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A BLESSED CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL!

AND WHEN WE GIVE EACH OTHER
CHRISTMAS GIFTS IN HIS NAME, LET
US REMEMBER THAT HE HAS GIVEN
US THE SUN AND THE MOON AND
THE STARS, AND THE EARTH WITH
ITS FORESTS AND MOUNTAINS AND
OCEANS - AND ALL THAT LIVES AND
MOVES UPON THEM. HE HAS GIVEN
US ALL GREEN THINGS AND EVERY-
THING THAT BLOSSOMS AND BEARS
FRUIT - AND ALL THAT WE QUARREL
ABOUT AND ALL THAT WE HAVE
MISUSED - AND TO SAVE US FROM
OUR OWN FOOLISHNESS, FROM ALL
OUR SINS, HE CAME DOWN TO
EARTH AND GAVE US HIMSELF.

SIGRID UNSET



THE CHRISTMAS SENTIMENTS ABOVE WERE CONTRIBUTED
TO THE UTTC NEWSLETTER BY ANNE KUMPER, P. D.,
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THE UTTC CAFETERIA WILL BE CLOSED FROM DECEMBER 17TH
UNTIL JANUARY 2ND. THE CAFETERIA STAFF WISHES
ALL UTTC STAFF AND STUDENTS A HAPPY HOLIDAY!

Cafeteria Noon Menu

DATE	JAN. 1, 1989 - JAN. 5, 1989
MEAT	HAPPY NEW YEAR!
SOUP	Spaghetti with Meat Sauce
SALAD	Canadian Pork Chops
DESSERT	French Dip
BEVERAGE	Oven-Baked Fish



Russell is one of the two male Counselors at U.T.T.C. In that position, Russell works doing direct counseling with approximately one-half of all the students at the college. Russell's clients include the students in the Automative, Business Clerical, Electrical, Food Service, and Plumbing vocations. In addition to his counseling responsibilities, he also acts as a liaison for UTIC students, the college, and local agencies. In this role, he is a Student Advocate, representing the students as needed. In the Bismarck/Mandan community and on the reservations, Russell does PR work for UTIC, appearing before groups to explain Indian culture and recruiting students. At UTIC, Russell serves on several committees. Russell has been working with LeRoy Landreaux recently in the preparation of several very special additions to the graduation ceremony on December 16, 1988. Russell is a Traditional Dancer. He is originally from Ft. Berthold, North Dakota, and he is a member of the Arikaara Tribe. Russell has several children: Valarie, Vincent, Bruce, Sherril, Richard, and Stephanie.

Below is a picture of Russell. Thank you, Russell, for your help in getting this picture and for your cooperation in providing the information for this article. We appreciate you! Your sense of humor helps us all during "some of those days"! (Thanks to Melody, too, for her help with this article when Russell became too busy to provide all the info.)

IN THE NEWSLETTER "SPOTLIGHT"
 IS
 RUSSELL GILLETTE

THREE SYMBOLS OF CHRISTMAS

PEACE

This writing was contributed to the Christmas issue of the NEWSLETTER by a student of UTTC who wishes to remain anonymous.

"There are three symbols that mean Christmas--the REAL meaning of Christmas. The first is a CRADLE. There, in Bethlehem, were cradled the hopes and dreams of a dying world. Those chubby little hands that clasped the straw in His manger crib were soon to open blind eyes, unstop deaf ears, and still the troubled seas. That cooing voice was soon to teach men of the way and to raise the dead. Those tiny feet were to take Him to the sick and needy and were to be pierced on Calvary's cross.

That manger crib in remote Bethlehem became the link that bound a lost world to a loving God.

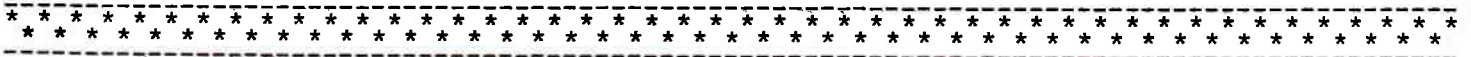
The second symbol is the CROSS. There were both light and shadow on that first Christmas. There was joy with overtones of sadness, for Jesus was born to die. Jesus, approaching the Cross, said, "To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world." For Christians, the joy of Christmas is not limited to His birth. It was His death and resurrection that gave meaning to His birth.

It is in the Cross that the world can find a solution to its pressing problems.

The third symbol is the CROWN. Jesus was crowned with a crown of thorns and enthroned on a cruel Cross, yet His assassins did something, perhaps unwittingly. They placed a superscription over His Cross in Greek, Latin, and Hebrew: "THIS IS THE KING." Yes, Christ is King of Kings and Lord of Lords, and He is coming back someday. He will not come as a baby in Bethlehem's manger again. The next time He comes it will be in a blaze of glory and He will be crowned Lord of all.

CRADLE - CROSS - CROWN...Let them speak to you. Let the power of Him who came to us at Christmas grip you, and He will surely change your life."

Taken from THE WARCRY by Billy Graham

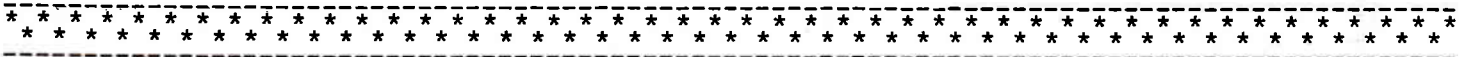


"TO MY FRIENDS AT U.T.T.C."

I wish to thank everyone who was so concerned about me when I was in the hospital recently...everyone from Administrators to the students....who made telephone calls, came to visit me, sent me flowers, prayed for me, etc. I thank you FROM THE BOTTOM OF MY HEART!

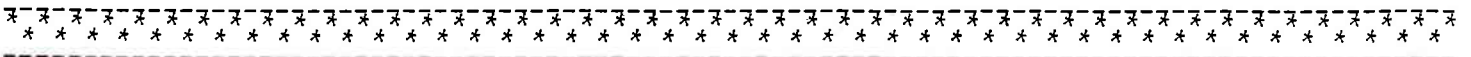
Arlene

Arlene Benson



To the Readers of the UTTC NEWSLETTER

The TJES School Board members and the staff of TJES want to thank everyone who participated this year in the annual "Sponsor a (K-8) Child". May you all have a MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR!



GRADUATION! GRADUATION! GRADUATION! GRADUATION! GRADUATION! GRADUATION! GRADUATION! GRADUATION! GRADUATION! GRADUATION! GRADUATION! GRADUATION! GRADUATION! GRADUATION! GRADUATION!

THE ADMINISTRATION, FACULTY, STAFF, AND STUDENTS OF UNITED TRIBES TECHNICAL COLLEGE OFFERS THE DECEMBER 1, 1988 GRADUATES OF U.T.T.C. SINCEREST CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES FOR YOUR FUTURE! WE HOPE THAT YOU STAY IN TOUCH WITH THE FRIENDS THAT YOU HAVE MADE HERE WHILE YOU'VE BEEN IN SCHOOL!

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There are several important announcements concerning graduation that the NEWSLETTER has been asked to make:

1. The December 16, 1988 GRADUATION CEREMONY will begin PROMPTLY at 1:00 PM this coming Friday, in the U.T.T.C. large gym.
2. ALL GRADUATES ARE URGENTLY ASKED TO BE AT THE GYM AT 12:15 at the very latest on the day of graduation!
3. The SINGLE graduating students may eat their lunch at the Cafeteria with the elementary students at 11 AM on that day.
4. U.T.T.C. Faculty will be lining up behind the graduates on the day of graduation, to walk in together in the graduation line, so Faculty is asked to please be a few minutes early to be able to walk in together at the end of the graduates' line.
5. Pictures of the graduates will be taken at REHEARSAL. There will be two or three WHOLE GROUP pictures taken of the graduates in their caps and gowns, and VOCATIONAL GROUP pictures will be taken at that time. Individual pictures must be arranged in advance.

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JUST A REMINDER! All staff and students of UTTC and all Native Americans in the Bismarck/Mandan community (and their friends) are invited to the NEW YEAR'S POT LUCK on December 31, 1988 in the UTTC SMALL GYM, beginning at 8:00 PM through Midnight on NEW YEAR'S EVE. Just bring what you can, and join us in seeing the old year out and the new year in TOGETHER! Invite your friends! Last year, it was a success, and we know that this year will be a great get-together, too! COME ONE, COME ALL!!!

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TRIVIA! TRIVIA! TRIVIA! TRIVIA! TRIVIA! TRIVIA! TRIVIA! TRIVIA! TRIVIA!

There were four very close winners in last week's NEWSLETTER TRIVIA contest. The first person who called was MARY LOU AZURE from Student Health, and CARMEN BRUCE HALE, PAT TWO BEARS, and CANDANCE MEYERS answered correctly within seconds of Mary Lou. Therefore, Lois calls the first four the winners and each receives a 6-PK. of Coke. Several other people called in correct answers but after a substantial GAP in the calls. Those who called and answered correctly were: (in the order that they called) TIM LONG CROW, BERNICE GRAZIER, DORIS FOX, KELLY CAMERON, and BOE SWALLEY.

In the TRIVIA game the week before, two other people answered the question correctly but after the winner was selected; they were VERNON SMITH and DEAN GOODIRON. THANKS FOR YOUR INTEREST IN TRIVIA, and thank you for playing the game. TRIVIA will resume the first week in January.

FIELD TRIP

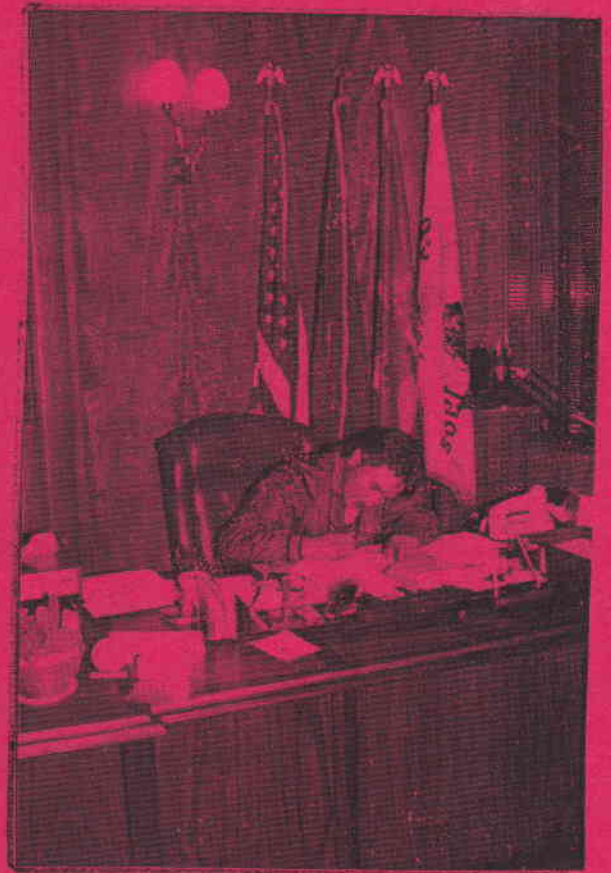
On December 8th, English Instructors Brian Palecek and Mary Lemcke took a field trip of students to the North Dakota State Capitol Building, the Heritage Center, State Library, Governor's Mansion, and Ft. Lincoln. The students who went on the trip were: VINCENT CARRY MOCCASIN, LONNIE DEMARCE, BEN GROS VENTRE, JULIE RED EYE, SARAH SOLIS, AND SEVERT YOUNG BEAR.

In the Capitol Building, the students and instructors observed the North Dakota State Senate and House of Representatives in session. They visited the North Dakota Indian Affairs Commission, and when they visited the office of Governor George Sinner, a friend of Brian's who works in the Governor's Office, invited the students to "see what it feels like" to sit in the Governor's chair. Mary took pictures of the students during their tenures as "Governors for a Day". From the State Capitol, the students and their teachers took the tour of the Governor's Mansion, which is decorated, according to tradition, in different Christmas decorations featuring ethnic groups from North Dakota. This year, the Mansion is featuring the Christmas traditions of the Swedish population of North Dakota. The students listened to a short presentation on the Swedish traditions given by one of the hostesses for the display.

The students and teachers polished off their field trip with a hearty lunch at the Pizza Hut, compliments of the UTTC Student Senate. The students and teachers who enjoyed the field trip wish to thank the Student Senate for the treat!



Pictured Above: "Governor" Vinnie Carry Moccasin, conducting a news conference with "the press".



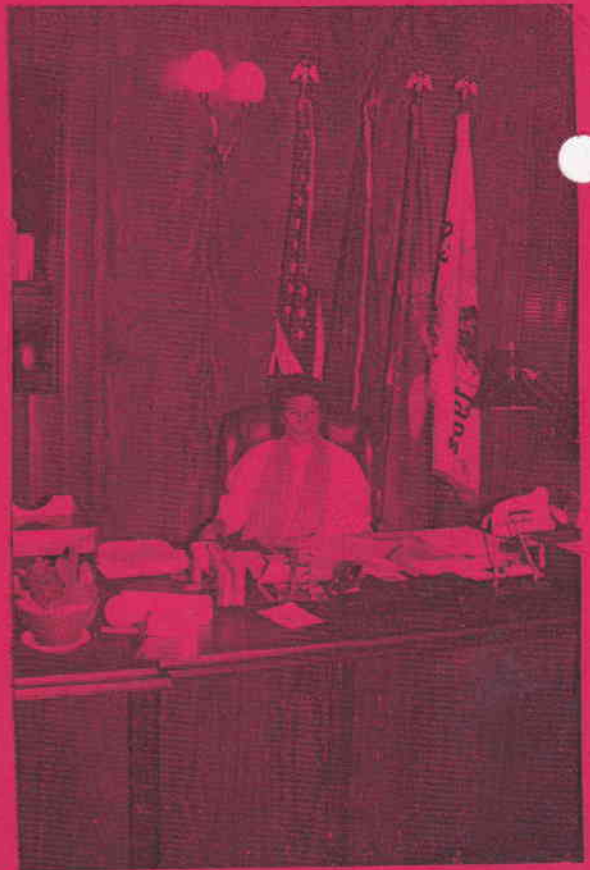
Pictured Above: "Governor" Severt Young Bear, vetoing a bill.



Pictured Left: Julie Red Eye and Sarah Solis beside a picture of the late Lieutenant Governor, Ruth Meyers. The Ruth Meyers Hospitality House, a shelter for the homeless, has been opened in Bismarck and named for the Lt.-Governor.



Pictured Above: "Governor Red Eye, how do you feel about being one of the first women in the nation to be elected to a governor's position?"
 "Governor" Red Eye: "Well, I think it's a definite STEP UP" for the state!"



Pictured Right: "Governor" Solis agrees!



Pictured Left: "Governor" Lonnie DeMarce, smiling triumphantly, after his recent successful address to the State Senate!

Pictured Right:
 "Governor" Ben Gros Ventre smiles as he finishes signing a bill he strongly supported!



SITTING BULL REMEMBRANCE DAY

*This is a special feature, written by
Brian Palecek, English Instructor*

December 15th is Sitting Bull Remembrance Day. On this day in 1890, Sitting Bull, the great chief of the Hunkpapa Sioux people, was shot and killed when he was being arrested on the Standing Rock Sioux Reservation. He was being arrested because the government was afraid that he would lead an uprising of his people.

Sitting Bull was one of the greatest human beings ever to live in the Great Plains of North America. This beautiful land, with its prairies and buttes, which is our home today, was once the land of this great man. He lead his people well. Remembering him we should all be proud to be part of this land as he was. We also are called to be leaders for our people and to carry on the spirit of Sitting Bull.

Sitting Bull loved his people and he also loved the land. We should spend a little time remembering him and learning about his life and his death. We should remember the struggles of Indian people and the struggles of oppressed people everywhere. We should also learn more about the history of Indian people.

Today, look around you at the beautiful land which Sitting Bull loved so much. Remembering his love for the land can help us to see this land with new eyes. It has been written that Sitting Bull used to say that healthy feet can hear the very heart of Holy Earth. He would always get up before dawn and liked to bathe his bare feet, walking about in the morning dew.

On December 15th, not everyone will know why the day is so special, so make sure that you remember that the day is Sitting Bull Remembrance Day...and remind others, too. They'll be glad you did and so will you.



Sitting Bull

A STUDENT EXPRESSES A FEW THOUGHTS

My first time ever attending an Alcohol Awareness Meeting took place here on campus at the Chemical Awareness Building. I guess rumors of Alcohol Awareness Meetings had given me a pre-conceived idea in my head that the meetings were people sitting around drinking coffee and eating donuts. This meeting wasn't like that....it was a lot more.

I attended the meeting with a friend whose name I will not mention. As we walked to the meeting, he reached over and gave me a card. The phrase that was on the cover of the card made me think. Inside I found the Twelve Steps of A.A. I also found a little of what the A.A. stands for and what it does.

I never realized before that A. A. members look to God for strength. I never knew what they looked for; I guess I thought they were looking for a way out. None of this was mentioned when I had asked what goes on in A. A. meetings.

In this meeting, I found out that you're ONE there...all to help each other. The feelings that were brought out there will live with me forever: the skeletons in the closet and a door that is closed forever. As I listened to members speak, I could hear myself. Chemical dependency has also touched me in some of the same ways. I just never noticed those things at the time.

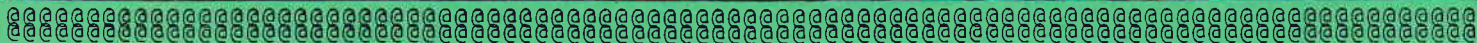
For many people, chemical dependency does bring them down in one way or another. Then when they find God in their hearts and learn to lean on His strength for themselves, they are able to go on with life---to start a new and better life. I only wish I had found the strength in God that they did. I guess I realized that alcohol was a dependency and wasn't about to let it bring me down. I fought my way through it alone. I had watched it control my Dad and I knew it wasn't going to do that to me. It was a long hard battle but I won and I know today that it will never attempt its illness on me again.

Attending this A.A. meeting, I realized that I could have been one of the members starting on Step One myself. But I'm glad I opened my eyes early in life to know that you don't have to depend on any form of chemical to be somebody. You're SOMEBODY, whether you know it or not. It's FEELING that and PRACTICING that, that makes it work.

You know that chip that I received for being at a meeting for the first time--- I use that saying, "When it melts, that's when you can have a drink." Do you know, more people tried to bite into it to see if it was candy!

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This article above was written by a student at UTTC. The writer wishes to remain anonymous. The UTTC NEWSLETTER would like to thank the student for this thought-provoking article.



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