

# W UNITED TRIBES TECHNICAL COLLEGE WEEKLY NEWSLETTE R

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## Weekly Menu

*Nov. 27 to Dec. 1*

### DINNER

- Mon- Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Garlic Toast, Salad Bar, Assorted Fresh Fruit, Assorted Vegetable Tray, 2% Milk
- Tue- Steak Sandwich, Oven Browned Potatoes, Garlic Toast, Tossed Salad, Assorted Fresh Fruit, 2% Milk
- Wed- Oven Baked Chicken, Rice, Vegetable, Salad Bar, Assorted Fresh Fruit, 2% Milk
- Thu- Hamburger on a Bun, French Fries, Salad Bar/Fresh Fruit, 2% Milk
- Fri.- Old Fashioned Tomato Soup, Grilled Cheese, Potato Chips, Salad Bar, Assorted Fresh Fruit, Assorted Vegetable Tray, 2% Milk

*Dec. 4*

- Mon.- Poor Boy Sandwich with Turkey and Ham, Potato Chips, Potato Salad, Assorted Fresh Fruit, 2% Milk

### SUPPER

- Mon.- Baked Ham, Au-Gratin Potatoes, Vegetable, Salad Bar, 2% Milk
- Tue.- New England Dinner, Boiled Potatoes, Boiled Vegetables, Salad Bar, Dessert, 2% Milk
- Wed.- Salisbury Steak, Hashbrowns, Salad Bar, Dessert, 2% Milk
- Thr.- Shish-ka-Bob Casserole, Wild Rice, Salad Bar, Dessert, 2% Milk
- Fri.- Fish Platter, Oven Baked Potato Wedges, Salad Bar, Dessert, 2% Milk
- Mon.- Braised Beef over Noodles, Vegetable, Salad, Fresh Fruit, 2% Milk

## Gipp named Indian educator of the year

TUCSON, Ariz. - The National Indian Education Association selected David M. Gipp as its 1995 Educator of the Year at its 26th annual conference here on Nov. 14.

Mr. Gipp, who has served as president of the United Tribes Technical College in Bismarck, ND, since May 2, 1977, was cited for his contribution in fostering tribally controlled higher education.



*David M. Gipp*

He is a member of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe located in North Dakota and South Dakota and is originally from Fort Yates, ND.

The award is made to an outstanding member of NIEA each year. He received the award for his contributions in improving Indian education.

"I am proud and humbled to be selected as this year's NIEA Educator of the Year," Mr. Gipp said. "It's extra special since I am following in my brother Gerry's footsteps in receiving this award."

Mr. Gipp was instrumental in fostering the passage of the first tribally controlled college law when it was signed by President Jimmy Carter in 1978.

He served as the first permanent executive director of the American Indian Higher Education Consortium from 1973 to 1977 when there was only a handful of tribally controlled colleges.

He worked extensively with tribal communities and the U.S. Congress promoting the proposed new law to assist tribal colleges when neither state nor private aid existed.

An advocate of tribal rights and empowerment through education, he has worked on a number of federal laws and policies which provide educational opportunities for tribal populations.

Mr. Gipp is one of three brothers who are professional educators. Dr. Gerald Gipp was named NIEA Educator of the Year in 1984. Their oldest brother Robert is a retired teacher and ranches north of Fort Yates. Robert was designated the North Dakota Indian Education Association Educator of the Year in the early 1980's.

Mr. Gipp is the son of Margaret Halsey Teachout of Fort Yates. His Indian name is Lone Star.



## Tentative 1995 Fall Semester Graduates

The following students are scheduled to graduate on December 20, 1995. Each student below handed in their application for graduation to the Registrar's Office. We will be in close contact with each tentative graduate for the remainder of the semester.

### **Associate of Applied Science Degree**

- 1) Suzanne Cavanaugh, Associate of Applied Science Degree - ECE
- 2) Rachel Felter, Associate of Applied Science Degree - OT
- 3) Deanna Poowegup, Associate of Applied Science Degree - OT
- 4) Cornel Poitra, Associate of Applied Science Degree - CJ
- 5) Bernard Strikes Enemy, Associate of Applied Science Degree - CJ
- 6) Janel Strikes Enemy, Associate of Applied Science Degree - ECE

### **One Year Certificate Programs**

- 1) Cheryl Eagleman, Certificate - Commercial Cook
- 2) Tegan He Crow, Certificate - Commercial Cook
- 3) Alva Looks Twice (BlackTail Deer) - Commercial Cook

## Higher Education Awareness Week Luncheon

by Amanda Bird Bear, A. Registrar

Last Wednesday, two colleagues and myself were privy to rub shoulders with other higher ups from the universities and colleges around Bismarck. The featured speaker for the luncheon was Dr. Paul Dovre, President of Concordia College, he gave a presentation on "Higher Education and the public interest".

Also, during the luncheon the Crystal Apple for Higher Education was awarded. Mr. Finley, VPAA had nominated our own Mrs. Sheri Baker for this particular award because of her persistent work on numerous committees around the campus, her high level of accountability to her students, and her keen foresight towards the direction she sees the Office Technology program heading. The Crystal Apple award is, as it states, the Higher Education instructors only from the Bismarck area. Next year maybe she'll get to give an impromptu speech and be on the telly. The award was given to Donna Stack from the University of Mary.

## Joy in the AASPN Department

Many things bring joy in the course of a day at UTTC. A visit from a past graduate is one kind of joy.

Last week two graduates visited the AASPN Department. Courtney Follows The Road who works at a hospital home combination in Bottineau came "just to visit --". He was "lone-some" for everybody. He is a charge nurse on the night shift. Already he has had two salary increases and good evaluations come to him. Congratulations, Courtney!

A second visitor was Betty Weigand, presently employed in a Bismarck Nursing Home. At the same time she is taking a series of tests in preparation for enrolling in the baccalaureate degree RN program at the University of Mary. All best wishes, Betty.

*submitted by Sister Kathryn Zimmer,  
Director AASPN Program*

## Student Health Center

We would like your support in presenting a mini-workshop in conjunction with World AIDS Day for all staff & students. The presentation will be held on Friday, December 1st from 9:00 - 11:00 am at the Skill Center Exhibit Hall.

Universities, colleges (tribal & state) & communities around the world are coordinating World AIDS Day activities and observances.

We would greatly appreciate your support and participation in the "Seasons of Life" campus awareness presentation.

We look forward to seeing you!

### *"Seasons of Life"*

*World AIDS DAY Presentation*

*December 1, 1995*

*(Tentative Agenda)*

Opening Prayer - Russell Gillette

Introductions: David Gipp & Students

Program

AIDS Education & Statistics - Q & A

Candle Lighting - Poem Recital

Snack

Door Prizes to be given away - Denim Jacket, UTTC Book Bag & Turkeys



## THUNDERBIRDS OPEN SEASON IN MONTANA

The UTTC Men's basketball team opened their season November 2, 3 and 4, 1995 on the road in the tip-off classic in Miles City Montana. First up was Western Wyoming, "we played with these guys right down to the wire" said coach Finley, "Geno and Marcus fouled out in crunch time and we couldn't match-up with their size and they took over." Miles City was next, with 2:00 remaining Miles City was up by 2 points, "Again, Geno Fouled out and Sonny cramped up. "Geno fouling out is no excuse for our losses but to lose your center down the stretch makes things tougher for the shooters because now there isn't that inside threat and the defense can cheat out a little more." UTTC finally got on track as they defeated Medicine Hat college of Canada, "I was pleased with the guy's effort here, it was our 4th game in 4 days and it showed, yet our guys fought hard all the way to the end." The Thunderbirds opened the Mon-Dak conference with a win over NDSU-Bottineau, "to beat Bottineau on their home floor was a statement made by the team, no one in the conference was able to do that last year, we played our game and took away their run and gun, everyone played and it was a total team effort." November 16, 17 and 18 marked the "Thunderbird Classic" "we were scheduled to have Bismarck State, Briercrest Canada and Haskell here but due to the temporary Government shutdown Haskell lost some funding and their athletic department was affected so they couldn't come," some amateur teams were scheduled at the last minute as Haskell pulling out cause Briercrest to change their minds. The Thunderbirds lost all three games to good teams and it was not a good showing. "We are so much better than that, we just have a few guys who need to straighten their priorities out, I think we are contenders for the conference championship and this team control's their own destiny, how well we do is up to us.," I would like to extend a warm thank you to all students and faculty who came to the game and supported the team, "we really need you, the students and faculty to come out and support us at all home games, remember, this is your team."

### From "DA Registrar's" Computer

Students interested in the following 1996 Summer Research opportunities may contact my office for further information:

\* Faculty members in the Dept. of Biology at the University of Mexico-Albuquerque will hold summer research programs in "Molecular & Cell Biology" and "Field Biology."

\* The U of Mexico along with the Sevilleta Long Term Ecological Research program are also announcing another summer research experience to 10 undergraduate science majors to participate in active scientific research programs.

### Learning Center Evening Hours

for the week of Nov. 27 - Dec. 1

Monday, Nov. 27th: 7-9 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 28th: 7-9 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 29th: 6-9 p.m.

Thursday, December 1st: 6-9 p.m.

News for the next weekly  
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## Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs

United Tribes Technical College will be officially participating in the North Dakota Interactive Video Network beginning with the 1996 Spring Semester. The courses being offered through IVN (Interactive Video Network) are listed below:

Dept. No. Title	Instructor	Time/Day	Credit	Location
BIO 240 Wildlife Conservation UND (Host Campus) IVN		11 MW	2	SC 112
MTH 104 Algebra II FBCC (Host Campus) IVN		12Noon-2 pm	4	SC 112
MTH 240 Statistics FBCC (Host Campus) IVN		9 MWF	4	SC 112
SCI 104 Physical Science		1-4 T, 1-3 R Lab 3-4 R		SC 112

All UTTC Students/Faculty/Staff interested in enrolling in these courses or any other courses listed on the 1996 Spring Semester Course schedule must register through the Registrar's Office. The 1996 Spring Semester Course Schedule are posted at various locations around campus for your convenience. Please remember to pre-register early. We will be closing classes when they are filled.

If you have any questions or concerns, please give me a call at ext. 283 or Amanda Bird Bear at 216.

### Learning Center Evening Hours

for the week of Dec. 4 - Dec. 8.

Monday, Dec. 4th: 6-9 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 5th: 7-9 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 6th: 6-9 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 7th: 6-9 p.m.

## North Dakota Interactive Video Network

The North Dakota Interactive Video Network (ND IVN) has finally arrived at United Tribes Technical College. The IVN classroom is located at the Skills Center, Rm 112 and can seat 18 comfortably. Here is a brief description of what the North Dakota Interactive Video Network is all about.

The North Dakota Interactive Video Network (ND IVN) is dedicated to support of Distance Education in North Dakota. The ND IVN mission is to "deliver quality postsecondary programs and services to citizens who would not otherwise have access to those services. University credit courses have first priority for scheduling; however, the system may also be used for noncredit workshops, conferences, and meetings.

The ND IVN is supported by the North Dakota University System and the North Dakota Information Services Division. The Network includes 28 classrooms and conference rooms at 11 North Dakota University Systems Campuses, five Tribal Colleges, the State Capital, and the North Dakota State Hospital, plus connections with several high schools in North Dakota.

The system utilizes TV cameras, monitors, microphones and other telecommunications equipment to transmit live audio and video between two or more locations. Instruction and presentation can be made from any site, and participants at all sites are able to see and hear each other. Multiple events can be conducted simultaneously utilizing different classrooms.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to give me a call at ext. 283.

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# STUDENTS

**THERE WILL BE STUDENT SENATE MEETING ON MONDAY DECEMBER 4, 1995.  
AT BUILDING 61. AT 4:00 PM.**

**THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS HAVE SIGNED UP TO BE ON THE STUDENT  
ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE. WOULD YOU PLEASE ATTEND THE STUDENT SENATE  
MEETING ON MONDAY DECEMBER 4, 1995:**

*Ronette Kirkie,  
Student Senate*

<b>TODD GEORGE</b>	<b>OLIVIA JOHNSON</b>	<b>AUDREY ESTES</b>
<b>BOBBI POURIER</b>	<b>WAYNITA CHASKE</b>	<b>JAMES TALLWHITEMAN</b>
<b>RAYMOND LANDREAU</b>		<b>V. PHELPS</b>
<b>JOY CONDON</b>	<b>BRENDA KIRKIE</b>	

**ANY OTHER STUDENTS THAT ARE INTERESTED IN SERVING ON THIS  
COMMITTEE, PLEASE ATTEND!**

**THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS THAT HAVE SIGNED UP TO BE ON THE  
STUDENT AWARDS COMMITTEE, PLEASE ATTEND THE STUDENT SENATE  
MEETING ON DECEMBER 4, 1995.**

*Dam Carlascio*

**SHIRLEY WITT**

**ANY OTHER STUDENTS THAT ARE INTERESTED IN SERVING ON THIS  
COMMITTEE, PLEASE ATTEND THE MEETING.**

**THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS THAT HAVE SIGNED UP TO SERVE ON THE  
CALENDAR AND COMMUNICATION COMMITTEE, PLEASE ATTEND THE STUDENT  
SENATE MEETING ON DECEMBER 4, 1995 AT 4:00 PM.**

*Monica Comeau*

<b>DORIS HUTTON</b>	<b>SHRILEY WITT</b>	<b>V. PHELPS</b>
<b>JOY CONDON</b>		

**ANY OTHER STUDENTS THAT ARE INTERESTED IN SERVING ON THIS  
COMMITTEE, PLEASE ATTEND.**

**THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS THAT HAVE SIGNED UP TO SERVE ON THE  
✓GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE, PLEASE ATTEND THE STUDENT SENATE MEETING ON  
DECEMBER 4, 1995 AT 4:00PM.**

*Andy Rendon*

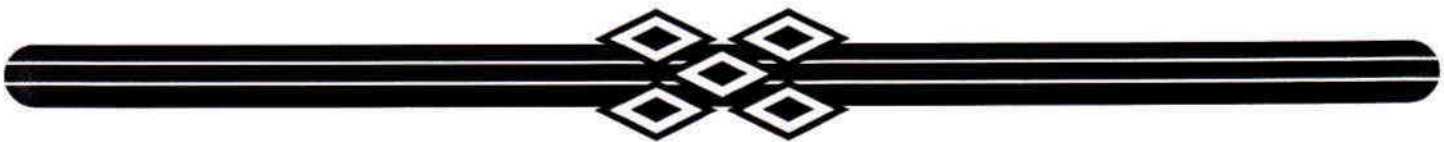
<b>PIERRE BERGER</b>	<b>JACKIE MONTGOMERY</b>
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**ANY OTHER STUDENTS THAT ARE INTERESTED IN SERVING ON THIS  
COMMITTEE, PLEASE ATTEND THE MEETING.**

**THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS THAT HAVE SIGNED UP TO SERVE ON THE  
GRADUATION COMMITTEE, PLEASE ATTEND THE STUDENT SENATE MEETING ON  
DECEMBER 4, 1995 AT 4:00PM.**

*Dam Carlascio*

**LETITIA STEWART**



*Russell Swager*

THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS THAT HAVE SIGNED UP TO SERVE ON THE HOUSING COMMITTEE, PLEASE ATTEND THE STUDENT SENATE MEETING ON DECEMBER 4, 1995 AT 4:00PM.

JACKIE MONTGOMERY                      DORIS HUTTON                      MICHELLE BEARHEELS  
VICKIE PHELPS                              LISA CONDON

ANY OTHER STUDENTS INTERESTED IN SERVING ON THIS COMMITTEE, PLEASE ATTEND THE MEETING.

*Ed Johnson*

THERE ARE NO STUDENTS THAT SIGNED UP FOR THE CAFETERIA COMMITTEE, ANY ONE INTERESTED IN SERVING ON THIS COMMITTEE, PLEASE ATTEND THE STUDENT SENATE MEETING ON DECEMBER 4 1995 AT 4:00PM.

*Red Cook*

THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS THAT SIGNED UP FOR THE HEARING COMMITTEE, PLEASE ATTEND THE STUDENT SENATE MEETING ON DECEMBER 4, 1995 AT 4:00 PM.

MICHELLE BEARHEELS    WINNA BURTON                      THURLO TIDZEUMP

ANY OTHER STUDENTS INTERESTED IN SERVING ON THIS COMMITTEE, PLEASE ATTEND THE STUDENT SENATE MEETING ON DECEMBER 4 1995 AT 4:00 PM

WOULD THE FOLLOWING STAFF MEMBERS THAT SERVE ON THE ABOVE COMMITTEE'S, AND ANY OTHERS I DID NOT MENTION, PLEASE CONTACT RONNETTE KIRKIE OR ANY OTHER STUDENT SENATE MEMBER, BEFORE THE STUDENT SENATE MEETING ON DECEMBER 4, 1995.

You may reach Ronnette at 221-0611 or leave a message with James Stein.

AL STOCKERT  
RUSSELL SWAGART

*Monica Comeau*

SAM AZURE  
AMANDA BIRD BEAR  
RED COOK

*Pam Carlascio*

*Ed Johnson*

*Andy Rendon*

ANY OTHER STAFF MEMBERS I DID NOT MENTION, THAT DO HEAD ONE OF THE COMMITTEE'S ABOVE.



**The Seven Tribal Colleges of  
Montana presents the  
15th Annual AIHEC  
Spring Conference**

Sponsoring Institutions  
SKC, LBHC, FPCC, DKMC, FBC, BCC, SCC

Site: Holiday Inn Plaza & Clarion  
Billings, Montana

Dates: March 31, April 1-3, 1996  
Sunday to Wednesday

**Conference Theme:**

The Commitment to Survive in the Face of Adversity  
A Native American Warrior Tradition

**Other Critical Strands**

- A. College Resources and Strategies for a New Era
- B. Telecommunications and TeleDistance Learning and Teaching in Tribal Communities
- C. Land Grant Status: Tribal Colleges, the Land & Its People
- D. Cultural & Economic Renaissance in Montana Indian Country

**Co-Chairs:**

Luanne Belcourt, President SCC  
Janine Pease-Pretty On Top, President LBHC  
Letitia Stewart, AIHEC Student Congress President

ESTIMATED Registration Rates, given registration of  
1,200 participants, 50% students

TCC Faculty/Administration.....	\$100
TCC Students.....	\$ 50
General Participant.....	\$125

**Features:**

Academic Bowl, Competitions, Art Show, Strands for Students, Faculty, Trustees, and Administration

**TJES Christmas Program  
Thursday, December 14  
2:30 p.m.  
UTTC Small Gym**

*Do you want to get in the mood for Christmas? All students, staff and faculty are invited to the elementary school Christmas program. There will be songs and poems by the Kindergarten and 1st grade students and a puppet performance by grades 2, 3 and 4. A group of 5th through 8th graders will serve as puppeteers as we present the show, "Cookin' up Christmas". The children work hard to learn their parts and it means so much to them to have the support of family and friends in the audience. Please plan to attend now.*

**FUNDING**

**National Association of Social Work  
(NASW)**

An application form and brochure with information on how to apply for the Gosnell Memorial Scholarship for Master of Social Work students. Can be obtained at the Counseling Department if you are interested. Applicants will need to fill out the application form and follow the procedure outlined in the brochure.

If you would like more information or have any questions contact Royce Irwin at ext. 291.

**AASPN Program Submits  
Grant Proposed**

Faculty of the AASPN Program have been busy preparing a grant proposal for consideration by the Helene Fuld Health Trust Fund. Hardware and software requests have been included along with a "point job" for the classrooms and offices in the Nursing Department. Prayers are invited to bring about a favorable response - - which will come in early June. Thanks!

Three years ago the Foundation awarded the Department \$16,110 used for some hardware and software, window repair and venetian blinds for the nursing area. We;; get the answer to you in June.

*submitted by Sister Kathryn Zimmer, Director, AASPN*



**Chemical Health Center  
"Where the Spirit Lives"**

To: All Students & Staff & their Families

Date: December 12, 1995

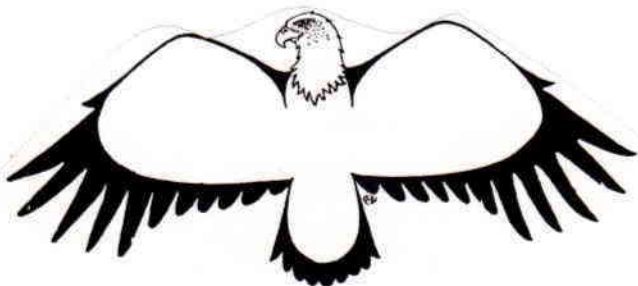
When: 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Where: Cafeteria

What: Christmas Caroling

Why: To get us all into the Spirit of Christmas

**Refreshments will be served!!!**



## Fire Safety for the Holidays

Fire Safety is just as important during the holidays as it is all year. In fact, it's even more important because of the extra responsibilities that special occasions bring. The following precautions will help eliminate any accidental fires.

### THANKSGIVING:

- \* Start holiday cooking with a clean stove and oven.
- \* Turn pot handles away from the childrens reach.
- \* Use pot holders to prevent burns.
- \* Never over load electrical outlets, unplug applicants when not in use.

### CHRISTMAS:

- \* Make sure artificial trees are flame-retardant.
- \* Never smoke around the tree or flammable decorations.
- \* Place trees away from direct heat.
- \* Never decorate metal trees with electric lights.
- \* Always unplug lights when not in the home or before going to bed.
- \* Keep candles in sturdy holders.

Taking simple precautions can make all of your holiday celebrations safe and memorable.

**FIRE NEVER TAKES A HOLIDAY**

## Living Sober

by Kevin F. Peniska

Just two words,

to some.

Maybe that is all they are,

just two words.

But for many,

I know,

It has become a way of life.

The concept of Living Sober-

It is so hard to comprehend?

This possibility,

to take this bottle or this joint,

from my hand.

To imagine,

That there is a life,

beyond this abuse of these chemicals

this abuse of myself,

Think about it my friend,

to be free,

means sacrifice,

the giving up of one thing for another.

The lives of our people depend on it,

the victories of the future,

we will win.

We will win,

By being alcohol and drug free,

Living Sober.

I have done this for a long time now,

I start every day the same,

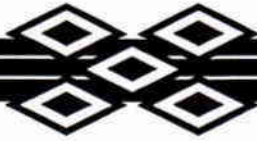
and I end every day the same.

Living Sober...

Be brave and join me,

if you can?





## THUNDERBIRDS LOSE

### Notes from the Student Health Center:

A special thank you to staff & students who participated in the World AIDS Day activities on Friday, December 1, 1995. We hope that you learned more about the AIDS epidemic and enjoyed the skit that was put on by students & staff (Applause! Applause!). We hope to see you all again next year at the same time.

In recent months, quite a number of students have failed to return their clinic authorization slips after being examined by a physician (1/2 white sheet of paper). Students MUST return this authorization slip in order for the student's medical file to be completed. Failure to do so may result in your medical bill not getting paid.

Also, those students who are in need of an eye exam or dental work, please made arrangements with your home agency to get the needed appointment scheduled over the Christmas break.

The annual blood sugar & cholesterol screening was held on November 16, 1995. There were 44 students and staff who participated in the screening (21 staff & 23 students).

These are the guidelines that were used:

Blood Glucose - 80-120

Cholesterol - <200 desirable cholesterol level  
200-239 - borderline cholesterol level  
240> high blood cholesterol

#### Results:

	Female	Male
Smokers	14	5
Elevated Blood Glucose	4	5
On Blood Pressure Meds.	3	2
Diabetics	2	2
Elevated Cholesterol Level	6	5
On Cholesterol Meds.	0	1
Family Hx. of Heart Disease	0	2

Average glucose range - 25 to 320

Cholesterol - Less than 150 to 250

On November 21, 1995 the UTTC "Thunderbirds" traveled to UND-Lake Region in Devils Lake for their second conference game, the Royals jumped out to a 24-3 lead and never looked back and ended up winning the game by a score of 103-76. "We were coming off of a 3 game losing streak at home and we were just flat-out out played, I don't think the team understands yet that playing this game at this level takes a high degree of mental toughness and the importance of being physically capable of playing the game, you must be in tip-top physical condition to be at the top of your game and the off the court things should be put aside by EVERYONE if we are going to be successful, this team is full of potential but we have yet to put together 40 solid minutes of team basketball." December 1 & 2, 1995 marked the "Can-Am Classic" in Williston ND. UTTC's first round opponent was NDSU-Bottineau, a team which UTTC handled quit easily on their home court earlier this season, "these guys were coming into the tournament on a 6 game winning streak so I knew we had to be mentally prepared for them, they shoot the ball well and run the floor as good as anyone, we played the first half right with them as the half ended 37-35 NDSU-Bottineau. "We had a few let downs to start the second half and they took advantage of them and quit playing" said coach Finley, NDSU-Bottineau won the game 94-68. UND-Williston was next and again the "Thunderbirds" came out and played an excellent first half with the same results in the second half as the "Thunderbirds" ended up getting beat by a score of 111-68 "UND-Williston is the best team we've faced so far this season, they play team basketball and they play it well. "No matter what it is a person is attempting to accomplish in life, if you quit or let up for even one minute you are going to suffer set backs, being able to understand the lessons of failure and the ability to overcome those set backs are the keys to success" says coach Finley. The Thunderbirds play Bismarck State College tonight (Monday) at BSC at 7:30 pm, "We are in need of a win to regain our confidence in each other, but most of all we need you, the fans and your support. Hope to see you at the game!!!

Caps & Mittens are available at Student Health

# Children & **AIR BAGS**

**It's as easy  
as 1 - 2 - 3**

# 1

**Never put a rear-facing child seat (those used with infants) in the front seat of a car with an air bag.**

# 2

**Make sure all children are buckled up no matter where they sit. Unbuckled children can be hurt or killed by an air bag.**

# 3

**The rear seat is the safest place for children of any age to ride.**



# Children & Air Bags

## What's the Problem?

- ⇒ Most new cars have air bags for front-seat passengers. When used with lap/shoulder belts, air bags work very well to protect older children and adults who ride facing the front of the car.
- ⇒ *Air bags do not work with rear-facing child seats* (those used with infants).
- ⇒ Airbags could seriously injure or even kill an *unbuckled child or adult* who is sitting too close to the air bag or who is thrown toward the dash during emergency braking.
- ⇒ In a crash, the air bag inflates very quickly. It could hit anything close to the dashboard with enough force to cause severe injuries or even death. Because the back of a rear-facing child seat sits very close to the dashboard, the seat could be struck with enough force to cause serious, or even fatal injuries to a baby.
- ⇒ Even older children (who have outgrown child seats) are at risk from a deploying air bag, if they are not *properly* restrained with a lap/shoulder belt.

## What Should I Do?

- ⇒ The *rear seat* is the safest place for children of any age to ride.
- ⇒ An infant in a *rear-facing* child seat must ride in the back seat if your vehicle has a passenger side air bag (babies under 1 year and 20 pounds should always ride in a rear-facing seat).
- ⇒ Make sure that everyone in the front seat is properly *buckled up* and seated as far back from the air bags as is reasonably possible.
- ⇒ Make sure that all young children are properly secured in a child safety seat and older children by a lap/shoulder belt. Know how to properly install your child seat in the vehicle. Read both the owner's manual for the vehicle and the instructions for your child safety seat.

## Where Can I Get More Information?

- ⇒ Call NHTSA's toll-free Auto Safety Hotline at 1.800.424.9393.
- ⇒ Written information and "tip sheets" are available by writing to:

**Child Safety Seats**  
National Highway Traffic Safety  
Administration  
400 7th Street S.W. NTS-13  
Washington, DC 20590