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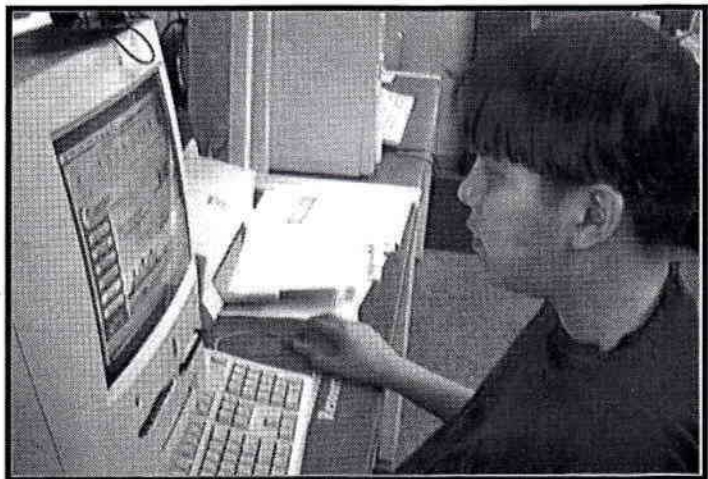
TJES summer technology institute offered

by Malcom Peek

BISMARCK, ND – Theodore Jamerson Elementary School (TJES) hosted a professional development event for some 50 participants July 6-8, 1999. Attendees were teachers, administrators, technology coordinators, and paraprofessionals who work at Bureau of Indian Affairs schools. Participants came from as far away as Arizona. Most, however, were from North Dakota, South Dakota, and Minnesota. All came to United Tribes and TJES this summer to learn more about technology as it relates to elementary and secondary education. The institute covered a broad range of topics including those related to classroom instruction, management, communications, network design and construction, maintenance, and assessment. The Internet and utilization of the web for classroom and management purposes was strongly emphasized. Most presenters were teachers and staff at TJES and UTTC. TJES received BIA funding along with Fort Wingate School in New Mexico to provide regional professional development activities in school technology.

Theodore Jamerson Elementary School received a US ED Technology Literacy Challenge Grant (TLCF) through the BIA in July of 1997. This grant allowed the school to acquire and update its existing technology infrastructure. The grant also facilitated professional development activities for TJES staff. Mr. Rick Peek was hired as Technology Coordinator for the school with TLCF funds and directs this year's TJES Summer Technology Institute. Barbara Frey, Glenna Mueller, Brenda Jechort helped plan and organize the conference. Dr. Rick St. Germaine, UWI-Eau Claire and Peter Camp, Technology Coordinator for the BIA arranged to finance the

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"I went on the Internet. I found beefjerky recipes so we could compare recipes. We read about pemmican. Pemmican is a traditional Native American food. Pemmican is made of dried meat, fruit, berries or nuts. It makes a complete nutritional meal and will last forever." – Angelo White, Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux



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Effective teaching of American Indian children is focus at Summer Teacher Institute

by Carole Anne Heart

There are many classrooms where American Indian children are doing well, competing with their peers, achieving high standards and completing their grade level as expected and treating teachers respectfully. However, in too many classrooms American Indian students are not achieving as expected, are absent from classes, dropping out of school, not being supported adequately and are unmotivated and feeling a sense of isolation in their school. It is the purpose of the **July 12-16 Summer Teacher Institute** to assist teachers to do the best job of motivating students, supporting students in their achievement, communicating with students to succeed and being able to relate to students through competent cross cultural communication skills. This five day Institute is designed as a two prong approach to sensitize teachers on best practices in teaching to promote American Indian students.

Many times teachers unfamiliar with the culture of the student find it difficult to teach from that perspective. The Teacher Institute will enable teachers to pick and choose from any number of workshops where they will learn skills to enhance their teaching skills both academically and culturally.

Participants will learn about the history, culture, and language as well as contemporary issues that Indian students deal with in their daily lives. It is undeniable that this country has not yet mastered the philosophy that all people are equal. Our institutions have reflected that perspective. The **Indian Nations at Risk Task Force Report** of 1991 noted that "schools serving Indian students have failed to nurture the intellectual development and academic performance of many Native children." It was also noted that American Indian children have the highest drop out of any group in the country. The first people of North America developed rich, unique and impressive cultures that continue on today. These groups spoke at least 500 distinct languages, at the time Columbus arrived. Now more than half have disappeared within the past 50 years.

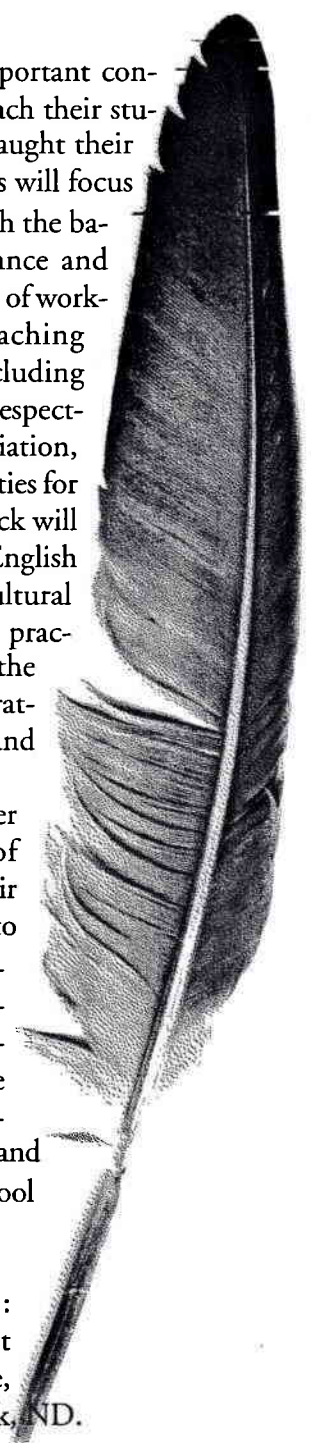
The Institute is a cooperative venture between the North Dakota Department of Public Instruction and the Comprehensive Assistance Center for Region VI and the United Tribes Fine Arts Project. This venture is one that integrates the daily life activities of Tribes into what is

recognized as high art. This important connection will assist teachers to teach their students what the ancestors once taught their grandchildren. Other workshops will focus on using culture as a tool to teach the basic skills of academic performance and achievement. The fine arts strand of workshops will concentrate on teaching through hands on learning including making dream catchers, crafts, respectful use of feathers, music appreciation, dance and other functional activities for the classroom. The academic track will concentrate on such topics as English as a second language issues, cultural appreciation, traditional healing practices, computer technology in the classroom, learning styles and strategies, gender roles, family math and others.

The outcome will be greater appreciation for the culture of American Indian students in their classrooms, greater sensitivity to the needs of students and relentless pursuit of quality and achievement for American Indian students by teachers who participate in the Institute. Closer partnerships will be formed with parents and themselves to create a positive school community.

For further information call: 1-800-437-8054 or e-mail: caheart@uttc.bisman.com at United Tribes Technical College, 3315 University Drive, Bismarck, ND.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Carole Anne Heart is the field office director, United Tribes Technical College Comprehensive Assistance Center VI, University of Wisconsin (a technical assistance program funded by the U.S. Department of Education.)



Storm wreaks havoc on trees at United Tribes campus

by David M. Gipp

Bismarck, ND - A major thunderstorm hit Bismarck and the surrounding area, accompanied by gale force winds which knocked down trees Friday night, June 25, 1999, and caused a major power outage on the United Tribes campus for some 18 hours.

Trees were felled throughout the campus by powerful 80 - 100 mile per hour winds accompanied by rains and scattered hail, according to the National Weather Service.

Broken branches hit powerlines throughout the campus knocking out electrical power from 10:30 p.m., Friday night until Saturday evening at 6:30 p.m.

Meanwhile, parts of Mandan and Bismarck, and the nearby towns of Menoken, Dawson, Driscoll, Steele, Sterling and Tappen were among communities which lost power.

Although the rain was

reported officially at .94 of an inch, it came heavy with the wind and urban and rural flood advisories issued by the National Weather Service for Burleigh and Morton counties.

Tree limbs were strewn throughout the campus. One large elm tree fell on the Preschool playground, crushing a chain link fence, and others fell in the yards of student family houses.

Turning out in emergency force

on Saturday morning and throughout the day were staff members Warren "Red" Koch, his sons Monty White Clay and Jody Koch; Lonnie Charboneau, a member of the security force; Kelly Schneider, campus electrician; Russell Swagger, director of support services and sons Robert and Josh. They cut trees up, hauled the logs and cleaned up fallen branches and debris.

The regular maintenance staff began the major balance of clean up and repairs on Monday.

Fortunately, no major damage from falling trees and debris took place, according to Swagger.

A major tree cutting and trimming program began June 29 to stop any future potential power outages, after another power failure occurred Monday morning, June 28.

No injuries or major damages occurred.



Russell Swagger, director of support service, and Lonnie Charboneau, member of the campus security staff, move tree branches out of the way in the preschool playground area.



A tree rests in front of a student house on the campus.



Snapped at the base by powerful winds which hit suddenly, and then left the tree in the street.



United Tribes to host regional economic development summit

By John Beheler

United Tribes Technical College submitted a successful bid to host the Denver Regional Economic Development Administration tribal planners conference. The United Tribes Economic Development Summit is scheduled for August 24-26, at the Bismarck Holiday Inn.

This year's summit will feature topics such as: Rural Economic Development Initiatives; Attracting Industries to Indian Country; Gaming; Tribal Tourism; Business and Technology; Effective Fundraising Strategies; Agriculture and Natural Resources; Tribal Entrepreneurial Development; Establishing HUB Zones; Effective Community Development Strategies; Welfare to Work Strategies; Tribal Leadership Roles in Economic Development, and more.

The Summit will feature presenters from tribal, state, regional and national programs, including: Economic Development Administration, Aberdeen Area and Billings Area Tribal Leadership, Tribal Economic Development Planners, Great Plains Indian Gaming Commission, State Rural Development Council, Tribal Colleges, and Regional Minority Business Development Agencies, American Indian Business Leaders (AIBL), State Tourism, Small Business Administration and Private Sector Foundation Representatives.

The primary emphasis of the United Tribes Economic Development Summit will be to showcase tribally controlled and operated businesses. Summit booth space will be available for showcasing "Best Practices" throughout Indian Country. The summit provides an opportunity for collaborating with counterparts at the tribal, county, and state levels to establish goals for continued development.

The Denver Region consists of Wyoming, Utah, Colorado, North Dakota, South Dakota, Missouri, Kansas, Iowa, Nebraska and Montana. "The Summit Steering Committee, which is comprised of tribal planners, will focus on getting the "grassroots" people involved, while incorporating traditional approaches to economic development," states Brek Maxon, SD/ND Minority Business Development.

A registration fee of \$50.00 includes luncheons, a buffalo feed, and American Indian dance performance. Booth space is limited to 30 booths. A minimal fee of \$100.00 reserves a booth for the entire conference. For more information, contact: John Beheler, United Tribes Economic Development Summit, 3315 University Drive, Bismarck, North Dakota 58504, or call (701)255-3285 Extension 266. Participants can also e-mail myself at jbeheler@hotmail.com for additional information.



Road improvements underway on the United Tribes campus

By Russell M. Swagger

United Tribes will receive a partial roads facelift from July 12-27, 1999, when new curb, gutter and pavement is put down on roads which were disturbed or destroyed during the installation of new water, sewer, and gas lines on the campus during the summer, 1998.

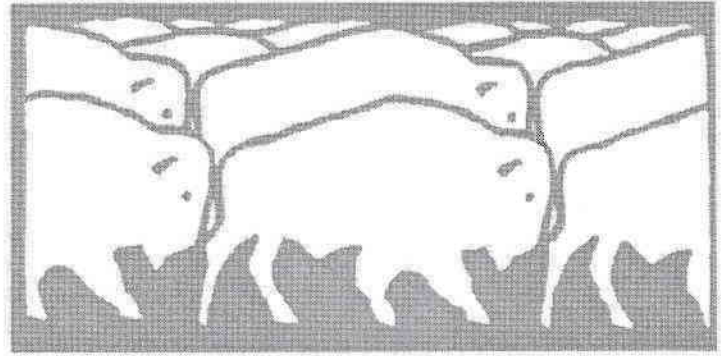
The repairs, funded by a \$237,090 grant from the Economic Development Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce and a \$35,000 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG, HUD) funds, and local match of \$35,000, are part of an initiative to replace and improve the existing infrastructure. The grant completes the program.

Prior to this time gas leaks were discovered around the campus, and old, rusty cast iron water pipes were dug up – first installed at the turn of the century when the main buildings were erected as Fort Abraham Lincoln, a U.S. Army post first built from (circa) 1900-1910.

The project ensures safe drinking water and health, improved transportation access, improved maintenance, enhances vocational and economic opportunities, and promotes a positive United Tribes image.

Over one mile of roads will be replaced of the 3.5 miles of campus roads. Nearly \$2.0 million more is needed to replace the balance of roads, where in some cases the grass is growing through disintegrated pavement.

Newly paved roads will join the north side of the Main Education building to married student housing, campus security and the cafeteria, and the Sakakawea and Sitting Bull Halls along Fort Berthold Avenue. The Campus Transportation Center will be joined with new roads to Touchstone Lodge and married student housing along Standing Rock Road and along Rosebud Drive. Turtle Mountain Road will be repaved by Campus Security and the Old Gym, to Standing Rock Road. Sisseton Street will be repaved on the east side of the campus, as well.



Northern Plains Bison Education Network provides summer institute

by John Beheler

“Restoring Harmony to the Land,” is the theme of this year’s summer institute which will be held July 22-23, 1999 in Lower Brule, South Dakota. The institute is conducted by a Lower Brule Community College, a consortium member of the Northern Plains Bison Education Network, a W.K. Kellogg Foundation project.

Tentative plans include presentations on Prairie Ecology, Holistic Management Strategies, Buffalo Production Basics, Nutrition, Brain Tanning, Field Studies Bison and origins of Public Bison Herds, according to Judi Wood, Project Coordinator.

The Lower Brule Community College, through an affiliation with Sinte Gleska University, offers an Associate of Science degree in Environmental Science and Conservation with an emphasis on bison. Lower Brule Community College and Sinte Gleska University are both members of the NPBEN.

Scholarships to attend the Summer Institute are also available for American Indian high school and college students.

The Summer Institute will conduct a traditional Sioux Buffalo Kill Ceremony emphasizing preservation of traditional lifeways and customs. Today, buffalo ranchers attempt to manage buffalo with a livestock mentality. Preserving the traditional ways, incorporates respect for the Tatanka Oyate or Buffalo Nation.

The Institute fulfills a goal of the NPBEN to increase the knowledge base and availability of resources which ensure the return of buffalo to tribal nations.

For more information regarding the Tatanka Studies - 1999 Summer Institute, contact Judi Wood, Lower Brule Community College, at (605) 473-5666 or (605) 629-6041.

UNITED TRIBES INTERNATIONAL POWWOW & CULTURAL EVENTS

June 10, 1999

BISMARCK, ND – The 30th Annual United Tribes International Powwow will be held September 9-12, 1999. Approximately 20,000 people are expected to attend this anniversary song and dance championships held at the Lone Star Arena.

President, David. M. Gipp said, "We will be honoring many different individuals and groups who have contributed to the founding and well-being of United Tribes since July 1, 1969."

The United Tribes Technical College (UTTC) Cultural Arts Board, Faculty, Staff and Students extend a warm invitation to visiting guests, tour groups, schools and participating dancers and drum groups. The 105 acre United Tribes Technical College campus, located in south Bismarck, will serve as the stage for this year's powwow.

★ UNITED TRIBES INTERNATIONAL POWWOW

Over 1,500 dancers will showcase their cultural pride to the beat of over 40 drum groups. The annual events have earned the right to be called the "Home of the Champions," with 22 categories of dance competition for seniors, adults, teens, juniors, little boys and girls, and team dance.

UTTC Powwow Committee Chairman, LeRoi Laundreaux states, "the cultural events always represent an opportunity for everybody to experience and appreciate culture and celebrate community diversity.

The events begin with the first Grand Entry of dancers at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 9, and finishes with an awards ceremony which honors champion dancers and drum groups on Sunday, September 12, 1999. Grand Entries, Friday through Sunday, will be held at 1:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. each day.

An event bracelet provides access to the dance and drum competition for \$10.00 for all 4 days. A reduced fee is available for elderly and children ages 6 to 12. Children ages 5 and under are free.

★ UNITED TRIBES YOUTH DAY CELEBRATION

United Tribes offers a FREE American Indian cultural showcase to all K-8 students from the Bismarck-Mandan and surrounding schools. Over 60 schools attend Youth Day cultural activities, which are held to educate and honor the youth from the region.

The Youth Day Celebration begins with an American Indian Performing Arts showcase and leads up to the beautiful International Powwow's Grand Entry of dancers at 1:00 p.m., Friday, September 10, 1999.

"Youth Day activities on the United Tribes campus are free to all participating schools, so register your school as soon as possible," suggests Julie Cain, Coordinator.

To register your school or class, contact Julie Cain at (701) 255-3285 Ext. 272.

★ MISS INDIAN NATIONS PAGEANT

Sharing the spotlight, the Miss Indian Nations pageantry highlights talented American Indian women as they compete for the coveted crown and title of Miss Indian Nations VIII, September 8-11, 1999 at the Radisson Inn in Bismarck, North Dakota. Elementary school visits, talent competition, Parade of Champions, the International Powwow, and other public appearances are among the list of activities scheduled for candidates.

Join Sunny Walker, Miss Indian Nations VII for her final walk at the Powwow Saturday afternoon. The new Miss Indian Nations VIII will be crowned at the Radisson Inn on Saturday evening, September 11, 1999 and will be formally presented to the public at the International Powwow that night.

The pageant is held to establish a female ambassador to convey American Indian values, customs and teachings. The pageant features American Indian women between the ages of 18 and 26 years of age, who are single, talented and motivated and have a concern for issues affecting American Indians. Candidates must also provide proof of tribal enrollment.

For more information concerning the Miss Indian Nations Pageant, contact Pete Guerue at (701) 255-3285, Ext. 217.

★ UNITED TRIBES INDIAN ART EXPO

The 11th Annual United Tribes Indian Art Expo and Market will be held September 10-12, 1999. This year's events will be held at the Radisson Inn in Bismarck, North Dakota.

"The Expo showcases the highest quality of works for sale from artists throughout the nation in traditional and fine art pieces. This year's show represents a milestone achievement for the show that found its origin as a starquilt competition," noted Sandra A. Poitra, Coordinator.

The Expo includes a Juried Art competition, People's Choice Awards, Performing Arts showcase, Artist's symposium, Student Art Show and Tribal Elders Arts Achievement Awards.

For more information concerning the Indian Art Expo, contact Sandra A. Poitra at (701) 255-3285, Ext. 331.

★ INTERTRIBAL COUNCIL SUMMIT

The Third Annual United Tribes Intertribal Council Summit, will be held September 8-10, 1999. The intertribal summit is a gathering of all North Dakota tribal councils to address common issues, including: health care, transportation, housing, legislative actions, taxation, welfare reform, education, gaming, trust fund, tribal courts, water rights and other issues.

"All of our events not only attest to the beauty of American Indian culture but provide a forum for local, state and federal agencies to collaborate with tribal entities through the North Dakota Intertribal Council Summit and other conferences held during this time," says UTTC President, David M. Gipp.

★ UNITED TRIBES PARADE OF CHAMPIONS

The United Tribes Parade of Champions has become popular with the residents of Bismarck. The Parade begins at the State Capitol and American Indian Veterans guide the parade through the heart of downtown Bismarck. Registered dancers and drum groups acquire additional contest points for involvement. Registration begins at 8:00 a.m. at the State Capitol Grounds with the Parade beginning at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, September 11, 1999.

Local bands, businesses and organizations are encouraged to provide a float for the annual parade. To register your float or for more information contact Pat Jensen at (701) 663-6404 or (701) 391-6112.

★ ARTS & CRAFTS AND FOODS

Food and Arts & Crafts vendors from local and/or traveling powwow circuits, fill the arena with traditional and nontraditional foods, jewelry, clothing, novelties and/or specialty items which enable our spectators and participants to purchase a variety of unique memorabilia.

Vendors interested in rental of Powwow booth space(s) can forward all questions regarding availability and fees to Red Koch at (701) 255-3285, Ext. 301.

★ MENS & WOMENS DOUBLE ELIMINATION SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

The 30th Annual United Tribes Softball Tournament, one of the oldest and largest softball tournaments in Bismarck, will be held at the Clem Kelly Diamonds in Bismarck. Twenty-four men's and sixteen women's teams step up to the plate in exciting double elimination tournaments held on Saturday and Sunday, September 11 & 12, 1999.

Teams are encouraged to reserve their place on the brackets by registering early. For rules and or more information contact, Bobby Parisien (Men's teams) at (701) 255-3285, Ext 209 or Joetta McLeod (Women's teams) at (701) 255-3285, Ext. 216.

★ GOLF TOURNAMENT

The annual United Tribes Golf Tournament sponsored by UTTC, the Standing Rock Golf Association and Prairie Knights Casino will be held on September 10-12, 1999 at the Prairie West Golf Course in Mandan, North Dakota. A Scramble will be held at 12:30 p.m. on Friday with the Tournament beginning Saturday and running through Sunday with tee-off at 8:00 a.m. each day. This tournament is open to all BIA, IHS, Tribal Members, Spouses, Tribal Employees, Families and VIP's.

For more information contact Dave Archambault at (701) 854-7246, Tom Kuntz at (701) 854-3613 or Mike Swallow at (701) 854-2025.

★ GENERAL INFORMATION

For further information regarding any of these events contact: United Tribes Technical College, International Powwow Committee, 3315 University Drive, Bismarck, ND 58504. Or call, (701) 255-3285, Ext. 293 or 351 or Fax, (701) 530-0605.

Miss Indian Nations leads the way



Miss Indian Nations VII, Sunny Walker, leads the way with Tamara Red Tomahawk, Miss Standing Rock, along with other tribal royalty, during the Grand Entry at the Cannon Ball Powwow which was held on June 11-13, 1999. The Miss Indian Nations Pageant will be held September 8-11, 1999, in Bismarck, ND during the 30th Annual International Powwow. Contestants have until August 21, 1999 to register. (Photo-David M. Gipp)

A farewell to United Tribes

by Paige Best, Injury Prevention Program



It has been a unique and rewarding learning experience coming to UTTC as a summer Injury Prevention instructor. I had never been to North Dakota before, and so I will always be grateful to Dennis Renville, UTTC-IP Director, and the UTTC students for this opportunity not only to teach, but also to learn from you. Thank you UTTC for your warm, generous, and sincere hospitality.

Even though we come from different countries, backgrounds, and cultures we can share and learn from each other. In just this one summer, my students have shown me not only through words but by action their commitment to educating themselves in injury prevention in order to help others in their community have a quality of life that they most certainly deserve.

The 3rd Annual Native American Lifesavers Conference proved to us how important and necessary this program is for all of us, and that a multidisciplinary approach is necessary to prevent and reduce the rate of death and injury among Native Americans. Therefore, I would like to help facilitate a partnership between United Tribes Technical College and John Hopkins University. This partnership enables both academic institutions to learn and work together for a common goal.

I will complete my Masters in Public Health this summer at the George Washington University in Washington, D.C. In September, I will begin my doctorate in International Health, Disease Prevention and Control at the John Hopkins School of Hygiene and Public Health in Baltimore, Maryland. My research experience is in infectious diseases, particularly HIV/AIDS in Sub Saharan Africa. My future plans and goals is to work to prevent and find the cure of HIV/AIDS.

tribal news notes

Home ownership and economic development underscored by President Clinton in visit to South Dakota

On July 6, 1999, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development hosted a conference, "*Shared Visions: The Native American Home Ownership and Economic Development Summit II*," in Rapid City and Pine Ridge, South Dakota.

President Clinton was scheduled in South Dakota Wednesday, July 7, 1999, to talk about his New Markets Initiative. He was scheduled to visit the Oglala Lakota Tribe at Pine Ridge, South Dakota, and tribal leaders from the region.

President Clinton's new Markets Initiative is an effort to get corporate America to invest in "new markets" in the United States rather than investing in other countries at the expense of America's communities. The "new markets" that the President envisions include Indian communities, inner cities, Appalachia, and other underserved and impoverished communities that lack comprehensive infrastructure but have a potential workforce.

To kick off his "New Market Tour," the president will highlight the need for America's technology industry to invest in Indian Country. In addition, HUD has agreed to include funding for a Tribal College "Community Development" grant program in its Fiscal Year 2001 budget request. The program is similar to a program that currently exists for Historically Black Colleges and Universities.

First presidential advisory board meeting on tribal colleges to be held

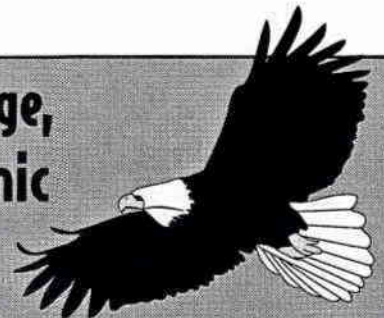
WASHINGTON, D.C. – The first meeting of the Presidential Advisory Board on Tribal Colleges and Universities is scheduled to meet on July 20, 1999, at the Holiday Inn Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C. The 15 member board is appointed by President William Jefferson Clinton, and will be the first appointees to serve as a result of his Executive Order on Tribal Colleges and Universities, which was signed by him several years ago and since renewed.

WHIETCU Executive Director Carrie Billy announced the first meeting, noting that the board will advise on the direction and development of a strategic plan which will bring public and private agencies and resources together to support the mission of tribal colleges and universities.

Six tribal college presidents are board members, and include: Dr. Lionel Bordeaux, Dr. Verna Fowler, Dr. Tommy Lewis, Dr. Janine Pease Pretty On Top, Dr. Joe McDonald, and Dr. Carty Monette. Dr. David M. Gipp will serve as special advisor to the White House Initiative on Tribal Colleges and Universities. Other board members include: Dr. Anne Peterson (W.K. Kellogg Foundation); Alison Bernstein (Ford Foundation); Karl Stauber (Northwest Area Foundation); Honorable Pat Williams (former Montana congressman); Richard Trudell; Tom Collonese; Honorable Debora Norris, and Dr. Joe Martin (Navajo).

The tribal college executive order is a precursor to President Clinton's orders on Tribal Self-Determination and Indian Education.

**Happy Birthday United Tribes Technical College,
Come Celebrate 30 years of Intertribal Academic
and Cultural Excellence!
September 9-12, 1999**



American Indian Education

*Fuchs, Estelle and Havighurst, Robert J.
To Live On This Earth: American Indian Education,
Garden City, NJ: Anchor Books, 1973.*

Because of the unique history of Indian political relations with the federal government, Indian education developed differently from the rest of American schooling. Education for Indian children has had a unique history, in that the federal government through the Bureau of Indian Affairs was directly involved in its development. This federal commitment which developed over the years, placed American Indians in a very special position in regard to education as compared to other people for whom the states and local communities assumed full educational responsibility. The federal government continues to be obligated by treaty, custom, and moral persuasion to fulfill its responsibility to provide or support educational services and facilities for a large portion of American Indians still living on or near Indian-owned and restricted trust lands (p.33).

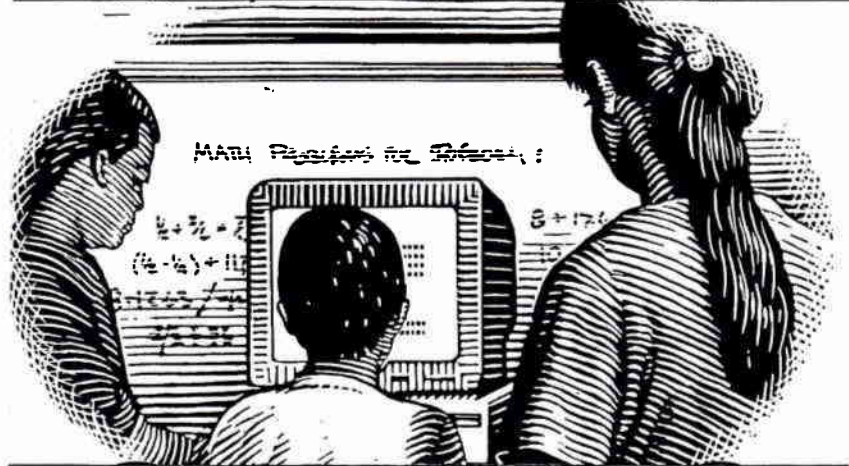
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institute and to recruit regional teachers for attendance. The BIA had two goals in mind when it funded this summer's workshop. First, the BIA wanted other schools and their staff to become familiar with its national technology initiatives and to spotlight TJES in terms of technology equipment, training, classroom integration, and assessment. Second, the BIA sought to leverage its substantial investment at TJES and extend technology use at TJES beyond the regular school year. BIA wanted to utilize the school's trained staff and latest school technology to train other teachers in the northern plains region.

TJES recently acquired 20 iMac computers with printers for its computer lab. The school has been able to add about 30 computers a year since 1997 thanks to the TLCF. Older computers and printers have been cycled out to parents and teachers for home use. Other classroom technology purchased includes: a large screen TV/projector, laptop computers, digital cameras and scanners, color ink jet printers, and much needed software. TJES staff utilize this broad technology base with instructional activities in creative and proven methods. The school boasts a student to computer ratio of nearly 1:1. Students at the school receive between 45 minutes and 1.5 hours of computer time each day. Students in other North Dakota schools receive about 45 minutes a week of computer times and are very limited in the types of software and supportive technology they utilize. TJES students write stories, draw pictures, take photos, make movies, produce T-shirts, manufacture buttons, create calendars and posters, and participate in many more fun projects using technology. TJES staff will show other teachers how to do the same.

The institute featured items of interest to Macintosh and Windows platform users. There were 44 concurrent sessions and luncheon presentations. 10 sites were utilized at TJES and on the campus of UTTC to accommodate the many and diverse topics offered. The institute offered many hands-on sessions to facilitate teaching and learning over the two and a half day workshop.

NEXT



STEPS

**RESEARCH AND PRACTICE TO
ADVANCE INDIAN EDUCATION**

EDITED BY

**KAREN GAYTON SWISHER AND
JOHN W. TIPPECONNIC III**

Indian Educators publish book

**What is "Indian education"
today? What will it look
like in the future?**

These were the questions Karen Gayton Swisher and John W. Tippeconnic III posed to a dozen leading American Indian scholars and practitioners.

They responded with the essays in *Next Steps: Research and Practice to Advance Indian Education*, which explore two important themes. The first is education for tribal self-determination. Tribes are now in a position to exercise full control of education on their lands. They have the authority to establish and enforce policies that define the nature of education for their constituents, just as states do for their school districts. The second theme is the need to turn away from discredited deficit theories of education, and turn instead to an approach that builds on the strengths of Native languages and culture and the basic resilience of Indigenous peoples. This second theme could be especially important for the 90 percent of Indian students who attend public schools.

Next Steps is appropriate for multicultural and teacher education programs. It addresses facets of K-12 and post-secondary Native American education programs, including their history, legal aspects, curriculum, access, and achievement.

KAREN GAYTON SWISHER (Standing Rock Sioux) is dean of instruction at Haskell Indian Nations University. In addition to serving as chair of the Teacher Education Department at Haskell, Swisher has been a faculty member at the University of Utah and Arizona State University, where she directed the center for Indian Education. She has also been an elementary school teacher and principal.

JOHN W. TIPPECONNIC III (Comanche) is a professor of education at The Pennsylvania State University, where he directs the American Indian Leadership Program. He has also directed the Office of Indian Education, U.S. Department of Education, and the Office of Indian Education Program, Bureau of Indian Affairs, U.S. Department of Interior.

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30TH ANNUAL UNITED TRIBES INTERNATIONAL POW W O W

September 9~12, 1999

*Representing over 70 tribes, 30 drums,
600 dancers, and over 20,000 spectators,
together with 50+ Arts/Crafts and Food Vendors.*

~ Parade of Champions ~

September 11th ~ 9:00 am

Begins at State Capitol and Ends at Kirkwood Mall

Call Pat Jensen - Ext. 302

~ Indian Art Expo & Market ~

September 10th - 12th

Radisson Inn Bismarck

Call Sandy Poitra - Ext. 331

~ Mens & Womens Double ~ Elimination Softball Tournament

September 11th & 12th

Clem Kelly Diamonds

Call John Thunderhawk - Ext. 261

~ Miss Indian Nations Pageant ~

September 8th - 11th

Call Pete Guerue - Ext. 217

~ Food Vendor & Arts/Crafts Booths ~

Call Red Koch - Ext. 301

~ ADMISSION ~

Seniors (60+) & Children (6-12): \$5.00 Adults: \$10.00

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