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THRILLED TO MEET YOU: Ten-year-old Faith Hall is one of the young people who met President Barack Obama at Standing Rock June 13 during his first trip to Indian Country as President of the United States. On the visit to Cannon Ball, ND, Mr. Obama talked about developing the skill and talent of young tribal people and pledged to do every-

thing he can to assure the country has a place for them. At right, First Ladies Michelle Obama and Nicole Archambault (Standing Rock); far left, Tribal Chairman Dave Archambault II. In uniform is Clay Byington from Porcupine, ND, a 2014 graduate of Selfridge, HS. More about the presidential visit on page 2.



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UNDIVIDED ATTENTION: A young dancer approached a smiling Barack Obama at the Cannon Ball Flag Day Celebration, one of the eight powwows held annually on the Standing Rock Dakota/Lakota Nation in South and North Dakota. At left, Standing Rock Tribal Chairman Dave Archambault II.

Youth the focus of president's visit

CANNON BALL, ND (UTN) – President Barack Obama's million-megawatt smile shined brightest for children and young people on his visit to the Standing Rock Dakota/Lakota Nation.

Upwards of 2,000 tribal members gave the President and First Lady Michelle Obama a warm welcome June 13 in the dance arbor of the tiny village of Cannon Ball for the community's annual Flag Day Celebration.

The Obamas were treated to a cultural display of song and dance. The two bobbed their heads to the drumbeat as dancers of all ages performed in the arena.

The President said they were honored to be in this "sacred and beautiful place."

"It's easy to see why it's called God's country," he said, before turning his attention to young people.

"I realize that a powwow isn't just about celebrating the past. It's also about looking to the future and keeping sacred traditions alive for the next generation, for these beautiful children," said Mr. Obama. "And I think we can follow the lead of Standing Rock's most famous resident, Chief Sitting Bull, who said: "Let us put our minds together to see what we can build for our children."

Quoting the 19th Century Lakota patriot and visionary leader brought generous applause, one of the two dozen times he was interrupted with crowd approval during his 12 minute talk.



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RAPPORT WITH THE PREZ: from left: Students Kolt Grey Cloud, Teriq Brownotter, Gracey Claymore and Desiree Cameron met with the President and First Lady at Cannon Ball School.

"Let's put our minds together to improve our schools," said the President. "Because our children deserve a world-class education that prepares them for college and careers."

Following up on initiatives to improve tribal education, Mr. Obama endorsed the idea of returning control of Indian education to tribal nations, along with additional resources and support.

Have the Same Chance

Upon arriving by helicopter in the town

of 875, the First Couple met privately at the community school with a half-dozen Standing Rock students who talked about their experiences growing up on the rez.

"Michelle and I sat with an amazing group," said Mr. Obama. "I love these young people. I only spent an hour with them. They feel like my own. And you should be proud of them—because they've overcome a lot. But they're strong and they're still standing, and they're moving forward."

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USING THE LANGUAGE: Children of the Lakota Language Nest, an immersion preschool on Standing Rock, demonstrated their learning for the President and First Lady. "We want to make sure that continues and we build on that success," Mr. Obama said.

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The President said bright young people, like the ones he met, might wonder if the United States really cares about them. He said it was a feeling he and Michelle could identify with.

“We grew up at times feeling like we were on the outside looking in. But thanks to family and friends, and teachers and coaches and neighbors who didn’t give up on us, we didn’t give up on ourselves,” he said. “Just like these young people are not giving up on themselves. And we want every young person in America to have the same chance that we had—and that includes the boys and girls here in Indian Country.”

Believe in Them

The Obamas were hosted by Standing Rock’s Tribal Chairman, Dave Archambault II and his wife Nicole. Before election in 2012, Archambault directed a workforce training program at United Tribes Technical College, bringing leadership and experience to the work of recruiting and training young people for the regional jobs market. Highlighting youth and education, and developing a better working relationship with the Feder-

al government were at the forefront of his expectations. The President’s message was on the mark.

“There’s no denying that for some Americans the deck has been stacked against them, sometimes for generations,” the President said. “That’s been the case for many Native Americans. But if we’re working together, we can make things better. We’ve got a long way to go. But if we do our part, I believe that we can turn the corner. We can break old cycles. We can give our children a better future.”

Mr. Obama said he is certain that can happen after talking to the young people at Cannon Ball.

“I know they can succeed. I know they’ll be leaders not just in Indian Country, but across



SRST Students met with President & First Lady:

Tatanka Cante Hoksila Hill, 2014-15 senior Wakpala HS

Kendrick Eagle, Bismarck State College student

Kolt Grey Cloud, 2014 graduate Solen High School

Teriq Brownotter, 2014-15 sophomore McLaughlin HS

Desiree Cameron, 2014-15 sophomore McLaughlin HS

Gracey Claymore, 2014-15 senior McLaughlin HS



GIFTGIVING: The red-and-blue star quilt presented to the Obamas carried the inscription: In Honor of the Historic Visit to the Standing Rock Nation by President Barack Obama and First Lady Michelle Obama.

America. We've got to invest in them and believe in them and love them, and that starts from the White House all the way down here," he said.

Sacred Trust

Mr. Obama moved in among the dancers giving hugs, shaking hands, holding a baby and posing for photos. He noted that the root of the Lakota word for children is "wakan," meaning sacred.

"That's what young people are—they're sacred. They're sacred to your families and your tribe and to this nation," he said. "I will do everything I can to make sure that our country has a place for everyone, including every single young person here...and that you're getting the support and encouragement you need to go as far as your hard work and your talent will take you. That is my commitment to you—to every single young person here."

Distinguished Audience

During his visit the President also paid tribute to veterans in the audience and those who have walked on, and whose flags were proudly displayed at the Flag Day Celebration.

All three members of the North Dakota congressional delegation were there, along with the North Dakota governor, the Secretary of the Interior, the assistant secretary for the BIA, and the director of the Indian Health Service. Many tribal leaders from the



HONORED FOR SERVICE: World War II Veteran Marcella Lebeau (Cheyenne River) congratulated by Doug Crow Ghost and his son Trueth (4) at Cannon Ball. At left, Lebeau's niece Billi Hornbeck.

Great Plains region attended, including the chairs of all the tribes in North Dakota.

United Tribes Technical College alumni and staff present for the once-in-a-lifetime event included the college's interim president and interim chancellor. Other tribal college leaders represented Sinté Gleska University, Sitting Bull College and Turtle Mountain Community College.

The historic visit was Mr. Obama's first to Indian Country since becoming president. In 2008 as a candidate, he had visited the Crow Nation in eastern Montana.

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Ninety-one flags flying and dancers filling the arena at the Cannon Ball Flag Day Celebration; Dancer Tonia Jo Hall (Three Affiliated) at right.

AICF Faculty Person of the Year for United Tribes

Dale Pletan, Automotive Service Technology Chair/Instructor

Dale Pletan leads the Automotive Service Technology Department at United Tribes. He was named the 2014 American Indian College Fund “Faculty Person of the Year” for the college.



His organization and leadership of the department have strengthened the instructional offerings. In particular, he has promoted industry standards and certification, professional values, and connections in the market place. His care and concern for student success is recognized and appreciated by students and admired among the faculty and staff.

Dale came to UTTC in 2010. He says he was “at the point where he wanted to pass along his many years of experience as a mechanic in the automotive industry to future generations,” as he had with his sons.

He enjoys working with young people and considers it a “calling.” Among his proudest moments is when UTTC students take part in the SKILLS USA competition each year. He says he is always proud of their performance.

Dale grew up on a farm north of Flasher, ND, and married the love of his life, Becky. They raised two sons, Casey and Cody and



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now have two grandsons: Seth and Nathan.

His formal automotive training included instruction at North Dakota State School of Science in Wahpeton in the early 1970s and many specialized training sessions in dealership schools, where he earned the status of 30 year ASE Certified Master Technician.

His places of work include the names of familiar local dealerships: McCarney Ford (renamed Holmes Ford, now Eide Ford); Tierney Chevrolet (now Puklich Chevrolet); and Ivan Gandrud Chevrolet (later

Ressler and currently Kupper Chevrolet).

Dale is an active volunteer. He served as den and pack Leader for his boys’ Boy Scout Troop. He is active in the New Salem Saddle club and was president for many years. He thoroughly enjoys helping youth advance their riding skills, some even advancing to the Professional Rodeo Circuit. In his spare time Dale enjoys camping and hunting with friends and family.

Congratulations to Dale on the high honor of AICF/UTTC Faculty Person of the Year.

AIHEC recognizes friend in higher learning



United Tribes News photo Monte Schraiff

HIGH HONOR: The American Indian Higher Education Consortium recognized Dr. Sylvia Manning for helping advance the work of tribal higher education. She is the outgoing president of the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, a regional accrediting organization. Tribal college leaders praised her courage and leadership in opening doors in the arena of higher education. Manning has been HLC president since July 2008. She was honored April 13 in Chicago during the commission’s annual conference. The meeting also provided an opportunity to discuss issues and challenges facing tribal colleges and changes within the commission.

Speaker urges tribes to control development

BISMARCK (UTN) – Tribes in the region have an opportunity to learn from the mistakes and missteps of state government in controlling and managing oil development.

That was the message from a speaker at a conference focusing on environmental risks in tribal areas. Darrell Dorgan spoke April 15 at the Tribal Environmental Risk Mitigation Conference hosted in Bismarck by United Tribes Technical College.

Dorgan acknowledged that oil development can bring unimagined prosperity to tribes and tribal members. But environmental hazards and unscrupulous business practices threaten reservation areas along with other towns, cities and rural areas across the Dakotas, Montana and Wyoming.

Dorgan is a documentary video producer and activist, and former executive director of the North Dakota Cowboy Hall of Fame.

He listed the environmental risks that oil development has introduced across the landscape, such as radioactive waste, toxic chemicals and water pollution.

Tribes need to do a better job to protect their land and people than the State of North Dakota is now doing in northwest North Dakota, he said, where infrastructure is crumbling, crime is rampant, prices have skyrocketed and half the royalties go out-of-state.



Darrell Dorgan speaking at the Tribal Environmental Risk Mitigation Conference.

He asserted that the policies and practices of the North Dakota Health Department lead to increasing oil company profits over protecting the health and welfare of state residents. He questioned whether North Dakota has become a “national sacrifice zone?”

Dorgan cautioned that asserting tribal sovereignty alone has not been sufficient

in the past for tribes to withstand the pressures of major economic developments. He urged tribes to regulate and control oil development on tribal lands in a way that respects the land and makes for safe and prosperous development for future generations.

Attending the conference were about 100 educators and officials who work with tribal environmental programs in the region.

Teacher Ed Program receives positive evaluation

Program Receives Continued Accreditation

By Lisa J. Azure, Teacher Education Chair

Thank you to everyone on campus who took part in the program approval visit April 15 for UTTC’s Teacher Education Program.

We hosted a seven-member evaluation team on campus representing the North Dakota Education Standards and Practices Board (ND-ESPB). The team recommended that we met all six of the standards listed below.

That recommendation was accepted June 17 by the ND-ESPB and UTTC’s teacher educator unit and elementary program are approved for the next seven years, the maximum length of time. The next program review will be conducted during the spring of 2021.

We are so pleased with the results of the visit. Thank you for your help and support.

Evaluation Standards

1. Candidate Knowledge, Skills & Professional Dispositions
2. Assessment System & Unit Evaluation
3. Field Experiences & Clinical Practice
4. Diversity
5. Faculty Qualifications, Performance & Development
6. Unit Governance & Resources



Lisa J. Azure outlined the scope of the Teacher Education Program site visit in a welcome talk on April 15.





Dragonfly Tales

Grant Awarded for Maize Research

By Colette S. Wolf, UTTC Extension Educator for Agro-Ecology and Food Security



Frank Kutka in the maize plot. Colette S. Wolf photos



United Tribes Technical College has received a grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture to conduct plant-breeding and seed research on Native varieties of maize (corn).

The two-year, \$150,000 award will support a pilot project involving corn variety evaluations and educational outreach. The competitive grant selection was made in December to UTTC's Land Grant Agroecology Program from the National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA).

The project is titled Plant Breeding for Sustainability and Seed Sovereignty. It's part of NIFA's Agriculture and Food Research Initiative: Plant Breeding for Agriculture Production.

United Tribes will coordinate the research done by a group of 1994 Tribal Land Grant Colleges in collaboration with a regional sustainable agriculture organization.

The project will build capacity at the colleges for maize breeding and seed saving. Regular maize-breeding workshops will be conducted, along with field days and variety

evaluations. Survey information will also be collected.

Partners in the project are Fort Berthold Community College, New Town, ND; Stone Child Community College, Box Elder, MT; Turtle Mountain Community College, Belcourt, ND; United Tribes Technical College, Bismarck, ND; and Northern Plains Sustainable Agriculture Society, LaMoure, ND.

When completed, the project will have assembled data on existing varieties and collected seed to pass along and/or breed. Information will be collected about seed methodologies that are acceptable to Native people in the region and input about objectives for community seed programs.

The project will enable the four tribal colleges to lay the foundation for future crop breeding and seed saving based on the needs of regional native communities.

Each of the colleges has a newly developed, one acre maize nursery now growing numerous varieties. During the first summer, college staff members will learn hand

breeding techniques used by their ancestors. In the fall, the varieties will be evaluated for physical attributes, such as color, taste, smell, grinding, popping and more.

The UTTC maize nursery is located in the college's Dragonfly Garden, which is open to public visitation.

For more information please contact me: Colette Wolf, Co-Project Director, cwolf@uttc.edu or Project Director Jen Janecsek-Hartman, jjhartman@uttc.edu.

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*What happens when soil,
sun, seed and small hands are
mixed together?*

*We plant happy memories of
how to connect with Mother
Earth when growing food for
our community!*

Kids Garden-Potato Planting



On Monday, April 21 we enjoyed an amazing community garden event with kids, moms, dads, teachers, educators and volunteers. It was a collaboration between TJES Science Club students, Leah Haman's Family and School Collaboration students and Land Grant Extension Educators.

We cleaned up the UTTC Kid's Garden and planted potatoes, accomplishing in 45 minutes what it takes one person to do in a full morning.

We planted 125 seed potatoes. Each seed potato can produce 5-15 new potatoes. In less than an hour we planted possibilities: 625 to 1,875 possible new potatoes this fall. WOW!

Now that's "Food Sovereignty in Action!"

The potatoes we planted are low in carbohydrates and high in nutrients. And, we burned a few calories too!

Hoop House Completed

Construction on the 20 x 36 foot hoop house was completed May 22. Campus volunteers helped put on the cover and add the finishing touches. It's located in the Anne Kuyper Community Garden. This project has benefited from help by folks from Sioux County Extension, Fort Yates; White Shield cultural staff; Fort Berthold Land Grant; United Tribes Land Grant; and UTTC's maintenance crew.

We hope to extend our growing season by capturing the sun's warmth, both in the spring and the fall, to grow cool weather crops like kale and lettuce. This summer, we will plant tomatoes which were started indoors under grow lights.



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FEATURED SPEAKER



Billy Mills (Makata Taka Hela) 10,000 meter Gold Medalist in the 1964 Tokyo Olympics, Former U.S. Marine, Member of the Oglala Lakota Tribe

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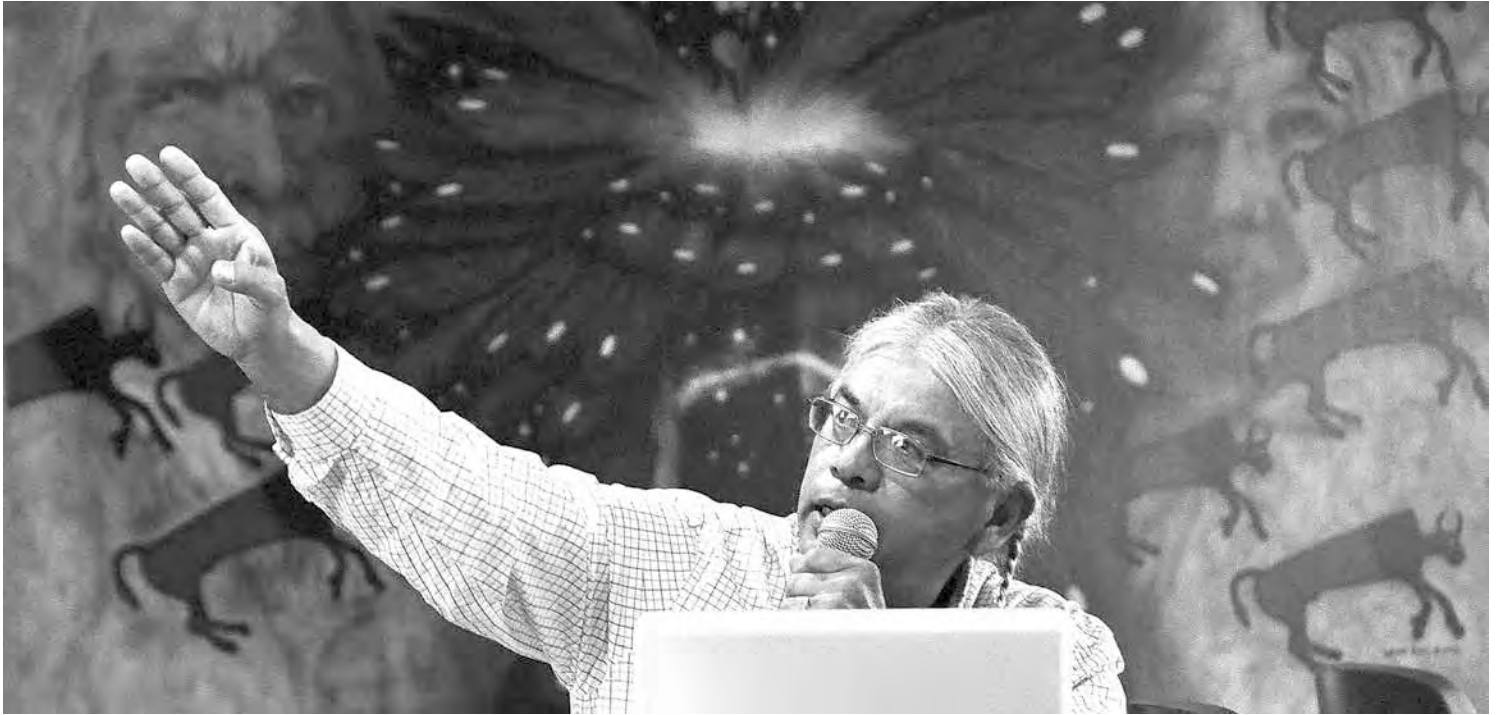


Twin Buttes, ND



TAKING A LOOK-SEE: United Tribes is a frequent destination for day-trips arranged by instructors and chaperones to introduce prep students to the college setting. Recruiters had the pleasure of hosting 7th and 8th grade students from Twin Buttes, ND on April 9 and high schoolers from Four Winds at Fort Totten, ND on May 2. To arrange a campus visit contact recruiters Dustin Thunder Hawk or Wacy Weeks, 701-255-3285 x 1109, dthunderhawk@uttc.edu, or wweeks@uttc.edu. Photos DENNIS J. NEUMANN ♦ United Tribes News

Sharing the Knowledge



INFORMED EYES: Tribal historian and historic preservationist Tim Mentz gestures toward a presentation screen March 27 during a talk at United Tribes Technical College about star knowledge and sacred sites. Evidence that he and his sons have amassed through their historic preservation work in the region challenges simplistic explanations for rock formations in the landscape. Mentz says his work, and that of other tribal scholars, has typically not been accepted on the same footing as those outside the culture who adhere to the old “tipi ring” interpretations. He believes that protecting

sacred sites, particularly from wholesale energy industry destruction, requires explanations of the culture that tribal elders have heretofore been circumspect about revealing. Mentz believes it’s time to begin sharing more widely, and especially with tribal young people. His talk at United Tribes was during Professional Development Day. His presentations have been made available to students and people of his tribe, Standing Rock, through Sitting Bull College, Ft. Yates, ND. DENNIS J. NEUMANN ♦ United Tribes News

DOJ official at UTTC



FOCUS ON PUBLIC SAFETY:

Associate U.S. Attorney General Tony West met with local law enforcement and campus leaders April 25 at United Tribes. The visit was part of a nationwide university tour by top administration officials to address

sexual assault on college campuses. West is the third ranking official in the agency and responsible for public safety and the Office of Tribal Justice. UTTC is part of a DOJ program that brings attention and resources to combat the problem on campuses nationwide. West’s visit coincided with the 20th anniversary of the Violence Against Women Act. UTTC administrators described how Native values are integrated into the victim services provided on the campus. Community partners also attended. DENNIS J. NEUMANN ♦ United Tribes News



United Tribes Technical College Academic Calendar

JULY

4Holiday – No Classes
18 Last day to withdraw for Summer 2014
28 Killdeer Mountain Remembrance, Dunn Center, ND
28-31 Summer 2014 Final Exams

AUGUST

1 Final Grades Due
11 Housing Check-In
13 TJES Staff Return
18 TJES Students Start School
20-22 UTTC Fall Orientation
25 First day of classes at UTTC

SEPTEMBER

1 Labor Day – No Classes
4-7 UTTC International Powwow
5 Last day to Register, add or drop classes
8 Faculty In-service (No Classes)
17 U.S. Constitution Day
22-26 UTTC Spirit Week
24-25 All-Campus Professional Development Days

Detailed Calendar: www.uttc.edu

U.S. Senator Visits Elementary School at UTTC



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EAGER TO LEARN: North Dakota U. S. Senator Heidi Heitkamp shares a one-on-one moment with Kristen Cline during a visit to Theodore Jamerson Elementary School on the campus of United Tribes Technical College in Bismarck. Ms. Cline's sixth grade class hosted a talk by the Senator on April 23. The students of instructor Jamie Higlin also quizzed the first woman elected to the Senate from North Dakota about her and her work in Congress. Looking on at right are students Fernandez Eagle Tail and Danielle Morrison. TJES students are the children of college students at United Tribes.

Four Decades of Service



Sending congratulations from United Tribes to Leigh Jeanotte of the University of North Dakota on his 40th anniversary there! His accomplishments are many and they live on in the legions of people he has helped and influenced! Long and productive may his pathway continue to be in service to Native People!

—Editor

Getting the census to work well for tribes



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COUNTING IS ON YOU: The Director of the U.S. Census, John Thompson, right, said he was really interested to hear about the issues tribes have in getting an accurate count during a census. Thompson visited with a group of tribal representatives May 6 at United Tribes and was briefed about the challenges of census-taking on the rez and the ramifications of the typical undercount. At left, former UTTC Research and Development Director Twila Martin Kekahbah (Turtle Mountain) facilitated. The meeting was attended by reps from all tribes in North Dakota, including Spirit Lake Chair Russell McDonald, at rear. Thompson's visit to UTTC was prompted by North Dakota U. S. Senator Heitkamp. Census Bureau Special Assistant Crista Jones and Denver Regional Director Cathy Lacy also attended.

Standing Up for Every Child

◆ By Senator Heidi Heitkamp (D-ND) and Senator Lisa Murkowski (R-AK) ◆

The statistics sound like they come from another county. A one-in-five chance of committing suicide; a one-in-ten chance of being abused; twice as likely to be placed in foster care; and a one-in-three chance of living in poverty.

But these are the odds, right here, in the United States for Native American children living in North Dakota, Alaska, Oklahoma, California, and across the country today.

Most Americans are only vaguely aware of the problems confronting Native Americans, particularly on reservations. But many don't comprehend the full scope and scale of the daunting challenges facing young people growing up in Indian Country.

This is a story of broken promises. Almost two centuries ago, our government promised Native Americans health care, education and housing in exchange for their land, minerals and natural resources. We haven't delivered. As a result, Native American children are now among the most vulnerable populations in the United States.

These children, like all children, deserve better.

As senators from North Dakota and Alaska, these aren't just statistics to us. We've been touched by the proud histories and rich cultures, traditions and languages of Native Americans. Over the years, we've joined them for countless tribal meetings, powwows, potlatches and potlucks. We embrace the young children who run up to us at Head Start programs and elementary schools. And we are saddened when we see these communities in our states ravaged by poverty and neglect. We want to do something about it.

First, we need to learn more about the

problems. Currently, we have only national statistics about Native children, but, shockingly, we don't have data for each state or each tribe. As a result, programs offering support are often redundant and federal resources do not reach the communities in which they are needed most.

Second, we need simpler grant programs. Tribal governments often have to jump through excessive hoops just to apply for federal grants, making it difficult for tribes to access programs that could help these children.

Third, we need fresh ideas.

It's for all of these reasons that we introduced our bill, the Alyce Spotted Bear and Walter Soboleff Commission on Native Children – named for two late elders in Native American communities in North Dakota and Alaska. This would put us on track to address the problems and begin making life better for Native children.

We know many roll their eyes when they hear about another federal commission. But in this case, the commission we are proposing is desperately needed to understand the scope and scale of the problems before we can begin fixing them.

Our commission would be empowered to review all programs, grants and support available for Native American children – both at government agencies and on the ground in Native communities – to find out what is working and what isn't. Then, unlike most other commissions, our commission will offer solutions. The 11 commission members will provide real recommendations to address the high rates of poverty, unemployment, child abuse, domestic violence, crime and substance abuse, and offer

ways to help Native children overcome these challenges.

Our bill already has 27 bipartisan cosponsors from across the political spectrum, reinforcing that standing up for Native

American children should not be a partisan issue. In May, it passed unanimously out of the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs with the next step a vote on the Senate floor.

But the largest task confronting us as we push for our legislation is raising awareness about the current state of Native children.

On June 13, President Obama and First Lady Michelle Obama visited Standing Rock Reservation in North Dakota – a historic visit and a step in the right direction. They sat down with Native youth and talked about many of the challenges and what can be done to give every Native kid the opportunity to grow and succeed. Incredibly, President Obama was only the second sitting president to visit an Indian reservation since World War II.

While we don't agree with the President on everything, we are on the same page when it comes to fighting for Native children. We are hopeful the President's visit helps elevate these issues nationally, just as we are trying to do through our work in the Senate, so more Americans realize that we must do a better job for Native children.

After two centuries of failed promises, may we finally answer the call of Chief Sitting Bull, the great Lakota chief: "Let us put our minds together and see what life we can make for our children."



Sen. Heidi Heitkamp

Current Heitkamp Initiatives for Native Americans

- Heitkamp/Murkowski bill to protect Native children
- Helping build relationships with the oil industry to improve development, production and coordination with MHA Nation
- A leading advocate in the Senate against human and sex trafficking
- Senate advocate for improved public education programs to better support Native American children
- Backer of legislation to preserve and protect Native languages and culture
- Leadership and problem solving to improve services for Native American Veterans

UTTC Wellness Circle selected for public health award

BISMARCK (UTN) – The United Tribes Technical College Wellness Circle has received the “Public Health Team of the Year Award” from the North Dakota Public Health Association.

The award recognized the college and its wellness team for the “outstanding public health effort in the past year” establishing United Tribes as a tobacco-free college campus.

The Wellness Circle guided implementation of a policy banning tobacco products and tobacco use from the campus for all purposes except Native American ceremonies.

UTTC is the first tribal college in North Dakota to go tobacco-free.

The award was presented June 19 in Grand Forks during the 2014 Dakota Conference on Rural and Public Health.



From left, Pat Aune and Wanda Agnew (UTTC) and Sue Kahler (Bismarck-Burleigh Public Health) accepted the Public Health Team of the Year Award June 19 in Grand Forks.

CAMPUS WELLNESS



Former United Tribes President David M. Gipp signed the college's Tobacco Free Campus policy. Wellness Circle Coordinator Pat Aune looking on.

The tobacco-free policy is an outgrowth of a campus wellness initiative started 12 years ago by former UTTC President David M. Gipp. The effort underscored the college's commitment to the health and wellbeing of the more than 1,000 students, faculty, staff and children who are on the campus daily.

The effort to curb smoking paralleled state and national programs to improve learning

and productivity, lower rates of absenteeism, and address organizational health insurance issues.

POLICY WORK

The policy was adopted by the college's administrative council and signed by Gipp on November 21, 2013, the 38th anniversary of the Great American Smoke Out. It became effective January 1, 2014.

It prohibits the use of tobacco on campus properties, in campus-owned vehicles, and at institution sponsored off-campus functions. It applies to any product containing or manufactured from tobacco or containing nicotine. It also prohibits the use of e-cigarettes.

Exempted is the traditional or sacred use of tobacco. United Tribes continues to be a “tobacco honoring” campus for Native American spiritual and cultural ceremonies, when requests are made and approved in advance.

United Tribes is the third tribal college nationwide to take the comprehensive step of becoming tobacco-free, joining Fort Peck Community College, Poplar, MT, and Oglala Lakota College, Kyle, SD.

The UTTC Wellness Circle is coordinated by Pat Aune, United Tribes Land Grant Programs director. The group comprised of representatives of campus departments

worked with representatives of Bismarck Burleigh Public Health and the North Dakota Center for Tobacco Prevention and Control and Policy.

The tobacco-free policy has placed more emphasis on quitting smoking. The college's Wellness Center conducts smoking cessation programs, along with individual services and assistance from the college's family nurse practitioner. Assistance from additional, off campus sources is also provided.

For more information, please contact Pat Aune 701-255-1399, paune@uttc.edu.

UNITED TRIBES WELLNESS CIRCLE

During 2013, these staff members served on the United Tribes Wellness Circle: Pat Aune (coordinator), Marcus Austin, Kathy Johnson, Barbara Little Owl, Dennis Neumann, Wanda Agnew, Colette Wolf, Jan Keller, Robert Fox, Jana Millner, Rebekah Olsen, Bud Anderson, Julie Cain, Olivia Tuske-Reese, Charmelle Fuchs, Anita Charging, Gillian Plenty Chief, Carla Gerriets, Travis Albers, Misty Cavanaugh, Joely Heavy Runner, Dan Molnar, Joey McLeod, Charisse Fandrich, Marsha Azure, Brad Hawk and TJ McLaughlin.

UTTC TOBACCO FREE POLICY

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

When did UTTC's Tobacco Free Policy start?

- Signed November 21, 2013 by UTTC President David M. Gipp; effective Jan. 1, 2014.

Why have a tobacco-free campus?

- United Tribes is committed to providing a safe and healthy learning and work environment for students and staff. The purpose of this policy is to continue and enhance the college's culture of wellness, initiated in 2002, by reducing harm from secondhand smoke and providing an environment that encourages persons to be tobacco-free now and in the future.
- United Tribes is not only committed to academic, career and technical education achievement, but also to helping develop life skills that promote individual and community wellness. College is a time when many long-term lifestyle choices are made. This policy is a clear statement that UTTC values health and that a tobacco-free life is encouraged and supported.
- Research shows that tobacco use, including smoking and breathing secondhand smoke, constitutes a significant health hazard. In addition, smoking contributes to college costs in other ways, including potential fire damage, cleaning and maintenance costs, and costs associated with absenteeism, health care and medical insurance.

How will United Tribes address the traditional Native use of tobacco?

- The traditional or sacred use of tobacco is exempted from this policy. United Tribes will continue to be a "tobacco honoring" campus for Native American spiritual and cultural ceremonies.
- An organization or group that wants to use sacred tobacco for an event is required to submit a request in writing in advance to the Vice President of Student and Campus Services, describing the event. The vice president will approve or deny the request.

What is the difference between smoke-free and tobacco-free?

- Tobacco-free prohibits the use of any lighted or oral tobacco product.

Whom does the policy affect?

- This policy applies to all faculty, staff, students, contractors, vendors and visitors.

Does the policy apply to the entire United Tribes campus?

- The use of tobacco products is prohibited within and around the college's buildings, structures, walkways, arenas and vehicles, and at college-sponsored functions off campus.

How will United Tribes address compliance with this policy?

- Achieving a tobacco-free environment takes time and patience. United Tribes believes that self-enforcement will become part of the norm and the value of compliance will become recognized, as it has with seat belt laws. Students, faculty, and staff, and visitors will come to recognize the value of this policy and will choose to comply.
- Compliance with this policy is the shared responsibility and the right of all UTTC staff, students and faculty members. Success depends upon the courtesy, respect and cooperation of users and non-users of tobacco products. Any member of the UTTC community may respectfully ask individuals to comply with this policy and/or report non-compliance when appropriate. Anyone who observes a possible violation may inform the individual of the tobacco-free policy and offer an information card.
- Employees who violate the Tobacco Free policy are subject to disciplinary action pursuant to Section 6-15 of the Employee Policies Handbook, 5-15 Disciplinary Policies and Procedures (progressive discipline).
- Violations of this policy by students may be cause for disciplinary action in accordance with student code of conduct contained in the student manual.

- Visitors violating this policy will be asked to refrain from using tobacco products while on campus property or to leave the premises.

How will this policy be communicated to students, staff and visitors?

- Education regarding UTTC's tobacco-free policy will be included during orientation for all incoming students and employees. Signage will be posted sufficient to inform members of the campus community and visitors, including contractors and vendors, of the policy. All administrators, vice presidents, directors, department chairs, and supervisors will communicate the policy to everyone within their areas of responsibility. The policy will be printed in the employee and the student handbooks.

What is the college doing to assist students and staff to quit smoking?

- United Tribes is committed to providing assistance to all students, faculty, and staff who want to quit using tobacco. Cessation information and programs can be accessed through services provided at the Lewis Goodhouse Wellness Center on the UTTC campus. The state of North Dakota provides a free program NDQuits, 800-784-8669 or www.ndhealth.gov/ndquits.

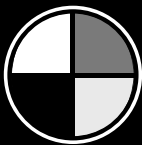


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Attorney General Eric Holder talks with Native

By Sari Horwitz, *The Washington Post*
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BISMARCK — They sat in an intimate circle, 12 Native American teenage boys and the nation's highest law-enforcement official, getting to know each other for about 45 minutes and talking casually about music, life, girls — and sex.

Attorney General Eric H. Holder Jr. had a message about sexual relations for the young men, most of who had come from the Standing Rock Reservation an hour away. He urged them to dream big, work hard and, as they make their way growing up in Indian country — where sexual violence, rape and abuse of women is rampant — treat women like they would want their mothers and sisters to be treated.

“You can't be a man if you mistreat women,” said Holder, leaning forward in his chair and slowly looking at each of the boys, some in jeans, others in dress pants, shirts and ties. “If you mistreat women, you're not a man. You're a punk.”

Address the Violence

The June 5 discussion between Holder and the young men was an effort by the Justice Department to create a dialogue between law enforcement and young Native American men about their day-to-day experiences on the reservation and their interactions with the criminal justice system.

Holder's visit was geared, in particular, to pressing the young men to help address the high rate of violence against women in Indian country. An estimated one in three Native American women are sexually assaulted or



Eric Holder met with young men at United Tribes in Bismarck on June 5. The visit was part of an Obama Administration initiative launched earlier this year known as “My Brother's Keeper.” The effort is aimed at getting young men and boys of color, who are willing to do the hard work, onto a path of success in life. Learn more: <http://www.whitehouse.gov/my-brothers-keeper>.

raped in their lifetimes, and three out of five experience domestic violence.

Last year, to make it easier for assailants to be brought to justice, President Obama signed the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act, which included a historic provision to allow the nation's 566 federally recognized tribes to prosecute non-Indians who commit certain violent crimes against Native women.

Holder emphasized that while Washington was determined to help empower Native American women and reform the law, it was up to the American Indian men to effect change.

“At the end of the day, the solution lies with

people like you,” Holder said. “There are young guys looking at you. They're going to look at the way you treat women. It's a problem we as men have to own.”

Community Safety

Holder's visit to a tribal consultation conference at the United Tribes Technical College was the first time a sitting attorney general had visited the state since Robert F. Kennedy addressed the National Congress of American Indians in September 1963. The White House announced that Obama, in a rare visit by a sitting U.S. president to Indian country, will also travel to North Dakota, where he will meet June 13 with young people at Standing Rock, a reservation the size of Connecticut that is home to the storied Standing Rock Sioux Tribe in North and South Dakota.

In North Dakota, about 5.4 percent of the state's population — 36,400 people — are Native Americans, a number that increases to 43,167 when including those who consider themselves part Native American. More than 40 percent of American Indians in North Dakota are youth.

“2014 Champions of Public Safety in Indian Country”



Grant Walker



Angela Cummings



Dawn White

Three were honored by the U.S. Attorney's office as “2014 Champions of Public Safety in Indian Country”: Grant Walker, former chief tribal prosecutor at Standing Rock; Angela Cummings, Three Affiliated criminal investigator; and Dawn White, Three Affiliated police sergeant.

Native American teenage boys in North Dakota

In his speech to the tribal conference, Holder acknowledged that, for decades, “hostility, mistrust, and outright discrimination characterized the relationships between federal officials and tribal leaders.” But he also cited progress, and hope that Washington and tribal leaders could work to improve the welfare of Native American communities.



Eric H. Holder Jr.

the recent past. Over the last decade, some tribal communities in North Dakota have had rates of suicide reaching 10 times the national average, according to the Center for Native American Youth.

North Dakota U.S. Attorney Timothy Q. Purdon said he will never forget the moment when he was a young lawyer clerking for a judge in 1995, and he stepped for the first time onto the Standing Rock Reservation in Cannon Ball, N.D.

“It was isolated and poverty-stricken, and there was a sense of hopelessness among some of the people who lived there,” Purdon said in an interview. “It was very different from my background and how I had lived, and I said to myself at the time: How is it possible in the 20th century that there are American citizens living in isolation and poverty like this? It was unfathomable to me.”

Purdon said safety on reservations is his top priority and that his office is prosecuting more violent crimes cases in Indian country than his office did in the past. He has increased the number of prosecutors assigned to reservation cases and requires them to visit the reservations several times a year to listen to tribal concerns, in addition to the times they go for their cases.



Making Progress

North Dakota Sen. Heidi Heitkamp (D) has introduced a bill that would create a Commission on Native Children to conduct an intensive study into issues facing Native children, including high rates of poverty, staggering unemployment, child abuse, domestic violence, crime, substance abuse and few economic opportunities. The Justice Department last year launched a similar commission.

Holder said the Justice Department is also examining the disparities in criminal sentencing for Native Americans. American Indians are often sentenced more harshly in federal courts than white, African American and Hispanic federal offenders convicted of similar crimes, according to a study last year, and Holder said the Justice Department is examining the disparities.

“We’ve made some progress,” Purdon said. “But we can’t expect Native American people to overcome decades and decades of isolation and poverty until first and foremost they feel safe in their communities. These problems are centuries in the making, and it’s going to take years and years and years to solve them.”

After meeting with the young Native American men, Holder said in an interview that he was struck by how similar they were to the young men he has met across the country, adding that there is “a universality to the problems they face, the hope they have, their basic desire to make things better.”

“It’s always hard to get these kids to talk. But you can also see that as much as they’re kinda looking down, every now and again they’re up and they’re looking at you and they’re listening,” he said. “The hope is that they’re hearing and that they then act upon some of the interaction we had.”



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United Tribes Technical College Interim President Dr. Phil Baird presented Attorney General Eric H. Holder Jr. with a Pendleton blanket following his speech to the Fourth Annual Tribal Consultation Conference, hosted by North Dakota U. S. Attorney Tim Purdon, right.

Summer research focuses on ecology

NSF Supports Tribal College Students

By Jeremy Guinn, UTTC Tribal Environmental Science Instructor

Eight students from tribal colleges in North and South Dakota are involved over summer in an intensive 10-week research training program at United Tribes Technical College.

The “Tribal College Research Experience for Undergraduates Program” (REU) is funded by the National Science Foundation to assist Native American students in participating full-time in summer research activities.

The projects include restoration ecology, insect behavior and ecological impacts, integrated buffalo prairie management, effects of oil development on natural resources, conservation biology and animal behavior, and geospatial applications to ecological research.

Work and study is conducted under the guidance of mentors from United Tribes, Bismarck; Ft. Berthold Community College, New Town, ND; Sitting Bull College, Ft. Yates, ND; Oglala Lakota College, Kyle, SD; and Augustana College, Sioux Falls, SD.

This research experience is the first award made to a tribal college for students to conduct research at a tribal college campus. It makes available resources of the NSF’s research training program for tribal college students and provides stipends and travel assistance. It aims to improve recruit-



Students begin designing and assembling a miniature submarine from a cache of parts during the Tribal College Research Experience for Undergraduates Program at United Tribes Technical College.

ment, retention and completion of Native students in science programs, and provide a solid foundation for success in graduate programs and in science careers.

Participants in this competitive program are among the top performers in their field. Each has expressed interest in using science to answer ecological questions. They conduct individual research projects while becoming part of the research team. They receive training in research ethics, project design, field techniques, advanced laboratory technology, and analysis and presentation of data.

Professional development activities provide well-rounded exposure to career options and research methodologies.

The summer program culminates with a research symposium on Friday, August 8 at the Science and Technology Center at United Tribes. The symposium is open to the public.

The Tribal College REU program began offering research opportunities in 2009 and is funded for at least two more summers. To apply for next year’s program or to learn more, use this link: <http://www.uttc.edu/about/forum/reu/>.

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Teacher, what did YOU do this Summer?

Summer Research Immersion for Teachers

By Jeremy Guinn, UTTC Tribal
Environmental Science Instructor

If you think all teachers “take the summer off” and lay by the pool or catch up on reading, you don’t know many teachers.

Most use the time to expand their knowledge base and sharpen skills, thereby improving their ability to teach in a rapidly changing world.

Four K-12 science teachers from tribal schools in North and South Dakota have chosen to spend the summer catching bats, sampling groundwater, chasing coyotes, studying bison, or learning about medicinal plants.

They’re participating in the inaugural

program of the Tribal College Research Experience for Teachers (RET).

Funded by the National Science Foundation, the program exposes teachers to real-world science in action and provides a strong foundation for teaching science courses. Teachers conduct ecological research alongside undergraduate researchers and research mentors at local tribal colleges.

Research Projects:

- Tami Bornemann (Theodore Jamerson Elementary, Bismarck): conducting research on urban coyote movements and bat use and diet in agricultural fields; United Tribes Technical College.
- Rebecca Kollman (Parshall High School, Parshall, ND): working on groundwater quality; Fort Berthold Community College.
- Tammy Greff (Fort Yates Middle School): working on plant dye research; Sitting Bull College.

- Daniel Snethen (Little Wound High School, Kyle, SD): investigating nutritional, genetic, and behavioral impacts of bison herd management; Oglala Lakota College.

Each teacher/researcher will develop curriculum modules, based on their research experience, for their own classrooms and disseminate the modules to their peers.

Presentations of their work will occur at the Summer Research Symposium on Friday, August 8 at the Science and Technology Center at United Tribes Technical College. The symposium is open to the public.

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AmeriCorps VISTA volunteer at UTTC

By Jordan Katcher, UTTC Land Grant/
AmeriCorps VISTA Volunteer

In 1963, President John F. Kennedy envisioned a national service corps that would alleviate poverty within the United States; he called it VISTA (Volunteers in Service to America). Two years later, President Lyndon B. Johnson addressed the first 20 VISTA volunteers saying, “Your pay will be low; the conditions of your labor often will be difficult. But you will have the satisfaction of leading a great national effort and you will have the ultimate reward which comes to those who serve their fellow man.”

In 1993, President Bill Clinton created AmeriCorps (a facet of the Corporation for National & Community Service), which adopted the VISTA program, and has been known ever since as AmeriCorps VISTA.

Over the decades, VISTA has recruited over 190,000 volunteers to serve in impoverished communities for 365 days, full-time, while earning a living stipend equivalent to 110% of the poverty line. Currently, there are



over 8,000 VISTA members serving in 1,100 non-profit organizations nationwide: managing projects, raising funds, recruiting local volunteers and providing growth and sustainability within their service communities.

Now, UTTC’s Land Grant Program has their first AmeriCorps VISTA; me. My name

is Jordan Katcher and I’m a recent graduate from the University of Virginia. I’ve lived in five other states, volunteered on an organic barley farm in Iceland, assisted leprosy patients in India and served as an AmeriCorps volunteer on the Mescalero Apache Reservation in New Mexico; where I maintained their fish hatchery and taught at the high school.

As of late April, I’ve been serving with the TCU (Tribal Colleges & Universities) pilot-program, which is currently placing eight VISTA volunteers in TCUs across the country. Our roles vary, but here, I’ll be focusing on increasing organizational capacity for the Land Grant team and recruiting volunteers to manage the beautiful gardens on campus (among many other things!).

I’m very eager to serve the UTTC community for the next year and anticipate meeting many of you –staff, faculty, students and families. If you’re interested in knowing more about the AmeriCorps VISTA program, feel free to email me at jkatcher@uttc.edu.

Tańča Wakútepi Tǎá Wókiksuye

Their Memories of Killdeer

Story & Photos by Dakota Goodhouse

Killdeer Mountain is known primarily as a battle site. Only 150 years old, it is a recent entry in the indigenous historical record of the region. The native presence reaches back with 3,000 years of continuous cultural occupation.

The Thítǎúnwan (Teton; “Sioux” Indians who live west of the Missouri River) refer to this place as Tańča Wakútepi, which translates as “Place Where Hunt/Kill Deer.” It is a name that reflects a practical and annual reason for visiting simply because the hunting was good. But it was also a sacred site where young men went to pray atop the plateau in what is called hanǎlécheya, or vision quest.

The plateau is significant for the Nu’Eta (Mandan) as well. In their language they call it Bah-eesh, the “Mountain That Sings.” By day, like a great inhalation, the wind rushes into the deep embrace of the earth and at night, like a long sigh, the wind comes out with a whistle. One who listens carefully hears the songs of the earth.

The earth breathes. The earth sings. To the Lakota, what has breath has spirit, and the earth is a living breathing being, a grandmother. It is a reminder that human beings belong to the earth. The Lakota call the earth Makočé.



Stone features indicate the long record of the Native cultural use of Killdeer Mountain.

Colony of Life

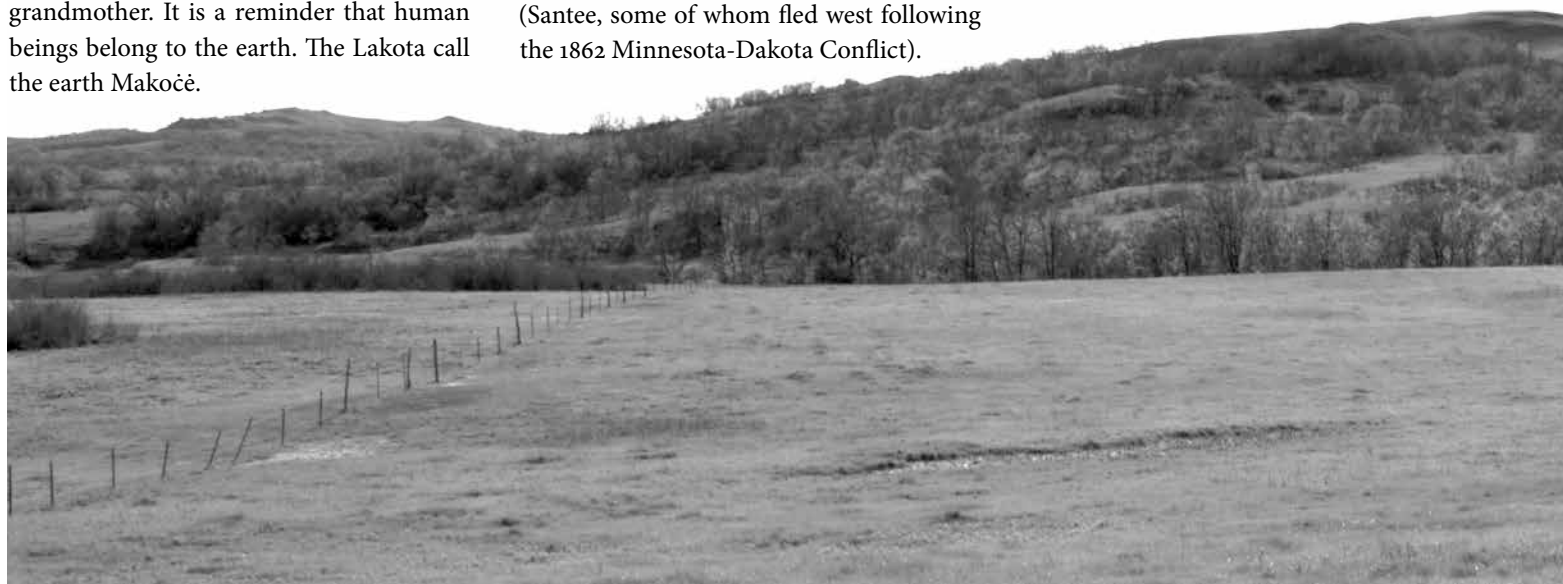
About halfway up the southeast side of the plateau is a colony of quaking aspen trees, a relative of the cottonwood. Quaking aspen are found throughout North America, from Mexico to Alaska. Colonies are thousands of years old and many reach back to the last ice age. This quaking aspen colony is at the very least a few hundred years old and could very well be as old as 12,000 years.

Conflict and Bloodshed

Despite a three thousand year cultural occupation and its sacred use, North Dakota remembers the site for conflict. Blood was shed there on July 28, 1864 when General Alfred Sully launched an attack on the camps of the Thítǎúnwan and Isányathi (Santee, some of whom fled west following the 1862 Minnesota-Dakota Conflict).

A massive cloud of dust signaled the southeast approach of Sully and his command of 2,200 soldiers. Within range of the Siouan encampment, he opened fire. Sitting Bull and other leaders had anticipated there would be no opportunity for parley and had chosen to move the encampment to an area on the south side of Killdeer Mountain, below Medicine Hole. Here it would be difficult for soldiers to ascend.

The terrain allowed for the escape of many elders, women and children, who scrambled up and over the broken stony landscape. But not everyone got away. Children, who were inadvertently left behind in the chaos, were killed and scalped after the fight. The remains of as many as 150 innocent Dakǎóta-Lakǎóta people ended up in a



On the slopes of Killdeer Mountain are the graves of Dakǎóta-Lakǎóta People.



Deer still occupy the woods and meadows of Killdeer Mountain.

mass grave on the slope of Killdeer Mountain. The historic sacredness of this place as a destination for spiritual pilgrimage over thousands of years was made even more so by the blood of innocents.

Registry Place

Killdeer Mountain is not on the National Registry of Historic Places, and only a small part of the site is designated a North Dakota State Historic Site. It is never too late to nominate Killdeer Mountain to the Registry. However, it is too late to preserve

it. The commercial value of the site is apparently worth too much (\$250 million) for private landowners and the state to leave it undeveloped. The oil (3.5 million barrels) is trapped beneath 3,000 years of history, a battlefield, a mass burial and sandstone.

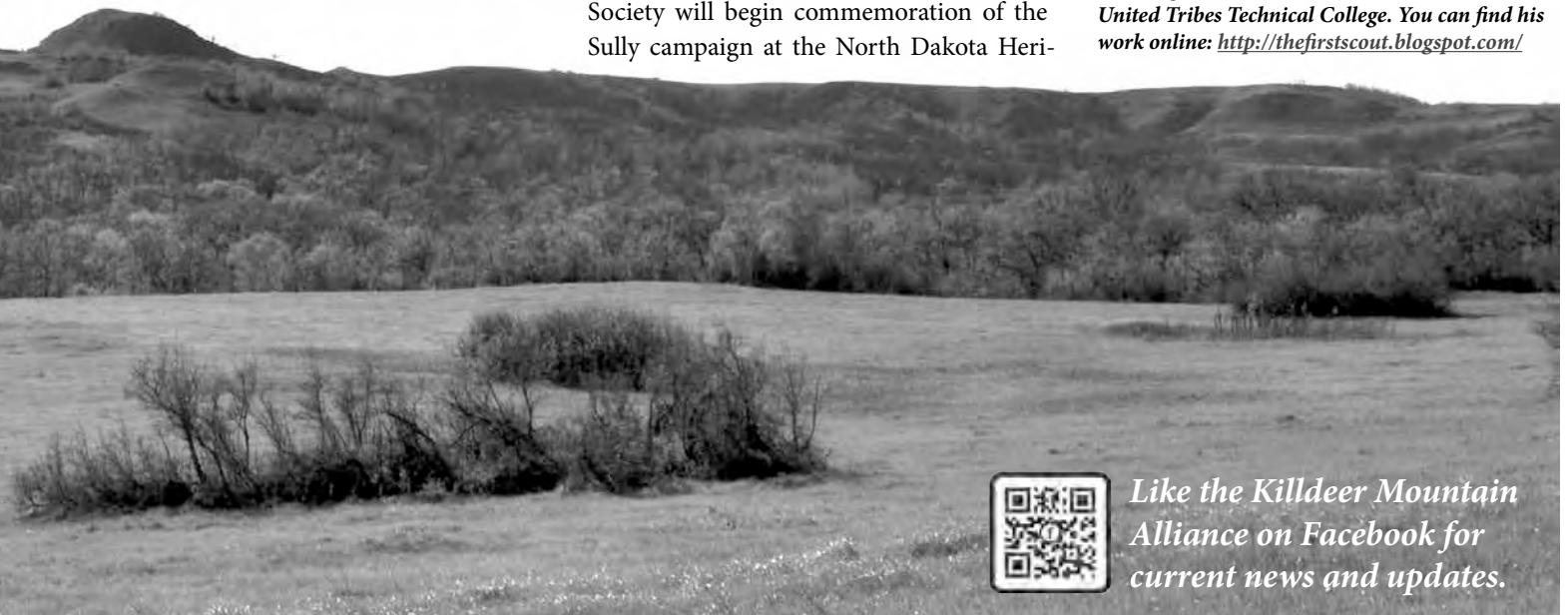
Summer Remembrances

This summer marks the occasion of two major commemorations: North Dakota's 125th anniversary as a state, and the 150th anniversary of Sully's punitive campaign in western North Dakota. The State Historical Society will begin commemoration of the Sully campaign at the North Dakota Heri-

tage Center in Bismarck on Saturday, June 28. The Killdeer Mountain Alliance and others plan an observance on the anniversary day itself, July 28, 2014, in the Killdeer area. Medora, ND follows with public programming about the Badlands conflicts on Aug. 8-9 in Medora.

For more information about these events visit www.history.nd.gov; you may also find out more and "like" the Killdeer Mountain Alliance on Facebook.

Dakota Goodhouse is an enrolled member of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe. He is an instructor at United Tribes Technical College. You can find his work online: <http://thefirstscout.blogspot.com/>



Like the Killdeer Mountain Alliance on Facebook for current news and updates.

2013-14 Grads Honored at United Tribes

BISMARCK (UTN) – United Tribes Technical College graduated 107 students representing 25 different tribal nations during the college's commencement ceremony in Bismarck.

The class of 2014 earned their honors in the college's two dozen academic, vocational and workforce training programs, receiving Bachelor of Science degrees, Associate of Applied Science degrees, or Certificates of Completion.

The guest speaker was Dr. Cheryl Crazy Bull (Sicangu Lakota), President and CEO of the American Indian College Fund.



Dr. Cheryl Crazy Bull

The May 9 ceremony in the James Henry Community Center gymnasium concluded the 2013-14 academic year.

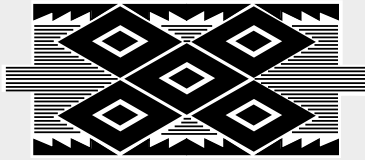
Over 300 family members and friends attended, along with tribal leaders from the college's governing board, representing the tribes of North Dakota: Three Affiliated Tribes of the Mandan/Hidatsa/Arikara Nation, Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate, Spirit Lake Tribe, Standing Rock Tribe, and Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa. A representative of North Dakota Congressman Kevin Cramer also attended.

The drum group Wise Spirit rendered ceremonial and honor songs. Master of ceremonies was Dennis Renville. Formal graduation photos were taken by "Impressions by Ashley." A traditional meal followed at the college cafeteria. The gym was decorated with plants and woody perennials that were later planted on the campus by college's Land Grant Agro-ecology staff.



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◆ Cassandra Lee Valandra Rosebud Sioux Tribe Mission, SD
 ◆ ***^Doreen S. Welsh-Pretends Eagle Colorado River Indian Tribes Mandan, ND

TRIBAL MANAGEMENT – AAS

◆ **Tennille J. Burning Breast Rosebud Sioux Tribe Bismarck, ND
 ◆ ***^Doreen S. Welsh-Pretends Eagle Colorado River Tribes Mandan, ND

SMALL BUSINESS MANAGEMENT – CERT

◆ ^Gbenga Henry Adewumi Nigeria Mandan, ND
 ◆ Jeanette Jodi Iron Cloud Oglala Sioux Tribe Pine Ridge, SD

SMALL BUSINESS MANAGEMENT – AAS

◆ ^Marion P. DeClay White Mountain Apache Bismarck, ND
 ◆ ^Elizabeth L. Hattaway Rosebud Sioux Tribe Kingsland, GA
 ◆ ^Jason H. Mills Rapid City, SD
 ◆ Jonathan J. Berryhill Three Affiliated/Acoma Pueblo Bismarck, ND

MEDICAL TRANSCRIPTION – CERT

◆ Rhonda Marise Fors Sutton, ND
 ◆ Diane N. Fransen Mobridge, SD

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◆ ^Jamie R. Barnes Oglala Sioux Tribe Rhame, ND
 ◆ Wayne Jarvis Bearstail Three Affiliated Tribes Bismarck, ND
 ◆ Tanner J. Cadotte Bismarck, ND
 ◆ ^Dylan Samuel Carry Moccasin Standing Rock Sioux Fort Yates, ND
 ◆ Alicia Len Eddy Yankton Sioux Tribe Wagner, SD
 ◆ ^Christopher M. Franco Standing Rock Sioux Mandan, ND
 ◆ ^Matthew P. Franco Standing Rock Sioux Bismarck, ND
 ◆ ^Isaiah W. Hunte Standing Rock Sioux Cannonball, ND
 ◆ Jay A. Koch Standing Rock Sioux Bismarck, ND
 ◆ Collins P. Little Whiteman Northern Cheyenne Arapaho, WY
 ◆ Tyson Christopher Red Bear Cheyenne River Sioux Bismarck, ND
 ◆ Thomas T. Red Bird Cheyenne River Sioux Bismarck, ND
 ◆ Roger Lee Standish Three Affiliated Tribes Mandaree, ND
 ◆ ^Vance J. Taken Alive Standing Rock Sioux Bullhead, SD
 ◆ ^David Keith Taylor Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Sisseton, SD
 ◆ Cherikie Summer Tillman Eastern Shoshone Fort Washakie, WY
 ◆ ^Leonard R. Turnsplenty Crow Agency Pryor, MT
 ◆ Naaman Storm Williams Alabama-Coushatta Tribe Livingston, TX

Congratulations!!!

UTTC American Indian Business Leaders 2013-14

By Teresa Hughes, AIBL President

This year the Business Department rejuvenated our UTTC American Indian Business Leader (AIBL) chapter. We are part of the national AIBL organization, which is in its 20th year. Its mission is to increase the representation of American Indian and Alaska Natives in business and entrepreneurial ventures through education and leadership development opportunities.

We would like to thank our advisors, Amy Mossett, Eric Cutler, Mandi Wood and Glen Philbrick for supporting us all year. They were always present at our weekly meetings and at all of our activities. Their kindness and generosity displayed that they believe in each of us and their commitment is truly appreciated. They helped us grow professionally and gain business knowledge combined with practical experiences which nurtured our entrepreneurial spirit. In February, we all obtained our IHS Safe Food Handling certification. We thank Jan Keller for training us and Dennis Lowman for the use of his computer lab.

Productive Year

We had a very productive year! We made the National AIBL Conference "Priority 1" for our fundraising goal. We entered the Business Competition, an opportunity to increase our knowledge and enhance our business, entrepreneurial and academic experiences. The conference was held in Scottsdale, AZ.

To fundraise, we sold Indian Tacos during the Thunderbirds Hall of Fame night when the T-Birds hosted Lake Region State. During the Christmas Craft bazaar, we held a bake sale and a 50/50 raffle. We also had Valentine's Day and Easter raffles. And we sold baked goods and slushies at the UTTC Winter Markets.

All of our fundraising brought us closer to our goal of \$10,000. We would like to thank Student Senate for always honoring our requests to run concessions during basketball games and for approving all of our fundraising requests and supporting our efforts.

Committed to Campus Life

We are committed to being part of UTTC community and visible on campus. In October, we walked in the campus marches against domestic violence and breast cancer. We won second place for our float in the Homecoming parade in October. We attended SBA training in February, held in the UTTC cafeteria. We had a booth at the Career Fair on March 26. Some of our members attended AIHEC in Billings

in March, competing in the Business competition. Other conferences we attended were the UM-TERM conferences, held in November and April. In April, we met with Senator Heidi Heitkamp to discuss educational barriers and opportunities, and law enforcement in Indian Country.

Marian DeClay and Alfreda Wall represented AIBL at all of the weekly Student Senate meetings and were the liaisons between our groups. We participated and helped out at the Student Senate activities throughout the year. We helped with the Easter Celebration, Student Senate concessions as needed, Super Bowl party, Supaman concert, and movie nights, to name a few.

Future Plans

We plan to be involved in the Tribal Leader's Summit, set for Sept. 2-4. We will have a booth at the trade show; our duties will consist of being ushers and "Ask Me" people. We will be helping elders, seating people and helping navigate guests to their destinations during the summit. We are also planning to be a food vendor at this year's United Tribes International Powwow, Sept. 4-7. Other plans we have are to be mentors to the 5th and 6th graders at TJES.



AIBL members at the UTTC Career Fair: Standing from left: Tennille Burning Breast, Teresa Hughes, Heather Demaray; seated: Marian DeClay and Alfreda Wall.

This year we were involved in many positive activities and events on campus, and we plan to continue to being available and helping UTTC in positive and healthy ways. With these experiences, we will surely be successful businessmen and business women after we graduate.

We would like to give thanks to everyone who supported us this year and we look forward to another great year ahead!

Congratulations to Heather Demaray, our Executive VP, recipient of the 2014 Dave M. Gipp Leadership Fellow award, and all of this year's graduates in the business department! Congratulations to you all and may your future hold many great opportunities!

UTTC AIBL 2013-14

Teresa Hughes, President
Heather Demaray, Executive Vice-President
Lisa DeLeon, VP Budget/Finance
Tennille Burning Breast, VP Marketing
Marian DeClay, VP Public Outreach
Lynn Fox, VP Fundraising
Leslie Mountain, Secretary
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Alfreda Wall, Member
Jon Berryhill, Member
Isaiah Rave, Member
Abdul Rasheed, Member
Hannah White Elk, Member
Amy Mossett, Advisor
Glen Philbrick, Advisor
Erik Cutler, Advisor
Mandi Wood, Advisor

UTTC Participation at 2014 AIHEC Conference

By Amy Mosset, UTTC Business Management Chair/Instructor; AIHEC Coordinator

Eight students representing four United Tribes programs of study participated in the 2014 AIHEC Conference March 15-18 in Billings, MT.

Student Senate President Gene Declay (Media Art/Art Marketing), Josh Standing Elk (Elementary Education) and Eybon Watkins (Environmental Pre-engineering) participated in the opening "Parade of Flags" carrying the United Tribes banner. They were joined by faculty/staff Jen Janeczek-Hartman, Amy Mossett and Charlene Weiz.

Eybon Watkins participated in the Science Poster Contest and Hand Game competition.

UTTC's Business Team was comprised of five Business Administration students competing in five categories: Heather Demaray, Marketing; Nicole Montclair-Donaghy, Finance; Isaiah Rave, General Business; Lydale Yazzie, Accounting; and Devero Yellow Earring, Economics.

Heather Demaray, Isaiah Rave and Devero Yellow Earring all received 2nd place honors. The team finished in 4th overall, competing against 15 other tribal colleges.

The business team was coached by UTTC's Business Department Chair Amy Mossett and Accounting/Finance Instructor Glen Philbrick.

Critical Inquiry

Heather Demaray, Nicole Montclair-Donaghy and Lydale Yazzie also competed in Critical Inquiry with the topics: Tribal Enrollment, Health Care and Fracking. The team tackled the topic of Oil Development through Hydraulic Fracturing on Fort Berthold with an emphasis on Environmental Protection and Social Responsibility.

Fracking was definitely the hot topic at the competition. Heather, Nicole and Lydale did an excellent job of presenting their case and answering some tough questions posed by judges.

Hand Games

One of the most exciting events at the competition took place during the Hand



UTTC's Hand Game Team finished 8th out of 32 teams: from left, Eybon Watkins, Heather Demaray, Devero Yellow Earring, Nicole Montclair-Donaghy, Isaiah Rave and Lydale Yazzie.

Games. All but one of UTTC's student delegation participated. What made this competition so challenging and exciting for the UTTC team was that none of them, except for Team Captain Devero Yellow Earring, had ever played Hand Games!

Devero was an excellent captain. The team made it through eliminations and held their ground to win a tough round after an incredibly long game against Stone Child College of Box Elder, MT. We were grateful for the backup from Fort Berthold Community College's team and their singers who supported us in our bid against Stone Child. We in turn supported FBCC when they too defeated Stone Child.

UTTC's team was finally eliminated when we lost to our sister college—FBCC—but it was less painful to lose to our Fort Berthold friends and relatives who we teased and laughed with throughout the final game. The UTTC team finished 8th out of 32 teams, which is quite an accomplishment considering only one team member had any experience in Hand Games.

Outstanding Team

UTTC's student delegation did an excellent job of representing United Tribes at the Annual AIHEC Conference. Josh Standing Elk (Coca Cola Scholar) and Gene Declay (AIHEC Student of the Year)

attended the Sunday evening scholarship awards banquet. Josh also participated in the 5K Run on Monday morning. Gene Declay participated in the Poetry Slam, T-Shirt Exchange and voted as UTTC's delegate in the Student Congress Elections.

The journey home included a visit to the Little Bighorn Battlefield National Monument near Crow Agency, MT.

The trip to this year's AIHEC conference was a success and the staff and faculty who attended the conference are pleased and proud of the accomplishments of our eight student leaders: Gene Declay, Devero Yellow Earring, Lydale Yazzie, Eybon Watkins, Josh Standing Elk, Isaiah Rave, Nicole Montclair-Donaghy and Heather Demaray. These students represented our college with dignity and professionalism and they certainly earned the recognition they received at UTTC's Student Award Banquet in May. We're looking forward to next year's AIHEC competition.



UNITED TRIBES STUDENT

*Presented May 8, 2014,
Bismarck Elks Club*

Academic Female: Heather Demaray

Academic Male: Devero Yellow Earring
(Shared with Andre Clark)

Thunderbird Female: Amanda Cline

Thunderbird Male: Josh Standing Elk

Inspirational Male: Waylon Black Crow

Inspirational Female: Justyn Lawrence

Outstanding-Staff Male: Bernard Strikes Enemy

Outstanding-Staff Female: Rhonda Breuer

Outstanding Faculty Male: Butch Thunderhawk

Outstanding Faculty Female: Leah Hamann

Choice awards voted on by UTTC Students & Staff in on-line balloting

ATHLETIC AWARDS

Mon-Dak Academic All-Conference Awards:

Antonia Valdez, Selina Big Crow, Lindsey Isburg, Cherikie Tillman, Andre Clark, Jerel Wilhite, Stephen "Chaske" Valdez, John Soundingsides, Laramie Keplin, Clarence "Chugger" Davis

Golf

Coach Ray Helpfrey

Region XIII All-Region: Laramie Keplin, Chugger Davis, Julius Baker, Starling Bolkan

Region XIII Medalist and National Tournament

Qualifier: Laramie Keplin

Two-year Letter-winner: Clarence "Chugger" Davis

Women's Basketball

Head Coach Erik Abbey; Assistants: Shanaye Packineau & Marissa Laundreaux

Region XIII All-Region: Selina Big Crow and Antonia Valdez

Team Awards:

Most Valuable Thunderbird: Selina Big Crow

Betty Ann Horn Award: Antonia Valdez

Most Improved: Cherikie Tillman

Men's Basketball

Head Coach Kevin Rice; Assistant Coach Delmar Clown; Assistants: James Bagwell, Devero Yellow Earring, Jeff Oster, Wacey Weeks

Mon-Dak All-Conference: Andre Clark

Region XIII All-Region: Andre Clark

Team Awards:

Most Valuable Thunderbird: Andre Clark

John Thunder Hawk Award: Bruce Ward

Most Improved: Joseph "J" Lovejoy

Two-year Letter-winners: Andre Clark, Bruce Ward

*— Hunter Berg, UTTC Athletic Director; Athletic Trainer:
Leah Washington of Sanford Sports Medicine*



Devero Yellow Earring

Andre Clark

SCHOLARSHIPS

David M. Gipp Leadership Fellowships \$1,000:

Antonia Valdez and Heather Demaray

Doc Janecek Memorial Scholarship \$250:

Connie Begay and Jade Thomas; for achievement in science and academic potential
Bismarck Tribune Scholarship \$250: Kendra Froelich

Tom and Frances Leach Scholarships \$1,000:

Lydale Yazzie, Lisa Deleon, Melissa Cook, Erica Jones

Wanda & Russell Swagger Scholarship \$600:

Dustin Milk

OITM Awards: Jordan Davis, Ray Waters and

Corey Zephier, all CDL students

Margaret Halsey Teachout Memorial

Scholarship \$1,000: Tasha Bordeaux, online CJ student



Jesse M. Clairmont Memorial Scholarship \$1,000: Logan Maxon; outstanding student in the United Tribes Art/Art Marketing program; presented by Sharon Clairmont on behalf of the Clairmont family.



Linda and Terry Moericke received special recognition from the UTTC Student Senate for long and outstanding service. Terry retired after 23 years with TJES and UTTC and Linda 35 years at TJES. Both are well-liked and held in high regard, and continue to stay in touch with the campus community with volunteer service.



Heather Demaray



Lisa Deleon

AMERICAN INDIAN COLLEGE FUND AWARDS

Students and students who graduated in 2014 received a monetary award and a medallion as a token of their achievement in the AICF Circle of Scholars Program:

Wylee Bearstail, BSEDU; Jonathan Berryhill, BM/AAS; Waylon Black Crow, EDU/AAS; Stephanie Bridwell, NUT-NW/AAS; Melody Bruguier, BOTIPS/AAS, BOTAA/AAS, BOTM/AAS; Tennille Burning Breast, TRM/AAS; Karla Charboneau, BOT/AAO & BOTAAM; Ashley Clements, BOT/CERT; Chenille Condon-Gates, NUTNW/AAS; Melissa Cook, CJU/AAS; Marlene Cook, EDU/AAS; Alicia Cuny, EDU/AAS; Gene Declay, ARTF/AAS; Lisa DeLeon, BAD/AAS; Andrea Eagle Pipe, BSC/JU; Kimberly Hawk Eagle, NUR/AAS; Christopher Hilfer, CJU/BS; Erica Jones, CJU/AAS; Brenda Kills Small, BOT/AAS; Justyn Lawrence, EDU/AAS; Mary Ann Maulson, CDL/CERT; Tammy McCorvey, BAD/AAS; Lacey McThias, EDU/AAS; Dustin Milk, SBM/AAS; Vanessa Page, NUR/AAS; Marcia Parks, NUR/AAS; Michelle Ridley, CDL/CERT; Krista Sheridan, BOT/AAO; Memoree Skinner, BS/EDU; Brett Smith, BSC/JU; Josh Standing Elk, EDU/AAS; Carly Sumption, NUR/AAS; Coghen Towry, ENRG/AAS; Theresa Tracke, EDU/AAS; Carmela Vital-Maulson, NUTNW/AAS; Alfreda Wall, BOT/AAM; Ray Waters, CDL/CERT; Eybon Watkins, ENRG/AAS; Caressa Weeks, BAD/AAS; Shealynn Wells, NUR/AAS; Georgina Wilson, NUR/AAS; Devero Yellow Earring, BSB/AD; Corey Zephier, CDL/CERT

AWARDS



UTTC Student Senate Special Recognition: Antonia Eagle Shield was praised by the Student Senate as their "Outstanding Volunteer and Devoted Worker." She was gifted with a blanket and awarded a mini vacation for her and her children, Tristan and Brittany.



Doc Janecek Memorial Scholarship \$250: Connie Begay and Jade Thomas; for achievement in science and academic potential. Photos DENNIS J. NEUMANN



Waylon Black Crow



Amanda Cline



Melissa Koch



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UTTC BLACK HILLS LEARNING CENTER

Exciting Summer Schedule

◆ By Laurette Pourier, BHLC
Community Outreach Coordinator ◆

UTTC Black Hills Learning Center (BHLC) is ready for an exciting summer in Rapid City. We're thrilled to join Main Street Square with new, community-based activities that celebrate Rapid City's creative side.

Art Night Downtown

BHLC will take part in "Art Night Downtown," every second Friday from June 13 through September 12, from 5 to 8 p.m. It brings businesses and artists together to create an interactive experience for participants.

BHLC will feature poetry, rappers, dance, interactive art activities and displays of Native artwork, including watching artists create!

Native Artists Week – July 16-19

BHLC has partnered with First People's Fund to offer a week filled with activities for Native American Artists. It begins with a two-day Professional Development Training July 16-17. This will provide artists with basic business fundamentals to assist their continued and future success.

Friday, July 18, BHLC hosts a memorial for Albert White Hat from noon to 2 p.m. Albert White Hat, Sr. (1938-2013) was a Sicangu (Rosebud) Lakota educator, author, linguist, tribal and spiritual leader, and respected elder. His awards included the SD Governor's Award and Living Indian Treasure Award, "for his many contributions to Native American art forms, National Indi-

an Education Association Elder, Peace and Justice Gamahiel Chair, and National Indian Educator of the year. We honor his work that continues to promote education and awareness.

Concluding the week on Saturday, July 19 will be the "Gathering of People, Wind and Water" Native Art Market and Cultural Celebration at Main Street Square. Gene Declay (White Mt. Apache/Pima) is the featured artist for the event.

BHLC staff will assist with a Friday evening reception and activities throughout the day Saturday, including hosting an interactive family art event.

Successful Spring Event

The BHLC kicked off spring with "Partnering for Success," March 5-8. It was a successful recognition and relations-building event with Black Hills-area agencies and organizations. Twenty service agencies were involved, including: Rapid City Police Dept., Pennington County Sheriff's Office, Forest Service, Project Solutions, Career Learning Center, IHS Wellness/Fitness Program/Diabetes Program, and IHS Substance Abuse Program.

One day's theme, "Buffalo and Native Health," featured Inter-Tribal Bison Cooperative, Buffalo foods/nutrition, Buffalo art and a free Buffalo soup meal. The center was honored to have presentations and book-signings from well-known Native authors Elizabeth Cook-Lynn and Virginia Driving Hawk. On the last day, a dodge ball tourney attracted 100 attendees and participants.

It was a successful and action-packed four days and BHLC hopes to do it again!

Memorial Walk

◆ By Nikkole Bostnar, BHLC Small
Business Management Student ◆

On May 17, a few close friends joined me to walk the WAVI (Working Against Violence Inc.) "Walk a Mile in Her Shoes" 5k walk at the Memorial Park Walking/Bike Path. The walk promotes domestic violence awareness.

Even though I feel strongly about domestic violence, and am a survivor myself, this walk was dedicated to family very close to me. In October, my sister-in-law Yessenia, my niece and nephew, Thalia-9 and Elijah-8 went missing. They were presumed dead a short time later.

Yessenia's husband, who had a history of domestic violence, is charged with one count of second degree murder and two counts of first degree murder, and is currently awaiting trial.

I wanted to share their story with everyone. I especially hope it will reach other women who are living with domestic violence but are afraid to leave. There is a way to leave safely. They have to confide in a domestic violence worker and follow their guidance.

I started my team in the middle of May and set my goal to raise \$300. I exceeded that by almost \$200 with a team of nearly 25 people.

Sharing the story of Yessenia, Thalia and Elijah, if only to those who attended, was enough for me. The day was very emotional for everyone involved.

So 'thank you' everyone who attended, and to everyone who showed their support in some way.

More info about UTTC Black Hills Learning Center: Kathlene Thurman, 605-721-3310

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Scholarship Awarded

Jo Lynn Little Wounded, a non-traditional student from Rapid City, attending United Tribes Technical College-Black Hills Learning Center, has been awarded a \$500 scholarship toward her Criminal Justice degree. The award came from the Black Hills Area Community Foundation.

Jo Lynn has been an active community volunteer over the past four years as well

as a dedicated student beginning in the Fall 2013 semester.

Black Hills Area Community Foundation scholarships are awarded through the Rapid City Area Chamber of Commerce to area residents who are pursuing further education to advance their skills to successfully participate in the business sector of Rapid City.



UNITED TRIBES ALUMNI NEWS

Sweet Grass Teachers Earn PBS Award

A team of educators who graduated from UTTC's Sweet Grass Project have been recognized for their work in family literacy.

Kindergarten teachers Kara Four Bear, Shyanne Comeau and BilliJo Gravseth were named recipients of the 2014 Prairie Public Broadcasting Literacy Grant Award.

Four Bear is an enrolled member of the Cheyenne River Tribe. Comeau and Gravseth are from Standing Rock. The three are known as "Team Kindergarten" at Standing Rock Elementary School in Ft. Yates, ND, where Virginia Longfeather is principal.

Prairie Public, a regional Public Broadcasting System affiliate, partners with educators in North Dakota and Minnesota to host free community-wide family literacy events. "Team Kindergarten" hosted Family Literacy Night as part of the SRES after-school program. The event was a great success. The team coordinated the help of the "Night

Lights" staff, SRES coordinators, the SRCS Title I Program, and Prairie Public.

Families engaged in a variety of fun activities including: Miss Sparkles Puppet Show (Bismarck Public Library), Face Painting, 5th Grade "Living Museum" (Ms. Longtine), Cultural Presentation (Missouri River Educational Cooperative), Conventional and Non-conventional Book Making (Smithsonian Institute Training), Free Books and Technology Showcase (Prairie Public), Community Helpers, a Family Meal, and The Lakota Language Berenstain Bears - Ina and Ate Mah-to. Each child received free books of their choosing courtesy of Prairie Public.

The United Tribes Sweet Grass Project is a teacher preparation program funded by the Office of Special Education in the U. S. Dept. of Education. Lisa Benz-Azure is UTTC's Teacher Education Department chair.



Berenstain Bears photo Kara Four Bear

Teacher Education Alumni Updates

Rolenthea Begay (Dine' of Navajo) has been offered a teaching position beginning fall 2014 at the elementary school in the Chinle Unified School District, Chinle, AZ. Rolenthea graduated from the UTTC Teacher Education program with her BS degree in Elementary Education. She was a recipient of the David M. Gipp Fellowship Award and a participant in the Sweet Grass Project.

Memoree Dupris-Skinner (Cheyenne River) completed her BS degree in Elementary Education at UTTC in December 2013 and has been accepted into graduate school at the University of North Dakota. She will participate in the Resident Teacher Program in Special Education (SERTP) and complete an internship with a licensed special education teacher. Memoree was a participant in the Sweet Grass Project and a former school board member at Theodore Jamerson Elementary School on the UTTC campus.

Kara Four Bear completed her BS Degree in Elementary Education at UTTC in December of 2011. She has since been employed as a Kindergarten Teacher with Standing Rock Elementary School. In her current role, Kara and "Team Kindergarten" have worked to establish a kindergarten parent group, which earned them the 2014 Prairie Public Literacy Grant Award. Kara will be completing her K-12 Principal Field Experience this fall and will graduate with an M.Ed. in Educational Leadership from Montana State University-Bozeman. Kara is also starting a non-profit education organization to further benefit professionals and students in "Indian Education." She can be followed on Twitter @NDNEducation for the latest news, topics, and resources regarding education in Indian Country and beyond.

Tyson Maxon (Cheyenne River) completed his BS degree in Elementary Education at UTTC in December 2013 and is a licensed teacher in the state of North Dakota. Tyson was hired in January 2014, immediately after graduation, as a Gifted and Talented teacher at Standing Rock Elementary School, Fort Yates, ND. Tyson was a participant in UTTC's Sweet Grass Project.

Law School Bound

Congratulations to **Ronald E. Rousseau** (Cheyenne River), who is headed to law school in the fall. The 2011 UTTC Criminal Justice grad finished at Haskell Indian Nation University and is moving on toward a new challenge. He has been accepted into the University of Idaho's Native Law Program, headed by Angelic Eagle Woman (Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate). Over summer he is attending U. S. Army National Guard Officer Candidate School, and will graduate July 25 from the eight week course at Mount Rushmore. He advises all who would pursue an education to be a positive role model for youth, remember our history for motivation, and honor our ancestors by taking advantage of the opportunities they afforded us.

Nurses graduate at UTTC



PINNING PASSAGE: It's a ritual that signals accomplishment and brings a smile to everyone. Sierra LeBeau (Cheyenne River) stepped forward May 9 for her moment in the Nurses Pinning Ceremony for graduates of UTTC's Practical Nursing Program. There were 16 graduates in the Class of 2014: Jean Grant-Rexine, Kimberly Hawk Eagle, Trista Hoesel, Reah Kelly, Hillary Kirui, Sierra LeBeau, Ashley Lommen, Madison Moreicke, Vanessa Page, Marcia Parks, Carley Sumption, Kelsey Weiland, Shealynn Wells, Krista Williams and Georgia Wilson. DENNIS J. NEUMANN ♦ United Tribes News

United Tribes at "Relay for Life"



JOINED THE FIGHT: United Tribes Technical College was well-represented at Bismarck's "Relay for Life," June 7 at Century High School. "Thank you" to everyone who donated and came out and participated. We exceeded our goal and raised \$543. What's more, we honored cancer survivors; remembered loved ones lost; and fought back against a disease that takes too much from us and our friends and relatives. The funds raised go to the American Cancer Society help to eliminate cancer as a major health problem. Visit the Thunderbirds Relay for Life webpage: <http://bit.ly/ThunderbirdRelay4Life>

– James Bagwell, UTTC Relay for Life coordinator



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

ACADEMIC, CAREER & TECHNICAL EDUCATION

- Arts & Art Marketing Multi-Media Arts Instructor
- Teacher Education Instructor
- Adjunct Instructor – BHLC Rapid City
- Adjunct Instructor – General Education
- HIT Medical Coding Tutor
- Environmental Science/Research Instructor
- Business Management Instructor (2 Positions)
- Construction Technology Director/Instructor
- Child Development Center Aide
- Criminal Justice Adjunct Instructor- BHLC, Rapid City
- Criminal Justice Adjunct Instructor- BHLC, Rapid City
- Adjunct - Teacher Education Instructor
- Child Development Center Preschool Teacher
- Adjunct Instructor – Business Admin/Mgmt.
- Online Course Developer - Part Time
- Health Information Technology Adjunct Medical Coding Instructor

STUDENT & CAMPUS SERVICES

- Disability Support Services Coordinator - Special Education Instructor
- Administrative Assistant of Student & Campus Services
- Financial Aid Advisor
- Exercise Fitness Coordinator
- Billing Technician - Student Accounts
- Registrar
- Property & Supply Manager
- Summer Maintenance Worker/Groundskeeper-PT
- Domestic Violence Advocate
- Administrative Assistant - Housing
- Housing Custodian (FT w/ Benefits) - 2 Positions
- Part-Time Temporary Mailroom Clerk
- Addiction Counselor II
- Transportation Bus Driver
- Housing Custodian - PT - Temp
- Athletics Game Operations
- Custodian - Building 69 ONLY - 2 Positions
- Custodian
- Maintenance Worker/Groundskeeper
- Women's Dorm Resident Assistant
- Men's Dorm Resident Assistant
- Security Officer

THEODORE JAMERSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

- Substitute Elementary Custodian
- Substitute Teacher

ADMINISTRATION

- Administrative Assistant to the President
- Public Relation/Marketing Specialist
- UTTC College President
- Development Director
- UM-TERM Case Worker/Training Planner

FINANCE

- Accounts Receivable/Travel Technician

HUMAN RESOURCE

- Human Resources Assistant

INTERTRIBAL PROGRAMS

- Agroecology Extension Educator
- Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Case Manager
- Transportation Development Specialist

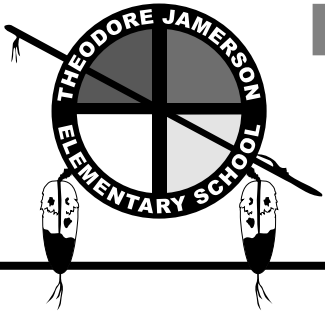
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THEODORE JAMERSON ELEMENTARY TIDBITS



TJES HONORS

Full Year Perfect Attendance

Six students achieved perfect attendance at TJES during the 2013-14 school year: Paige Kills Plenty, Avery Lawrence, Sean Lawrence, Sebastiana Ventura-Ortley, Tyler Bear Eagle and Alexander Nickaboine-LaFontaine. Each received a jacket during the year-end honoring on May 16.

Fourth Quarter Perfect Attendance 2013-14

Tyler Bear Eagle, Alexander Nickaboine-LaFontaine, Christopher Siegfried, Sean Lawrence, Evelyn Jones, Avery Lawrence, Sebastiana Ventura Ortley, River Jones, Paige Kills Plenty, Andrew Bernie, Robert Stretches, Samuel Ellis, Adin Siegfried, Gwendolynn Lawrence and Kira Bernie-Olson

Fourth Quarter Honor Roll 2013-14

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TJES/NCA Accreditation Visit



First grade teacher Margo Krabbenhoft presented gifts April 15 to members of a team of educators visiting Theodore Jamerson Elementary School. The group was on site to validate a recommendation for continued accreditation. A focus of the two-day schedule of classroom visitations was to assess student involvement in their education. The experience gave TJES educators a chance to ask questions and share techniques. It also resulted in continued accreditation for TJES.

FALL TERM 2014

◆ **By F. Sam Azure, TJES Principal** ◆

TJES officially starts Monday, August 18 for the Fall 2014 school term. Enrollment packets are available beginning August 1.

Parents, please bring all the appropriate

forms when you enroll your child: birth certificate, copy of social security card, Degree of Indian Blood, proof of custody, proof of immunization.

Supply lists are available in the enrollment packets; they are also in the school supply aisles at local stores in August.

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North Dakota Women's Leadership Conference

Monday, September 22, 2014

University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, ND

Full day of conversation about women and leadership in higher education

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UTTC Student awarded Internship with NDSU Extension

By Wanda Agnew, PhD, RD-LRD,
Registered Dietitian, Nutrition and
Foodservice Instructor

Nutrition and Foodservice student, Melinda Whiteman Tekanye, was selected to serve as an intern working with NDSU Extension Services during summer 2014. Her assignment is in a new program designed to provide Native American college students with an overview of professional employment as part of a county extension team.

Melinda submitted the application and went through an interview process. The program allows her to gain work experience under the supervision of an extension agent in her home community. Melinda's home is at Spirit Lake; her summer office will be in Minnewaukan in Benson County.



She is fortunate to have family to live with while she works in the 12-week paid internship.

Melinda's responsibilities include assisting the extension service staff in delivering community education in the areas of family and consumer science, youth development, or community and economic development. She will also participate in delivering health and nutrition messages at 4-H programs, events, and camping activities.

This opportunity is a strong resume-builder for Melinda. She intends to apply for a bachelor's degree in dietetics.

She graduated from the UTTC Nutrition and Wellness degree in May and plans to take additional UTTC courses during fall semester. She is carefully taking advantage of everything UTTC offers that will transfer into the UND bachelors program, where she plans to attend in 2015.

Nutrition and Food Service Graduates Leave Living Legacy



RITE OF SPRING: Seven United Tribes graduates left their mark on the college campus by taking part in a spring ritual. The 2014 grads planted a tree May 8 as a living legacy of their training in the college's Nutrition and Food Service Program. With their apple tree, from left: department chair/instructor Annette Broyles, Stephanie Bridwell (Cheyenne River) and daughter, Chenille Condon (Standing Rock), Melinda Whiteman-Tikanye (Spirit Lake), Mariah Rohde (Bismarck), Carmela Vital-Maulson (Lac du Flambeau), Dolly Charging Whirl Wind (Crow Creek), Alexandria Harrison (Standing Rock) and Instructor Wanda Agnew. The graduate's names will be added to a plaque with those of others who have partaken in the same passage. DENNIS J. NEUMANN ♦ United Tribes News

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UTTC STAFF NEWS



Trustee Emeritus

United Tribes Chancellor **David M. Gipp** has become a trustee emeritus of the American Indian College Fund, continuing his association with the national organization that raises millions annually in financial support for tribal college students. The position entitles him to permanent non-voting membership. The AICF made the appointment in April, recognizing his long service and leadership within the organization. He was a founding member of the College Fund in 1989.

— *Dr. Cheryl Crazy Bull, AICF President/CEO*

Eye on Energy

Say hello to New Yorker **Michael Brochstein** who is working as a facility group intern at United Tribes over the summer.



Michael will be exploring opportunities for the college to save energy and costs, as well as researching funding opportunities. You will see Michael on the campus puzzling out solutions to energy questions in our buildings. You may contact him at his UTTC e-mail address: mbrochstein@uttc.edu.

— *Randy Lamberth, Assistant Facilities Manager*

Going to Grad School



Congratulations and best wishes to **Barb Strikes the Enemy** (Cheyenne River), who leaves the job of director of the Arthur and Grace Link Child Development Center

to attend graduate school at Fort Lewis College, Durango, CO. She plans to pursue a master's degree in Early Childhood Education. Barb earned degrees in Early Childhood Education from UTTC and the University of North Dakota and put them to work in her home community in South Dakota teaching at the Takini School. She returned to work at UTTC in 2005 and has directed the CDC for the past six years.

She is a strong advocate for children and UTTC families. Over the years, she taught numerous children how to speak Lakota.

She also volunteered her time and expertise teaching beading to UTTC students in the evenings.

Nevada Allen (Three Affiliated), a CDC preschool teacher, has been hired to fill the director position beginning in August.

We wish Barb all the best as she journeys on a new adventure!

— *Lisa J. Azure, Teacher Education Chair*

Retirement Bound

One of the college's longest serving and best-liked employees is on the verge of retiring. UTTC Transportation Director **Warren "Red" Koch** (Standing Rock) will leave the organization after 41 years of service. Red began at United Tribes in 1972 and



Red and his ever-present protector Sasha

served continuously after a one-year hiatus in the early 1980s. Red is on the mend from a recent illness and he and his wife **Verna** (formerly UTTC Human Resource Dept.) plan to move from the campus in July, so be sure to bid them farewell. They plan retirement in Verna's home territory on the Crow Nation in Montana.

— *Editor*

Transitions

Kathy Johnson became UTTC's acting Vice President of Student and Campus Services in May, following the resignation of **Dr. Russell Swagger**.

Joey McLeod is serving in the interim as United Tribes Registrar, a job she held for 15 years prior to moving to the Development Department last fall.

Wishing a good and speedy recovery to Human Resource Director **Barbara Little Owl** on her planned knee surgery. **Charles Klein** has been serving as acting HR director her absence. Charles is the spouse of **Dr.**

Ramona Klein, former UTTC employee.

Scott Graeber filled-in as director of UTTC's Transportation Dept. during Red Koch's medical absence.

Anita Green was selected as the new 6th grade teacher at TJES.

Tammy Seda is the new administrative assistant in the college administration, where she greets people who are visiting the campus and inquiring about United Tribes.

Fire Loss

Cyril and Shirley Iron Road and their family members are slowly recovering from a fire March 28 that destroyed their home in Mandan. None were injured but all of their possessions were lost along with the home they had lived in since 1978. Before retiring in January, Shirley was an employee at United Tribes for almost 43 years. The family received help through the local Red Cross and local motels and contributions were collected at United Tribes. The Iron Roads are a dedicated powwow family that can use your help and support. Pilamayaye.

— *Dr. Phil Baird, Interim UTTC President*

Search Extended

The United Tribes of North Dakota board has extended the deadline to September 2, 2014 for applications in the search for a new United Tribes Technical College President. Serving in the interim is **Dr. Phil Baird**, the college's VP of Academic, Career and Technical Education.

Board Retreat

The United Tribes of North Dakota board has tentatively scheduled a summer retreat for during the week of August 18-22, 2014. The location is tentatively in Rapid City, SD, location of UTTC's Black Hills Learning Center.

New Employees

Welcome to these newly hired United Tribes employees: **Neal Barnes**, HEO Instructor; **Carmon Swift Hawk**, Admissions Specialist; **Brittnee Foote**, DeMaND Data Work-keys Administrator; **Francine Kochamp**, Dorm Assistant Summer; **Sacheen Whitetail Cross**, Elem FACE Parent Educator; **Austin Lamrose**, Security Officer; **Jody Archambault**, Student Health Center LPN; **Breanne Erickson**, Human Resources Assistant; **Patrick Kills In Sight**, Maintenance Custodian; **Jack Lawrence**, Security Officer.

KELLY BAKER

Ikagadaxee Awa Xaadish (The Shining Star)

Over 300 friends, family and co-workers at United Tribes Technical College gathered June 11 to mourn the sudden and unexpected passing of a young member of the campus community. Kelly G. Baker, 30, a staff member in the college administration and UTTC graduate, passed into the Spirit World peacefully in his sleep June 7 at his home in Bismarck.

Kelly George Baker was born August 1, 1983 in Rolla, ND, the son of Sheri and Biron Baker. He attended grade school in Grand Forks and Bismarck, and graduated from Century High School. He earned a degree in Office Technology in 2007 at United Tribes and attended Minot State College to pursue a degree in psychology but full-time employment intervened.

“He was the first to welcome others to United Tribes,” said UTTC Chancellor David M. Gipp in a eulogy. “He was part of the president’s office team,” assisting important visitors who came to the campus.

He worked with a wide range of people who made contact with the college, including board members and officials representing tribal, state and federal concerns. Recently he assisted the North Dakota U.S. Attorney’s office and the U.S. Secret Service on a visit by U.S. Attorney General Eric Holder. He felt his job at UTTC was very important and he always strived to do his best.

Friendly, outgoing and likable, he was known to most as Kelly, but his father used his middle name, George. His father described him as a natural communicator who could converse knowledgeably with anyone. He admired Joseph Marshall’s description of the Lakota leader Tasunka Witko (Crazy Horse): “Know yourself, know your friends, know the enemy and lead the way.”

He helped wherever help was needed. He was passionate in defense of underdogs and often helped people who could not look out for themselves.

His hobbies included computers and other forms of technology. He ran a Facebook site for his father’s medical practice. He loved vehicles. He enjoyed all forms of music and was a closet fan of Elvis Presley.

“He loved his Indian ways,” said Lawrence Baker, Kelly’s uncle, in a eulogy. “His experience spanned four cultures. He was part of the three tribes – Mandan, Hidatsa and Arikara; part of the Lakota People; and part of the Chippewa People at Belcourt; and also he was part of non-Native society. And he loved all these different ways.”

Kelly was a child of the Miri Pati clan; his Hidatsa name was Ikagadaxee Awa Xaadish (The Shining Star). He knew his mother’s relatives from Turtle Mountain and Standing Rock, and his father’s relatives from Fort Berthold. One of his grandfathers, Leonard Bear King of Standing Rock, was a noted education leader in the 1950s and 60s.

When younger, he was a champion traditional dancer. He danced at the United Tribes International Powwow alongside his father and always appreciated a good traditional song.

Kelly is survived by his parents Biron and Sheri Baker, his brother Nickolas Philip Baker, and his significant other Vanessa McDaniel. He was preceded in death by many relatives.

Following the service, he was laid to rest at St. Mary’s Cemetery in Bismarck. A meal and giveaway followed at UTTC.



Kelly George Baker

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Native Golfer Makes Collegiate History



UTTC Golfer Laramie Keplin

By Sam Laskaris

May 30, 2014, *Indian Country Today Media Network*
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Laramie Keplin has some mixed emotions about the fact he made a bit of history.

The 20-year-old, a member of North Dakota's Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa, became the first athlete from the United Tribes Technical College (UTTC) to qualify for the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) Division II golf tournament.

Keplin competed at the national event, which was staged May 20-23 in Plymouth, Indiana. But he was somewhat disappointed in his efforts at the tournament, as he finished in a tie for 94th place out of 126 golfers.

Keplin finished the event 40 strokes above par, after shooting rounds of 81, 82, 80 and 85. "After Day one, I wasn't discouraged because I still had 54 holes to play," Keplin said. "Good golfers don't usually play like that two days in a row. But, I played poorly four days in a row; I just couldn't get anything going."

Keplin did have a valid excuse. He had not competed in a tournament since last Octo-

ber, when he won a regional event, earning a spot into the national championship.

Following a harsh North Dakota winter, Keplin only had two and a half weeks of practice rounds to prepare for the Indiana tournament. And UTTC coach Ray Helphrey had an inkling that Keplin's lack of competition and practice in recent months would create some adversity for his athlete at the nationals. "I knew his scores would be a little higher than those he had during the [fall] season," Helphrey said.

Helphrey, who was in his first season of coaching at UTTC, said he could not take any credit for recruiting Keplin. "When I got here he was already enrolled at the school," he said. "I knew who he was through local tournaments in the state. I was a little bit excited to have him on the team."

Helphrey, a member of North Dakota's Three Affiliated Tribes, had competed in the national tourney twice himself, back in 1994 and 1995, when he attended Bismarck State College.

Helphrey also felt Keplin's scores at the nationals would go up slightly because of

some anticipated nerves playing against some of the other top collegiate golfers from across the country. Yet Keplin, who has been golfing since the age of three, was still hopeful he would fare well.

"Going into the tournament, I thought I would be near the top of the leader board," he said. "I was all out of sync. It's hard to get into your rhythm again after taking so much time off."

UTTC, which is governed by North Dakota tribes and has an enrolment of about 1,000 students, has been a member of the NJCAA since 1985.

Keplin, an Environmental Science student, made some school history simply advancing to the national competition. "It means a little something to me," he said. "I guess, just to go is a big deal. But I'm not happy at all with how I played."

Keplin was also hoping to have his UTTC teammates at the national finals. But the four-person team placed second at its regional qualifier in the fall, failing to advance by two strokes.

Since those at U.S. junior colleges only have two years of athletic eligibility, Keplin can only represent UTTC in one more season of action. His main goal is to qualify and have his teammates also participate at the 2015 NJCAA tournament.

Keplin is not quite sure what his future holds. He would not be able to represent UTTC athletically, but he could remain at the school for two more years to earn a Bachelor of Arts degree. Or, he could transfer to a Division I school, where he could play at the NCAA level for two more years.

"He definitely has the desire [to play at a higher level]," Helphrey said. "But there are some things we would need to work on."

More specifically?

"He has to work on everything to get to the next level," he said.

IRDS

Thunderbirds sign Pine Ridge standout



Santana White Dress

BISMARCK (UTN) – Santana White Dress, a 5'7" guard from Pine Ridge High School has signed a Letter of Intent to play basketball for United Tribes during the 2014-15 season.

White Dress helped lead the Pine Ridge Thorpes to three straight South Dakota Class "A" State Tournament appearances, finishing 6th, 2nd and 6th in the prestigious final.

The versatile guard averaged 15 points, 6.2 rebounds and 4.1 assists per game the past year and scored over 1,000 points during her high school career.

"Signing Santana is an exciting moment and gives us a great sense of excitement for the upcoming year," said Hunter Berg, UTTC Athletic Director. "She's a talented player who comes from a very successful program at Pine Ridge. As we focus heavily on recruiting the top talent in the region, it feels good to have our first signee of the year be a well-known player like Santana. She has received many awards, a true credit to her love of the game and her work ethic. We look forward to helping her showcase and sharpen her abilities at the collegiate level."

White Dress has earned an impressive number of individual awards, highlighted by her 2nd Team All-State selection and being a finalist for South Dakota's Miss Basketball Award. White Dress was also named the MVP of the Lakota Nation Invitational Tournament (LNI), a special tournament held each year in Rapid City.



United Tribes SPRING THUNDERBIRD RUN

April 26, 2014 • United Tribes Technical College



Ryan Betz

Ryan Betz of Indianapolis, IN., won the half-marathon at the Thunderbird Spring Run April 26 at United Tribes Technical College. Betz completed the course in 1 hour, 41 minutes, and 55 seconds. It was the 50th event in the 18-year-old runner's four-year commitment to run a half-marathon in every state to raise funds to help underprivileged students attend college.



10K winner Kyle Downs



5K winner Eric Big Eagle

Kyle Downs of Bismarck won the 10K in 34:22 and **Eric Big Eagle** of Bismarck won the 5K in 27:14.

HALF MARATHON

Ryan Betz, Indianapolis, IN, 1:41:55. Kenneth Star, Fort Yates, 1:42:30. Reese Boehm, New Salem, 1:49:31. Jeremy Alm, 1:57:30. Sonia Brown Otter, 2:03:53. Holly Betz, Indianapolis, Ind., 2:14:15. Sandi Piatz, Oxbow, 2:32:09. Melissa Campbell, Horace, 2:32:09. Georgia Briscoe, Lafayette, Colo., 2:36:43.

10K

Kyle Downs, 34:22. Greg Mueller, 40:25. Derek Schulte, 43:00. Camie Anderson, 43:31. Dain Curley, Howes, S.D., 46:10. Carol Aron, 51:20. Mark Butland, 51:27. Wally Littlemoon, Howes, S.D., 51:36. Kathy McMaster, 54:34. Joel McMaster, 54:54. Vicky Bender, Wilton, 55:00. Lena Sedevie, 55:30. Erica Pullen, 57:22. Lisa Neary, 57:58. Sharon Jans, 58:43. Toni Parisien, Belcourt, 59:58. Gypsy Fouts, Dickinson, 1:00:23. Scott Holen, McClucky, 1:01:00. Jessica Burger, 1:03:53. Jessie Buffalo, Howes, S.D., 1:06:38. Raine Betone, 1:10:30. Denise Marcellais, Belcourt, 1:11:04. Jody Olheiser, Lincoln, 1:11:11. Robert Fox, 1:22:18. Dennis Briscoe, Lafayette, Colo., 1:27:42

5K

Eric Big Eagle, 27:14. Tristan White Twin, 29:27. Boyd White Twin, 30:08. CJ Doggskin, 30:33. Joseph Olheiser, Lincoln, 31:48. Jacob Olheiser, Lincoln, 34:00. Jessilyn Longfeather, Mandaree, 36:55. Daniel Smith, 37:13. Cylee Johnson, New Town, 38:18. Zaisiah Burguier, 38:27. Justin Spotted Bear, 38:33. Kristin Byram, 39:02. Larry Yankton, 39:03. Paige Kills Plenty, 39:31. Amanda Iron Cloud, 39:32. Brianna Pollert, 40:07. Daniel Szklarszki, 41:12. Erica Jones, 41:27. Jamie R Hale, 41:43. Casey Johnson, 41:43. Michael Teeman, 43:22. Francis Ashes, 44:37. Talbott Pollert, 44:46. Kelli Hegstad, 45:24. Falyynn Ferris, Rolla, 45:32. Stephanie Hegstad, 45:37. Layne Sedevie, 45:40. Nicole Archambault, Cannonball, 45:41. Mary Austin, 46:36. Dave Archambault, Cannonball, 48:32. Danielle Running Eagle, 51:16. Jay Cook, 51:45. Alila Ten Fingers, 51:56. Keith Hapip, 1:01:46.

All runners from Bismarck unless otherwise noted

NEXT THUNDERBIRD RUN AUGUST 23



Start of the 5k

UTTC DEVELOPMENT NEWS

Native Leader Fellowships Awarded

Two of the most promising students of United Tribes Technical College received \$1,000 fellowships to continue their training and development as leaders in their chosen disciplines. At left, Heather Demaray (Three Affiliated) and Antonia Valdez (Wind River) are recipients of the 2014 David M. Gipp Native American Leader Fellowships. Demaray is an honors student in the college's four-year business program. Valdez, also an honor student, is a pre-service teacher candidate pursuing a bachelor's degree in Elementary Education. The two were recognized at a banquet May 7 in Bismarck attended by 100 college



AWARD RECIPIENTS: At left, Heather Demaray (Three Affiliated) and Antonia Valdez (Wind River) are recipients of the 2014 David M. Gipp Native American Leader Fellowships.

supporters and friends. Both received gifts and plaques from United Tribes Chancellor David M. Gipp, for whom the award is named. Gipp has been a leader of the college for 37 years and is nationally recognized for his work in Native American higher education. The award is privately funded for students who demonstrate leadership potential in their home communities and at United Tribes. In addition to the monetary award, recipients participate in leadership development and mentorship activities.

For more information or to contribute, please contact Joey McLeod, 701-255-3285

HEATHER DEMARAY (Three Affiliated)

Heather is a full-time student in the Business Administration bachelor's program. She earned an AAS in December in Nutrition and Food Service and is now focusing her attention and skills on a bachelor's degree. She is on the 2013-14 President's List and is an officer and active member of UTTC's American Indian Business Leaders chapter. During the 2014 AIHEC student conference she competed in Business and Finance, receiving the second highest score in marketing against students from 15 other tribal colleges from across the nation. Heather has outstanding leadership potential. She is enthusiastic and creative and an excellent representative of United Tribes Technical College.

— Amy Mossett, UTTC Business Dept. Chair

ANTONIA VALDEZ (Northern Arapaho/Wind River)

Antonia Valdez is a pre-service teacher candidate pursuing a bachelor's degree in UTTC's Elementary Education program. She aspires to become an elementary educator and return to teach in her home community, Ethete, WY. As a future educator she is passionate about motivating children and engaging them to learn. She believes that schools can support diverse cultures when they integrate cultural practices such as traditional language, music, and dance into the curriculum. Antonia is a leader in the classroom and out. She serves as secretary of the UTTC Teacher Education Student Professional Education Council. She is also a leader as a student athlete, playing basketball for the UTTC Lady Thunderbirds; she was selected to the All-Region team in 2014. And she has maintained an outstanding 4.0 GPA, which exhibits her ability to balance her personal, athletic and academic life. Antonia has the character of a strong Native woman who is a leader and positive role model in all aspects of her life.

— Leah Hamann, Teacher Education Instructor

Going the Extra

We were very fortunate for a wonderful turn-out and contributions by attendees during the Native Leaders Fellowship Dinner. Special thanks to Todd and Patricia J. Hall who donated \$1,000 to the cause that benefits UTTC students. What a wonderful demonstration of generosity on the part of the Halls.

We were so blessed to have such a great talk about leadership by Sr. Thomas Welder. 'Thank you' to each who worked on the event for your hard work and dedication, and 'thank you' to all who attended or contributed for making this work for tribal students successful.

— David M. Gipp, UTTC Interim Chancellor



Scholarship started for CDL/HEO Students



HELPING HAND: Mike and Ann Knudson of Bismarck, authors of the book "Warriors In Khaki, Native American doughboys from North Dakota," have started a scholarship fund at UTTC for CDL/HEO students. Pictured from left, UTTC Interim President Phil Baird, the Knudsons, CTE Coordinator/Welding Program Director Steve Shepherd and Assistant to the President Charisse Fandrich. The Knudsons, who say they both had financial help on their educational journey, donated \$1,500 to launch the fund to give back to those who may need a helping hand. The scholarship is for students who are veterans, or come from the family of a veteran. The Knutsons made the contribution April 14. Learn more about their book at this link: www.rp-author.com/knudson.

— Jessica Beheler

Little Grads so Promising

Arthur & Grace Link Child Development Center Pre-School Graduation, May 1, 2014

April was National “Month of the Young Child.” The UTTC childcare centers celebrated with daily activities, culminating with pre-school graduation on May 1.



*CDC Administrator: Lisa J. Azure
CDC Director: Barb Strikes the Enemy
CDC Teachers/Aides: Nevada Allen, Tyler Waanat,
Karen Mittleder and Randall Thompson*

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Grads cheered-on at Commencement



MOMENT OF HONOR: Georgia Lynn Wilson's time to cross the stage and receive her diploma came with her classmates in the United Tribes Practical Nursing program. Wilson is from Pukwana, SD and a member of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe. United Tribes Interim President Dr. Phil Baird (Si-

cangu Lakota/Rosebud) congratulated each of the 107 grads while more than 300 family members, friends and well-wishers cheered them on. More about UTTC's 2014 Commencement Ceremony on pp. 22-23. Photo DENNIS J. NEUMANN ♦ United Tribes News

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~ Point System Begins **FRIDAY** After 1:00 PM Grand Entry ~

~ NO SWITCHING CATEGORIES IN DANCE CONTEST ~

~ ALL CATEGORIES ARE GENDER SPECIFIC ~

▶ DANCE CONTEST ◀

Cash, Jackets and Medals Awarded to Dance & Drum Contest 1st Place Winners!

GOLDEN AGE CATEGORIES (Ages 55 & Over)

• GOLDEN AGE MENS & GOLDEN AGE WOMENS

• 1st Place: \$1,200 • 2nd Place: \$800 • 3rd Place: \$600 • 4th Place: \$400

SENIOR CATEGORIES (Ages 40-55)

• SENIOR MENS & WOMENS TRADITIONAL, FANCY, GRASS/JINGLE

• 1st Place: \$1,200 • 2nd Place: \$800 • 3rd Place: \$600 • 4th Place: \$400

ADULT CATEGORIES (Ages 18 to 39)

• MENS & WOMENS TRADITIONAL, FANCY, GRASS/CHICKEN DANCE & JINGLE

• 1st Place: \$1,200 • 2nd Place: \$800 • 3rd Place: \$600 • 4th Place: \$400

TEEN CATEGORIES (Ages 13 to 17)

• TEEN MENS & WOMENS TRADITIONAL, FANCY, GRASS/JINGLE

• 1st Place: \$500 • 2nd Place: \$400 • 3rd Place: \$300 • 4th Place: \$200

JUNIOR CATEGORIES (Ages 6 to 12)

• JUNIOR BOYS & GIRLS TRADITIONAL, FANCY, GRASS/JINGLE

• 1st Place: \$300 • 2nd Place: \$250 • 3rd Place: \$200 • 4th Place: \$150

TINY TOTS (Ages 5 and Under) Day Money

▶ SINGING CONTEST ◀

HOST DRUM: NORTH BEAR (WY)
(Central PA System Provided)

~ DAY MONEY FOR NON-CONTEST DRUM GROUPS ONLY ~
(Point System Begins with Friday Day Session)

• 1st Place: \$4000 • 2nd Place: \$3000 • 3rd Place: \$2000 • 4th Place: \$1000 • 5th Place: \$800

▶ INTERTRIBAL HAT & BOOT DANCE SPECIAL and TRIBAL HORSE SONG DRUM CONTEST ◀

~ FRIDAY, SATURDAY, SUNDAY ~

Sponsored by Hearts Roping Club

The United Tribes International Powwow honors the people, traditions and nations of the Plains Horse Culture with an Intertribal Hat & Boot Dance Special and Horse Song Drum Contest during the 2014 powwow. Grab your spurs and join us for some excitement and fun!
Open to Dancers of All Ages who dress in Tribal Dance Regalia along with Hats, Boots, Spurs and other Horse-Culture Attire.

- Dancers must register and dance on call during Friday, Saturday, & Sunday performances
- Drums must register and present Tribal horse songs of choice

Hat & Boot Dance Special

1st Place: \$1,200 • 2nd Place: \$800 • 3rd Place: \$600 • 4th Place: \$400

Tribal Horse Song Drum Contest

1st Place: \$1,200 • 2nd Place: \$800 • 3rd Place: \$600 • 4th Place: \$400

~ Plains Horse Nations Remembered ~

"Tribes" Powwow takes place where horses used to roam. Over one-hundred years ago, tribal hunters and warriors galloped across this grassy plain near the Apple Creek and Missouri River. The 10 acre expanse at the center of the college campus was once the parade grounds of the military post Fort Lincoln. Here is where dancers and singers display their talent in Lone Star Arena at powwow time. But the horse culture is still with us!

This picturesque setting is where the fort's horses marched on display. This is a place where bare-back riders chased-down buffalo on the hunt, and where warriors maneuvered aboard their mounts in battle. This place calls us to remember!

The horse is our close relative. It was venerated on horse stick effigies and with special ceremonies. Horses and warriors of distinction were honored with "wild horse rider songs."

Many of those who attend the powwow and many of our UTTC students over the past 45 years descend from Tribes connected culturally and spiritually to the Horse Nations of the northern Great Plains.

United Tribes and its sponsors and friends invite people of all Nations and cultures to join us in the humble spirit of "We Are All Related" for this dance and drum special.

POWWOW VENDORS

- **ARTS & CRAFTS:** \$500.00 Full Space / \$400.00 Half Space
- **FOOD STANDS:** \$1000.00 Full Space / \$700.00 Half Space

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

Food: Robert Fox at rfox@uttc.edu or 701-255-3285 x1384

Arts & Crafts: Bernard Strikes Enemy at 701-595-1099

PH: Donna Belgarde at 701-255-3285 x1474 • E-MAIL: dbelgarde@uttc.edu
OR FAX APPLICATIONS TO: 701-530-0645 OR SUBMIT ONLINE AT: www.uttc.edu

POWWOW YOUTH DAY ~ FRIDAY ~

FREE FOR ALL SCHOOL CHILDREN GRADES K-8
(CHILDREN MUST BE CHAPERONED BY SCHOOL TEACHERS/OFFICIALS)

9:00 a.m. SHARP!

TO CONFIRM ATTENDANCE, SCHOOLS MUST CONTACT: Shiela Netterville-Ross
PH: 701-255-3285 x1546 • FAX: 701-530-0601 • E-MAIL: ssross@uttc.edu



~ SATURDAY ~

PARADE / FLOAT ENTRIES CONTACT:
Jessica Stewart • E-MAIL: jstewart@uttc.edu
PH: 701-255-3285 x3131 • FAX: 701-530-0611

50 CONTEST POINTS AWARDED TO DANCING/SINGING PARADE PARTICIPANTS

FREE BUFFALO FEED ~ SUNDAY ~



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FOR ALL DANCERS, SINGERS AND VISITORS



TRIBAL LEADERS SUMMIT

SEPTEMBER 3-5, 2014 • BISMARCK CIVIC CENTER

PARTICIPANT & TRADE SHOW

Early Registration ~ DEADLINE ~ August 1, 2014

Go to: uttc.edu/events for Registration, Hotel Listing, etc.

CONTACT: Janet Thomas • PH: 701.255.3285 x1431 • E-MAIL: jthomas@uttc.edu



3ON3 BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

MALE/FEMALE IN ALL CATEGORIES - GRADES 5-12

~ SATURDAY ~

Entry Fee: \$10.00/person

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Hunter Berg

PH: 701-255-3285 x1361 • E-MAIL: hberg@uttc.edu • FAX: 701-530-0626

10K RUN

Entry Fee: \$20.00/person

~ SATURDAY ~

Distances: Times:
10k 8:00am
5k 8:15am
Kid's Fun Run 9:30am (FREE - NO ENTRY FEE)



5K RUN/WALK

Entry Fee: \$15.00/person

~ SATURDAY ~

Seniors & College Students \$5 Discount
Prizes:
\$100-\$60-\$40 (overall m&f)
\$50-\$30-\$20 (overall m&f)

The 2014 UTTC International Powwow is the last of three races where runners compete for the \$2350 total prize purse in the 2014 10K RACE SERIES!

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Daniel Molnar

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No registration deadlines! Find registration links at run.uttc.edu!



"Teeing Off for Academic Excellence" Fundraising GOLF TOURNAMENT

~ FRIDAY ~

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION / APPLICATIONS CONTACT:

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UNITED TRIBES DIAMOND LEGENDS SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

~ FRIDAY, SATURDAY, SUNDAY ~

The event will be comprised of two distinct tournaments:

1. The National Tournament will introduce an all Native men's (2 divisions) and women's (1 division) slow pitch competition.
2. A men's and women's D and lower division tournament, for tribal and non-tribal members will be held.

Plus: Opening ceremonies of the softball tournament will be led by Billy Mills. A Hall of Fame induction ceremony, co-ed 40 and over Legends game, and home run hitting contest, will highlight the weekend activities.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION / APPLICATIONS CONTACT: Steve Shepherd
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celebrate better health.



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~ NO DRUGS OR ALCOHOL ALLOWED: VIOLATORS WILL BE PROSECUTED BY THE LAW ~

~ ABSOLUTELY NO PETS ALLOWED ON POWWOW GROUNDS AT ANY TIME ~

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