



Flying Kites a Hopeful Sign of Spring!

Photo by Mrs. Lincoln



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The weather was just right and the wind was strong enough to fly a kite! Mrs. Lincoln's third grade class are all outdoors running around getting their kites ready so the wind can help their kites fly. If you were one of Mrs. Lincoln's students before, then you would remember all the great learning and hands on activities, she had you do in her classroom. This is just one more of her strategies of how she has her students discover ways in their own learning. In the way of having the students fly their kite on their own, this activity they will always remember. In past years, Mrs. Lincoln had her students make corn balls, and even taught her students how to make some other traditional foods, she had her students make their own clocks. I know if I was in the third grade, I would not forget my teacher letting me outdoors to fly a kite. Kudos to Mrs. Lincoln. We can only wait to see what's next in her classroom. With this activity, we can only be hopeful that Spring is really here.

Councilwoman Turner-Lone Fight Update



Hello to all our community members who live here and to those who live out of state. Before I begin this update, right now there are members in our community, who have lost their beloved ones. So at this time, I would like to take a moment and extend my sincere sympathies to the family and relatives on the loss of their beloved ones; Sherman Guimont, Madaline Wounded Face, Donovan Bird, Fred Baker, Dana Newman, Clay Spotted Bear and Julian Lonewolf Poitra. Your family and relatives are all in our thoughts and prayers. I would like to extend my condolences to our other segments who have lost beloved ones. We all need prayers especially for our mourners and for those who are sick.



April is an exciting time as we move forward to spring weather. For our community Easter we did a drive thru at the Water Chief hall parking lot. The staff handed out baskets for the youth and gift cards from Jack & Jill and a gift card and a ham for the elders. There was a special guest on hand and that was our West Segment Easter bunny! I felt fortunate to stop for a moment and take a photo with

our West Segment Easter bunny. It was a fun filled day for the kids, they enjoyed their Easter baskets, you can see some photos on page 4 of the West Segment News. Moving right along, I would like to invite all community members to attend the West Segment honoring of the 10th year Anniversary for the fire hall and the EMS services. On Friday, April 26th from 5:00pm to 8:00pm this will be held at the Water Chief Hall. Also for the kids to keep them busy, we will have the jump house open on that day. West Segment will feed the kids there so they can play. Now that it's spring, that means spring cleaning time. We have set the date for community clean-up for Monday, April 22 which is earth day. We wanted to get started now so the kids/adults can

get their NDSF State fair mega bands, grandstand tickets, relay tickets and so forth.

For clean up day on April 22nd we are asking our community to help keep our home clean of West Segment so it looks nice. I would like to thank the beautification program for starting the clean up.

I was very proud of these two girls so I took a moment to take this picture with Aiyone Johnson and Christine Driver. Johnson and Driver our 2024 Lady Warrior Seniors, both recently signed their letters of intent



with Dakota College at Bottineau. On behalf of our community West Segment. I would like to say, we wish you the best of successes as you go on your venture into college and the world of sports!

Class of 2024 graduation is coming up soon with that brings school break and nicer weather. Also our youth program is on full speed ahead, you can contact our Coordinator, Michael DeVille for all the great things they have planned for the kids.

Mother's day is May 12th. So I would like to say Happy Mother's Day to all the mothers, aunts and grandmothers who are care takers of our children and grandchildren. Have a wonderful Mother's day!

This is all I have for now, until next time, take care and be safe.

Thank you for being a good reader

Go wits

West Segment Representative Gladys Sherry Turner-Lone Fight

For Your Information



Greetings my fellow elders, our weather has been nice so that means Spring cleaning time. Just like to remind you, elders if you have paperwork to get in please make sure you have everything when you give them to me so I can submit them in a timely manner for you and your

appointments.

Also great news for our elders here in West Segment we will be taking elders to Deadwood, South Dakota for three days. May 1-3rd so if you signed up then you are ready to go. If you would like to have a garden tilled you can contact Rhonda or Tiffany at 759-3058 Monday through Friday from 8-5pm to schedule a time.

It is that time of the year now where we will all be busy spring cleaning whether that be in our homes or our yards. Our West Segment community will be having clean up day this month on April 22nd which is earth day! If you are unable to get to the solid waste yourself or if your trash is too large for you then you can leave it next to the street and it will be picked up. If you don't have a lawn mower for your grass or weeds need to be cut, they will provide you with one. Just call 759-3377.

Remember the Mandaree Celebration warbonnet dance will be on Saturday, April 20th at the new school here in Mandaree. So if you are going please take precautions and protect your health.

This is about all I have for now. If you have any questions, or need assistance please feel free to call me at my office at the Water Chief Hall my number is 759-3377 ext. 227

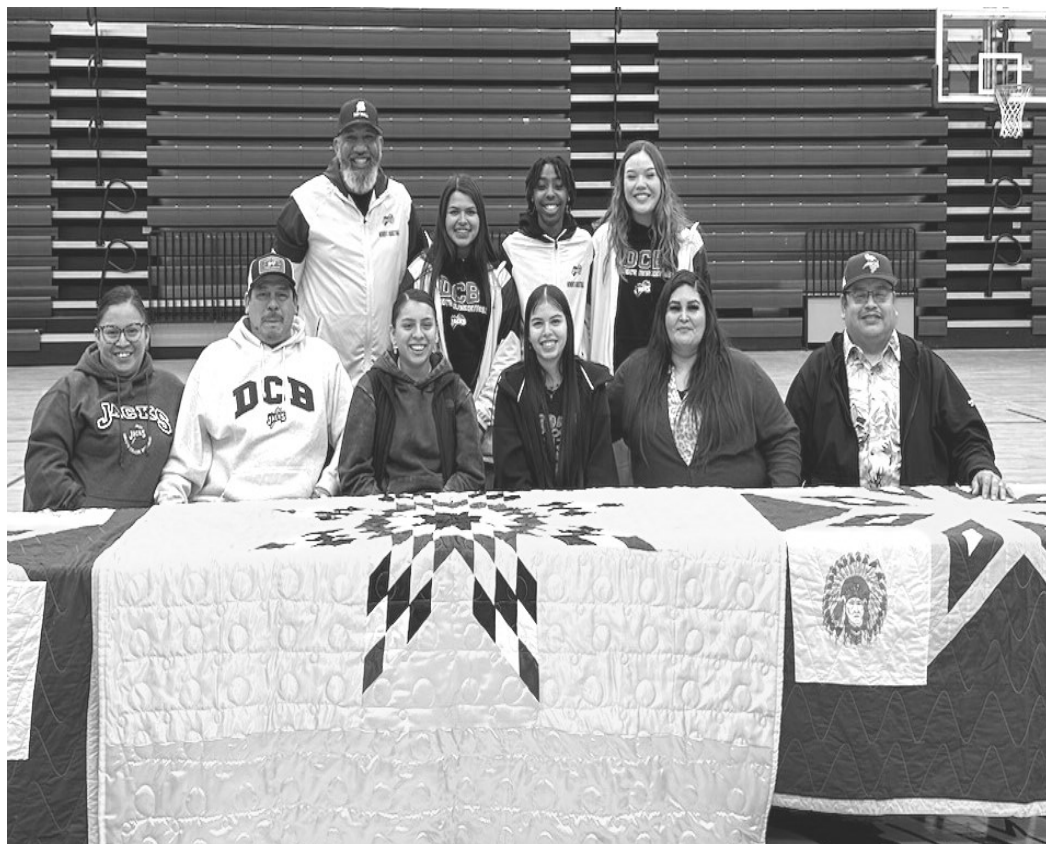
Thank you

Rosie Johnson, West Segment Elders Advocate

Cell: 701-421-8519

Fax: 701-759-3444

Mandaree Seniors Lady Warriors Johnson & Driver Sign Letter of Intent



Left to right: Mrs. & Mr. Adam Johnson with their daughter Aiyona Johnson and Christine Driver with her parents Marie and Russell Driver. In the back is the Lady Lumberjacks Coach Larry Roberts, Jewels Lone Fight, Amari Butler and BrandeeRhae Mays. Aiyona and Christine are Lady Warrior Senior basketball players and they both signed their letter of intent with the Dakota College in Bottineau, North Dakota. We would like to wish these gals the best of success to their future at Bottineau!



L-R: Ethel Reeves is Christine's great grandmother, Christine, and her great grandfather Will Reeves Sr., in the back her mother Marie and her father Russell Driver. Were all there to support of Christine.

West Segment Easter For Kids

Photos by Roni Stiffarm



You can see prepared Easter baskets for the kids. Easter baskets were prepared for the youth as well.



West Segment employees were very busy for the Easter holiday. Pictured above are some vehicles lined up in the parking lot of the Water Chief Hall. Each head of household received their Easter gift cards to Jack & Jill.

The employees also handed out Easter baskets for the youth and younger ones as well.

A gift card to Jack & Jill's and a ham was given to the elders in our community. Everyone was asked to sign in as they received their gift cards and Easter baskets for their kids.

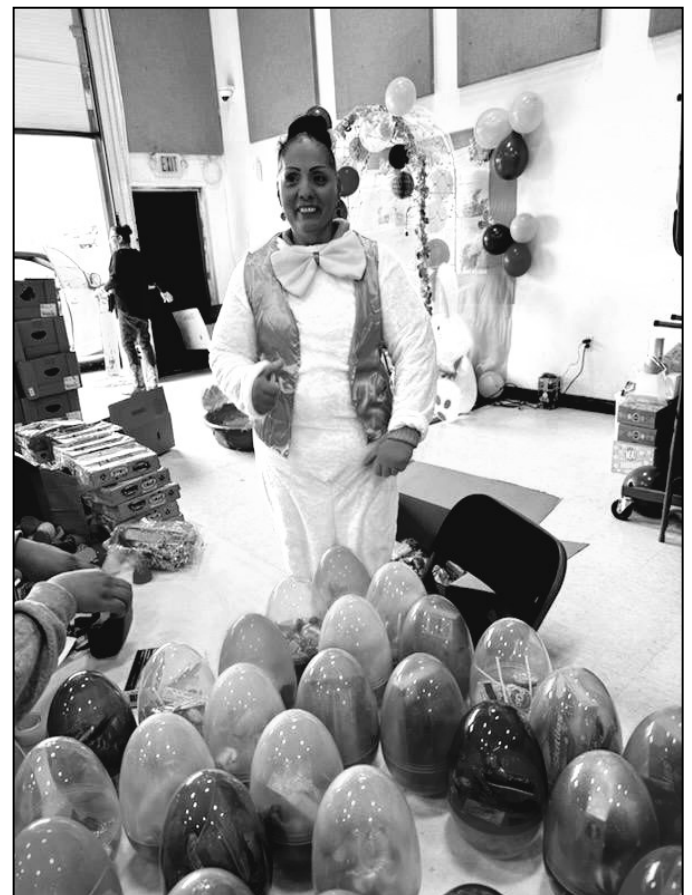
One special highlight there was a special guest appearance and that was the West Segment Easter bunny who was on hand to take photos with kids and families. It was a nice day, in fact, it was the day the snow storm was forecasted. We are very thankful and grateful for the Easter gift cards, Easter baskets, the ham for the elders. A special thank you to the West Segment staff and Councilwoman Gladys Sherry Turner-Lone Fight.



Here is another angle of the nice Easter baskets where it shows stuffed bunnies with goodies for the youth.



West Segment Easter bunny was on hand for picture taking with nicely decorated background for the photos.



West Segment Easter bunny is our own Renay Brown, who is always on hand to help and make our events possible & Fun! She is a hard worker!

Around West Segment

Thank You

We want to give big thanks to our Mandaree community and sponsors for supporting the Mandaree Little Lady Warriors and Mandaree Lady Warriors basketball teams. Our weekly fundraiser and donations have helped our teams purchase new uniforms (will be here soon), pay entry fees, and travel expenses to tournaments.



Mandaree Lady Warriors (5&6 grades)



Little Lady Warriors (3&4 grades)

Thank you to the parents, grandparents, and guardians for entrusting us with the opportunity to coach and guide your children. It has been a great experience for them to learn the rules of basketball, build invaluable team work skills, learn responsibility to the team, the importance of hard work by committing to go to regular practices, and the lessons of winning and losing. It is the heart and dedication they put into the basketball and to see them try their best.

Thank you to the girls who have been consistent on attending and participating in practice and putting down those phones. It is great to see you improve and watch your confidence grow. Practices helps you learn the fundamentals of basketball and the need to work together as team to succeed. Practice helps you not be confused on the court and be in-sync with your teammates. One day you will be our Mandaree School Girls Basketball State Champions.

Mandaree Little Lady Warriors
Marea DeVille
Hunter Martell Assistant

Mandaree Warriors coaches
Michael DeVille
Amanda DeVille Assistant

Young Bucks Championship Win Tournament



These young players called the Young Bucks are making their mark playing basketball! The Team recently won the 3rd Grade Red Division Champions! We are proud of you Young Bucks on your Championship Win! Very well deserved Champions!

Back Row LtoR: Anthony White Owl, Ryland Jetty, Hooper Williams, Kingman Hale, Warren Chase, Britt Lachney, Coash Fred Hale, Student Manager-Season Hale. Front Row LtoR:

Moziz McCormick, Ry'Len Holds the Enemy, Flint Hale, AJ Abbey and Heath Bear. Keep an eye out for the Young Bucks this is only the beginning!

West Segment Fitness Recreation Keeps Community Involved

West Segment Fitness Recreation department has been very busy in keeping our community involved in different kinds of activities. Some of the activities the West Segment fitness has going on is they have a step challenge which started the first day of March and ends on March 31st. This particular activity was for adults and elders with winners in each category. The winners will receive shoes and additional Scheels gift cards for the top steppers in each category.

Another activity was the cornhole leagues which takes place every Monday evening from 7-8pm at the Mandaree Water Chief hall. Everyone must participate in the league play in order to qualify for the tournament. Cornhole leagues players are pictured to your right participating inside the walls of the Mandaree hall.

Another activity that will be happening is the Mandaree Circuit class. Instructors are Dennis Fimbres and Tia Mandan. For participants who want to burn fat, build muscle and improve over all health at any fitness level are free to join and participant. This started on March 21 classes take place at Mandaree Fitness center located inside the Mandaree Elders Meal site. Classes start every Thursday at 7pm for circuit training.

Then on April 2nd from 5-6pm will be the Autism Awareness Walk/Run. All participants will meet at the Mandaree Celebration grounds. Shirts and refreshments will be available on a first come first serve basis. If you have any questions on any of these activities, you may contact; Tia Mandan at (701)421-0239 or Mike DeVille at (701) 421-5814. Our community appreciates; Tia Mandan, Mike DeVille and Dennis Fimbres for all their hard work in making it possible for everyone to enjoy these activities. They also have activities for all ages including our elders.

Photos by West Segment Fitness



Pictured are some of the participants in the cornhole league. In the photo below are more players in the cornhole league.



Around West Segment

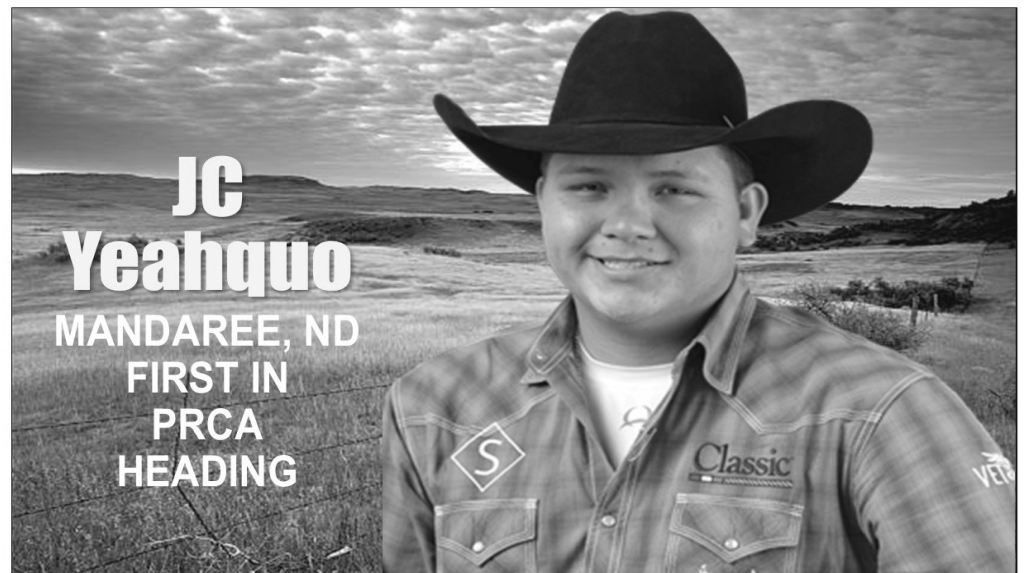
Photos by Jerrilane Lincoln



The Mandaree concert had a very good turn out. It was nice to have the parents come in and do the decorating of the bleachers for the parents and students to enjoy. This year's theme was Jungle party tonight. K-5 sang songs and they had the 6,7, and 8th grade students speak in between their songs. It was nice to hear the k-5 students sing and enjoyed by their parents and grandparents.

Home town Cowboy in Team Roping World Standing

Photo courtesy of Wild Rides Television



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This young man is no stranger to the rodeo arena. He's been roping since he was young with his brother; Luke Jarrette known as LJ and Jeremiah Cole known as JC., are the sons of Luke and Jennifer (Johnson) Yeahquo all enrolled members of the MHA Nation with Mandaree, ND being their hometown.

JC has been on a winning streak, in his time of traveling. Right now he is going in the right direction and moving toward the "world standings." He is leading the PRCA team roping. JC has made a name for himself in the rodeo circuit everyone knows who he is and how he ropes. If you watch the cowboy channel you are sure to see JC. After winning Rodeo Houston, he is headed into the direction of world standing. JC is for sure one Native talented cowboy to watch in action as he heads for his goal of being in the world standing! We are all rooting for you JC Yeahquo!

Mandaree Volunteer Fire Department

Courtesy of Mandaree Volunteer Fire Department /Marle Baker



Mandaree VFD on the job day or night. In the photo above the VFD caught a car on fire before it became full involved and created greater danger to the owner and public. Always a privilege to work alongside these great guys protecting and serving their community.



Great work Robin Hall and Keith White Owl & Heath Hall! That call at 3 am can sure be tough but these guys answer and get the job done. Always a privilege to work alongside you!

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Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics (STEM)



Four state-of-the-art STEM Centers at Mandaree, Parshall, Twin Buttes, and White Shield elementaries-all on the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation in North Dakota. Cal Ripken, Sr. Foundation and industry partners XTO Energy and Marathon Oil, we have equipped students on the reservation with amazing technology including 3D printers, coding kits, and Snap Circuits. More exciting than all these innovative learning tools are the imaginative minds of the students at work in them.

Walter, Jason and myself, Lisa DeVille all volunteered at the STEM event held at the Water Chief Hall. We would like to say thank you to all the young scientist who attended the Stem event. (see photos above and side)

“Science knowledge allows us to develop new technologies, solve practical problems, and make informed decisions both individually and collectively.”

Lisa Finley~ DeVille

Pictured above are some Mandaree students opening one of the kits furnished for them to discover their skill in science, technology, engineering and mathematics. Fun ways to make great discoveries.



STEM Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics

From The Desk of Mr. Serna Mandaree School Superintendent

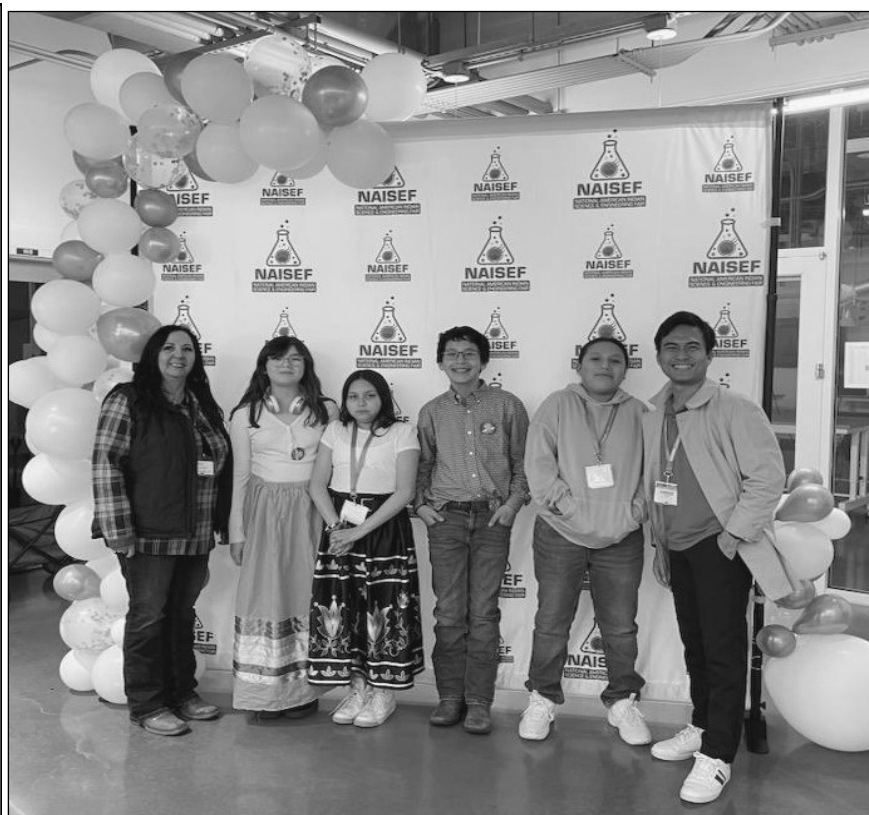


As the academic year progresses, the approach of Memorial Day Weekend signals the end of the session. It is imperative to emphasize the importance of attendance and recuperating lost time to earn requisite school credits for graduation. In this regard, we are pleased to offer Saturday Attendance Recovery for the entire month of April

to enable students to compensate for missed hours effectively. We want to make sure students meet their hours to graduate or move on to the next grade.

We would like to take this opportunity to express our immense pride in the exceptional accomplishments of our four elementary students, namely, Aaliyah Fox-Deane, Stan McCormick, Breyliegh Hunts Along, and Jordan Hall. Their exemplary performance led them to qualify and attend the prestigious National American Indian Science & Engineering Fair in Stillwater, OK. Their dedication and hard work were recognized being the top 1%, representing our school district, state, by attending this national event.

STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) education is more than just imparting knowledge; it also nurtures critical thinking skills and scientific literacy while fostering the next generation of trailblazers and problem solvers. The innovative ideas stemming from STEM education are instrumental in driving the creation of novel products and processes, providing the bedrock for economic sustenance. Building a robust foundation in STEM areas is crucial for fostering innovation and scientific literacy, which forms the cornerstone for future success and meeting global demand. **Mark your calendars: Warbonnet dance on April 20th, 2024; Mandaree School Prom: April 27th** with grand march at 6pm. **Mandaree high school graduation date is May 25th, 2024.**



Chaperone~Mrs. Jeanine Spotted Horse, Aaliyah Fox-Deane, Breyleigh Hunts Along, Stan McCormick, Jordan Hall with Chaperone Mr. Gerick Vender.



Jordan Hall, Breyleigh Hunts Along, Aaliyah Fox-Deane, and Stan McCormick. At the National Indian Science & Engineering Fair in Oklahoma, Their dedication and hard work was recognized being the top 1 percent representing our school district, and our state by attending this national event held in Stillwater, Oklahoma.

Around West Segment Community



West Segment has set the clean up date for Monday, April 22 starting at 9:00am to 5:00pm.

This is for Mandaree residents only. Here is a schedule:

- Take all garbage to Solid Waste~Hours Monday~ 7am~3:30pm. Tuesday~Saturday: 7am~4:30pm. Their phone number is 759-3641.
- Residents who are unable to get to Solid waste please leave your bags of trash too large for you to take to solid waste yourself leave your trash next to the street to be picked up.
- Please contact Water Chief Hall at 759-3377 if you do not have a mower to keep grass/weeds cut they will provide you with one to cut and upkeep. Please keep garbage off residential roads and in proper receptacles.
- Staff will be monitoring yards for cleanliness. Please be sure to keep your areas in compliance with Hidatsa Housing Lease agreements/Fort Berthold Housing agreements. Township standards. Citations for upkept yards/eyesores will be issued.
- Gloves and bags will be available at the Water Chief Hall when available to keep yards clean through Spring and Summer.
- Sign up at the Water Chief Hall for Clean up day to earn your North Dakota State Fair Grandstand or Mega Band.
- For more information, please contact Renay Brown at 701-421-4641.



West Segment Upcoming Events; Mark Your Calanders!

April:

22nd: Community Clean up Day 9-5pm.

26th: 10th year anniversary for Volunteer Fire & EMS departments 5-8pm.

May:

1-3: Elder's trip to Deadwood, contact Bernadine at (701) 421-5687.

9th: Youth Arts & Crafts for Mother's Day 5-8pm

10th: Mothers Day pictures and gift giving 2-8pm

29th: Hand game tournament (Memorial day event) 6pm

June:

6th: Father's Day Cornhole tournament 1pm

30th: West Segment Festival ALL DAY EVENT. TDH catering 6pm

July:

8th: Community Clean up Day 9-5pm

23rd: Indian Relay Elder trip, vans leave at 3pm.

For Your Information

Calling All Bingo Players



The 2024 Mandaree Celebration Committee will have bingo night every Sunday!

Join us at the Water Chief Hall with the early birds at 2:00pm and the regular session at 2:30pm.



Just a reminder; wakes or any emergency event or bad weather will take precedence over our bingo.

Warbonnet Parade Dances Schedule



Four Bears Warbonnet Parade is on Sunday, April 14 2024. Feed mourners at 11am Grand entry at 1pm parade at 2pm at Johnny Bird Vet, Memorial Building in New Town.

Mandaree Warbonnet Parade on Saturday, April 20th at the New school in Mandaree.

White Shield Warbonnet Parade is on Saturday, April 27th, 2024.

Santee Warbonnet Parade on Sunday, April 28th at the Parshall Lucky Mound Vet Memorial Building.

Little Shell Warbonnet Parade is on Saturday, May 11th, 2024 at the New Town High School. Mourners feed at 11am. The warbonnet parade will start at 1pm

Twin Buttes Warbonnet Parade is on Thursday, June 13, 2024 camping day of their celebration.

Mandaree Hidatsa Celebration 2024:

For Vendor Information please contact Terry Beston at (701) 421-3339.

For community members wanting to put on a special or honoring, please contact Lyda Spotted Bear at (701) 421-2867 or Elyza Robertson at (701) 421-4009. Please contact them before April 30, 2024.

Message for Celebration Committee's From Solid Waste Director

It is that time of year to start scheduling clean ups as we can only do 1 per community at a time. I will also need to hear from someone from each Celebration Committee to set up service. I was already contacted by the Four Bears Committee.

Kansas Johnson, Solid Waste Director

Cell: 421-7674

Office: 627-2034

Four Bears Celebration Committee

Vendors can contact Vonnie Alberts at (701) 421-2642 or email: Vonnie_jo@live.com

Dance Specials contact Nakota Begay at (701) 897-9812 or email: grayboynakota@gmail.com

Santee Lucky Mound Celebration:

Vendors can contact Karen Walks at (701) 421-7397

Dance Specials, giveaways, honoring (s) or any special event can contact Felicia Dickens at (701) 421-7868

For Your Information

Wolf Chief Store & More



Wolf Chief Store Hours:
7am-8pm Monday to Friday.

On Saturday and Sunday the Wolf Chief Store opens at 10am to 6pm



Hay Draw Café opens 8am to 2pm Monday to Friday.

Hay Draw Café is closed on Saturday and Sundays.

Lindsey Fox Sepeta will be there if you have any questions you can call her 421-6347.

Mandaree One Stop

Monday -Friday: 6am to 8pm

Mandaree One Stop is closed on Weekends.

For information you can call 759-3609

St. Anthony's Catholic Church Schedule:

Saturday: 7:30 pm New Town

Sunday: 8:30am New Town

Sunday: 11:00am Mandaree

Mandaree Post Office Hours:

Monday-Friday: 12:00-4:00pm

Saturday: 11:00am- 1:00pm

Numbers for Your Convenience

Water Chief Hall: (701) 759-3377

Mandaree One Stop: (701) 759-3609

Wolf Chief Store & More: (701) 759-3140

West Segment Elders Advocate Rosie Johnson: at (701) 759-3377 ext.227 Her cell (701) 421-8519.

Mandaree Clinic: Monday-Friday from 8:00am to 4:30pm phone 759-3422 (Pharmacy is open daily)

Mandaree School: 759-3311

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FNP Lori Jepson: is in the Mandaree Clinic on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Fridays

Every Wednesday: a Nurse will be at the Clinic for immunizations only by appointment.

Mandaree Clinic Pharmacy: is open everyday during the week Monday-Friday 8:00am to 4:30pm

From District 4A Representative Lisa DeVille



I gave verbal public comment on the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Final Onshore Leasing Rule. My verbal public comment is below for you to review.

Hi my name is Representative Lisa Finley-DeVillie and I represent over 7000 residents of the Fort Berthold Reservation in North Dakota District 4A. I am an enrolled member of the Mandan, Hidatsa, and Arikara Nation. I and my family are lifelong residents on the Fort Berthold Reservation.

I am here today to ask you to finalize the new Onshore Leasing Rule as quickly as possible. Communities like mine are in need of federal protections like this rule. Every day this rule is not passed the oil and gas reclamation liability for North Dakota grows. At present, Taxpayers for Common Sense estimates the total reclamation liability for North Dakota at \$433 million dollars. This is not something my tribe or the state could ever accomplish without significantly dipping into our own coffers.

Lastly, I want to mention that the majority of the oil and gas development on federal lands is on my tribe's (the Mandan, Hidatsa, and Arikara nation) ancestral lands. It is the duty of the federal government to protect my people and our ancestral lands. We hope you can do that soon by finalizing this important rule as soon as possible.

Representative District 4A~Lisa DeVille
Thank you.

World Water Day!

For this day I wanted to say what I think about the need for Clean Water and some of clean water importance. Humans can only last without clean water for three days. Without clean water all living things will die. Why we need clean water?

Need for Clean Water

We all know that we need water to stay alive, but we may not be aware just what water does for our bodies. You need water to regulate body temperature. It dissolves nutrients and minerals, and it helps to move them around our bodies. Human blood is more than 80 percent water. Water flushes waste products out of our kidneys and livers, lubricates our joints and keeps our eyes, mouths and nose tissues moist. It regulates human body temperature and protects our internal organs. Our lungs are 90 percent water and our brains are 70 percent water. In fact, about 60 percent of the average human body is water. There is only 3% of fresh water to drink in the world.

We must protect our sacred water for our future generations. We use sacred water for our ceremonies and sweats. It is our human right to clean water! You don't know the value of water until you witness your water being depleted and live with the constant threat of contamination.

Representative District 4A~Lisa DeVille

PRESS RELEASE:

BLM's Finalized Methane Rule Limits Waste of Natural Resources and Pollution in Western Communities

Strong enforcement of BLM and EPA rules are now needed to protect communities from the harmful pollutants generated by oil and gas extraction on federal and tribal lands.

WASHINGTON, D.C.- Today, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) finalized a rule to address methane waste from oil and gas development. While the rule is a good start at limiting the uncontrolled waste of methane on federal and tribal lands, the BLM needs to do more to protect our public lands and minerals, taxpayer and tribal interests, and Western communities. The finalized BLM rule, which focuses on royalties, falls short in adequately addressing the massive volume of waste and pollution associated with methane. Dr. Barbara Vasquez, Chair of WORC's Oil & Gas Team and a member of Western Colorado Alliance explains, "Encouraging companies to commit to capturing all methane, and assessing royalties on wasted methane is a long-overdue step in the right direction. However, it's a disappointingly narrow interpretation of BLM's fundamental responsibility under the Mineral Leasing Act to prevent waste of the resources extracted from public and tribal lands and minerals. This minimal approach still allows the waste of taxpayer-owned resources and the continuation of serious air pollution that harms the health of our communities. Fortunately, the EPA's strong new clean air standards will help to protect our western communities from continued pollution by methane and associated VOC's and other harmful air pollutants. Our members will continue to push BLM and all regulatory agencies to stop this unnecessary pollution and waste entirely." The finalized rule will reduce routine venting and flaring by requiring operators to either commit to a zero flaring certification or file a waste minimization plan for new and existing wells. Although this is a step in the right direction, the final rule will allow companies to continue venting and flaring practices that ultimately harm surrounding communities and the environment, and waste a publicly owned resource. According to analysis by the Environmental Defense Fund (EDF), approximately 88 billion cubic feet of methane, worth around \$230 million, was vented or flared on federal and tribal lands in 2019. This amount of gas could have met the yearly needs of 1.2 million households, surpassing the combined households of New Mexico and North Dakota. Western states and communities suffer from lost revenue due to methane waste on public lands. Since 49% of royalties collected from federal public lands are returned to the states, this loss of revenue from continued venting and flaring reduces funding for mitigation efforts, infrastructure development, education, and services for communities directly impacted by energy development. Additionally, states miss out on additional revenue from the associated severance and conservation taxes. The impact of wasted methane extends beyond economic concerns. Tribal communities in North Dakota are particularly affected by methane waste, suffering not just from economic harm

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From District 4A Representative Lisa DeVille

PRESS RELEASE:

Oil & Gas Extraction on Fort Berthold Reservation

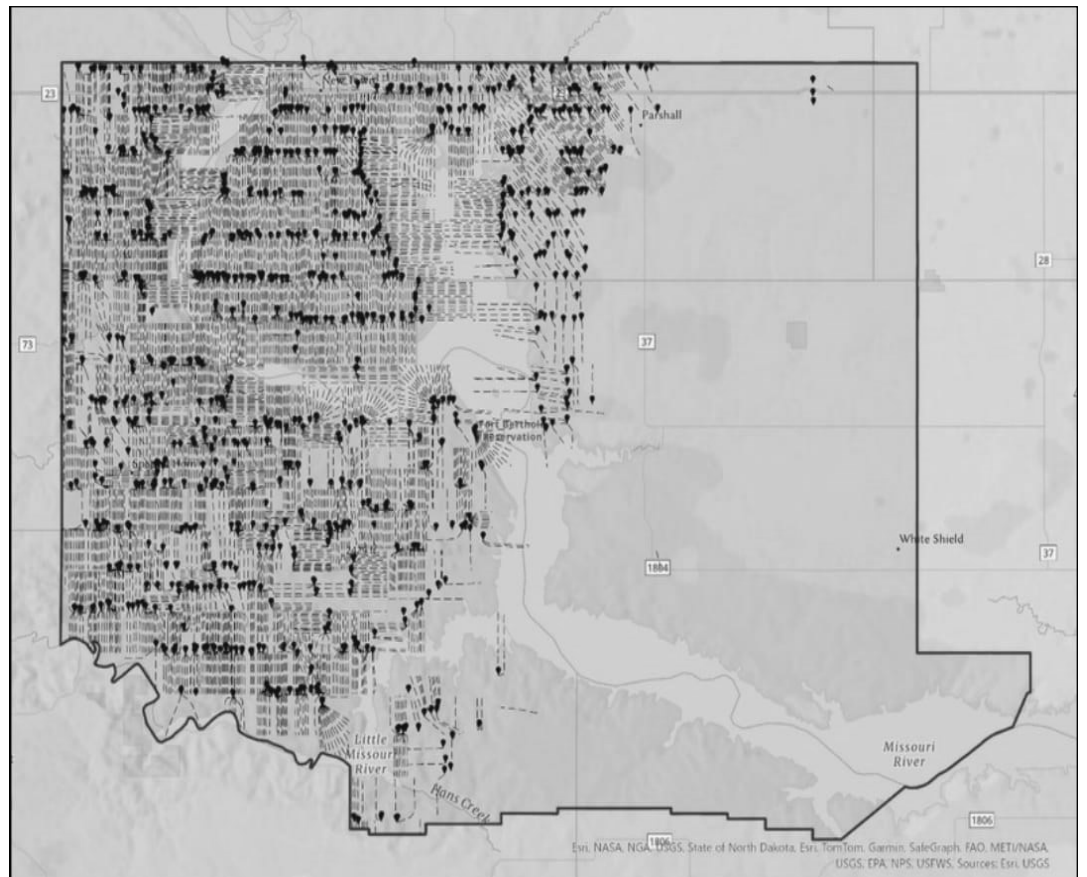
but disproportionate health impacts from venting and flaring.

Representative Lisa Finley-DeVile (ND4a) co-founder and VP of Fort Berthold POWER, and Dakota Resource Council board member said, “The BLM waste rule addresses the royalties lost from unfettered oil and gas production, but for my community on Fort Berthold Reservation, the fact that routine venting and flaring from existing and new wells is not banned means the continued waste of tribal resources. Not only do we lose out on revenue through royalties and taxes but we also have to pay the higher costs of healthcare due to exposure to the wasted gas.”

Studies have shown that an increase in flared methane as small as 1% leads to a percentage increase in hospitalization rates almost as large (0.73%), disproportionately affecting communities of color. Native Americans also live near oil and gas wells at rates significantly higher than the national average, putting them at greater risk from pollution associated with methane emissions.

CONTACTS:

- Sarah Hunkins, DC Representative, shunkins@worc.org, 334-467-2050
- Eric Warren, Communications Lead, ewarren@worc.org, 207-272-9002



This map shows the location of wells clustered around Lake Sakakawea, created by Marea D. using GIS it shows location of fracking wells in western Fort Berthold Reservation. Areas with a high concentration of marks would indicate where the impact of fracking is most severe, potentially including issues such as water contamination, habitat destruction, and other environmental concerns.

It should also be noted that the Fox Hills aquifer is primarily located in the western part of the state. It extends across various counties including Dunn, McKenzie, Mountrail, Williams, and surrounding areas. The aquifer is an important source of groundwater for municipal drinking water and agricultural use in the region.

It's particularly significant for oil and gas operations, as it is over utilized as a source of water for fracking activities in the Bakken.

Note: Since 2010 our ancestral lands have been heavily oil and gas extracted. Also, this map does not include any other oil & gas activity such as pipelines and treater stations.

Lisa Finley-DeVile

More on page 16.

Memorial For Marcia White Eagle



The Family of Marcia White Eagle would like to invite everyone to come and enjoy a Memorial feed and give away.

In memory of their beloved mother, grandmother, sister, aunt.

On Thursday, May 16, 2024 starting at 1:00pm a the Water Chief Hall in Mandaree, North Dakota. They will have some bingo games. So bring your own dabbers.

From District 4A Representative Lisa DeVille

Welcome to the
2024 Democratic-NPL
State Convention!



The first day North Dakota Democratic-NPL 2024 State Convention I gave the Land Acknowledgement. Below is my speech for your review.

ND Dem NPL Convention Land Acknowledgment Spring 2024

Dosha! My name is Representative Lisa Finley-DeVille. I represent District 4A. My Native American name is “Accomplishes Everything” and on my mother passing last year I receive her name “Eagle Woman.” Thank you for letting me give the Land Acknowledgement.

While land acknowledgements are often made with good intentions, we must also acknowledge that there are some

challenges with land acknowledgements becoming more performative gestures. As we gather on this land, we must confront the limitations of frameworks that often accompany such acknowledgements. While recognizing the traditional territories of Indigenous people, we must acknowledge that notions of property rights and governance have historically served to dispossess and marginalize our communities.

This acknowledgement is not just a symbolic gesture, but a call to action to dismantle oppressive structures and work towards genuine reconciliation and justice for all people. The lands we occupy were stolen through colonization, genocide, and forced displacement, actions justified by ideologies that prioritize individual rights over collective well-being. These ideologies continue to perpetuate systems of oppression and environmental degradation that disproportionately impact Indigenous people. All land acknowledgements should be accompanied by meaningful call to action to address the ongoing issues faced by Indigenous communities, please donate to Native lead organizations that are working to make some of the most transformative change in North Dakota.

We acknowledge that we are on the ancestral lands of the Nueta, Hidatsa, Sanish, Anishinaabe, Dakota, Lakota, and Nakota people, who have stewarded this land for countless generations. We recognize our enduring connection to this territory, which remains vital to our cultural, spiritual, and physical well-being.

As we gather on this land, we honor the resilience and wisdom of the people who have lived here since time immemorial. We pay tribute to their traditions, languages and ways of life, which will continue to enrich our communities today. We honor the spirits on this land from centuries passed, and acknowledge their contributions and sacrifices to bring us

here today.

We acknowledge the ongoing injustices and hardships faced by Native American communities, including the legacy of colonization, dispossession, and systemic oppression.

We commit to standing in solidarity with the Native people of North Dakota and working towards healing, justice, and reconciliation. We must commit to supporting indigenous sovereignty, self-determination and land stewardship practices that center community well-being over capitalist interests.

Especially today, as we confront environmental challenges such as climate change, deforestation, and pollution, we must draw upon the wisdom of indigenous people’s traditional ecological knowledge and work collaboratively to protect our planet for future generations.

May we always strive to honor the sacred bond between the land and its original caretakers, and to uphold the principles of respect, reciprocity, and responsibility in our relationship with this land and all who call it home.

Maacagiraac (Thank you)

Representative Lisa Finley- DeVille (District 4A)

*18+ Men's Grass Dance Special
In Memory Of Marcia White Eagle
"Eagle Woman"*

Prize Money

- 1st Place- \$4,000*
- 2nd Place- \$3,000*
- 3rd Place- \$2,000*
- 4th Place- \$1,000*
- +2 Consolations \$500 Each*

*Sponsored By Her Daughters
Roberta, Lisa, and Judith*

For Your Information

Photos by Mrs. Lincoln



These kids trying their best to get their kites in the air. Some of them struggled with their kites but didn't give up these kids kept on trying, their kites kept them pretty busy.



Here is the end result! Look at all those kites in the sky what an awesome sight to see. These students walked and ran to keep their kites flying high. The sight of kites was all worth their fun!

PARSHALL LUCKY-
MOUND FITNESS AND
RECREATION

3RD AND 4TH GRADE BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

FOUR SEPARATE DIVISIONS
4TH GRADE BOYS
4TH GRADE GIRLS
3RD GRADE BOYS
3RD GRADE GIRLS

APRIL 27-28, 2024

4TH GRADE BOYS AND GIRLS DIVISIONS'
SATURDAY, APRIL 27 ONLY
3RD GRADE BOYS AND GIRLS DIVISIONS
SUNDAY, APRIL 28 ONLY

Call Melichi Four Bear at 701-421-2210 or 701-421-6302 to enter your teams
accepting six teams in each division
\$150.00 per team
prizes for 1st thru 3rd place
three game guarantee

Nueta Hidatsa Sahnish College News

Submitted by Chad Wright Marketing Specialist



NHSC April News & Events:

Events:

- April 2nd & 3rd:~Achieve the Dream Campus Visit
- April 4th~Turtle Mountain Community College Visit
- April 5th~50th Anniversary Gala @ Four Bears
- April 7th~Sunday Academy @ 10:30am in Room 12
- April 9th~Lunch & Learn (Drug & Alcohol Abuse) @Noon
- April 11th~Career Fair @Johnny Bird 9am~5pm
- April 12th~Science Day on Campus 9am~Noon
- April 17th~Storm Study Night in the cafeteria @ 4:30pm
- April 18th~Lunch & Learn (Seed Starting) Room 37@Noon
- April 19th~High School Visit Day
- April 23rd~MHA Traditional Food & Seed Summit~Cafeteria@8:30am

Academics:

- April 29th~May 3rd~Finals Week
- April 30th~Summer Applications Due

Campus Updates:

Upcoming Application Deadlines:

- Summer Applications Due- April 30th
- Summer Documents Due- May 10th

New Hires:

Lisa Chavez~Director of Institutional Research & Effectiveness
Alyssa Starr~ Equine Extension Assistant in Twin Buttes



NHSC April 2024 Calendar

April 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Campus Closed for Easter	2 ATD & ITA Campus Visit	3 ATD & ITA Campus Visit	4 TMCC Campus Visit	5 50 th Anniversary Gala	6
7 Sunday Academy @ 1030am in Rm 12	8	9 Lunch & Learn - Drug & Alcohol Awareness 12pm in Rm 37	10	11 Career Fair @ Johnny Bird 9am-5pm	12 Science Day on Campus 9am-12pm	13
14	15	16	17 Storm Study Night - 430pm-730pm in the Cafeteria	18 Lunch & Learn - Seed Starting with Jessica Uran 12pm-1pm Rm 37	19 High School Visit Day	20
21	22	23 MHA Traditional Food & Seed Summit in the Cafeteria 830am- 4pm	24	25	26	27
28	29 Finals Week	30 Finals Week Summer Applications Due				

MHA Job Announcements

COMMUNITY HEALTH REPRESENTATIVE:

CHR - Mandaree

Location: Mandaree, ND

Management: No

Description: Regular, Full-Time, Benefits

Pay: \$20.00-23.00/hour

Deadline: Open until filled

Questionnaire: Child Care

SOLID WASTE:

Transfer Technician - Mandaree

Location: Mandaree, ND

Management: No

Description: Regular, Full-Time, Benefits

Pay: \$17.85/hour

Deadline: Open until filled

Beautification:

Field Laborer: Mandaree (Seasonal)

Pay: \$20.00/hour

Education:

Education Advocate:

Location: Mandaree School

Pay: \$22.00-\$25.00

Fort Berthold Rural Water:

WTP Operator-Mandaree

Location: Mandaree

Management: No

Description: Regular, Full-time Benefits

Pay: \$25.00/per hour

For questions regarding the application process, please call: Human Resources Department at (701) 627-8251

Elbowoods Memorial Health Center Job Announcements

Nursing:

C.N.A.-MFC

Location: Mandaree

Management: No

Description: Regular, Full-time, Benefits

Pay: \$DOQ (depends on qualifications)

RN-MFC

Location: Mandaree

Management: No

Description: Regular, Full-time, Benefits

Pay: \$DOQ (depends on qualifications)

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TAT Boys & Girls Club:

The Boys & Girls Club is looking for a few good employees!!! There is a site on each segment; Full Time, Part Time and Youth Positions AVAILABLE!!!

Must be able to plan and conduct activity/programs with kids.

Must be able to think on your feet!

Must be able to pass a background check and drug test.

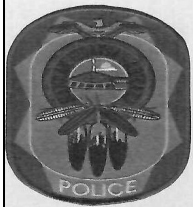
Call or text me. Thank you for your interest.

Kristen Morsette, CEO BGC-TAT

(701)421-9239 (cell)

(701)627-4415 (office)

For Your Information



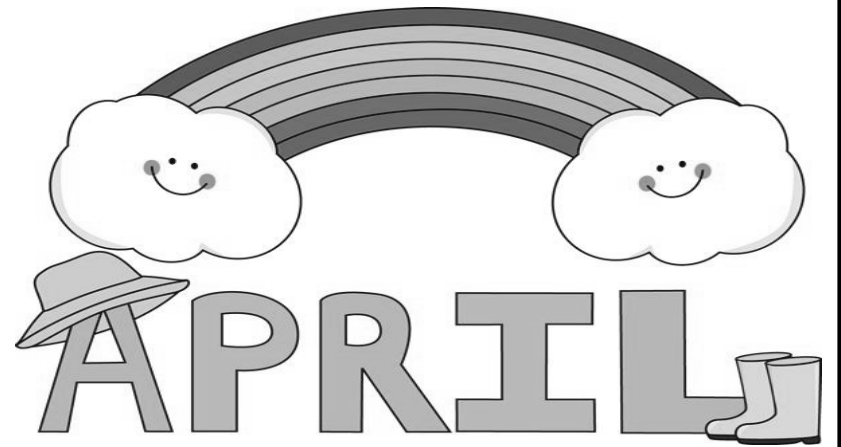
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Seatbelts save lives, remember to always buckle up!

SPRING



Happy Birthday Wishes To Our Elders!!



- Veronica Serdahl
- Ethan Hall
- Claryca Mandan
- Donna Standish
- Sheila Jenner
- Clayton Danks
- Eldora Poitra
- JoAnn Keehn
- Paula Danks
- Clement Baker

happy birthday to you!

Please forgive us if we forgot to mention your name, it was not done intentionally.

2024

Art & Kenny Smith Memorial



Buffalo Shedding its Winter Hair-
Ee Xa Bish

Falcon-Giraagsi

Sponsored by 2024 • Mandaree Hidatsa Celebration Grounds
Drum Keeper Mandaree N.D.
Dillon Fox July 18-21

5man Old Style Bass Drum Contest

CHAMPIONS- \$5,000 + DRUM +
STICKS + CHAIRS & JACKETS

SECOND PLACE- FOURTH
\$4,000 PLACE- \$2,000

THIRD PLACE- FIFTH PLACE-
\$3,000 \$1,000

HEAD SINGING JUDGE-TERRENCE MORGAN ^DATE & TIME TBD^
FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT DILLON FOX 701-421-9360

For Your Information

Purifying the Sense of Sight



During Lent this year, I decided to purify my five senses, because I know that our physical senses affect our spiritual senses. I did research and found a variety of things to use. I want to share with you some of my thoughts and insights. The underlying principle is that our physical senses should work in conjunction with our spiritual senses and together lead us to the salvation of our soul and the salvation of the soul of our

brother or sister.

I started with the Sense of Sight. Everywhere we look, our physical eyes see both good things and evil things. But God has also made us to see things spiritually as well. Sometimes, for instance, our physical eyes see two people with tears flowing down their cheeks embracing and we can say "Oh that's nice." However, if we look with our spiritual senses, we can see God reconciling and healing the relationship of two estranged people. As we get closer to God and have a desire to spiritually see as God sees we become more aware of our spiritual sense of sight. Many examples can be seen in the lives of the saints. St. John Viney one time came out of the confessional and grabbed someone who was waiting in line to go to confession because he could see spiritually that the person was about to leave and not go to confession.

Yes, we all know that our eyes see many things throughout our day. And we also know that some of the things we see, whether voluntarily or involuntarily, we should not see because it does not lead us to our salvation or the salvation of our brother or sister. Yes, the world saturates us with many images that draw us away from God. These images are everywhere - TV, internet, movies, printed material, clothing, modern day art, billboards - everywhere! These images can tempt us to walk away from Jesus and seriously dull our spiritual sense of sight.

We know that Jesus desires that we see things spiritually as He saw things spiritually when he walked among us in the land of Israel. We know that Jesus wants us to see with spiritual eyes His Father, His Father's desires, His Father's plans for us just as Jesus saw with spiritual eyes what the Father wanted and desired for Jesus. And when we do

have this spiritual sight, like Jesus, we will know what to say in the presence of our enemies. We will know how to approach those caught in sin. We will know when to be gentle and when to be stern. We will know what to do when the sick are brought to us. The spiritual sense of sight reveals what is hidden so that the Father can bring salvation to ourselves and to others through us.

Therefore, we need to purify our sense of physical sight and train ourselves to see spiritually. We start by asking God to purify our sense of physical sight and to increase our desire to see everything through our spiritual eyes. Ask to only look at things that are good for your soul and good for the soul of your brother or sister. Always keep looking for the Divine purpose in everything you see. With spiritual eyes, look for the good in a brother or sister. Look for their potential. Look for the Glory of God reflecting from their soul. With spiritual eyes, look for God in creation, in time, everywhere. Make choices that keep you away from unholy sights, that is, avoid occasions of sin. Pray that your physical sight will not provoke evil thoughts. Pray that you do not use the sense of sight for evil.

I firmly believe, if you or anyone truly tries to purify their sense of sight, you will get closer to God. It will demand some changes in your way of life but if you do, your mind will be renewed and your heart will become more open and aware that Jesus is with you, that the Holy Spirit is guiding you and that the Father is blessing you with untold gifts. In the next article, I will offer my thoughts and insights on purifying the sense of hearing. May God Bless you Always

Have a great day with Jesus Christ

Love & Prayers

Father Roger Synek

St. Anthony's Catholic Church

New Town and Mandaree



For Your Information

Welcome Baby!

Photo courtesy of parents



Baby Boy named Jasper Don Rush.

Born: March 4, 2024 at Sanford Health Hospital in Bismarck, ND

Wt: 7lbs 2 oz

Length: 18 inches

Parents: Dorothy (White Owl) Rush and Sky Rush.

CLICK IT OR TICKET

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FOUR BEARS POWWOW

SAVE THE DATES!

MAY 23RD-26TH 2024

District Meeting for Mandaree Community

Good afternoon,

We understand that many of our members have busy lives and don't have the chance to attend cooperative gatherings like the annual meeting. To make sure every member's voice is heard, we'll be holding district meetings throughout our service territory with the next scheduled meeting taking place in Mandaree. Members of this service zone (District 2C) are invited to attend this informal; meeting to receive an update on the cooperative and ask any questions they may have regarding their service. (See flyer below for time and place)

McKenzie Electric COOPERATIVE

POWERING UP CONNECTIONS
POWER, PEOPLE & PROGRESS

MANDAREE ELDERS BUILDING

MANDAREE, ND | 5 - 6:30 PM CST

THURSDAY, APRIL 18

Join us for popcorn & refreshments, a brief update about your cooperative and upcoming projects in your service area.

Mandaree Warbonnet Parade

**2024 Mandaree Hidatsa Celebration Warbonnet
Parade Dance**

On Saturday, April 20th, 2024

**Mandaree New School
Mandaree, ND**

Mourners Feed at 11:00am

Grand Entry at 1:00pm

Parade Starting at 2:00pm

Parshall-Lucky Mound Warbonnet Parade & Celebration

Save The Date



SANTEE

WARBONNET PARADE

MOURNERS FEED @ 11 AM

PARSHALL-LUCKY MOUND VETERANS MEMORIAL HALL

WARBONNET PARADE @ 1PM

SUNDAY, APRIL 28TH, 2024



2024

SANTEE LUCKY MOUND CELEBRATION

JUNE 20-23, 2024

Parshall, North Dakota

Scan QR Code for a Google Map to the Pow-Wow!



Obituary

Sherman Todd Guimont, Three Rabbits "Itigidowishi" 65, of Mandaree died on Thursday, March 7, 2024 at the St. Benedicts Health Center in Dickinson.

Sherman's Celebration of Life Services will be at 10 a.m. (mountain time) on Saturday, March 16, 2024 at the Ladbury Funeral Home in Dickinson with Marcus Wells Sr., and Senior Pallbearer Carlisle Truman Mahto presiding. Interment will take place at the Guimont Family Cemetery in Mandaree. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service.

Sherman Todd Guimont was born on September 22, 1958 in Dickinson, North Dakota. He is the son of Raymond and Eunice (Benson) Guimont. He was raised and educated in Mandaree, having graduated from Killdeer High School in 1976. Sherman received a football scholarship to Haskell, Kansas.

Sherman was united in marriage to Ramona Romanyshyn on February 12, 1988 at the Justice of the Peace in Denver, Colorado. While in Denver, he attended the Emily Griffith Technical College where he received his degree in Plumbing. He went on to be a member of the Plumbers Local # 3.

He belonged to the Denver Chess League, the Chubbies Softball League, South Urban Denver Basketball League, the Rosebud Fast Pitch Softball Team, and Flag Football League. He also enjoyed Elk and Deer hunting, skiing, white water rafting, attending Broncos games, listening to music and playing guitar. Sherman loved to tell jokes and enjoyed traveling.

Sherman is survived by his wife, Ramona; son-Jordan Joseph (Lori) Guimont, Denver, Co., one grandson-Jordan parker Guimont. His mother-Eunice, Siblings; Arnold (Veronica) Guimont, Mandaree, Cletus (Marcella Espinoza) Guimont, Craig, Co., and Marmie (Alan) Sales, Dewy, AZ.

He was preceded in death by his son, Shiloh Raymond Guimont, his father, Raymond. Grandparents; Herman and Georgianna Guimont, Frank Benson and Fannie Birdsbill; sister, Margo Stops at Pretty Places; aunts; Faye Lone Fight, Christine Benson, Lois Benson, Elizabeth Lengyel and uncle Tidas Benson.

Obituary

Cherished & Treasured Memories of

Sherman Todd Guimont

Three Rabbits "Itigidowishi"

September 22, 1958~March 7, 2014



Celebration of Life Service

Saturday, March 16, 2024 at 10:00am at

Ladbury Funeral Home

Dickinson, North Dakota

Presiders:

Sr. Pallbearer Carlisle Truman Mahto

Marcus Wells Sr.

Senior Pallbearer:

Carlisle Truman Mahto

Pallbearers:

Magnard Demaray Brooks Wells

Barlow Wells Shad Wells

Ed Romangshyn Cindy Romangshygn

Nicholz Romangshyn Richard Romangshyn

Interment:

Guimont Family Cemetery

Mandargz, North Dakota

Obituary

Madeline Louella Wounded Face was born on April 18, 1947, in Elbowoods, to Geraldine Wounded Face and Roderick Lone Fight. She was a child and a member of the Knife Clan. Maggie was raised in the Mandaree area where she graduated from high school. While she was younger, she also attended boarding schools.

After high school, Maggie and her friend, Bunny Fimbres, ventured to Los Angeles, CA, with the relocation program. After returning to North Dakota, she continued her education, became a nursing assistant, and worked in Minot.

Maggie worked in several positions at Four Bears Casino & Lodge, including in the Player's Club. She was friendly and excellent at her job.

Maggie was kind-hearted and well-mannered.

She loved traveling to Denver and Montana to visit family. She was an avid Denver Broncos fan! Even though she was reserved and private, she easily joked around with her family and close friends. She was intelligent and loved reading books. She was very patient and helped raise her nephews, Aaron, Chris, and Seth.

On Monday, March 11, 2024, Madeline Wounded Face, at the age of 76, began her journey in the spirit world. She will be greatly missed by those who knew and loved her.

She was greeted in death by her parents, Geraldine Wounded Face and Roderick Lone Fight; sister, Camilla Little Wolf; brothers; Gary Williamson, Davis Wounded Face, and Reuben DeMarrias; maternal grandparents, Julia Hunts Along and William "Joe" Wounded Face; paternal grandparents, Mary (Young Bird) Lone Fight and Theodore Lone Fight Sr.; and maternal great-great-great-grandfather, Big White.

Maggie is survived by her brother, Marlon Wounded Face (Sheriyan) of Scottsdale, AZ; sister/cousin, Evelyn Wounded Face (Boom) of New Town; special nephews, Christopher, Aaron, and Seth Wounded Face; and many extended family members.

Obituary

In Loving Memory
Of Madeline Wounded Face
April 18, 1947~March 11, 2024



Wake Services:

Friday, March 15, 2024 at 5:00pm
Water Chief Hall, Mandaree, ND

Funeral Services:

Saturday, March 16, 2024 at 10:00am
Water Chief Hall, Mandaree, ND

Wake Officiants:

Jackie & Damon Sturm; Barb Miller

Music:

Keith Bear

Senior Pallbearer:

Mary Gachupin

Funeral Officiant:

Pastor Kevin Finley

Eulogy:

Lisa Long Fight

Active Pallbearers:

Aaron Yellow Wolf Teddy Bird in Ground
Jordan Jetty Reed Long Fight
Chris Wounded Face Keith Bear
Raleb Finley

Honorary Pallbearers:

All of Madeline's friends throughout the years

Interment:

Wounded Face Family Cemetery
Mandaree, North Dakota

Obituary

Donovan Louis Bird "Little Bird", 52 of New Town, North Dakota was born on May 26, 1971, in Stanley, North Dakota to Wilfred and Opal (Fox) Bird. He departed this life on March 19, 2024, at his home in New Town, ND. He departed this life on March 19, 2024, at his home in New Town, ND. Donovan was a child of the Chicken Clan.

Donovan grew up and attended school in New Town. He was a twin and always with his brother Joel. He thought education was important and attended both United Tribes Technical College in Bismarck, ND and Fort Berthold Community College in New Town, ND. He graduated in 2004 with an AAS in Computer Information Technology. He was very knowledgeable and skilled with computers. He was employed as an IT tech and also enjoyed working as a live games dealer at the casino for some years.

Donovan was a fun, loving, friendly guy. He was always teasing and joking, sometimes to the point you wanted to get mad, but you just couldn't. Donovan was the kind of guy that would order a cheeseburger, but no cheese. He enjoyed going to concerts and loved music. It wasn't unusual to find him jamming out to 80's bands with the volume on full blast. He loved his family and friends. He believed that family was family, no matter what, we took care of each other. Although Donovan was the baby of the family, he was also the Patriarch to his family.

Donovan enjoyed any activity that involved being outdoors. He loved to take his kids to the zoo, the park or the river. He liked to play horseshoes or card games and dice with friends and relatives out in the backyard of what everybody knows as the "Bird House". One of the kids' favorite memories of dad and grandpa Donovan was the time he put a big tarp down the hill and made a water slide with dawn dish soap and the water hose and spent the day with them out there.

Donovan was so loved and will be missed by all those that knew and loved him.

Donovan is survived by his children; Darius Bird, Kiana Bird, Raychel Bird, Jori Bird, Kateri Bird, Kaitlyn Bird, Kaleb Archambault, Olivia Wilkinson, Weston Bird, Sophie Bird and Deegan Deegan, Dana Deegan, Koda Deegan. Grandchildren; Cyrus Bird, Cedar Lopez, Kaeva Bird-White, Khonner Bird-White, Aciyana Bird, Ava Bird, Prince George Bird, Aubrey Bird and Everly Wilkinson.

Donovan is preceded in death by his parents, sister Shawn Lee Fox, brothers; Kendall Fox and Joel Bird. One granddaughter; Kaitlyn Avery. Maternal Grandparents; Albert and Julia Fox, Paternal Grandparents; Jacob Bird and Pansy Parshall.

Obituary

In Loving Memory of
Donovan L. Bird "Cigaga Garishdish" Little Bird

May 26, 1971~March 19, 2024



Wake Services:

Friday, March 22, 2024 at 5:00pm
Water Chief Hall in Mandaree, ND

Funeral Services:

Saturday, March 23, 2024 at 10:00am
Water Chief Hall, Mandaree, ND

Senior Pallbearer:

Donovan Abby

Active Pallbearers:

Mike Young Bird	Johnny Bird
Travis Parshall	Eagle Scout Irwin
James Baker	Terrrell Martinelli

Honorary Pallbearers:

"All of Donovan's many friends"

Final Resting Place:

Fox Family Cemetery
Mandaree, North Dakota

Obituary

Frederick P. Baker (Yellow Buffalo Bull “Girrabii Cirrish”), a cherished member of the North Dakota community, dedicated public servant of the Indian Health Service, and sports enthusiast, passed away on December 27, 2023, in Bismarck, North Dakota, at the age of 84.

Born on January 23, 1939, in Elbowoods, North Dakota to Paige Baker Sr. and Cora Rose Young Bird Baker, Fred's life was one of service and adventure. While attending boarding school at Assumption Abbey High School, Fred initially pursued a path towards priesthood before ultimately choosing a different path that led him to a career with the Indian Health Service where he dedicated himself to helping native people in various capacities throughout his life.

After graduation from Bemidji State University with a degree in English and Humanities, Fred embarked on a career with the federal government where he touched the lives of many Native American communities across the country. His work took him to places like Los Angeles, California, Fairbanks, Alaska, Pine Ridge, South Dakota, and Lapwai, Idaho before returning home to New Town, North Dakota.

While in Los Angeles, Fred applied for and received the Danforth Fellowship at the University of California - Los Angeles where he studied Public Administration. Fred's work in Alaska took him to remote villages and communities, where he formed lasting connections and made a difference in the lives of many.

Even after retiring from the federal government, Fred's dedication to service remained unwavering as he continued his advocacy for the elderly in North Dakota by Chairing the North Dakota Governors Committee on Aging and as CEO of the Elder's Program in Fort Berthold. His selfless contributions to the community will be remembered and cherished for generations to come.

An avid sports fan, Fred's love for the University of Michigan football team was well-known, and his family celebrated their National Championship win in 2023 with great joy on his behalf. But beyond his love for sports, Fred's true legacy lies in the countless friendships he cultivated throughout his life.

He had a gift for making friends wherever he went, and his warm and welcoming nature endeared him to all who knew him.

Fred's adventurous spirit, dedication to service, and ability to forge connections with others will be deeply missed by all who had the privilege of knowing him. Rest in peace, Frederick P. Baker, a true servant leader and sports enthusiast.

Fred is survived by his wife, Marie (Claymore); children: Jeffrey (Jann) Baker, Gregory (Kim) Baker, Pamela (Warren) Hill, Robby (Madonna) Dunn, and Kim (Buck) Lawrence; grandchildren: Megan (Kirby) Armstrong, James (Olivia) Baker, Cora Hill, Wacey White Bear Dunn and X'Zalea Martin; and many more grandchildren, nieces and nephews. He loved them all.

Fred is also survived by his brother Paige (Joan) Baker PhD and their children Jennifer (Mark) Quintette, Jason (Marie) and three children, Allison (Wil) Nestergard and two children, Paige III, and Stacie (Gabe) Fettig and their one child; brother Gerard (Mary Kay) and their children: Christy (Jim) Dalstrum and two children, Robert (Sarah) Baker and four children, Tasha (Richard) Abourezk and four children, and Teresa (Michael) Mason and three children; sister Mary Elizabeth Barthelemy (Michael Sr.) and their children: Anna Rose (Josh), Michael Jr (Savannah), and grandson Dahu.

Fred was preceded in death by his parents Paige Sr. and Cora Baker, brother Joseph Baker, son Mark Edward Baker and many beloved family members.

Obituary

Celebrating The Life Of
Frederick P. Baker "Girrabii Cirrish" (Yellow Buffalo Bull)

January 23, 1939~December 27, 2023



Wake Services:

Friday, April 5, 2024 at 5pm
St. Anthony's Catholic Church
Mandan, ND

Funeral Services:

Saturday, April 6, 2024 at 11am
St. Anthony's Catholic Church
Mandan, ND

Officiating:

Father Roger Synek

Luncheon Following Burial

At The Water Chief Hall
Mandan, ND

Final Resting Place:

St. Anthony's Catholic Cemetery
Mandan, ND

Obituary

Dana Videl Newman was born in Fargo, ND on July 18, 1971, to Allan Robert Newman and Sylvia Small. He was a member of the Assiniboine Sioux tribe of Fort Peck, MT, the Three Affiliate Tribes and White Earth Chippewa tribe.

When Dana was 1 years old, his mother passed away and he then lived with his grandparents until the age of 5 when they could no longer care for him, and he was placed in an orphanage in South Dakota. His father Allan Sr., and Carol Newman raised him and his brother Allan in Mandaree, ND. Dana attended Mandaree School into his teen years and later received his GED. He then went onto attend Job Corps in Kalispell, MT and Clearfield, UT where he received his Welding certificate in 1996. Dana met Valerie Coen and to this union they had two children: Tristan and Maximus.

Dana worked 20 years in MS with various welding companies. He came back to Mandaree and worked as a welder in the roustabout field with Baker Consulting and later West Segment under Dan Hunts Along. He was currently working for Maintenance/Roads for West Segment under Curtis Hall.

Dana was an awesome drummer and played alongside Wallace Chase and Wilbur Hunts Along. He also played with the Saddle Butte Drifters and Bird Bear boys. He often played for fun and for various events hosted by the community.

Dana was united in marriage to Nina Finley on June 29, 2000. His favorite words to describe his wife was "The love of my life". Together they enjoyed fishing, cooking out and camping. He was a master chef. They also enjoyed playing 4 hand and dice with family and friends. You would often see them driving to the lake in their gray Nissan Frontier. They were never apart, everything they did, they did together. He was a true Vikings fan. And he lived life to the fullest the best he could. He was also very artistic and could draw free hand like nobody's business.

His kind, quiet personality will be deeply missed by all knew and loved him. He would say, "It's not goodbye, but see you later".

Dana is survived by his wife Nina; Mother, Carol; Children, Tristan and Maximus Newman; Stepson, Travis Finley; Brother, Allan, Jr (Trena); Sister, Michelle; Nephews, Jordan, Arlin, Skylar, Daryl, Jr. and David; Grandchildren, Marty, Opal, Ezla, Sansa and Hendrick.

He is preceded in death by his Parents; Sylvia Small and Allan Sr.; Uncles, August, Jr., Harold and Cornelius.

Obituary

Celebration of Life

Dana Videl Newman "Angry Bear" (Gau-raa-flawish)

July 18, 1971~March 27, 2024



Wake Services:

Monday, April 1, 2024 at 5:00pm
St. Anthony's Catholic Church
Mandan, ND

Funeral Services:

Tuesday, April 2, 2024 at 10:00am
St. Anthony's Catholic Church
Mandan, ND

Services Rendered by:

Father Roger Synek

Active Pallbearers:

Les Yellow Wolf Walter DeVille
Jordan Baker Wallace Chase
Ricky Anderson

Senior Pallbearer:

Fred Hale

Music:

All Welcome

Honorary Pallbearers:

Willie Hunts Along German
Curt Hall Raymond Yellow Wolf
Donavon Gilbert

Final Resting Place:

St. Anthony's Catholic Cemetery
Mandan, ND

Obituary

Clayton Shane Spotted Bear, Holy Earth Hand Man (Awa Shaagi Xubaa Maceesch) born into Water Buster Clan, child of the Flint Knife Clan, was born to Lorenzo Kelly Spotted Bear and Doris Diane "Dee Dee" Mossett on May 9, 1988, in Watford City, North Dakota. Clay lived in Mandaree most of his life. He attended Mandaree Public School as well as New Town High School where he made many lifelong friendships. He was active in sports, participated in the Mandaree Native American dance club, and he especially loved being in theatrical plays. Clay found that music was his desire early in life. Clay was part of the Mandaree music program in high school and they raised funds by hosting a Murder Mystery Dinner to travel to Disney World. That was an experience that he got to enjoy with his sister Wind Spirit and classmates. Clay was also a member of the Reservation Regulators, a multigenerational group of horseback riders put together by Ted and Sherry Turner-Lone Fight. They would ride in parades around North Dakota and partake in celebrations honoring our ancestors and homelands. While in middle school, their Mandaree Pow wow club was invited to the Dartmouth Pow wow in Hanover, NH. This was one of his favorite past times, as well as the time he traveled with White Lodge singers to California to perform the opening number for the Native American Movie Awards. Clay would say that this was all an experience of a lifetime.

Clay traveled to celebrations with his Phelan/Young Bear relatives singing with their drum group, White Lodge. He was also one of the original founders of the Young Bear Drum group. He was active in sweat lodge ceremony and sun dance for much of his young life. His eldest brother Cory took him along to sun dances as a young boy and it was in this time when Clay was given his Hiraaca name Holy Earth Hand Man (Awa Shaagi Xubaa Maceesh) by his late grandmother, Sadie Mann (Young Bear). He was the smudge boy and fire keeper, always making sure the dancers were looked after and the fire kept burning. Clay loved his culture and traditional ways of life. You'd often hear him greet his friends and family with "Doosha" or "Maabi Cagiic" and when he was thankful for something he'd say "Many Maads" which was his way of saying "Maacigiraac" (Thank you).

On September 10, 2008, Clay and Kris Wells welcomed their beautiful daughter Journey Jade "JJ" into the world. Journey was Clay's pride and joy. He cherished the time he spent with JJ. He loved taking her to the lake, to celebrations where they'd dance in a circle together. He'd bring JJ to family gatherings so she could be around her cousins, aunts, uncles and grandparents. He'd let Journey drive his truck, which is how she learned to drive. Journey said she will always remember how goofy her dad was, like the time he drove them all the way from his house to the store in reverse. Clay was so proud of his daughter and all her achievements. Journey is an exceptional basketball player, and he would say, "she's going to be the first woman in the NBA." Clay loved his daughter very much, she was his greatest gift in life.

Clay has a close relationship with his siblings and parents. They all had favorite past times with their brother, like lounging on a big foam mattress in the living room and watching movies together, going for long bike rides out in the hills, having game nights and enjoying his mom and dad's delicious home cooked meals at the table together. Clays parents enjoyed taking him and his siblings to the lake. He loved going camping with his family at McKenzie Bay, Mossett Bay or Spotted Bear Camp. This became a part of Clay's adulthood, as you'd often find him out on the water in his kayak, taking in all the beauty of mother nature. Clay loved to visit with his friends and family. He particularly enjoyed visiting his parents and cooling a cup of coffee with them, while either watching football, or playing guitar with his dad, listening to stories his mom and dad would share. He liked to tease and make people laugh. He was one of the most kind and caring individuals to anybody he came across. Clay was always willing to help people in need and could be seen from time to time cleaning up his community, maintaining vehicles, fixing fences, planting trees, and he always found time to tidy up his mom and dad's yard. He was truly a jack of all trades.

Clay was a passionate musician who loved playing guitar alongside many of his friends and family, especially his dad and brothers. He could play and sing almost any song you'd request. He played for various venues or at family events. In his early 20's Clay co-founded the Ridge Road band with Jordan and Gordon Hale, Lane Standish and Gordon White Owl and they performed all throughout MHA Nation. If you had a guitar at your home when he'd visit, you could be sure he'd pick it up and play you a few songs. He knew how to bring your heart joy with his singing and guitar playing. Clay had many friends, but his best friend was his trusty companion, George. That was truly a friendship between a man and dog. George and Clay did everything together and they shared the same adventurous spirit. Everyone knew George just like everyone knew Clay. Now they are together again, playing fetch, running along the lake shores, hunting, fishing, and just living it up in the happy hunting grounds.

Clay Shane Spotted Bear of Mandaree, ND 35, passed away on March 27, 2024. Clay will be remembered for his good nature and easy going ways. His memory will live on through his mini me, Journey Jade and through the stories and memories shared by his family, friends and all who loved him, and most definitely through his love for music that he shared with us all. He was preceded in death by his Paternal grandparents- Lorenzo "Larry" Spotted Bear and Olive "Ollie" Sholaas; Maternal grandparents- Clifford Mossett Sr., and Celina Young Bear; Sister, Vernetta "Boe" Wolff; Nephew, Michael Grieves.

Clay is survived by his parents; DeeDee Mossett and Kelly Spotted Bear; Siblings; Cory (Sierra) Spotted Bear, Delmar Sheppard, Denver (Jade) Spotted Bear, Justin Spotted Bear, Hjalmer Spotted Bear, Wind Spirit (Jess) Spotted Bear, Olivia "Ollie" Spotted Bear; Daughter, Journey Spotted Bear; His many nieces, nephews and extended family.

Obituary

Celebrating The Life Of
 Clayton Shang "Clay" Spotted Bear
 Holy Earth Hand Man (Awa Shaagi Xubaa Maczesh)
 May 9, 1988~March 27, 2024



Wake Services:
 Tuesday, April 2, 2024 at 5:00pm
 Water Chief Hall, Mandaree, ND

Funeral Services:
 On Wednesday, April 3, 2024 at 10:00am
 Water Chief Hall, Mandaree, ND

Active Pallbearers:

<u>Officiating:</u>	Hunter Spotted Bear	Arrow Spotted Bear
Kevin Finley	Jay Stevenson	Cameron Smith
	Robert Driver	Jude Phelan
	Mychal Mann	Preston Dumaray
	Adrian Johnson	Elijah Bzaks

Senior Pallbearer:
 White Faced Bear Roaming Fox

Honorary Pallbearers:

Clayton Young Bear, Pete Long Fight, Clifford Mosssett, Joe Mosssett, Christopher Gilllet, Richard Espinoza, Eric Stanley, Damon Hopkins, Ian and Tommy Nelson, Gordon & Jordan Hale, Joe Myrick, Wesley Myers, Gordon White Owl, Spencer Wilkinson Jr., Ted and Sherry Long Fight family, Toni Hale, Alona and Jude Phelan, Daryl Bearstail family, Blaine Footz, Todd Taylor, Farrell Kruger, Bugs Armajo, Morgan Tveter, James Jacobs, Todd McKenzie, Monte McKenzie, Aaron Vee, Jeff and Stewart McNutt, Vincent Hunts Along, Kenny "Dude" Smith, Dean Bear, Christopher Good Bird, Dallas & Bruce Fox, Claryea Mandan & family, Corey Goodiron, Health White Eagle, Danny Hall Sr., and family, Frankze Hall, Marcia Young Bear, Rosie White Owl & family, Vern Huber, Frank Black Bear, Duane Sanford, all his many wonderful friends, teachers, classmates, and many relatives. Clay had many friends and was born into a very large family so forgive us if we have forgotten anyone. It was not our intention as we go through this difficult time.

Final Resting Place:
 Spotted Bear Family Cemetery
 Twin Buttes, ND

Obituary

Julian Lone Wolf Poitra was born on September 16, 1996 to Evelyn Finley and Dwayne Poitra. He was raised in Denver, Colorado.

Julian was a person with a big heart and was very loving. He never married or had any children of his own. Julian's parents babysat his younger cousins, and he would help them babysit too. He grew up with his two nieces Maria and Gabriella.

The three of them were more like siblings. He always helped and protected them.

Julian has been helping raise children his whole life and taking care of his mother Effie. In 2014, Julian moved to Mandaree, ND with his family so they could take care of his grandfather, Edward Flys Away. He would help his mother take care of Aziel Thomas, Akasha Thomas, and Aliyannah Thomas.

July 31, 2020, Julian's father passed away. Julian became a dad to those three children for the past four years until his passing. Julian loved his family fiercely, but he was never able to get over his father's death. On April 8, 2024 at 1:57pm Julian passed away at the age of 27 years old.

I'd like the memory of me to be a happy one, I'd like to leave an afterglow of smiles when life is done. I'd like to leave an echo whispering softly down the ways, of happy times and laughing times and bright and sunny days. I'd like the tears of those who grieve, to dry before the sun; of happy memories that I leave when life is done.

Julian is survived by his mother, Evelyn Poitra; his brother, John Thomas; his sisters; Brandi Good Bird, Amber Finley; his nieces; Maria Perez Good Bird, Gabriella Good Bird, India Thomas, Aziel Thomas, Akasha Thomas; Grandkids; Aliyannah Hunts Along, Damarious Good Bird, Jeriko Good Bird; and his Poitra family in Denver, Colorado.

He was preceded in death by his father, Dwayne Poitra; Grandfather-Gilbert Poitra, Grandmother-Gloria Poitra, Grandfather-Edward Finley Sr., Ricky Finley, Ed Finley Jr., (Tweety), Angle Thomas; his uncle Norbert Poitra, Big Jim Poitra and aunt Renee Poitra.

Obituary

In Loving Memory of Julian Longwolf Poitra

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September 16, 1996~April 8, 2024



Wake Services:

Thursday, April 11, 2024 at 5:00pm

St. Anthony's Catholic Church~ Mandaree, ND

Funeral Services:

Friday, April 12, 2024 at 10:00am

St. Anthony's Catholic Church~ Mandaree, ND

Prsided:

Father Roger Synek

Senior Pallbearer:

Judge Phelan

Active Pallbearers:

Steven Valdez Oscar Garcia

Samual Wagon Santos Casarez III

Jacob Wagon Isiah Finley

Robert Cavanaugh Chucky Finley

Honorary Pallbearers:

Jacky Poitra, Sherry & Steve Valdez, Collen & Eugene Bennett,
Maria Perez-Goodbird, Randal Sam, Michelle Valdez, Daniell
Valdez, Santos Casarez II, Mary Casarez, Basil Hunts Along Sr.,
Gustavo Gordillo, Isiah Padilla, Domonik Allan, and his many
PS 5 friends, Allen Paul Edwards, Crystal Morin.

Final Resting Place:

St. Anthony's Catholic Cemetery

Mandaree, North Dakota



On behalf of West Segment we would like to extend our deepest condolences to the family and relatives of Sherman Guimont to Madeline Wounded Face and the family and relatives of; Donovan Bird, Fred Baker, Dana Newman, Clay Spotted Bear and Julian Lonewolf Poitra Our prayers are with you all.

From Councilwoman Gladys Sherry Turner-Lone Fight and Personnel.

For your information the birthday list of our elders will be on page 21. This is the only time the elders birthdays will be moved.

I wanted everyone to see how nice our Princess's looked for the 2024 Mandaree Celebration in color! Mark your calendars for the Mandaree Celebration.

Thank you.

JULY 18 - 21, 2024

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MANDAREE JR PRINCESS 2023/2024