their families by providing an entire meal, complete



with a pie, to help address potential food insecurity for our students and to bring some joy to our students. It's a great way for our faculty, staff, and student workers to reconnect and support students," Ariel Johnson, Seek to Learn Academy Director.

The Thanksgiving Food Bundles were made possible by COVID-19 Relief Funding in order to support students with food insecurity.

For more information on the Thanksgiving Food Bundles and activities on campus, please contact Ariel Johnson at [ariel.johnson@fdltcc.edu](mailto:ariel.johnson@fdltcc.edu).



## Gov. Walz signs Executive Order 19-24 with 11 Minn. Tribes

Minnesota Governor Tim Walz and Lt. Governor Peggy Flanagan hosted a bill signing ceremony Nov. 8 with many of the 11 Minnesota Tribes in attendance.

The bill which is Government to Government Relationship with Tribal Governments passed both Houses of the Minnesota State Legislature earlier this year on June 30, and was signed into law the next day by Governor Walz. The bill signing

ceremony would have been earlier this year but was postponed until November due to COVID-19.

This bill is just another step by the state to work with Tribal Governments. Over the last several years, we have seen the Minnesota State Government working more closely with the Fond du Lac Band, and bills like this one guarantee that Fond du Lac and other Bands will have a seat at the table during important discussions as Native News Reported earlier this month.

The bill codifies government to government relations and consultation of Executive Order 19-24 into Minnesota State Law. It provides for Tribal-state relations and requires state agencies to implement Tribal consultation policies in consultation with Minnesota Tribal governments. It requires state agencies to develop and maintain ongoing consultation with Minnesota Tribal governments related to matters that have tribal implications, and for state agencies to designate a Tribal liaison to ensure nation-to-nation consultation is maintained and to serve as a point of contact for the tribes.

While we have seen in recent years that the State's government has worked closely with FDL and the



Chairman Kevin Dupuis Sr. with Governor Tim Walz and Lt. Governor Peggy Flanagan from the Governor's Flickr page.

other Bands in the state, this bill also makes sure that after future elections, things won't change.

"This bill codifies the spirit of that Executive Order into law, so that it lasts beyond this Administration," Brooke Wallington, a spokesperson from Governor Tim Walz's office, told Native News Online.

"The status quo will continue if we don't change it, but we made a commitment today, where the Governor and I signed a commitment that says we are rejecting the status quo," said Minnesota Lieutenant Governor Peggy Flanagan during the bill signing ceremony. "The status quo wasn't working for Native people, and it wasn't working for Tribal governments."

The working relationship between Fond du Lac and our state government will continue to be crucial to both sides going forward so the signing of this bill is vitally important that our combined work continue.

Source: <https://nativenewsonline.net/currents/minnesota-governor-lieutenant-governor-celebrate-ceremonial-signing-of-executive-order-19-24-with-tribes-in-minnesota>

# More Local

## A gift for FDL Elders this Christmas

As we navigate through these difficult times, the Fond du Lac Reservation Business Committee appreciates your patience and understanding, we would like to give you a gift bag. To gather together with the uncertainty of the pandemic poses too big of a risk that we are not willing to take. Please accept this gesture and know when it is safe to come together, we will.

The gifts bags can be picked up on Dec. 13 at the Cloquet ENP located on 1720 Big Lake Road, Cloquet, MN 55720 from 10 a.m.- 4:30 p.m., while supplies last.

In addition to the gift bags, \$100.00 will also be uploaded on your per capita FOCUS cards on Dec. 10. If you have any further questions please call Velvet Linden at (218) 878-8053.

We are thinking of you,  
Fond du Lac Reservation Business Committee

## Eagle feather permit changes

Starting Oct. 1, 2021, the National Eagle Repository started processing all eagle feather permit requests, not the regions. During the 2018 Tribal consultation on potential changes to 50 CFR 22.22 regulations, Tribes identified the eagle feather permit process as confusing and slow. As a result of the consultation, it was decided to streamline the permitting process by designating the National Eagle Repository to process eagle feather requests and permits as a policy change now.

This policy change includes all new applications, amendments (e.g. name change, contact

information), and re-orders. Moving forward, Tribal members should submit paper permit applications (Form 3-200-15a) directly to the National Eagle Repository, rather than to the regional Migratory Bird Permit Offices.

Here is contact information for the National Eagle Repository including address, phone number, general email, and link to their website.

National Eagle Repository 6550 Gateway Road, RMA, Bldg. 128 Commerce City, CO 80022 (303) 287-2110, repository@fws.gov and www.fws.gov/eaglerepository

## Indigenous Pink Day

On Oct. 21 the medical departments at both Min No Aya Win (MNAW) and the Center for American Indian Resources (CAIR) celebrated Indigenous Pink Day by wearing pink.



# More Local

## Bimaaji'idiwin Ojibwe Garden Program and Bimaaji'idiwin Producer Training Program

By Erika Resendiz Alonso

The Bimaaji'idiwin Ojibwe Garden Program: harvested a total of 2,332.2 pounds of produce this season 1,992.75 pounds from the plot at Gitigaaning, and 339.45 pounds from the garden behind the Fond du Lac Ojibwe School. Of the produce harvested, 1,143.5 pounds went to FDL Ojibwe School lunches, 83.2 FDL Head Start, 288.3 Elder housing in Cloquet and Sawyer, and 152.3 other Programs, 164.45 Gitigaan Wiikondiwig and 500.45 pounds went to the community members. In addition to the above-mentioned harvest, Native

corn, other foods, and medicines were harvested by community members from the garden and plot at Gitigaaning. We also saved seeds from sunflowers, amaranth, and cempasuchil. Native corn and flowers harvested for seed and/or grain are not included in harvest totals due to variances in weight before drying and processing.

The garden and the plot at Gitigaaning had a good harvest. Sweet peppers and small pie pumpkins was in abundance. We used wild rice chaff for mulching, which helped keep moisture

in the soil and keep weeds under control.

We continued using soaker hoses and mulching to conserve

water. All the equipment at the garden is electric and is charged in the daytime, mostly from solar energy. This year, we planted a

new apple tree and more blueberries in the garden.



Photos of the Bimaaji'idiwin Ojibwe Garden

Photos from  
Producer Training  
Program participants  
By Erika and producers



We look forward to seeing you at Gitigaaning next spring! We are thankful for the gifts that the land provides. Nibagosendaamin ji-waabamigooyan iwidi Gitigaaning ani-ziigwang! Nimiigwechi-wendaamin gakina gegoo gaa-miini-gooowiziyang.

The Bimaaji'idiwin Producer Training Program: 2020 cohort grew to 34 participants that enjoyed growing food this year (24 Band members, 10 community members), 20 had plots at Gitigaaning, and 14 grew food at home. We continue following the COVID-19 Operations Plan at the farm. All our meetings, classes, and conferences were virtual. In addition, we hosted a few necessary in-person training and planting demonstrations.

On three acres at Gitigaaning, producers from the community grew a wide variety of produce, including: Native and sweet corn, greens and dry beans, pie pumpkins, hot and sweet peppers, tomatillos, flowers, sunflowers, tobacco, broccoli, radish, peas, nasturtium, beets, garlic, onions, cucumbers, lettuce, cabbages, brussels sprouts, leeks, red, white, and purple potatoes, zucchini, carrots, herbs, bok choy, marigolds,

different varieties of squash, heirloom tomatoes, rutabagas, cauliflowers, ground cherry, amaranth watermelons, herbs, and medicines. This fall, four of our producers planted garlic that will be harvested August 2022. six producers did seed saving this year. Of the 15 producers reported harvest in 2021, five participants maintained home gardens and reported harvest of 1,094 lbs., 338.5 lbs., 195lbs., 135lbs. and 125 lbs. for a total of 1,887.5 pounds of produce. 10 producers at Gitigaaning, several reported having amazing harvests, including: 3,060 lbs. on 1/8 acre, 780 lbs. on 1/8 acre, 726 lbs. on 1/8 acre, 503 lbs. on 1/8 acre, 500 lbs. on 1/8 acre, 485 lbs. on 1/8 acre, 300 lbs. on 1/8 acre and 288 lbs. on 1/8 acre. And 362 lbs. on 1/16 acre and 325 lbs. on 1/16 acre for a total of 7,329.8 pounds of produce.

Spirit Lake Native Farms donated again this year wild

rice chaff that was utilized as a natural local mulch throughout our gardens at Gitigaaning and the garden at the Ojibwe School. The chaff helps to suppress weed growth and keep much-needed moisture in our soil. This fall, we used chaff to cover the garlic and protect it this cold winter season and we have more storage for next year.

We had potato bugs again, mildew on squash plants, and visits from ground squirrels. The severe drought and smoke pollution were a big challenge. Several species of bees, butterflies, and hummingbirds came to pollinate the gardens, and we were visited regularly by three cranes. The new well and hydrants were crucial to keeping the gardens watered, as was the root cellar for storing the bountiful harvest.

## Etc

**FDL Christmas wreath bids**

Fond du Lac is currently looking for Christmas wreaths. If you are a maker of Christmas wreaths, FDL is currently accepting bids and will do so until Dec. 3.

If you would like your wreaths to be considered, contact Rita Ojibway (218) 878-2619.

**FDL Trails survey**

Do you have thoughts about roads or trails on the Fond du Lac Reservation? The FDL Planning Department wants your input!

Take a moment to fill out the survey now by visiting <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/6KSLTTQ>.

**Call for submissions: The Thunderbird Review**

The English Department at Fond du Lac Tribal and Community College (FDLTCC) is excited to announce The Thunderbird Review Vol. 10 and is calling for high-quality creative work to be submitted. The deadline for submissions is Dec. 15, 2021.

The Thunderbird Review is an inclusive journal based out of FDLTCC. Each year, the journal looks for work that speaks to the human condition and that fulfills the college's goal to create a union of cultures.

Submission eligibility includes current residents or individuals with a strong connection to the Twin Ports area and the surrounding counties and tribal nations in Minnesota, Wisconsin, and the Upper Peninsula in Michigan, plus current students who are enrolled at Fond du Lac Tribal and Community College, University of Wisconsin-Superior, University of Minnesota-Duluth, College of St. Scholastica, or Lake Superior College, Submissions must fall into one

of four different categories: short fiction (5,000 words maximum), creative non-fiction (5,000 words maximum), poetry (three poems maximum, submitted in one document), and art (three works maximum; any media, but art must be submitted as a JPEG via email).

Authors and artists may submit one entry per category except as noted above. The Thunderbird Review selection committee will not accept work that has previously been published, is under consideration elsewhere, or has received an award.

Submitted works must be sent via email to [anthology@fdltcc.edu](mailto:anthology@fdltcc.edu) with the subject "Anthology Submission" and only email submissions will be accepted. On each submission, please provide contact information including the submitter's name, address, telephone number, email address, the title(s) of works being submitted, and a 50-word bio written in third person. The author's name should not be on submitted manuscripts, although artwork may be signed. Writing entries should use Times New Roman size 12 font and be sent as an attachment in .doc or .docx format. Submissions must be sent via email to [anthology@fdltcc.edu](mailto:anthology@fdltcc.edu) using the words "Anthology Submission" in the subject line.

All contributors selected for the final publication will receive one complimentary copy. Any questions or requests to get a copy of the journal may be directed to Darci Schummer at [dschummer@fdltcc.edu](mailto:dschummer@fdltcc.edu).

**Sept. 7 Zoom School Board Meeting Mintues**

Called to Order: 12:05 pm

**Roll Call:**

Present: Deb Johnson-Fuller, Robert Peacock, Jeffrey Tibbetts, Carol Wuollet, and Naomi Northrup  
Absent: Michael Diver and Dawn Ammesmaki

Others present: Superintendent Jennifer Murray, School Principal Valerie Tanner, Grants & Accountability Manager Maria Defoe, Assistant Principal Tara DuPuis, Special Education Coordinator Sharon Belanger, Transportation Supervisor Michael Quam, Guidance Counselor Vicki Oberstar, Athletic Program Manager Earl Otis, Dr. Charity Reynolds, Bruce Blacketter, Lynn Olson and volleyball parents and players.

Reading of Mission Statement and Vision: Jennifer Murray  
Approval of Agenda: Motion made by Carol Wuollet, 2nd by Naomi Northrup, all in favor, 0 opposed, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes August 10, 2021: Motion made by Carol Wuollet, 2nd by Deb Johnson-Fuller, all in favor, 0 opposed, motion carried.

**Review of Ledger:**

Need to readjust SPED Part B, Sharon is working on revisions. The funding was underestimated, the bureau only funds SPED students that are tribally enrolled.

**New Business:**

COVID 19 update:

- The board was sent the Carlton County update on Friday
- Carlton County is in the red zone, there has been an uptick in cases
- Less than ½ of our students that are currently old enough to receive vaccine have gotten it
- The school continues to wear masks and there are no visitors
- The plan is to stay in-person as long as possible, staff are ready to service students online if necessary
- The school will continue to follow CDC guidelines, the question was asked if other area schools are doing the same
- The EOC makes recommendations to the RBC.

**Volleyball COVID 19 Protocol- Lynn Olson:**

A letter was written regarding Girls Volleyball parents/guardians/spectators attending home games: Dr. Charity Reynolds and Bruce

Blacketter were consulted and suggested the following: guests/spectators should wear masks at all times, do not come to the game if you are sick, space all guests apart from one another. Make sure all safety measures are put in place and utilize the COVID Risk Budget Calculator at Micro COVID Project: [www.microcovid.org](http://www.microcovid.org)

The school board members in attendance support having a limited number of parents/guardians/spectators with the following in place and understanding that they will review decision in a couple of weeks:

- Must be organized and have guidelines in place prior to the game
- Must wear masks and social distance at all times
- Seating in the bleachers will be "blocked off" to maintain safe social distancing of spectators
- Must follow all protocols & guideline for attendance at games including keeping a log for contract tracing
- Parents/guardians only: 2 per household-the adults must be on list prior to attending the game
- No concessions will be sold at the game
- No outside food or drink allowed in the school building before, during or after the game
- The Superintendent, Principal and Athletics Program Manager will check in to having a Peace Officer in attendance.

The Superintendent does not support this decision at this time due to the current rate of transmission and high numbers in both Carlton and St. Louis County. The Superintendent would like to have the volleyball players tested weekly for COVID prior to each game and will contact Lynn about the blocking off of bleachers for the upcoming game.

Motion made to support parents/guardian's attendance at volleyball games if guidelines (bulleted above) are followed by Jeffrey Tibbetts, 2nd

by Naomi Northrup, all in favor, 0 opposed, motion carried.

**Old Business:**

Strategic Plan Review  
School Board Sub-Committees  
2021 Superintendent Evaluation- would like it to correlate with Strategic Plan Review and be more specific to the Superintendent Job Description and duties.

**Supervisor Reports:**

Superintendent Jennifer Murray- Reviewed; Building Principal Valerie Tanner- Reviewed; Education Grants and Accountability Manager Maria Defoe- Reviewed; Transportation Supervisor Michael Quam- Reviewed; Cook Supervisor Mace Fonoti- Reviewed; Wellness Coordinator Daniel DuPay- Reviewed and School-wide Community Activities Supervisor Antonio Flores-Reviewed; Special Education Coordinator Sharon Belanger-Reviewed; Athletics Program Manager Earl Otis- Reviewed.

**Other:**

Motion to adjourn made by Carol Wuollet, 2nd by Jeffrey Tibbetts, all in favor, 0 opposed, motion carried to Adjourn. Adjourned at 1:47 p.m. Recorded by Julia Lintgen.

**Oct. 5 Zoom School Board meeting minutes**

Called to Order: 12:05 pm

**Roll Call:**

Present: Deb Johnson-Fuller, Robert Peacock, Jeffrey Tibbetts, Michael Diver, and Naomi Northrup  
Absent: Carol Wuollet and Dawn Ammesmaki

Others present: Superintendent Jennifer Murray, School Principal Valerie Tanner, Grants & Accountability Manager Maria Defoe, Assistant Principal Tara DuPuis, Special Education Coordinator Sharon Belanger, 5th grade Teacher Aliza Kettelhut.

Reading of Mission Statement and Vision: Valerie Tanner  
Approval of Agenda:

# Etc

Motion made by Jeffrey Tibbetts, 2nd by Naomi Northrup, all in favor, 0 opposed, motion carried. Approval of Minutes from September 7, 2021: Table until November 2, 2021 meeting, motion made by Jeffrey Tibbetts to table minutes, 2nd by Michael Diver, all in favor, 0 opposed, motion carried.

**Review of Ledger:**

No ledger to review

**New Business:**

- COVID 19 update:
  - Started Distance Learning Sept. 27 for 2 weeks
  - Staff reports in person
  - Meals are delivered
  - Goal is to keep students safe and return in person Oct. 12
  - Students and staff will need a negative result to return in-person on Oct. 12
  - Testing support for families: offered ride, places to test, gas cards, etc
  - Will surveillance test staff and require they test weekly
  - Have 350 rapid CUE tests in house to administer, staff will be trained to

administer tests

- FDL employees are required to have their first vaccination November 1, 2021, staff are turning in vaccination cards to school. Religious and medical exemptions deadline for the reservation is Oct. 22

- Teachers will be notified if a student is positive so they can continue student educational plan and livestream lessons.

Motion made by Jeffrey Tibbetts, 2nd by Naomi Northrup, all in favor, 0 opposed, motion carried.

**Old Business:**

- Strategic Plan Review:
  - Met once and received assignments
  - The revised draft is now on the school website.
- Update on volleyball attendance: Girls played Lakeview Christian Academy in Duluth and there was a COVID positive incident and it was decided after that game that programs for Fond du Lac, no visitors, our home game cancelled and there has not been a game

since. Because we are following our safety plan and students are not playing will it affect tournament play or go down as a loss? School will check with MN High School League

School Board Sub-Committee:

- Lead of each sub-committee will give a brief overview of what occurred at meeting.

2021 Superintendent Evaluation: Robert, Deb and Jennifer will meet next week

**Supervisor Reports:**

Superintendent Jennifer Murray- Reviewed; Building Principal Valerie Tanner- Reviewed; Education Grants and Accountability Manager Maria Defoe- Reviewed; Transportation Supervisor Michael Quam- Reviewed; Cook Supervisor Mace Fonoti- Reviewed; Wellness Coordinator Daniel DuPay- Reviewed and School-wide Community Activities Supervisor Antonio Flores-Reviewed; Special Education Coordinator Sharon Belanger-Reviewed; Athletics Program Manager Earl Otis-

Reviewed.

**Other:**

- Letter from student regarding headphone use to be on November school board agenda.

Motion to adjourn made by Michael Diver, 2nd by Carol Wuollett, all in favor, 0 opposed, motion carried to Adjourn. Adjourned at 1:13 p.m. Recorded by Julia Lintgen.

**LEGAL NOTICE – DECEMBER 2021**

The following is a list of Band members who have monies in trust with the Fond du Lac Band. We are requesting the Band member, or his/her heirs, if the Band member is deceased, contact the Fond du Lac Legal Affairs Office at 218-878-2632 or toll-free at 1-800-365-1613, to assist the Band in distributing the trust monies. Unless a personal data form or heirship application has been filed with this office within one year of this notice, the identified funds will revert back to

the Fond du Lac Band. \*The one year period commences with the first publication.

**BAND MEMBERS WITH UNCLAIMED PER CAPITA ACCOUNTS:**

- BLACKWELL, Mary Therese
- CICHY, Gerard
- CICHY, Leslie
- DEFOE, Jackie Ann
- DURFEE, Thomas
- FIOLEK, Bernice
- FRIEDMAN, Ann Lorraine
- LAPRAIRIE, Robert
- MARRONE, Elizabeth Ann
- MARTIN, Travonti Josh
- MARZINSKE, Larry
- OLSON, Emmanuel Samuel
- RUSSEAU, Cordell George
- SAVAGE, Mark
- SHABAIAH, Kevin L. Jr.
- SIMON, Stella
- SOULIER, Gary
- TIESSEN, Melissa Lee
- WESAW, Joze R.

## This month's deals at the Fond du Lac Gas and Grocery

**HENRY'S FOODS, INC.**

- HOSTESS Bakery Snacks 2/\$3** (2.5 OZ - 5.5 OZ)
- FERRERO Candy Bars 2/\$3** (SHARE SIZE)
- M&M/MARS Ice Cream Pints \$3.79**
- GURLEY'S Farmers Market Snacks 2/\$6** (7 OZ - 12 OZ)
- NORDIC WAFFLES Waffle Sandwiches \$3.99** (6.17 OZ - 6.28 OZ)
- JAVA CLASSICS Coffee 99¢** (ANY SIZE)

# Health News

## Have a healthy holiday season

The holidays are filled with food and beverages that may not be friendly to your health or the waistline. Being overweight or obese can put you at a higher risk for developing certain cancers, diabetes and heart disease. Listed below are some helpful, healthy tips to keep in mind over the next few months.

- Never arrive at a party hungry. Eat a small, healthy snack, such as veggies and dip, fruit, a cheese stick or a small amount of nuts beforehand to prevent overeating
- Avoid hanging out by the buffet table. Initiate conversations away from the food. Chew gum or mints to prevent snacking on candies and cookies
- Before the party, have a plan on what and how much you will eat and drink. Scan the entire table of food before filling your plate. Use the smallest plate available and don't stack your food
- Be choosy about sweets, but allow yourself to take a small portion of your favorite dessert
- Refrigerate leftovers in a shallow, sealed, labeled and dated container within an hour of eating. This also prevents mindless snacking
- Bring a healthy dish to share at the party. Google healthier versions of your favorite recipes
- Monitor beverages. Alcohol, eggnog and other holiday favorites can pack a lot of calories in a small glass. Stick with water, seltzer water, coffee, unsweetened tea or diet soda. If you want an alcoholic beverage, try mixing a ½ glass of wine with sparkling water
- Walk it off— plan a physical activity and invite the other guests

along

- When running errands or shopping, pack some healthy snacks, such as fresh veggies, fruit or pretzels and a water to avoid the high calorie temptations at the food court and the check-out aisles
- Change candy and cookie making parties to wreath making parties, gingerbread house decorating parties or home-made decoration parties to take the focus off of food
- Remember food safety
  - After grocery shopping, get your food into the refrigerator or freezer within two hours
  - Wash your hands often when cooking and eating
  - Keep hot foods hot and cold foods cold
  - Reheat leftovers to 165°F
  - Don't eat raw cookie dough
- Plan ahead
  - If travelling, check the weather. Have a winter survival kit in your vehicle
  - Get a flu shot. Stay home if you are sick
  - Start thinking about 2022 health goals. Make them realistic and obtainable. Baby step your way to a larger goal
  - Increase your knowledge on how to reduce your risk for cancer, diabetes and heart disease in 2022
  - Consult with your healthcare provider or other health professional to get you going in the right direction

Cheers to a healthier holiday season!

Sources include: the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics, CDC and the American Cancer Society

## SARS-CoV-2 remains an unpredictable virus

Many experts are beginning to predict “the end” of the pandemic, but caution people from what they will actually mean.

COVID-19 remains unpredictable, especially as we continue to see mutations like the Delta variant that tore through communities and states with rapid efficiency. When experts talk about “the end” of the pandemic, the brightest minds have begun to refer to the post pandemic time as endemic times. An endemic is when a disease continues to be prevalent, but thanks to vaccinations and immunity, it is manageable.

Reuters spoke with many of the top experts, who are starting to see the transition away from his pandemic.

As the devastating Delta variant surge eases in many regions of the world, scientists are charting when, and where, COVID-19 will transition to an endemic disease in 2022 and beyond, according to Reuters interviews with over a dozen leading disease experts.

Those top experts also told Reuters that they expect the obvious countries that we've heard

so much about during this pandemic to lead that transition.

They expect that the first countries to emerge from the pandemic will have had some combination of high rates of vaccination and natural immunity among people who were infected with the coronavirus, such as the United States, the UK, Portugal and India.

Now that children are eligible for the shots, the best way to protect them and limit the spread and mutation of the virus is to get them vaccinated for COVID-19. Everyone over the age of 5 should get vaccinated or have a discussion with their healthcare provider if they have concerns.

Source: <https://www.reuters.com/business/healthcare-pharmaceuticals/country-by-country-scientists-eye-beginning-an-end-covid-19-pandemic-2021-11-03/>

Have a safe and happy holiday season



# Health News

## The opioid crisis: how we got here

There is no one clear way to determine how we got here, to the middle of an opioid crisis, but one thing is for sure, the lies pushed by companies like Purdue Pharma and the Sackler's who owned it led us here.

For years drugs like OxyContin were marketed as safe and non-addictive and as the National Center for Biotechnology Information (NCBI) wrote, Purdue pushed hard to get OxyContin out to as many people as possible.

The promotion and marketing of OxyContin occurred during a recent trend in the liberalization of the use of opioids in the treatment of pain, particularly for chronic non-cancer-related pain. Purdue pursued an “aggressive” campaign to promote the use of opioids in general and OxyContin in particular. In 2001 alone, the company spent \$200 million in an array of approaches to market and promote OxyContin.

Now, there is a group, Drug User Liberation Front (DULF), working on a “safe supply” movement, which in short is actually trying to get a small amount of certain drugs out to people who are addicted. The goal: to make sure the drugs are safe, and not laced with fentanyl which is a lethal substance.

Time magazine tells the story of Jeremy Kalicum from DULF, which is trying to help those addicted today with the assistance of mother's who lost their children to overdoses.

Behind the numbers lies a cruel irony that every parent

*listening to Kalicum understands, and that drives the “safe supply” movement: Opioids were perfectly legal when their children were becoming addicted to them, promoted by pharmaceutical giants and doled out by physicians who enabled the crisis by accepting drug companies’ claims they were safe.*

*When the reality became clear, and prescriptions became hard to come by, it was too late. Untold thousands of pain-addled patients had become hooked on what opioids provided, as had many young people who'd begun experimenting with the pills recreationally. They found relief on the streets in the form of heroin, then began dying from illicit drugs either laced with fentanyl or entirely replaced with the compound, which is 50 times more potent than heroin.*

Kalicum knows that the work they are doing is dangerous and illegal, but at the end of the day he's doing what he knows is best for people in a terrible situation.

*That is the arc of the Opioid Crisis: From patient to criminal to, more and more often, early death.*

*The “safe supply” movement seeks to counter this deadly progression by ensuring the integrity of the dosages that users have been conditioned to crave while providing care that keeps them alive and could wean them off drugs. “It's not who we are to stand passively by,” says Kalicum. “We're gonna do something, and we're willing to take on personal risks to do*

*that. But we can look at ourselves in the mirror and know that we're doing what's right.”*

With something as dangerous as the opioid crisis, there isn't one right answer. What might work for one person or one community, may not work in another community. However, what we do need to do, is keep our community members in mind, and do what we can to help those who are struggling with addiction and may need a friend, a loved one, or simply someone to talk to.

If you know someone who needs help, please reach out. Here is a list of numbers to contact:

**FDL Police Department Tip Line:** Police@FDLPD.com

**FDL Mobile Crisis Response Line** (M-F 8 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.): (218) 655-3668

**Birch Tree** (after hours or weekends): (218) 623-1800

**FDL Tagwii:** (218) 878-3858  
**FDL Prevention Intervention:** (218) 878-1227

**National Suicide Prevention Lifeline:** 800-273-8255

**Suicide Text Hotline:** 800-442-8565 or 211 or text “MN” to 741741 or visit lets talkmn.com

**Minnesota WARM line:** (651) 288-0400 w/ txt life The Minnesota Warmline provides a peer-to-peer approach to mental health recovery, support and wellness.

Sources: <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC2622774/> and <https://time.com/6108812/drug-deaths-safe-supply-opioids/>

## The ravages of the opioid crisis

The pandemic has brought about dangerous times for many people around the world, but as we all work to deal with the pandemic, we find ourselves in the middle of an old problem—the opioid crisis.

In the 90s, Purdue Pharma created OxyContin, a narcotic designed to treat pain, but as the National Center for Biotechnology Information (NCBI) writes on their website, the problem started with how aggressively it was pushed out to people.

An in-depth analysis of the promotion and marketing of OxyContin (Purdue Pharma, Stamford, CT), a sustained-release oxycodone preparation, illustrates some of the key issues. When Purdue Pharma introduced OxyContin in 1996, it was aggressively marketed and highly promoted. Sales grew from \$48 million in 1996 to almost \$1.1 billion in 2000. The high availability of OxyContin correlated with increased abuse, diversion, and addiction, and by 2004 OxyContin had become a leading drug of abuse in the United States.

Sadly, the abuse of opioids hasn't gone away. Now instead of Purdue Pharma making billions, it's drug dealers who are seeing the profits as Jacobin magazine reports.

*OxyContin maker Purdue Pharma, which played a key role in creating America's opioid crisis, has dissolved. But the crisis rages on, lives are still in danger, and the profits are still flowing — now to street dealers who manufacture synthetic drugs.*

The article references Dreamland: The True Tale of America's Opiate Epidemic, a book by Sam Quinones that paints a picture of just how dangerous the opioid crisis has been for small communities, which as we've seen includes many Reservations across the country.

Quinones's first book, finally published in 2015, was worth the wait. Dreamland is a riveting account of the United States'

*secret addiction that weaves through the complex history of the painkiller industry, both legal and illicit, and documents the major players behind the labs, corporations, and cartels.*

*Dreamland also narrates harrowing personal stories like my mom's — stories of ordinary people with chronic pain problems who were overprescribed heroin-like painkillers by their doctors, who themselves were getting pumped and primed by Big Pharma's army of pill influencers.*

*The cruel cycle was good business for Purdue Pharma, the makers of OxyContin, and its owners, the plutocratic Sackler family. As their wealth grew exponentially, so did the number of people who got hopelessly addicted or died from an overdose. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) estimated that 500,000 died from opioid overdoses over two decades starting in 1999.*

*Dreamland and other exposés helped wake Americans up to the fact that opioids were ruining individual lives, families, and whole communities — especially in blue-collar towns and rural areas already ravaged by corporate consolidation, globalization, and capital flight in the neoliberal era.*

While many of us are now more aware of the opioid epidemic than at any other time in history, we all need to do our part to help combat it. We've lost too many people to the opioid crisis. We need to educate our friends and family on the dangers, and also offer a helping hand to those in need, as it may just save a life.

If you or someone you know is in need of Substance Abuse Disorder services, please contact our Tagwii staff at (218) 878-3858 for assistance. Rule 25 assessments are available!

Sources: <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC2622774/> and <https://www.jacobinmag.com/2021/11/opioids-meth-fentanyl-quinones-least-of-us-purdue-sacklers>

# The Chambers' Grove Fort with 1935 Pageant Photos and the Rest of the Story

Research by Christine Carlson

## A Second Historical Pageant at Chambers Grove in 1936

*Historical Pageant Set at Fond du Lac July 17 – Duluth paper May, 30, 1936*

After more than two months of negotiations, officials meeting here yesterday decided that Duluth's nationally-famous annual pageant would be held this year at Fond du Lac July 17, 18 and 19.

Scenes of the play will require native costumes, native villages, ceremonial dances and Indian games.

## Pageant to Start Friday – Carlton County Vidette of July 16, 1936

The pageant will carry the spectator back to the early days in Minnesota. In episode one the scenes show the Ojibway Indians seated in a circle peaceably around a camp fire. A beat of a drum brings the entire village to a festive gathering, dancing and feasting. The narrator gives the story of Ma-se-wa-pe-ga, the famed Indian medicine man, who in a dream, visioned the coming of the white man, and then set fourth with his wife in search of the white spirits. His dream was realized.

Episode Five – Fourth of July celebration 100 years ago. Sioux and Chippewas join in merry-making.

## 1954 -Indian Pow-Wow Will be Featured at Fond du Lac

One of the feature attractions during the 4th of July weekend will be the Indian Pow-Wow at Chambers Grove in Fond du Lac where the Indians of the Fond du Lac Reservation will stage daily Indian dances or pow-wows.

Four daily shows are planned by the group on July 3-4 and 5 with pow-wows beginning at 10 a.m., 1 p.m., 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. The dances will cover one-hour presentations by a contingent of 14 Indians from the reservation.

The site of the event will be near the stockade on Highway 23 in the park on the right-hand side of the highway near the St. Louis river bridge.

The Indians will set up a model birch bark village of three wigwams for inspection during the pow-wow ceremonies and plan a small admission charge to view the Indian dances.

Members of the tribe live on the reservation in the Cloquet and Sawyer area. This is the first Indian pow-wow demonstration held at the head-of-the lakes for a number of years.

The Indians also plan to have available handcraft items made by the members of the tribe.

Joseph LaPrairie will represent the group as master of ceremonies and during the presentation of the pow-wow will bring to the front stories covering the history and folklore of the tribe as handed down by his ancestors.

## LaPrairie Ancestors

Joseph LaPrairie's dad and mother are Louis LaPrarie and Mary Jessie Barney.



1935 - Jingle dress dancing



1935- Grand Entry



1935 - Replica of the American Astor Fur post in Chambers' Grove Park



## Great Fun in the old Fort

As a kid growing up in old Fond du Lac, the fort in Chambers' Grove was fun and exciting to explore. It was dark, sometimes damp and filled with questions and wonder. There was a straight, rustic ladder that went to the top observation lookout.

Great memories and nature's freedom to soak in all the treasures of an incredible area and by-gone era. Hoping this series

will give folks a glimpse of a cultural phenomenon. Oh FDL--- the historical past, present and future to endure.

The ravages of time and the many floods in Fond du Lac weakened the old fort and it was demolished in 1968. The passing of an historic, cultural era yet it continues in the hearts and minds of so many.

**Peace on Earth**

# Ashi-niswi giizisoog (Thirteen Moons)

## Manidoo-giizisoons

*The new Manidoo-giizisoons begins December 26. This is the Little Spirit Moon. Another name for this moon is Gichi-bibooni-giizis, the Big Winter Moon.*

## Anishinaabemowin Lessons

### Double Vowel Chart

This is how to pronounce Ojibwe words.

All consonants sound the same as in English.

“Zh”- sounds like the “su” in measure

“a”- sounds like the “u” in sun

“aa”- sounds like the “a” in father

“i”- sounds like the “i” in sit

“ii”- sounds like the “ee” in feet

“o”- sounds like the “o” in go

“oo”- sounds like the “oo” in food

“e”- sounds like the “ay” in stay

### Biiwan blizzard

Ningwaanakwad cloudy

Awan ..... foggy (be)

Zasakwaa ..... frost (heavy)

Mashkawadin .....frozen (be)

Dakaanimad .....wind (cold)

Waabani-noodin wind (east)

Giiwedin..... wind

(north)

Zhaawani-noodin wind (south)

Goon..... snow

Maajipon..... snow (start to)

## Ashi-niswi giizisoog BIGADA'WAA WORD SEARCH

Find the Ojibwe words in the puzzle below

S P V T O Y Z O O N G I N I K E S M E M  
 C O W A N A G E K O G A M I G N N Z B L  
 P S M Q E Z C B I M J N N G O R Y D H W  
 M J J O W B B O K A N A K O S I M A A N  
 G L X D I L A N T D Q G S N R G G I G V  
 C Z J O O B A A N A G I H Z E W K A B N  
 B Q H I H W Z B P W Z A O H H U G A K Q  
 X I R A N H A B A I E W G P G L A W Q M  
 U Z E R A F E A I I N K Q N I C D H D R  
 S V V F O B S G W M S A B F S F N A B L  
 Q Z O S O H O I R A L A K N J A A N F Y  
 X A K G K O U O D W A H C A H O A I K U  
 X S D W D A X Z M K C S H C M A B G V O  
 F U E I L X D L O I L I H R W I O I K D  
 L Z N T G Q G U Z M N I Y K X F G W W N  
 I A Z Y C G O J I P I J I G E Q N A K Q  
 M E Z X T D M M Z F M M A X U S I A D W  
 Q C N W N H R Q V R E U P F V P H T P Z  
 L F O F U I E L V C G I H W T P Z I I J  
 P M X C G D E Z C K C F O V P L S N Z Q

BAAPINAKAMIGAD/Festivities

BAKWEZHIGANAABOO/Gravy

EMIKWAAN/Laddle

GOJIPIJIGE/Taste

GWAASHKWEZI/Energetic

JISHAAKWAIGAN/Hide Scrapper

MANIDOOGIIZISOONS/December

MIKWAMIWADAMON/Icy Road

NITAAWIGI/Grow

OKANAKOSIMAAN/Squash

WAAWAASHKESHI/Deer

WANAGEKOGAMIG/Bark Lodge

ZHAABOONIN/Goose Berry

ZHINGOBAANDAG/Fir Bough

ZOONGINIKE/Strong Arm

# Community News

## Happy birthday

Happy belated birthday **Emilee Heifner** (Nov. 24) and happy birthday **Zach Dunaiski** (Dec. 11). We love you so much!

*Mom and Dad*



Happy sweet 16 **Acacia M.** (Dec. 27). We love you baby girl!  
*Love, Mom, Grandma, Kory, and Alysia*



## Obituary

### Brandon Allen Blacketter, 24,

passed away suddenly on Tuesday, October 12, 2021. He was born March 5, 1997, to Brad "Raff"



and Melanie "Mel" (Rabideaux) Blacketter in Cloquet, MN. Brandon graduated from Cloquet High School and worked as a laborer at various places over the years. Brandon was a skilled boxer, who traveled to several destinations for his fights throughout the states. He also enjoyed playing Xbox with his cousins, his friends, and especially with his brothers. Brandon enjoyed sports, being outdoors and spending time with his family particularly with his grandpa. Though Brandon was here for too short of time, he left his handprint on the world, and brightened the lives of his friends, cousins, brothers, sisters and especially his parents and grandparents.

Brandon was preceded in death by his great grandparents, Clifton, and Margaret Rabideaux; grandparents, Jim, and Mary-

ann Blacketter and his aunt, Jan Rabideaux. He is survived by his parents, Raff and Mel Blacketter; his grandparents, Cliff, and Gail Rabideaux; his brothers, Brody (Brianna Matrious) Blacketter, Holden, Jordan, and Orlando Blacketter; his sisters, Janice and Eeve Blacketter; godmother, Flora Diver; godfather, Clint Rabideaux; nephews, Brody Blacketter, Jr., and Bryson Blacketter; niece, Sequoia Blacketter; and numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins.

**Gerald 'Jerry' F. Johnston, 86,** of Superior, died Wednesday, October 13, 2021, in his home surrounded by family.

He was born on Nov. 22, 1934, in Duluth, MN. He married Lois Rae in 1961, and together they celebrated 60 years of marriage.

Jerry worked as a clerk for DM&IR for many years. When he wasn't working, he enjoyed going for rides, to the movies, and the casino. Jerry also enjoyed doing crossword puzzles.

He was preceded in death by his parents; son, David Johnston; daughter, Linda Johnston; and son-in-law, Randy Craven.

Jerry is survived by his wife, Lois; children, Donna Craven and Michael Johnston, both of Superior; grandson, Travis Johnston, who they raised as a son; granddaughters, Nicole, Jamie, Carrie Sue, and Ashley; great grandchildren, Joseph, Emma, Julie, Johnnie, Violet, Ryan, and Elijah; and his nieces and nephews.

**Richard C. Crowe, 50,** Marshfield, passed away on Thursday, September 30, 2021 at his home.

Richard was born on August 20, 1971 in Chicago, IL, to Francis



Connors and Geraldine Crowe. He was a graduate of Lincoln High School in Manitowoc. He married Wendy S. Kruesel on December 14, 1990 in Sparta, WI. He had been a member of the Wisconsin National Guard and later served in the United States Army from 1993 until his honorable discharge in 2001.

Richard was proud to serve his country in the 1st Battalion, 78th Field Artillery at Fort Sill, OK and later in the 249th Engineer Battalion at Fort Bragg, NC. After leaving the Army he worked as a panel electrician at USEMCO in Tomah for many years and then as an over the road truck driver.

Richard enjoyed golfing, fishing, listening to all genres of music and working in his garage. He loved spending time with his children and caring for his grandson.

Richard was a caring and generous man who impacted the lives of many. He will be missed by his family and friends. Soar high Ginew, we will love and miss you always.

Rick is survived by his wife, Wendy and their children, Katelyn Crowe of West Salem, Conner Crowe of Marshfield and Cara Crowe of Virginia Beach, VA, and a grandson, Carter Crowe. He is also survived by his father, Francis Connors his sister, Rebecca Uta of Kenai, Alaska and his brother, Alexander Slavens of Alaska.

He was preceded in death by his mother, a brother, Michael Crowe and a sister, JoAnne LaFountain.

## FDL job listings

FT: Full Time PT: Part Time  
For more information about any of these permanent posting positions contact the Fond du Lac



Human Resources Department at (218) 878-2653.

### FDL Reservation

- Substitute Teacher FDL Education On Call/Sub
- Cook Helper FDL Education On Call/Sub
- Secretary/Receptionist FDL Education On Call/Sub
- Reading Buddies FDL Education On Call/Sub
- Instructional Assistant FDL Education On Call/Sub
- Custodian FDL Education On Call/Sub
- Transportation Driver FDL Transportation FT/PT
- Nursing Assistant FDL Assisted Living FT/PT
- Recreational Aide 1, Sawyer SCC FT/PT
- Recreational Aide 2, Sawyer SCC FT/PT
- Recreational Aide 1, Brookston BCC FT/PT
- Recreational Aide 2, Brookston BCC FT/PT
- Recreational Aide 1, Cloquet CCC FT/PT
- Recreational Aide 2, Cloquet CCC FT/PT
- Clinical Pharmacist MNAW, CAIR & Mpls On Call
- Pharmacy Technician MNAW, CAIR & Mpls On Call/Sub
- Transit Dispatcher FDL Transit FT/PT/On Call
- Head Start Substitutes FDLHS On Call
- Deli Clerk FDLGG PT
- Transit Driver FDL Transit FT/PT/On Call
- School Bus Driver FDL Education FT/PT/On Call
- Health Care Assistant MNAW, Assisted Living, Home Care FT/PT
- Store Clerk FDLGG PT
- Convenience Store Gas Attendant FDLGG PT

### Black Bear Casino Resort

- Golf Youth Cart Attendant PT Seasonal
- Cook I FT
- Cook II FT
- Cook III FT
- Beverage Server FT/PT
- Groundskeeper FT
- Buffet Runner FT
- Table Games Dealer PT
- Vault Cashier FT/PT
- Bus Person FT/PT
- Gift Shop Clerk FT
- Buffet Host/Hostess FT/PT
- Golf Course Groundskeeper FT/PT Seasonal
- Steward FT
- Arcade Attendant PT
- Golf Pro Shop Sales Rep PT
- Golf Ranger/Starter FT/PT Seasonal
- Golf Concession Sales Rep FT/PT Seasonal
- Golf Cart Attendant PT
- Slot Attendant FT
- Custodial Associate FT
- Bell Staff PT
- Sage Deli Cook FT
- Bingo Vendor/Floor Worker PT
- Players Club Representative PT
- Restaurant Wait Staff FT/PT
- Hotel Laundry Worker/Hauler FT
- Hotel Room Attendant/Housekeeper FT/PT
- Drop Team Worker FT

### Fond-du-Luth

- Security Guard/Dispatch FT
  - Janitor FT/PT
  - Clean up Worker FT/PT
  - Beverage Waitperson/Bartender FT/PT
  - Cage Cashier FT/PT
  - Players Club Representative FT/PT
  - Slot Attendant FT/PT
  - Slot Technician FT/PT
- FDL Minneapolis listings
- Clinical Pharmacist On Call
  - Pharmacy Technician On Call/Sub

# Community News



## Attention Band members: house lottery for 408 River Road, Cloquet, MN.

The Fond du Lac Development Corporation will be holding a lottery for a home located at 408 River Road, Cloquet, MN. 55720. Applications from qualified Band Members will be accepted until 4 p.m. Friday, Dec. 17, 2021, (applications received after 4 p.m. on 12/17/2021 will be rejected).

### Property Details

This home is a 3 bedroom, 1 ½ bath, slab on grade ranch home, with 1 stall attached garage and will be sold “as is” for the amount of \$160,000.00.

The home is approx. 1200 sq. ft.

This home has been completely remodeled on the interior and exterior including new roof, siding and windows in 2021.

The home has electric heat, and a private well and septic. Minnesota Power provides the electric service.

To qualify you must be an Enrolled member of the Fond du Lac Band, 18 plus age, be eligible as determined by a background check per FDL Policy #02-09, and provide verification of continuous income for the

past 12 months by means of check stubs or an income report. The monthly house payment will be \$602.66 which includes 300 monthly payments plus 13% for insurance costs. The house payment cannot exceed 20% of gross monthly income. Therefore, minimum gross monthly income must be \$3013.32 or greater in order to qualify.

Income and enrollment verifications must accompany completed applications or the application will be rejected.

Applications, and a virtual walk - thru are available on the Fond du Lac Website at [fdlrez.com](http://fdlrez.com). Applications must be turned in to the Operations Division by mail or email.

Drawing for qualified applicants will be held at the Fond du Lac Tribal Center on Tuesday, Dec. 21, 2021, at 4 p.m. Drawing is not open to the public due to the recent Coronavirus outbreak. Only the winner will be notified, but will be posted immediately following on the FDL Facebook site.

Contact Raelea Skow at (218) 878-2610, [raeleaskow@fdlrez.com](mailto:raeleaskow@fdlrez.com) or Jack Bassett at (218) 878-8043, [jackbassett@fdlrez.com](mailto:jackbassett@fdlrez.com) for more information about the home and application instructions.



## Attention Band members: house lottery for 9288 Our Road, Brookston, MN.

The Fond du Lac Development Corporation will be holding a lottery for a home located at 9288 Our Road, Brookston, MN. 55711. Applications from qualified Band Members will be accepted until 4 p.m. Friday, Dec. 17, 2021, (applications received after 4 p.m. on 12/17/2021 will be rejected).

### Property Details

This home is a 3 bedroom, 1 bath, ranch home, with full unfinished basement and detached garage and will be sold “as is” for the amount of \$180,000.00.

The home is approx. 1300 sq. ft.

New furnace in 2020; New water heater in 2017.

Completely remodeled on the interior, new roof and windows on the exterior in 2021.

The home has forced air propane heat, and a private well and septic. Lake Country Power provides the electric service.

To qualify you must be an Enrolled member of the Fond du Lac Band, 18 plus age, be eligible as determined by a background check per FDL Policy #02-09, and provide

verification of continuous income for the past 12 months by means of check stubs or an income report. The monthly house payment will be \$678.00 which includes 300 monthly payments plus 13% for insurance costs. The house payment cannot exceed 20% of gross monthly income. Therefore, minimum gross monthly income must be \$3390.00 or greater in order to qualify.

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**DRAWINGS  
SATURDAYS 6 - 9 PM**

*SATURDAYS, DECEMBER 4 - 18<sup>TH</sup>*

- Start earning entries on November 28, 2021.
- Three (3) each hour, twelve (12) winners each night.
- Winners can win up to \$2,500.

*SATURDAY, DECEMBER 25<sup>TH</sup> - GRAND PRIZE NIGHT*

- Four (4) each hour, sixteen (16) winners on Dec 25<sup>th</sup>.
- Winners can win up to \$10,000.

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**FRIDAY, DEC 31, 2021 FROM 5 PM  
TO SATURDAY, JAN 1, 2022 AT 2 AM!**

- Start earning entries on December 26, 2021.
- Five (5) drawings and two (2) hot seat winners every hour.
- Over \$75,000 in cash to be given away!

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