

# UNITED TRIBES

## News

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### Flu vaccine not available at Student Health Center

by Sharlene Gjermundson

Due to a nationwide shortage of vaccine, the UTTC Student Health Center will not be able to provide flu vaccinations this year.

As reported on the news, Chiron, a major manufacturer of flu vaccine announced that none of its vaccine would be available for distribution in the U.S. for the 2004-2005 flu season. This has reduced the expected supply by one half.

Our local supply had come from Med Center One; supply shortages also affect them. The PHS/IHS at Fort Yates, ND says they will not have enough to cover their population either. If the State Health Department - Division of Disease Control is able to assist with a few doses, I will inform the campus.

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### Warm and fuzzy project is 'bearly' manageable



UTN photo by Dennis J. Neumann

It'll take a jolt of cold hard cash if the warm fuzzies are to make it to servicemen. Over 2,000 stuffed animals from around the region have accumulated in two weeks at United Tribes Technical College. They're bound for North Dakota troops for distribution to children in Iraq if money can be raised to package and send them. Coordinating the project are members of the UTTC Teacher Education vocation, from left, Lucy Eagle and her son Micah, Joe Strong Heart Jr., Heather Plenty Chief, Natalie Estenson, and their Instructor Leah Hamann. "The response has been amazing," said Hamann. "It's all for the good but we sure could use monetary donations." The project received about \$170 thus far. Hamann estimates it'll take over ten times that, about \$1 per bear, for postage. While they wait to hear about financial support and assistance from businesses, more stuffed animals are arriving daily. Monetary donations should be made to United Tribes Technical College and sent in care of Hamann at the college address. Phone 701-255-3285 Ext. 1380.

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**Public Forum:**

**"Equal Opportunity Employment for People with Disabilities"**  
 Friday, November 5, Bismarck, ND  
 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Ramkota Hotel, 800 South 3<sup>rd</sup> Street  
 Free – Open to the Public  
 ND Human Rights Coalition/Bismarck Human Relations Committee  
 More information [www.ndhrc.org](http://www.ndhrc.org)





# Dennis Lucier's UTTC Cafeteria Menu

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

**October 18-22**

**October 25-29**

| BREAKFAST                   | LUNCH                     | DINNER                     | BREAKFAST              | LUNCH                    | DINNER                   |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| French Toast & Sausage      | Beef Stroganoff & Noodles | Chili & Dinner Roll        | Eggs & Muffin          | Goulash & Wax Beans      | Hamburger Steak & Squash |
| Banana Bread & Eggs         | Indian Taco               | BBQ Chicken & Baked Potato | Waffles & Sausage      | Ham Sandwich & Bean Soup | Pork Chops & Rice        |
| Caramel Roll & Oatmeal      | Hamburger & Baked Beans   | Chicken Burger & Soup      | Scrambled Eggs & Roll  | Roast Beef & Potatoes    | Lasagna & Garlic Toast   |
| Scrambled Eggs & Hashbrowns | Individual Pizza          | Submarine Sandwich         | Canadian Bacon & Bagel | German Sausage & Kraut   | Steak & Baked Potato     |
| Ham & Muffin                | Roast Pork & Potatoes     | Tater Tot Hotdish          | Ham & Cheese Omelet    | Fishwich & Potato Salad  | Shrimp & Wild Rice       |

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## Improvement project done by students



UTTC students Harold Crow Ghost, left, and Marlon Antelope (both Standing Rock) tackle a framing chore as part of a campus improvement project. Along with others in their construction technology class, the two helped repair and renovate the roof of the Art/Art Marketing building. Pleasant fall weather helped bring the project to a successful completion. Supporting the work was Construction Technology instructor Michael Matheny. UTN photo Dennis E. Neumann

## KODA THE WARRIOR™ "Valley of the Big Horns: Part 1"

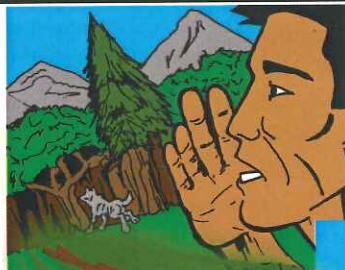
CREATED BY MARK L. MINDT  
SPIRIT LAKE NATION

About a week after the Pow-Wow, KODA and Benny went to The Big Horns of Wyoming.

KODA made Benny's favorite, chocolate-cherry-frybread-cheesecake.



In an instant, Benny is wearing the food.



Angry, Benny ran off to the trees where the noise came from. "Hey, be careful. You may become a bear's main course."

YIKES!!!

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Find out what happened in the next issue!!! Tokša.



# Voting campaign aimed at tribal voters

by Brian Eagle

Students in the tribal management vocation are involved in helping to "get out the vote" in tribal areas of North Dakota for the general election on November 2. The statewide effort is coordinated at United Tribes Technical College.

UTTC was awarded a \$53-thousand grant through the Help America Vote Act. Over the summer, the college had already begun organizing and implementing a plan to reach tribal voters on the state's five reservations.

Recently the effort received a boost with the help of UTTC students who are involved in student government and the college's tribal management vocation.

Coordinating the project is Tribal Management Instructor Bobbi Jo Zueger. Margaret Stevens is Youth Coordinator and liaison to Spirit Lake. Sara Iron Lightning coordinates with Turtle Mountain, Nelson Ute with Sisseton-Wahpeton, and Terrance Medicine Crow with Standing Rock. Zueger coordinates with Three Affiliated.

"It's very important for Native voters to participate in this election," said Zueger. "We need to voice our concerns through the ballot box in dealing with the government about their obligations to tribes and tribal people."

Students have been distributing voting literature containing important information for Native voters. An effort to get people to sign pledges to vote on November 2, was conducted during the United Tribes International Powwow. All of the efforts are aimed at reaching tribal people with help, encouragement and reminders about voicing their concerns through the ballot on election day.

The big thing for voters to remember is to be prepared to show a form of identification that verifies their place of

# Flu vaccine...

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We are beginning to see students with flu-like symptoms. The Student Health Center will refer students with chronic illnesses such as diabetes, asthma, etc., since they have been identified as high risk. The CDC recommends sick persons stay home to prevent others from becoming ill.

Please use all standard precautions to avoid the flu, including frequent hand washing. Any questions, please contact the Student Health Center at extension 1409.

Following is the prioritized list of flu vaccine recipients as established by the Center for Disease Control:

1. Children age 6-to-23 months - 95% of UTTC children are covered by Medical Assistance and are eligible for vaccination through their Primary Care Provider
2. Adults age 65 years and older
3. Persons age 2-to-64 years with underlying chronic medical conditions, diabetes, asthma, etc
4. All women who will be pregnant during the influenza season
5. Residents of nursing homes and long-term care facilities
6. Children age 6 months to 18 years on chronic aspirin therapy
7. Health-care workers involved in direct patient care
8. Out of home care givers and household contacts of children aged < 6 months

# Student returns energized from small business conference

by Brian Eagle

Small Business Management student Vanessa Young returned from a trip to Washington D.C. with the knowledge that American Indians have what it takes to accomplish their dreams in business.

"Success in business is not only a dream but closer to reality than we might think," said Young.

That's one of the things Young learned while representing UTTC at the Minority Entrepreneurial Development week and Emerging Business Leaders Summit in the Nation's Capitol over the summer.

Each day's activities started at 8 a.m. and lasted until around 9 p.m., said Young. There was a question and answer session after each presentation, which was extremely helpful. It allowed participants to be informed correctly on the topics, she said.

"There were so many new people to meet and contact," she said.

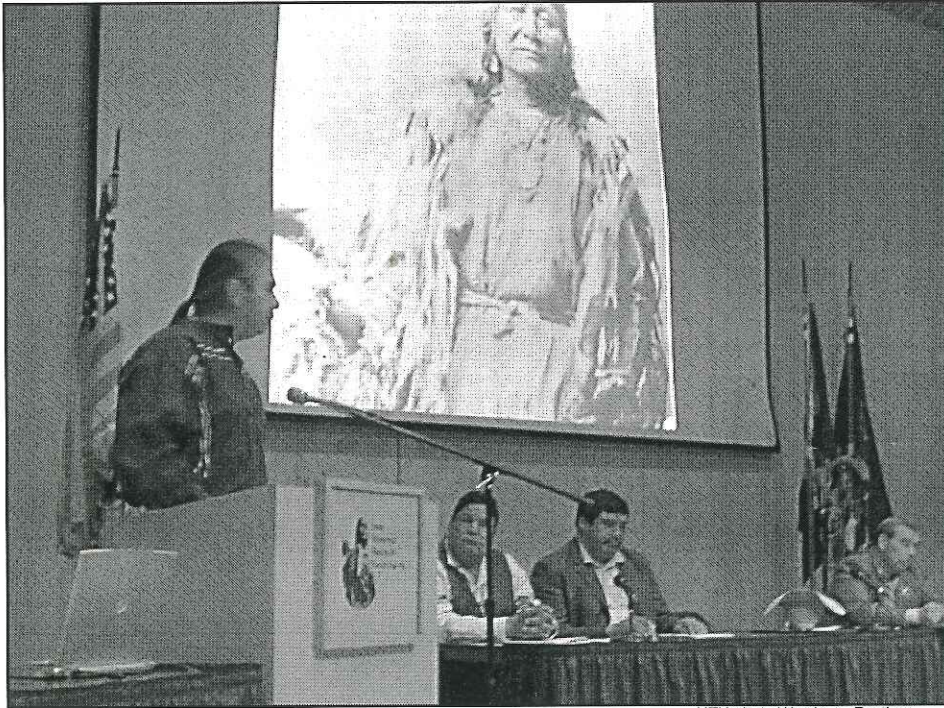
Young said she made many new contacts that sparked interests from other people. Among her most memorable moments was attending the banquets, especially the Awards Banquet.

"You could feel the gratitude and praise watching these people be honored for an achievement," said Young. Young also found answers for her specific interests in the Minority Women's Division at the Department of Commerce.

"It was worthwhile for anyone trying to develop a business," she said. "I'd encourage anyone willing to start a business or thinking about it, to attend something like this if they have an opportunity."



# First Nations Day celebrated



UTN photo Wes Long Feather

A formal ceremony marking the second observance of North Dakota First Nations Day was held Friday, October 8.

At the podium is Tex G. Hall, Chairman of the Mandan, Hidatsa, Arikara Nation and head of the National Congress of American Indians. Hall said if there's to be change for the better in relationships, it's up to tribal people to bring it about.

Hall and other tribal leaders spoke in front of images of previous tribal leaders on a large screen in the auditorium of the North Dakota Heritage Center in Bismarck. To the right of the podium, Chairman Valentino White, Spirit Lake Nation, Chairman James "JC" Crawford, Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate and Chairman Charles W. Murphy, Standing Rock Sioux Tribe.

The 2003 State Legislature passed the bill creating First Nations Day. Governor John Hoeven has proclaimed November as Native American Month in North Dakota.

The event was planned and organized by the North Dakota Indian Affairs Commission.

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residence when they go to the polls, said Zueger.

Acceptable forms of ID showing a residential address include a valid drivers license, valid tribal enrollment ID card, valid student ID card, valid US Military ID card, valid Federal ID such as a passport or agency ID card, valid state ID card, a utility bill dated 30 days prior with name and address, or a change of address letter from US Postal Service. Even if you have none of the ID listed above, you still have the right to vote, said Zueger.

The North Dakota voter effort, known as the North Dakota Tribal Voter Initiative Project is part of a larger project known as the Northern Plains Tribal Voter Initiative.

For more information contact Bobbi Jo Zueger, Coordinator and Margaret Stevens, Youth coordinator, [bzueger@uttc.edu](mailto:bzueger@uttc.edu) or 701-255-3285 Ext. 1257.

### Voter Bill of Rights

As a resident, you have the right to:

- ☆ Vote free from interference in a private and secret manner
- ☆ Ask for and receive assistance in voting
- ☆ Written instructions, and, upon request, oral instructions in voting from election officers
- ☆ Cast your voted if in line at the official closing of the polls
- ☆ Correct your ballot (you may receive up to two replacement ballots)
- ☆ An explanation if your residency or identity is in question
- ☆ Prove your residency or identity by signing a voter's affidavit
- ☆ Vote by absentee ballot
- ☆ Report illegal or fraudulent activity

You Count

Vote

Tuesday, November 2

Voter education information from the North Dakota Tribal Voter Initiative Project



# Thunderbird sculpture dedication set

BISMARCK,— A dedication program for Bismarck's newest public art sculpture is scheduled for Thursday, October 21 at 2 p.m. at Keelboat Park on River Road south of the Grant Marsh Bridge. The new creation is a powerful American Indian spirit that depicts something North Dakotans should be familiar with — thunderstorms.

Over the summer, students of the United Tribes Technical College Art/Art Marketing Program designed and constructed the image of Thunderbirds, as part of a school project.

"Watching them work on this was a thrill," said Wayne Pruse, Director of the UTTC Art/Art Marketing Program. "They worked their hearts out."

Measuring 15 feet high and approximately 30 feet across, the new sculpture depicts four giant Thunderbirds, with heads and talons thrust forward, emerging from a thundercloud.

The Bismarck-Mandan Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Committee supported the project and the Bismarck Park Board commissioned it in June.

"We've created a partnership for public art with this project," said Steven M. Neu, director of the Bismarck Parks and Recreation District. "We know it will enhance the riverfront, attract people to the area and bring some notoriety to Bismarck. We're hopeful it can lead to more public art in the city."

Plans call for continuing the collaboration with UTTC students to create more sculptures located on park district property along the riverfront trail over the next five years, said Neu. The artistic theme will be the Eagle, a bird frequently seen along the river.



UTTC Art/Art Marketing student Jamie L. Ducheneaux by the Thunderbird sculpture that will be dedicated October 21 at Keelboat Park on River Road in Bismarck. UTN photo Wayne Pruse

While the images on this new sculpture resemble eagles, Thunderbirds are considered spiritual messengers in tribal culture and not the same as living birds of prey. According to the UTTC students working on the project, Thunderbirds represent the sacred power that produces thunder and lightening. The image is present in the cultural art forms of many tribes.

"This was a first rate educational opportunity," said Pruse. "The students learned about preparing proposals and working with funders and contractors. And they learned about working in a new medium that's being used quite a bit elsewhere around the country."

The Thunderbird was made, said Pruse, as many new public sculptures are, from structural foam, a cost effective, strong and durable substance that easily lends itself to forming and shaping by artists. Seven UTTC art students worked on the project in the workshop of Aquatic

Delights, a Bismarck company owned and operated by Paul Scherr that specializes in decorative and artistic building and landscape designs. The students are Jamie L. Ducheneaux (Standing Rock), Dustin Black (Spirit Lake), Todd Trottier (Turtle Mountain), Stacey Speedis (Yakama Nation), Brianne McHugh (Three Affiliated), Joaquin Andrews (Fort Peck), and Gilbert Kills Pretty Enemy III (Standing Rock).

The public program on October 21 will include local and college officials. A Native American drum group will sing an honor song.

The public is invited to attend. Parking is available adjacent to the location of the new sculpture.





# UTTC softball champs

United Tribes Technical College won the Annual Roger Zarfos/United Way Softball Fun Day Charity Tournament on September 18, 2004.

It was a hot and muggy day with incredibly strong wind gusts, but the last minute thrown together team of nine players came home with the victory. The team won all four of their games in the round robin, wooden bat tournament, beating the United Way team for the championship.



Pictured from left in the front row: Heather Williams, Karen Siegfried, Alice Bird Horse, and Rich Bruner. Back row: Deno Four Horns, Bernard Strikes Enemy, Brad Hawk, Terry Decoteau, and Dawn Decoteau. The team looks forward to defending their title next year.

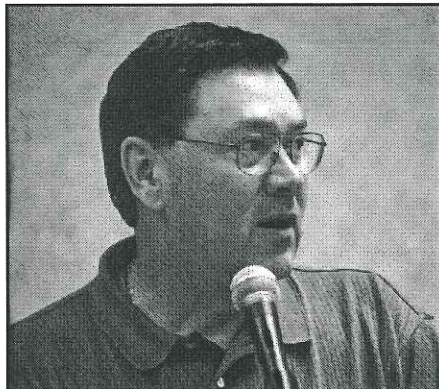
# Thank You

To the UTTC Administrative Council, Faculty, Staff, Students – I want to say thank you for your sympathies and well wishes upon the death of my father. The flowers from United Tribes Technical College and the Small Business Management students were very much appreciated by my family and me. Again Thank You. Carol Anderson

# Injury Prevention Highlights

by Dennis Renville

Dennis Renville, Interim Assistant Dean of Academic Services and director of the UTTC Injury Prevention Program, presented a poster at the IHS Health Summit, September 22 – 24 in Washington, DC. The poster was titled "Education and Employment are Essential for Injury Prevention in Indian Country." The conference theme was "Healthier Indian Communities through Partnership and Prevention."



Dennis Renville

Renville received a thank you letter from South Dakota U. S. Senator Tom Daschle following a meeting with a member of the Senator's staff in Washington.

Daschle expressed his support for the IHS Injury Prevention Grants program. He wrote that the lack of funding for Injury Prevention grants is one of the numerous results of a historical underfunding of the IHS by the federal government. He said the federal government will spend twice as much per capita on health care for federal prisoners this year as it will on health care for people who depend on the IHS.

Daschle said he'd keep Renville's comments in mind when legislation comes up for consideration by the full Senate.

# Some tribal members target Lewis and Clark activities

BISMARCK (UTN)—Upcoming events that mark the Lewis and Clark visit here 200 years ago may have a certain edge to them.

According to published reports, some tribal members plan to target the national "signature event" in Bismarck.

"To us, it's no reason to celebrate," said Deb White Plume, who lives at Pine Ridge, SD, in the *Bismarck Tribune*. "To us, it represents the dawn of genocide."

According to the *Tribune*, an Oglala youth group called Owe Aku, (Bring Back the Way) confronted a group of re-enactors at a Lewis and Clark event in Chamberlain, SD, on September 18 and later in Fort Pierre, SD.

Bismarck event organizers say they will welcome anyone who has a story to tell and allow them to speak their minds in the "Tent of Many Voices," a National Park Service traveling tent in which there are speakers every hour.

A group called the Discovery Expedition of St. Charles is scheduled to arrive south of Bismarck at Kimball Bottoms off Highway 1804 on the east side of the Missouri River on October 22.

Most of the "Circle of Cultures" events take place October 22 – 31 at the University of Mary. The event schedule is at: [www.circleofcultures.com](http://www.circleofcultures.com).





# Internship Opportunities

by Vince Schanandore, Career Development Counselor

Here's some information about internships for students who wish to learn more about how government works in Washington, DC.

## SENATE INTERNSHIP

The office of North Dakota U. S. Senator Kent Conrad accepts several students for internships each year. The program provides an overview of work in a congressional office, including the responsibilities and considerations of elected officials as they make public policy decisions. Interns are essential in the daily operations of Senate offices.

Assignments include researching legislation, attending hearings, answering telephones, and assisting with constituent concerns and mail. Interns gain knowledge and experience, and learn to work under pressure and prioritize multiple tasks. Many former interns go on to work as permanent staff members on Capitol Hill.

The deadline for a spring internship is October 15.

To apply, send a completed application form, letter of application, resume, current school transcript, and

three letters of reference to: Senator Kent Conrad, 100 First Street SW, Minot, ND 58701.

The application form is available online or by contacting Gail Bergstad, Intern Coordinator, 701-852-0703, 800-223-4457.

## WHITE HOUSE INTERNSHIP

The deadline is October 15 for Spring 2005 internships at the White House. The program offers an excellent opportunity to serve the President and explore public service.

The White House seeks exceptional applicants for this highly competitive program. In addition to normal office duties, interns attend weekly lectures, tours, and complete an intern service project. All candidates must be 18 years of age, hold United States citizenship, and be enrolled in a college or university

To explore a White House Internship visit the website <http://www.whitehouse.gov/government/wh-intern.html>. For more information contact Ann Gray, White House Intern Coordinator (202)456-2502 or [agrayint@WHO.eop.gov](mailto:agrayint@WHO.eop.gov).

## Reminder

### Apply Early for Spring 2005 Tribal Funding!

Since deadlines vary depending on what funding agency you are applying with – it's best to get your completed application in early.

Students who get an early jump on this process generally get funded!

The WIA office will assist in any way to help get your applications complete also the majority of tribal funding applications can also be picked up at the Financial Aid office.

Work Force Investment Act Program (WIA)

Building # 61

Jackie Ext. 1229

Rose Ext. 1231

Debbie Ext. 1232

## LET'S ALL GO TO HAWAII AND CELEBRATE A LUAU

WHERE: LAND GRANT ROOM (SKILLS CENTER)

DATE AND TIME: FRIDAY OCTOBER 29<sup>TH</sup>, 2004

FROM 11:30 TO 12:30

PRICE: \$5.00 PER PERSON

MEAL MANAGER: DAWN LAMBERT

FEATURING MENU  
HAWAIIAN TOSSED SALAD WITH HONEY FRENCH DRESSING  
KALUA PORK  
ALOHA SWEET POTATOES  
HAWAIIAN SWEET ROLLS  
MACADAMIA FUDGE TORTE WITH ICE CREAM  
LUAU PUNCH, COFFEE, WATER

TASTE BUDS FEELING A LITTLE DULL??  
LET'S SPICE 'EM UP WITH SUPER BURRITOS (STUFFED, WITH BEEF, SPANISH RICE, REFRIED BEANS AND TOPPED WITH SHREDDED LETTUCE, DICED TOMATOES AND RED SAUCE.)

THEN COOL THEM DOWN WITH DESSERT, FEATURING BURRLOS TOPPED WITH VANILLA ICE CREAM, CINNAMON, HONEY, AND WHIPPED CREAM

YOUR CHOICE OF MILK, COFFEE, MOCK SANGRIA

WHERE: LAND GRANT ROOM 111 (SKILLS CENTER)

TIME: 11:30 TO 12:30 PM

WHEN: OCT. 22, 2004

PRICE: \$5.00 PER PLATE

MEAL MANAGER  
AMORETTE M. BULLHEAD



# Kerry/Edwards positions

John Kerry and John Edwards describe their positions with respect to Native Americans at their website [www.johnkerry.com](http://www.johnkerry.com). The following is a distillation of their beliefs:

*Kerry and Edwards will work every day to promote tribal sovereignty. While there are a number of successes in Indian Country, in these times of economic hardship - worsened by the policies of the Bush administration - Kerry and Edwards recognize that the Federal government must partner with tribes to improve access to health care, provide more educational opportunities, and strengthen economic development efforts*

## SOVEREIGNTY

- ◆ Support regular and meaningful consultation and collaboration with Tribal governments in the development of regulatory practices that significantly or uniquely affect tribal communities

## TRUST REFORM

- ◆ Seek to work with Tribes to continue meaningful and accountable trust reform

## HEALTH CARE

- ◆ Increase funding for the Indian Health Service
- ◆ Expand and Improve Medicaid and CHIP
- ◆ Support preventative care, including initiatives for diabetes and cancer screenings
- ◆ Strengthen programs that help Native American seniors including Medicare and Medicaid and better access to health care

## INFRASTRUCTURE

- ◆ Will increase funding for roads and other infrastructure projects in Indian Country
- ◆ Will work to improve homeownership and build safe, affordable housing

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- ◆ Will help increase loans to Native-owned small businesses through SBA
- ◆ Would create a permanent Office of Native American Affairs at SBA
- ◆ Would create a new grant program to assist American Indians and Alaska Natives
- ◆ Will make Indian Country an important part of a jobs creation plan

## EDUCATION

- ◆ Support repairing and building new schools for American Indian children
- ◆ Will work to improve the reading levels of this country's Native American children, including incorporating culturally relevant curriculum
- ◆ Supports increased funding for tribal colleges - Kerry has written to President Bush opposing his efforts to limit set-asides for tribal colleges

## CRIME/ TRIBAL JUSTICE

- ◆ Supports providing resources for law enforcement in Indian Country and promoting state-tribal cooperative agreements to reduce crime
- ◆ Supports increased funding for tribal courts

## HOMELAND SECURITY

- ◆ Will work to ensure that tribal governments take their place with state and local governments to protect the security of America including advocating specific legislative changes to assure tribal governments have an equal place at the table
- ◆ Will create a Native American position in the Department of Homeland Security

## ENVIRONMENT/ENERGY

- ◆ Seek to partner with tribal governments to explore alternative energy sources such as wind and solar power
- ◆ Will work cooperatively with tribes to ensure that natural resources are preserved

## APPOINTING NATIVE AMERICANS

- ◆ Will work to appoint Native Americans to key positions in DOI, Department of HHS, EPA and Homeland Security, among others
- ◆ Will work to appoint Native American judges to the federal judiciary
- ◆ Will re-open doors to White House and appoint a Native American to a senior position in the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs

## KERRY RECORD

- ◆ Worked for greater respect of sovereignty and more recognition for Tribes
- ◆ Voted repeatedly to protect the land rights of the White Earth Band in MN
- ◆ Worked to speed a BIA decision regarding the Nipmuc tribe's claims
- ◆ Cosponsored the Wampanoag Indian Claims Settlement Act
- ◆ Supported greater rights for the Navajo and Hopi tribes in land claims
- ◆ Voted for a bill to grant federal recognition of the Lumbee Tribe in NC
- ◆ Voted consistently for increased health care including restoring \$50 million for NA health facilities
- ◆ Voted against Republican plan to devastate NA education programs and voted to increase education funding
- ◆ Cosponsored the Native American Small Business Development Act
- ◆ Voted to fund National Museum of the American Indian
- ◆ Cosponsored resolutions recognizing "1992 as the Year of the American Indian" and designating the Month of November "Native American Indian Heritage Month"

# President honors National Museum of the American Indian

President George W. Bush hosted a group of tribal leaders and other dignitaries in the White House East Room September 23, at which time he lauded the opening of the National Museum of the American Indian. The following is the text of his remarks posted at the White House website.

*Thank you all for coming. Thank you all. Please be seated. Welcome to the White House. Laura and I are so honored that you're here, and we're honored to be with you.*

*This week, during one of the largest gatherings of American Indians in our nation's history, we celebrate the legacy of the first people to call this land home. And we celebrate the opening of the National Museum of the American Indian, a unique and beautiful place that will introduce generations of visitors to a strong and living tradition. That museum is a long time in coming, but it now stands in a place of honor, exactly where it belongs, on the National Mall in Washington, D.C.*

*The President recognized Senator Ben Nighthorse Campbell, Interior Secretary Gale Norton, Assistant Secretary Dave Anderson and other dignitaries in the audience, as well as tribal leaders and the Cherokee Choir. The museum's location on the Mall is fitting, because the American Indian experience is central to the American story. That story has involved great injustice against native peoples, and great contribution by native peoples. We remember Sacagawea's presence with Lewis and Clark. What a heroic woman she was. We remember the patriotism and bravery of the Code Talkers in World War II. We're still looking for Clarence Wolf Guts. (Laughter) We also remember all the Native Americans who fought to defend America, including the 17 American service personnel we just recognized here.*

*Native Americans have supported this country during its times of need. And their contributions have made America stronger and better. Decades ago, there were some who viewed American Indians as the vanishing Americans, people on the margins of our national life. Yet, the exhibits in the new museum, and the museum, itself, carry a different message. Many of its staff and curators are Native Americans, and the exhibits are created in close consultation with the tribes.*

*The National Museum of the American Indian shows how your ancestors once lived, and it does much more than that. It affirms that you and your tribal governments are strong and vital today, and provides a place to celebrate your present achievements and your deepest hopes for the future. It allows all Americans to experience the rich culture of the American Indian.*

*Native American cultures survive and flourish when tribes retain control over their own affairs and their own future. That is why, earlier this morning, I signed an executive memorandum to all federal agencies reaffirming the federal government's longstanding commitment to respect tribal sovereignty and self-determination. My government will continue to honor this government-to-government relationship.*

*Long before others came to the land called America, the story of this land was yours, alone. Indians on this continent had their own languages and customs, just as you have today. They had jurisdiction over their lands and territories, just as you have today. And these sovereign tribal nations had their own systems of self-governance, just as you have today. (Applause.)*

*The National Museum of Indian Affairs affirms that this young country is home to an ancient, noble and enduring native culture. And all Americans are proud of that culture. Like many Indian dwellings, the new museum building faces east, toward the rising sun. And as we celebrate this new museum and we look to the future, we can say that the sun is rising on Indian country. Welcome to the White House. May God bless you. Thanks for coming.*



# TJES Tidbits

Theodore Jamerson Elementary School (TJES), created in 1972, is a Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) grant school comprised of grades K-8.

TJES is located on the campus of United Tribes Technical College (UTTC), which is located approximately 2 miles south of the city of Bismarck, North Dakota.

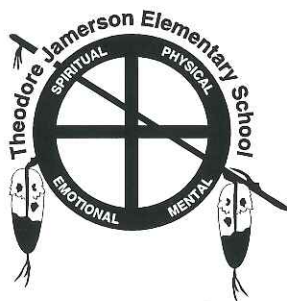
The college is intertribal and supported by five reservations in North Dakota including Spirit Lake Sioux Nation, Standing Rock Sioux Tribe, Three Affiliated Tribes, Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa, and the Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe.

Students from TJES come from many different nations, predominately from the states of North and South Dakota, Montana and Minnesota. Nearly two-thirds of the students have Dakota or Lakota affiliation. We have 30 nations represented at our school this year. Over the past 5 years, our average yearly enrollment has been 124 students. This school year (2004-05), we have 160 students enrolled! The children of the college students make up the majority of our school population. The remainder of our enrollment comes from college staff children and open enrollment from the cities of Bismarck

and Mandan. TJES operates a bus daily from the city of Bismarck to transport students

Our school is somewhat spread out as staff and students are not all under the same roof. The TJES office, Kindergarten, Grades 1 and 2 are housed in the main building. Grades 3, 4, 5 and 6 are housed in the new building across from the main building. Grades 7 and 8 are housed in a brick building just off the bowery. We The Little Blue Building houses the Resource Staff and the cream colored RMC is the Reading and Math Center.

TJES students go to the gym for their Health and Physical Education classes. Library and music classes are held in the brick building across the street from the main building. Sam Azure is the principal of TJES as well as Dean of Childhood Education at UTTC.



## Apprentices needed at Bonneville Power

PORTLAND, OR – The Bonneville Power Administration (BPA), an agency of the Department of Energy, is actively recruiting for its High-Voltage Electrical Apprentice Program in Portland, OR. The program seeks substation operators, high-voltage lineman, and power systems electrician apprentices.

A spokesperson says BPA is looking for motivated, educated students studying electronic cur-

riculums or some electric program gearing themselves for employment in the electrical trades. The program is three-and-one-half to four years. Apprentices are paid.

For more information contact Craig Rademacher, Agency Recruiter, Bonneville Power Administration, 360-418-2753, [cfrademacher@bpa.gov](mailto:cfrademacher@bpa.gov) or visit the website <http://www2.transmission.bpa.gov/EdCar/Apprenticeships/default.cfm>.

## Food safety certification course scheduled

BISMARCK (UTN) – Experienced food service workers and managers, daycare workers, food vendors, and private restaurant owners are encouraged to attend the nationally recognized ServSafe course October 26 – 27 at United Tribes Technical College.

Participants will be trained to take the national ServSafe exam at the end of the course. The exam documents knowledge of health problems caused by poor food handling, the benefits of hand-washing and personal hygiene, food codes and business issues, cleaning and sanitation procedures and times and temperatures for cooking, serving and storing foods.

UTTC instructor, Pat Aune will teach the course. The \$130 fee includes the ServSafe Coursebook, Third Edition, printed resources and UTTC's Together, Sharing Food Safety CD.

For registration information contact Aune at 701-255-3285 x 1399 or e-mail [paune@uttc.edu](mailto:paune@uttc.edu).

UTTC's Land Grant Extension Program, USDA's Cooperative State Research, Education and Extension Service (CSREES) National Integrated Food Safety Initiative sponsor the institute.

### Academic Calender

**October 22**  
Last Day to Drop a Class

**November 3**  
Professional Development Day  
(no classes)

**November 11**  
Veterans Day Observance  
(no classes)



# Dear Friends at United Tribes,

My family and I would like to thank you for keeping us in your thoughts and prayers over the past month. On September 13, I had a heart attack and on September 20, we were blessed with the birth of our daughter, Emma Marie. As you can imagine, it was a very stressful and difficult time.

We received many cards and flowers; many people phoned and sent e-mails. Many people cooked full meals for our family for two weeks. We can't begin to express how much your friendship and help meant to each of us.

These experiences can be traumatic for children and ours were having a difficult time. Your help made them feel comforted. I can't thank you enough.

We talked about this experience and concluded that we are truly blessed and very fortunate to be part of the United Tribes Community.

God bless each of you. May you be rewarded for your generosity and kindness.

Sincerely,

The Swaggers

Russell, Wanda, Ramon, Robert, Joshua, Tyneesha, Alicia, Russell Jr. and Emma

# Mayor names two to Human Relations Committee

Bismarck Mayor John Warford has named two Bismarck residents to the Mayor's Committee on Human Relations and the City Commission confirmed the nominations. The two are Daphne Ghorbani and Shih Ru Martin.

Daphne Ghorbani is an associate professor in education at the University of Mary. Ghorbani lived, worked and studied in the United Kingdom,

# Student Fund-raising Activities

by Pat Aune

Is your group planning to sell tacos, chili, or burgers to raise funds? If so, plan to borrow electric fry pans, slow cookers, serving tongs, ice chests, etc. from the Land Grant food safety program. You will also receive disposable aprons, hair nets, gloves and cleaning products. These resources are free to campus groups but advance reservations are required.

Students enjoy homemade goodies and they enjoy sharing their food specialties but preparing food for large groups is challenging. Cooking for a large group requires larger equipment and more equipment than most people have at home or in the dorm room. It is also better if the food is prepared in a public or business kitchen that has been inspected for health and safety issues.

With advance planning and reservations you can come to the Skills Center food lab, cook the food, refrigerate food that is ready for the fund-raising event, borrow serving equipment and then return for clean-up. Since Nutrition and Food Service students use the lab for preparing quantity foods we will need to check

the schedule and plan in advance to accommodate other groups.

Why is this being done? Many youth and adults on this campus are at high risk for foodborne illness. Anyone with a health problem like diabetes or cancer, children under four years of age, and pregnant women are considered to be high risk. Sometimes the illness is flu type symptoms that are over in a few days or could require hospitalization for dehydration and other complications. Pregnant women need to avoid listeriosis which causes miscarriage, premature delivery, or death of the newborn baby.

Share safe food by learning and following food safety rules. Call Pat Aune, UTTC Food Safety Educator, ext. 1399 for "**15 Steps to Serving Safe Food at Student Fund-raising Activities**". This is a short guide to some of the food safety issues. Ask for the reservation form that be used by campus groups.

**"Together, Sharing Food Safely"** is a UTTC Land Grant Extension program supported by the U.S. Department of Agriculture National Integrated Food Safety Initiative.

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as well as  
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# Handshake from Hillary



Margaret Teachout (Standing Rock) said she was very honored to meet New York U. S. Senator Hillary Rodham Clinton during a visit to Washington, DC for the opening of the National Museum of the American Indian. After a talk in the Dirksen Senate Office Building on September 23, Clinton finished a speech, left the podium and went directly to greet Mrs. Teachout, the mother of UTTC President David M. Gipp. She later said it was the highlight of her visit to DC. The Senator's talk was about how important it is for Congress to live up to commitments made to American Indians.

# Enrollment still trending upward at UTTC

BISMARCK (UTN) – Enrollment at United Tribes Technical College continued on a steady increase during Fall Semester 2004, posting another record for a single term. An Enrollment Services Report for the week of October 11 listed the total student count at 509.

The increase represents a growth in student population of five percent over one year earlier and the highest single term student count on record.

Over the past two years enrollment has increased as the college plans to expand the campus, improve infrastructure, and upgrade housing and educational facilities.

According to the report, more students were enrolled in the Licensed Practical Nursing vocation (57) than any other curriculum. Forty-seven students were enrolled in Criminal Justice and 46 in Computer Information Technology.

The vocational-technical college offers training in 17 Associate of Applied Science programs and 11 certificates programs.

Of the 509 students enrolled, 259 are new students. Twenty-seven students are taking classes online during the term in six campus-based vocations. Nine students are enrolled at the Owens Valley Career Development Center, Bishop, CA, a UTTC branch campus.

The previous single semester record enrollment at UTTC was set one year ago during fall semester 2003 at 482. Registration for the term ended September 24.

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# Spirit Week brings out Entertainment



UTTC Spirit Week October 4 - 8 included a women's tug-of-war contest during halftime of the annual flag football match with UTTC and Sitting Bull College, and crowning of Queen Daniel Good Luck (Three Affiliated) and King Kevin Mentz (Standing Rock). UTN photos Dennis J. Neumann

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