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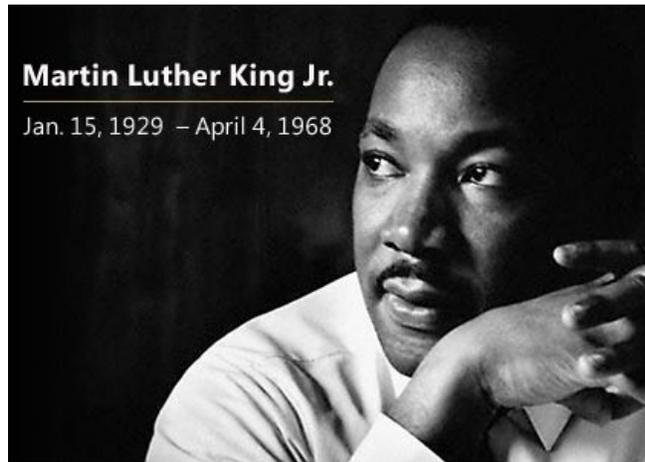
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Boys & Girls Club of the Three Affiliated Tribes celebrate Martin Luther King Day!

Traditionally, the Boys & Girls Club of the Three Affiliated Tribes celebrate Martin Luther King Day (MLK Day) through activities that “make a difference” in the Community. This slogan has often translated into a day of Community Service. Each Club celebrates and observes this day in a variety of ways. Please contact your local BGCTAT to obtain information about the community

service project commemorating Martin Luther King Day.



The more things change....

“From the start, character development and community service have been vital to the Club Experience. Nowadays, community service takes many forms. Taking part in projects such as planting trees, cleaning up parks, and raising an organic vegetable garden gives Club youth confidence they can make the world a better place. Across the country, Clubs have made Good Character and Citizenship a priority outcome area. As a result, children and teens are realizing they’re not just helping their communities, they’re helping themselves, too.”

(Excerpt from Connections, the voice of the Boys & Girls Club movement, Winter 2012-13)

Highlights

- Wendi Wells, former BGCTAT employee, travels to Haiti.
- Junior staff excels
- Christmas fun at Clubs
- National Community Service month.
- Celebrate Martin Luther King Day! (Jan. 21st)



BOYS & GIRLS CLUB
OF THE
THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES

Message from the Director

Happy New Year

2012 was a busy year for us here at Boys & Girls Club and 2013 is expected to be even busier! We are looking forward to launching new initiatives in each of our Clubs focusing on child safety. We are expecting to increase our average daily attendance through promotion of diversified quality programming which will produce measurable outcomes.

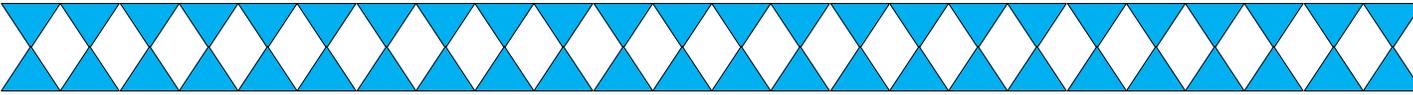
President Obama has designated January, 2013 as National Mentoring Month. In the proclamation President Obama noted, "Our American family is bound together by caring individuals who make it their mission to serve others. During National Mentoring Month, we pay special tribute to the men and women who enrich the lives of young people and fortify the unbreakable bonds between one generation and the next." Mentoring helps children unlock their full potential, so, I encourage everyone who is interested in mentoring a youth to please stop by their local Club and sign up to be a mentor.

On January 21st we commemorate both Martin Luther King, Jr. Day and the 2013 National Day of Service. This is a perfect opportunity for all of us to honor Dr. King's legacy through community service in our communities. Please contact your local Club to see what is being planned in your community.

Ryan Eagle

Executive Director

Boys & Girls Club of the Three Affiliated Tribes



Boys & Girls Club of the Three Affiliated Tribes Director of Program Services

Character & Leadership Program

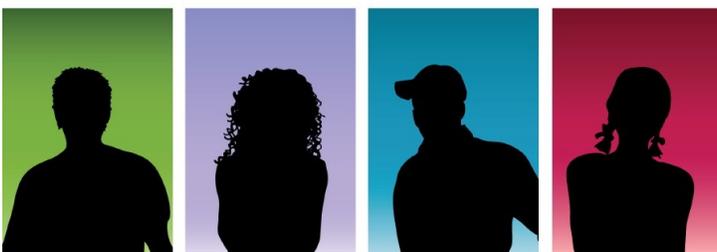
Hello Everyone!

It's that time of year again for the YOUTH of the YEAR! We had a very exciting last year with our very own David Mares from the White Shield Club, what a great experience!

The Youth of the Year program is one of the most exciting and inspiring events of the year. Every Club should participate and give their youth the opportunity to have one of the most rewarding experiences of their life.

The Boys & Girls Clubs of America's Youth of the Year (YOY) program recognizes teens that have had personal challenges and obstacles to overcome, while contributing to a member's family, school, community and the Club. Every Club has a youth that under their leadership has shown the willingness to serve, and develop good character. Club staff can help instill qualities that make a Youth of the Year by realizing their potential as productive and responsible citizens.

For More Information Contact your local Boys & Girls Club branch manager.



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MENTORS CORNER

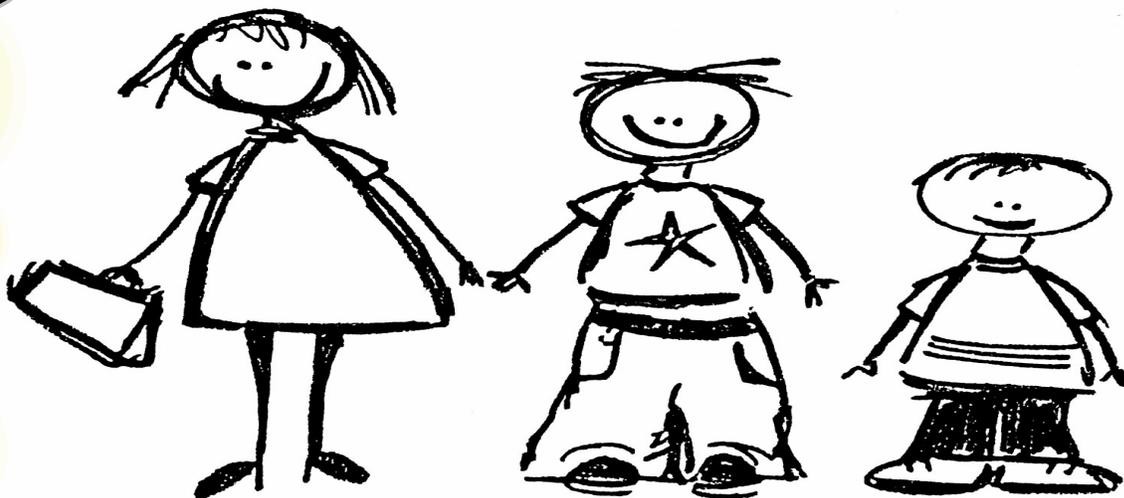
Hello everyone, I'm Annie Vivanco and I have recently started in the Mentor Coordinator position. For those of you who may not know,

January is National Mentoring Month!

GREAT things will be happening in the Clubs this month as well as the rest of the year!

We are always looking for amazing people just like you to participate and be mentors to our youth. The benefits from mentoring are priceless, if you are interested or would like to know more about the Mentoring Program please stop by your local Boys & Girls Club and grab an application or come on in and see me, the door is always open!

BE A MENTOR!!



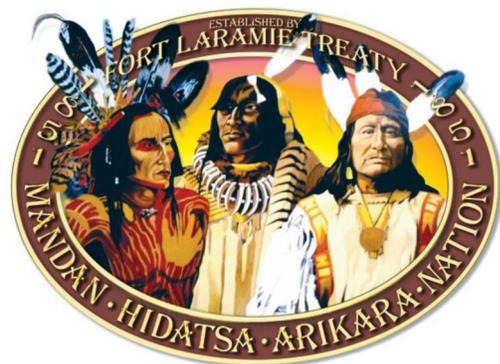


Greetings & Happy New Year from the ANA Language and Revitalization Program!!

This month the ANA program will be meeting with all language masters and their apprentices. We will be planning and setting a date for technology projects, a few examples are developing videos, books, games, etc.. I to have requested the MIS department to provide basic training to our master language speakers and apprentices on use of their voice recorders, ipods, cameras, and other electronic devices, a final date has not been set.

Visits to each segment is also planned for the month. I will be taking pictures and gathering input for any new ideas from the master language speakers to increase our success.

Please feel free to contact my office. If you have any questions, call me at (701) 627-4415 ext. 5428 I am always open to new ideas.



Melissa Young Bird– ANA Project Coordinator



Parshall Boys & Girls Club

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Staff
 Lexi Taft—Branch Manager
 Mikki Bidosky—Activity Coord.
 Kristen Ator—Activity Coord.
 Patricia Dixon—Junior Staff
 Averyl Taft—Junior Staff



Parshall Boys & Girls Club Newsletter



Happy Holidays!!



Parshall Boys and Girls Club hopes everyone enjoyed their holidays! We have been implementing regular club activities throughout the month of December, such as Power hour/Project Learn, SMART Moves, T.R.A.I.L., Gamesroom Festival, Club Tech, Drama Matters, Arts & Crafts, and activities specific to the holiday season. Some of the major activities the kids were involved in this month included a community service project where youth went door to door “caroling” around the community to bring holiday joy. Youth also participated in a Christmas party where they played games, danced to Christmas music, made their own gingerbread houses, and received Christmas presents courtesy of Boys and Girls Club. Teen members celebrated the New Year with a New Year’s Eve lock-in planned in joint efforts with the Parshall Resource Center.

Parshall Boys & Girls Club members each wrote a letter to Santa about what they wished to receive for Christmas. Club staff were extremely proud to have them displayed in the MHA Times and Mountrail County Record.

This was a great month for the Parshall Boys and Girls club, spirits were high, and the spirit of giving was in the air. Youth contributed to the Angel Tree project in collaboration with Parshall Resource Center, and clubs around the area. Staff enjoyed all the hard work from the club members this month to help create a joyous and festive Christmas atmosphere in the club from the creation of all their Christmas art projects.

Active Member of the Month



**Sarai
 Tso**




Teens Making Sugar Cookies



Youth making gingerbread houses at Christmas Party



Youth Caroling In Community



We Made History!

12-12-12

JANUARY

Happy New Year!



Happy New Year!

Four Bears Staff:

Branch Manager– James Moran
Activity Coordinator– Jacobi Jarski
Activity Coordinator– Delia Blake
Jr. Staff - Michelle White

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Hours Of Operations

Open: Monday– Friday
Hours: 4:00pm– 8:00pm
Phone:(701)627-4418
2006 Coyote Women Ave.

Four Bears Boys and Girls Club

Happy New Year from the Four Bears Boys and Girls Club staff. We are looking forward to another great year with our youth. We are getting back into the groove from our long holiday break. We are starting up Immersion Mentoring this month. In addition, we are studying the Titanic and it comes with a lot of fun activities. We are always looking for mentors so feel free to stop by the club and fill out an application.



Active Club Kid of the Month



Crycy St. Cyr



New Town Boys & Girls Club January NEWSLETTER

2013

Youth Club Hours

Mon/Tues/Thurs/Fri 4pm-6pm

Wednesdays 3pm-6pm

Teen Room Open Until 8pm



Photo Recap of 2012



The Boys & Girls Club of the Three Affiliated Tribes—New Town Unit has ended the 2012 year successfully! We have had many new youth join our after school activities and several former members come back to CLUB!

All of the youth are happy to spend time playing outside in the snow. We have put to use the cardboard boats the kids made of cardboard and duct-tape. The boats were constructed this past summer and then re-used as sleds.

We want to remember all that we have done together in 2012 and hope that bigger and better things are to come for our youth in 2013!

- New Town Staff:**
- Mel Four Bear - Branch Manager
 - Adrian Johnson - Teen Coordinator
 - Ashley Sheardlow - Activity Coordinator
 - Shelby Lego - Activity Coordinator
 - Netasha Sivad - Activity Coordinator

Club Kid of the Month

Club Teens of the Month



Derrick Standing Soldier Jr.



Kiera White Owl



Josh Solis



Teen Club News

NEW TOWN

Teen Coordinator- Adrian Johnson 701-421-9827
Branch Manager- Melichi Four Bear 701-421-7101

Teen Club News:

Year in review

Goals for
2013

Special Interest Articles:

**Students of the Month
for December**

Male Club Member
Josh Solis

Female Club Member
Kiera White Owl

Year in Review...

The year 2012 has come to an end, and a lot of positive changes have been made. I started in June, and noticed that our numbers have increased day to day, week to week, and month to month.

We have taken the kids to Bismarck for a college campus tour, horse therapy, football game, swimming at various sites, YMCA, as well as many other special points of interesting outings.

The kids appear to really enjoy themselves on these outings, and although we are not their parental figures, we feel as though we have made some positive impacts as staff members and will continue to strive for excellence of our children.

Looking forward...

As we look ahead to 2013, the Teen Club has set themselves a number of goals to meet. A few of them include more off ground outings for our teens, dances, movie nights, more collaboration with the surrounding clubs, and more involvement with our community. Helping our elders, and add activities involving our native way of life is also a very important component we would like to put more time and effort into.

We understand that we will meet and surpass some goals, and that we may not complete all tasks, but our main purpose is to be as positive a role model in your teen's life as we can be.

Any questions, please feel free to contact the office at any time during the day (701) 627-4415 and ask for Adrian Johnson.

Male Student of the Month

Josh Solis is a 14 year old student attending classes at New Town High.

Mr. Solis is a teen who attends on a regular basis, whether it's before basketball practice or after, Josh always has time to peek his head through our doors and say "Hello".

Mr. Solis says that shooting around when the gym is open and getting beat by Mr. Johnson on the Nintendo Wii are a couple of favorite activities he likes to do at the club.

Mr. Solis has also expressed that he looks forward to Culture Camp every year.

If there is anything Mr. Solis would like to see change at the club, it would be more games. He would like to see a game room type of setting with pool tables, air hockey, and those kind of things.

Mr. Solis would like to thank Shannon Nash, and Adrian Johnson for the work they have done in helping him become a better student.

Female Student of the Month

Kiera White Owl is a 13 year old female who attends New Town Middle school. Ms. White Owl is also a teen who attends club on a regular basis and where there is Kiera, there is also about 3-5 other friends with her.

Ms. White Owl's most famous saying while at the club is "I'm hungry, what's for snack?" Ms. White Owl likes the days when we watch movies and she also has a lot of fun on our teen outings A favorite trip of hers has been the day we attended the Minot State versus Minnesota Mankota football game in Minot, ND.

When asking Ms. White Owl which staff member has the most positive influence on her, she replied, "Melichi, he's always taking care of me and all my sisters and brothers—Payton and Tre."

Ms. White Owl would like to have a lot more off ground outings for the teen club, and a possible lock-in.



HAPPY NEW YEAR



Upcoming News for January 2013



Hello from the White Shield Club! First off we would like to wish everyone a Happy New Year! We are starting fresh with a New Year and great beginnings. In our club this past December we've worked on making gingerbread houses, popcorn cakes along with other Christmas activities. We are kicking off the New Year with new projects and ideas. This month our club recently started working with Michelle Effertz & Irene Graves from the 4H mentoring program. The projects we are currently working on are hot cocoa in a jar & knot making. Our members are excited to be working with new faces in our club. As always we continue running regular direct service hours & nightly tutoring from 3:30- 7:30

We are always looking for mentors and volunteers for the White Shield club. Feel free to stop in and check out our club. Thank you, and have a Happy New Year! :)



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White Shield Boys & Girls Club

Open -Monday - Friday

Hours- 3:30 PM –7:30 PM

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White Shield ND -58775

Club Staff :)

Activity Coordinators

-White Elk Dickens

-Brooke Meyers

-Charleigh Fox

Tutors

-Kim Dickens

-Ardene Perkins

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Mandaree Boys & Girls Club

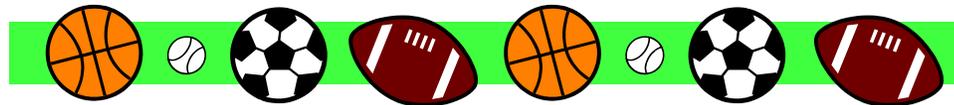
Upcoming Events

Jan. 12th - Lock-In

Jan. 21st - Club Closed (Martin Luther King Day)

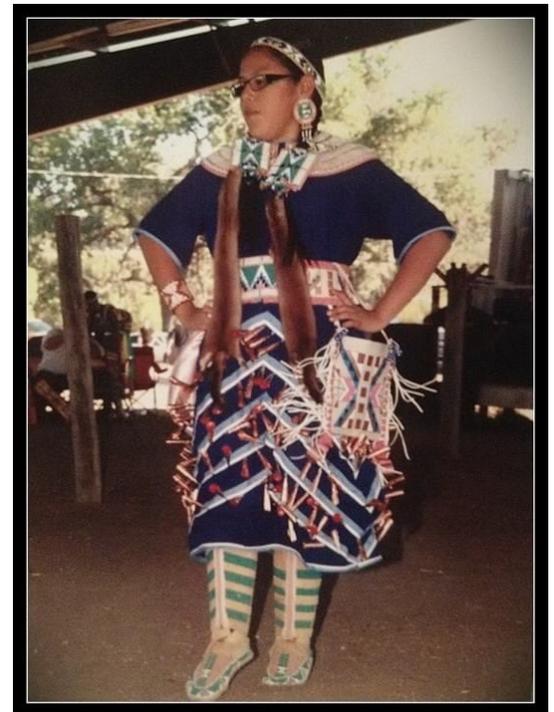


The Mandaree Boys & Girls Club has a lock in scheduled on the 12th after our first home games for the boys and girls basketball teams. Activities held during the lock in will be numerous tournaments. We will begin with volleyball, kickball, dodgeball and basketball. It should be a great time!!



Mandaree Club is also still utilizing our tutors Aaron Schuman, Eldora Poitra and Joyce Gipe.

Boys and Girls club of Mandaree would like to extend a very big welcome to our junior staff member Sierra Flying Horse. Sierra is in the 8th grade and a member of the Mandaree basketball team. She is also a jingle dress dancer and her parents are Elmer and Norma Flying Horse.



Stay tuned next month for pictures of our lock-in and our newest staff member.

Be Charitable!!

Wish List

IMMEDIATE NEEDS

New Desktop & Laptop computers

GAME ROOM

Pool, Air Hockey, and Skee-ball Tables in good condition

Box Games

GYMNASIUM/ OUTSIDE ATHLETICS

Portable Basketball Hoop

Basketballs, Kick balls, Soccer balls,

Footballs, jump ropes, roller skates

Basketball jerseys (4 sets)

Mirror ball and lights

Pool basketball hoop & volleyball nets

LEARNING CENTER

New Desktop/Laptop Computers

School Supplies

Arts & Crafts Supplies

Folding tables and chairs

TEEN CENTER/ ENTERTAINMENT ROOM

Digital cameras

New Large and/or Flat Screen TVs

with BLU-Ray player or DVD player

Home Theater Sound System

Singing Karaoke Machine

Video gaming systems:

Nintendo Wii, Playstation 2 & 3, XBOX

Video games (age appropriate)

New video game controllers

DVD movies (age appropriate)

Portable Stereo, Radio

Couches and chairs in good condition

TRANSPORTATION

New or used

Minivans, Large Vans, Minibuses

STORAGE

Roller cabinets, storage shelves, utility carts

Tool chest, work benches

HOUSEHOLD ITEMS

Fans & deck furniture for pool area

Updated pool pumps, feeders, & timers

ers

Cleaning supplies

New Vacuums

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CLUB BUILDING MAINTENANCE & MODIFICATIONS

PA Systems for Gloucester and York County

County

New or good condition Gas Grills

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Twin Buttes Boys and Girls Club

- Sommer Cummings, Branch Manager -

Bellah has a great personality inside of club and out. She never really has to be told what to do because she is always one step ahead of us. She is a great leader and role model for all the younger kids. (Bellah on the left)



BE GREAT



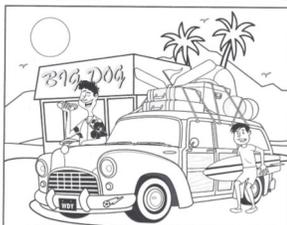
Twin Buttes January 2013

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Find the Difference

Nine things in the picture on the bottom are missing or different in the picture on the top. Can you find them all?



** Find the difference answers from last month's issue

Nine things in the picture on the top are missing or different in the picture on the bottom.

* A sun has appeared in the top left corner

* A palm tree is missing

* The dad's shirt has a different pattern

* The boy has on a t-shirt

* The boy's surfboard is different

* There is a bumper sticker on the front fender

* There is a hood ornament on the car

* There isn't a bite in the hotdog that the dad is holding

* A bird is missing from the top right corner

* The grill at the front of the car is different



Gaining Insight through Travel

Submitted by Wendi Wells

Former Boys & Girls Club staff member, Wendi Wells, recently had the opportunity to travel to Port-au-Prince Haiti. Haiti's population is around 9,801,644. It is the third poorest country in the world. The average daily rate for labor is two dollars. About 75 per cent of the Haitian population lives in poverty. A few years ago a earthquake and hurricane devastated Haiti churning additional social and economic challenges.



Amid amazing poverty Wendi writes, “ I reflected on my own community back in America, and the tools our youth utilize as an outlet—sports. Sports helped me in my younger days, and it helped me connect with the innocent, less fortunate children in Haiti. I thought to myself that we have to embrace the outlets of our own children, whatever they may be, and invest to ensure that our children get the best out of their education and community for their growth and development. I acknowledge those who assist in helping our youth reach prosperity even though they don't get the recognition they deserve for dedicating their time and money. They never ask for anything in return, knowing the rewards are that much greater just helping one another in the time of need. I would personally like to thank my own father, Chuck Wells, for opening my eyes and heart and my mother, Bonnie Good Bird, for investing her money and time for those less fortunate. I also want to thank the organizations such as Three Affiliated Tribes Boys & Girls club, their staff, the local track and basketball coaches, and all those mentoring youth to help them reach their full potential, knowing their investment is far greater—it is for the future leaders of tomorrow. All of your hearts are very inspiring.”



(Excerpt from MHA Times, January 15, 2013)

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Our Vision: To strengthen the lives of our youth by providing a consistent and safe educational environment that incorporates ethical and traditional values to positively impact their lives.

- Boys & Girls Club Staff highlight -



Shannon Nash

Human Resources Director/ Contracts Manager

Shannon has worked for BGCTAT a total of 4 years. Before her present position she had many other jobs at BGC-TAT including New Town branch manager. Her office is located at the Northern Lights Building. Shannon's job is to do the paperwork for new hires, keep up to date personnel files, and ensure we are meeting grant requirements. She believes that her ability to learn quickly has helped immensely in her job. She loves working here because there is always something new to learn, and our staff always comes together as a team to get work done with a positive attitude. Shannon has lived in New Town for 6 years, she met the love of her life here and together they have two beautiful boys.

Board of Directors

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