

# UNITED TRIBES

## On-Campus News

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### Ground blessing and ground breaking ceremony for Cultural Center



Ground blessing for the coming Cultural Center known as the "Log Cabins" took place April 26, 2000 on the northwest campus at UTTC. Traditional elder Joe Flying By provided the blessing. Student President Katie Beheler, TJES Principle Sam Azure, UTTC President David M. Gipp, Research Director John Beheler, Maintenance Supervisor M. Bud Anderson, Title III Coordinator Phil Baird, and Arts staff Jeannie Poitra and Sandra Ann Poitra were among early morning participants in ground breaking ceremony. Volunteer construction of the log cabin structure is slated for May 22, 2000.

The United Tribes Technical College and its staff and students proceeds April 26, 2000, with an early morning ceremony of prayer - offered by traditional spiritual leader Joe Flying By, Little Eagle, South Dakota - as prelude to the ground breaking for the new "Cultural Interpretive Arts Center",

The new interpretive arts center is a part of a national program to help the 31 Tribal Colleges build cultural centers donated by the W.K. Kellogg Foundation, and the Original Log Cabin Home of Rock Mount, North Carolina from across the nation.

The center at UTTC will serve the intertribal efforts of the College in its service to the many tribes represented in its student population and the five North Dakota Tribes, which govern the school.

According to Sandra Poitra, coordinator for the UTTC Cultural Arts programs, the new facility, constructed of logs, will house gallery display of tribal arts, an area for interpretive work and displays, and a

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# Weekly Menu

*(Each meal served includes  
2% or Skim Milk, Coffee or Tea)*

## DINNER

**May 1 - 5**

- Mon.- Honey Roasted Turkey Sandwich, Soup, Salad Bar
- Tue.- Tortolla Hotdish, Spanish Rice, Salad Bar
- Wed.- Oven Baked Chicken, Rice, Vegetable, Salad Bar, Assorted Fresh Fruit
- Thu.- Hamburger on a Bun, Baked Fries, Salad Bar, Assorted Fresh Fruit
- Fri.- Chicken Strips, Macaroni & Cheese, Salad Bar, Assorted Fresh Fruit

## SUPPER

**May 1 - 5**

- Mon.- Baked Ham, Baked Potato Wedges, Vegetable, Salad Bar
- Tue.- New England Dinner, Boiled Potatoes, Boiled Vegetable, Salad Bar, Dessert
- Wed.- Meatloaf, Rice Pilaf, Salad Bar, Dessert
- Thu.- Shish-ka-bob Casserole, Wild Rice, Salad Bar, Dessert
- Fri.- Fish Platter, Oven Baked Potato Wedges, Salad Bar, Dessert

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small gift shop. The program will serve as a hub for UTTC students receiving their training in the Art/Arts Marketing Program and the Small Business Management Program.

The building which will have a basement and 1,400 square feet on the main level, and will be located on the northwest area of the 105 acre UTTC campus, next to the Bismarck Airport.

Small Business instructor Carol Anderson, Arts Department Chair Wayne Pruse were on hand to break ground, while Randy Buckmaster, Construction Technology, prepared the area for excavation. Buckmaster has worked extensively with the Log Cabin Company on the plans.

The program will rely on a large amount of volunteerism and donations for other elements of the building. The college is seeking more volunteers to add to its list when the actual construction takes place May 22, 2000, according to Poitra.

"We need students, staff, faculty and welcome any community volunteerism," she said.

"It will take a team of make the project flow effectively and quickly on May 22," she noted. Poitra plans to have a special 30 second television video on the project aired throughout May to help recruit volunteers and to publicize the project.

Other donors include the Carnel Corp., which will provide the heating and cooling part for the log cabin center.

The American Indian College Fund (AICF) and the American Indian Higher Education Consortium (AIHEC), both organizations which serve the tribal colleges, have received funds from W.K. Kellogg Foundation to fund each college and assist the schools in the development.

Meanwhile, UTTC has relied heavily on its Construction Technology faculty, and students, the UTTC Maintenance, and the Cultural Arts staff and faculty to volunteer on the planning, development and implementation.

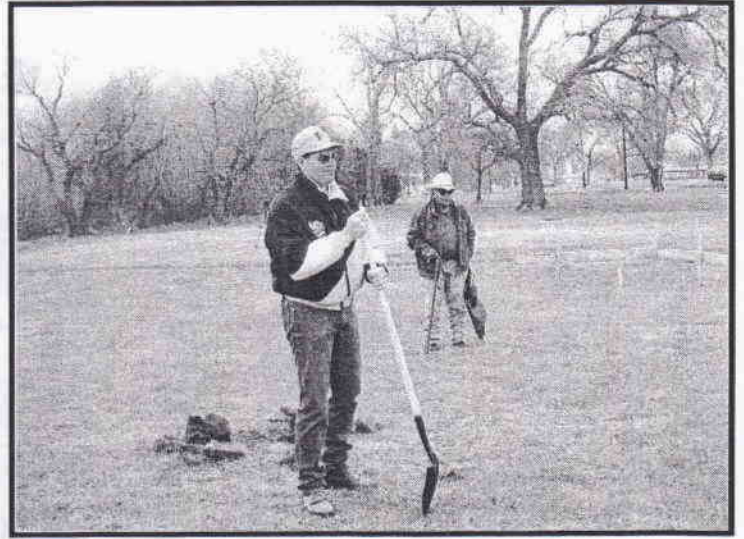


*Construction Technology students Anthony Quick Bear and Deeken Means siting and staking the area for the new UTTC Log Cabin Interpretive Cultural Arts Center.*

## Ground breaking continues



*Russell Swagger, Director, Support Services; Cultural Arts Coordinator Sandra Poitra, and M. Bud Anderson, Maintenance Supervisor, check the line and angle for the new center in preparation for the ground breaking.*



*Randy Buckmaster, Construction Technology instructor, did his part in breaking ground following the prayer ceremony, offered in Lakota the four directions by Joe Flying By, a traditional man and elder from Little Eagle, SD.*



*Wayne Pruse, Arts Faculty, was among those to break sod on the Great Plains, for a new Interpretive Arts Center on April 26, 2000. The log structure will be raised May 22, 2000 by volunteers.*

# United Tribes Graduation set for May 5, 2000



Bismarck, ND -- United Tribes Technical College (UTTC) graduation is scheduled for May 5, 2000 with 77 graduates from 20 different tribal nations who will receive the Associate of Applied Science degree or special certificates in 12 different fields. The graduation, where some 700 are expected to gather at the James Henry Building, will be at 1:00 pm (CDT) and will include tribal leaders, family members, faculty and staff, and special guests from throughout the Great Plains.

J. Kurt Luger will be the keynote speaker and is currently the executive director of the Great Plains Indian Gaming Association, Bismarck, North Dakota. Luger has a strong history of effectively managing tribal programs at the Cheyenne River Sioux, South Dakota, and the Quinault Indian Nation, Taholah, Washington. An enrolled member of the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe, Eagle Butte, South Dakota, he has over 18 years of experience in working on tribal rights issues with such organizations as the National Congress of American Indians, and is an expert on gaming issues which impact the Great Plains region with over 16 tribes from North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota and Nebraska.

He will address graduates and their class motto of "If you dream it, you can achieve it. If you live it, you can become it."

Remarks will also be provided by Chairman Charles W. Murphy, UTTC Board, and Standing Rock Sioux Tribe located in North Dakota and South Dakota, along with comments from other attending tribal leaders and UTTC President David M. Gipp.

UTTC, which opened its doors July 1, 1969, was

founded by tribal leaders to provide training and education in an American Indian setting and represents the first tribally controlled postsecondary vocational educational institution to be founded at an intertribal level. Over 10,000 students have been served by the school from as many as tribes from throughout the nation.

Tribal owners are represented on a ten member board by the elected tribal chairman and a one delegate from five tribes, including The Spirit Lake Dakota Nation, The Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe, The Standing Rock Sioux Tribe, The Three Affiliated Tribes of Fort Berthold, and The Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa.

In addition, UTTC will graduate its first class from the newly established Injury Prevention Program, a program designed to address the critical problems of injury in American Indian communities across the nation.

Mr. Richard Smith, Indian Health Service Injury Prevention Coordinator, Rockville, Maryland, will attend this historic occasion. UTTC offers the first undergraduate program among both two and four year degree granting institutions in the nation. Graduates represent a new and developing profession among tribal nations.

UTTC offers over 20 programs and is accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. A key part of the school mission is to focus on the education and development of the American Indian Family. Thus, the college provides early childhood services to dependents of the adults through two daycare centers and a K-8, Theodore Jamerson Elementary School, on the 105 acre campus.

A reception will follow at the UTTC Cafeteria.

## TJES Reading Math Center

The students in grades 1-8 participate weekly in a story problem solving club at the Reading Math Center (RMC). Once students in grades 2-8 reach 120 problems and in grade 1, 80 problems, they are treated to lunch downtown at a restaurant of their choice. This is a big event at TJES and the following students reached that goal as of April 27, 2000. It case you're curious how many problems they solved during the 98-99 school year, the total was **14,541**. We're trying very hard to surpass that this year.

### Grade 1

Seanna Davis  
Sadie Gjermundson (2 times)  
Labray Heart  
Lorraine Hopkins  
Payton Morris  
Tyrell Vivier

Josh Geigle  
Tiffany Howard  
Elizabeth Lunderman  
Adrian Old Horn  
Trevor Red Bird  
Antoine Reddog  
Michael Sun Rhodes

### Grade 2

Taten Charging Cloud  
Jeremy Davis  
Pablo Eagleshield  
Thomas Fayant  
Aileen Foote  
Caleb Heart  
Tianna Howard  
Ana Jetty  
Cicily Myore  
Loren West  
Matthew Wise Spirit  
Tyler Vivier (2 times)  
Whitney Sun Rhodes  
Dalton Svihl

### Grade 6

Nikita Addison  
Denise Bercier (2 times)  
Martine Fevold

### Grade 7

KJ Buckley  
Craig Thunder Hawk  
Tova Howard  
Alex Herald  
Jamie Peltier  
James West  
Mary Yells Eagle  
Martina Fevold

### Grade 3

Darius Bird  
Stevie Buckly  
Teyaune Clairmont  
Ives Eagle  
Sunny Rae Fayant  
Johnny Flying Horse  
Randy Trottier  
Kayla Uses Many  
Gina White (2 times)  
Seth White

### Grade 8

Tasha Bordeaux  
Jason Fevold (2 times)  
Kelly Bercier (2 times)  
Marshall Knife  
Vanessa LongTree  
Windy Lufkins  
Donielle Miner  
Daniel Otter Robe  
Alan Peltier  
Jessica Eagle  
Tabbatha Myore  
DJ Ponga  
Agnes Reddog  
EJ RenCountre  
Mike Gopher  
Jennifer LongTree  
Angelo White (2 times)  
Gina Yells Eagle (2 times)

### Grade 4

Alex Cadotte  
Kenneth Hollow  
Darren Wells

### Grade 5

phia Bear Stops  
Brittany Bercier (2 times)  
Chantel Eagle  
Jonathan Fox

**Please return Video  
"Taking Tradition to Tomorrow"  
to Helen Lindgren in  
Counseling Department  
Thank You**

## Correction

Dear Dr. Derby,

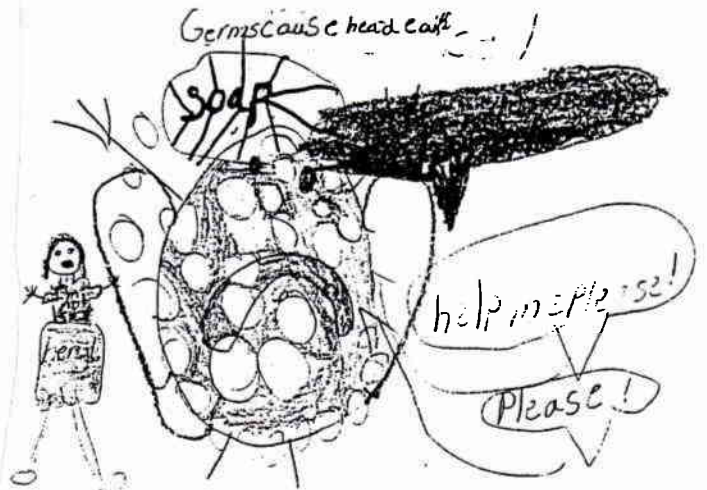
I was informed that instructors were told not to attend the awards ceremony on Thursday, May 4th and as a member of the Indian Club, I would like to have you or someone get a memo or invitation to the instructor(s) as some instructors will be honored by "giveaways" by the students and need to be there to receive any honors.

Thank you,  
Mary Eagle Shield

## Poster Prize Awarded

Two second year Practical Nursing students, Lynn Azure and Cheron Davis, recently spoke to the 2nd grade class at Theodore Jamerson Elementary about germs and hand washing. After the presentation, students were asked to draw a poster about what they had learned. **Sheralyn Plante** was the winner of a movie pass for her creative germ poster. Congratulations, Sheralyn!

Second year students complete a school teaching assignment as part of the Maternal-Child Nursing course and may teach on campus or in their home community. Topics covered this year included: Germs, Bike Safety, Nutrition, and Taking Care in the Sun. The Nursing Department - students and faculty - would like to thank the teachers who made time for the sessions and the students for their attentiveness and eager participation in the health and safety teaching sessions.



# CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY WORKSHOP FOR TRIBAL EMPLOYEES



**May 9-11, 2000**

**SKILL CENTER  
EXHIBITION HALL  
UNITED TRIBES TECHNICAL COLLEGE  
Bismarck, North Dakota**

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**CHEMICAL HEALTH CENTER  
UNITED TRIBES TECHNICAL COLLEGE**

## CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY WORKSHOP FOR TRIBAL EMPLOYEES



This workshop is an introduction to  
identifying chemical abuse and recovery.

### ~ PROGRAM SCHEDULE ~

#### TUESDAY ~ MAY 9, 2000

8:00 - 9:00 am	Registration
9:00 am	Invocation <i>Dr. John Derby, Academic Dean</i>
9:00 - 10:30 am	Welcome <i>Dr. David M. Gipp, President</i> Introduction of Speakers <i>Russell Gillette, Director, CHC</i> Guest Speaker <i>Carole Anne Heart, Director, CTAC</i>
10:30 - 10:45 am	Break
10:45 - Noon	Workshop Overview
12:00 - 1:30 pm	Lunch On Your Own
1:30 - 2:30 pm	<b>What Is Drug Abuse?</b>
2:30 - 2:45 pm	Break
2:45 - 4:00 pm	<b>Tobacco Products</b>
4:00 pm	Wrap Up Door Prizes

#### WEDNESDAY ~ MAY 10, 2000

8:30 - 9:00 am	Registration
9:00 am	Invocation
9:00 - 10:30 am	<b>What Is Addiction?</b>
10:30 - 10:45 am	Break
10:45 - Noon	<b>What Is Addiction? (Continuation)</b>
12:00 - 1:30 pm	Lunch On Your Own
1:30 - 2:30 pm	<b>Other Addictions</b>
2:30 - 2:45 pm	Break
2:45 - 4:00 pm	<b>Other Addictions (Continuation)</b>
4:00 pm	Wrap Up
5:00 - 6:00 pm	Picnic at UTTC Cafeteria Entertainment by UTTC Little Nations Dance Group

#### THURSDAY ~ MAY 11, 2000

9:00 am	Invocation
9:00 - 10:30 am	<b>Gateway Drugs</b>
10:30 - 10:45 am	Break
10:45 - Noon	<b>Gateway Drugs (Continuation)</b>
12:00 - 1:30 pm	Lunch On Your Own
1:30 - 2:30 pm	<b>Gateway Drugs/Actions/Attitudes</b>
2:30 - 2:45 pm	Break
2:45 - 4:00 pm	Closing Remarks Post Test Grand Door Prize Evaluation

**REMINDER FOR GRADUATES  
REHEARSAL FOR GRADUATION WILL  
BEGIN AT 10:00 A.M. RETURN TO  
SMALL GYM TO ATTEND THE AWARDS  
CEREMONY BY 12:30 P.M.**

**PROGRAM  
GRADUATION AWARDS HONORING CEREMONY  
May 4, 2000  
James Henry Gymnasium (small)  
1:00 p.m to 5:00 p.m.**

**Master of Ceremonies—Gerald Packineau**

- 1:00 p.m. Grand Entry – Veterans / Flag Bearers  
Indian Club Officers  
Student Senate Officers  
Graduates  
Families of Graduates  
Staff**
- 1:30 p.m. Opening Prayer**
- 1:35 p.m. Welcome Address-Katie Beheler, Student Senate Pres.**
- 1:40 p.m. Honoring Song for graduates – Cannonball Singers**
- 2:00 p.m. Give aways by students or families - Mary Eagle Shield  
Janet McHugh**
- 3:00 p.m. Award ceremonies – Brian Palecek  
Bennett Yellow Bird**
- 4:45 p.m. Gerald Packineau, Indian Club President**
- 5:00 p.m. SUPPER at Cafeteria**

# You're Invited to: Honor "Mother Earth" and UTTC Campus

**Wednesday, May 3 - 11:00 a.m.  
Education Bldg. - South Side**



**Sponsored by  
Office Technology Club**

***The Office Technology Club has purchased a  
"SPRING SNOW" tree to plant on campus.  
The club honors the traditional value of  
GENEROSITY and gives thanks and respect to  
UTTC for the past two successful years.***

**Presentation:** Gerald Packineau  
**Prayer:** Mr. Russell Gillette  
**Tree Planting:** Joe Many Bears

**Invited Guests:** Dr. David M. Gierp,  
Bennet Yellow Bird, Dr. John Derby,  
Russel Swagger, Staff and Students