

### Miri Baadi Naagi Maa Aru Nishuc "Water Buster Celebrates"



L-R MC Marty Young Bear, Miri Baadi Pow-wow 2017 President Denver Spotted Bear, Kelli Spotted Bear, Amy Mossette, Delmar Sheppard giving back to the Miri Baadi and the Fort Berthold community.

Water Chief Hall

The Miri Baadi (Water Buster Clan) commemorates
January 26th to honor the day three Hidatsa men brought the sacred Miri Baadi Maabu Uwi (Water Buster Bundle) back to Fort

Berthold. The bundle was sold to a Presbyterian misson for \$30 (2018) value of \$514).

Drags Wolf, Foolish Bear and Arthur Mandan fought and successfully brought the bundle back in 1938. The week the bundle was home the Northern Lights danced red, the color of the Thunder Bird relic inside the bundle. In the spring, the rain returned the grasslands green again.

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Late 1937 photo ... left to right: Drags WolF (Hidatsa Chief), Foolish Bear (Hidatsa, old U.S.Scout), Arthur Mandan, interpreter

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### West Segment Representative Update

Doosha West Segment! I would like to first give my condolence to the Tillie Walker Family, Ms. Walker is a great loss

to Mandan Hidatsa, and Arikara Nation. Febuary 9 has been proclaimed Tillie Fay Walker Day by the Mandare Hidatsa, and Arikara Tribal Council in her honor. Another great loss is one of our very own West Segment Staff members Mr. Christopher Fox. To the families of Evan Finley jr and if I missed any, that is not my intention.

West Segment Staff and Community had a very busy Christmas. This was one our biggest turn outs, everyone received something. Thank you to Enerplus for the nice meal and presents, also Crestwood! I want to thank my Staff for their outstanding job orchestrating our holidays festivities. We also had a tree lighting event with hay rides for the kids, thank you to my staff again for keeping our community involved in all of our events.

Another huge project by the West Segment Development Corporation (WSDC) occurring in Mandaree is the "Jump Zone" completion will be late May, just in time for summer break. This will be the first trampoline park on a North Dakota Reservation. WSDC will soon be having openings for employment and training for the Jump Zone. WSDC Jump Zone will have lower prices than the other trampoline parks in North Dakota.

The Elder's are on their way to Deadwood this month and in April the will be traveling to Shakopee before cabin fever sets in. The Hidatsa Elder's Program also distributed generators and heaters to those our elders who qualified for the priority list.

Planning is taking place in early summer to have the West Segment residences with out garages built. For residences unable to have a garage other options such as car ports could be available.

Progress on the Crestwood Mahgiddashda Center, the Head Start Building has also resumed.

The Water Buster Pow wow took place in January, which the Miri Baadi celebrated late into the evening. The celebration will resume back to the Water Chief Hall in 2019.

A Horse Track and grand stands will be built by the brand new On A Slant Arena Grounds this spring.

Also, I'm working to get all the roads paved in West Segment.Up next is BIA route 13, 10, and part of 17. The Mandaree School Bus Route.

The Mandaree Celebration War Bonnet Parade will be taking place here, at the Water Chief Hall in Mandaree on March 31. Mandaree Celebration committee members get your clan children prepared for this time and responsibility.

The flooring of the Water Chief Hall office area is also under construction, so please bear with our Young Bear Construction crew and the Water Chief Hall staff during this time. If you need assistance you can reach our Water Chief Hall Manager Adam Fredricks 897-1613.

I look forward to another year full of progress for the West Segment Community and for the Mandan Hidatsa, and Arikara Nation. Maacagiraac!

West Segment Representative

Vice-Chairman; MHA Nation

Chairman; Natural Resources Committee

Randy J. Phelan



### Hiraaca Maa'Aru Xii'ee "Hidatsa Elders"





## OVERVIEW OF EVENTS 2017 MANDAREE ELDERS PROGRAM

The Mandaree Elders Program is pleased to comply with the 2017 update on projects, services and social events that have transpired in the past year.

As part of our mission statement we provided social events which are comprised of trips to Minnesota at the Mystic Lake Casino and Resort where elders are provided with meals and social events in addition to shopping and bingo. We provided this trip in March 2017 In July we provided another trip to Deadwood SD where we toured the Black Hills and went to Crazy Horse Mountain.

Our mission statement also includes medical assistance for four categories which are eyeglasses, dental, vision and ramps. We have provided this service to assist elders who are sixty and older. In addition we have provided medical assistance for appointments to out of town. We have worked on special projects in which we provided safety in the home and we provided fire extinguishers for elders. Also, working through a priority list for rural, health impaired, and living alone we provided generators FOR ELDERS ONLY 60 AND OLDER in the event of power outages. These special projects are provided through input from our Mandaree Hidatsa Elders Organizational Board which meets every second Wednesday of the Month.

Other social events have been Bingo for elderly during special occasions. We have started an annual Elder Appreciation Day on camping day of the Mandaree Powwow where we recognize elders who are 75 and older in which the Elder Program wishes to express our appreciation to our elders who have made significant contributions to our community and to the Hidatsa Tribe. We have made a traditional meal and presented them with a gift from the West Segment Community.

In collaboration with the Aging Services the West Segment Representative Office budget provides meal delivery vehicles and two drivers who have been diligently providing meals to elders who live in rural Mandaree and within the community. This has been our top priority to make sure that elders receive their meals.

For the month of January we had these birthday celebrations:

Fritz Bird Bear-January 22 Randolf Lone Fight-

January 17

Leland DuBois -January 11 Arline Muzzy - Janu-

ary 13

Lovina Fox- January 26 Mary Jane Yeahquo –

January 19

## HAPPY BELATED BIRTHDAY GOWIDS

# Mandaree One Stop!



### Mandaree ND

By: Jordan Rose Fox

Mandaree One Stop has a new generator for West Segment's one stop need for gas, snacks, tobacco and Hot Stuff items!

During the cold months of Dec and Jan, Mandaree One Stop took a few hard hits that knocked them out of service. Due to improper installation of wiring and a water line break from the severe cold and other technical difficulties the store underwent some renovation.

With those new renovations and upkeep, the store now has a new generator. The generator will insure that Mandaree One Stop will always be in service and will also serve as a place to keep others warm, if there should be a power outage this bitter cold winter.

Mandaree One Stop is always open and does have notification on Facebook: Mandaree One Stop if there should be any reason they are not open.

The store is currently looking for two cashiers, 6am-2pm, 2pm-10pm, 10pm-6am shifts. Must 18 or older. Please contact Manager Allen Newman Jr 701-759-3609



## Introduction of Fort Berthold Police Officers serving West Segment

West Segment would like to welcome:

Sgt. Officer Albert Bahr– Jickarilla/ Apache, 13 years of Law Enforcement Services,

Officer Preston Danks- MHA Nation

Officer Britney Larvie- Rosebud

We currently have three officers patrolling the West Segment Community. Each respective officer will be available to help and protect the people of the Mandan, Hidatsa, and Arikara Nations.

If you are in need of assistance please call Fort Berthold Police Department at 701-627-3617 or 911 for an emergency.

Living Waters Family Church Services:

Thursday 7pm

**Sunday 11:30 am** 

Meal is provided after service.

Children's and Teen's services are also available during service.

Volunteers are always welcome!

**Come and Celebrate His Word** 

At the Black Bear Building, Lyda BearsTail Residence.

### **Mandaree Field Clinic Hours:**

Maxine Bosko FNP M-W 8am-4:30pm

No provider on Thursdays
Andrea Richter, FNP-C 8am4:30pm

Please contact 701-759-3422 for

Fort Berthold Tribal Licensed Daycares:

Creative Care Daycare 701-421-2451

Little Braves Daycare 701-862-2225

Little Nations Daycare 701-627-5244

Chipper Hearts Daycare 701-381-1005

Small Beginnings 701-421-4060

Ma'a'his Taxaas Daycare 701-881-1477

Fairy Godmother 701-627-3175

Janet Benton 701-627-4127

Howling Wolves Daycare 701-460-6130

New Town High School Daycare Campus Enrollment only.

Callie Young Bird- Not excepting children at this time

Lisa Thundercloud – Not excepting children at this time.

## West Segment Bismarck Satellite Offices Update

Doosha! Greetings to the West Segment readers!

The West Segment Office in Bismarck includes; Betty Young Bird Insurance liaison, Calvin Black Hawk-Maintenance, and Leah Black Hawk West Segment Co- Until next time, ordinator.

Last year's events for the Bismarck area was the community picnic on May 25. 2017 and the Back-to-School Picnic on Aug 24. 2017 both were held at the General Sibley Park. We had a lot of MHA Nation members show up. There were door prizes for all ages.

Next we had the MHA Nation Christmas Event held at the Ramkota Hotel, but I was unable to attend due to unforeseen circumstances. Councilman Phelan and the West Segment office donated \$500 to each of the events held in Bismarck, which was greatly appreciated!

Our Services we provide are financial request forms, West Segment Education Grant assistance, enrollment updates, Boone Tribal Insurance assistance. If any elderly living in the Bismarck area need assistance on their property such as snow

removal, Calvin Black Hawk assists with what he can. We do as much as we can for the members of the MHA Nation and West Segment community members living in the Bismarck/Mandan area.

Maacagiraac Leah Black Hawk

West Segment Coordinator

Facebook page: MHA Nation Bismarck

Satillite Office

Office: 701-751-0456

Cell:701-421-6635

Fax:701-751-1972

107 W. Main St. Ste 200 Bismarck 58501





Bismarck Satellite Office Elders celebrating the Jan, Feb, and March Birthdays!



**Featured Jobs for Basin Electric Power Cooperative** 

Position Title: Student Intern - Facilities (2 Positions) (May 2018 to Dec 2018) (Jan 2019

to Aug 2019)

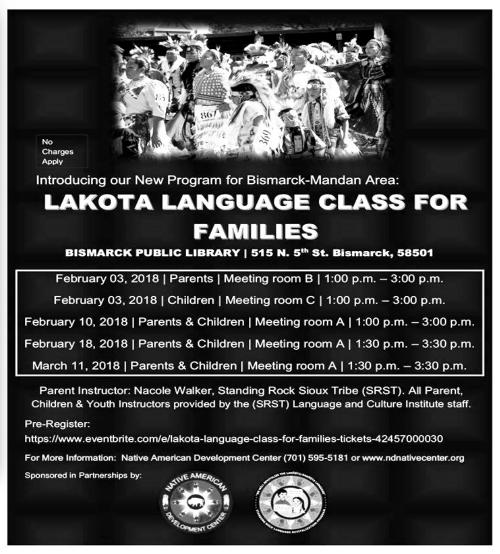
Department/Location: Administration; Bismarck, ND

Company: Basin Electric Power Cooperative Open Date: 01/26/2018 Close Date: 02/11/2018

Position Purpose: This temporary position assists with all aspects of maintenance for all buildings and associated equipment to provide a safe and comfortable work environment at the headquarters complex and as required within Basin Electric's Service Territory. This position will become familiar with planning and organizing projects of various nature and size. This includes projects relating to grounds, plumbing, heating and cooling systems; remodeling/building projects; and completing work requests submitted by Cooperative employees.

Qualifications: To perform effectively in this position, the incumbent must be at least 18 years of age, have a carpentry certificate, and be currently enrolled as a full-time student in a related two-year post-secondary degree. A minimum of a 2.5 grade point average (GPA) and excellent attendance are required. The incumbent must be able to demonstrate excellent written and verbal communication skills. A valid driver's license is required.

**Typical Physical/Mental/Environmental Demands:** This position requires frequent sitting and standing/walking; and occasional reaching below and above shoulder level, use of keyboard/computer, bending, kneeling, lifting/carrying up to 50 pounds, and pushing/pulling up to 20 pounds. It also requires finger dexterity and hand coordination. This position requires good hearing and vision, and the ability to speak. It also requires the ability to develop plans, procedures, and goals; present information to others; and work under stress to complete projects within deadlines. The ability to operate a motor vehicle is required.



### Featured Jobs with 4 Bears Casino & Lodge



All positions open until filled, unless specified. Updated 01-24-2018

UNDER 21 YEARS OF AGE	OVER 21 YEARS OF AGE	SPECIAL OPENINGS
1FT Front Desk Clerk \$12.50	4FT 4PT Cocktail Server \$11.00	1FT C Store Supervisor
1FT C Store Cashier \$14.00	2FT 4PT Bartender \$11.00	1FT Housekeeping Supervisor
1FT Housekeeping Inspector \$12.50	1FT Bar Back \$12.00	1FT Customer Service Host
1FT Events Staff \$16.00	2FT Maintenance Worker \$15.00	
	3FT Cage Cashier \$13.00	
	12FT Porter \$12.50	
	1FT Promotion Rep \$12.50	
19 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER	2FT Marina Worker \$12.00	
11FT 8PT Live Games Dealer \$9.00		

#### EMPLOYMENT POOL CONTINUOUSLY ACCEPTS APPLICATIONS.

Please provide the following documentation with your application:

- > Proof of education (HS Diploma or GED)
- > Social Security Card
- > Valid Picture ID (Driver's License, State ID, or Tribal ID)
- > Tribal Enrollment Verification if Claiming
- > DD214 if claiming Veteran's Preference

Bears Casino & Lodge maintains a policy of non-discrimination with employees and applicants for employment. No aspects of employment ithin the 4 Bears Casino will be influenced in any manner by race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, mental or physical disability, sexual preference or any other bias prohibited by statue, except as provided for by American Indian

Preference

Orientation for new employees is held every two weeks.

You may apply online at www.4bearscasino.com

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### Miri Baadi Maa Aru Nishuc contin...



Miri Baadi Pow wow committee and clan members. Photo courtesy Will Reeves II

The 2017 Miri Baadi pow wow committee lead the clan on celebrating with the community. They began with the Clan Bundle Keepers feed at the Nueta Hidatsa Sahnish College in New town Jan. 26. The clan members and pow wow committee bring dishes, except poultry. Eating poultry would be a disrespect to the deity of the bundle, the ThunderBird.



Miri Baadi members Ethel Baker-Reeves, Linda Baker, & Kelli Spotted Bear celebrate an intertribal. *Photo courtesy: LeeAnna Nation* 

The next day, a pow wow started at the Water Chief Hall in Mandaree that welcomed about 50 dancers for Grand Entry and another feed for community. The dance began with the drum keeper, Donovan Likes Eagle offering tobacco by tossing it over the drum and striking it three times.

The position of the drum keeper never changes, along with the current bundle keeper Delvin Driver Sr. Until it is passed on through matrilineal ritual.

All dance categories had the chance to compete for monetary prize money. After the pow wow committee donated back to the community and called upon their selected successor.

The pow wow carried late into the evening and will be held at Water Chief Hall in 2018!

## `2018 incoming Miri Baadi Committee`

President-Wesley Smith
Secretary- LeeAnna Nation
Miri Baadi Drum Keeper Donovan
Likes Eagle



Small Ankle of the Rising Waters, Miri Baadi Maabu uwi (Water Buster Bundle) Keeper (unknown-1888) purchased the bundle from Missouri River. Small Ankle died suddenly and did have a successor. The bundle then was left by inheritance to his son, Wolf Chief who was not a Miri Baadi, sold the bundle.



Lucy Fox and her Maadi Baadi papooses. *Photo courtesy LeeAnna Nation.* 





Baker-Reeves Family donating to Garland LikesEagle, the Miri Baadi and West Segment community. MC Lawrence Baker Far Right-l, Garland Likes Eagle, War bonnet Will Reeves II,Will Reeves Sr., Ethel Baker Reeves, unknown.

# Congratulations!



District 15 New Town Girls Basketball Head Coach Damon Brady!



District 9 Shiloh Christian Girls Basketball Head Coach of the Year Daryl BearsTail



Florida Seminole Tour Rodeo Jr. Bull riding Champion Kasen Johnson!



Mandaree Warrior Senior Jesse Chase reaching 1000 Points!

# Announcements!

Congratulations to the newest members of the West Segment community!



Born 2/2/2018 @ 5:14am To: Carolyn J Good Bird & Jordan Jetty 6lbs 15oz 20in.



Born 02/16/2018 @ 1:16

To: Dannyale Charging and Hunter Lincoln





### **North Segment Grants Update**

Date: February 20, 2018

Towards the end of 2017, North Segment submitted for two federally funded state grants, Opioid State Targeted Response (STR) and Alcohol and Other Drug Prevention (AOD). The STR grant is worth \$70,000 and the AOD grant is worth \$80,000, for a total of \$150,000. Shortly after submission, both grants were awarded to North Segment.

A small grants team has been created to carry out the mission of each grant. Our goal for the STR grant is to increase access to support services for those in recovery. Our goal for the AOD grant is to prevent alcohol and other drug use in the youth population. The current alcohol and drug crisis on our reservation affects us all. We will do our best create a safer and healthier North Segment community!





Feb. 9 This day of every year will be known as **Tillie Fay Walker Day Blossoming Mint. Proclaimed by the MHA Nation Tribal Council** 

**Housing Program Update** 

2017

Hello all you good readers of our Hidatsa Herald!!

This past year in our housing program saw the continued development of the White Oak Park project.

In early 2017 we had our first resident move into the park and we currently have 34 residents residing on Medicine Otter Loop.

Our mobile home park is named in honor of Tribal member and Veteran, Colin Bears Tail. He was a well-known
Champion Grass Dancer from Fort Berthold, who along with his brothers Saunders Sr. and Tommy traveled the region winning many contests. Colin once told me years ago, "They knew when I and my brothers were in town," as in they knew we came to dance! In the late 1990's Colin moved to White Oak, Maryland and started a drum group that he called, "White Oak Singers" for the town he lived in. This drum group was the host drum for the Grand Opening of the Smithsonian National Museum of the American Indian. The street in the mobile park is named "Medicine Otter" Loop which was his Indian Name.

The housing program is continuing to work with the West Segment Development Board to install our Solar Street Lights, Street Signage, and gutters to improve the drainage.

The White Oak project was an effort of our Councilman Mr. Randy Phelan who realized the continued need for housing for our community.

As of this edition the White Oak Park is full and we anticipate by summer 2018 to offer 3 more units.

One thing that I would like to inform the community is that the Hidatsa Housing Program is not affiliated with the other housing programs on the reservation like the Fort Berthold Housing Program (Federal Low/No Income) and the Tribal Housing Programs (Tribal/Federal). We know this can be confusing at times for the community members.

Our local Hidatsa Housing Program only owns and manages the "new" homes purchased during the last 5 years. The many unoccupied homes in the segment our more

than likely Fort Berthold Housing Program homes. They have federal restrictions on the home and home site least with the tribe that do not allow our local program to renovate them.

During our Cold Spells of Frigid weather that we experience seasonally, we asked all of our tenants to please leave your kitchen sink "COLD WATER" on as to prevent your pipes from freezing. This is particularly important for our White Oak Park residents.

The Hidatsa Housing Program staff along with our Board of Directors and Councilman Phelan will continue to explore additional affordable housing options in the future.

One consideration we have discussed infirmly has been the development of a multi-family units like an Apartment building and or Duplex homes. These considerations are tied to future Tribal Funding as related to Oil and Gas revenues and we have no time frame on this potential project.

Finally we would like all applicants to know that they must be proactive and inform our staff of any job changes, phone numbers, and or address updates. Since we do not keep "Lists" as all Applicants receive the same consideration regardless of the time they apply. We also only work with "fully completed" applications which means we have all your documents.

At this time we will still accept applications but have no availability.

The staff and I all live in the community and please don't hesitate to stop me and ask any questions.

Our office is located at the Old MEC Building on top of the Hill. Please use the Westside Door by the garage.

Till Next Time!

Will Reeves II, Director

**WSDC** Hidatsa Housing Program

wreeves@mhanation.com

701-759-3399 (office)

Shanna Fox, Senior Housing Specialist

Three Affiliated Tribes Of The Fort Berthold Reservation Custom Report Friday, February 9, 2018 11:41am 17 Deceased: No, Status: Enrolled, Resolution Number Rec-

ords: Ruth Lillian Two Crow Jr. Corey Blake Phillips Aaliyah Karma Moore Josiah Chatan Gullikson Averee Arrow Stabler Skareh Tate Wilcoxson Jacob Greger Manikateri Siani Butterfly Redhorn George Day Heart Chey Shulton Many Ribs Landon Jay Soles-Moore Aurora Marjorie Hovanic-Weeda Barrett Lockwood Calogero Quinn Bruce-White Body

Caliana Jimmie Johnson

Isaiah Lorenzo

Peyton Renea Kourtney Burton

# The Three Affiliated Tribes Fish & Wildlife will be having Hunter Education courses on the following dates:

	Segment	Location	Class Date	Class Time
	New Town/Four Bears	TAT Game & Fish Office	Friday, January 26, 2018	5:00PM to 9:00PM
			Saturday, January 27, 2018	9:00AM to 3:00PM
			Sunday, January 28, 2018	9:00AM to 3:00PM
	Parshall	Parshall Red Hall – Elders Room	Friday, February 2, 2018	5:00PM to 9:00PM
			Saturday, February 3, 2018	9:00AM to 3:00PM
			Sunday, February 4, 2018	9:00AM to 3:00PM
	<del>Mandaree</del>	Elders Building	Friday, February 9, 2018	5:00PM to 9:00PM
			Saturday, February 10, 2018	9:00AM to 3:00PM
			Sunday, February 11, 2018	9:00AM to 3:00PM
	White Shield	White Shield Complex	Friday, February 16, 2018	5:00PM to 9:00PM
			Saturday, February 17, 2018	9:00AM to 3:00PM
			Sunday, February 18, 2018	9:00AM to 3:00PM
	New Town/Four Bears	TAT Game & Fish Office	Wednesday, February 21, 2018	5:00PM to 9:00PM
			Wednesday, February 28, 2018	5:00PM to 9:00PM
			Wednesday, March 7, 2018	5:00PM to 9:00PM
			Wednesday, March 14, 2018	5:00PM to 9:00PM
	Twin Buttes	Twin Buttes Memorial Hall	Friday March 2, 2018	5:00PM to 9:00PM
	*Will be listed online as		Saturday, March 3, 2018	9:00AM to 3:00PM
	Halliday		Sunday, March 4, 2018	9:00AM to 3:00PM
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### MHA Drug Enforcement Awareness Drug Fact:

Fentanyl is a synthetic opioid that is 50 times more potent than heroin and, with Fentanyl, just a quarter of a milligram (.25 milligrams) can kill you.

That is equivalent to the size of just two grains of sand. This is what makes it so popular for drug suppliers to use – just the tiniest amount can increase the potency of a drug, keeping their margins profitable and their customers satisfied.

The danger of fentanyl isn't just to users – It can be a threat to anyone who knowingly or unknowingly come into contact with it.

The drug can be absorbed through the skin or accidentally inhaled. That means that naked fentanyl, even if not purposely consumed, can have a potentially lethal effect.

Source: www.volken.org



## Mandaree Warrior News!

Parents Night for the Warriors and the Lady Warriors!



Mother Loretta, Senior Austin and Father Emery



Devin Bear Claw knocks down 2 points over #10 Jesse



Coach Abbey and the Warriors refocus



Warrior Fans packed the house! Warrior Fans The Best Fans!



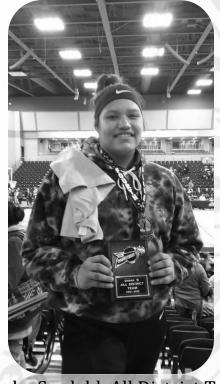
Mandaree Warrior Senior Jesse Chase enclosed by White Shield Defense



White Shield Warrior Jesse White a Freshman achieved 1000 points during the Parents Night game! Congratulations!

# Nii Eedza Ahkirirug Hiri Hiic!

Mandaree Lady Warriors advance to the Region 8 tourney for the first time since 2006!



Daysha Serdahl All District Team!



Coach Yellow Wolf and the Mandaree Lady Warriors taking home the Regional qualifying win over the Parshall Lady Braves!



GOOD LUCK TO ALL TEAMS!
from the Office of Councilman Chelan



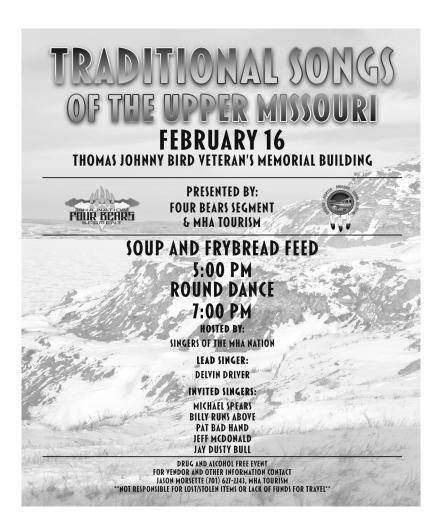
The North Dakota High School Athletics Association will hold the Girls Class B Region 8 Tournament in Ray ND. First game will begin at 3pm on Feb 19. with the Watford City Wolves taking on Powers Lake Panthers followed by Divide County V. New Town. Next game is #1 Seed Stanley V. Mandaree Lady warriors. Wrapping up the first night will be the Trenton V. Kenmare.



The Fit/Rec program will be running open gyms for the ladies at the Parshall Red Hall. Tuesday/Thursdays until numbers drop. Basketball on Tuesdays, Volleyball Thursdays. Melichi Four Bear TAT Fitness/Recreation Sports Administrator (701) 421-6302



Attention: This dog was found at-large with no registration or vaccination tags; if this dog belongs to you please contact Animal Control at 627-2654.



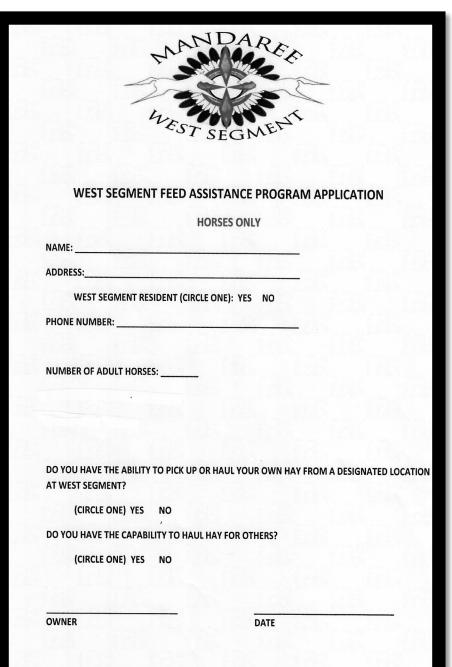
\*ATTENTION\* Out of the Respect of Councilman Frank Grady and his family, the Scheduled Traditional Songs of the Upper Missouri event will be rescheduled to a later date.

Sorry for the inconvenience and thank you for your understanding













West Segment Ag Dept coordinator (top left) Clayton Danks along with the West Segment Maintenance Crew worked in the cold to make sure the horses in West Segment receive Hay Feed! The feed was also delivered to the Elders and to those who were unable to pick up the hay. Maacagiraac Councilman Phelan and the West Segment Staff for all your continued hard work for the community!

## 2018 Upcoming War bonnet Parades:

Four Bears Parade
Saturday, March 3, 2018
Johnny Bird Memorial Building Four
Bears

Mandaree Celebration Parade Saturday, March 31, 2018 Water Chief Hall Mandaree

Parshall Nuxbaaga Celebration Parade Sunday, April 29. 2018 Red Hall Parshall

Will have updates for other committee's in the next issue of the Hidatsa Herald.



# Walking on...



Christine Burr, 90, New Town, died Tuesday, February 13, 2018 at her home. Christine Burr was born August 16, 1927 at home near the Independence Community. She was the first-born child of Oscar Burr and Mary Wounded Face Burr. She was a member of the Prairie Chicken Clan and a child of the Flint Knife Clan.

She grew up on the river bottom near Independence until the building of the Garrison Dam after which the family moved northeast of the Lost Bridge area south of Mandaree. She and her siblings grew up riding horses and swimming in the Missouri River among the cottonwoods. She told stories of Christmas's where they would hook up a team and buckboard and go to Waterchief Hall and someone would come in ringing a bell dressed like Santa Claus and give gifts to the children. She told stories of saddling up a horse and swimming it across the big Missouri to Elbowoods and coming home with a gunnysack of canned milk for her daughter. She was one of the last of her generation who lived to remember the days of kerosene lamps, traveling by buckboard and team and outhouses. She became an avid beader and made many beautiful star quilts in her time. She taught her daughters these skills and if they needed extra money she would tell them to use their beading and sewing skills to make extra money.

She lived many years in the Watford City area with her late husband AV Christianson until his death in 1991. There she was a ranch wife making lunches for round-ups, branding cattle, tending to gardens, canning vegetables, even driving a tractor when necessary, attending rodeos and living the ranch life. She loved listening to country gospel music, country western

songs and listened to TBN 24/7. She loved her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and her last days were spent listening to Church on TV.

Our beloved Mom and Grandma passed away peacefully at her son's home, which was her wish. She told us she was ready to see the Lord and missed her loved ones that went before her. She lived to be 90 years old, a very strong Mandan Hidatsa woman.

Christine is survived by her children, Norma Jean Grady (Roger Sr), Joan Mann (Adrian Jr.), Gilbert Mann Jr., Lila Wells (Bill), and Claude Christianson (Janelle) of New Town, Kathy Mann (Bruce) of Mandaree, and Denise Helms (Rob) of Ft. Worth, TX; her sister, Virginia Rachel Grady and brother, Harold Burr.

She raised one granddaughter Krystal Bird but left her mark in the world as she was grandmother to thirty grandchildren, forty great-grandchildren, and eleven great-greatgrandchildren for a total of 81 grandchildren!

Preceding Christine in death were her children: Bernard Black Hawk, Ambrose Black Hawk, and Cynthia Black Hawk, Grandchildren: Valene Black Hawk, Aaron Hilleren, and Frank Grady Jr. Siblings: Emmaline Burr, Willard Burr, Violet Burr, Mary Edith Good Bear, Marilyn Ogden, and Newton Burr Sr.

Funeral Saturday, February 17, 2018 at 10:00am in Johnny Bird Veterans Memorial Hall, New Town.

Wake Friday 5:00pm in the memorial hall.

Family and friends gathering Friday from 2:00 - 4:00pm in Langhans Funeral Home, Parshall.

Burial will be in the Snowbird Cemetery, rural New Town. Ira Jane Fox will serve as the Senior Pallbearer



## In Loving memory...



Thomas Leonard Yellow Wolf, Jr. (Little Eagle), 40, New Town, passed away peacefully, Sunday, February 4, 2018 at his home surrounded by his loving family. Tom was born on February 4, 1978 in Fort Defiance, AZ to Karen White Owl and Thomas Yellow Wolf, Sr. He was a member of the Water Buster Clan and a member of the Mandan, Hidatsa & Arikara Nation.

Tom as many knew him by, lived his younger years in Tsaile, AZ, Aurora, CO and Nevada. It was then his parents moved home to New Town, ND and he would spend the majority of his years growing up there. He attended school in New Town and following High School he joined the United States Army. He served almost a year, then he was discharged due to medical issues that ended his career. Tom was proud that he was able to serve the time that he did.

Tom was blessed with 4 daughters; Adriana Yellow Wolf born in 1998, Taylor Yellow Wolf in 2000, Hailey Yellow Wolf in 2001 and the youngest, Anaya Yellow Wolf in 2010. Tom was so proud to be a father. He was always showing his girls off. He enjoyed going for drives and playing with them. Tom's girls meant the world to him. They all shared a special bond and had a special place in his heart.

Tom lived in Bismarck for a few years and returned home, where he lived until the time of his passing. Tom lived with his mother as she became ill and took care of her. Once she got better, they enjoyed traveling all over, going out to eat and going to the casino. They were always doing something or going some-

where.

Tom enjoyed golfing, watching football and basketball and hanging out with his friends and family. He always enjoyed company over at the house. He had a great sense of humor and loved to Joke around. Tom was always lending a hand where he could; shoveling driveways or just helping friends and family out. He had a kind and gentle soul and was a great friend to many.

Over the years, he gained the title "grandfather" as he was blessed with 3 grandchildren; Kayleigh Marie, John Thomas and Rubyann Sage.

Tom is survived by his Children, Adriana Yellow Wolf, Taylor Yellow Wolf, Hailey Yellow Wolf and Anaya Yellow Wolf; Parents, Karen White Owl and Thomas Yellow Wolf, Sr.; Aunts, Rhonda Woods, Lela White Owl and Mary Vigen; Uncles, Roger White Owl, Sr., Dayved White Owl, Randy White Owl, Sr., Wilson White Owl and Curt Danks; Sisters, Amanda Shepard, Ronelle Bruce, Sharilyn White Owl & Samantha De La Certa; Brothers, Justin Bruce, Virgil & Jeff White Owl and James H. Danks; and many numerous cousins & relatives too numerous to mention. He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Madeline & Herbert White Owl, Sr.; Uncles, Ronald White Owl, Sr., Samual White Owl, Herbert (Skip) White Owl, Jr., Leland White Owl and Galen (Chip) White Owl.

Funeral: Thursday, February 8, 2018 at 10:00am in Johnny Bird Veterans Memorial Hall, New Town. Wake: Wednesday 5:00pm in the memorial hall. Family and friends will gather at Langhans Funeral Home on Wednesday at 2:00pm for viewing and leave for the Wake at 4:00pm.

Burial will take place at Shell Creek Congregational Cemetery, rural New Town.

Marvin Driver will serve as Senior Pallbearer



Tillie Fay Walker, age 88 of Mandaree, ND, passed away on Saturday, February 3, 2018 at Sanford Health, Bismarck, ND. Her funeral arrangements are with Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home of Watford City.

Tillie Faye Walker, named Hishua Adesh (Blossoming Mint), was born at home in the Independence community on the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation on July 11, 1928. Tillie was born a member of the Ma'xohxadi or Alkalai Lodge clan, and was a child of the Apuhga Wigaa or Low Cap Clan. Tillie's mother, Mercy Baker Walker was the daughter of Louis Baker and Emma Taylor, but was raised by her grandmother First Sprout and grandfather Two Chief. Her father Hans Walker Sr. was the son of Joseph and Susie Walker Youngbird, who were both Hidatsa from the Lucky Mound community.

Tillie and her siblings grew up in a world centered on traditional Mandan and Hidatsa values and culture, a bi- and tri-lingual world where most community members spoke or could communicate in English, Hidatsa, and Mandan. They lived in a log house built by their father, and ate the delicious food their mother prepared from her extensive gardens. Both parents enjoyed visiting their extended family, and made sure their children knew their relatives and the traditional values embedded in those relationship norms – from respect and dedication to helping your family, to teasing.

Tillie began her education in the local Independence school, and moved to the mission school in Elbowoods when she was a few years older. She finished her high school degree at Sanish High School, then continued on to work toward her postsecondary degree at Haskell and Willamette University before finishing her BA in Business Administration at the University of Nebraska. This was a time period in which it was unusual for tribal members to complete a college degree, especially so for women. Tillie's father wanted his daughters to have the same opportunities his sons did – this in an era in which educational opportunities were constrained for women, and when many believed that women would not benefit from or use a higher education degree.

While in college she constantly worked to help fund her education, from driving a pea truck to working for the Nebraska Legislature. After graduation, Tillie and two of her friends took a train to Philadelphia – without a job or a place lined up to live – and she approached the American Friends Service Committee and asked for a job. They hired her on the spot, and eventually that position led to the creation of the United Scholarship Service, an organization conceptualized, organized, and driven by Tillie that brought promising Native youth to fully funded slots in elite private boarding schools. She recruited students from all over Indian Country, and many national and community leaders and activists who came of age during the 1960s and 70s were those she had identified, cultivated, and supported during their studies through her organization – or who she had employed as staff.

"She was incredibly independent, even when we were little," her sister Reba recalls. This independence, her energy and hardworking nature cultivated by her parents, and her natural charisma and sense of fun made her a force to be reckoned with. She mentored and was a role model to many of the original red power activists involved in the National Indian Youth Council,

including Clyde Warrior, Mel Thom, and Hank Adams. Tillie and others began to question the status quo power structures of how federal power was exerted on tribal lands, from staffing of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, to land use rights, to issues of leasing and resource extraction.

Her work on the national level caught the attention of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. as he began to organize for the Poor People's Campaign, and she met him shortly before his assassination when he brought her into the campaign organizing. Tillie served as one of the key Native organizers for the campaign, and recruited tribal members and leaders from across the country to participate. She made sure to include elders such as George Crow Flies High and Mattie Grinnell, who made the trip to Washington, DC to participate in the marches, sit ins, and testimonies as part of the Campaign. She also gave fiery and memorable testimony to the Secretary of the Interior and the Commissioner of Indian Affairs during the Campaign, as detailed in several academic histories of red power activism. Through these decades of work on the national scene, Tillie influenced the very direction of activism and federal Indian policy. She considered the implementation of Indian Preference hiring in Indian Health Service and the Bureau of Indian Affairs to be her biggest professional accomplishment.

Those guided and mentored by her remember her as a mixture of being highly educated and very traditional, during a time period in which many saw those qualities as in conflict. She lived and worked off-reservation in Denver, but she had a constant stream of older and younger relatives and friends visiting her. They remember that almost her entire record collection was powwow music, and that she always had corn in various stages of drying in her apartment. Her family remembers that she had knowledge of traditional medicines – likely cultivated in her by her mother Mercy, who held a traditional medicine bundle and helped care for the Lone Man Shrine – and would tell her niece and nephews bedtime stories that included traditional origins stories.

After Tillie's mother Mercy suffered a stroke, she eventually moved back to Fort Berthold to help take care of her mom. She moved back to her family's house in what remained of the Independence district (vastly changed due to the land loss associated with the Garrison Dam), near Mandaree. She helped her mom and continued her extensive gardens, and ran for and won a tribal council seat in the 1980s. While on council she worked on the Garrison Unit Joint Tribal Advisory Committee (JTAC), that advocated for a fuller accounting of and compensation for the land taking associated with the Garrison Dam. The work she and others did secured an additional \$143M in federal compensation for the eminent domain taking of the heart of the Fort Berthold land base.

After retiring, Tillie continued to work for her tribal community. She enjoyed visiting, organizing, and rabble rousing with her close friends Celeste Witham, Rosemarie Mandan, Wanda Fox, and Phyllis Cross. She picked and preserved juneberries and bullberries, made beautiful star quilts, and never missed Mandaree Powwow. She had a longstanding love affair with chocolate (especially Godiva chocolate) and enjoyed watching the Letterman Show, often closing her evening with "Mudakua" and a crossword puzzle. She was a role model, a confidante, a supporter, and a mentor to many of her lucky nieces, nephews, and grandchildren.

Tillie lived in the country outside Mandaree for decades, in the house her parents built during the relocation process due to the Garrison Dam flooding. When her mobility required her to be closer to services, she lived in New Town for several years, and eventually settled in Bismarck to be close to her younger sister Reba. In 2014 Tillie and Reba bought and donated lands associated with a historical Hidatsa village site to the Three Affiliated Tribes. Tillie gave a substantial donation to the Three Affiliated Tribes Museum, with no strings attached to how the money would be spent. In 2016 Tillie was successful in her two-decade effort to have the Independence Congregational Church designated as a historic place on the National Register of Historic Places. Despite her accomplishments and substantial service to her tribe and Indian Country, she never talked about herself and all the work she did – a reflection of the traditional values modeled by her parents. Although affected by Alzheimer's, Tillie remained true to her character – independent, fun-loving, and generous to her relatives to the last of her days.

Tillie passed away on February 3, 2018, and is survived by her younger sister, Reba Walker, niece Leah Ann Walker, and nephews Tom Walker, Carey Walker, and Reid Walker. She was preceded in death by her father Hans Walker, Sr., her mother Mercy Baker Walker, and her two brothers Melvin Walker and Hans Walker, Jr. Everyone who was lucky enough to know Tillie will miss the light and generosity she brought to our lives



Christopher Fox, of Mandaree, ND, passed away on Sunday, February 4, 2018 in the New Sanford Health Hospital in Fargo, ND. His funeral arrangements are with Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home of Watford City.

Christopher John Fox "Buffalo Shedding Hair" (ixii-buxshguu-wash), member of the Prairie Chicken Clan, was born September 10, 1968 in Watford City, North Dakota. He was born to Belinda (Fox) Beston and Edward Danks.

Chris grew up in the Mandaree Community. He attended Mandaree Public School and graduated in 1988. He took part in Football, Basketball, Track & Field, high

school marching band and choir.

Chris married Pamela Nadeau on August 27, 2016. The union of their marriage brought the community together. Their vows were exchanged outside their home.

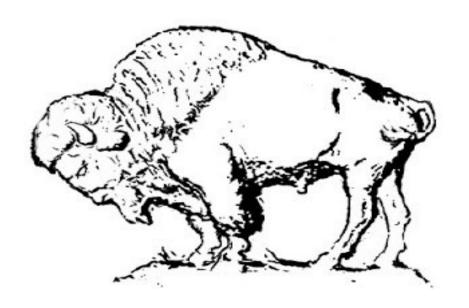
Christopher was known by several nicknames. His grandpa Guy Fox gave him his nickname "Frog Face" whom all his uncles and aunts called him. Janice Smith asked him what his name was when he was playing behind his grandmother's home in Mandaree. He said "You can call me Stranger" We think he made his own nickname up for himself. Chris also gave his nieces and nephews nicknames.

He loved hunting, fishing and his favorite sports team, the Steelers. Chris was a dedicated Steelers fan since he was in grade school. He even named one of his dogs Steeler. His other dog's name was Bettis. He loved getting any type of Steelers gear and wore it proudly. When the Steelers won he made it known his team won and was pleasant to everyone. BUT if the Steeler lost he never gave up hope and felt bad for a few days but got right back into his team winning the next game.

Chris was a man of humor, he loved to laugh and have a good conversation. Chris was always joking, telling jokes or playing a trick on someone. His heart was as big as they come. He always thought of others and made sure everyone was comfortable when around him. He always made it a point to check on his mother, aunts and uncles to see if he could help in anyway. He never forgot to call his mother or sisters on holidays and birthdays and at the end of each call was always "I Love you Very Much".

Christopher is survived by: Wife Pamela Fox; Sisters, Nicole Beston- Mandaree, Tiny Baby Sister Britnee (Jeff) White-White Shield, Anna (Dean) Anderson- Cheyenne Wyoming, Ramona (Arne) Sorenson- New Town, Joan (Ben) Hecht-Denver Colorado; Brothers, Matthew (Amber) Danks - Mandan, Jake (Heidi) Danks- Minot; Sons, Tylen Fox & Jordan Fox; Step Children, Layne Longie, James Longie Wyatt Longie, AnDee Longie - Belcourt and Grandson Jordan Fox Jr. \*\*All his groomsmen he held as very special friends in his heart.

He was preceded in death by his son, Garrett Jay Fox; Brother, Anthony Shane Fox; Maternal Grandparents, Guy and Grace Fox; Paternal grandfather, James Danks.



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## Morning Skies over West Segment!

2018 NDRA Rodeo Schedule:

March 3rd Four Bears Challenge

March 17th Four Bears Challenge

April 7th Four Bears Challenge

All will be held at the Healing This seizure is a prime example of the major efforts MHA Drug Enforcement's battle against the Horse Ranch. Times TBA



MHA Public Safety Division of Drug Enforcement

### MEDIA RELEASE

On the early morning hours of Thursday, January 25, 2018, New Town Police Officer Darren Carter conducted a traffic stop on an out of state vehicle here in New Town. The driver, identified as Jorge Pitts, was the lone occupant. Officer Carter detected the odor of marijuana emanating from the vehicle and deployed his K9. MHA Drug Enforcement was requested for assistance and a Drug Enforcement Agent was deployed to assist Officer Carter. Pitts was subsequently arrested for possession of a controlled substance and the vehicle impounded. U.S. Homeland Security Investigation (HSI) Agent along with MHA Drug Enforcement sought and obtained a federal search warrant for the vehicle.

The search warrant was executed upon the vehicle. MHA Drug Enforcement recovered a loaded semi-automatic handgun and in excess of 1,600 Oxycodone pills. The street value for those pills, if sold on Fort Berthold, was in excess of \$115,000.

Due to the vigilance of the New Town Police Department and their partnership with MHA Drug Enforcement these pills, which were destined for distribution in our community, were intercepted. The daily battle to impede the flow of illicit drugs to Fort Berthold continues.

opioids that plague our communities here on Fort Berthold. This case also exemplifies the working relationships MHA Drug Enforcement maintains with the New Town Police Department, Homeland Security Investigations, Three Affiliated Tribes Police Department and other agencies. This case is just one of many that MHA Drug Enforcement continues in taking the lead.