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BISMARCK, NORTH DAKOTA



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Samoan Fire Knife Dancers to perform



Samoan Fire Knife dancer Kap Tafiti

United Tribes Powwow is Premier Cultural Event

BISMARCK (UTN) – Dancers twirling sharp knives that are on fire will be part of the 2012 United Tribes International Powwow. A group of Samoan fire knife dancers are the featured cultural group of the annual event set for September 6-9, the weekend after Labor Day, on the campus of United Tribes Technical College.

The fire dance brings Polynesian culture into the mix of Native American tribal music and dance during the powwow, now celebrating its 43rd year. Providing the action are tribal dancers and drum groups gathered in Lone Star Arena, the

college's dance arbor. Upwards of 1,000 participants compete for over \$80,000 in prize money.

Spectators from the community, around the country and abroad are welcomed to the circle to share the traditions of one of North Dakota's premier cultural events.

POWWOW SCHEDULE

The powwow begins with the first Grand Entry at Lone Star Arena, in the center of campus, on Thursday, September 6 at 7 p.m. Subsequent Grand Entries are held Friday and Saturday at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m.

(Central Time), and Sunday at 12 noon. A \$20 entrance fee guarantees admission to all dance and drum competitions for the four days. Daily admission is \$12. Seniors (65 and over) and children (5 and under) enter free. Group rates (10 or more) contact Ella Duran 701-255-3285 x 1214, eduran@uttc.edu.

Camping space is available free of charge in designated locations on the United Tribes campus; round-the-clock security provided and access to facilities. No drugs or alcohol allowed and no pets.

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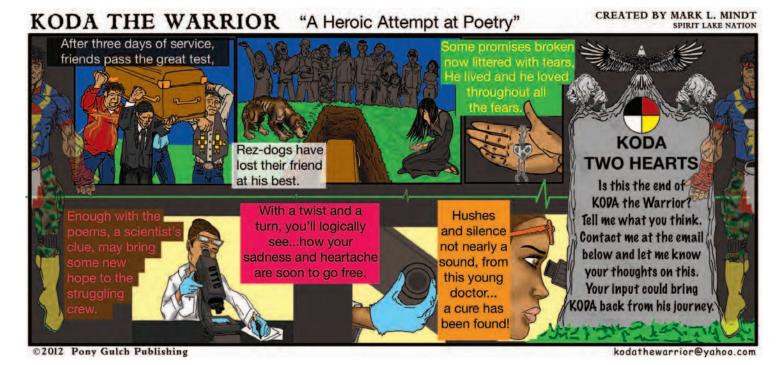
Tribal Colleges Honor ND Higher Ed Leaders



PARTNERS IN PROGRESS: Two leaders of the North Dakota University System were honored July 17 by the presidents of North Dakota's Tribal Colleges. Former NDUS Chancellor William Goetz and Vice Chancellor Mike Hillman were thanked and lauded for their cooperative work in strengthening the partnership and working relations between tribal colleges and the state university system. Gifts were presented and an honor song rendered for the pair in the Healing Room of the Lewis Goodhouse Wellness Center at United Tribes. Pictured from left: Cynthia Mala, Cankdeska Cikana Community College, Fort Totten; Jim Davis, Turtle Mountain Community College, Belcourt; Vice Chancellor Hillman; Chancellor Goetz; Russell Mason, Jr., Fort Berthold Communi-

ty College, New Town; and Laurel Vermillion, Sitting Bull College, Fort Yates. Not pictured David M. Gipp, United Tribes Technical College, Bismarck. The signature accomplishment of the tribal/state partnership was enactment in 2007 of a law providing a nominal amount of state funding for non-beneficiary students who attend tribal colleges. In the 43 year history of tribal colleges in North Dakota, and after more than 20 years of trying, it was the first direct financial support provided with state resources. "If it wasn't for your support and testimony, I don't know if that law would have passed," said Jim Davis. "Thank you for your professionalism and friendship."

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USDA's chief scientist visits tribal colleges

BISMARCK (UTN) – An official of the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture, who is in charge of research, education and economics, toured two tribal colleges July 19 as part of a visit to North Dakota commemorating agricultural research.

Dr. Catherine Woteki's visits to United Tribes Technical College, Bismarck and Sitting Bull College, Fort Yates, focused on educational programs and projects that focus food, nutrition and agriculture research.

At United Tribes, she toured the college's Nutrition and Foodservice Department and learned about programs in food safety, nutrition and food sovereignty. She met with UTTC's Land Grant staff, heard about present and future science programs, and toured the campus experimental and community gardens.

At the college's new Science and Technology Center, Woteki was briefed about student projects in the college's Tribal Environmental Science program, including research about wild berries, diseases in bats, and soil characteristics and vegetation near rattlesnake dens.

"Tribal Colleges are fulfilling an important mission in Indian Country," said Woteki. "They're educating the next generation in the skills they'll need for future careers, while also preserving tribal culture."



Dr. Catherine Woteki speaking with students about their research at United Tribes Technical College.

Woteki's visit coincided with a program celebrating the 100th anniversary of USDA's Northern Great Plains Research Laboratory in Mandan. Ag research was an important mission that evolved from passage of the Morrill Act in 1862. This year, the USDA is commemorating the 150th anniversary of the founding of USDA and land-grant universities. Tribal colleges attained land-grant status in 1994.

"Looking back at the long period of land grant programs in this country, tribal colleges have had a comparatively short history of involvement," said David M. Gipp, United Tribes Technical College president. "But in that time we've built a good working relationship with the USDA. Our goal is to continue building on that and opening up new areas of cooperation and support that will benefit tribal people in meaningful and equitable ways."

Woteki's tour of Sitting Bull College included the Science and Technology Center, where students described research projects currently underway. Standing Rock's natural beef research project is a joint effort with scientists from USDA's Agricultural Research Service and instructors at Sitting Bull College, North Dakota State University and South Dakota State University. It is funded by USDA's National Institute of Food and Agriculture.

"We've had a long-standing relationship with the USDA, including having USDA's Tribal College Liaison Office housed on our new campus," said Laurel Vermillion, Sitting Bull College president. "As we continue to expand our undergraduate research efforts, it was a privilege and honor to have Dr. Woteki visit our campus."

Governor hosts Tribal leaders



LEADERS GATHER: North Dakota Governor Jack Dalrymple hosted leaders of the state's tribes July 20 at the North Dakota Governor's residence in Bismarck. Pictured from left: Scott J. Davis, ND Indian Affairs Commission Director; Larry DeCoteau, Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Councilman; Robert Shepherd, Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate Chairman; Governor Dalrymple; Roger Yankton Sr., Spirit Lake Tribal Chairman; Charles W. Murphy, Standing Rock Tribal Chairman; Tex G. Hall, Three Affiliated Tribal Chairman; and Kurt Luger, Great Plains Indian Gaming Assn. Executive Director. The group gathered for a brief preliminary discussion about gaming compacts. Most of the tribal leaders had not previously been to the residence and expressed their appreciation to Dalrymple for the hospitality. Photo courtesy Scott J. Davis

Applicants sought for UTTC Welding Program

BISMARCK (UTN) – United Tribes Technical College has signaled a start to its new Welding Technology Program.

The college is now accepting applications from potential trainees who want to become skilled and competent welders and compete for jobs in the Northern Plains.

"We encourage applicants to submit their forms by the first part of August at the latest," said Steve Shepherd, UTTC Welding Program Director.

Welding was once a popular vocational program at UTTC. The high demand for skilled welders in the region prompted its revival. The program is a Workforce Development Project funded by the U.S. Department of Labor.

"This is a career field that's very much in demand right now," said Shepherd. "We're looking for highly-motivated individuals who are self-starters and will make the most of this opportunity."

Applications Online

The United Tribes program will accept only a limited number of applicants. Twelve students will be selected from those who apply to be in the first group of trainees.

The application process is set-up for access online. Program information and application forms are available at the college's website, www.uttc.edu.

Those interested are encouraged to start the application process as soon as possible. An important and time-consuming step is arranging for financial aid from potential funding agencies.

The first training session will begin at or near the end of September or early October, said Shepherd. The training course is scheduled to run 16 weeks.

"We anticipate a lot of interest in this program," said Shepherd. "We expect to have a waiting list for the second training session."

Like all educational programs at United Tribes Technical College, the welding program is open to potential trainees of all racial and ethnic backgrounds.

Program is Plugged-In

The United Tribes program is based on standards of the American Welding Society. Students will be trained in safe working techniques and practices.

The training schedule is Monday-Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Underway now is work to renovate and upgrade the college's former welding facilities in the United Tribes Skill Center. The work is funded by the U. S. Economic Development Administration.

"It'll be state of the art, like one of the best shops in the area," Shepherd said.

The training centerpiece will be several welding simulators that shorten the learning curve and dramatically improve welding skills. The simulators will serve as a lead into hands-on training in welding processes commonly in use today: stick, flux core, mig, tig and oxy/acetylene. Those who excel will

move to more advanced techniques.

Classes will be taught by Shepherd (Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate), who has 17 years experience as a welder and union member, and Robert Leingang, formerly an instructor with the



Steve Shepherd (Sisseton-Wahpeton), UTTC Welding Program Director

Bismarck State College welding program.

Apprenticeships/Placement

After completing the course, students have an opportunity to apply for an apprentice-ship with one of the building trades unions. Welders are needed in the United Association of Pipefitters, the International Brotherhood of Boilermakers, and the International Association of Ironworkers, said Shepherd.

"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 program will also include placement services in a field of the student's choice.

For more information please contact Jackie Benson 701-255-3285 x1447, jbenson@uttc. edu or Steve Shepherd 701-255-3285 x1537, shepherd@uttc.edu; or apply online at www. uttc.edu.



United Tribes Technical College Academic Calendar

August 1	Elementary school office open for registration
August 6-9	Summer Session II FINALS
August 10	Summer Session II Grades Du
August 16-17	Faculty Orientation
August 17	Deadline for Welding Application
August 18-19	Student Housing Check-In
August 18	THUNDERBIRD RUN Half Marathon/10K/5F
August 20	Elementary School Begin
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August 20	Welding Program Interviews
August 20-22	Student Orientation/Registration
August 23-24	1st Year Experience Seminar
August 27	College Classes Begin
September 3	Labor Day no classes
September 6-9	United Tribes Powwow
September 10	Welding Program Orientation
September 11	Welding Program Begins

Detailed Calendar: www.uttc.edu

United Tribes STUDENT ACCOUNTS

Welcome to all returning and new students. We wish you a successful academic year.

Please remember that you may view your account online.

Disbursement dates for PELL and Loan excess funds will be found under the campus announcements online.

Stop by and visit about any questions: Building 5B, second floor.

Office Hours: 8 a.m. –to 5 p.m. **Jessica Stewart**, Bursar:

701-255-3285 x1212, stewart@uttc.edu Geri Racine,

Billing and Collections Specialist: 701-255-3285 x1346, gracine@uttc.edu

United Tribes STUDENT HEALTH CENTER

The student health Center (SHC) in the Lewis Goodhouse Wellness Center is funded by the Indian Health Services on a 638 Indian Self-Determination contract. The professional staff provides comprehensive medical care to UTTC students and their dependents according to these guidelines:

Office Hours M-F, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

After hours medical care (or holidays), contact UTTC Security $x\ 1200/1300$. Nurse-on-call can be reached via cell phone.

- Pre-authorization required from SHC nursing staff for all medical and pharmacy needs. SHC can make transportation arrangements for medical appointments.
- Students must be full-time and currently enrolled at UTTC. Part-time students may receive SHC services and over-the-counter medications but not referrals.
- Students are responsible for informing the SHC staff of an Emergency Room visit or hospitalization within 72 hours of a visit or admittance.
- Services provided only during the academic school year.No services provided June 30 to July 2, 2012.

Student Health Center Staff

Charmelle Fuchs, LPN/Supervisor, 701-255-3285 x 1331 Sharon Rose Toineeta, LPN, 701-255-3285 x 1332 Olivia Tuske-Reese, LPN, 701-255-3285 x 1409 Sue Big Eagle, Office Mgr., 701-255-3285 x 1247

Native American Artist/Entrepreneurs Business Leadership Program

The First Peoples Fund invites applications from Native American Artist-Entrepreneurs for 2013 Business Leadership Program.

The deadline is September 1, 2012.

This program is an independent business arts fellowship designed to help Native American artists increase their business skills and run their arts-based businesses as consistent and reliable sources of income.

The fellowship features a working capital grant of up to \$5,000 to be used to support a one-year marketing plan/strategy or business goal as defined by the artist applicant. Fellows also will receive technical assistance, have the opportunity to participate in a professional network of their peers, and be provided travel funds to participate in FPF's individualized professional development workshops.

Applicants must be mid career (more than five years' experience) in marketing their art at Indian art markets and galleries, as well as through wholesale outlets; have chosen art as a means to obtain economic self-sufficiency for themselves and their families; and demonstrate a strong vision and have a well-articulated plan for implementing effective market strategies over the one-year fellowship period.

Applicants must be a member of a Northern Great Plains tribe located in South Dakota, North Dakota, Montana, Wyoming, western Minnesota, Nebraska, or the Eastern Plateau region of Idaho, Oregon, and Washington; a tribe from the Great Lakes Region of Minnesota, Michigan, or Wisconsin; a tribe from any Eastern Seaboard state; or a Hawaiian or Alaska Native. Affiliated Canadian First Nations artists also are eligible.

First Peoples Fund website: http://www.firstpeoplesfund.org/index.html. E-mail contact: miranne@firstpeoplesfund.org.

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:

 $\begin{array}{lll} \textbf{U}-\textbf{Unity} & \textbf{T}-\textbf{Traditions} \\ \textbf{N}-\textbf{Native Americans} & \textbf{R}-\textbf{Respect} \\ \textbf{I}-\textbf{Integrity} & \textbf{I}-\textbf{Independence} \\ \textbf{T}-\textbf{Trust} & \textbf{B}-\textbf{Bravery} \\ \textbf{E}-\textbf{Education} & \textbf{E}-\textbf{Environment} \\ \textbf{D}-\textbf{Diversity} & \textbf{S}-\textbf{Spirituality} \end{array}$

 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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Working on the bat pr

BISMARCK (UTN) - How did you spend your summer vacation?

If it was anything like the three science students who went to California, you have plenty to talk about. In their case it's not about Hollywood.

It's about bats - those mysterious and misunderstood critters who flap through the night and into our dreams.

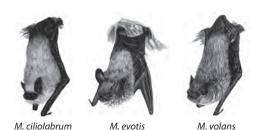
Steven P. Walker of United Tribes and Monica Bailey from the University of Minnesota, spent six weeks in the San Francisco Bay area along with graduate mentor Nicholas Kludt from the University of North Dakota.

As part of a paid internship at NASA's Ames Research Center, Mountain View, CA, they worked with scientists on their project to improve understanding about bat habitat in the West-River region of North Dakota.

"There've only been a few research studies about bats in North Dakota," said Bailey at United Tribes during a July 20 public presentation that concluded the internship.

Focusing on three of the 11 bat species found in North Dakota, they discovered bats are more than just creepy movie extras. They perform valuable services in the ecosystem, like controlling insects and pests. Their economic importance to the ag industry is huge - valued at roughly \$30 million per year nationwide.

The reason to know these things - the reason their summer internship was so interesting - is because there's a villain. "The services bats provide are at risk," said Bailey.



The three science interns created a descriptive poster and a Power Point program about their study of three species of bats and their habitat in western North Dakota.



Biology student Monica Bailey (Standing Rock Tribe) University of Minnesota, presents results from the study of bat habitat. Looking on are her colleagues, at left, Nicholas Kludt, University of North Dakota, and Steven P. Walker (Three Affiliated) United Tribes Technical College.

BATS DYING

Bats in the U.S. are threatened from a biological source, a disease known as White-Nose Syndrome (WNS). First identified in 2006, the deadly fungus causes infected bats to show a visible white powdery substance around the nose, ears and wings. Ultimately it leads to death.

Bat populations across eastern North America are being decimated. While it has not reached North Dakota, the infection is steadily moving westward and is now in Iowa. Loss of bats to farming means more money to spray pesticides on crops and higher food costs for consumers. Another worry is the possibility of an increase in diseases spread by mosquitoes.

"The problem is, we have very limited knowledge of where bats live," said Walker during the presentation at UTTC. "If you don't know where something is at, how do you monitor it?"

RESEARCH PROJECT

For their project, the students followed a thread of research underway at North Dakota State University by graduate student Paul Barnhart and Dr. Erin Gillam. The data, from acoustic detectors NDSU placed at selected locations in western North Dakota, helped the student researchers determine the characteristics of preferred bat habitat. Using GIS, they mapped the general distribution of critical habitat in the three species. Knowing where the bats prefer to hang out could aid in species conservation with the approach of the disease.

Clearly the project advanced the general knowledge about bats in western North Dakota. The data may have immediate use in establishing monitoring efforts. According to press reports, the state is creating a surveillance program to detect the entry of WNS into North Dakota.

FURTHER STUDIES

The students also looked at the potential for human impact on bats from the current boom of oil development in the region. They matched the bat habitat map with that of Williston Basin oil activity and found strong correlations.

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"Can we say they are impacting them based on our project," questioned Kludt at the UTTC presentation. "No. But if we were to study this further, chances are yes. Oil development is very heavy in this general region."

Other potential for future research includes studying bats over time and studying them in eastern North Dakota since WNS is spreading from the east.

SCIENCE SUPPORTERS

A poster and Power Point made from the bat habitat study carry the title "Habitat Preferences For North Dakota Myotis Bats: Using Land Cover To Predict Distribution Patterns." The work was made possible by the Curriculum Improvement Partnership Award for the Integration of Research (CIPAIR), funded by NASA. Rebekah Olson and Mandy Guinn of the United Tribes Tribal Environmental Science mentored the students. Paul Barnhart and Dr. Erin Gillam lent data and support. The University of Minnesota, NDSU and UND were involved, along with Cindy Schmidt at NASA, who is associated with the Bay Area Environmental Research Institute.

Outside of working on their amazing summer science project, the student team took side trips to Silicon Valley, Alcatraz Island, deep sea fishing, Yosemite Park and to the beach for volleyball. How about that for passing time in summer!

2012 UTTC CIPAIR Workshop **Traditional Plants Used for Medicine**

August 7-9 **United Tribes Technical College**

In cooperation with **North Carolina State** and Rutgers University

More info: **Rebekah Olson** rolson@uttc.edu 701-255-3285 x 1349



United Tribes Powwow Week

September 4-9, 2012 Bismarck, North Dakota

LOOK FOR THESE EVENTS



Miss Indian Nations Pageant

September 5-8, United Tribes campus Open to all Native American women age 17-26 who are at least one-fourth degree Indian. Proof of age and tribal enrollment necessary. Must be single and non-parent. Contact **Sharon Clairmont:** 701-255-3285 x 1499, sclairmont@uttc.edu.



Parade of Champions

Saturday, September 8, State Capitol through downtown Bismarck

Contacts: Michelle Fox or Star Silk 701-255-3285 x 1355/1269, mfox@uttc.edu, or ssilk@uttc.edu



United Tribes Men and Women Softball Tourney

September 8-9, Clem Kelly Diamonds

Men team Contacts: Matt Red Bear or Delmar Clown 701-255-3285 x 1250/1454, mredbear@uttc.edu or dclown@uttc.edu

Women team Contact: Tamera Marshall 701-255-3285 x 1492, tmarshall@uttc.edu



Teeing Off for Academic Success Golf Tournament

Friday, September 7, Apple Creek Country Club

Contact: **Brad Hawk** 701-255-3285 x 1387, bhawk@uttc.edu



United Tribes Tribal Leaders Summit

September 5-7, Bismarck Civic Center Contact: **Tiffany Hodge** 701-255-3285 x 1482, thodge@uttc.edu

Tribal Transportation Planners Conference Information

Contact: Karlita Knight 701-255-3285 x 1353, kknight@uttc.edu

Trade Show Information

Contact: **Debbie Painte** 701-255-3285 x 1232, dpainte@uttc.edu

Youth Day

Friday, September 7, UTTC Campus

Contact: **Annette Beyer** 701-255-3285 x 1541, abeyer@uttc.edu

More Info: http://www.unitedtribespowwow.com/

Tribes hosts primary polling



CIVIC DUTY: Voters enter the United Tribes Skill Center to cast ballots during the North Dakota Primary Election. Nine-hundred voters in Burleigh County's precinct 3001 voted at UTTC on June 12 in the first of two state-wide elections in 2012. Site coordinators were Bobby Jo Zuger and Margaret Swenson. All the equipment needed, including voting booths, voting machines, tables and chairs, fit comfortably into the commons area just inside the east entrance. The building was easy to access for visitors entering the campus off University Drive. Next up is the much-anticipated General Election on Tuesday, November 6.

Seeking Volunteers for the Thunderbird Run



Saturday, August 18

Volunteers needed:
Registration • Bike riders
Route Guides • Water Stations
Timers • Recorders • Awards

Please join us!

Let us know now what you can do: Daniel Molnar dmolnar@uttc.edu, 701-255-3285 x 1367

or

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



SCHEDULE:

7 a.m. Race Day REGISTRATION 8 a.m. Half-Marathon START 9 a.m. 10K Run START 9:10 a.m. 5k Walk/Run START

Registration Form Available at

www.uttc.edu

For More Information:
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HALF-MARATHON • 10K • 5K

Saturday, August 18, 2012

Two Half-Marathon Competitive Classes:

OPEN DIVISION – ages 14 to 39

MASTERS DIVISION - ages 40 & over

Half-Marathon Early Registration Fee - \$35 After August 17 - \$45

10K Early Registration Fee - \$25 After August 17 - \$35

5K Early Registration Fee - \$20 After August 17 - \$25

"AWARDS FOR ALL CATEGORIES"

to graduate

By Jackie Benson, Case Manager/ **DeMaND Project**

graduation program is set for Friday, August 31 at United Tribes Technical College for students completing the "Native American Electricians Training Program."

The program is a 14 week course of study resulting in a certificate of completion. Twelve students began in May. Those who successfully complete the coursework become eligible for apprenticeships as an electrician.

The curriculum was developed through a partnership between UTTC and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) and the Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee (JATC).

Half of the classroom coursework is taught by United Tribes faculty and the other half by JATC. The combination prepares trainees to be job-ready for accelerated entrance into the workforce.

UTTC also offers Work Keys assessment, an evaluation method that students can use to attain an industry-recognized National Career Readiness Certification.

Admission to the program was limited and determined on a competitive basis according to applicant readiness, as demonstrated through information on an application and a personal interview.

All participants are assigned a 6-week internship upon successful completion of the classroom-based courses. They are assigned to Journeyman electricians as un-indentured apprentices and receive 240 hours of hands-on and compensated electrical work experience through IBEW's Dakotas JATC. Following completion of the internship, graduates are eligible to interview for a full apprenticeship position.

For more information, please contact Jackie Benson 701-255-3285 x 1447, jbenson@uttc.edu.

Electricians Sampling the **Scientific Process**



FIELD WORK: Tribal Environmental Science student Sichangu Lee (Cheyenne River) demonstrates how to collect a soil sample July 10 during Nature Camp for secondary students visiting United Tribes. He was illustrating steps in the "scientific process." The work offered an opportunity to describe his current research project: sampling soil and vegetation characteristics around rattlesnake dens. Lee's comparative study matches findings between locations on the west and east sides of the Missouri River in south-central North Dakota. Much to everyone's comfort, this tutorial sample was taken at a site on the UTTC south campus, in no proximity to a snake den.





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Honoring and Lakota Helicopter featured at powwow

By James Red Tomahawk, Chief of United Tribes Security

Cannonball, North Dakota hosted an honoring for law enforcement officers and a visit by a namesake helicopter as part of the annual Cannonball District Powwow of the Standing Rock Tribe on Sunday, June 10.

The events were organized by members of the Red Tomahawk family as part of their commitment to recognize and honor those who serve in law enforcement. It took place on "Flag Day" at the powwow.

Hosting the event were descendents of Marcellus Red Tomahawk, a Sergeant and leader in the Standing Rock Agency's Indian Police force from 1881 to 1895. A silhouette view of Red Tomahawk



Marcellus Red Tomahawk

wearing a headdress is on North Dakota state highway signs and is the official symbol of the North Dakota State Highway Patrol.

This was the third year the family honored law enforcement officers from the Standing Rock Tribe, BIA, and state and local jurisdictions in remembrance of Red Tomahawk the Indian Policeman.

A highlight was the landing and display by the South Dakota National Guard of a UH-72 "Lakota" helicopter. At the powwow event



The UH-72 "Lakota" light utility helicopter landing at Cannonball, ND on June 10. Introduced in 2007, the Lakota replaced the venerable Huey helicopter in the Army and Army National Guard fleets.

the helicopter was given the name Wokksape, meaning Wisdom in Lakota.

The North Dakota National guard will land two of the Lakota helicopters at United Tribes on September 4 for a dedication and naming ceremony set for 1:30 p.m.

Veterans groups also took part in the Cannonball event, including the Albert Grass American Legion Post #173, Village Center/Brown Otter Post #82, Looking



Back/Growler/Jemerson Post #239, Vietnam Veterans, Wakpala Veterans Organization, and Antoine American Horse Jr. American Horse Post #259.

Also present were: U. S. Senate Candidate Heidi Heitkamp, Standing Rock Chairman Charles W. Murphy, Vice Chairman Mike Faith and North Dakota Indian Affairs Commission Director Scott Davis.

I represented United Tribes as Chief of Security and made arrangements for representation by law enforcement officers from the area's sheriffs and police departments and BIA and Tribal law enforcement agencies. The Red Tomahawk family expresses its thanks and appreciation to all who took part and attended.



Law officers attending the Cannonball Powwow honoring from left: unidentified retired BIA Police officer, Morton County Sheriff's Deputy Sims, Bismarck Police Officer Nolan Kenwright, Morton County Sheriff's Deputy Tad Pritchett, BIA Police Chief Ken James, UTTC Chief of Security James Red Tomahawk, North Dakota State Capitol Security Officer Fred Gun, and Pete Red Tomahawk, Cannonball, ND.

DEDICATION & NAMING CEREMONY

FOR TWO

NORTH DAKOTA NATIONAL GUARD UH-72 LAKOTA HELICOPTERS

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4 1:30-3:30 P.M. UNITED TRIBES TECHNICAL COLLEGE

Tribal, Military, State & Community Partnership Event

Naming Ceremony by George Iron Shield, Standing Rock

Public Invited/Public Welcome

Free Parking • Aircraft Play • Ceremony

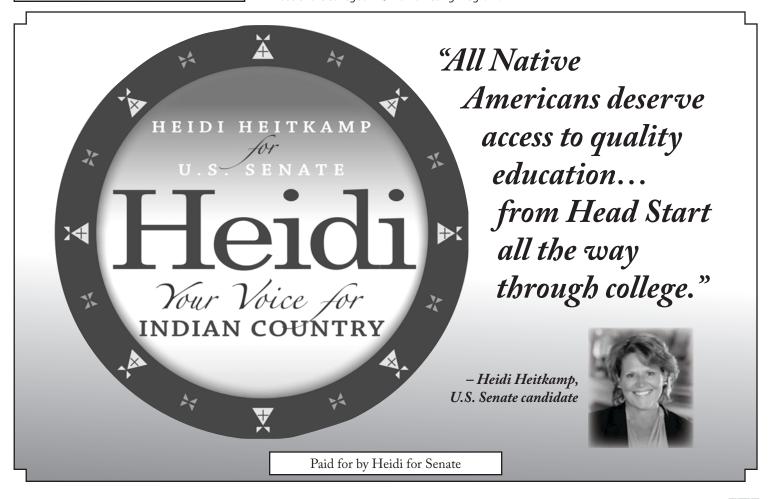
Refreshments No Admission Charge

More Information: Capt. Dan Murphy, daniel.m.murphy@us.army.mil, 701-333-2007, 701-426-0190, http://go.usa.gov/wgA

New Look up Front



EAGLE VIEW: A new, winged protector is soaring over the United Tribes Campus. Staff members of the college maintenance department installed a new sign July 16 near the front gate on University Drive. From left, Ron Newman, Mike Stockert and Royce Fiddler attach the panels of artwork created by Wayne Pruse of the college's Art/Art Marketing Program.



Food sovereignty highlighted at festival

By Pat Aune, United Tribes Land Grant Programs Director

Sticky hot weather under a tent for two weeks is a challenge for those who prefer the dry prairie of the Northern Plains or the cool climate of the Pacific Northwest.

But that was the assignment for tribal college educators from United Tribes Technical College and Northwest Indian College who were involved in the 2012 Smithsonian Folklife Festival June 27-July 1 and July 4-8 on the National Mall in Washington, DC.

The event commemorated the 150th anniversary of the Land Grant University system established by the Morrill Act. UTTC and NWIC represented the 37 tribal colleges that received land grant status in 1994.

The tribal colleges staffed an exhibit and presented educational and interpretive programming that emphasized food sovereignty. Food sovereignty is the ever-expanding description of our right to manage our food environment. Hunting and gathering of traditional foods, medicinal uses of native plants, gardening, local food production, food security and traditional knowledge of foods, plants and animals are included in food sovereignty discussions and study.



NWIC displayed a Cedar Box with medicinal plants and samples of pemmican, dried berries and salmon jerky. Their food demonstration introduced the audiences to rosehip jam and fizz, summer salad.



UTTC shared the Buffalo Box with exhibit visitors and demonstrated how to make Wasna and buffalo pizza in the food demonstration kitchen. United Tribes News photos Pat Aune

Visitors were keenly interested in the tribal college displays and information. Stopping at the exhibit were visitors to Washington, DC and the Folklife Festival, and employees of various government agencies and organizations. They were able to touch a buffalo hide, swat flies with a buffalo tail and make a cedar bracelet under the instruction of basket weaver Theresa Parker an enrolled Makah from Neah Bay, Washington.

Representing United Tribes were members of the college's Land Grant Program and Nutrition and Food Service Program.

Randy Two Crow, UTTC Criminal Justice student and horticulture assistant (Oglala Tribe, Kyle, SD) shared his experience in tanning hides, organic gardening and traditional food gathering. His presentations proved to be a crowd-pleaser, especially when youth and adults gathered around the buffalo box.

Amber Allery, UTTC on-line student, and Cynthia Allery, Nutrition and Chemical Health Educator, introduced audiences to the nutritional value of traditional diets and how food choices affect diabetes and other illnesses.

Annette Broyles, Nutrition and Foodservice instructor, demonstrated buffalo uses and shared classroom methods and experiences.

Wanda Agnew, Registered Dietitian, spoke at Smithsonian U on the topic: "Food is More than Something to Eat."

Pat Aune, Land Grant Director, spoke at Smithsonian U on the topic: "Forty Years of Food Safety Education."

Pat coordinated the exhibit and served as on-site contact person. She also presented about the Land Grant system, emphasizing the food and agriculture education provided by the Tribal Colleges, and shared about timpsila (prairie turnip), sweet grass and other traditional plants.

The food sovereignty exhibit used at the Folklife Festive will be on display August 15 to September 30 in the United Tribes Skill Center under the title "Key Ingredients." The exhibit is open to the public. More information: UTTC Land Grant office 701-255-3285 x 1399, paune@uttc.edu.

Art Gallery Open for Visitation



NATIVE COLLECTION: Angel Espinosa and Jess Clairmont kicked off the start of regular hours at the United Tribes Art Gallery with an open house on July 17. The gallery contains a wide array of two and three dimensional work by Native artists assembled over past 30 years. It's housed in a log-style building on the campus north side, previously open by appointment only. Summer hours for the United Tribes First Nations Art Gallery are: Monday through Friday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. and Saturday/Sunday 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Group and special tours are offered. More information 701-

255-3285 x 1508 or 1496.

Free admission.



Key Ingredients Display August 15 to September 30 Skill Center Building United Tribes Technical College

United Tribes invites you to visit the Key Ingredients display focusing on Food Sovereignty.

This exhibit was presented at the Smithsonian's National Folklife Festive in Washington, DC.

Students, faculty, staff and community invited.

Special events, tours and food sampling offered at various times throughout the exhibit.

To schedule a tour or presentation, please contact Pat Aune, UTTC Land Grant Director 701-255-3285 x1399, paune@uttc.edu

Support provided to United Tribes by the North Dakota Humanities Council.

Sam English art print donated



FULL CIRCLE: United Tribes President David M. Gipp accepts the donation of a framed art print by noted artist Sam English (Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa). The print was purchased during the United Tribes Art Expo in Bismarck in 1993 and made it back to the college June 11 courtesy of its owner, Cheryll McDowall, at left. The work is a tribute that English produced in 1990 to honor Wilma Mankiller, then Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation. It carries the title: "Her, She and Her Honor Dancin." View more Sam English work – with his characteristically elongated figures and the sky, stars and nature – at his website: http://www.samenglishart.com/index.php.



2012 UNITED TRIBES IN

CONTEST POWWOW

Known as "Home of the Champions," the United Tribes International Powwow is the season's last, large outdoor event on the northern Great Plains powwow circuit. Cash, jackets and medals are awarded to the dance and drum contest champions. Day money provided for drums and tiny tot dancers. Awards are announced early Sunday evening, September 9, following a free buffalo meal sponsored by the Standing Rock Tribe, one of the college's governing tribes.

POWWOW POSTER

United Tribes features artwork by the late Alden Archambault on the 2012 powwow poster. It is a watercolor of a fancy dancer in a circular design. He lived in the Bear Soldier Community at McLaughlin, South Dakota and was an enrolled member of the Standing Rock Tribe.

Archambault was a professional artist who, in addition to drawing and painting, was proficient in a variety of cultural forms: beadwork, quillwork and leather. His formal education was at Eastern Montana College, Billings, MT, where he majored in art and minored in history. His studies included drawing, oil painting and sculpture along with watercolor and print making. He passed into the spirit world in 2005.

During his 20 year career he won many juried shows across the northern plains and received commissions for private and cor-



2012 powwow poster design.



2011 United Tribes International Powwow

porate collections. He was especially honored to have a piece selected for the United Tribes International Powwow poster, which occurred in 1997, 1999, 2002, 2004 and 2006. All are part of the United Tribes collection of American Indian art.

CULTURAL PERFORMERS

For 2012, the United Tribes presents "Tafiti Samoan Fire Knife Dancers" as the featured indigenous cultural group of the powwow. Knife dancing goes back generations in Samoan culture. Originally it was a pre-battle ritual to psych-up a warrior and intimidate the enemy. The lethal implement was the warrior's knife, called the "tooth of death." The Fire Knife is now a traditional cultural implement, used in ceremonial dances. A machete is wrapped in fire on both ends, the middle of the blade exposed. Dancers twirl the knife and execute perilous acrobatic maneuvers. The group is led by Kap Tafiti, known as Kap the Magic Man, a world-class "edutainer," who brings Polynesian culture to life.

Fire knife performances are scheduled for 9:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, September 7 and 8 and at 3:30 p.m. on Sunday, September 9 in Lone Star Arena. The group will also perform during Youth Day at 10 a.m. Friday, September 7 and will appear in the powwow

grand entries and the Parade of Champions.

The Tafiti Samoan Fire Knife Dancers visit to Bismarck is made possible with major support from Tesoro Mandan Refinery, Westcon Industries, Basin Electric Power Cooperative, Image Printing, Advanced Business Methods, Bismarck-Mandan Convention and Visitors Bureau, Community Blessings Thrift Store, Theodore Jamerson Elementary School, Tribal Leaders Summit, and United Tribes Technical College.



Samoan Fire Knife dancer Kap Tafiti

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NTERNATIONAL POWWOW

COLOR GUARDS

Playing a central role in every powwow are those who answered the call to duty. Military veterans and active duty personnel continue their service by presenting and posting the Colors.

A color guard from the Seminole Tribe of Florida will join with other groups in the 2012 honor. Known as the "Seminole Tribe Veteran Memorial Initiative Color Guard," the four-member team is leading a national effort to bring greater recognition to Native Veterans. The group is working to add the sculpture of a Native soldier to the "Three Servicemen" statue in Washington, D.C. that depicts African Americans, Hispanics and Caucasians serving in Vietnam but not Native Americans. The group recently presented the Colors on Memorial Day during President Barack Obama's visit to the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington National Cemetery.

Another color guard will be three female soldiers, representing the Crow, Northern Cheyenne and Navajo tribal nations. The group, "Native American Women Warriors," formed in 2010, is thought to be the first all-female, Native American color guard. Wearing distinctive tribal and military regalia, they are scheduled to perform their duties in the powwow grand entries, the "Parade of Champions," and during the Miss Indian Nations pageant.

Contact: Sharon Clairmont , 701-255-3285 x 1499, sclairmont@uttc.edu; www.uttc.edu.

POWWOW VENDOR FAIR

Surrounding the dance arbor is a ring of powwow circuit vendors, creating a lively atmosphere and catering to the needs of tribal artisans and smart shoppers. Everything can be found from hides and antlers, to beads, finished clothing, bumper and window stickers and powwow collectibles. A food court presents a wide variety, from oriental and barbeque cuisine to the ever-popular 'Indian Taco'

Contact: Red Koch, 701-255-3285 x 1301, rkoch@uttc.edu; vendor applications online: www.uttc.edu.

MISS INDIAN NATIONS

The deadline is August 31 for Young American Indian women, who know their culture, to enter the Miss Indian Nations scholarship pageant. Judging takes place September 5 to 8 during the powwow in the James Henry Community Gymnasium. Eligible are single, non-parent American Indian women age 17 to 26 who can demonstrate their command of tribal values, customs and teachings. The "Native American Women Warriors" Color Guard will be featured at the pageant.

Contact: Sharon Clairmont , 701-255-3285 x 1499, sclairmont@uttc.edu; www.uttc.edu.

YOUTH DAY

School classes and groups are invited to Youth Day at the Powwow. It is a music and cultural event that entertains. Included are presentations, music, dancing, and audience participation, and a performance by the powwow's featured cultural group. Youth Day begins at 9 a.m. on Friday, September 7 and runs through the morning. School groups are admitted free. A special invitation has been extended to all fourth grade classes to attend. The Bismarck School District joins United Tribes as a major sponsor.

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PARADE OF CHAMPIONS



The Parade of Champions goes through downtown Bismarck

The United Tribes "Parade of Champions," is scheduled for Saturday, September 8 through downtown Bismarck, featuring dancers, singers, tribal groups attending the powwow, tribal leaders, and groups from the community. Cash prizes are awarded in four categories of judging.

Contact: Star Silk, 701-255-3285 x 1244, ssilk@uttc.edu.

TRIBAL LEADERS SUMMIT

The Sixteenth Annual Tribal Leaders Summit takes place September 5-7 at the Bismarck Civic Center. Tribal, federal and state officials discuss important Indian Country issues and share ideas; also includes a trade fair.

The North Dakota National Guard is scheduled to land two namesake UH-72 "Lakota" helicopters on the United Tribes campus Tuesday, September 4, for a dedication and naming ceremony. The aircraft will be on display as part of a program beginning at 1:30 p.m. The public is invited to attend the event, along with those attending the summit and those preparing for the powwow. Refreshments will be served.

Summit Contact: Tiffany Hodge, 701-255-3285 x 1482, thodge@uttc.edu

SPORTING EVENTS

Sports are included at the powwow. A benefit golf tournament, "Teeing Off for Academic Excellence," is set for Friday, September 7 at Apple Creek Country Club. A double elimination softball tournament for women and men teams is scheduled for Continued on page 16



Three-On-Three Basketball Tourney

Shakopee to preview powwow with MOA exhibitions

SHAKOPEE - Visitors to Mall of America will have the opportunity to watch Native American singers and dancers perform without going to the powwow grounds.

Dancers from the Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community and other tribes throughout the country will perform dance exhibitions Thursday, August 16 in the mall's rotunda as a preview to the annual powwow, which begins the next day.

Traditional music will be provided by drum groups for dancers in full regalia. The exhibitions are scheduled for 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. A special honoring for veterans will take place at 3:30 p.m., featuring Sisseton Wahpeton Vietnam Veterans.

The SMSC Powwow is set for August 17-19 at the community's Wacipi Grounds, Shakopee, MN.



2011 Shakopee Powwow

More information visit www.shakopeedakota.org.

International Powwow... Continued from page 15

Saturday and Sunday, September 8-9. Winning teams earn jackets; special awards are presented. A Three-On-Three basketball tournament is scheduled for students in the grades, middle school and high school. And a 10K and 5K run/walk is hosted for runners and walkers of all ages.

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Run/Walk: Kevin Rice,

701-255-3285 x 1895, krice@uttc.edu

FREE BUFFALO FEED

United Tribes honors you with the cultural tradition of a buffalo feed Sunday, September 9. All dancers, singers and visitors are invited free of charge. Serving takes place in the midto-late afternoon outside the United Tribes Cafeteria; serving time is announced.

HEAD STAFF

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Masters of Ceremonies: Dale Old Horn and Jerry Dearly. Arena Director: Rusty Gillette. Head Singing Judge: Reuben Crow Feather. Head Men's Dance Judge: Avery Thompson. Head Women's Dance Judge: Cody High Elk. Ground Blessing: Jerry Dearly.

POWWOW EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Members of the powwow executive committee are: David M. Gipp, College President; Julie Cain, Chair/Cultural Advisor; Ella Duran, Treasurer; Deb Painte, Secretary; Charisse Fandrich, Fundraising. The powwow committee has selected "Beat Of Our Nations" as the overall theme for the 2012 powwow and related events.

COLLEGE GOVERNING TRIBES

Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate, Spirit Lake Tribe, Standing Rock Tribe, Three Affiliated Tribes of the Mandan/Hidatsa/Arikara Nation, Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa

MORE INFORMATION

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DAILY SPECIALS

All daily specials come with choice of Soup, Salad, or Coleslaw

Ham & Coleslaw w/ Honey Mustard & Cheddar Cheese Monday:

on a Toasted Bun Soups: Chicken Wild Rice & Tomato Bisque

½ Roast Beef Wrap w/ Southwest Sauce, Onions, Shredded Cheddar & Lettuce Soups: Borscht & Wisconsin Cheese

Wednesday: Meatloaf & Toast Soups: Chicken Noodle & Tomato Bisque

Tuesday:

½ Chicken Salad Wrap Soups: Stuffed Green Pepper & Wisconsin Cheese Thursday:

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

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Apply Early For Tribal Funding!

If you are planning on attending **school in the fall or spring**; it's BEST to contact your home funding agency now.

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

GENERAL REASONS FUNDING MAY BE DENIED:

- Missed deadline date
- Incomplete files
- · Did not apply

THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS ARE 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

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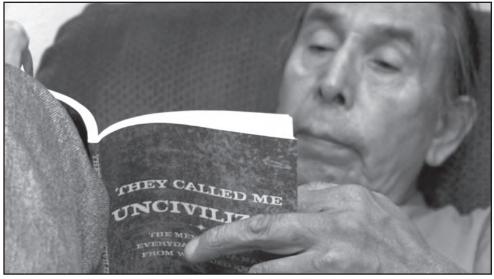


MOVIE NOTE: Fog is Lifting

The Thick Dark Fog" is making its way onto public television stations around the country.

The feature documentary by Randy Vasquez and Jonathan Skurnik reveals the psychological trauma of Indian boarding schools. It documents the journey of Walter Littlemoon, a Lakota man who, at age tive American Public Telecommunications, Inc., and won "Best Documentary" at the 2011 American Indian Film Festival.

Walter's book is titled: "They Called Me Uncivilized: The Memoir of an Everyday Lakota Man from Wounded Knee." In the book and film, he explains that he didn't have a name for the pain and confusion he



Walter Littlemoon reads from his book, They Called Me Uncivilized: The Memoir of an Everyday Lakota Man from Wounded Knee. Images courtesy of Kahlil Hudson.

67, heals the wounds of his experience by confronting them and writing about it. Like many, Walter acted out his unresolved Indian boarding school trauma through alcoholism and domestic violence.

The documentary was supported by Na-

felt, so he called it "the thick, dark fog."

If the program hasn't aired on your public TV station, the producers recommend you contact your local outlet and find out when they'll be scheduling it.

More information: www.thickdarkfog.com.



Manuel Yellow Horse, Jr. as young Walter Littlemoon in The Thick Dark Fog.

Three from region named to Native farm, ranch council

Three people from the northern Great Plains have been named to a council that will focus on ways to eliminate barriers to participation for Native American farmers and ranchers in programs of the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Ag. Secretary Tom Vilsack appointed members in May to the Council for Native American Farming and Ranching, an advisory panel formed as part of the Keepseagle settlement.

Appointed to two year terms are Sarah Vogel, Civil Rights Attorney and former N.D. Agricultural Commissioner, Bismarck, ND; Michael Jandreau, Lower Brule Tribal Chairman, Lower Brule, SD; and Gerald Lunak, Natural Resources Director for the Blackfeet Nation, Cut Bank, MT.

The council is to help Native governments, businesses, farmers and ranchers and tribal governments partner with USDA to create jobs, drive economic growth and strengthen tribal communities, Vilsack said.

The Keepseagle lawsuit alleged that USDA discriminated against Native American farmers and ranchers in farm loan program operations. The Obama Administration settled the lawsuit in 2010; it was subsequently approved by the court.

Also appointed:

- Gilbert Harrison, Rancher (Navajo Nation), Shiprock, NM
- Henry Holder, Farmer/Rancher (Choctaw Nation), Soper, OK
- Jerry McPeak, Farmer/Rancher/State Legislator (Muscogee Nation), Warner, OK



Sara Vogel with a photo of litigants in the Keepseagle case

- Lance Morgan, CEO of Ho-Chunk (Winnebago Tribe of NB), Winnebago, NB
- Angela Sandstol, NRC official (Native Tribe of Tyonek), Tyonek, AK
- Edward Soza, Farmer/Rancher (Soboba Band Luiseno), Banning, CA
- Mary Thompson, Farmer/Rancher (Eastern Cherokee), Cherokee, NC
- Mark Wadsworth, Natural Resources/ Range Mgmt. (Shoshone-Bannock), Blackfoot, ID

Four USDA officials:

- Dr. Joe Leonard, Asst Secretary for Civil Rights
- Janie Simms Hipp (Chickasaw), Senior Advisor to the Secretary/Tribal Relations
- Bruce Nelson, FSA Administrator
- Chris Beyerhelm, FSA Farm Loan Programs.

State approval received

By Lisa Azure, UTTC Teacher Education Department Chair

The state of North Dakota has granted its approval for United Tribes Technical College to offer coursework for the Early Childhood Special Education endorsement.

The North Dakota Education Standards and Practices Board notified UTTC President David M. Gipp and the Teacher Education Department about the approval in early July.

The endorsement includes 22 credits of early childhood special education coursework. It will be recognized as a minor attached to the bachelor degree in Elementary Education.

FEMA supports "direct path" for tribes

WASHINGTON – The head of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is backing legislation to allow tribal governments to make disaster and emergency requests directly to the President rather than going through state governments.

In letters to Congressional leaders in June, FEMA Administrator W. Craig Fugate made it clear that his agency and the Obama Administration support amendments to the Stafford Act creating a "direct declaration path for tribal governments." Currently tribes are required to seek disaster and emergency declarations only through states.

Fugate said the amendments would ensure that tribal governments are not dependent on states to request and receive Federal disaster assistance.

The legislation recognizes tribal sovereignty and self governance, and would enhance the trust responsibility by codifying direct government-to-government action, he wrote.

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Method of Learning



GENERATIONAL TEACHING: At left, Lucas Martinez, Kenel, SD and Derek Eagle, Wakpala, SD, listen carefully July 20 to a presentation by Duane His Chase at United Tribes. The two were among a group of young people attending a youth and elder forum at the college. His Chase was explaining how the concept of time is seen differently by various groups of people. The main focus of the forum was on preventing alcohol and drug use. The theme was "Renewing Respect through Generational Circles."



CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

The 2012 Powwow Parade Committee is seeking volunteers for the parade this year.

Please come to our next meeting on:

Monday, August 13th, 2012 @4pm - Bldg. 11 (basement of HR)

Fundraiser

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When: Fri. Aug. 17th, 2012

Where: Wellness Center Healing Room

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Contact us at 701.255.3285 x1359 or x1246 bmaxon@uttc.edu www.ndsd-nabec.com

Laila is good as new

Kidney transplant successful

GOOD. Our bear cub is home out of the hospital." That was the message Jeremy Pettigrew put on Facebook on Monday, July 16.

Relieved and thankful, the former UTTC student and his wife Elisha Yellow Thunder, also a UTTC grad, are now celebrating the end of a long ordeal, getting new kidneys for their 10 year-old daughter Laila.

Back in the early spring, Laila was in tough shape in the Nebraska Medical Center, Omaha; one cyst-filled kidney removed when she was a baby and the remaining one failing.

But the prayers kept coming from friends and well-wishers the world over for their "angel." Sun Dancers prayed too. And Tunkanshila answered with a match.

Three surgeries over the course of two days in early July and the former TJES student had two new kidneys; "Laila pure has DEUCE kidneys," her father wrote. "Prayers for the family of the donor, they lost someone. As we rejoice, they mourn."

Alas, one of the two new kidneys didn't take, and Laila returned home with only one kidney. But the family is so very thankful for that and all the support.

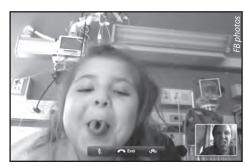
"I'm crying right now, thank you all, thank you, thank you, thank you. Wopila to all!

Learn more about Laila, leave a message and make a donation here:

http://savelailapettigrew.weebly.com/



Jeremy Pettigrew with daughter Laila.



FaceTime with mom Elisha Yellow Thunder.

United Tribes ALUMNI NEWS

Confident Connections

The first graduate of the United Tribes Tribal Tourism program in 2004 is working in tribal government at Three Affiliated. And she is teamed up with her former UTTC instructor. **Caroline High Elk** is a Programs Analyst and Executive Administrative Assistant with the tribe. She says her boss is **Karen Paetz Sitting Crow**, Programs Analyst for the MHA Nation. The two work at tribal headquarters, building on their long-standing relationship as they serve the tribe.



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Thunderbird Alumni Association

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- You will be able to attend, without charge, the 2012 UTTC International Powwow.
- You will also receive the monthly United Tribes Newsletter.

Welcome to the start of something wonderful!

To purchase your \$25.00 membership or for additional information contact Charisse Fandrich, Institutional Development Office, 701.255.3285 ext. 1207.

Donation made by grateful friends you may not know

By Charisse Fandrich, UTTC Tribal/Community Liaison

nited Tribes has a special, but not widely recognized, connection with "All Nations Assembly of God Church." The name alone suggests a bond with people at the college.

For several years the church and its members have been behind the scenes, making it part of their mission to pray for the campus community and all who attend school and work here.

Last summer the relationship entered a new phase. The church building, at Washington Street and 48th Avenue South (three miles southwest of the campus), was inundated and damaged by Missouri River floodwater that remained for many weeks. With no place to hold services, they came to UTTC for help. The college responded generously and for eight months All Nations members assembled comfortably in the college's Jack Barden Center.

Now, with the building repaired and the congregation back in their building, they gladly returned the favor with a \$500 donation the United Tribes "Opportunities in the Making" Scholarship Fund.



RETURNING THE FAVOR: Pastor Gordon Williams of the All Nations Assembly of God Church presents a check June 19 to United Tribes Development Director Suzan O'Connell for student scholarships. Charisse Fandrich at left. DENNIS J. NEUMANN ◆ United Tribes News

The donation was made June 19 by Pastor Gordon Williams and represents the deep appreciation the congregation feels for United Tribes for the kindness shown to them during their time of need.

All Nations plans to offer another church service on the campus soon; it'll be held Sunday, September 9 on the last day of the United Tribes Powwow.

Here's how to contribute to United Tribes

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☐ 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.

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Please make checks payable to United Tribes Technical College. All contributions are tax deductible.



Send to:

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THEODORE JAMERSON ELEMENTARY

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Be Ready for the New School Year

eads up everyone! Classes for the new school year at Theodore Jamerson Elementary School on the United Tribes campus start Monday, August 20 at 8:25 a.m.

Registration is open in the TJES office starting Wednesday, August 1.

The school supply list is available at the big-box Stores (Wal-Mart, Target, K-MART etc.) and in the TJES office.

Enjoy the vacation and be sure to BE READY for the new school year!

Culture Volunteers Needed

JES invites you to join us and help provide a well rounded curriculum. We are seeking volunteers to help with our culture program for the 2012-13 school year. If you would like to share cultural activities or information, please contact the school office at 701-255-3285 x 1304. One visit we are looking forward to is from Keith Bear in the month of October. Students will listen to and work with Keith during music instruction.

Gains in Reading & Math

TJES recorded exceptional gains in reading and math this past year. Students who moved from below proficiency to proficiency increased by 30 percent in reading and 27 percent in math. This translated to near 80 percent proficiency in reading and math for grades 3-8. Congratulations! Way to go TJES students, parents and teachers.

- Brenda Jechort, TJES Reading Coach

Planting the Kids Garden



With direction from Land Grant Horticulturalist Colette Wolf (center), TJES students dug their gloved hands into the soil in May to prepare for placing seeds in raised planting beds in the campus "Kids Garden." DENNIS J. NEUMANN ◆ United Tribes News

BIE Level 1

The Bureau of Indian Education reviews school special education data yearly to determine compliance with the special education law. Theodore Jamerson has continuously achieved a Level 1 determination, the highest level that can be attained.

Kelly Schwehr, TJES Special Education Teacher

TJES SCHOOL CALENDAR

August 1Office Opens for Registration		
August 15	Staff Returns	
August 20	Classes Begin	
Sept. 3	Labor Day, No School	
Sept. 7	Family Day	

See the TJES 2012-13 Calendar under Support Services on the UTTC website www.uttc.edu.



The Health Care Law and You

Indian Health Care

Permanent reauthorization of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act is a critical piece of the Affordable Care Act. Tribes fought for more than a decade to reauthorize and update the law. American Indians and Alaska Natives face some of the worst health disparities.

Insurance companies could take advantage and discriminate against up to 129 million Americans with pre-existing conditions. Premiums had more than doubled over the last decade, while insurance company profits soared. Fifty million Americans were uninsured, tens of millions more were underinsured, and those that had coverage were often afraid of losing it.

Things to Remember About the Law

- Strengthens the Indian Health Service
- Expands authority for IHS Services
- Increases workforce in tribally-operated health programs
- Expands Third-Party Funding
- Protects from the worst insurance company abuses
- Makes health insurance more affordable
- Ensures better access to care
- Strengthens Medicare

Get the facts.

Don't let people scare you.

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12th Annual

Travois Indian Country Affordable Housing & Economic Development Conference

Sept. 10-13 • Casino Del Sol, Tucson, AZ

- Theme: "Building Healthy Communities"
- Successful housing and economic development projects
- Low Income Housing Tax Credit program
- New Markets Tax Credit program
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More information <u>www.travois.com</u>
Eden Rensing, eden@travois.com, 816-994-8970



Inspirational Speaker



WOW FACTOR: Kaine Hurley, foreground, gets a close-up look June 27 at motivational speaker Chance Rush (Three Affiliated/Standing Rock) at United Tribes. Rush's inspiring, humorous and down-to-earth talk was part of the offering at a Tribal Youth Leadership Academy. He is a national tribal trainer with Sources of Strength (http://sourcesofstrength.org/). The organization has shown success in addressing suicide prevention, violence and substance abuse with training for peer leaders in partnership with caring adults. Kaine and his seatmate, Darrell Blackhoop, both 14, are freshman at Standing Rock High School, Fort Yates, ND. The leadership academy was sponsored by the North Dakota Indian Affairs Commission, Scott J. Davis, director. DENNIS J. NEUMANN ◆ United Tribes News

FACE Program – What We DO!

- Adult basic education preparation for GED completion
- Tutoring for college classes
- Work readiness and parenting skills
- Kindergarten readiness education for children ages 3-5 in a culturally and literacy rich environment
- Early Childhood Intervention Services
- Home-Based Services for families with children from prenatal to age 3

Our emphasis is on school readiness through culturally responsive education, resources and support for American Indian families with children prenatal through grade three.

Enrolled children and families enjoy many other benefits in addition to the services that we provide:

Transportation • Meals • Children's Books • Monthly Gatherings — FACE Family Circle • Door Prizes and other Incentives • Family Learning Experiences — Field Trips • Additional Community Resources

United Tribes Technical College Building #36
Adult Education Teacher - Annette Munoz-Beyer Ext: 1541
Early Childhood Education Teacher - Kara L. Four Bear Ext: 1546
Early Childhood Education Co-teacher - Shiela Netterville Ext: 1543
Home-Based Parent Educator - Cyndee McLeod Ext: 1542
Home-Based Parent Educator - Chelsea Eagle Ext: 1544

STAFF NEWS

Reappointed to Labor Panel

United Tribes President **David M. Gipp** has been appointed by U. S. Labor Secretary Hilda Solis to another term on the department 's Native American/Alaska Native National Workforce Development Council. Gipp accepted the appointment and said he looked forward to assisting the secretary, the department and President Obama in meeting the goals of full employment for citizens in Indian Country and throughout the Nation.

Happy Returns

Alexa Azure, a graduate in Tribal Environmental Science and Art/Art Marketing, has returned to UTTC as the newest member of the TES Department as the Pre-Engineering instructor. She recently graduated from UND with a Chemical Engineering degree and a minor in Math. The TES Department welcomes Alexa; we are especially excited that one of our own students has returned "home" to be a role model and instructor for future engineering students. Welcome back Alexa!

 $-{\it Jen Janecek-Hartman,\ UTTC\ STEM\ Programs\ Director}$

New Webmaster on the Case



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Justin Oleyte (pronounced 'oh-LET') is settling-in as the IT Department's new Webmaster having joined the staff in May. He is an enrolled member of

the Crow Tribe and comes to us from Little Big Horn College, Crow Agency, MT, where he worked for the past four-and-one-half years. Justin has a Bachelor's degree in Computer Science from Rocky Mountain College, Billings, MT., and is married with two young children. Please contact Justin about requests regarding UTTC websites, especially if you would like make changes to information about your department: joleyte@uttc.edu, x 1566. Specific work requests will make their way to Justin when you submit

them via the IT work order system at http://trackit.uttc.edu.

- Doug Quinn, UTTC Database Administrator

Chosen to Lead



Wanda Agnew, PhD, RD-LRD, UTTC Nutrition and Foodservice instructor, was selected in June to serve as president of the North Dakota Pub-

lic Health Association (NDPHA). She has 40 years of public health experience working with county, state and tribal programs, including WIC, Medicare licensure, diabetes prevention, and education. She holds a BS from UND in Food and Nutrition and a Doctoral degree from SDSU in Biological Science focusing on human nutrition, family meals, and antioxidants in native plants. She also serves on the Midwest Dairy Health Advisory Board, GO! Bismarck Mandan CDC ACHIEVE Plan, and is a member of ND Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics. The goal of NDPHA www.ndpha.org is to improve, promote and protect the health of citizens. The organization gives voice to public health matters and provides opportunities to partner, create new vision, and affect health status. It is a conduit to bring together persons interested in public health, which Wanda hopes to use to support nutrition classes, wellness, and public health education at UTTC.

Approved and on the job

Jodene Uses Many (Cheyenne River) completed all of the requirements for professional teacher licensure and is now employed as a special education teacher at Theodore Jamerson Elementary School. Jodene was formerly a paraprofessional at TJES; she graduated from UTTC with her bachelor degree in May 2012 through the Sweet Grass Project.

– Lisa Azure, Teacher Education Department Chair

Homeward Bound



United Tribes Athletic Director **Da-ryl Bearstail** (Three Affiliated) is headed to White Shield High School to serve his alma mater and

hometown as the school's athletic director, head men's basketball coach and counselor. UTTC staff members bid him farewell July 25 after eight years as the college's AD and head coach of the Lady Thunderbirds.

Back to Campus

UTTC graduate **Kyle DeCoteau** (Turtle Mountain) returned to the campus August 13 to begin as a classroom teacher at Theodore Jamerson Elementary School. He relocated from Grand Forks, where he earned a bachelor's degree in Elementary Education/ Special Education.

On the Beat

Alisha Patnaude (Turtle Mountain) Belcourt, ND, is a new security officer at United Tribes. She began August 13 in the position. Alisha is a graduate of the Peace Officer Academy at Devils Lake, ND.

Nutrition Wise

United Tribes has a new Extension Nutrition Educator in the person of **Jan Andring-Keller**, as of August 20. Jan relocated from Bozeman, MT, where she earned a master's in Exercise Science and Nutrition from Montana State University.

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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.

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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.



JOB OPENINGS

ACADEMIC, CAREER & TECHNICAL EDUCATION

- Business Management Instructor
- Prep. Reading/English Instructor General Education
- Adjunct Instructor Introduction to Domestic Violence
- Adjunct Instructor CJU 270 Introduction to Corrections
- Adjunct Instructor Introduction to Drugs and Crime
- Adjunct Instructor Parole and Probation
- Criminal Justice Research Analyst/Teaching Assistant
- Criminal Justice Instructor
- Extension Nutrition Educator
- Adjunct Instructor EAT 199 Internship/Un-Indentured Apprentice
- Teacher Education Field Placement Coordinator
- Practical Nursing Instructor (2)
- Career Technical Education Curriculum Coordinator
- Math Instructor General Education
- Online Adjunct English/Communications Instructor
- · Business Law Adjunct Instructor
- · Dean of Academic Instruction
- Geospatial Information System (GIS) Instructor
- Adjunct Coding Instructor
- Health Information Technology Program Instructor
- Daycare Aide

STUDENT & CAMPUS SERVICES

- LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSE
- Registrar Assistant
- Financial Aid Advisor
- Security Officer
- Athletic Director
- Summer Housing Custodian (1)
- Admissions & Occupancy Coordinator
- 9 Month Kitchen Aide/Dishwasher
- 9 Month Cook/Baker
- Summer Maintenance Worker/Groundskeeper-PT
- · Purchasing Agent
- Women's Dorm Resident Assistant
- Men's Dorm Resident Assistant
- Custodian 2 positions
- Maintenance Worker/Groundskeeper
- Online Course Developer Part Time

THEODORE JAMERSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

- Elementary Intervention Teacher (K-2)
- Elementary Intervention Teacher (3-5)
- Elementary Intervention Teacher (6-8)Bus Driver/Custodian
- Business Manager/Secretary Temporary
- Bus Rider
- Elementary Custodian
- Substitute Teacher

ADMINISTRATION

- Direct Mail & Annual Drive Coordinator
- · Assistant to the President

FINANCE

- Part-Time Temporary Assistant UTTC Tribal Leaders Summit
- Graphic Designer
- 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 EEO/AA. Drug-free/Smoke-free workplace





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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

(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

Parade entry a winner for UTTC and community

By Julie Cain, United Tribes International Powwow Committee Chair

The United Tribes Technical College entry won an award in one of the largest and best-attended community events in the Bismarck-Mandan area.

United Tribes was singled-out for the "Historical" parade entry award from among 150 entries in the Independence Day Parade, July 4 in Mandan, ND. Tens of thousands of spectators saw the UTTC float as it covered the seven-mile route down the city's main street.

What they saw was a 10 foot tall tribal headdress, made with tissue paper over wire mesh. It was the only entry constructed in the traditional style of parade floats commonly seen years ago.

Riding on the float were Brianna Provost, student at Mandan HS, Miss Indian Nations Shanoa Pinkham and United



Tribes Powwow Committee Chairperson Julie Cain. Also onboard was the drum group Tatanka Nagi providing traditional songs. Accompanying the float in a convertible was United Tribes President David M. Gipp, with his guests Shirley and Russ Staiger of the Bismarck-Mandan Development Association. Community Liaison Charisse Fandrich and her husband



Charisse Fandrich, Julie Cain, David M. Gipp and Shanoa Skye Pinkham.

Dave piloted a four-wheeler handing out information and treats.

The powwow committee entered the float to promote the upcoming United Tribes "Parade of Champions," Saturday, September 8 in Bismarck.

The float was built by Construction Technology Instructor Steve White Mountain and student Byron Desersa. Hanging the paper were many student and staff volunteers from campus departments, including Strengthening Lifestyles, Student Senate, Maintenance Dept., Wellness Circle, Land Grant and others.

"Thank you to everyone who worked so hard to help United Tribes show our leadership and friendship in the community!"



Steve White Mountain



David M. Gipp, Shirley and Russell Staiger



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UTTC Involved in Relay For Life



READY TO GO: United Tribes volunteers were enthusiastic about participating in Bismarck's 20th annual Relay for Life. They were one of 69 teams of companies, organizations and families at Century High School, Saturday, June 2, walking the track and raising awareness and money in the fight against cancer. UTTC's participation included a teepee on the school's football field that attracted much interest. Bismarck is among the top cities in the country in participation in Relay for Life. The movement brings together millions of people whose lives have been touched by the disease and who strive and stride to make a difference. Pictured from left: Marge Palaniuk (survivor), Charisse Fandrich, Shani Bordeaux, Pat Aune; at rear David Fandrich (survivor), Marcus Austin (holding daughter) and Tamera Marshall.

– Charisse Fandrich, Community/Tribal Development Liaison