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UTTC classes begin August 21

It's back to school for students at United Tribes Technical College. The 2003 Fall Semester begins **Thursday, August 21**, preceded by three days of orientation. The start of school is a full two weeks prior to the 34th Annual United Tribes International Powwow.

Formal orientation begins Tuesday, August 19 at 9 a.m. in the lower level of the Jack Barden Center highlighted by a welcome address from UTTC President David M. Gipp. Included is a vocational services fair, meetings with academic advisors, TABE testing, and tours of the campus.

Orientation continues on Wednesday, August 20 with continued opportunities to meet with academic advisors, selection of and registration for classes, and picking up books. Classes start the following day.

Students may begin arriving on campus on Monday, August 18. At the time of arrival, students are asked to contact the UTTC Housing Department. Another important department, the Center for Student Success, is located in the Education Building. Fun recreation activities are scheduled throughout orientation. During the week, all students and their families are eligible to eat at the UTTC cafeteria. Welcome all!



New Campus Dorm

The College's newest structural addition - the single student dormitory - is ready for occupants when students arrive for orientation the week of August 18. Dedication for the building will take place sometime during the International Powwow.

Enrollment - going up again

by Dennis J. Neumann

Like the elevator in the new dormitory, student enrollment at United Tribes Technical College is going up. If actual registration matches a forecast presented during the week of August 11, Fall Semester enrollment will set another record.

According to UTTC Registrar Joey McLeod, 545 students are anticipated for the fall term. That compares with the previous single semester record enrollment of 445 set during Spring 2003. An increase of over 100 students would represent a growth in student

population greater than 25%.

"We really don't have anything to compare it with," said McLeod. "It's the highest enrollment we've seen, another record."

Enrollment was 356 one year ago during Fall Semester 2002, 306 in 2001,

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Dennis Lucier's UTTC Diner

Includes 2% or Skim Milk, Coffee or Tea and Salad Bar , Fresh Fruit, Vegetables. Menu subject to change.

August 18 - 22

August 25 - 29

DINNER

- M Goulash, Waxed Beans
- T Bean Soup, Ham Sandwich
- W Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes
- T German Style Sausage, Kraut, Boiled Potatoes
- F Fishwich, Potato Salad

SUPPER

- M Hamburger Steak, Summer Squash, Mashed Potatoes
- T Pork Chops, Rice
- W Lasagna Square, Garlic Toast
- T Grilled Steak, Baked Potatoes
- F All Beef Hotdogs, Baked Beans

DINNER

- M Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce
- T Steak Sandwich, Oven Browned Potatoes
- W Oven Baked Chicken, Bread Dressing
- T Buffalo Burger On A Bun, Oven Baked Fries
- F Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Tomato Soup

SUPPER

- M Baked Ham, Au-Gratin Potatoes
- T New England Dinner, Baking Powder Biscuit
- W Salisbury Steak, Boiled Potatoes
- T Braised Beef, Egg Noodles
- F Fish Fillet, Oven Baked Potato Wedges



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The Wellness Circle Survey

by **Larry Carlson**

The Wellness Circle is continuing with its plan to develop and present a wellness survey to staff and students. The UTTC Health Risk Evaluation Report 2003 (Wellness Survey) represents the culmination of extensive work com-

pleted by the Wellness Circle over the last year. Its purpose is to assist the college to acquire health-related grants and potential public health initiatives. It will assist students and staff in their efforts to achieve the objectives set forth in "National Healthy People 2010", ultimately improving the health and well-being of Native American people in the future and is in keeping with Dr Gipp's *Presidential Proclamation, Health and Wellness Initiative*.

Welcome To Fall Semester

Center For Student Success

Open House

Thursday, August 28

1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Education Building main floor

Stop in for refreshments and refreshing conversation!

Class President a long way from home

by Merry Brunelle

NORFOLK, VA - It's a long way from North Dakota to be out in the Atlantic Ocean in a Coast Guard cutter. But pretty exciting!

I'm writing to share with everyone a little about where the hard work at school has taken me this summer. Most of you know that I'm a UTTC student and class president; my area of study is Tribal Management and Injury Prevention.

During the past 10 weeks I've been living in Norfolk, Virginia and working in the nearby town of Portsmouth, as an intern with the United States Coast Guard.

The internship is through ADNET Systems, a Washington, DC based company, in their Worklife and Safety Program. Some of the work I've been doing involves creation of Power Point Presentations and making brochures for use as training tools for the Coast Guard.

The exciting part has been the opportunity to ride on Coast Guard boats and cutters. I've also traveled to other military bases in and around Virginia. I'll have many stories to share when I get back to school.



UTTC 2002-03 Class President Merry Brunelle on her summer internship with the Coast Guard in Virginia.

I've been very fortunate to have this opportunity. I want to say "Hi" to everyone at UTTC and thank the College and everyone there who helped me learn and grow and form helping to make this visit possible. Thanks also to the nice folks I've met during this internship at ADNET and the Coast Guard. I'll never forget it!

United Tribes Technical College Fall Semester 2003 Orientation Schedule

Monday, August 18

Students may begin arriving on campus. Go directly to Housing Department (Ext. 415). Check in at the Center for Student Success in the Education Building (Ext. 264).

Fun activities scheduled.

Tuesday, August 19

9 a.m. Opening Ceremony
(Jack Barden Center, lower level)

Welcome Address by

UTTC President David M. Gipp

Orientation Overview

10:15 a.m.— Center for Student Success Ice Breaker

10:45 a.m.— Break

11 a.m.— Vocational and Campus Services Fair (James Henry Building gymnasium)

Meet academic advisors, find out about UTTC support services.

12 noon— Lunch (cafeteria)

1:15 p.m.— Compass/TABE testing for students without ACTs

(JBC upper level)

1:15 p.m.— Campus tours with UTTC Ambassadors (meet JBC lower level)

5 p.m. Picnic (near cafeteria)

Wednesday, August 20

9 a.m. Meet with academic advisors,

choose vocation, select and register for courses, and pick up text books (advisors located in respective areas)

12 noon— Lunch (cafeteria)

1 p.m.— Registration continues

1 p.m.— BINGO for students finished with registration (Education Building 111)

2 p.m.— Briefings about Financial Aid and Student Health Center (JBC lower level)

2:30 p.m.— Orientation concludes with prize drawings. Must be present to win!

Thursday, August 21 -

Classes Begin !!!!!

UTTC Powwow September 4 - 7

BISMARCK, ND - Over 25,000 people are expected for the 34th Annual United Tribes International Powwow scheduled for September 4 - 7. College classes are suspended and students join the activities. As many as 50 drum groups and over 1,000 dancers compete for \$62,000 in prize money.

Participants and visitors from around the world pitch camp in Tipis, tents and campers on the 105-acre campus, turning United Tribes Technical College into a colorful and exciting village reminiscent of historic summer tribal gatherings on the Great Plains.

"It's a true cultural experience for visiting guests, tour groups, school children and local residents," said Gipp. "It's not a re-enactment, it's a glimpse at some of the rich traditions that are still alive in American Indian culture."

P o w w o w events begin with the first Grand Entry of dancers at Lone Star Arena, the college powwow grounds, on

Thursday, September 4 at 7 p.m. Additional Grand Entries are held Friday through Sunday promptly at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. (Central Time). The powwow concludes with awards for champion dancers and drum groups on Sunday evening, September 7.

A \$15 event bracelet guarantees admission to all dance and drum competitions for the entire four days. Daily admission is \$8. Reduced fees are available for elders and children age six to 12. Children five and under enter free.

Since it began in 1969, numerous other activities and events have been weaved into the excitement of powwow week. The annual double elimination softball tournament, September 6 - 7,

is divided into men's and women's divisions. Jackets and special awards go to the winning teams. Ten-thousand dollars in prize money awaits winners in a new team competition, the Second Annual International Moccasin Tournament. The event is a spirited hand game involving memory and slight of hand where participants cover a bead or similar object with a leather mat representing a moccasin. The game is enjoying a national revival.

School-aged youngsters are warmly

the twelfth annual Miss Indian National Pageant, a scholarship based program for single, non-parent American Indian women age 17 to 26. Young women from tribes around the country demonstrate their command of tribal values, customs and teachings. Contestants are featured Saturday, September 6 in the "United Tribes Parade of Champions," a mid-morning parade through the heart of downtown Bismarck, which has become popular with city residents. After the new Miss

Indian Nations is crowned, she is received and honored during the powwow Saturday evening. Over the following year she serves as ambassador, conveying American Indian traditions, hospitality and interests to Indian and non-Indian audiences around the world.

Leading up to the International Powwow this year is the Seventh Annual Intertribal Council Summit meeting of tribal leaders September



Bobbie Rae Sage performing during Youth Day, at the 2002 powwow.

invited to attend United Tribes Youth Day on Friday, September 5. Activities include cultural talks, contemporary and traditional entertainment, and participatory activities. The Jackie Bird Family, of Brookings, SD, will lead youngsters in hoop dancing and sign language demonstrations, and will perform a Native American puppet show. Performing the Native American flute is UTTC student John Pepion. Over 1,500 young people from Bismarck-Mandan, surrounding towns and outlying reservation communities are expected to attend.

Adding grace to powwow week is

2 - 4. Attended by tribal leaders from across the region, council meetings feature special guests with national reputations and responsibilities and offer a chance to discuss vital issues, such as tribal rights and economic development.

A previously scheduled and advertised cultural group was forced to cancel its participation at the powwow this year. The Taiwan Aboriginal Cultural Group will not be able to visit Bismarck because of travel restrictions in Pacific countries due to the SARS outbreak. The UTTC Powwow Committee expects to announce at a later date the participation of another cultural group.

MY 15 seconds at fame in an interview with a lovely Newswoman.

Over the summer a recruitment fair was held and Whitney Ward, a reporter for KFYR Channel 5 News, interviewed me. I was in the computer lab at the Jack Barden Center trying to finish my spreadsheet homework. When I noticed that there was a lovely woman asking certain individual questions which appeared, I was jamming to my headphones, to be directed towards the fair, the coming fall and the new students involved, hopefully attending the next semester. I watched from behind my computer screen, catching glances and feeling safe from the probing inquiries about Tribes and the facilities available. I was almost done with my work when I realized that my auntie Jackie Cadotte, who was sitting a computer down from me, was volunteered me to answer the questions she didn't want to. She left me to the wolves, so unawares. I pulled out my earphones, "What's going on?"

Now if you have ever seen the KFYR news you've seen what Whitney Ward looks like. I am not a man of strong resolve when it comes

to a beautiful woman, who asks me to talk with her. I was caught off guard to say the least. I didn't know what she would ask or what I would reply with. I put the microphone on suddenly realizing that I was still suffering from a sore throat. Which debilitated my voice and its volume but I was committed to the cause wherever it would take me.

First thing was what course of study I was in, which is Small Business Management. My Instructor is Carol Anderson, a lovely lady, who appreciates me being in her classes as she herself has said. I didn't mention that in the interview but I say it now because you can't believe how much that means to a person. Thank you, now on with the interview; next we tackled what I thought of the instructors here at United Tribes. "Well," I said, "they give me the room to try and understand things in my own way and on my own terms but are always there to help if ever I need assistance. They let me express myself in my fashion, which isn't always conventional." It definitely boosted my self-confidence and esteem I appreciate that about them. They do offer their insight, helpful hints and tools that enable me to further my education in

a way that normally I don't think goes on.

Whitney then asks me how I feel about the school as a whole. Letting my philosophical side show, I said, "You get as much as you put in, you have to be in your classes to learn the skills therein offered." Now I should have hearkened to that advice this summer. When I missed so many days of school, I was lucky and kept my grades up. I was asked to do this report on what it was like to be interviewed and I hope I passed along the corniness and excitement; I felt then and do now writing about it. It was great to be on TV, which I did watch, by the way. Then on the radio as my instructor, Carol, later told me. I loved talking about things I am really involved with and I needed the congratulations and proud thanks I got from Carol Anderson during lunch a few days after the airing of the radio broadcast. Where my momentous answers were given to an Attractive Newswoman. I hope I represented the school well. Please I ask you not to laugh too much at my enjoyed humility.

This is Brian Eagle signing off from the President's Honor Dorm.

Bookstore News

Welcome everyone, old and new!

The campus bookstore is located in the lower level of The Jack Barden Center.

The Bookstore sells the following items: textbooks, school and office supplies, backpacks, tote bags, and a wide variety of sportswear including jackets, sweatshirts, t-shirts, pants, hats, youth sweatshirts, and youth t-shirts. We sell imprinted gift items, and a line of gift items from the Leanin' Tree Co. which includes posters, cards, mugs, journals, magnets and stationery. We also sell \$5, \$10, and \$20 phone cards and money orders for .50 cents each.

New items this fall include:

*Newly designed travel mugs in four different colors

*Long sleeve t-shirts in red, gray, and white

- *Short sleeve t-shirts in navy and gold
- *New "Notions" cards
- *Check Newsletter for upcoming new arrivals

The Bookstore manager is Cathy Mastrud, and the assistant manager is Leah Fox. We can be reached at ext. 460. Bookstore hours are 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Monday-Friday. Starting August 18th, we will be conveniently open through the noon hour.

The Bookstore will be open extended hours on August 20th-22nd, and August 25th-27th until 6:00 p.m.

Payment methods accepted include cash, check, credit cards, and payroll deduction to all staff, and to students that receive stipends.

We are looking forward to another great year!

2002-2003 Dream Catcher Yearbooks Scheduled to Arrive Soon!

by Karen Siegfried

The Dream Catcher will be available for purchase at the 34th Annual United Tribes Technical College powwow. The 2002-2003 academic year was captured in 64 pages of memories, bound in a beautiful hard-covered book. Hundreds of photographs of the United Tribes student population and community will bring smiles to the faces of all who explore its contents. The Dream Catcher makes a great gift for recent graduates and underclassmen. There was a limited number printed, so get ready to purchase your Dream Catcher for only \$15.00 beginning September 4th! After the powwow weekend, yearbooks will be sold at the Center for Student Success located in the Education Building.

Student Health Center News

By Sharlene Gjermundson

The Student Health Center would like to extend a warm welcome to returning and new UTTC students. The Student Health Center office is located in the Education Building, Room 118. The center consists of (2) Registered Nurses, (1) Licensed Practical Nurse and a Secretary/Coordinator. Office hours are from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. If a medical emergency should arise after hours, please contact UTTC Security at Ext. 300 or call the nurse on call at 226-7908.

The Student Health Center provides medical care to UTTC students and their dependents. Students and their dependents must meet eligibility requirements to receive medical, dental, vision & mental health care services. The center also provides a variety of over the counter medications upon request. We ask that students who have an acute medical condition, chronic medical condition, & are pregnant to see the Student Health Center upon their arrival to campus. We look forward to assisting you with your health related needs.

Interesting Observation

1. Men can read smaller print than women can; Women can hear better.
2. Coca-Cola was originally green.
3. Intelligent people have more zinc and copper in the hair
4. The average number of people airborne over the US any given hour: 61,000
5. The first novel written on a typewriter: Tom Sawyer.

UTTC Offers New Nutrition Program Services for Students and Families



Kelly Archambault, former UTTC Nutrition and Foodservice student, has accepted the UTTC Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program (EFNEP) position. Kelly started her duties on August 11. Kelly interviewed for the position with NDSU and was selected over three other candidates. Kelly's office will be located with UTTC's Land Grant Programs near the Kitchen Lab in the Skills Center Room 119A.

This is the first time EFNEP is available to families in the Bismarck area. EFNEP is located in seven locations in ND including four reservation communities and one air base community. Margaret Tweeten, ND EFNEP Coordinator, stated that Bismarck and more specifically, UTTC, was chosen as the next ND site because of the growing number of young families in the community. The program offers nutrition education to families where they live in a manner that can positively impact their future health. With the high incidence of diabetes today, EFNEP is a great benefit for young families. WIC services will be coordinated with EFNEP at the UTTC campus.

Congratulations to Kelly. Watch for information around campus where you and your children can participate with this new, exciting program.



Indian Health Service Staff Participate with Training at UTTC

Two weeks in June brought cooks employed with IHS dietary departments to the UTTC campus. The cooks traveled from IHS facilities in North Dakota, South Dakota, Iowa, and Nebraska. The purpose of their visit was to attend annual training for cooks.

The agenda for the training included information about dietary needs of a kidney dialysis patient, computer analysis of menus, food models for healthy people including use of the medicine wheel and four directions model, and three sister's dining. The participants met the three sisters (corn, beans, and squash), worked with them and enjoyed dining with them over candlelight. Presenters for the training sessions were Suzy Thorson, Wanda Agnew, Kim Hinnenkamp and Katy Churchill, UTTC Land Grant Program staff.

Evaluation of the training revealed several IHS cooks will be implementing what they learned into their daily job duties. Everyone enjoyed the sessions and the training is planned to be scheduled at UTTC again.

WIC to be a Regular Service at UTTC

Do you have children under age 5 or are you planning to have a baby in the near future? If the answer is yes, we have information for you. WIC will be offered on the UTTC campus every week during the 2003-04 school year. WIC is a nutrition education program that provides families with milk, cheese, cereal, eggs, and juice. Infant formula is also made available to families who chose not to breastfeed their baby. The food is not enough to feed a child for an entire month but is certainly a great supplement to ensure nutritious foods are available everyday during a child's important growing years.

Enroll in the UTTC WIC Program by coming to the Kitchen Lab in the Skills Center between 9 am and 4 pm on Monday August 25 or Tuesday August 26. Bring your children with to enroll them or bring your verification of certification card if you participated with WIC before arriving at UTTC. Call 420 or 397 if you have further questions.

UTTC to Offer Students a Place to Relax with Food and Fellowship

Plans are to open a canteen coffee shop in the Barden Center in the very near future. Hopefully, the canteen will offer students a place to meet, visit, study and eat affordable food. The menu will include light lunches, ice cream, nutritious snacks, coffee and cappuccino. Watch for more canteen announcements including a "Name the Canteen Contest."



Summer 2003 Great Growing Season at UTTC

Each graduate from UTTC's Nutrition and Foodservice Program planted a fruit tree this spring. It is very interesting to see how the juneberry, chokecherry, and apple trees have changed. The grapevine is bearing a clump of grapes this fall. UTTC's orchard is located near the log cabin.

Staff from UTTC Land Grant Programs were busy planting and weeding during the summer. The usual Three Sister's Garden was planted in UTTC's Horticulture Experiment Plot near the Skills Center. The cool, wet spring made the garden a true experiment. Thirty-eight squash plants from 6 different varieties were planted. Not even one squash seed germinated. Mary McCormick, dietitian with Ft. Yates IHS Hospital donated 10 plants, and four additional plants were planted later in the season. The beans and corn are slower than past years, but adequate produce is expected. The root garden is doing quite well. Cucumber, onions, cabbage, and celery are all providing fresh produce.

The second area in the garden is plentiful with tomatoes, peppers and cilantro. These wonderful fresh items will be used to make salsa. UTTC students and staff are to watch for more information about salsa making classes. The classes will allow participants to make and taste varieties of salsa and take a sample home to enjoy later.

Plans are to hold the salsa classes on September 11 from 1 to 3 pm in the Kitchen Lab in the Skills Center. Mark your calendars and plan to attend this fun annual event.



Aaron Bjerke



Chris Cadotte

Students Participate with Tradition Plant Science Project

Several ND Tribal Colleges are participating with a grant project where students gather traditional plants during the summer. After the plants are gathered the students attend a chemistry learning experience on the NDSU campus in Fargo. The chemistry project allows students to perform experiments on the plants that were gathered. Students may learn about nutrient extraction, or color studies of various plants used for crafts.

UTTC students who attended the plant gathering near Fort Yates the summer of 2003 and the NDSU chemistry session from August 11 through August 15 were Aaron Bjerke and Chris Cadotte. Both students are studying in courses offered in the Nutrition and Foodservice vocation.

It was a movin' kind of summer on campus

by Jesi Silbernagel, Associate Dean of Student and Campus Services

The United Tribes staff has been very busy this summer preparing for an increase in the student population. One of the major preparations has been to move some key offices to provide services more conveniently to staff, students and the community.

The most important change has been to place all services related to enrollment under one roof. The students and staff will now be able to find the Registrar, Financial Aid, Admissions, Career Services, and the Dean of Student and Campus Services all in the Financial Aid Building. The Housing Department (now referred to as Student Life) will move to the same building after the powwow.

Elsewhere on campus, the Finance Department now occupies the entire second floor of the Administration Building. Human Resources has moved to the upstairs of Building 35 (the building closest to the flagpole occupied by On-line Education). Staff Attorney Tom Disselhorst is now housed on the main floor of Administration.

The only change that has happened in the academic world is that Carol Anderson, Small Business Advisor/Instructor, traded places with Sheryl Toman, General Education Instructor. Sheryl is now in the Education Building and Carol is over in the Skill Center.

Kurt Luger's Great Plains Indian Gaming Association has moved its



The motive power behind all the campus movin' this summer was provided by these hulksters, from left, Bernard Strikes Enemy, Freddy Medicine Stone, Spike Medicine Horse and James Alb

on campus offices to Building 35, in the area formerly occupied by the registrar.

Northern Plains TTAP has moved from the upstairs of the Financial Aid Building to downstairs in the Sakakawea Dorm (where Tribal Tour-

ism was last fall).

Hats off to all involved with the changes. All of the moves were successful. Please assist others by sharing the knowledge of the new office spaces. Thank you.

Powwow Sign up:

Please sign up for working the powwow.

**Vendors/Cleanup Food Area/ Powwow Arena - Red Koch
Ext. 301**

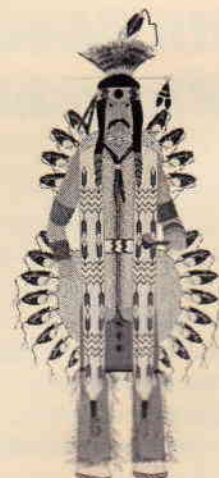
**Parade - Karen Paetz
Ext. 426**

Registration- Shirley Iron Road

Buffalo Feed - Dennis Lucier Ext. 311

Front Gate - Joey McLeod Ext. 216

Powwow Souvenir Stand - Filled



Tribal summit to focus on strengths

BISMARCK, ND – Tribal leaders and public officials will be talking about how to build on strengths in Indian Country when they gather for the United Tribes Intertribal Council Summit. The annual conference is scheduled for September 3-5 in Bismarck, North Dakota with the theme "Strengths from our past: visions for our future." It is sponsored by United Tribes Technical College and held in conjunction with the United Tribes International Powwow.

"Our focus is on what we think the future can be in a number of key areas," says UTTC President David M. Gipp. "This is a time to build a vision by reviewing some of the many successful initiatives already underway."

Presentations during the two-and-one-half-day conference include such topics as tribal water rights (including an update on Missouri River lawsuits), trust reform in the Department of Interior, the impact of "No Child Left Behind" legislation on tribal education systems, the potential for saving lives through the emerging health and safety vocation known as "injury prevention," strategies for successful economic de-

velopment, the future of welfare reform, tribal tourism in relation to the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial, updates on national legislation, tribal record keeping and cultural preservation, opportunities in tribal energy development projects, the affect of a lottery on tribal gaming, and the increasingly significant role of the tribal vote in federal, state and local elections.

Dr. Charles W. Grim (Cherokee), Assistant Surgeon General and Director of the Indian Health Service, the nation's principal federal health care provider and health advocate for Indian people, has been invited to address the Indian Health Care Improvement Act.

North Dakota Governor John Hoeven, Attorney General Wayne Stenehjem, Tax Commissioner Rick Clayburgh, and Indian Affairs Commission Director Cheryl Kulas have been invited to engage tribal chairmen and other participants in a dialogue about state/tribal issues. Members of the state's Congressional Delegation have been invited to address trust reform, sovereignty protection and the federal budget.

Other summit presenters include

Tex Hall, Chairman of the Mandan, Hidatsa, Arikara Nation, Fort Berthold, North Dakota and President of the National Congress of American Indians, Kurt Luger, Director of the North Dakota and Great Plains Indian Gaming Associations, Frank LaMere (Winnebago), member of the Democratic National Committee, Dr. David Grossman, Harborview Hospital, Seattle, Washington, and Admiral Gary Hartz, Indian Health Service, Rockville, Maryland. Also invited are the Acting Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs in the U.S. Department of Interior Aurene Martin and Jim Davis, a tribal education expert from Turtle Mountain.

The summit also serves as an opportunity for representatives of United Tribes of North Dakota, the governing board of the college, to take action on policy resolutions concerning inter-tribal issues, said Gipp.

The main location for summit sessions is the Best Western Doublewood Inn, 1400 East Interchange Avenue, (exit 159 & I-94).

To obtain a copy of the agenda and other information, or to register, contact Wes Long Feather, 701-255-3285 ext. 218.



These are UTTC administrative employees who staffed the last summit conference, front from left to right, Brad Hawk, Deb Grassrope, Jayme Davis and Rynne Red Bird. Standing in back row, left to right, Standing Rock Chairman Charles Murphy, Wes Long Feather and Harriett Skye.



Teachers preparing for reservation schools

by Megan Boldt

Associate Press Writer

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FORT YATES — tortillas, pudding and Tang, it might not be a gourmet meal, but astronauts devour them when traveling through space.

That's what Becky Riedinger told students here as they learned to make the three space menu items. The United Tribes Technical College student said the food is an-improvement over the semi-liquids meals astronauts used to eat from aluminum toothpaste tubes.

"It looks like it tastes good," she told the students. "But apparently, it tasted awful."

Riedinger is one of 15 future teachers finishing up a two-week teaching institute at Sitting Bull College. The NASA sponsored program is aimed at boosting math, science and technology skills for instructors and college students preparing to teach at a reservation school.

By learning to make the space menu, the children can learn more about science and technology behind space travel.

Participants came from tribal college in Montana, North Dakota and

South Dakota. The average age was 33, with many having children and even grandchildren.

They learned to develop lesson plans, which they later taught to children. Institute director Brian Larson said the goal is to take the lesson plans into future classrooms.

"The weakness in most education programs is the amount of background in methods courses teachers get in math and science," Larson said. "The big focus has been reading and language over the past few years."

Riedinger will student-teach in Bismarck this fall. She said most colleges focus on teaching math at the third-grade level or below.

"I was pretty intimidated to teach math at the higher grade levels," she said. "I feel much more comfortable."

Kathy Froelich, the teacher education coordinator at Sitting Bull and one of the institute instructors, said the important part of designing a lesson is to make sure students can identify with it and understand it.

The college students learned that firsthand during the seminar. While learning the constellations, one was left out: The sacred buffalo.

Richard Landreaux Sr. noticed the omission immediately. His grandfather told him all about the constellation when he was a boy, and how it told the Lakota medicine men where the Sund Dance would be held that year.

"We depended on the buffalo for everything," Landreaux said. "It was our shelter, food, clothing. We used all of it."

Landreaux, 46, said his grandfather taught him all about the stars and plants. And as a teacher aide in Fort Yates, he tries to pass on such pieces of Lakota history.

Now Landreaux is working toward his teaching degree, hoping to become a counselor.

Post Script:

by Lisa Azure, Ed. Dept. Chair

The upper-division United Tribes Technical College students who attended the teaching institute are Misty Provencial, Anita Green, Becky Riedinger, Vivian Hurkes, Julie Bison and Mechelle Crazy Thunder. Erin Slides Off (a UTTC graduate who is a student at UND) also attended. We are so proud of these people; they did so well that the NASA representative has invited them to attend the national conference next spring in Tennessee, all expenses paid! Congratulations!

WELCOME

To all the new student!!!

**Welcome back to all the returning students
From Staff and Faculty.**

**We wish luck in up coming year, hope you are
successful in all the endeavors ahead.**

10th Annual Youth Day

by Brian Eagle

Welcome Honored guests to the International Pow-Wow held at United Tribes Technical College. We have within this spectacle of our native people a ceremony for the children of yours and my future. A day dedicated just for the kids to have and learn something of why we gather on this special occasion. We hope to install in them a sense of pride in their heritage, a way to extend our long legacy and history. On Youth Day we have had performers of varying sorts come. Hoop dancers telling their stories of old while tantalizing the minds of adult as well as the young. Different races of indigenous people have made their presence known and felt. Hawaiian Dancers have come all the way here to tell of their beliefs and share with us the reasons for the rituals and ceremonies of the Hawaiian.

Intertribal dancers have also graced us and shown what their groups have for knowledge and heritage. Singers, traditional and contemporary, have sung their songs for the children in hopes to pass along reverence to our past.

Puppeteers have entertained in their arts to show that with new eras there are new ways of learning but forgetting is not a lesson passed along here. A great aspiration for our people to be prosperous was given in a year to our youth when the Unity Riders came and gave all the reasons why we should care enough about our people and our bodies because they and we are the present as well as the future. We need to be strong and healthy for our kids and they need the information why alcohol kills us. What we need to survive as a race, proud and fruitful in our everyday lives. Just one day in your life could mean all the rest for so many of our precious offspring.

A very talented flute player as well as a storyteller, Kevin Lock has lent to us his insightful look at our innate abilities and what we have inside of each one of us. His help in bringing this awareness is as priceless as everything we give to the children on this day.

We had persons come in years

passed that taught lessons of Tanning. It being completely traditional left impressions of good on the kids that may have had them asking their parents to tell more about what life was like then when there was no Nintendo or play station to distract them from the knowledge so vital to our preservation.

Lastly to instill in the future of the race we have them participate in a vote for their favorite candidate in the Miss Indian Nation contest. Where a trophy is presented during the coronation. Letting them know that they make a difference in matters of our people.

Our present and presiding Youth Day coordinator, Julie Cain, a former student at UTTC and now employed at the Chemical Health Center on campus. She is married to Donald Cain, a member of the Turtle Mountain Chipwa and she is an enrolled member of the Black Foot tribe from Browning, Montana. She is a proud mother of four beautiful children and has two gorgeous grandsons. She also chairs the Cultural Committee and is a traditional dancer, storyteller, and a coordinator of cultural youth groups that perform in North Dakota, Montana, and in South Dakota.

But here is what we have this year for you and the children, John Pepion, a current student here at UTTC, will perform traditional and contemporary flute music. It will no doubt sooth you that afternoon.

Don't think we have just one main attraction thought it would leave the audience in awe and satisfied. But this year we also present Jackie Bird, a Native musician, singer, songwriter, traditional puppeteer. She will enact both contemporary and traditional singing and dancing.

Lastly I want to leave you with these words. We strive to enlighten youth about cultural diversity through performance and interaction with various thespians and artisans. Heritage is a very important factor in Native American Culture. We need to always remember our people's growth starts in the womb, as all our dances and ceremonies commence with the drum.

It's extremely crucial for the indigenous people of the plains to understand and carry forth our long legacy and history. In our youth program we hope to install that knowledge for future generations to cherish and prosper with.

Strategic planning training offered

BISMARCK, ND – Sooner or later most professionals face the chore of devising a strategic plan. If you can't duck it any longer, there's an upcoming conference for you. "Strategic Planning Training," is scheduled for September 2 – 4 at the Doublewood Inn in Bismarck, North Dakota.

"It's one of those things we all have to do," said Barbara Schmitt, conference coordinator. "Even just a little bit of training will help get a person on the right track."

Presentations will cover the strategic planning process from its initial start through putting together and implementing a draft plan and monitoring the results.

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Tribes Technical College and the Department of Commerce – EDA Denver Region, sponsor the conference. Also involved is the North Dakota Division of Community Services. The conference coincides with the annual United Tribes Intertribal Summit and the International Powwow.

Tribal representatives are invited, as well as anyone from the private or public sector. A \$150 conference fee, due at the time of registration, includes refreshments, lunches and materials. The number of participants is limited as well as the number of rooms at the Doublewood Inn.

For more information or to register, contact Barbara Schmitt, 701-255-3285, ext. 436, bschmitt@uttc.edu.



The phone has been ringing off the hook at the UTTC Admissions Office. Counselor Vivian Gillette has been fielding calls and helping admit students for Fall Semester, in what may turn out to be record-setting numbers for the third semester in a row.

Enrollment

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and 322 in 2000.

Of the 545 students expected to enroll, 245 would be new students, according to a count provided by Admissions Counselor Vivian Gillette. Three hundred UTTC students are expected to return from the previous academic year.

Those who work with admissions and enrollment emphasize the unofficial nature of the forecast. The official end to registration is September 19.



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