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Weight Lifters Organized pg. 9

Crime in the classroom is for learning



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REAL SITUATIONS UNFOLD: United Tribes Criminal Justice student Brett Smith aims his weapon during a simulated traffic-stop-gone-bad played out February 14 during a class session in the college's hi-tech law enforcement training simulator. Story and photos pages 14-15.

14th Annual - 2012
Sidewalk Art Show

April 26-27
4TH & BROADWAY
DOWNTOWN BISMARCK

United Tribes Technical College
Student Awards Banquet
 Thursday, May 3, 2012
 6:00 - 9:00 pm
 Elks Club
 Washington St.
 & Expressway
 Bismarck

2012
United Tribes Technical College
Commencement Ceremony
 Friday, May 4, 1:00 pm
Lone Star Arena
In case of Inclement Weather
 James Henry Community Gymnasium

On to a new chapter in life



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PARTING GIFT: Sheri Baker receives a going-away gift from General Education Instructor Marge Palaniuk to take into retirement. Staff, students and friends showered Baker with gifts and well-wishes as she ended a long and productive employee association with the college on March 2. She came to UTTC fresh out of Turtle Mountain Community High School in 1980 and went to work as a typesetter for United Tribes News. She took up the path of higher education at Turtle Mountain Community College and the University of North Dakota, and later returned to UTTC as a popular classroom instructor

and grants administrator; finishing her last five years as the college's director of Community Wellness Services. "Community colleges are the best thing that happened to Indian Country," she said. "I know firsthand that the associate degree is the most exciting. I know how special it is for our students." Baker plans to get some R & R, catch up on unfinished projects, and maintain her commitment to serving as one of six members of the North Dakota Probation and Parole Board.

KODA THE WARRIOR

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"Warrior's Code"

Live your life that the fear of death can never enter your heart. Respect others in their view, Love your life, Perfect your life, Beautify all things in your life.

Seek to make your life long and its purpose in the service of your people. Show respect to all people and grovel to none. Give thanks each morning for the food and the joy of living. When it is your time to pass on, know you've lived your life with passion and generosity.

-Inspired by Tecumseh-



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Electricians program offered again at United Tribes

'BOOT CAMP' FOR NATIVE WORKERS

BISMARCK (UTN) – United Tribes Technical College has launched a new round of training for Native Americans interested in becoming electricians. The college began accepting applications March 12 for its “Native American Electrician’s Training Program.”

The program is scheduled for 16 weeks. Eight weeks of pre-apprenticeship instruction, including classroom and hands-on training, is set to begin May 29 and run through July 20, followed by eight weeks of apprenticeship work.

When the inaugural course was offered in 2010, it attracted Native students representing tribes in eight states around the nation. It became known as Native electricians “boot camp” and 24 students graduated.

“Judging from the previous course, we expect about 200 applications,” said Barbara Schmitt, United Tribes Economic Development Director and coordinator of the electricians program. “The class size is limited so the application process is important.”

United Tribes accepted applications until April 2. Detailed information such as program requirements and application forms

were available online at the college website: www.uttc.edu.

United Tribes offers the current, short-term training as part of a comprehensive jobs training initiative known as the Tribal College Consortium for Developing Montana and North Dakota Workforce, which involves four tribal colleges in the two states. One of the program’s priorities is to build training and education programs that meet industry standards, partner with industry experts, and address workforce needs.

Working with United Tribes for the electricians training are the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers and the National Electrical Contractors Association, along with the National Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee (NJATC).

Classroom training takes place on the United Tribes campus. Hands-on training is located at the NJATC’s facility, also in Bismarck.

For more information contact Jackie Benson or Barbara Schmitt 701-255-3285 x 1447 or x 1436, jbenson@uttc.edu, bschmitt@uttc.edu.



Kenneth Clark (Muskogee/Creek/Tlingit) and Jordan Goulet (Turtle Mountain) work on an electrical circuit during the 2010 United Tribes Native Electricians “boot camp” at the NJATC training facility in Bismarck, ND.

A CAREER IN DeMaND! SEEKING NATIVE AMERICANS

“Native American Electricians
Training Program”

May 29 to July 20, 2012

On the campus of United Tribes
Technical College in Bismarck, ND

Description:

This is a pre-apprenticeship training program for a limited number of American Indians interested in careers as electricians. The goal is to increase the number of Native Americans in IBEW/NECA Electrical Apprenticeship Programs. Participants who successfully complete eight weeks of coursework will receive an eight week un-indentured apprenticeship with Dakotas Joint Apprenticeship and Training.

Course of Study:

The program covers selected topics from the formal NJATC Inside Apprenticeship Training Program. All participants will complete the NAJTC Tech Math course in preparation for an apprenticeship. Special emphasis will be placed on skills necessary to be “job-ready” upon completion of the program.

Timeline:

- 16 week course: 8 weeks classroom/
8 weeks internship
- 240 hours of classroom and hands-on training
- Training is 5 days/week; 8 hours/day

Lodging, meals and transportation are the responsibility of the applicant. Financial aid may be available to cover these costs.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: April 2, 2012

Apply Now! www.uttc.edu

Under Events and Announcements click on Native American Electricians Training Program

More info: Jackie Benson 701-255-3285 x 1447 or Barbara Schmitt 701/255-3285 x 1436

Offered by United Tribes Technical College in partnership with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers and the National Electrical Contractors Association in cooperation with the National Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee, Bismarck, ND.

Shakopee Mdewakanton awards matching grant for completion of UTTC science building

By Stanley R. Crooks

PRIOR LAKE – A matching grant from the Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community will assist with completion of a science and technology building at United Tribes Technical College. The \$750,000 grant will support the learning facilities in the United Tribes Science, Technology, and Math Center.

"We deeply appreciate the support of the Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community and value the long-standing friendship we share," said David M. Gipp, United Tribes president. "This particular contribution will help improve the preparation and skill of tribal students from across America in the areas of science, technology, and math.



David M. Gipp

As a result, students will have the opportunity to learn in state-of-the-art facilities, and compete successfully in Nursing, Criminal Justice, Information Technology, and Environmental Science."

New construction and installations in 2012 will add three laboratories; four classrooms for math, engineering and technology; offices; and conference areas. The project will complete 16,000 square feet on the center's second floor. The SMSC helped fund initial construction of the building with a previous \$1 million matching grant. When completed, the total cost of the science center is estimated at \$6 million.

Construction began on the gleaming two-story building in 2009 and became the first educational facility on UTTC's new, south campus. Most of the 100-year-old former military buildings on the college's main campus have been adapted for educational use since 1969, when the college was formed by the tribes of North Dakota as an education and training center. The new campus is a symbol of the college's progress in expanding and developing to better serve the growing population of Native students seeking higher education.

"Modern facilities inspire students to learn and have long-lasting benefits, particularly as the college extends its curriculum offerings to address the higher education

needs of a growing tribal population across the land," said SMSC Chairman Stanley R. Crooks.

"I believe this matching gift is a perfect example of the 'Indians Helping Indians' concept adopted by United Tribes for its education programs when the college was founded in 1969. It's clear that Shakopee's investments in Tribal America are making vital contributions to the success of tribes, tribal communities, and organizations all across America, including here at United Tribes," said Gipp.

United Tribes currently serves upwards of 1,200 students annually who come from more than 70 different tribal nations around the country. The college's strategic planning aims to increase student enrollment and retention, improve student preparation for employment and continued higher education pursuits, and increase student and employer satisfaction.

United Tribes is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools to confer bachelors and associate degrees, and certificates through on-campus instruction and online. The college's governing tribes are: Three Affiliated Tribes of the Mandan/Hidatsa/Arikara Nation, Spirit Lake Tribe, Standing Rock Tribe, Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate, and Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa. UTTC was the second tribal college in the nation and now there are 35 tribal colleges across the country.

In addition to the \$1.75 million for the science and technology building, in previous years, the SMSC granted \$100,000 to UTTC for student housing; \$500,000 to help construct the college's Lewis Goodhouse



Stanley R. Crooks

Wellness Center; and \$250,000 to help construct Itancan Hall Leadership Lodge, a 28,000 square foot, two-story dormitory.

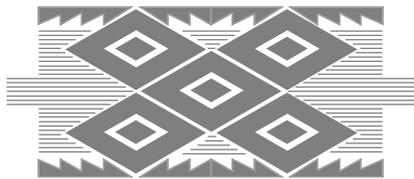
The Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community, a federally recognized Indian Tribe in Minnesota, owns and operates Mystic Lake Casino Hotel, Little Six Casino, Mazopiya, Playworks, Dakotah! Sport and Fitness, The Meadows at Mystic Lake, Shakopee Dakota Convenience Stores, and other enterprises on a reservation south of the Twin Cities.

Over the past 16 years, the SMSC has donated more than \$229.3 million to Indian Tribes, charitable organizations, schools, and Native American organizations. The SMSC has also made more than \$396 million in loans to other tribes for economic development projects. Since 1996 the SMSC paid more than \$7.5 million for shared local road construction projects and an additional \$16.7 million for road projects on the reservation. The SMSC has also paid \$12.7 million to local governments for services and another \$5 million for other projects.



UTTC Science and Technology building - DENNIS J. NEUMANN ♦ United Tribes News

United Tribes



Technical College

MISSION

United Tribes Technical College is dedicated to providing American Indians with postsecondary and technical education in a culturally diverse environment that will provide self-determination and economic development for all tribal nations.

VISION

- United Tribes Technical College is a premiere college, a leader in Tribal education, arts, and cultural preservation; technology; research; and the humanities.
- UTTC foresees a campus community with state-of-the-art facilities.
- UTTC aspires to be self-sustaining in line with its mission for tribal self-sufficiency and self-determination.
- Most importantly, UTTC envisions skilled, knowledgeable, culturally-grounded, healthy graduates who will achieve their educational goals; empower their communities; and preserve the environment, tribal land, water, and natural resources.

VALUES

- United Tribes Technical College Board of Directors, Administration, Staff, Faculty, and Students are guided in their actions by the following values:

U – Unity	T – Traditions
N – Native Americans	R – Respect
I – Integrity	I – Independence
T – Trust	B – Bravery
E – Education	E – Environment
D – Diversity	S – Spirituality

- United Tribes affirms these values as being representative of the tribal medicine wheel concept. This takes into consideration an individual's physical, intellectual, cultural, and emotional wellness. When these ideals are practiced, the UTTC community will flourish.

United Tribes Governing Board
UNITED TRIBES TECHNICAL COLLEGE
UNITED TRIBES OF NORTH DAKOTA

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Robert Shepherd, Chairman

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Merle St. Claire, Chairman

SPIRIT LAKE TRIBE

Myra Pearson, Chairperson

TC funding in President's Budget

WASHINGTON – Funding for United Tribes Technical College is maintained at \$4.5 million in the 2013 Federal budget released in early February by President Obama.

North Dakota U. S. Senator Kent Conrad, chairman of the Senate Budget Committee, noted the UTTC funding as one of the budget's benefits for North Dakota and praised Obama for continuing "to move the nation in the right direction."

"People need to remember that when the President was elected he inherited a fiscal and economic disaster. His policies have played a critical role in bringing us back from the brink and putting the nation on the road to recovery," Conrad said in a statement.

Conrad noted that the President's budget also includes numerous measures that would bring down the deficit as a share of the economy.

"The only true way forward is through a comprehensive and balanced deficit reduction agreement," Senator Conrad said. "We need to come together on a plan that modernizes our tax system, reforms our entitlement programs, and attacks wasteful spending. President Obama has demonstrated that he wants to reach such an agreement. Now others are going to have to be willing to step up and be part of the solution."

The President's FY 2013 Budget also includes investments in education that focused on jobs training at community colleges, including tribal colleges, for students going into high-growth industries.

In December, Conrad praised the White House for signing a new Executive Order urging federal agencies to provide increased support for Native American education.

"This is a critical initiative that will help to ensure that Tribal Colleges can continue to offer high quality educational opportunities," Conrad said. "I applaud this Administration's continued commitment to the Native American community."

The order Obama signed was titled: "Improving American Indian and Alaska Native Education Opportunities and Strengthening Tribal Colleges and Universities." It established a White House Initiative on American Indian and Alaska Native Educa-

tion, co-chaired by the Secretary of Education and Secretary of Interior.

Last year, Conrad led an effort to protect core funding for tribal colleges in North Dakota and across the nation. Approximately 2,500 students attend the five tribal colleges in North Dakota.

"Tribal Colleges and Universities are the key to a brighter future for Indian Country. They have proven to be a solid investment of federal dollars and deserve our strong support," he said.



Conrad is a senior member of the U.S. Senate Committee on Indian Affairs. His term in the Senate expires at the end of 2012 and he has chosen not to seek re-election.

ND Governor's BUSINESS FORUM

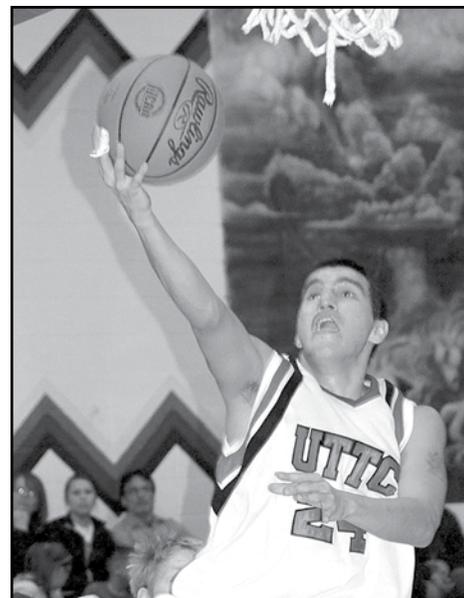
Tuesday, April 3, 2012
Holiday Inn Riverside,
Minot, ND
First-ever event of its kind!

- *Build on North Dakota's proven business climate*
- *Discuss ideas for continuing opportunities in ND*
- *Highlight entrepreneur success and innovation*
- *Keynote talks/Presentations/Panels*
- *Business leaders, legislators, state officials, entrepreneurs*
- *Presentation of Greater North Dakotan Award*

Hosted by Governor Jack Dalrymple and the ND Chamber of Commerce

Schedule and Register online at
www.ndchamber.com
More Info: ND Chamber
1-800-382-1405

United Tribes Thunderbirds/Lady Thunderbirds



Kiri Schumacher and Ryan White Bull were named to the All-Region 13 Tournament Team.

Todd Raining Bird posted the Thunderbirds highest average scoring with 14.7/game.

LADY THUNDERBIRDS 2011-12 Season

Record: 17-14 overall; 4-7 conference • Average points per game: 66
 Field Goals: 46% • Free throws: 65% • Rebounds: 41/game
 High Scorer: Ryan White Bull, 18.4/game

THUNDERBIRDS 2011-12 Season

Record: 13-17 overall; 7-10 conference
 Average points per game: 70
 Field Goals: 49%
 Free throws: 65%
 Rebounds: 41/game
 High Scorer: Todd Raining Bird, 14.7/
 game



Lady Thunderbirds with the runner-up plaque in NJCAA Region 13 following a March 5 loss to Bismarck State. Back row from left Ryan White Bull, Cecily St. Cyr, Ashley Hall; middle: Kiri Schumacher, Rony Leaf, Marisa Laundreaux, Tayla Belgarde; Front, Jamiee White Bear.

"Despite some disappointments with injuries, overall I thought we had a pretty decent season. It didn't turn out the way we would have liked, but we had players who really improved over the course of the season. They were playing their best basketball towards the end. All of them did a good job of learning the game at this level and doing the things we asked of them. They showed a lot of great qualities."

"On the men's side, we had a pretty talented team. We were pretty deep as far as numbers and ability; we had decent size, speed and shooting. We won 13 games, up from eight the year before and that was certainly positive. But, I think we were a better team than our record showed. We had some great young men with great ability and hopefully they'll come back and we'll get a chance next year to improve."

-Daryl Bearstail, UTTC Athletic Director/
 Women's Head Basketball Coach

Become a Member of the Thunderbird Alumni Association!



If you graduated from a program at United Tribes, you are part of our Alumni community! Since 1969, over 10,000 have joined our alumni ranks from more than 100 federally recognized Tribes across the nation.

Whether you graduated recently or some time ago, you are invited to become a member! Membership is \$25 annually.

Our Mission: To enhance and develop your college through lifelong Alumni involvement.

Exciting things are happening at Tribes for Alumni. We want you to be a part of it. Being involved keeps us connected!

Join, and take advantage of these benefits with your membership;

- A weekend pass to the United Tribes International Powwow (value \$20).
- 10% off your purchases at the UTTC bookstore, excluding textbooks.
- The college's bi-monthly official publication, United Tribes News.

Your annual Alumni Card contribution is tax deductible. It helps support existing programs for current students and promotes relationships with existing alumni.

We also want to know about you: where you are now, what you're doing, and where your education has taken you in life! You can inspire our students today about their possibilities for tomorrow!

We encourage you to connect with us!



Let's get you signed up today! Come in and see me, or give me a call.

Charisse Fandrich, 701-255-3285 x 1207, cfandrich@uttc.edu

United Tribes Technical College, 3315 University Drive, Bismarck, ND, 58504

Shoes Donated to United Tribes



ATHLETIC HAPPY FEET: United Tribes Fitness Specialist Dan Molnar, left, is the picture of gratitude owing to a substantial donation made by Dennis Kemmesat, owner of Epic Sports. "We're talking about 31 pairs of top-quality athletic shoes from size 6 to 10," said Molnar of the generous donation made February 9. The footwear will be used by athletes in Molnar's new track program at UTTC. "A good pair of shoes, like these, can be used anytime," he said. "Some runners go through a pair in a matter of months." Others will be awarded to members of the UTTC walking club and other programs coordinated by the college's Strengthening Lifestyles Program. "When we first visited about this, I had hoped for some good words and the possibility of a partnership," said Molnar. "I was really surprised when he pointed to this whole stack of shoes." Kemmesat also expressed an interest in being involved in the college's Thunderbird Run half-marathon. The retail value of his donation is approximately \$3,000. Epic Sports handles quality products for bicycling, running, swimming, Nordic skiing and snowshoeing from its location at 1501 Mapleton Avenue, Bismarck.

2011-12 United Tribes Track Team

By Daniel Molnar, UTTC Track Coach

United Tribes Technical College is in the midst of establishing its first-ever Track and Field program. The operational planning began in the fall of 2011 and we have been working with and preparing a group of student-athletes who voluntarily joined the team over the winter.

The athletes are training in jumps, sprints, throws, distance events, and hopefully the sprint relay event. Meets are scheduled through the month of April. The level of competition is the NJCAA Division III.

One of our goals is to qualify for the Outdoor Nationals to be held in early May in Albert, NY. To do that, our student-athletes will have to surpass pre-determined standards to be allowed to compete at that event.

We also keep in mind our ultimate goals. Every college sports program is expected to become strong, long-lasting and successful. At United Tribes, we believe that athletics are the means by which student-athletes develop their physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual capabilities. Academics and athletics go hand in hand for us. Athletes training on a daily basis become fitter and more disciplined in how they plan ahead, manage their time and pursue their studies. You could say they are training for their participation in the "human race."

As we enter the time of the outdoor season, I wish my athletes a healthy and injury-free season and good luck in the competitions. I believe the work and dedication they have shown will result in great performances and personal bests.

We, as a team, ask for the support of our fans, co-workers and co-students as we represent United Tribes in a new arena of success for student athletes and the college.



*Cherelle Goodsell
(Sisseton/Wahpeton Oyate)
Nursing*



*Dalta Green
(Spirit Lake Tribe)
Criminal Justice*



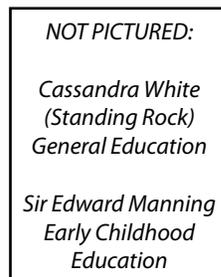
*Jessica Spotted Eagle
(Oglala Tribe)
Automotive Technology*



*Eliza Neigum
Elementary Education*



Daniel Molnar, Coach



NOT PICTURED:

*Cassandra White
(Standing Rock)
General Education*

*Sir Edward Manning
Early Childhood
Education*

UTTC Track Schedule

April 1	NDSU Bison Open, Fargo, ND
April 15	Marauder Open, Bismarck, ND
April 20	Dickinson State Blue Hawk Invite, Dickinson, ND
April 28	All Cassel Relays, Jamestown, ND
May 3-5	NJCAA Division III Outdoor National Championships, Alfred, NY (must qualify)

Just Move It!....

**2012 Wellness Series
Every Tuesday through
May 1, 4:00 to 5:00 pm
Healing Room, Lewis Goodhouse
Wellness Center**

Time to Focus on Feeling Better

Once-weekly series to inspire us to move more and eat better!

- One hour of exercise and useful information about nutrition and wellness
- Student Health will track blood pressure and cholesterol
- Students, staff, faculty and family members encouraged to participate

Nutrition Information from United Tribes Land Grant Programs:

- Food Choices for Good Health
- MyPlate.gov
- Heart Health
- Comfort Foods
- Whole Grains
- Beans and Fiber
- Prevent Diabetes with Healthier Choices
- Bone Health
- Calcium and Vitamin D
- Healthy Snacks
- Portion Sizes
- Meal Planning

Food Samples Available!

Physical activity led by Strengthening Lifestyles

- Learn about exercise equipment
- Yoga
- Tai Chi
- Zumba
- Massage/Meditation/Spirituality

Ends May 1 with a closing celebration!

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shbordeaux@uttcc.edu, x1384



Weightlifting team organized at United Tribes



By Brad Barter, Thunderbirds Weightlifting Coach, Strengthening Lifestyles Family Specialist

The United Tribes "Thunderbirds" Weightlifting Club/Team got off to a good start during Spring semester. About 25 individuals are involved, including students, staff and faculty.

The group meets in the weight room of the James Henry Community Gym. Club hours are 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday. Anyone affiliated with UTTC who is at least 18 years of age is welcome.

Russell Swagger, VP of Student and Campus Services, is the group's president and assistant coach. He's also an avid lifter.

The National Junior College Athletic Association has not become involved in the sport, so the club has joined the USA Power

lifting Association. The goal is to begin attending competitions and later host sanctioned state competitions at United Tribes.

In terms of competition, the club adheres to the Wilks Formula as established by USA Power Lifting and the U. S. Olympic Committee. Members focus on the following lifts: Bench Press, Squat and Dead Lift.

I'd like to thank several employees who have stepped up in a big way by volunteering their time and energy to help get the club going:

Graphic Designer Martha Garreau, of Arrow Graphics, created the team logo. She's also a lifter and serves as the assistant women's coach and competition chaperone.

Assisting as men's coaches and competition chaperones are: Gregory Sturm, Jeffrey Moser and Mark Mindt, all lifters.

Assisting the coaches are LTE student's Nick Houston, Jace Jackson and Rayel Yazzie, all lifters.

Staff, Judith Red Tomahawk and Marcus Austin also serve as administrative assistants and chaperones.

I'm very pleased with the enthusiasm expressed thus far by everyone. We're setting up individual workouts for each team member. We also plan to expand the space and facilities for weight lifting.

If you are interested in learning more or joining, please contact me: Brad Barter, 701-255-3285 x 1261, bbarter@uttc.edu.



Members attending the Rapid City, SD Powerlifting Championships. Standing from left: Brad Barter, Laramie Plainfeather, Stuart Lohnes, Jace Jackson, Zamora Mopafiba-Mbo, Timothy Hattaway, Michael Red Tomahawk, Greg Sturm, Sichangu Lee, Martha Garreau, Jeffrey Moser, Sir Manning, Brent Vandal. Not Pictured: Nick Houston.

LIFTERS

STUDENT MEN: Sir Manning, Jace Jackson, Laramie Plainfeather, Gordon Runs After, Timothy Hattaway, Sichangu Lee, Stuart Lohnes, Zamora Mopafiba-Mbo, Nick Houstin. **STUDENT WOMEN:** Cassandra Estes, Rayel Yazzie.

STAFF MEN: Russell Swagger, Brad Barter, Mark Mindt, Gregory Sturm, Jeffrey Moser, Mike Red Tomahawk, Brendon Marshall, Brent Vandal. **STAFF WOMEN:** Martha Garreau.

FAMILY MEMBER: Lydell Merrick



United Tribes Welding Program revived

BISMARCK (UTN) – A once-popular vocational program that went dormant for the past decade will soon be revived at United Tribes Technical College. The college is restarting its welding program to provide much-needed workforce training.

The U. S. Economic Development Administration awarded funding to renovate facilities in the United Tribes Skill Center. The college has not offered welding for over a decade.

The U. S. Department of Labor chipped-in with funding for new equipment, supplies and personnel. The collaboration is a targeted effort at state-of-the-art training in a field with great potential for employing workers in skilled labor jobs that are in high demand throughout the region and around the country.

PROGRAM DIRECTOR



Steve Shepherd
(Sisseton-Wahpeton)
UTTC Welding
Program Director

The program is directed by Steve Shepherd, who has 17 years experience as a welder and member of the Iron Workers Union. Shepherd learned the skill, and art, of welding in his home area, Sisseton-Wahpeton, from an experienced mentor.

“I’ve welded on heavy equipment, trailers, signs, on skyscrapers in Minnesota, bridges, roller-coasters,” said Shepherd. “I’ve welded on a lot of things.”

16 WEEK COURSE

The UTTC program will establish a foundation of welding knowledge and skill. It is built upon learning the fundamentals of the industry’s traditional, time-tested form of fusing metal: shielded metal arc welding, better known as “stick welding.” The 16 week course will also include the newer forms, such as wire feed, gas-metal arc welding, flux-core arc welding, and TIG welding. Students who graduate will go on for specialized training in established apprentice programs.

“I teach guys how to weld out in field all the time,” he said. “We can have our young people come here to the college and learn how to weld.”

USE OF TECHNOLOGY

Shepherd’s redesign of the former welding area in the United Tribes Skill Center includes the installation of new welding booths and space for equipment storage, along with a large gantry to handle raw materials.

“It’ll be state of the art, like one of the best shops in the area,” he said.

The centerpiece will be several welding simulators that shorten the learning curve and dramatically improve welding skills.

“It’s a really good training tool,” he said. “And it illuminates waste and reduces the cost of your consumable materials like welding rods and tips.”

TIMELINE

Construction and renovation of the welding area is set to begin in April. The first training session is expected to start in the fall. In each group there will be 12 students,

said Shepherd. About three dozen will be trained each year.

“Getting them trained is the goal, whether it’s for the oil patch or into one of the local unions, or going to a manufacturing plant,” he said. “Whatever they plan to do, they’ll get the proper fundamental training here.”

The United Tribes welding program will also provide placement services in a field of the student’s choice.

For more information contact Steve Shepherd, 701-255-3285 x1357, sshepherd@uttc.edu.

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The welding program at United Tribes, dating back to the 1970s as seen here, will soon be revived with renovated facilities, new equipment and updated training as a result of jobs creation funding from the U. S. Economic Development Administration and the U. S. Department of Labor Administration. United Tribes News file photo



UTTC Computer Tech participating with Microsoft AIMED AT FEMALE RETENTION IN TECHNOLOGY PROGRAMS

By Jeff McDowell, Computer Information Technology Department Chair/Instructor

The United Tribes Computer Information Technology program is a participant in the Microsoft MORE Program (Mentorship, Outreach and Retention in Education). The program is designed to partner with regional colleges and universities to attract and retain women in technology. Although the focus is primarily on women, overall diversity is important and many schools have participants of many races, genders, and ethnic backgrounds.

UTTC is one of more than 20 colleges in the Dakotas, Minnesota and Iowa involved in a program facilitated in this region by the giant information technology firm's Fargo, North Dakota office.

The program was launched with a webinar in January titled: "Building Business Applications in Light Speed using Light-Switch." The February event was "Microsoft Research: The Process and One Researcher's Passion for Everyday Technology;" and March was titled: "Exciting jobs in Professional Technical Support Organizations."

Microsoft is one of the "big dogs" of the IT industry. Through this program, the company is expressing its committed to attracting and retaining women to its organization and into STEM classes and programs. The ultimate goal is to increase female retention in technology related programs. The company is also offering opportunities for scholarships and summer employment.

The MORE program specifically promotes the establishment of Microsoft's Fargo campus as a resource. And it hopes to build and maintain a network of female students participating in the program in the region.

Although the program is designed for female students, male students are invited to participate. The webinars were open to anyone associated with UTTC.

The next, and final event of the MORE spring cycle is a visit on April 13 to Microsoft's Fargo headquarters for a day-long series of trainings and discussions about technology and career options.

For more information please contact me: Jeff McDowell, Computer Information Technology Department Chair/Instructor, 701-255-3285 x 1416, jmcowell@uttc.edu.



In the United Tribes CIT lab, students and staff viewing the webinar that originated March 7 from Microsoft's Fargo offices.

Women@Microsoft Hoppers Scholarship

Applications now being accepted!

- Female college student in ND, SD, or MN
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Katie.Hasbargen@microsoft.com

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2012 Program Specifics

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- Please include SEP in the subject line.
- Please indicate your interest for type of role
- Interviews will be scheduled accordingly

More information Katie Hasbargen:
Katie.Hasbargen@microsoft.com

United Tribes Beading & Quilting Classes

By Barb Strikes The Enemy, Arthur and Grace Link Child Development Center Director

QUILTING

The Strengthening Lifestyles Program offers a Quilting Class every Sunday afternoon at 2 p.m. in the Healing Room of the Lewis Goodhouse Wellness Center on the UTTC campus.

The class is open to UTTC students, staff, faculty and family members. No childcare is provided, so arrangements must be made elsewhere for children. It is an extra-curricular activity.

There are four star quilt tops to hand quilt, and when finished we will raffle them, with the proceeds going for additional supplies to make more star tops.

Please contact Tamera Marshall 701-255-3285 x 1492, tmarshall@uttc.edu.

BEADING

The Child Development Center and Strengthening lifestyles have been collaborating on a beading class that takes place each Wednesday evening at 6 p.m. in Building 100, the Arthur and Grace Link Child Development Center.

I teach different techniques of beading and sewing on regalia and accessories. All necessary supplies are provided to get started.

We do Native American Traditional Beadwork. Some beadwork repair has been done and I have helped some learn how to bead on graduation caps.

This class is open to UTTC college students, preschool parents, and UTTC staff and families.

We do not provide childcare during this activity, so they need to make arrangements for their children, unless they are old enough to sit and bead with us. Some of the time is spent on instruction, so we ask that parents of little children make arrangements. And we use sharp tools, such as needles, rotary scissors, scissors, porcupine quills and we wouldn't want little people to get hurt.

I am the contact person for the beading class: 701-255-3285 x 1248, bstrikesenemy@uttc.edu.

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Education Bldg. E Basement
United Tribes Campus

These services are provided through:

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PO Box 697
Fort Yates, ND 58538
701-854-3678
701-255-3285 ext/ 1624
888-237-1405



Above: These are some of the items one of the students, Gayla Little Dog and her daughter, made in the evening beading class.

Below: Quilters at work in the college's Wellness Center.



They know about food safety

Annette Broyles, Nutrition & Foodservice Department Chair/Instructor



EXAM PROVEN: Four United Tribes students in the Nutrition and Foodservice Vocation and three UTTC employees earned National ServSafe Certification in December by scoring 75 percent or better on the national exam: From left, students Delorise White, Cynthia Allery and Rosebud Lee, and staff members Colette Wolf and

Wanda Agnew. The ServSafe certificate is good for five years and demonstrates knowledge of the basic information needed to serve food safely. All students in the Nutrition and Foodservice vocation are required to pass the exam prior to graduating. Not pictured Harvey Flowers and Heather Demaray.

Diagnosing the problem



TESTING AND LEARNING: Mandy Claymore (Standing Rock) consults a diagnostic reading March 6 as she figures out a problem during her Automotive Technology Mid-Term Exam. The test Claymore was taking involved troubleshooting

problems that occur with batteries, starters and alternators. The test took place in the United Tribes Automotive Technology shop in the college's Skill Center building.

Earning Your Way



Nutrition and Foodservice

Associate of Applied Science Degree

The Nutrition and Foodservice program at United Tribes Technical College is an opportunity for hands-on experience.

- Healthful food preparation
- Food science
- Food safety
- Wellness
- Community nutrition

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You have the opportunity to take a national exam to become ServSafe Certified and/or a national exam to be credentialed as a Certified Dietary Managers (CDM).

A degree prepares you for employment or to successfully transfer into programs of advanced training to become a dietitian or chef.

After graduating, you are prepared for employment with school lunch, WIC, diabetes/wellness programs, hospital or elderly care food service, and casino kitchens or private restaurants.

Earn Your Way with a two year Associate of Applied Science degree in Nutrition and Foodservice.

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Simulator is criminal ju

BISMARCK (UTN) – Officer Brett Smith has his service weapon leveled and ready to fire at a bad guy who is about to shoot his police officer partner. But he doesn't have a clear line because the perp is using the partner as a shield after surprising him during a routine traffic stop. Smith shouts for him to drop the weapon and release the officer but he does neither and the shooting begins. Sparks fly from the lawbreaker's gun barrel together with the angry crack of pistol fire exchanged at close range on a city street. The hostage officer and the criminal both crumble to the ground and the mayhem is over.

But wait, Officer Smith is wounded. The computer says he was hit by gunfire. And lucky for student Brett Smith that it's just a computer diagnosis. The traffic stop, the hostage situation, the violent gunfire – it wasn't real. It looked and sounded real; even the kick of the handgun felt real when Smith squeezed the trigger. It played out in a hi-tech criminal justice training simulator at United Tribes Technical College.

"I thought it was pretty realistic. It was loud. You had the sounds of the car. You could clearly hear my partner talking and the suspect talking," said Smith, from Standing Rock, a student in UTTC's four-year Criminal Justice program. "It was actually pretty real."

Computer Controlled Situation

It was Smith's first time inside the simulator, a raised platform in a darkened room surrounded on five sides by large video screens. Loud audio speakers and rear-projection video surrounded the trainee in a 300 degree circle. The system is controlled by a master computer that employs laser technology to simulate firing a weapon at something or someone on the screens. Each gun is fitted with a CO2 cartridge to give the kick of recoil.

"You can talk about scenarios here (in class) but to have an actual situation that might arise, where you have a weapon and the suspect shoots at you, is a whole different thing," said Smith.

Virtual Firearms Simulator

That's exactly what Rik Cutting had in mind when he scheduled some of his students for a session in the \$300,000 device. The virtual firearms simulator was designed to train law enforcement officers, military personnel and students in situational awareness, deescalating techniques and tactical marksmanship. When installed last summer in the college's new science and technology building by VirTra Systems, Tempe, AZ, it was one of only a handful in use around the country.

"We have 84 basic scenarios in there," said Cutting, a retired U.S. Navy officer and former law enforcement officer who chairs the college's Criminal Justice Program. "We can branch off of roughly half of those to either escalate or deescalate a situation depending upon the training that's involved."

The different video scenarios and branching options can be lethal or non-lethal in nature and run the gamut from DUI stops, to hostage situations and domestic disputes.

It's been "incredibly beneficial" for active duty law enforcement officers who've used it, said Cutting. "The reviews we've got back have been fantastic." Some scenarios are particularly suited to training victim's advocates and justice professionals working in support roles.

Educational Adaptation

In this case, Cutting picked the traffic stop scenario and two others for students in his Criminal Evidence and Procedure class. Aside from the obvious benefit of learning how to negotiate a potentially lethal incident without being shot for real, numerous other teaching applications are possible. Cutting focused this session on a second tier of learning – after the shooting – designed to teach investigation and evidence collection for use in court.



After the simulated crime, students are back in the classroom for a debriefing and critique session. Rik Cutting, UTTC Criminal Justice Program Chair, leads his students in reconstructing events that happened in the simulator to drive home lessons about gathering information and evidence for court.

Justice learning lab



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Scenarios in the VirTra 300 are driven by choices and selections made by the instructor at the computer, right foreground. Trainees are not aware of what will happen in the scenario. Students here are learning how to gather evidence and reconstruct the crime after it happened.

“This was our first time doing this in this course,” he said. “It’s not necessarily for content but whether they’re doing it in accordance with the Constitutional Rules of Evidence. Because conviction or acquittal is all about whether you get your evidence into court.”

Based on the success of this session, Cutting says the next tier would be to interview witnesses and interrogate the suspect. At any level, the simulator is a dramatic teaching tool.

“Are we, in fact, teaching them what they need to learn to go out and do this,” he said. “Participation drives home the learning goals.”

Next Time

Despite the fact that he was shot during the simulation, Brett Smith said he thought he did a pretty well.

“I think I did OK. You could always do better. But for my first time in, I think I did alright.”

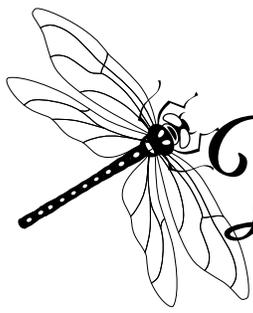
Smith said he was nervous, not knowing what to expect. His verbal responses came from what he learned in the books and listening to his instructors. But the simulation, as an active officer responding to an incident, changed his whole perspective.

“I learned to always be ready. You never know what to expect, even in a traffic stop,” he said. “It taught me to always expect the

unexpected. Always be ready.”

Smith said he would definitely do it again. And next time he’ll be more prepared for what could happen.

**For more information about
the United Tribes Criminal
Justice Simulator:
Richard Cutting,
Department Chair
(701) 255-3285 ext. 1258
rcutting@uttc.edu**



Dragonfly Tales

*Gardening Tidbits
to Inform & Inspire*

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

As I write this, March gently arrives and the spring equinox looms closely on the horizon. Today, the temperature is near 50 degrees. Outside, I can hear melting snow drops calling to the birds, the plants, the insects to return soon to the long growing days.



Last month, we offered a workshop in re-potting houseplants. We have a number of geraniums in the Skill Center windows ready for annual upkeep. We provided fresh soil and for

some new pots. We trimmed back leggy branches and learned about propagation. We are looking forward to brightly, blooming geraniums to add to our spring graduation ceremony.

Last month, the Nutrition and Foodservice students enjoyed the opportunity to learn how to start seed indoors. The Land Grant Program has an indoor plant tower equipped with 'grow lights' that provide light similar to the sun. The students planted a variety of culinary herbs and lettuces to harvest for their cooking classes. Seed starting can be very inexpensive. One way to save cost is to recycle small plastic containers, like yogurt cups to use as planting pots. Pots made from newspaper can also be used. Even egg cartons and egg shells work well. Seed starting makes for a fun, family project with the reward of family-grown fresh vegetables. On April 13th, Land Grant will offer a seed starting learning session (See Schedule Below).

Maybe you are interested in starting seed and planting a garden, but you need garden space? We welcome our campus family to garden at United Tribes Anne Kuyper Community Garden. Our community garden

opportunities are flexible. You could volunteer in exchange for produce. You can also maintain your own garden plot and plant the vegetables you enjoy. Maybe you are interested in learning how to plant a Three Sisters Garden, which include bean, corn and squash. Everyone is welcome. We will provide garden space, seed, mulch, use of tools, water and guidance every step of the way. This is a wonderful opportunity to foster food security through hands-on gardening with all ages and levels of knowledge. Community gardens are known to grow delicious fresh food, medicines, flowers, and new friendships within your community.

Another important garden preparation is getting our garden bodies in shape. You will thank yourself for starting now to condition your body for bending, lifting and kneel-



ing. Strengthening Lifestyles offers an early morning workout Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 6:30 to 7:30am. Join me, along with other campus early birds. The atmosphere is supportive and inspiring. I already feel my flexibility and endurance returning. If afternoons work better, the Just Move it! sponsored by Land Grant and Strengthening lifestyles is offered every Tuesdays from 4-5pm until May 1st. Just Move it! offers information on nutrition and physical wellness. Strengthening Lifestyles offers many opportunities to get in shape. Check out their monthly schedule.

Mark your calendars! Every Friday from

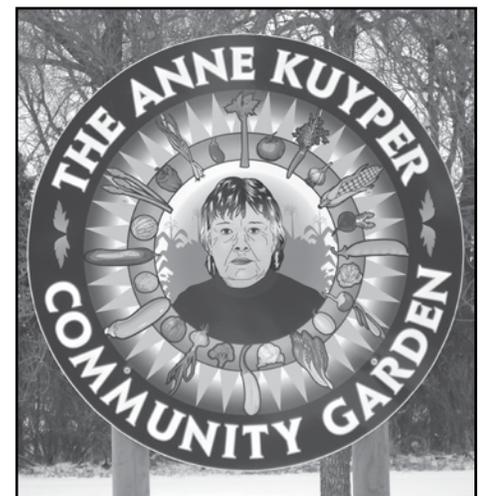
3 - 5pm, the Land Grant Extension Program is having a Garden Way Learning Session. This is a great time to bring your questions and curiosities about houseplants, herbs, medicinal plants, native plants, planning a garden, gardening techniques and more. Below is the schedule. Watch your email for reminders and notifications. The day-light hours are growing longer and Sister Spring will soon arrive. Let's welcome her with our ambition and gratitude for her growing gifts.

Garden Ways Extension Workshops

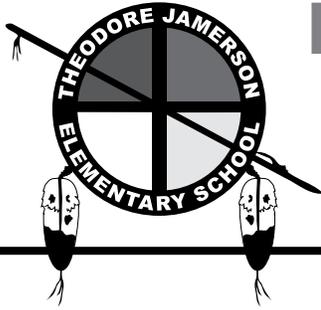
April/May - Fridays 3-5pm,

Skills Center Building, Room 117E

- April 13 What is the UTTC Anne Kuyper Community Garden?
How can I participate? What will I need to garden?
- April 20 Lets Plant the Potatoes:
Preparing our Community Garden for Planting
- April 27 Transplanting Seedlings:
What are my options?
- May 11 Learning About Garden Tools and Preparing the Soil
- May 18 Planting Edible Fruit Shrubs in the Community Garden
- May 28 Planting your Community Plot Questions? Contact Colette Wolf at cwolf@uttc.edu or (701) 255-3285 ext. 1426



THEODORE JAMERSON ELEMENTARY



TIDBITS

TJES makes AYP!!



The Bureau of Indian Education has confirmed that Theodore Jamerson Elementary School achieved Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) for the 2010-2011 school year.

All AYP determinations are based on the AYP criteria of the state in which the school is located.

TJES staff, students, and parents are congratulated on this remarkable achievement!

For more information about TJES and AYP, please contact Principal Sam Azure 701-255-3285 x 1305, sazure@uttc.edu.

— Glenna Mueller, Reading/Math Center

WINNER'S REWARD: From his pot filled with gold, leprechaun Mark Anderson, Computer Tech/Gifted and Talented Instructor, contributes to the enthusiasm of World Spelling Day at TJES. Sixth grader Tayla Blaine earned several of the chocolate treats for winning a match online March 5 with other students around the world.

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SHOCKING EXPERIENCE: Students in grade 4 at TJES learned about electricity. First in line for the fun, Kallen White Eyes, age 9, places his hand on a static electricity ball and instantly sends a mild shock to Ricky Eagle Shield, 10, and everyone else

touching each other around the classroom. The demonstration was part of the utility industry program "Story Behind the Switch," presented January 17 by Tracy Fugere of Basin Electric and Wes Engbrecht of Capital Electric Cooperative.

World Math Day!

World Class Competition

TJES students in grades K-8 participated March 5-7 in World Spelling and Math competition. Each student played online one minute fluency spelling or math games against other students the same age around the world.

TJES completed 40,142 correct answers for World Spelling Day and 50,705 correct answers for

World Spelling Day Results

Top Ten Correct Answers

1. TeShaune Plenty Chief, Grade 2
2. Camden Penny, Grade 2
3. Hallie McDaniel, Grade 8
4. Charish Hoss, Grade 8
5. Luis Salinas, Grade 2
6. Selma Ruiz, Grade 1
7. Serenity Eagle Bull, Grade 1
8. Tayla Blaine, Grade 6
9. John James Knight, Grade 2
10. Daeshawn Strong Heart, Grade 5

World Math Day Results

Top Ten Correct Answers

1. Elijah Feather Earring, Grade 8
2. Charish Hoss, Grade 8
3. Elissya Feather Earring, Grade 7
4. Hayden Strong Heart, Grade 8
5. Hallie McDaniel, Grade 8
6. Chase Marrowbone, Grade 7
7. Shandarra Douglas, Grade 8
8. Kaylean Lohnes, Grade 7
9. Daeshawn Strong Heart, Grade 5
10. JoLynn Windy Boy, Grade 7

— Misty Miller, Math Coach

United Tribes Technical College's
Art/Art Marketing Department
presents their:

14th Annual Sidewalk Art and Art Show/Sale



Sidewalk Art

Thursday, April 26
9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Art Show/Sale

Friday, April 27
Saturday, April 28
9:00 am - 5:00 pm



4th and Broadway Avenue, Downtown Bismarck

IN CASE OF INCLEMENT WEATHER THE
ART SHOW AND SALE WILL BE HELD INSIDE IMPACT ART GALLERY

Tribal Transit Workshop

"Principles of Transit Management"

April 10-12

Ramkota Hotel, Rapid City, SD

Held in conjunction with the 2012 Tribal/BIA Transportation Conference
Continuing Education Credits provided by United Tribes Technical College

More Info: Carol Wright 701-231-8231, carol.wright@ndsu.edu.

INMED Reunion Planning



The Indians Into Medicine Program of the University of North Dakota School of Medicine and Health Sciences is planning a 40 year reunion for INMED alumni. Events will take place next year in April 2013.

The INMED staff requests your help in updating alumni information. Please contact the department with your current contact information:

Indians Into Medicine
UNDSMHS Rm 2101
501 N Columbia Rd, Stop 9037
Grand Forks, ND 58202-9037
701-777-3037

Opportunities in the Making



Student Scholarship Campaign

UTTC Employees are allowed to make a gift to the Opportunities in the Making Student Scholarship Campaign through payroll deduction.

No one knows the value of education better than you! Any amount you commit will become a vital part of the financial support needed for students to succeed in building better lives for themselves and their families.

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Contact:
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Saturday, March 31st
12:00pm – 5:00pm.

UTTC James Henry Gym



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Here's how to contribute to United Tribes

David M. Gipp Leaders Fellowship



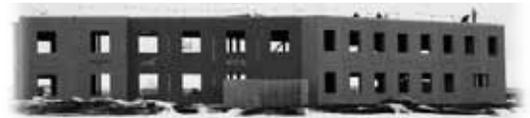
Preparing tomorrow's leaders to work for the betterment of Indian tribes, communities and people.

Opportunities in the Making Annual Scholarship Drive



UTTC students need your help to continue their education. Many of our students come from the most impoverished areas in the country. Your gift will help ensure they reach their dreams for a better future.

Building Our Future Capital Campaign



We have raised over half of the funds needed to complete phase one of the Science & Technology Building. Your contribution to this campaign will be matched dollar for dollar through the generosity of the Shakopee Mdewakanton Community.

Business Name: _____

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City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____

*Please make checks payable to
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All contributions are tax deductible.*

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Technical College

Send to:

United Tribes Technical College
Office of Institutional Advancement
3315 University Drive
Bismarck, ND 58504

Human relations committee filling vacancies

BISMARCK – The city of Bismarck had been seeking applicants for two vacancies on its Mayor’s Human Relations Committee.

The volunteer group’s mission is to “protect and promote the personal dignity of all Bismarck citizens and to eliminate any discriminatory barriers that prevent them from reaching their full human potential.”

Prospective candidates had been given a March 16 deadline to apply. The selection

process is through the city’s Mayor John Warford, who appoints the members and who they advise. A city release said the new committee members would be announced at an upcoming city commission meeting.

The Bismarck Human Relations Committee meets the third Monday of every month at the City/County Building. For more about the committee and the application process visit www.bismarck.org. or contact Bismarck City Administration 701-355-1300.



**16th Annual
United Tribes
Tribal Leaders Summit
September 5-7, 2012
Bismarck Civic Center Exhibition Hall**

SAVE THE DATE NOW for the 16th Annual Tribal Leaders Summit in Bismarck. Get it on your calendar to take advantage of this opportunity to get current on the issues in Indian Country. Attend meetings and exchange information with tribal, federal, state and local leaders. This event coincides with other tribal conferences and meetings – sharing breaks, luncheons, and general sessions.

Tribal Leaders Summit XVI

- Presentations from a wide range of Experts and Panelists
- Current issues facing Tribes and Tribal People
- Network with Tribal Organizations and Businesses
- Registration fee includes meals and entry to the United Tribes International Powwow

Register Online: www.uttc.edu

**16th Annual
Tribal Leaders Summit Tradeshow
September 5-7, 2012
Bismarck Civic Center Exhibition Hall**

Set-up & Registration:
September 4, 2-6 p.m.

Registration Fee: \$300 Until August 26

On-Site Fee: \$400

(Includes 2 Vendor Badges/ 2 powwow passes) (Additional Badges \$25/\$15 for Native Business) (*Maximum 4 per Booth)

More information: Debbie Painte,
701-255-3285 x 1232, dpainte@uttc.edu
www.uttc.edu

UNITED TRIBES DEVELOPMENT NEWS

United Tribes will have a booth at the Bismarck/Mandan Chamber’s “Spring Mixer” on Thursday, April 12 at the Ramkota from 5-7:30 p.m. It’ll work like the Christmas mixer and be just as much fun. Anyone who would like to help meet and greet people from the community, please let me know. We had a great response at Christmas and we look forward to showcasing UTTC again! Thank you for helping!

– Charisse Fandrich, Community/Tribal Development Liaison, cfandrich@uttc.edu, x 1207

Correctional officers needed at Standing Rock



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JOB OPENINGS: Greta Baker pitches the idea of correctional officer jobs to a group of students in a Criminal Justice class March 7 at United Tribes. The Standing Rock Tribe has 20 positions available in Fort Yates, ND, in the tribe’s newly constructed, \$7.2 million youth correctional facility. Baker is the program administrator for

Standing Rock Youth Services. The tribe plans to begin operations in May in cooperation with the BIA. It is the first time the tribe has had a lockup designated specifically for juvenile offenders, thus illuminating the unwise and outmoded practice of co-mingling them with incarcerated adults in overcrowded, outdated facilities.

UNITED TRIBES STAFF NEWS



Trauma Training



Thank you to Faith Spotted Eagle for sharing your many years of experience and the understanding of your healing way with the United Tribes campus community during Professional Development Days in January. Your patient and caring work, guided by culture-based Lakota counseling, addresses the devastation of historical trauma and abuse with understanding, compassion and transformation. Thank you especially for the follow-up work you did for our staff in small groups and for some 20 students who you worked with individually. Our better selves emerged with your wise counsel.

– David M. Gipp, United Tribes President

Champion Tour

The Career Development staff wishes to thank each and everyone involved in welcoming to United Tribes the staff of the Bismarck/Mandan Chamber of Commerce. In a very short, four-hour, time-frame, the “Champions of Change” tour successfully introduced many of our academic programs and college initiatives, showcasing the accomplishments of our students and staff. It demonstrated the results of positive thinking and TEAMORK, along with what it means to be Humble and Respectful to guests. You brought great honor to our community with your participation. Thank you all!

– Mark L. Mindt, Associate VP
Career Development

Condolences

The United Tribes family sends its deepest sympathy to Rebekah Olson, UTTC Research Instructor, on the tragic loss of her father Danny Olson who died in an automobile crash. That you had the clarity and heart to offer classroom instructions to colleagues before you left on funeral leave, including a reminder to ecology students to water their plants, is a testament to the strength in your character and a sign of your commitment to those in your charge. May the faith of our prayers be there to hold you and keep you strong.

– David M. Gipp, United Tribes President

Keepers of Wisdom

‘Thank you’ to the many staff members and faculty who attended the March 1st “Keepers of Wisdom” luncheon. It was wonderful to have you there. You embody the knowledge and experience that enriches the learning environment here at United Tribes. I want you to know how much I appreciate what you do and what you have to offer. Thank you for helping me, as I find my way here.

– Charisse Fandrich, Community/Tribal
Development Liaison

Shoe-In

Congratulations to Martha Garreau, Arrow Graphics, for winning the February walking club contest; her award was a new pair of athletic shoes donated by Epic Sports. Colette Wolf, Land Grant, won a pair of Pearl Izumi shoes, also donated by Epic Sports, in a raffle after the March 9 morning group fitness class. More pairs to be awarded to fitness participants!

– Dan Molnar, Fitness Specialist/Track Coach

JOB OPENINGS

ACADEMIC, CAREER & TECHNICAL EDUCATION

- Adjunct Instructor - Criminal Justice
- Business Law Adjunct Instructor
- Pre-Engineering Instructor
- Dean of Academic Instruction
- GIS INSTRUCTOR for DoL DeMaND Project
- Adjunct Coding Instructor
- Criminal Justice Instructor
- Business Administration Instructor
- Health Information Technology Program Instructor
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STUDENT & CAMPUS SERVICES

- Skilled Carpenter
- Evening Security Secretary/Dispatcher
- Women's Dorm Resident Assistant
- Men's Dorm Resident Assistant
- Security Officer
- Associate VP for Enrollment Management
- WebMaster - Information Technology
- Associate VP of Community Wellness
- Housing Custodian
- Custodian - 2 positions
- Maintenance Worker/Groundskeeper
- Cook/Baker
- Kitchen Aide/Dishwasher
- Resident Assistant - Live In
- Housing Custodian -PT
- Online Course Developer - Part Time

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- Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Case Manager

THEODORE JAMERSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

- Business Manager/Secretary - Temporary
- Bus Rider
- Elementary Custodian
- Substitute Teacher

ADMINISTRATION

- Institutional Assessment Director
- DeMaND Data Workkeys Administrator
- UM-Term Case Worker/Training Planner
- Assistant to the President
- Direct Mail & Annual Drive Coordinator
- Grant Writer/Developer External Funding

FINANCE

- Contracts and Grants Specialist

MORE INFORMATION:

Human Resource Department
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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Troublemakers tour includes stops in region

SANTA FE – Gary Farmer and his blues and rock-n-roll band “The Troublemakers” have music from a new album to share on a spring tour that includes venues in the region such as Chief Dull Knife College and Turtle Mountain Community College.



Gary Farmer visited UTTC in 2010.

Their latest compilation, *Under the Water Tower*, with singles like “Mister Coyote” and “Foster Child,” feature the Troublemakers distinctive Native American flavor. Their fourth blues-inspired album, the new release highlights their “2012 Rezified Spring Tour.”

The two-month swing started March 6 in Albuquerque and stops at Indian-owned casinos, tribal schools, reservations and towns in the US and Canada. The last three weeks are in Montana, North Dakota, Minnesota and Wisconsin.

Accompanying Farmer (vocals and harmonica) are Brock Stonefish (guitar and vocals), Lonnie Arellano (guitar and vocals), John Ringo (bass) and Bruce Fraser (drums).

Farmer is member of the Cayuga Nation and Wolf Clan of the Haudenosaunee/Iroquois Confederacy. He says the tour is an opportunity for him and the band to connect with and contribute to native communities.

Rezified Spring Tour 2012 (Regional Stops)

- March 28 Boys/Girls Club, Lame Deer, MT
- March 30 Best Western Kwataqnuq Resort, Polson, MT
- April 2 Chief Dull Knife College, Lame Deer, MT
- April 4 Turtle Mountain Community College, Belcourt, ND
- April 5, 6 & 7 Shooting Star Casino, Manhommen, MN
- April 10 University of Wisconsin, Superior, WI
- April 17 Santee Community Center, Niobrara, NB

More Info: 505-629-6580, GDF, P.O. Box 31096, Santa Fe, NM, 87594, garytroublemaker@gmail.com

Paprikás Krumpli (Potato Paprikash)
Hungarian dish as sampled at the Wellness Fair during UTTC Professional Development Day

- 2 lbs potatoes
- 1-1.5 lbs sausage (pork, smoked)
- 1 whole red onion
- 2 cloves garlic
- 1 tbs Hungarian paprika powder
- 1 teaspoon spicy paprika powder
- 1 whole green pepper
- 1 whole tomato
- 4 oz oil
- 1 tbs salt
- 1 tbs black pepper
- Flour (2 good handful), salt, egg (1 egg) for the Dumpling (csipetke)

Heat oil and stir in the chopped onion, minced garlic and cook until glossy. Mix in salt, black pepper, paprika powder when onion is cooked. Cut potatoes into cubes, the sausage into 2-3/8” slices, and add to the pot. Fill with enough water to cover potatoes completely. When potatoes half cooked, add tomato (cut up in bigger slices) and pepper (cut in half). Cook for another 20-30 minutes and 10 minutes before done pour in dumplings. Total cooking time about 1 hour. Prep time 20 minutes. Makes 4 servings.

Enjoy!
– Dan Molnar, *Strengthening Lifestyles Fitness Specialist*



United Tribes Technical College *Academic Calendar*

APRIL

- 2.....Deadline to apply for Native Electricians Program
- 6..... Good Friday (No Classes or Work)
- 16-20.....Summer & Fall Pre-Registration
- 30.....Beginning of Final Exams Week

MAY

- 3.....Semester Grades Due
- 3.....Student Awards Event
- 4.....2012 Commencement Ceremony
- 7.....Assessment Day
- 28.....Memorial Holiday (No Classes or Work)
- 29.....Native Electricians Program begins

Detailed Calendar: www.uttc.edu

YOU CAN HELP

Keep our Campus Safe
United Tribes is your home away from home. We all want it to be a safe place to learn and work! For Students, Staff, and Especially CHILDREN Please DO NOT SPEED when driving on campus! Observe the posted speed limit. Be careful and watch for pedestrians! We're All Here Together! Be SAFE! Thank you.

– Russell Swagger, VP Student and Campus Services

Seeking to find Film

United Tribes Technical College is looking for a film about the college that was produced in the 1970s. "Indians Helping Indians" was an informational film shown to civic organizations, church groups and schools throughout the region and around the country by Harriett Skye, then the college's public information director. A number of 16 mm prints were made and distributed. It is unknown whether the film was duplicated onto a video or digital format.



If you or your agency or organization has a copy or knows of where one might be, please contact Dennis J. Neumann, Public Information Director, United Tribes Technical College, 701-255-3285 x 1386, opi@uttc.edu.

Thank You!

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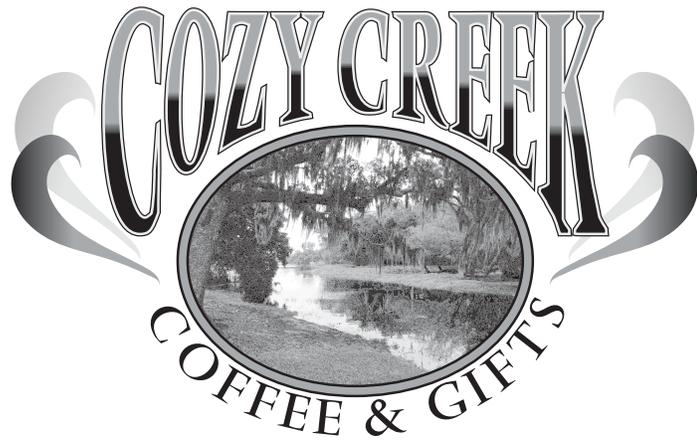
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Soups: Borscht & Wisconsin Cheese
- Wednesday:** Meatloaf & Toast
Soups: Chicken Noodle & Tomato Bisque
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If you are plan on attending SUMMER SCHOOL 2012 or SCHOOL in the FALL, its best to contact 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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Course Information:

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Course Structure:

The course will be conducted over a 16 week period and consist of 240 hours of classroom and hands-on training (8 week classroom-8 weeks internship). Participants will be in training 5 days a week for 8 hours a day.

**Lodging, meals and transportation will be the responsibility of the applicant.
(Financial aid assistance may be available to cover these costs.)**

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: April 2, 2012

Apply today at: www.uttc.edu

For further information please contact Jackie Benson at 701/255-3285 ext. 1447
or Barbara Schmitt at 701/255-3285 ext. 1436.

United Tribes Technical College in partnership with, the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers and the National Electrical Contractors Association, is offering a 16 week pre-apprenticeship training course in association with the National Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee in Bismarck, North Dakota.



Election polling place established at United Tribes

BISMARCK (UTN) – Voters who live near the city of Bismarck will come to United Tribes Technical College to cast their votes in the 2012 elections. The college has been designated as a precinct polling place in Burleigh County.

County Auditor/Treasurer Kevin Glatt informed the college February 1 that United Tribes had been selected as the polling place for Precinct 3001.

United Tribes replaces two former polling locations at University of Mary and Prairie Rose School, said Glatt. It serves voters in Legislative District 30.

Glatt recently visited the campus to examine possible voting locations and settled on the college's Skill Center, the first building inside the main, stone-columned entrance gate off University Drive.

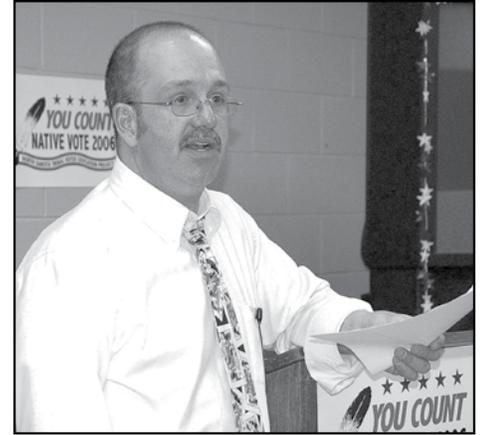
Constructed in 1978, the UTTC Skill Center will accommodate voters with convenient parking, ample utility capacity for voting equipment, and plenty of space for voting machines, booths and poll workers. The facility has served during a number of past election cycles in campus and community voter education programs. In 2006, Glatt made a presentation there during a voter information workshop.

The 2012 election cycle includes two major dates. The June 12 North Dakota Primary Election will also contain ballot items for city elections and the Bismarck Public School District. The 2012 General Election is scheduled for Tuesday, November 6.

Precinct 3001 includes all of Lincoln Township, less that portion north and west of the canal area outside the Bismarck corporate city limits, and that portion of Ft. Rice Township north of State Highway 1804 and west of the Desert Road, said Glatt.

Like all polling locations, the United Tribes Skill Center will be open for voting on election days from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Poll workers will arrive earlier and leave later.

The street address for United Tribes Technical College is 3315 University Drive. The college is located in Burleigh County, just outside Bismarck city limits.



VOTER INFO-MAN: Burleigh County Auditor/Treasurer Kevin Glatt in 2006 making a presentation to Tribal College students during a voter information workshop at United Tribes. Glatt selected United Tribes as a county polling place for the 2012 election cycle.

Find your voting precinct
on a map at the
ND Secretary of State's
website:
<http://www.nd.gov/sos/electvote/>

Be A Poll Worker

Your community needs people like you to work as a poll worker on Election Day. Burleigh County recruits and trains an estimate of 1000 citizens within the community each election cycle.

Being a poll worker is a great way to meet new people, network with local entrepreneurs, & help your neighbors. What a rewarding way to help your community!

Burleigh County election officials will teach you everything you need to know to do the job and be a part of an Election Board. The Election Board checks voters in at the polling place, explains how they cast the ballots, and completes tasks at the end of the night to close the poles. Just a few requirements need to be met to be selected:

- You must be a US citizen
 - At least age 16
 - Resident of Burleigh County
- Upon being selected, you will be required to:**
- * Attend a short training
 - Participate in setting up the precinct on Election Day
 - Be willing to work the entire day

More info: Burleigh County Auditor's Office, Burleigh County Courthouse, 221 N 5th St., Bismarck, ND 58501, 701-222-6718, <http://www.co.burleigh.nd.us/default.asp>



The Skill Center building on the campus of United Tribes Technical College is a Burleigh County voting precinct for the 2012 election cycle.



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United Tribes selects Student of the Year



PROUD FAMILY: Laramie Plainfeather was selected by United Tribes as its American Indian College Fund Student of the Year for 2012. Laramie, along with his wife Cabbrina and children Cyra and Hadrian, is pictured in a recent family photo. The honor came with a \$1,000 scholarship award bestowed by the College Fund March 27 at an awards banquet held in Rapid City, SD. Laramie is an enrolled member of the Crow Tribe in Montana. His tribal name is Owner of Many Fine Things, given to him by his uncle. He

belongs to the Big Lodge clan and a child of the Bad War Deeds Clan. Laramie is Vice President of the UTTC Student Senate. He carries a 3.83 GPA and will graduate in May with an Associate Degree in Small Business Management. Laramie said his family inspires him to achieve and that he is honored to accept the award on behalf of his tribe and family. His parents are Mardell and Leo Plainfeather, Billings, MT. Laramie's educational goal is to earn bachelors in Business Administration at UTTC.