

UNITED TRIBES

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UTTC celebrates return of the bison nation



BISMARCK, ND – For Native American Heritage month in November, United Tribes Technical College is hosting its cultural activities around the theme - "Celebrating the Return of the P'te Oyate (Bison Nation)."

"As a tribal college, we value the importance of Native American culture and language on a year-round basis," said UTTC President Dr. David Gipp. "Because November is Native American month here in North Dakota, we are offering activities for the public as well as for our students and staff."

The cultural theme was selected based on the work of the Northern Plains Bison Education Network, a unique education project developed collaboratively the past three years by UTTC and nine other Tribal colleges in the region.

"We are seeing a renewed connection between Native people and the bison," commented Wendell White Eyes, UTTC cultural committee chair and vocational welding instructor. "Indian Tribes and colleges are working to reestablish cultural, spiritual, nutritional, and economic ties with the bison world. This is worth celebrating as we progress into the new millennium."

On November 17-18th, a variety of Native American professional and cultural resources people including Keith Bear, Rick and Ethlene Two Dogs, Marvin Bald Eagle Youngman, John Buckley, Felix Kidder, Sandy Poitra, Andy Vasquez, Joe McGillis, and Sissy Goodhouse will offer a variety of presentations on the UTTC campus. A buffalo feed on Saturday evening, November 18th will cap week-end activities.

Among other campus-based activities, students at UTTC's Theodore Jamerson Elementary School will select a name for their bison calf adopted from the Standing Rock Sioux Tribal bison herd. "Because the bison are considered relatives, our teachers will focus some classroom activities on helping our your people to understand what it takes to be good relatives among their Indian families and communities," said TJES principal Sam Azure.

For more information about UTTC's cultural activities for the month of November, please see Page 3.



Individuals share their understanding and experiences with culture

As part of "celebrating" Native American Heritage Month, we have asked students and staff to "share" with the general public their understanding and experience with culture. Throughout the month, we will be including excerpts from these essays in the newsletter. Thank you to those who have participated - Cultural Affairs Committee

WHAT IS YOUR DEFINITION OR EXPERIENCE WITH CULTURE AS YOU UNDERSTAND IT?

- The way your family raised you, your family has a big part in who you are ...
Wenelle Veit
- I never gave culture a thought until 7 years ago, now I am very interested in how it was way back when ...
Anonymous
- The Native American culture has been very interesting and I've always been in-
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CATALOG PHOTOS

The DEADLINE for all photos for the UTTC Catalog is FAST APPROACHING (November 15th)!

If you would like to have a new photo taken for the campus catalog, please see Ruth Snider at Art/Art Marketing.

Ruth will be available from 8:00 am to 12:00 noon and 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm on November 15th.

Call Ruth if you have any questions.

United Tribes Arts Festival

November 17-18, 2000

9:00 am - 5:00 pm

United Tribes

James Henry Community Building

Booth/Table Space Available to
All Interested Persons
Contact Sandy Poitra Ext. 331

Featured Artists Include: UTTC Art/Art Marketing Students,
Don, Julie and Sonja Cain,
Marvin Bald Eagle Young Man,
and Many Others

Items For Sale Include: Beaded Items, Quillwork, Flutes, and
Much, Much More.

Book Your Space Now! Open To Public! Invite Family & Friends!



DENNIS LUCIER'S ~ UTTC DINER ~ WEEKLY MENU

(Each meal served includes 2% or Skim
Milk, Coffee or Tea and Salad Bar or
Assorted Fresh Fruits/Vegetables)

DINNER

November 13-17

- M Hulipsa Hotdish, Dinner Bun
- T Taco Salad w/Fixings, Baked Chips
- W Swedish Meatballs Over Noodles,
Vegetables
- T French Dip w/Au Jus
- F Knoephla Soup, Breaded Chicken Filet,
Mashed Potatoes, Creamed Gravy

November 20

- M Pork Cutlet, Mashed Potatoes, Cream
Gravy

SUPPER

November 13-17

- M Braised Beef over Noodles, Vegetable
- T Bar-B-Que Chicken, Baked Potato,
Vegetable, Dessert
- W Hamburger On A Bun, Soup
- T Swiss Steak, Mashed Potatoes,
Vegetable
- F Burritos, Dessert

November 20

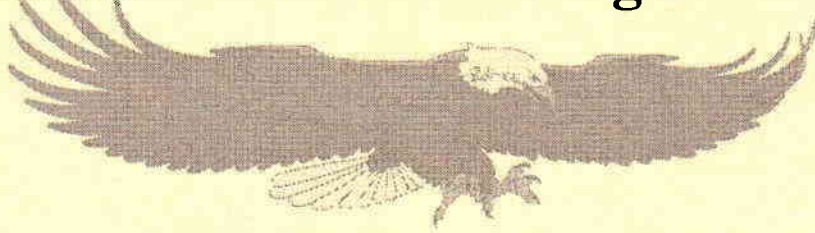
- M Meat Loaf, Oven Browned Potatoes,
Vegetable, Dessert

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY!



Why do
overlook and oversee
mean opposite things?

Native American Heritage Month



TENTATIVE AGENDA November 17th & 18th, 2000

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17th

TIME	EVENT	PLACE
1:00 PM	- Opening Prayer - Welcome: "Importance of Culture/Education" <i>Dr. John Derby</i> - Opening Remarks: "College History" <i>Dr. David M. Gipp</i> - Tipi Raising Contest - <i>John Beheler</i> - Hand Games - <i>Gerald Packineau</i>	Old Gym
2:00 PM	- Flute Presentation <i>Marvin Bald Eagle Youngman, Browning, MT</i>	Outside Small Gym
2:30 PM	- Traditional Games (Children's Activity) - <i>Marvin Bald Eagle Youngman</i> - Presentation: "Indian Family" <i>John Buckley, Ft. Yates, ND</i>	GYM Small Gym
3:30 PM	- Presentation: "Balance" <i>Joe McGillis, Turtle Mountain</i>	GYM
4:00 PM	- Presentation: "Spirituality" <i>Felix Kidder, Ft. Yates, ND</i>	GYM
5:00 PM	- Presentation - L.E.A.P. - <i>Marie Brown</i> - Presentation: "Language" <i>Jesse Taken Alive</i> <i>Sponsored by L.E.A.P</i>	GYM GYM
7:00 PM	- Sweat for Women	GYM

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18th

10:30 AM	- Family Pics & Family Literacy <i>Saturday Club - Barb Frey</i>	TJES
12:00 Noon	- Arts Festival Display & Sales Throughout the Day <i>Cultural Arts / Sandy Poitra</i> - TJES Art Display	GYM GYM
1:00 PM	- Little Nations Dance Group Performance - Flute Music Duel <i>Andy Vasquez, Ft. Washakie, WY</i> <i>Keith Bear, Ft. Berthold, ND</i> <i>Sponsored by UTTC Powwow Committee</i>	GYM GYM
2:00 PM	- Presentation: "Family Values" <i>Sissy Goodhouse, Ft. Yates, ND</i> <i>Sponsored by Sacred Child</i>	GYM
3:00 PM	- Presentation <i>Ethelene Two Dogs, Sponsored by Sacred Child</i>	GYM
4:00 PM	- Presentation: "Tatanka" (Buffalo) <i>Rick Two Dogs</i> <i>Sponsored by USDA/UTTC Bison Research Project, Phil Baird</i>	GYM
5:00 PM	- Buffalo Feed <i>Sponsored by USDA/UTTC Bison Research Project, Phil Baird</i>	
7:30 PM	- Sweat for Men - <i>Rick Two Dogs</i>	



Individuals share ... (continued from Front Cover)

proud to say I went into a "sweat", ... and know what the "sundance" is all about ...
Clarice Fox

• *Being Native American, my culture consists of family orientation, and all that that implies. Native American families have close ties, this is the way it has always been ... native culture is not just about powwows ...*

Anonymous

• *We have powwows, ceremonies, traditional foods, and our language, we come together as one in time of need ... or just to have a beautiful powwow ...*

Anonymous

• *I have always been interested in Native American culture, because they focus on Mother Earth. The belief in spirituality is a lot easier for me to understand and believe in ...*

Tom Keller

• *To me, culture means going to powwows, sweats, doing ceremonies, praying with the pipe, and a certain way of doing funerals and wakes ...*

Joe Reynolds

• *Our culture is the Great Spirit and all that He has given us in our sacred and traditional ways. It is up to us to teach, practice and participate in these ways, to teach our children so they won't be forgotten ...*

Cliff Metcalf

• *I myself don't really believe in the any of the old Indian ways, its probably because I was never brought up that way by my parents, but I can say culture is a beautiful thing ...*

Tony Lavallie

• *My understanding of culture is to be one with your self and others. I try to learn what the old ones will teach me, but most of the old ones are going to the spirit in the sky ...*

Frank Lohnes

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Individuals share ...
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• As a Native American, culture is the way of life in means of traditional ways, respect, honesty, and dignity. Native American culture can be a beautiful thing if it is used properly ...

Anonymous

• I need to learn more about my culture so I can pass it on to my children in the future. I do not have much experience with my culture to talk about, which I am sorry to say ...

Anonymous

• To me, it means as a whole, as a com-

munity living together, sharing some beliefs, helping each other out ...

Anonymous

• The way you raise your children, what you value, your personal tradition, basically how you morally see things and carry them out. I feel each family has their own personal cultures inside their families ...

Anonymous

• I am Native American, and I really don't know much about my background or ancestors. I would really like to learn more about it ...

Anonymous

• Culture to me believing in what you have been taught throughout your life,

whether it was dancing and understanding the purpose of it, or a song, and knowing the meaning of it ...

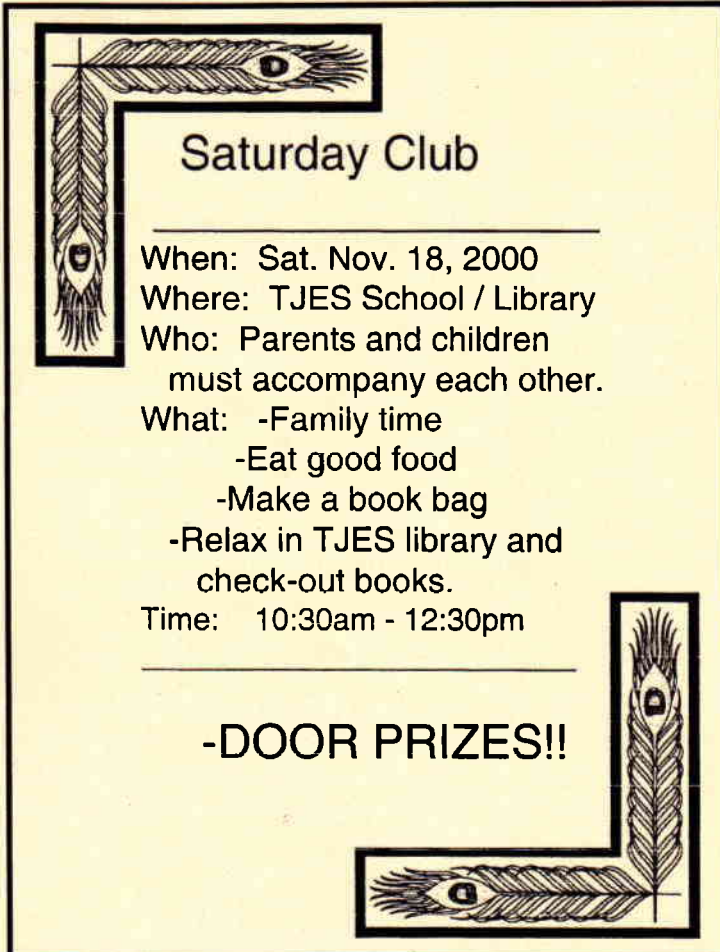
Anonymous

• Culture to me is being Native American, its my family, the way I was raised, and talking our Native tongue, and being proud of it ...

Anonymous

• Culture influences what you eat, how you dress, who you associate with, how you walk and talk. It also determines where the future could be for you, culture helps you to connect with family and community ...


Anonymous



Saturday Club

When: Sat. Nov. 18, 2000
 Where: TJES School / Library
 Who: Parents and children must accompany each other.
 What: -Family time
 -Eat good food
 -Make a book bag
 -Relax in TJES library and check-out books.
 Time: 10:30am - 12:30pm

-DOOR PRIZES!!



OPEN HOUSE

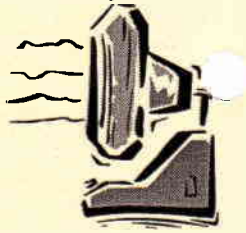
CHEMICAL HEALTH CENTER
(BUILDING 68)

November 21, 2000
Tuesday

9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Come join the Fun!
Door Prizes!
Goodies!

Happy Thanksgiving
from
The Chemical Health Center Staff



Thought for the Day!

Whatever hits the fan will not be evenly distributed!



Indian Summer Festivals, Inc.

2001 Art Contest

THEME: The theme has not yet been selected, but the subject will be in honor of the Native American woman.

CALLING ALL AMERICAN INDIAN ARTISTS for INDIAN SUMMER FESTIVALS ANNUAL ART CONTEST.

Held at: Winter Powwow
Winner will receive \$1,000

Where: Winter Powwow
Wisconsin State Fair Park
West Allis, Wisconsin

When: March 3rd & 4th, 2001

Entry Rules: Signed Waiver Form

Open to: Indian Artists 18 years and older

Interested American Indian Artists are asked to submit their art work to the Indian Summer Festivals office located at 7441 W. Greenfield Avenue, Suite 109, West Allis, WI 53214. Mailed entries should be received in the office no later than Monday, February 26, 2001. Hand delivered entries will be accepted up the opening of the Winter Powwow on March 3, 2001. **WINNER WILL BE ANNOUNCED ON MARCH 4, 2001.**

**IF YOU ARE INTERESTED,
PLEASE STOP IN TO THE
UTTC ART/ART MARKETING DEPARTMENT
FOR REGISTRATION/WAIVER FORMS.**

**DON'T FORGET TO PICK UP YOUR ENTRY
FORMS FOR THE 2001 UNITED TRIBES
INTERNATIONAL POWWOW
ART CONTEST ALSO!**

United Tribes Episcopal Ministries Services

Sunday:
12:30 PM
POTLUCK
after every service

Location:
United Tribes
Technical
College Chapel

*Carol DeWall,
Lay Pastor*

United Tribes Catholic Services

Sunday:
10:00 AM
Location:
United Tribes
Technical College Chapel

**Information for the
Next Newsletter
must be submitted
to Arrow Graphics
no later than
12:00 NOON!
Friday, November 10th.**

UTTC instructor recognized for teaching excellence

Bev Huber, General Education instructor has been recognized for teaching excellence in Who's Who Among America's Teachers 2000. She was nominated by Maryann Eagle, a 1998 UTTC Office Technology graduate from Ashland, MT.

Only students in the top 5 percent of high school and college students in America are eligible to nominate one teacher from their entire academic experience who "made a difference" in their education. Maryann was named Who's Who Among College Students.

Bev has taught for 36 years; she has been a teacher at UTTC since 1983. Bev and Dennis have four children and four grandchildren.



Congratulations to all UTTC recipients of incentive awards for October, 2000

HOUSING UNITS:

- 1st Place: (TIE)
Ron & Melanie Bald Eagle
Emmett Redday
2nd Place:
Anita & Michael Green

SAKAKAWEA HALL:

- 1st Place:
Shelly Medicine Eagle
1st Place:
Erica Old Lodge
2nd Place:
Katie Beheler

SITTING BULL HALL:

- 1st Place:
Charles Felix
1st Place:
Allen Pine
2nd Place:
Sterling Taverpoint

**CONGRATULATIONS
FROM UTTC HOUSING,
SUPPORT SERVICES, AND
HOUSING COMMITTEE!**

Former UTTC student seeks individuals to teach Indian handgames at local event

Hi! My name is Mary Eagle Shield and I am an enrolled member of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe and also a proud graduate of UTTC. As a member of the Native American Awareness Committee for Federal employees, I would like to invite at least **8 to 10** students to be a part of an important event that will be demonstrating the different ways of playing **Indian handgames**.

This is an annual event to promote Native American Awareness Month for local Federal employees.

It will be held on **Tuesday, November 21, 2000 from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm at the Trinity Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall** on 3rd Street and Avenue A. in Bismarck.

Diversity in the workplace is a very important issue to deal with and this event will help the participating Federal employees to learn more about the Native American cultural ways.

I would like to invite those of you (students, staff and faculty) who are interested, in either learn-

ing to play or those who would like to teach others to learn, to be a part of this one-time event. We would like to practice at least a couple of times per week before the actual event.

If interested, please contact Tom Red Bird at Extension 377 or Mary Eagle Shield at 250-42000, Ext. 303 for more information.

**BECOME INVOLVED.
CALL NOW!**

Bismarck-Mandan Area Parent Education Programs

Several education programs are available to parents in the Bismarck-Mandan area. If you are interested in any of the following, please contact the persons as listed for the specific program.

- **Bismarck-Mandan Learning Disabilities Association.** *Helping bridge the gap between parents and educators.*

Call Mary Ann Anderson 663-1949.

- **Parent Rock.** Bismarck Public Library, downstairs, 515 N. 5th St., Bismarck. *Provides support and education to parents whose children are experiencing difficulty making good choices. Meets most Tuesdays at 7:00 pm.*

Contact Ruth Wessner 258-5992

- **Pervasive Development Disorders/Autism Support Group.** *Provides support, resources and education for families of children with autism spectrum disorders. No meetings are held at this time, but support is available.*

Contact Jean King at 258-7579

Family to Family Support Network. *Provides informational and emotional support to parents of children with special needs. Trained and experienced veteran families are carefully matched in one-on-one relationships with families who are new to the program.*

Contact Pat or Kurt Weinberg 222-0854 or call Family to Family Support Network 1-888-434-7436

- **Federation of Families for Children's Mental Health** Pride Office in Northbrook Mall, Bismarck (use Pride door on outside of building).

Provides support, advocacy and information on resources/services for children with mental health issues and their families.

Meets Thursdays at 7:00 pm, 2nd Thursday of the month, there is a potluck dinner beginning at 6:00 pm (same location).

Contact Carlotta McLeary 222-3310

- **Designer Genes.** *Provides support, resources and information for families of children with Down Syndrome. No meetings are held at this time, but support is available.*

Contact Sharon Goodman 221-9157 or Roxanne Romanick 258-7421

~~~ THIS MONTH'S PROGRAMS ~~~

- **NOVEMBER 13th: 10:00 am to 11:00 am**
Shaping Young Minds: Your Child and Television. Free to Public. Parent Place, 1223 S. 12th St., Bismarck. Sponsor/Instructor: Betty Neigum, Partners in Parenting. Call 221-6882
- **NOVEMBER 14th: 7:00 pm**
Children of Divorce. Burleigh County Social Services, Provident Life Building, Suite 113, 415 E. Rosser Ave., Bismarck. Cheryl Heck and Chris Kasper, Facilitators. Call Chris Kasper to register 222-6622.
- **NOVEMBER 14th: 7:00 pm**
The Arc, National and Statewide Advocacy. Supports children/adults with disabilities and their families. Solheim Elementary School, SMH Room, 325 Munich Drive, Bismarck. Contact Jodi Pelishek 222-1854. (Meets 2nd Tuesday of each month.)
- **NOVEMBER 15th: 1:30 pm to 2:30 pm**
Stop Enabling, Start Empowering Your Children. U.S. Bank, 2nd Floor, 200 N. 3rd St., Bismarck. Bismarck Jobs Program. FREE to Public. Sponsor/Instructor: Betty Neigum, Partners in Parenting, 221-6882.
- **NOVEMBER 16th: 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm**
Parenting the 0 to 5 Year Old. Morton Country Courthouse, 210 2nd Ave. NW, Mandan. Please call 667-3342 to preregister. FREE to public. Sponsor: Region VII Family Resource Center. Instructor: Verona Lechler, FRC Coordinator.
- **NOVEMBER 16th: 8:30 am to 9:30 am**
Brain Research: The Violent Brain. Adult Learning Center, 214 W. Bowen Ave., Bismarck. FREE to Public. Sponsor/Instructor: Betty Neigum, Partners in Parenting, 221-6882 or 221-3791.
- **NOVEMBER 20th: 10:00 am to 11:00 am**
Self Esteem Building. Parent Place, 1123 S. 12th St., Bismarck. FREE to Public. Sponsor: Betty Neigum, Partners in Parenting, 221-6882.
- **NOVEMBER 21st: 7:00 pm**
The Cerebral Palsy Support Group. Fellowship, support, and information to parents and their families of children with cerebral palsy. Bismarck Public Library, Room B, 515 N. 5th St., Bismarck. Call Cindy Olson, 255-5532. (Meets 3rd Tuesday of each month.)
- **NOVEMBER 21st: 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm**
Are You Enabling or Empowering Children. Infant Toddler Child Care Center, First Presbyterian Church, 214 Thayer Ave., Bismarck. FREE to Public. Sponsor/Instructor: Betty Neigum, Partners in Parenting, 221-6882.
- **NOVEMBER 27th: 10:00 am to 11:00 am**
36 Ways to Raise a Cooperative Child. Parent Place, 1123 S. 12th St., Bismarck. FREE to Public. Sponsor: Betty Neigum, Partners in Parenting, 221-6882.
- **NOVEMBER 30th: 8:30 am to 9:30 am**
1, 2, 3 Magic Discipline Program. Adult Learning Center, 214 W. Bowen Ave., Bismarck. FREE to Public. Sponsor/Instructor: Betty Neigum, Partners in Parenting, 221-6882 or 221-3791.



CDC NEWS

A Weekly Newsletter for Families

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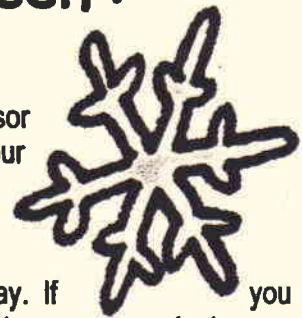
For Your Information

There was a meeting Nov. 6th of the Community Literacy Task Force. Items discussed were:

**Anybody interested in making a dance outfit for their child, please contact me! We also did the training for the iBook lap-top computers. There are still 2 left to check out, however, you must have had the training & attend the meetings to check one out. You will be able to check out these computers for a period of 2 weeks. We are also looking to do some fundraisers soon. If you have any ideas, please come to the next meeting and share your ideas. We also need some volunteers to clean up the area where we will be making the dance outfits. The sooner we get that done, the sooner we can get started! Our next meeting is Nov. 20, 4 PM, at the Preschool. See you there!
Mechelle Crazy Thunder**

Let Me Introduce Myself:

Hello! My name is Gloria Dwelle and I am the supervisor of the Infant/Toddler Center. I have worked here for four years. I am the mother of four children, three sons and one daughter. I have 3 grandchildren, two girls and one boy. We have a fantastic group of caregivers in our center who take care of your little ones every day. If you ever have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact your child's caregiver, myself or Leah Hamann, the center director. We can be reached at ext. 392. Thank you and have a great week-end. Gloria Dwelle



**A Special Thank You
to all of our Veterans
for their service to our country!
Saturday, November 11th,
is Veteran's Day.
Please remember all of our
Veterans, not only on that day,
but all year long.**

Our "Cooker"

Hello everyone! I'm the Preschool cook for those of you who don't know me. My name is Janice Ramey, originally from Standing Rock. I think the kids favorite time of day is lunch and snack. When they hear the bell ring, they get excited and know that it's time to eat! The kids liked this week's lunch, especially Monday's spaghetti (very messy!). If any parents have ideas for snacks, please contact me at the Preschool, ext. 248. Have a happy Thanksgiving and week-end.
Thank you!
Janice Ramey

CDC NEWS

3-Year Old Group

Parents! First of all, we apologize to all of you for not having news in last weeks newsletter in on time. Our newsletter is due on Wednesday so when you see us, just say "Did you get your news in today?". Thank you and I'll be sure not to miss the deadline again! We are going to be ending the Farm unit (ahhhh...we had SO much fun!) and will be beginning on the Rain Forest (yes folks, its getting 'gooder' and 'gooder' - jokes!). Each week, we will need different projects cut out and/or drawn. We'll have a list by the 2 & 3 year old daily schedule if anybody has some time to volunteer. Thank you for all of your support and continue to study hard! Oh yes, we'll also be starting on name recognition so when you arrive in the morning, please help your child find his or her name and put it in the basket! Thanks!

Jodie Pepion & Roberta Hand Boy



4-Year Old Group

Hi everyone! It's been an exciting week. There is snow everywhere! This week we are learning about "Stars", which in Lakota is "Wi ca hpi". We sang new songs for our circle time. Ask your child about the Hokey Pokey (we know it by heart!). Have a great weekend!

Erin Slides Off

5-Year Old Group:

Hello! We had a fun week learning about "Wi ca hpi" (star). Our song of the week was "Twinkle Twinkle Little Star". If your children are asking to go out after dark, it's to take a peek at the stars. We had magnetic stars in our Discovery area and painted all kinds of star pictures. Each of the children were a "Star for the Day". Thank you to the parents who attended the CLTF meeting. Enjoy your iBooks! Remember to send caps, gloves, boots, and snow pants daily.

Barb West

2-Year Old Group:

Hello Parents! What's next? Thanksgiving already! Time flies when you're having fun! This week, we are finishing up our Farm & Ranch unit. Next week we will be visiting the Rain Forest! Juanita and I would like to encourage you to come in and give us your input. We want you to feel comfortable in knowing that you are welcome! If you have some free time, please feel free to come in to our classroom! Thanks!

Cathy Still Day and Juanita Reiner



CDC NEWS

L.E.A.P. News:

Three members, Marie Brown, Cathy Still Day and Barb Archambault, attended the NIEA Convention in Sioux Falls, SD, on Oct. 28-Nov. 2 and presented the CDC curriculum.

Several of the staff at the Infant/Toddler Center & Preschool developed this much needed instrument, which enables the centers to have a guide to implement and to follow which benefits the children's growth, as well as infuses our culture. This has also helped the teachers to know what is expected at each developmental level. This is a very workable curriculum and is also culturally realistic.

Thus, United Tribes Technical College childcare centers now have a curriculum and, more important, it's the only one developed by any college anywhere that meets the needs of our diverse population!!! It is still being revised, with input from parents and teachers. Once it is completed, it will be available for purchase by other centers to implement.

United Tribes and the Lakota/English Acquisition Project would like to thank all the people who worked so diligently this past summer to develop this curriculum. Without your hard work, this curriculum would not have happened. Thank you to Barb West, Cathy Still Day, Jackie Many Bears, Jean Chapman, Leah Fast Horse, Doris Red Bird, Deanna Tooke, and of course our consultant who was a very vital guide in developing this curriculum, Lisa Azure. You are very much appreciated and thanked for the endless hours devoted to the development of this curriculum guide!

Wopila tanka (A Big Thank You)

Marie Brown

***The CLTF members say "Thank You"
to the cafeteria for all the beautiful and delicious
snacks they provide for our meetings.***

Thanks!