



MHA Women's History Month 2019

V. Judy Brugh



Victoria Judy Brugh, best known as Judy Brugh, “Woman Goes out,” is the elected representative for the Four Bears Segment of the Mandan Hidatsa Arikara Nation. Brugh holds a Bachelor’s of Science and two Master’s degrees; a Master’s of Science in Business Management and a Master’s of Science in Business Administration from the University of Mary. Judy is currently serving her third term as the Four Bears Tribal Business Council Representative. Judy is a child of the Flint Knife Clan, and a member of the Three Clan. She was given the Mandan name of “Woman Goes Out”, a name held by her great, great grandmother.

She has served as the MHA Nation in many capacities over the years including: Office manager to the Tribal Treasurer and Recording Secretary; Executive Assistant to the Vice Chairman of the MHA Nation; Assistant Executive Director of the Fort Berthold Housing Authority; and many other positions.

Councilwoman Brugh remains a strong advocate for the preservation our culture and languages; State-of-the-art medical care; continuing education; and sustainable economic development. Brugh said that economic development is vital to all our people and that growing beyond our constricting poverty helps all our members. She hopes it will be environmentally friendly and will protect our natural resources.