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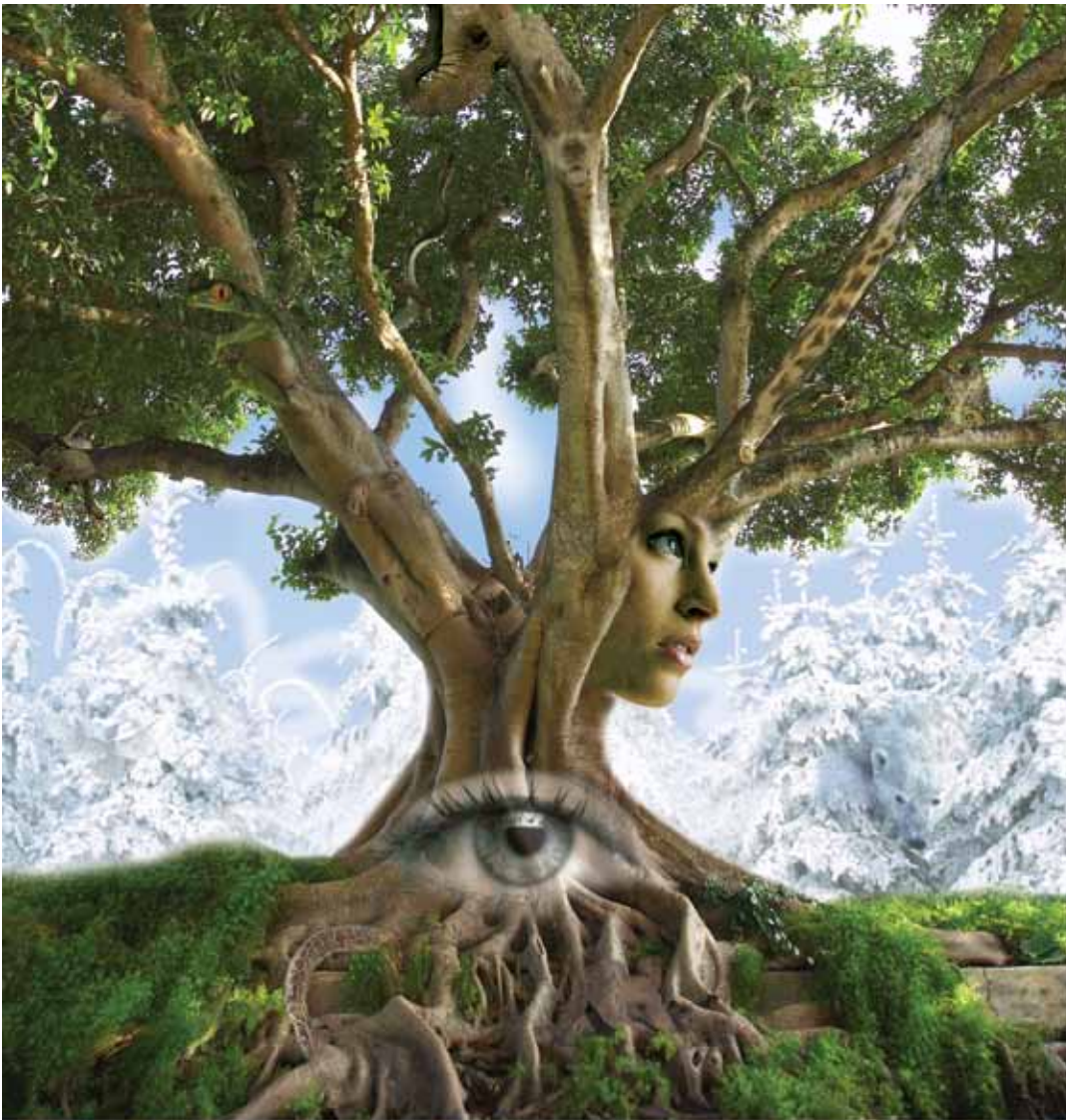


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WORKIN' FOR WELLNESS: A group of early-risers follow the moves of United Tribes Fitness Specialist Dan Molnar during a fitness class January 18 in the college's Wellness Center. The 6:30 a.m. sessions are a new offering in an array of wellness programs underway on the tribal college campus for ten years. Story and information pages 12-13.

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Tribal High School Students Connect with College

United Tribes Launches Dual Enrollment Program

BISMARCK (UTN) – “It was a great way to start a group of students on their journey into higher education and kick-off the new program.”

That’s how Julie Desjarlais described the launch of a dual enrollment program at United Tribes Technical College.

Desjarlais is UTTC’s Online Outreach and Training Coordinator. She and her team in the United Tribes Educational Outreach program hosted high school students for a two-day campus visit December 8-9.

“Our first enrolled class was ‘FIRST CLASS!’” says Desjarlais. “The students

Four Winds High School (Spirit Lake Tribe); and Tiospa Zina High School, Sisseton, SD (Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate).

Dual enrollment proves advantageous for most students. It allows them to ease the transition from high school to college and get a head start on a college career. There is evidence that it also promotes high school graduation and later improves persistence in remaining in college.

The United Tribes program began by enrolling 33 students for Spring Semester 2012. To qualify, each must have a 3.0 GPA or better. The participating schools are required to

United Tribes President David M. Gipp, who said he was delighted to see so many students from the different schools on campus.

UTTC plans to continue its educational outreach by visiting predominantly Native schools in the region and offering online dual enrollment. The program allows high school students to bank credits, providing an incentive to finish high school and make the transition to college.

“But even if they choose to stay in their community and enroll in a local tribal college or another college of their choice, it’s all good.”

–Julie Desjarlais, UTTC Online Outreach and Training Coordinator



COMPARING DIGITAL NOTES: Montoya Smith, left, and Taniesha Rainbow, both from Four Winds High School (Spirit Lake Tribe), in the United Tribes computer lab December 9 during the college’s first dual enrollment program. DENNIS J. NEUMANN ♦ United Tribes News

conducted themselves as high achievers with dignity and class. It was a wonderful experience for them and their school advocates.”

Dual enrollment involves students receiving instruction from two separate, academic institutions. In this case, students from three different tribes traveled hundreds of miles to Bismarck to check-out the program and become enrolled in a tribal college. The inaugural cohort involved students from Turtle Mountain Community High School, Belcourt, ND, and St. John High School (both Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa);

appoint an advocate, or liaison, to work directly with the students and coordinate the instruction they take online from UTTC.

While at United Tribes, the high school students toured the campus and became familiar with their electronic connection to college during an online orientation in the college’s computer lab. They were briefed by college staff members about enrolling, registration and financial aid. They heard from other Native American high school students in a series of videos funded by the North Dakota College Access Network and North Dakota University System. And they met with

“The goal of dual enrollment is to help make the transition as stress-free and seamless as possible,” says Desjarlais. “It’s a real opportunity for the students and their high schools.”

It’s also an opportunity for the college. UTTC hopes the experience will lead students to choose to continue at the college by pursuing an online education or enrolling as a traditional college student.

“But even if they choose to stay in their community and enroll in a local tribal college or another college of their choice, it’s all good,” says Desjarlais. “The colleges will get well-informed, confident students, with a jump start on their post-secondary education. Everyone benefits.”

The United Tribes Educational Outreach team works under the direction of Russell Swagger, VP Student and Campus Services, and includes: Monte Schaff, Educational Outreach Director; Chris Baillie, Web Developer; and Julie Desjarlais, Online Outreach and Training Coordinator. Major funding for the program, including the kick-off event, was provided by the North Dakota College Access Network. For more information contact Julie Desjarlais 701-255-3285 x 1374, jdesjarlais@uttc.edu.

UNITED TRIBES STAFF NEWS

PRAYING BETTY BETTER

Friends and colleagues in the United Tribes Wellness Center and across the entire campus send prayers of sunshine and love to counselor **BETTY ANHORN** for a speedy recovery. We miss you every day. You're in our thoughts and in our hearts, and seeing Betty better is what we pray. Remember, a bend in the road is not the end of the road; it's a new moment on the journey we share. We're here for you, just as you've always been for us.

What was it in the sweep of the sky, the giant outcropping of rock, the sassafras leaf in my hand? I did not know, but I felt hushed by awe and a quite joy.

– Avery Brooke

– Julie Cain, CHC Director

NEW TO STUDENT & CAMPUS SERVICES

MARCUS CLAY AUSTIN is the college's new Strengthening Life-styles Program Director. He was born and raised on Standing Rock in Ft. Yates, ND. He returned to Bismarck with his wife Kathy and two daughters Ava and Aaliyah after living in Hawaii for three years. Much of his family lives in Bismarck, including four brothers (three of whom are currently UTTC students), his mother Mary and grandmother Thelma Luger. Marcus earned a bachelor's in Human Biology from Brown, an Ivy League University in Providence, RI. He spent over a decade strengthening the academic, financial and personal lives of his students, employees and friends. As a grant director and small business owner Marcus served the Standing Rock and Fort Totten school systems. He provided ACT preparation and college access curriculums through his company, Future Generations. He is an enrolled member of the Cheyenne River Tribe. His office is located in the Wellness Center off the multi-purpose room: 701-255-3285 x 1357, maustin@uttc.edu.



JOLENE DECOTEAU is the college's new



Housing Director. She worked for the Turtle Mountain Housing Authority as the Low Income Housing Tax Credit director. She has 14 years of Indian housing experience in the areas of occupancy, compliance and low income housing tax credit program management. She also worked for the North Dakota Public Housing Authority in Rolette County. The Turtle Mountain Housing Authority received awards for the success of their tax credit program from the likes of Raymond James Tax Credit Funds, Inc. and the North Dakota Housing Finance Agency. Jolene earned an Associate of Applied Science-Management, Associate of Arts, and Associate of Science degrees from Turtle Mountain Community College and holds a Site Compliance Specialist Certification, Spectrum Training Award Certification in Rural Development, and a Tax Credit Compliance diploma. Ms. Decoteau is an enrolled member of the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa. Her office is located in building 1B (Student and Campus Services), upper level: 701-255-3285 x 1513, jdecoteau@uttc.edu.

RANDY LAMBERTH is the college's new



Director of Residential Life. He comes to United Tribes with an educational background from the University of Mary. Randy, his wife Tivona, and three-year-old daughter Madison moved from California three years ago to make Bismarck home. Randy graduated from the University of Mary in 2005 with a B.S. in Physical Education teaching, and will graduate in May with a master's degree in Elementary and Secondary Administration. Prior to being hired at United Tribes, Randy served as a graduate assistant for the U-Mary football program. Previously he taught physical education at Salida Middle School in California. Randy's office is located on the first floor of

the Co-Ed Dorm: 701-255-3285 x 1391, rlambirth@uttc.edu.

– Kathy Johnson,
Sr. Associate VP Student and Campus Services

HOLIDAY FOOD DRIVE

Thank You to everyone on the United Tribes campus who contributed to the holiday food drive. Collected were eight full boxes that were delivered to the Bismarck Emergency Food Pantry! Thank you all for donating!

– Shani Bordeaux, Land Grant Programs

CERTIFICATIONS EARNED

Please join me in congratulating **JULIE M. CAIN**, UTTC Chemical Health Center director, for earning two significant professional certifications, one for herself and one for the department. Julie is now state certified in South Dakota for counseling at the CCDC II level. She also prepared and submitted the review and compliance information to have the Chemical Health Center's DUI License successfully certified for an additional two years. I am so proud of your accomplishments!

– Sheri Baker, Associate VP
Community Wellness Services

THANK YOU

Thanks for your generosity in remembering my mother. The flowers were beautiful.

– Dorvin Froseth, BOT Instructor UTTC

LIFE-SAVING EFFORT

Congratulations to United Tribes Security Officers **SYLVESTER TWO BULLS**, **RYAN FOOTE** and **JANET WHITE SHIELD** for saving a life on December 30. The three quickly responded to a call and used their training to save a young man's life. Assistance later came from Burleigh County Sheriff's Deputies and EMS.

Our officers receive continuous training and engage in exercises and scenarios to prepare them for incidents. In this case it paid off and we are grateful for their dedication to the campus community.

– James Red Tomahawk, UTTC Security Chief

World Aids Day observed

BISMARCK (UTN) – As the college has done in the past, United Tribes Technical College used “World Aids Day 2011” as an educational opportunity. A program of information and education was conducted December 1 at the college.

“It’s important to our students, staff and other community members that we persist in our efforts to improve understanding about HIV-AIDS,” said David M. Gipp, United Tribes President, in a statement encouraging participation. “Because of new medicines, treatment, and changes in social behavior, the virus and its effects can be greatly deterred and dealt with. But American Indians are still at greater risk than the general population. And prevention is the key.”

The UTTC audience heard from guest speaker Dr. Steven Johnson of the Denver Medical Center, Denver, CO, a specialist in the field.

“North Dakota has the distinction of hav-

ing one of the lowest rates of HIV infection in the United States,” said Johnson. “That’s a good thing and it’s important that we talk about HIV today and keep that rate very, very low.”

According to the North Dakota Department of Health website, 227 people are living with HIV in the state, said Johnson. Seventy-eight percent are male and 22 percent female.

“This is a disease of young adults and also adolescents who are sexually active,” said Johnson. “Sexual activity is the most common way that HIV is transmitted.”

Johnson pointed out that there are more tools available now to fight HIV. Twenty-six



Dr. Steven Johnson, Denver, CO, guest speaker at UTTC’s observance of “World Aids Day” 2011.

different medications have been approved.

“The fact that we have so many medications now it has transformed HIV infection from an illness that many people died from to one that many people can live a long life with,” he said. “The treatments for HIV have been called the most dramatic gains in life-saving therapy in the last 25 years in all of medicine.”

“People who are living with HIV and take these medications have the potential to live a normal lifespan now,” he said. “We’ve really transformed this disease from an infection that caused a lot of illness to now a very manageable disease.”

From his clinic experience in Denver, Johnson said the advent of treatment has reduced the number of deaths from AIDS from 10 percent in 1995 to less than one-half-of-one percent last year. “For those familiar with HIV-AIDS as a serious illness, you can see the importance of these treatments.”

Johnson said one of the key messages on “World Aids Day” is the importance of finding people who are living with HIV and getting them into treatment with effective therapies. That will improve their personal health and help prevent transmission of the disease.

Johnson pointed out that reducing the number who become infected with HIV is the number one goal of the Obama Administration. Following that is to increase care and optimize health for those living with HIV, and third is to reduce HIV related disparities. Certain people in the United States are disproportionately affected, including people of color and the poor, he said.

Johnson emphasized that HIV testing is a way to learn more accurate information how the disease with respect to minority populations and the mainstream.

The UTTC observance of “World Aids Day” was sponsored by these United Tribes programs: Chemical Health Center, Strengthening Lifestyles, Student Health Center and the Wellness Circle. An event at UTTC to mark the national observance of Native American HIV/AIDS Prevention will take place in March 2012.

More information Julie Cain 701-255-3285 x 1276 jcain@uttc.edu.



FAST FACTS:

HIV: A virus that damages the body’s white blood cells.

AIDS: A term that describes a condition where the immune system has been weakened by the HIV virus.

Over 1 million people are living with the HIV infection in the U. S.

600,000 people have died of AIDS in the U. S.

50,000 new infections in the U. S. each year.

ND has one of the lowest rates of HIV in the country.

The ND Dept. of Health has specific information about HIV in North Dakota: <http://www.ndhealth.gov/HIV/default.htm>, 800.706.3448

– Dr. Steven Johnson

Saving energy on campus is rewarded

BISMARCK (UTN) – A single mother of three, studying nutrition and foodservice at United Tribes, has been recognized for her efforts in saving energy at her home on the college campus in Bismarck.

Delett Siegfried, from the Standing Rock Tribe, became involved in the college's 2011 Family Home Revitalization Project. She did so well the college recognized her with an award December 13 for outstanding participation.

The Tiwaha Tipi Okolakiciye Project was initiated in August by the Campus Green Committee, a group of staff members tasked with addressing campus energy conservation. One of their initiatives involved a pilot project with some of the tenants in the college's 80 family student housing units that serve the college's long-standing commitment to provide on-campus housing for students with families.

"The idea was to make this a learning opportunity for students and staff," said Jamie White Mountain, of the UTTC Housing Department and a member of the Campus Green Committee. "It involved education and training, demonstrations, installation of new equipment, and the adoption of personal conservation practices."

To her credit, Delett jumped on the idea of modifying her campus home for better energy sustainability. She attended meetings and participated in the in-home trainings. She chose to have an energy saving refrigerator and stove installed. She had all her light bulbs converted to the new-style, energy-saving florescent variety. In the bathroom, the toilet was switched-over to an energy efficient unit that uses less water. She sealed



At left, Delett Siegfried (Standing Rock) a student in the United Tribes Nutrition and Foodservice program, earned a cash award for her outstanding participation in the college's Family Home Revitalization Project, presented by Jamie White Mountain of the UTTC Housing Department.

all her windows with plastic to block cold infiltration and save on heat. And, she and her sons Robert (5), Adin (4) and Christopher (3) worked hard on limiting their electricity use by things like turning-off lights when not needed and unplugging appliances.

"Delett did a terrific job," said White Mountain. "She attended all trainings and participated with the in-home training, in which we showed her how to put plastic on the windows."

In addition to having a warmer home, Delett's reward was a certificate of congratulations, a \$300 check, some new winter clothing for herself and her boys, the everlasting knowledge of some ways to save energy, and the satisfaction of having accomplished a significant task in sustaining one's family.

The Tiwaha Tipi Okolakiciye Project was funded with a grant for campus energy sustainability from United Negro College Fund.

What comes next in campus sustainability for United Tribes?

The continuing challenge is to find ways to conserve energy and improve sustainability in the 100-year-old brick buildings on campus that were once a military fort. A tall order, but not as tall now that the Green Committee is on the case and there are students around like Delett Siegfried.

Here's how to connect with the Green Committee and present your ideas: 701-255-3285 x 1500, greencommittee@uttc.edu. Meetings are scheduled each Tuesday from 8:30-9:30 a.m.

Online course introduced for Native business start-ups

The U. S. Small Business Administration rolled out a new offering in January to help Native entrepreneurs determine if they're ready for business ownership.

The "Native American Small Business Primer: Strategies for Success" is a free, self-paced business course offered online. It provides an overview of basic business principles and describes the programs and

services available from the SBA.

The agency calls the offering an "essential business development tool." It emphasizes business planning and market research as essential steps to take before going into business; describes the legal aspects of starting a business; and provides key information about seed money, raising capital, and borrowing. There is also a

section on how to estimate business start-up costs that can help assess the financial needs of going into business.

The course is available from the SBA's Online Small Business Training web page under Online Courses for Starting Your Business at <http://www.sba.gov/content/online-courses-starting-your-business>.

Apply Early For Tribal Funding!

In order for students to receive the best possible chance of obtaining tribal funding, we encourage you to **APPLY EARLY!** With your home funding agency!

If you are plan on attending school in **SPRING 2012**, its best to contact your home funding agency **NOW** to meet application deadline dates!

WHY APPLY EARLY:

- Deadline dates vary for every tribal funding agency
- Awards are based on availability of funds
- Priority for selection maybe awarded on a first come first serve bases

REASONS FUNDING MAY BE DENIED:

- Missed deadline date
- Incomplete files
- Did not apply

DOCUMENTS GENERALLY REQUIRED FOR AN APPLICATION TO BE COMPLETE:

- Acceptance letter from educational institute
- Financial needs analysis (budget) – from financial aid officer
- Semester / mid-term grades (student **MUST** maintain a 2.0 GPA)
- Class schedule

CRITERIA SUBMITTED FOR TRIBAL FUNDING MAY VARY FOR NEW AND RETURNING STUDENTS:

To ensure application completeness, contact and follow up with funding agency frequently.

TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT (WIA) CLASSROOM TRAINING ASSISTANCE:

ALL students MUST apply with home funding agency first.

The WIA office is located in building # 61 on campus. For students who need assistance contacting agencies or completing tribal funding applications please call 701/255-3285 ext.1229 / 1231

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Teacher Ed. grant proposals funded by NEA

By Leah Hamann, Teacher Education Faculty, UTTC SNDEA Chapter Advisor

Congratulations to the United Tribes Teacher Education students on two successful grant proposals funded by the National Education Association.

The NEA's Student Program Office announced approval January 10 of a \$1,000 grant for a Spring Carnival for the United Tribes Infant Toddler Center and Preschool.

The proposal was submitted by the UTTC chapter of the Student North Dakota Education Association (SNDEA). The grant writer was Shyanne Schmalz.

Last spring the group sponsored the Children's Carnival for the center children and TJES children and their families. There was a really good turn-out but the fund-raising to pay expenses was challenging. They wanted to keep the admission cost down to 25 cents to be affordable for children and their families to participate in carnival activities. The event generated \$700 in proceeds that was recently donated to the TJES library for children's books.

The current proposal was written to fund all the carnival expenses so the entire pro-

ceeds from the upcoming Spring 2012 Carnival can be donated. The carnival is tentatively set for Saturday, March 31 from noon to five in the James Henry Community Center gym. An Easter hunt is in the plans along with an Easter theme. The Carnival is open to the public.

The NEA also funded a second proposal for professional development. Rolenthea Begay and Arin Casavant wrote the grant application that was approved for \$2,000. The funding will convene pre-service teacher candidates from local SNDEA chapters for three evenings of professional development focusing on the independent literacy program "The Daily 5." Dr. Jean Hall, principal and educator, and Tara Hofman, both of Jeannette Myhre Elementary School, will be presenting. The workshops are scheduled for February 23, and March 8 and 22 in the lower level of the United Tribes Jack Barden Center from 5:30 to 7 p.m.

Congratulations and good job to the entire UTTC/SNDEA group!



DAKOTA DIGITAL FILM FESTIVAL

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Kickoff meeting held for Upper Missouri Tribal Environmental Risk Mitigation Project

BISMARCK (UTN) – United Tribes Technical College hosted a kickoff meeting December 12 for the Upper Missouri Tribal Environmental Risk Mitigation (UM-TERM) Project.

Representatives from federal sponsoring agencies attended, along with several tribal colleges, to discuss resources available for the project.

UM-TERM was awarded \$1.6 million as part of the Obama Administration's Jobs and Innovation Accelerator Challenge. The project focuses on the upper Missouri River region in the Dakotas and Montana to help accelerate jobs and business development in natural resources and reduce unemployment in economically distressed tribal areas. The cluster leverages existing resources of tribal colleges, the Native American Business Enterprise Center funded by the Minority Business Development Agency, and tribal planners.

Represented at the meeting were: the SBA, EDA, DOL and USDA Rural Development, along with Sitting Bull College, Cankdeska Cikana Community College and Fort Berthold Community College.

The meeting was coordinated by Barbara Schmitt, United Tribes Economic Development Director, 701-255-3285 x 1436, bschmitt@uttc.edu.



Listening to United Tribes Technical College President David M. Gipp at the UM-TERM Kick-off meeting, from near Dr. Gipp to left: Stacey Baker, CTE Director/Business Instructor, Fort Berthold Community College, New Town, ND; Jim Stai, SBA District Director, Fargo, ND; Christine Sorensen, USDA Rural Development Coordinator, Pierre, SD; and Dale Van Eckhout, Senior SBA Area Manager, Bismarck, ND. At rear is Brent Maxon, Brek Maxon, Coordinator of the ND/SD Native American Business Enterprise Center at UTTC.

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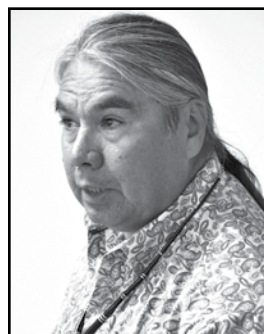
Hall named to national panel on Indian Trust

WASHINGTON – Tex G. Hall, chairman of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Mandan/Hidatsa/Arikara Nation, is among five prominent Native Americans named to a national commission on Native American Trust Funds. The commission, named by Interior Secretary Ken Salazar, is to undertake a “forward-looking, comprehensive evaluation” of Interior’s trust management of nearly \$4 billion.

Hall was active in the Cobell trust reform case and currently serves as chair of the Inter Tribal Economic Alliance and chair of the Great Plains Tribal Chairmen’s Association.

Other members of the Commission are:

Chairperson Fawn R. Sharp, president of the Quinault Nation and president of the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians; Dr. Peterson Zah, former president of the Navajo Nation; Stacy Leeds (Cherokee), dean and professor at the University of Arkansas School of Law; and Bob Anderson (Minnesota Chippewa-Bois Forte Band), professor



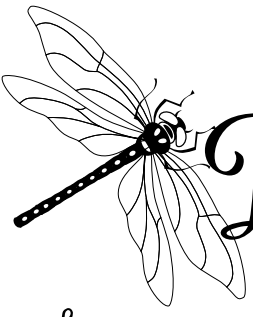
TAT Chairman, Tex G. Hall

of law and director of the Native American Law Center at the University of Washington.

Interior said the panel is part of President Obama’s commitment to fulfilling the nation’s trust responsibilities to Native Americans

“This commission will play a key role in our ongoing efforts to empower Indian nations and strengthen nation-to-nation relationships,” Salazar said.

The commission is expected to complete a comprehensive evaluation within 24 months of Interior’s management and administration of the trust assets and offer recommendations for how to improve in the future.



Dragonfly Tales

*Gardening Tidbits
to Inform & Inspire*

By Colette S. Wolf, UTTC/USDA Land Grant Horticulture Extension Educator

As our new semester begins, I wish to extend a warm, winter welcome to our new and returning students, faculty and staff! Even though our campus gardens are resting quietly for the winter, a relaxing stroll or invigorating jog along our paved campus trail can offer you a view of our many gardens. Keep your eyes open and you will see our Medicine Wheel Garden, Kids Garden, Anne Kuyper Community Garden, Traditional Garden and our new, south campus Dragonfly Garden.

You will see the Dragonfly Garden located at the end of Burleigh Avenue, adjacent to the airport fence-line. For those familiar with the garden, a few activities have taken place to prepare the plantings for winter. For instance, mulch mounds like muskrat huts surround each rose bush. Mulch refers to



United Tribes photos Colette S. Wolf



any material used to spread around or over a plant to enrich or insulate the soil. The mounds insulate the plant crowns where growth will begin in the spring. The dark, black mulch is made locally. City residents can donate grass clippings and leaves that the City of Bismarck composts into this lovely, nutrient rich mulch.

Notice the plastic tubing placed loosely around each fruit tree trunk? The tubing protects the young, thin bark from developing cracks caused by exposure to freeze/thaw temperatures, sun and wind. Tubing also provides a barrier from deer, rabbit and mouse damage. Keeping the tubing loose prevents many insects from making themselves at

home. The light-colored plastic absorbs less heat from the sun, which would add to the freeze/thaw conditions in winter. Freezing and thawing can crack the bark, while the sun and wind can cause the cracks to get bigger. The trees are also sprayed each month with a non-toxic deer and rodent repellent spray. This stinky smelling, organic mixture turns deer, rabbits and mouse noses the other

way. Fruit tree twigs and bark make a good snack in the winter months, so the spray and tubing keep the young trees protected from our animal friends. These measures all assist our Dragonfly Garden plant community to grow healthy and strong to produce the apple, pear, plum, cherry and other fruits soon to form on the maturing trees.

We have a new addition to the Anne Kuyper Community Garden, located on the north side of the campus (airport side) between Sisseton Street and the paved campus trail. Thanks to our maintenance crew, our newly remodeled Anne Kuyper Community Garden Shed is now in place. It was built by our Construction Technology class. We have Steve White Mountain; Construction Technology Instructor, to thank for making the inside inviting to garden ways. It is now an excellent outdoor learning space! And this summer, it will be a nice place to share tools, stories, knowledge and good food.

Winter might be upon us, but gardening thoughts happen all year long. We hope to inform and inspire you to garden with us, as the growing season approaches.



Spring Term Underway at United Tribes

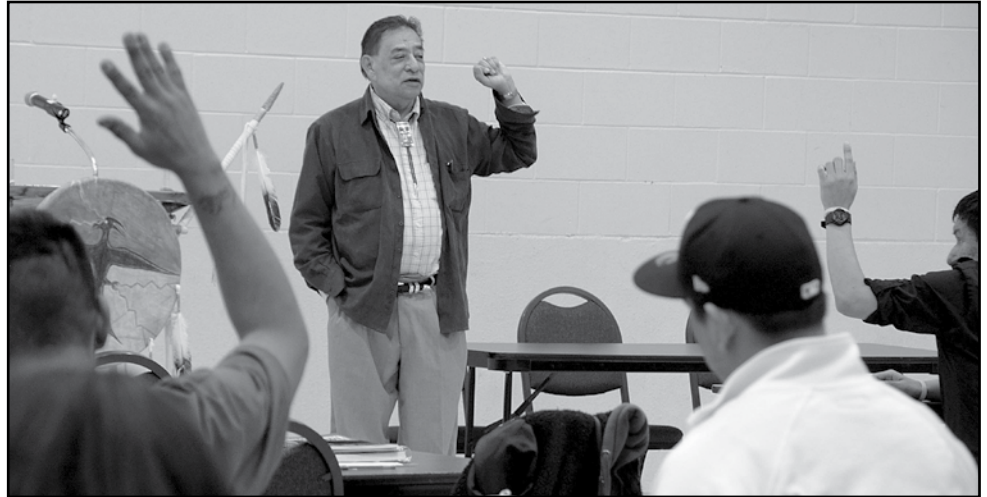
BISMARCK (UTN) – Spring semester 2012 at United Tribes Technical College got underway January 3 with student orientation. New students gathered in the college's Wellness Center to get set for the start of classes on Thursday, January 5.

Some students had moved into on-campus housing in homes and dormitories as early as December 29. Classes began January 3 at Theodore Jamerson Elementary School, the on-campus school for the youngsters of students attending the college.

Orientation included COMPASS testing for new students, review of the student handbook, campus walking tours, registration with advisers, sessions about financial aid and career success, and talks from college leaders.

Dr. David M. Gipp, United Tribes president, welcomed students and advised them about how to get the most from their college experience. Gipp (Hunkpapa Lakota/ Standing Rock) is in his 34th year as leader of the college. Other speakers included the college's vice presidents and key department personnel.

Student orientation was titled "Elements for Success." It was coordinated by staff members of Enrollment Management and Career Development.



United Tribes President Dr. David M. Gipp talks with new students during spring term 2012 orientation on January 3. United Tribes News photos DENNIS J. NEUMANN



Student ambassadors huddle January 3 for last minute instructions during UTTC student orientation.



New students visit with Wayne Pruse, Art/Art Marketing Program director, during an orientation campus tour January 3.

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Where I'm From

Novelist and poet Wendell Berry, among others, has voiced the idea, "If you don't know where you're from, you'll have a hard time saying where you're going." A basic premise of multicultural education at United Tribes is that we must know who we are, and where we come from, in order to appreciate the diverse world in which we live.

A poem by George Ella Lyon is called "Where I'm From." We used it for a writing assignment in the Multicultural Education course during fall 2011. The poem lends itself well to an exploration in belonging. Here is a sample of four of the Teacher Education students' poems.

— Lisa Azure, EDU 290
Multicultural Education Instructor

Where I'm From

by Daniel Miller, Three Affiliated Tribes

I am from a beautiful land,
from Notre Dame Stadium to Allen
Field House in Lawrence, Kansas.
I am from the lush and fertile green
and gold landscape of New Town.
I am from the grain, the sunflowers,
and the winding narrow creeks.
I am from powwows and family
reunions; I am a Bearstail
and a Miller from Ireland.
I am from a family of
gifted athletes and dancers.
I am from a family
of cowboys and ranchers.
I am a Christian; I am a child of God.
He sent his only child to die on the
cross for me and my sins. The Lord is
my Father, provider, and protector. In
Him do I trust my life.
I am a father and husband.
I am a family man with a purpose;
taking care of my loved ones
is that purpose.
I am needed every day,
from big tasks to small tasks.
I am needed.
I am from New Town, the Fort
Berthold Indian Reservation.
I am a half-breed, an Indian and a
white Irishman.
I am an American.

Where I'm From

by Nikita Knight, Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe

I am from a large empty bag of M and M's, from Applebee's and Petro Serve USA.
I am from the trailer on the left,
where the sun rises over the brown hills and where you can still smell clean air.
I am from spider dandelion hemp oil, the bamboo, bird of paradise, clear water.
I am from the gathering at holidays, pug noses and elevens,
from Mark and Darla Shupick, Long Days, Knights and Jensens.
I am from the one who yells at gatherings and causes the most stress at family events.
From "Don't look outside the window at night or the Gee Gees will get you"
and "Back in the day Rapid City bus to Ellsworth Air Force Base only cost twenty-five cents."
I am from being baptized as a child to growing up in a very spirited Christian family.
I am from Pierre South Dakota, days and nights, peas and carrots.
From the "one time your father ran down the street with a straw in his mouth,
tripped and ended up losing a tonsil"
and "your uncle Roni lit a fire cracker in his back pocket and now has a mean o' scar".
I am from covered in mud in the front yard, sleeping in the car, sitting on the couch,
taking short walks with the animals and giving love.

Where I'm From

by Eliza Neigum, Bismarck, ND

I am from the 80s, born on the 1st day of the year, in a place where many are born.
Where the cries of new life and the smell of fresh skin is overwhelming.
I am from a crack house. A room filled with homeless drug addicted people.
Lost in the world of addiction and hurt.
I am from the honey bees that fly free amongst the cotton plants,
the place where my ancestors slaved for years.
I am from Southern Baptists and Christians, born God fearing with no sins.
from Shonetta and Erskin. Clayborne or Hopson would be my last name.
I am from a dysfunctional family, where yelling and cussing is the means of communication. What
is not norm for many is our way of life.
With the voice of, "You are in a better place" and "They gave you up because they loved you"
echoing in my ears.
I am from a single mother, drug addicted, welfare abusing, non motivated woman,
a woman who is lost and will someday be found.
The person I get my looks, smile, laugh, and attitude from.
These traits I have collected from her do not limit me but only drive me.
Des Moines, Iowa is the place I am from, youngest of 3 children.
Where cornbread, greens and fried chicken were served at most every meal.
From the separate but equal classrooms, underground railroad,
and the efforts of my ancestor Harriet Tubman.
From the white debris on my mother's nose.
The Midwest East side of the D, from behind the tracks where murders and burglaries are the
regular. Where poverty is dominant.
A place I have come to love but refuse to let define me.

Where I'm From

by Shanaye Packineau, Three Affiliated Tribes

I am from the country, from John deer tractors and Wrangler jeans.
I am from the rolling hills and country side along the beautiful Lake Sakakawea.
I am from the sage brush, the sweet aroma it brings.
I am from family gatherings and constant bickering, from Mervin and Tina and Packineaus.
From respecting your elders and always being generous.
I am from the competitive and intelligent.
I am from Native American beliefs and Christianity backgrounds.
I'm from Minot, North Dakota, of Norwegian and Native American ancestors,
fry bread and lefsa.
From the politician I call my Father, the gardener I call my Mother,
and the athletes I call my brothers.
I am from where you wake up to cows mooing, to the smell of manure when the ground thaws.
From the hills and beautiful scenery I call home.
I would never ask for anything more.

Campus wellness ini

BISMARCK (UTN) – Daniel Molnar offers this iron-clad guarantee to the students and staff of United Tribes Technical College: they'll be 'wide awake' after starting their day with him. It's because of his 6:30 a.m. fitness class three days per week.

Molnar is the college's fitness specialist. He signed on last fall as part of a team of new players promoting wellness through fitness in a program called Strengthening Lifestyles.

"We're aiming to help people live well by getting themselves into a wellness routine if they don't have one," said Marcus C. Austin, the new director of the program. "Even if it isn't the morning class, we're committed to finding ways of making wellness activities accessible and part of people's daily routines."



Horseshoe during staff wellness day

Fitness Team

Austin grew up at Standing Rock and was educated at Brown University. He and his family recently returned to the area after living in Hawaii. His academic, management and business skills and experience are valued in UTTC's Strengthening Lifestyles Program. The program coordinates an array of campus lifestyle activities, events and programs that range anywhere from youth activities, walking clubs and beading, to movies, dancing, aerobics and handgames and more. UTTC has a long history of activity programming for its students and staff going back to the college's origins in 1969. The program now

is more involved and firmly established as an indispensable part of campus life, funded through the college's general fund and not by grants that might come and go.

Austin's staff includes Molnar, who is also the college's track and cross country coach, and newly hired Family Specialist Brad Barter, a Lakota/Oglala from Canada, who built a career in the military and later became an addiction counselor. Physical Specialist Tamera Marshall (Standing Rock), with the program for three years, recently filled-in as director when Ruth Buffalo-Zarazua, the program's first director, accepted a scholarship and left to pursue a master's degree in Public Health.

Wellness Center

The program's strong emphasis on physical activity is well-suited to its location in the college's \$2.7 million Lewis Goodhouse Wellness Center. Dedicated in 2006, it was named to honor a college founder from one of the college's governing tribes, Spirit Lake. With state-of-the-art exercise equipment and facilities, it might be mistaken for a health club. But, physical fitness is only one component of the center's holistic mission. The new facility allowed the college to bring together several of its programs that employ professional nurses, counselors and advisers. Along with the fitness team, the center serves the spiritual, mental, physical and emotional needs of a campus community the size of a small town on the plains (daily population about 1,200) with students who come from over 50 different tribes around the country.

UTTC Wellness Initiative

The college began its wellness program over 10 years ago prompted by alarming disparities in the health status and causes of death of Native Americans. Compared with that of non-Indians, the rates of diabetes, heart disease, accidents and suicide were, and still are, significantly higher. The death rate for all causes of Native Americans in the upper Great Plains was twice that of non-Indians.

United Tribes President David M. Gipp, and his administrative council of vice presidents, initiated a study in 2000. On August 19, 2002, Gipp launched the college's health and

wellness initiative with a formal proclamation. It recognized the health threats to the "at risk" campus population and called for initiatives to join the then-growing "Native, holistic wellness movement." Ten years on, wellness is now a fully-integrated value in campus life.

Wellness Programming

One of the key steps on the road to wellness was bringing together all stakeholders on campus. A group known as the "Wellness Circle" emerged from the early study process and began meeting regularly to implement the initiative.

As planning progressed for the new wellness center building, service providers in the college's Student and Campus Services Division began organizing and expanding their outreach and training efforts into formal wellness programs scheduled throughout the academic year. They developed wellness days, wellness weeks, and wellness walks. Employees were encouraged to adopt the practice of using 30 minutes per/day as a wellness break arranged and approved through their supervisors. Health fairs were conducted to raise awareness about Native health issues and pro-



Yoga at UTTC

initiative ten years on

vide specific health screening information to individuals. Surveys were administered and dozens of wellness speakers were invited to campus. The topics ranged from diet and diabetes to smoking cessation, fitness exercising, spiritual healing, and the 'Red Road' sobriety way of life.

The concept of "healthy lifestyle choices" was promoted. Benefits were to be found in improved academic and work performance, and in more favorable rates of absenteeism and retention among students and in the workplace. An added goal was to address the volume of health care usage in the college's self-funded group health insurance plan.

Campus Collaboration

The health and wellness initiative created a synergy on the campus that helped form a particularly strategic partnership on a central component of wellness: diet. The United Tribes Land Grant programs, along with the college's Nutrition and Foodservice academic vocation, joined forces with the Wellness Center. The collaboration addresses an often-overlooked and critical dimension in a comprehensive wellness program.

The result has been an emphasis on food and nutrition as part of wellness, and the participation and support of trained professionals. Their presence brings special awareness about the challenge of diabetes for Native Americans. Their work includes educational publications on plains Native diet, the use of buffalo and Native crops like the "three sisters," corn, beans and squash, and the value of a balanced diet that includes vegetables and fruits. There are demonstrations and classes in cooking and food safety, and the further development of campus gardens and gardening programs for students and staff. More recently, the collaborative work of the Wellness Circle has been revived under the coordination of Land Grant Programs Director Pat Aune.

Fitness Game Plan

For Austin, and the other new members of his fitness staff, the challenge of picking up the trail of wellness at United Tribes is made easier by regularly attending the Wellness



Zumba is a popular fitness activity at UTTC. Photos/DENNIS J. NEUMANN

Circle meetings. There they find continuity by receiving briefings about past activities and upcoming initiatives. They now report on their own emerging fitness game-plan for the campus community.

"In my own experience, I'm struck by how we take for granted the benefits of being active," said Austin. "We all grow up being active. Later, the weight we put on certainly points us back toward activity. I believe we can get people back into that lifestyle but it has to be with routines they can maintain. And that's really the key. It has to be adopted as part of a person's lifestyle. It takes a commitment to resume being active and stick with it."

One commitment of the fitness staff is to always have someone available in the Wellness Center during its regular hours 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. weekdays and 1 to 9 p.m. on weekends. Lengthening the hourly schedule is under consideration and new hours may be announced.

"We're gearing up to help people not just in groups but as individuals, to find the routines that will work," said Austin. "We know that Dan's morning workout isn't for everyone. People have lives; they're busy with kids, family, work and their studies.

We're here to help find out what works. How do we serve you where it will be of most benefit to you?"

The staff has published and posted its first monthly calendar of fitness activities. The of-

ferings range from that early-bird workout with Dan, to the walking club, weightlifting, yoga, Zumba, open gym, and much more. Austin is working to integrate the schedule with other events of the academic year to help participants avoid the conflicts that often win-out over fitness activity. Clearly, he and his staff are bringing new energy to the college's wellness team.

For the Strengthening Lifestyles Program, he says, the common theme is to "keep it moving" in your own way. And he urges the campus to take advantage of the golden opportunity to pursue wellness in a place that has worked at it for awhile and recognizes its value.

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More information/official entry form: <http://www.tribalcollegejournal.org/TCJ-student-2012.pdf>

Gandhi Peace Scholarships awarded at UTTC



Nick Houston



Karmin Walker

BISMARCK (UTN) – Two United Tribes Technical College students have been awarded the Sherman Brunelle/Gandhi Peace Scholarships for 2011. The recipients are Nick Houston and Karmin Walker. Each receives a \$500 scholarship award from the Gandhi Peace Network of North Dakota.

Houston is an enrolled member of the Cheyenne River Tribe. He is a student in the college's Tribal Environmental Science Program.

Walker is from the Standing Rock Tribe and studies Graphic Design in the college's Art/Art Marketing Program.

Both are participants in the college's Leadership Through Experience (LTE) program. Nominees for the award were selected based on academic standing, employment skills, work ethic, and teamwork in their LTE assignments.

The Sherman Brunelle/Gandhi Peace Network Scholarship was created in 2003 by Aruna and Vinod Seth, Bismarck, in honor of the late Sherman Brunelle, a United Tribes employee.

More information Judith F. Red Tomahawk, College Works Programs/Financial Aid Advising Coordinator, 701-255-3285 x1509, jutomahawk@uttc.edu

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Scholarship Donation

Thank you to the Tom and Frances Leach Foundation for awarding \$5,000 to the United Tribes "Opportunities in the Making" Scholarship Program. The gift will be awarded to students in the name of Tom and Frances Leach.

– Suzan O'Connell,
Development Director

Chamber Holiday Mixer

Members of the college staff joined the local holiday festivities with a booth at the Bismarck/Mandan Chamber's Holiday Mixer on December 13 at the Bismarck Civic Center Exhibit Hall. The annual event is the largest and best-attended activity of the year, with dozens of local businesses and organizations staffing booths that promote their product or service. It was a great way to mingle and make friends and emphasize the college's value to the local business community. A special thanks to Miss Indian Nations Shanoa Pinkham, for joining in and to Butch Thunderhawk for donating

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DEVELOPMENT NEWS

a beautiful, and original, ledger art print that was gifted as a door prize.

– Charisse Fandrich,
Tribal/Community Development Liaison

Automotive Donation

Thank you to the State Farm Insurance Company for the generous donation of an automobile to the United Tribes Automotive Service Technology Program. The 1994 Mercury Villager had minor body damage and will serve well for instruction and training about the mechanical and operational systems of vehicles of that type and era.

– Dale Pletan, Scott Graeber,
UTTC Automotive Service Technology Program



AMERICAN BANK CENTER GIFT: American Bank Center President Gregory A. Vetter presents a \$2,500 check December 15 to United Tribes President David M. Gipp for student scholarships. The welcome support is the Bismarck bank's second contribution to the "Opportunities in the Making" Scholarship Program. Gipp thanked Vetter and the bank for the generous donation and continued support. Looking on, Kathy Torsky from American Bank Center and Shanoa Pinkham (Yakima), Miss Indian Nations XIX.

**Leave a lasting legacy.
Remember UTTC in your will.**

More information: Suzan O'Connell, Director of Development, United Tribes Technical College
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Three Affiliated donates vehicles to United Tribes

BISMARCK (UTN) – United Tribes Technical College is the beneficiary of a generous donation from one of its governing tribes. Three Affiliated Tribes of the Mandan/Hidatsa/Arikara Nation donated a fleet of law enforcement vehicles to the college in Bismarck.

Chief of Security James Red Tomahawk (Standing Rock) accepted the donation on behalf of United Tribes during a December 5 visit to the tribe’s headquarters and law enforcement facilities west of New Town, ND.

The tribe donated 15 fully equipped law enforcement vehicles that were previously used by the tribe. UTTC will repurpose them to serve in campus security and safety work, and for use by personnel of the college’s Student Health Center. They’ll also be put into service for education in the college’s Criminal Justice education and training programs.

“I’ll be showing students how to operate the light bars, radars, cameras and other specialized equipment in these units,” said Red



Three Affiliated Tribes donated law enforcement vehicles to United Tribes. TAT photo Glenda Embry

Tomahawk. “It’s part of the learning process – to help students gain some familiarity with how this kind of equipment works.”

Five of the units are in running condition. The others will either be repaired and reconditioned by the UTTC Transportation Department, Red Koch, director, or used for their parts and equipment. All have been transported to the campus.

The vehicle donation was facilitated by former UTTC Security Officer Dustin Krueger and Nelson Heart, both with the Three Affiliated Tribal Police Department.

Accompanying Red Tomahawk to accept

the donation was: UTTC Security Secretary Autumn Gwin (Three Affiliated) and UTTC Transportation Dept. employee Thomas McCarty (Three Affiliated). The group presented gifts from the college as a ‘thank you’ for the tribe’s generosity, and a letter of appreciation from United Tribes President David M. Gipp and Vice President Russell Swagger. The gifts were accepted by the tribe’s Chief of Staff Karen Rabbithead.

More information James Red Tomahawk, Chief of Security, United Tribes Technical College, 701-255-3285 x 1300, jredtomahawk@uttc.edu.

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United Tribes Technical College Academic Calendar

FEBRUARY

20 *President’s Day (No Classes or Work)*

MARCH

5-9 *Mid-Term Exams*

12-16 *Spring Break*

21 *College & Career Fair*

23 *Last day to withdraw without academic penalty*

21-23 *AIHEC Conference, Rapid City, SD*

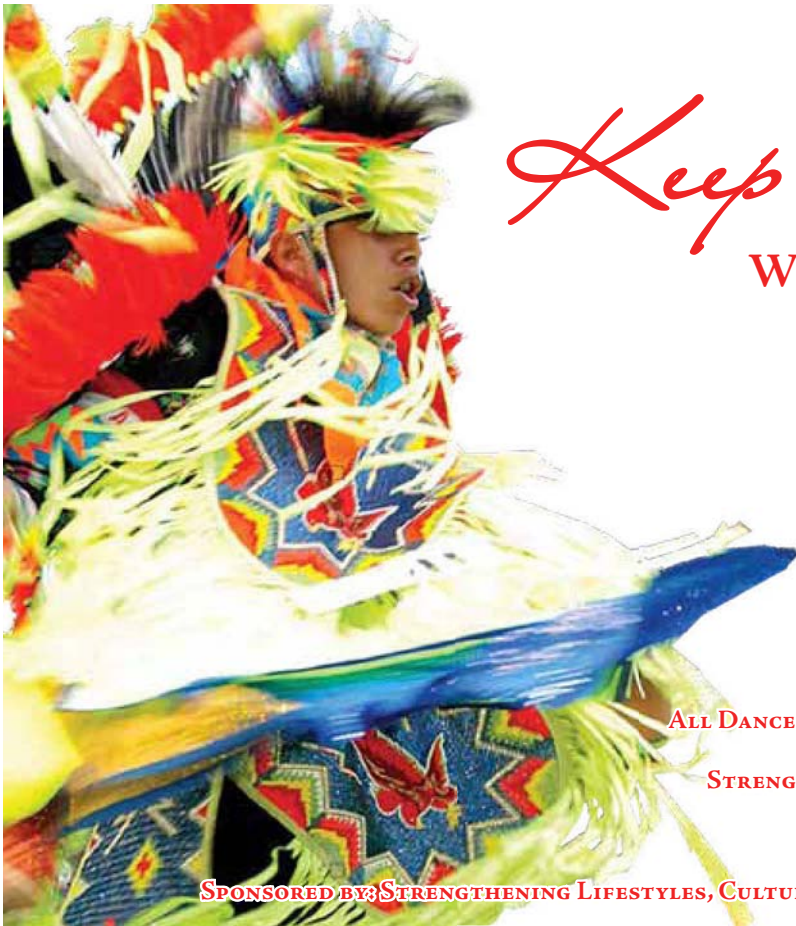
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6 *Good Friday (No Classes or Work)*

16-20 *Summer & Fall Pre-Registration*

30 *Beginning of Final Exams Week*

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UTTC Students are encouraged to schedule an appointment and visit with the Disability Support Services Coordinator in promoting self advocacy towards Academic Success within the United Tribes Technical College community.



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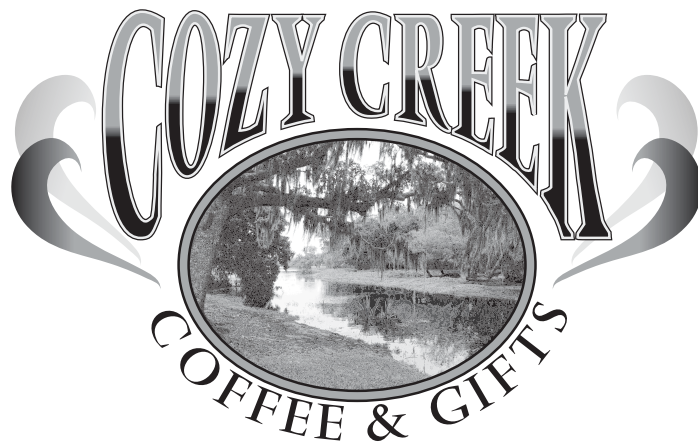
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Friday:	Cook's Choice Soups: Knoephla & Chicken Tortilla

THE LEWIS GOODHOUSE

WELLNESS CENTER



The Lewis Goodhouse Wellness Center houses UTTC's Community Wellness Services. UTTC has made a major commitment to the health and wellness of our students, staff and visitors within the campus community. United Tribes Technical College promotes a safe environment to experience diverse cultures, sample the mainstream, and focus on building the student's future in a good way on their path of "Life Long Learning".

The Wellness Center provides a multi-disciplinary approach enhanced by professionally trained staff. The departments included are: Center for Academic & Personal Counseling, Chemical Health, Disability Support Services, Domestic Violence Advocate, Resident Life - Single Student Housing, Strengthening Lifestyles, and Student Health.



Mission Statement: Our Wellness Center believes in a holistic approach, blending cultural practices with the best in physical, emotional, mental and spiritual care. The Wellness Center provides students and staff with state of the art exercise equipment along with counseling services and healthy living guidance to include support of spiritual growth utilizing traditional methods.



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Nutrition and Foodservice

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UTTC to Host One Day ServSafe®

BISMARCK (UTN) – Experienced foodservice managers, teachers and others interested in professional food safety certification are encouraged to participate in a one-day ServSafe® class on Tuesday, February 28

Hosted by the United Tribes Land Grant Programs at the college in Bismarck, the class is a review and study session for the National ServSafe® exam.

Participants are urged to register as soon as possible so they can read ServSafe® Essentials Fifth Edition prior to the class. Class size is limited to 25. A \$130 fee includes the book and exam fee.

UTTC food safety educator Pat Aune is the instructor. She has taught the course since 2004 to foodservice managers and workers, meat inspectors, environmental health specialists and teachers.

For information or to register, contact Pat: 701-255-3285 x1399, paune@uttc.edu.

Tentative dates for future one day classes are: April 17, August 21 and November 13.

TRIBAL COOK'S WORKSHOP



Join us for a Tribal Cook's Workshop
Monday-Friday
March 12-16, 2012

If you plan menus, maintain inventory, prepare and serve food to young children in childcare settings, the elderly at senior centers, residents of treatment centers or justice centers, this is a skill building workshop for you.

Held in the Nutrition and Foodservice Department, UTTC campus

Register Early – Space for only 20 participants

Cooks attending this hands-on workshop will study food safety and be able to take the National ServSafe® exam. Culinary skills, such as knife use, plating, spices and herbs will be taught by a local chef. Nutrition recommendations will be reviewed and menus planned.

A \$160 registration fee will cover food costs and expenses for the National ServSafe® book and exam fee.

Interested cooks can contact Pat Aune, UTTC Land Grant Director and Food Safety Educator at (701) 255-3285 x 1399 or email paune@uttc.edu.

SAVE THE DATES

Leadership Meeting Calendar

Feb. 1-2 Second Annual MHA Oil & Gas Summit; Kenhall@MHANation.com

Feb. 6 Great Plains Tribal Chairman's Health Board, Aberdeen, SD

Feb. 7-8.... Great Plains Tribal Chairman's Assn., First Quarter 2012 meeting, Aberdeen, SD

Feb. 7-8 National Indian Gaming Association, Washington, DC

Feb. 13-16..... AIHEC 2012 Winter meeting, Washington, DC, by invitation only

Mar. 5 Coalition of Large Tribes meeting, Washington, DC

Mar. 6-8 NCAI Executive Council Winter Session, Washington, DC

Mar. 21-23.. AIHEC 2012 Spring meeting, Rapid City, SD, by invitation only

Mar. 21-23..... Spring 2012 AIHEC Student Conference, Rapid City, SD

Mar. 27-28..... Tribal Interior Budget Council Meeting, Washington, DC

July 18-20..... AIHEC 2012 Summer Board Retreat, Fort Yates, ND, By invitation only



Pat Aune has taught UTTC food safety programs for foodservice workers since 2004. She directs the United Tribes Land Grant Programs and teaches food safety for the Tribal Nations that govern the college. Her 40 years experience in food safety education in Alaska, Oregon and North Dakota make the workshops relevant and enjoyable.

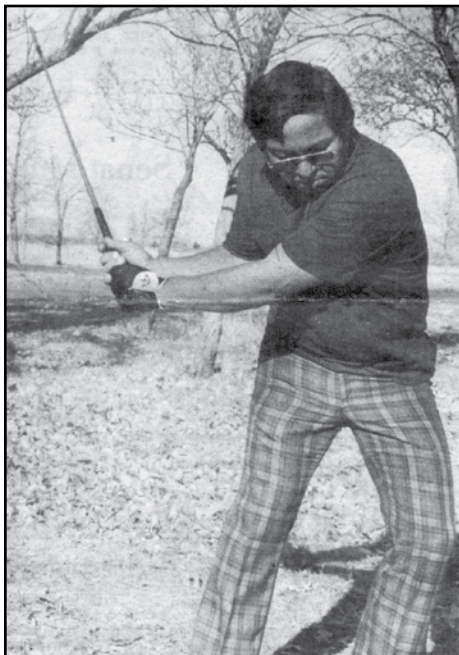


Cynthia Allery is UTTC's nutrition educator for Land Grant Programs. She will share nutrition information that affects menu planning for the tribal cooks. Formerly Cynthia worked with the Turtle Mountain Diabetes Program.

During this workshop Chef Jared Thor Larson will share skills learned as a military chef and as a graduate of the Culinary Institute of America.

DENNIS BURR

The United Tribes campus community noted with sadness the passing of Dennis Burr, 72, Grand Forks, ND, a former college employee, who entered the spirit world Nov. 26 in Fargo. Services were held Nov. 30, at the Twin Buttes Community Center, Twin Buttes, ND (Three Affiliated Tribes). He was buried at the Burr Family Cemetery, leaving his daughter, Kandi; sons, Thomas, Robert, Russell and Wayne Burr; eight grandchildren, one great-granddaughter; four brothers, Evan Jr., Larry, Lonnie and Tracy; and his sisters, Marlene Ward and Deb Wilson.



Dennis Burr in 1974.

Dennis was the assistant to the director of United Tribes in charge of special projects in the early and mid 1970s. He is also known far and wide for a sweet swing that earned him titles in two formative Indian golf tournaments in the fall of 1974. Then 34, he captured the first U.S. All-Indian Golf Championship and later out-paced a field of 65 golfers to claim the First Annual National Indian Golf Tournament. He was a determined amateur, who taught himself the game by following a golf instruction series on TV featuring Sam Snead and Byron Nelson.

– UTN/Editor

CENTER FOR ACADEMIC & PERSONAL COUNSELING

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The CA&PC is committed to the UTTC student by providing professional and cultural development services to enhance life-long learning, personal growth and educational success.

VISION STATEMENT:

A holistic, healthy student is the center of our vision. This includes social, mental, physical and spiritual growth in support the UTTC student in an increasingly changing environment of learning.

VALUES:

We will provide standards of ethical conduct to protect the well-being of our students. We value the quality of student life and are committed to honor and respect all Native Americans and their cultures. We express our values through listening, confidentiality, trust, honesty, competence, integrity, courtesy, and serving our students with care and professionalism at all times.

SERVICES:

The Center for Academic & Personal Counseling offers a variety of services. Such services are held in the strictest of confidentiality. The services include, but are not limited to:

- Supportive Academic & Personal counseling (Individual, family, group)
- Assisting in the transition to UTTC Community life
- Supportive Counseling Consultation services
- Referral services
- Mediation services
- Intervention services
- Campus Wellness & Educational activities



United Tribes Technical College JOB OPENINGS

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- Dean of Academic Instruction
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- Criminal Justice Instructor
- Business Administration Instructor
- Health Information Technology Program Instructor
- Daycare Aide

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- Vice President for Enrollment Management
- Assistant Registrar
- WebMaster
- Associate Vice President of Community Wellness
- Housing Custodian
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- Kitchen Aide/Dishwasher
- Resident Assistant - Live In
- Housing Custodian -PT
- Online Course Developer - Part Time
- Women's Dorm Resident Assistant
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- Security Officer

INTERTRIBAL PROGRAMS

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THEODORE JAMERSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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- DeMaND Data Workkeys Administrator
- UM-Term Case Worker/Training Planner
- Assistant to the President

MORE INFORMATION:

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701-255-3285 x 1213 or hr@uttc.edu.

Visit the United Tribes website for a full job description and application: www.uttc.edu
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Native youth report issued

BISMARCK (UTN) – The Center for Native American Youth, founded in 2011 by former U.S. Senator Byron L. Dorgan, has issued a report about Native youth.

“Voices of Native Youth Report, Volume 1” summarizes the results of a series of roundtable discussions with 150 Native youth in seven states around the country in 2011.

Young people in grades 6 to 12 participated in one-hour, small group discussions moderated by members of the center’s staff. The conversations revolved around the challenges and successes facing them and their tribal communities.

The center also partnered with the NCAI on a youth summit in Milwaukee, WI and with the National Indian Health Board and Healthy Native Communities Partnership on a Native Youth Track focused on health and wellness in Anchorage, AK.

The 17 page report presents key themes from the roundtables; the Native youth perspective on education, suicide prevention, community living, and extracurricular activities; and recommendations from the youth for decision-makers like tribal leaders, federal agencies, policy-makers, tribal organizations and the Center for Native American Youth.

It is available online as a downloadable document at the center’s website hosted by the Aspen Institute: <http://cnay.org/NativeYouthVoices.html>.

More info: Center for Native American Youth, One Dupont Circle, NW, Suite 700, Washington, DC 20036-1133, 202-736-2905, cnayinfo@aspensite.org.

Voices of Native Youth Report **KEY Themes**

EDUCATION

- Students want more support from their communities, schools and families to help them succeed in school.
- Youth find it difficult to stay in school when their friends and peers are dropping out, and students expressed experiencing limited positive reinforcement for those who stay in school.
- When applying for or enrolled in secondary education, Native American students want access to tribal support services and groups.
- College-bound students say they need help finding financial support for secondary education.

SUICIDE PREVENTION

- Native youth do not always feel comfortable reaching out to adults when they or someone they know is thinking about suicide. Youth are more likely to talk to their peers about these issues.
- Native youth know suicide is an issue in their communities, but lack the resources to safely identify and help peers who are thinking about suicide.
- Despite community leader and school administration efforts to promote, support and raise awareness to suicide prevention, many students are still unaware of health promotional programs or suicide prevention initiatives in their communities

COMMUNITY

- Many young people from Native communities say they see alcohol and drug use among their family and friends everyday.
- It is difficult to refrain from substance abuse with constant peer pressure and easy access to drugs and alcohol.
- There is a sincere interest in Native culture. Youth want more opportunities to participate in their Native traditions and activities.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- Youth want more after-school activities to keep them out of trouble, and they want community event planners to engage the whole family.
- Students have expressed that they need a safe place to spend time after school and during weekends.

NATIVE YOUTH LEADERSHIP

- Youth want more responsibility by being included in decision-making and developing partnerships with their tribal leaders.
- Native culture is important to youth and they want to share their culture with non-Native members of their community.

Artist fellowship applications available online

Individual Artist Fellowship program in **Visual Art** and **Media Arts**

Monetary fellowship to support professional artists with outstanding talent and ability, improve their artistic skills, and enhance their career opportunities.

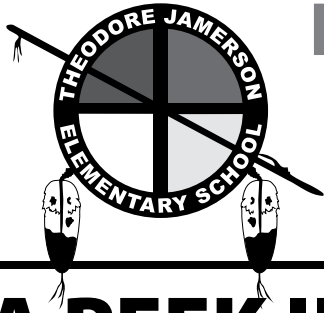
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THEODORE JAMERSON ELEMENTARY



TIDBITS

A PEEK INTO THE MUSIC CLASSROOM



December Concert

Percussion played a central role in the Theodore Jamerson December concert. Wooden sticks, harmonic tubes, xylophones and stomping feet were among the musical instruments featured in the December 8 program.

The rhythmic event was presented by all eight grades of TJES students under the direction of first-year music Instructor Nichole Bernier.



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Selections included American folk songs, traditional African songs, Native American songs and chants, and Broadway musicals. The presentations allowed the students to work toward meeting national standards for music instruction, wrote Bernier in the event program.

It also provided entertainment and a source of pride for parents and family members who attended in the United Tribes gymnasium.

TJES youngsters are primarily the children of students who attend United Tribes Technical College. The K to 8 elementary school enrollment is 166.

Theodore Jamerson Elementary Honor Roll

4TH GRADE

Nevaeh Bear Eagle.....	3.00
Santina Bishop	3.00
Aliyah Hopkins.....	3.00
Eli Shaving.....	3.00
Tallon Long Feather	3.25
Nortilla Okwei	3.75
Nevaeh Quarry	3.75
Siavy Yazzie	4.00

5TH GRADE

Sierra St. Claire	3.00
Larissa Fox.....	3.00
Tyra Lends His Horse	3.167
Jacquelyn Little Boy	3.167
Trevin Yazzie	3.500
Jerral Murray	3.667
Kobe McKay	3.833
Daeshawn StrongHeart.....	4.00

6TH GRADE

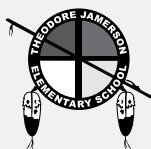
Devin Benson	3.00
Trinity Lends His Horse Duarte	3.00
Dayton Two Bulls	3.20
SaVannah Crow Ghost	3.20
Dace Eagleman	3.20
Emaura Fox	3.40
Esmarie Cariagea-Whiteman.....	3.40
Mayan Fox	3.60
Quinton Howling Wolf	3.60
Tayson Long Feather	3.60
Gwyneth High Elk.....	3.60
Marques High Elk.....	3.60
Kaeleigh Cain.....	3.80
Tayla Blaine	4.00

7TH GRADE

Elissya Feather Earring	3.00
Chae Marrowbone.....	3.20
JoLynn Windy Boy	3.20
Mary Charboneau.....	3.20

8TH GRADE

Shyla McKenzie	3.00
Charish Hoss	3.20
Dusty Keplin	3.20
Hayden StrongHeart.....	3.20
Hallie McDaniel.....	3.40
Elijah Feathr Earring.....	3.40
Sarah Gunville	3.60
Shanna Douglas.....	3.60



Spring 2012 TJES Enrollment: 179

Donation made for library books

BISMARCK (UTN) – The presentation of two gift cards totaling \$700 was greeted with a rousing cheer and waving hands by students of Theodore Jamerson Elementary School. And not because it meant toys for Christmas.

The gift came from the United Tribes chapter of the Student North Dakota Education association (SNDEA). The group hosted a carnival earlier in the year and raised money for books for the TJES Library.

Representatives of the student group made the presentation December 8 in the college gymnasium with all eight grades of TJES youngsters looking on from the bleachers.

Enrolled in TJES are 166 children of students who attend United Tribes Technical College.



GIFT OF READING: Presenting the donation, from left, Yvonne Howling Wolf (Three Affiliated), Kara Four Bear (Cheyenne River), Rolentha Begay (Dine'), Memoree Skinner (Cheyenne River), and Shyanne Schmalz (Standing Rock), all UTTC Teacher Education students, with Mari Ferguson and Sam Azure, TJES librarian and principal.

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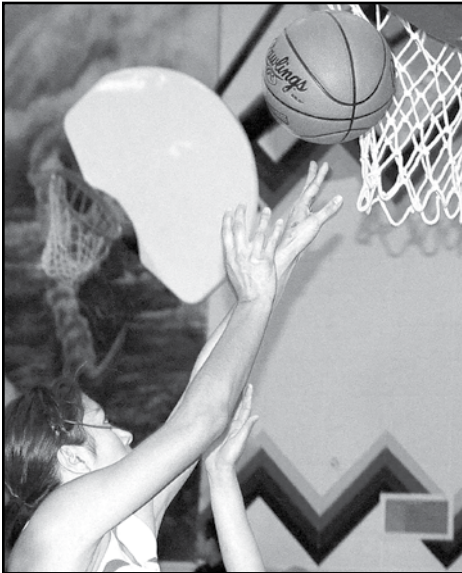
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United Tribes Technical College

THUNDERBIRDS



10, Tayla Belgarde, 5-10, forward, Dunseith, ND



41, Ryan White Bull, forward, Fort Yates, ND



21, Dashun Robinson, 6-6, forward/center, Atlanta, GA

THUNDERBIRDS SCHEDULE

FEBRUARY

2	Lake Region State	M&W	6-8 pm
6	Bismarck State	M&W	6-8 pm
9	NDSCS	M&W	6-8 pm
13	N-State-U, Aberdeen, SD	Women	6:30 pm
16	Dakota College @ Bottineau	M&W	6-8 pm
20	Williston State	M&W	6-8 pm
23	Bismarck State	M&W	6-8 pm
26 & 29	Region 13 Playoffs @ Bismarck State	Men	TBA

MARCH

3-4	Region 13 Playoffs @ Bismarck State	Women	TBA
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- Tribal Management

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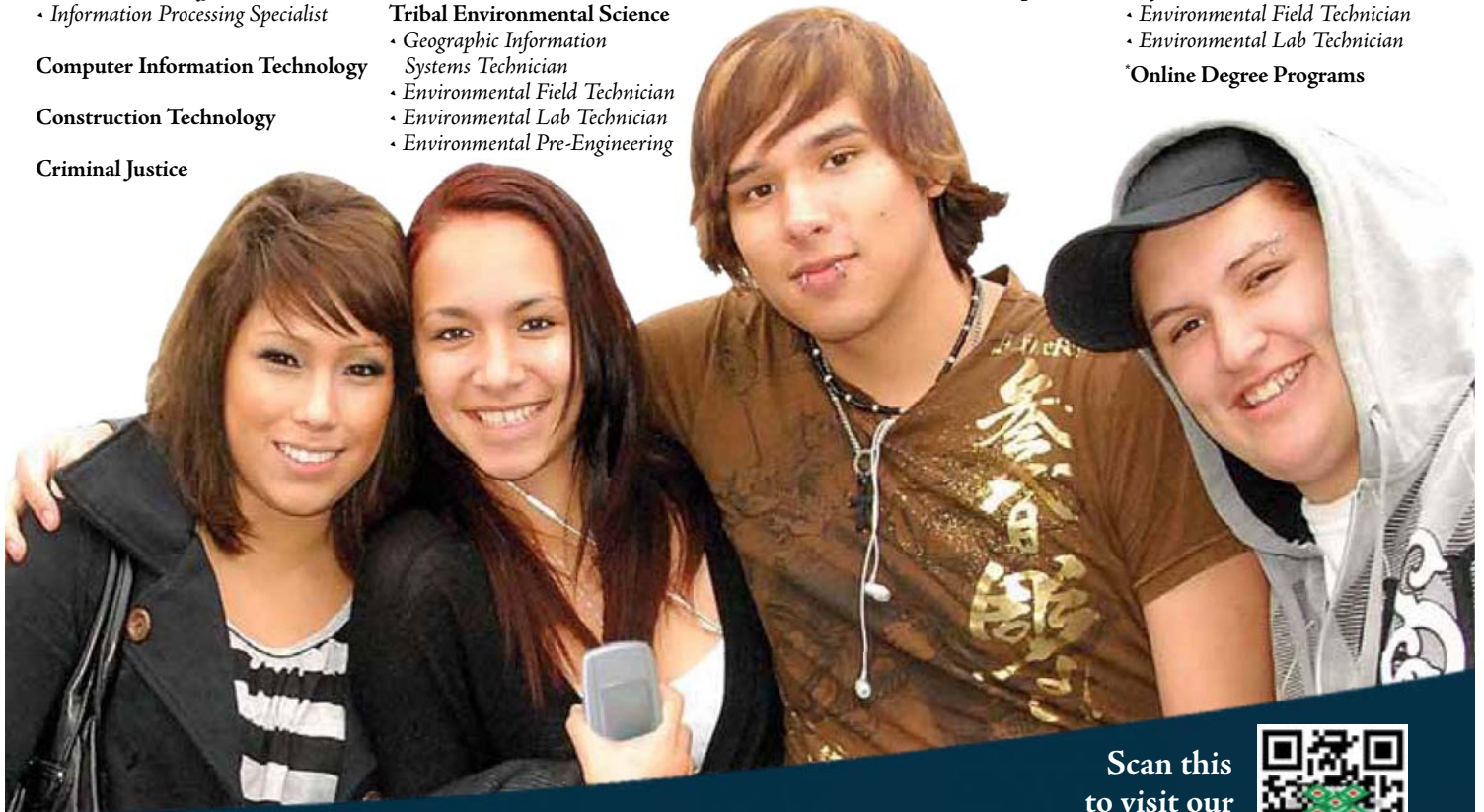
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Miss North Dakota and Miss Indian Nations



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NATURAL CONNECTION: Miss North Dakota Ariana Walker and Miss Indian Nations Shanoa Pinkham posed together in December to promote cross-cultural friendship and record joint public service messages for tribal audiences. The sparkling collaboration follows-up on an appearance initiated by Walker last fall to meet Miss Indian Nations and attend the United Tribes International Powwow. Walker, Bismarck, is a student at University of Mary; Pinkham, from the Yakima Nation, is a student at University of Washington. Connecting with Miss Indian Nations has been "one of the highlights" of Walker's year. In a meeting with the state pageant director, her parents, Renae and Dwayne Walker, urged the Miss North Dakota organization to continue to promote the tie with Miss Indian Nations.

Schedule a visit by Miss Indian Nations: Sharon Clairmont 701-255-3285, sclairmont@uttc.edu.