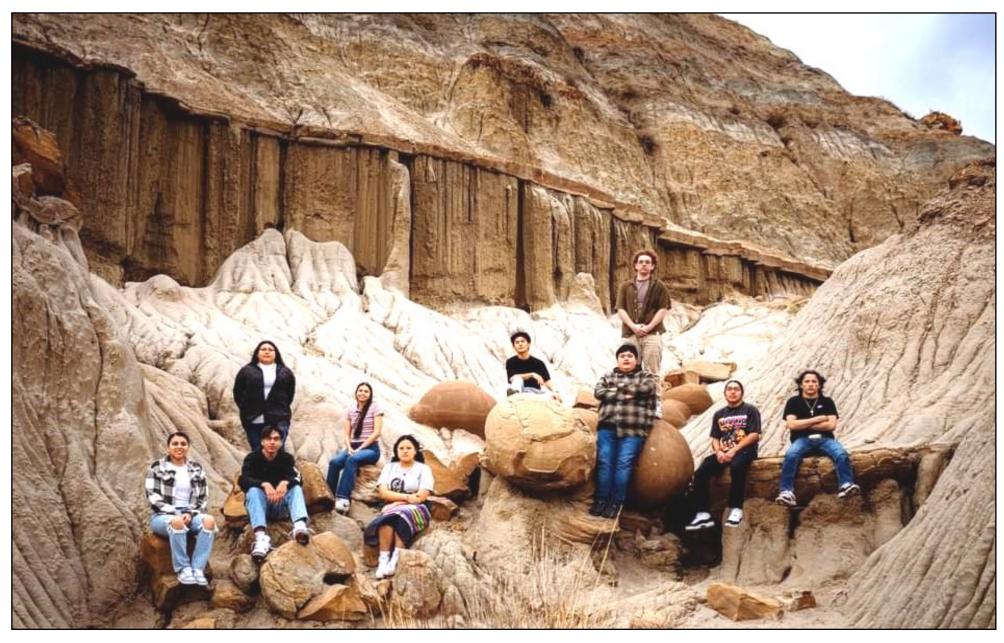


Mandarge High School Presents The Class of 2024

Photos by Sara Wescott Photography



Mandaree High School presents the Class of 2024. The seniors are gathered in the heart of the badlands and poised for their senior class picture. From left to right; Aiyona Johnson, Theo Lone Fight, standing Ayla Hale, Christine Driver, Jeorge Fox, Kenneth Caliedan, Cooper Stiffarm, standing Breyson Bradfield, Dahu'Xubaa Beston and Wesley Smith. On behalf of West Segment we congratulate each of you on your accomplishment of graduating from high school and wish you the best of luck as you venture into the next chapter of your life.

(see their individual pictures on the pages 4 & 5)

Councilwoman Turner-Lone Fight Update



Greetings to all my relatives, friends and to those who live off the reservation.

Before I begin, I would like to take a moment and extend my deepest sympathies to the family and relatives of Brook Heart and Ryanette Hunts Along on the loss of their beloved ones. My sincere condolences to our other

segments who have lost beloved ones. Also to community members who are in the hospitals we want you to know you are in our thoughts and prayers.

Spring has sprung! With that in mind, we all know it's clean up time in our community and out lying areas. There have been some out picking up trash along the highways on route 12 which was nice to see. We also had some events that took place after our newspaper came out so those will be covered in this months paper.

This month we have our 2024 graduations for head start, 8th grade and high school. I would like to congratulate each of you. To our Seniors I wish you the best of luck in your future endeavors.

The West Segment Elders had a get a way trip and went to Deadwood, South Dakota. This time they had other activities that were available. Slot tournaments, blackjack tournament, helicopter rides, devils tower, just to name a few. There's pictures on pages 3 & 11 of the newspaper.

We also have our graduates pictures and there on pages 4 & 5.

May has gone by real fast we have a lot going on before this month is over, there's graduation for our seniors. Families will be busy with receptions, we have memorial day coming up.

In the next months paper we will have some graduations pictures as well as other events going on after our newspaper is out to our community. Just so you know our newspaper is a monthly newspaper and it has a deadline which is the 14th of every month. After the 14th you get your paper in the mail. So if

want our community or people to know please let us know a month in advance so we can let everyone know what's going on. Again it's always good to think ahead of time.

West Segments events have been very busy with activities and I have been busy meeting with contractors every week. It makes me proud to say the clinic has been approved by the council so it will be under construction this year should be done hopefully next year. Our Hidatsa Housing has been up to pare fixing the houses.

Our community will be busy with graduations here are the dates; May 23 is the 8th grade graduation, the High School graduation is on Saturday, May 25th and the Mandaree Headstart graduation is on Thursday, May 30th.

On another note, West Segment has (95) tickets for the Little Wayne concert with admission paid on July 20th only this if for our Mandaree youth ages 12-18 but you need to earn your tickets and this is on a first come first serve basis until gone. You can call me or Bernadine Fredericks Mendez to set up how you can earn your free ticket and admission.

During the Minot State Fair there is something for our elders too. The West Segment elders will have free admission and tickets on July 23rd for the relay races all you have to do is call Bernadine. A bus not a van will be available for our elders, since the vans weren't as easy to get step into, we will have a bus for our elders.

Also for Father's Day there will be cornhole tournament. Then on June 7 & 8 we will have a hand game tournament sponsored by West Segment. And our West Segment Days will be on June 30th 2024. There will be a lot of activities for everyone to enjoy!

Just remember what we didn't cover here in our newspaper it will be covered next month. This is all I have for now and thank you for being a good reader. Until next month.

Councilwoman Gladys Sherry Turner-Lone Fight

Mandarge Elders Trip Deadwood South Dakota

Photo by LeeAnna Nation



Group photo before we headed out to Deadwood, SD.



Blackjack tournament a fun activity for our elders.



Slot tournament it was fun to watch the players compete.



Roseann Johnson and Councilwoman pause for a smile.



Martha Bird Bear sitting in the front seat inside the helicopter getting ready for take off. One of the fun activities for our elders to enjoy!



Had to catch this photo of one of elders Elmer Fredericks enjoyed his time at Deadwood inside the Mineral Palace casino and hotel.



Terry Gottschall his wife Connie, Jodi and her husband Bob Brieck all standing in front of Prairie Edge Store in Rapid City. Part of the fun!



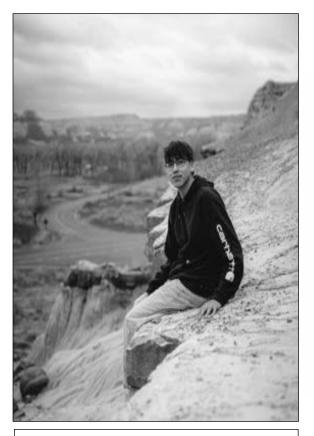
Harriet waiting to board the helicopter.

Thank you West Segment, for the wonderful experience. It was an adventure flying above at 5500' and seeing everything below us. Although my hands were sweating and mγ stomach turning it was a once in a life time experience. My first and last time.

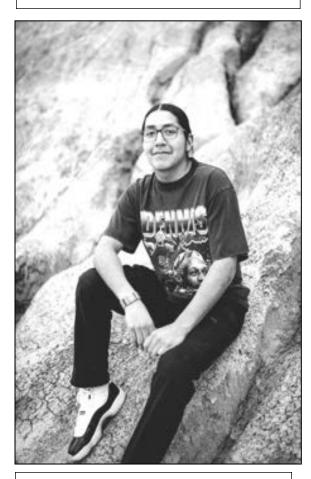
Once we lifted off of the ground, I felt like hollering "STOP, LET ME OFF!, but I didn't. Although it was a great view, my mind kept thinking how far are we until we get off. Was the longest 30mins of my life. My bestie was in the back so it made it easier. A great Elder's trip in the Black Hills ~Harriet Goodiron~

2024 Mandarge High School Seniors

Photos by Sara Wescott Photography



Theo Lone Fight is the son of late DeRae Mann, grandson of Vida Craig and late Donald Mann, Sherry and Ted Lone Fight

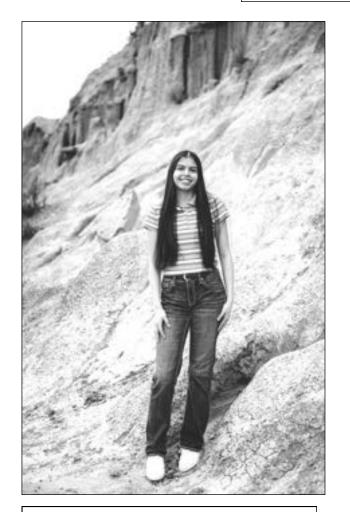


Dahu'Xubaa Beston son of Milton and Terry Beston.





Aiyona Johnson daughter of Adam and Miranda Johnson.

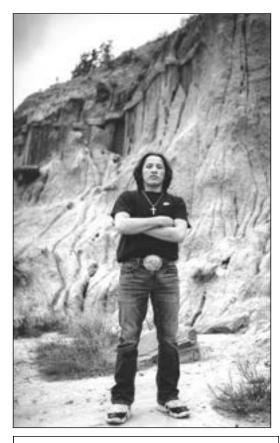


Christine Driver daughter of Marie and Russel Driver.

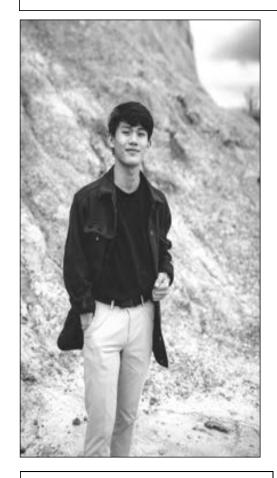


Alya Hale is the daughter of Shannon Fox

2024 Mandarge High School Seniors



Wesley Smith is the son of late Winnifred Smith and Colter Dawes, grandson of Katherine and late Fred Smith, Clinton and late Janet Young bear, Tommy and Cheryl Dawes



Kenneth Caliedan is the son of Bella and Sylvrstry Caliedan



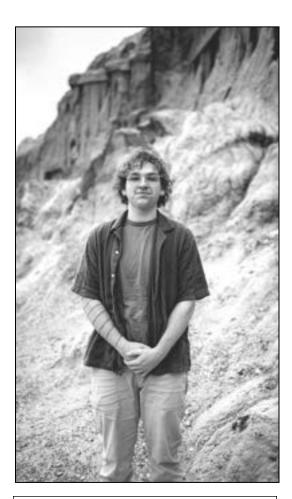


Jeorge Fox is the daughter of Amanda Boyd and Dale Fox.





Cooper Johnson is the son of Angela Stiffarm and Bennie Johnson



Breyson Bradfield is the son of Kelly Bradfield.

Mandarge Voluntger Fire Department Fundraiser

Photos courtesy of Walter DeVille Sr., and Sherry Lone Fight



Our pancake and sausage breakfast at the Mandaree VFD was a smashing success!! Thanks to the many community members. We were able to raise much needed funds that will go towards essential gear for the Volunteers in responding to emergency calls.

Thank you to several benefactors who wished to remain anonymous and many others who helped. We are always humbled by the turnout when we do one of these fundraisers and we greatly appreciate your support.

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!

During this fundraiser the Mandaree Volunteer Firefighters raised \$17,000 thanks to all our community members and for those benefactors.



Councilwoman Gladys Sherry Turner-Lone Fight shares a laugh with VFD Walter DeVille during the fundraiser.



The pancake breakfast was a great success! The tables inside the facility were all full. Everyone left feeling real good and full after a good breakfast. The weather was nice so the doors were all open. It was awesome to see a lot of workers who came to have breakfast.



Walter DeVille is cooking over the fying pan while Keith White Owl is flipping hotcakes and Bradfield Sage is cooking hotcakes on the other side. We all know that men are the best cooks ever!

By Lisa DeVille

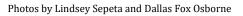


The West Segment Autism walk and run was put on by Tia Mandan with TAT fitness and recreation, Michael DeVille and staff with West Segment fitness and Recreation. Thank you to all who participated in the Autism walk and run, because of you we had a great turn out. Thank you to MHA elder, Mary Gachupin for the incantation prayer and former Mandaree school educator Mr. Curtis for being our keynote speaker. We have many Native American children with special needs and the support they need if often pushed aside. It's important to recognize that autism is not a disease or something to be "cured". Rather, it is an integral aspect of a person's identity and should be respected as such. People with autism possess unique perspectives, talents, and contributions that enrich our society. Efforts to support our children should be prioritized and be culturally responsive, collaborative, and inclusive. We can work together to help ensure that interventions and services are tailored to the specific needs and strengths of our children and their families, while also promoting self

empowerment and resilience. Autism Defintion: Autism, or autism spectrum disorder (ASD), refers to a broad range of conditions characterized by challenges with social skills, repetitive behaviors, speech and nonverbal communication. According to the Centers for Disease Control, autism affects an estimated 1 in 36 children and 1 in 45 adults in the United States today.

www.autismspeaks.org

Photos by Lindsey Sepeta and Dallas Fox Osborne





During the TAT Headstart fashion show pictured is Luke Augustus and Tedsena Lone Fight.



Lindsey Sepeta and her daughter Katherine Sepeta both at Headstart fashion show.



McKenzie Electric Cooperative recently had an annual meeting at the Mandaree Elders building. Their mission: is dedicated to improving the quality of life of its member owners, while supporting the communities in which we operate, by offering safe, reliable and affordable electricity. By taking part in your annual member meeting is just one way our members democratically control how McKenzie Electric Cooperative. operates. Watch for future meetings.

West Segment Clean up Day & Picking up Trash



The day was just right when it was clean up day in our West Segment community. I drove out on east 12 and seen the workers from Rural Water picking up trash on route 12. They started from the St. Anthony's Church and worked their way up on route 12. Pictured below is Dallas Fox-Osborne, the Acting Director of MHA Rural Water. Dallas currently resides in the West Segment community. Rural Water staff were very busy picking up trash on route 12 and it looks really nice. As I drove along route 12 it was a nice site to see there wasn't any trash in the ditches along the way. On behalf of West Segment, I would like to thank Rural Water for their time. Councilwoman Gladys Sherry Turner Lone Fight



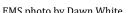


Even the celebration grounds was clean. Thanks to the ones who were out there picking up trash. Pictured above is Nina Finley Newman walking around the celebration grounds picking up trash and loading the trash in our truck. Pictured below is her son Travis Finley, who was picking up trash before you get to the celebration grounds. On behalf of West Segment we thank every one who got out on this day to help pick up trash. It's a great feeling to have our West Segment community free of trash. I am sure there were a lot more people out picking up trash but this is what we got.



Mandarge Voluntger Fire Dept. & CMS Honored by West Segment

Photo by Lynn Trevino







Mandaree Volunteer Firefighters-from left to right; Benner White Owl,

Duane Young Bird, Robin Hall, Heath Hall, Marle Baker, Fire Chief,

Councilwoman Gladys Sherry Turner Lone Fight, Walter DeVille Sr.,

Bradfield Sage, Daunte Sage, Manny Lucio and Brian Brugh.

EMS Crew: from left to right: Dr. Benji Kitagawa, Antoniette Kitagawa, Jazmyn Lucio, Abel Feltes NRP, Councilwoman Gladys Sherry Turner-Lone Fight, Josie Bingen RN, Jeanine Perkins, Katarina Nyberg NREMT, Jonathan Roy, Twila Hopkins, Hailey White Owl and Manny Lucio.

Photo by Antoinette Kitagawa

Submitted by Dawn White



Mandaree
Volunteer
Firefighters and
Mandaree EMS
were honored for
their great
achievements
and being
outstanding for
countless times

saving the lives of our community and land. Their hard work dedication are very much cherished by our West Segment Community.

Councilwoman Gladys Sherry Turner Lone Fight

Bernadine Fredericks Mendez-West Segment Chief Of Staff

Renay Brown– West Segment Events Coordinator

West Segment Amazing Employees.

The Mandaree Volunteer Firefighters and EMS Staff were honored and given a dinner of appreciation. Loved the evening of showcasing our community's First Responders! They deserve to be recognized!! Beautifully done and enjoyed our evening give them all a show of appreciation!!



Rosie White Owl sits by her grandson Manny Lucio | felt amazing and it and his wife Jazmyn Lucio and her family. | reminded me why

It was a great day being recognized and honored by West Segment. This job means the world to me and everyone that works in this field and to bе recognized just reminded me why we do this job. To

see and hear the appreciation from the community, hearing that us as responders are seen and are important, really opened my eyes to the last three years I've been working in this tight knit community. Thank you Antoinette, for believing in me and taking me onto your team in 2021, & thank you West Segment for the commemoration and the dinner, us as responders don't do this job for recognition, but to know that we do make such a big positive impact here meant the world to all of us. And to my crew, I love ALL of you guys, we literally go through hell together, we lean on each other for support, we keep each other safe, we are family and I couldn't ask for a better group of people to work along side of. I pray that it is in my story to continue working in EMS for the rest of my adult life so long as I m able to. Thank you ~Jazmyn Lucio

Mandarge Volunteer Fire Dept. & CMS Honored by West Segment



Baker. Marle MVF Fire Chief some gave input on how the MVF was organized. Baker states: 2012 was bad year for wildfires the oil boom was here and traffic accidents were

happening more. Back then we were in dire need of emergency services, when accidents happened or fires we depended on services and help from other outlying areas.

With fires happening in our area, we didn't have the services we needed. So with that in mind, Marle got together with some people and they started to write a fire code and bylaws. This ordeal didn't happen overnight it took a few years. According to Baker, it was in the fall of 2013, when they established a fire district board. They began to recruit community members to become members of the fire department.

The tribal business council gave the community seed monies to attend trainings. At the present time we have fifteen active members in our fire department.

Today, the MVF and EMS have been in the new building for the past three years. Baker says; We are very, very fortunate that Mandaree supports us so well. We recently had a pancake breakfast". The pancake breakfast raised \$17,000. (See the pictures on page 6 of the West Segment News).

I for one am very proud of our Mandaree Volunteer Firefighters they go above and beyond their call of duty. We have gone without these important services for years and thanks to some community members who are responsible for our segment to have a nice building and for our EMS workers to have an ambulance and for our firefighters to have fire trucks. We are very thankful for the people with great minds and capabilities, so we as a community can have these much needed services. Again, kudos to those who did all the hard work.

On behalf of West Segment we would like to congratulate each of the Mandaree Volunteer firefighters and EMS. We are very grateful and thank you for your services to our West Segment Community.

Submitted by Lisa DeVille



Pictured above are; Lisa Baker, and Kelly Bradfield.

On Friday, April 26, 2024 marked significant milestone as we celebrated 10th Annual commemoration, momentous occasion to pay tribute to the dedication of Mandaree Volunteer Firefighters Department and the Mandaree Emergency Management Services. Their service has been cornerstone of safety and DeVille, Mary Fredericks security in our community.

> The establishment of the Mandaree Volunteer Firefighters and **EMS**

Building is an indispensable addition to our community infrastructure. Amidst the bustling activity and traffic brought by the Bakken oil and gas field, having a local response team became not just a necessity, but a lifeline. We no longer have to wait for neighboring fire and EMS services for 1.5 hours to reach our community in times of need.

Back in 2012, when we worked to complete a comprehensive community needs assessment. This initiative was a commitment to truly gauge the needs of our community. As we went door to door, we reached out to all of our community members called for local fire and EMS services, and stated the critical importance of this project.

We extend our gratitude to the West Segment Councilwoman and staff, as well as the Mandaree School students, for their invaluable contributions in serving the celebratory meal. Their support and participation added a special touch to the event.

A heartfelt thank you is also extended to the Mandaree Volunteer Firefighters and Mandaree Emergency Management Services for their tireless commitment to safeguarding our Mandaree Community. Their bravery and sense of duty inspires us all.

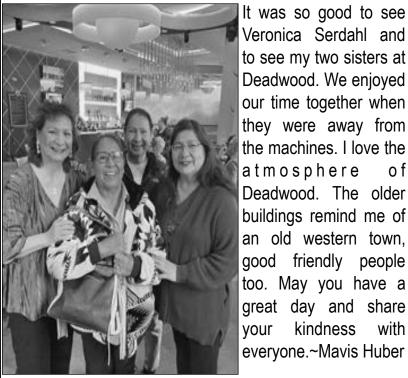
Mandarge Elders Trip to Deadwood Was Awesome & Fun!



Dinner time here is Jodi and Bob Brieck, Connie and Terry Gottschall all visiting before their dinner comes.



Nice time for family to gather Rosie White Owl, and her sister-in-law Donna with her husband Paul White Owl Sr. and their bother Frank.



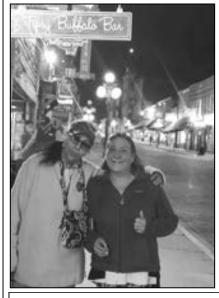
Veronica Serdahl and to see my two sisters at Deadwood. We enjoyed our time together when they were away from the machines. I love the atmosphere Deadwood. The older buildings remind me of an old western town, good friendly people too. May you have a great day and share your kindness with everyone.~Mavis Huber



Doris Johnson, Maxine Bolman, Eunice White Owl with her son Stoney are all enjoying each other's company.



I have wonderful memories with family & friends in Deadwood. I had a great time and everyone was enjoying it too. It was great to see Daryl Finley, we all had fun reminiscing about our school days. Thank you, West Segment & Sherry for offering us an amazing opportunity to spend time together. ~Mavis Huber

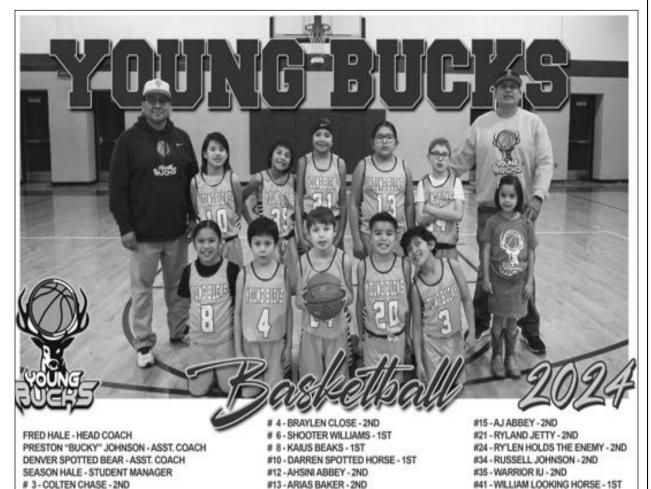


Kathy Poitra & Nina Newman Enjoying Deadwood, SD



These ladies out were to great time at the Helicopter rides. Mary Gachupin with sister her Martha Bird Bear and Councilwoman Sherry Turner Lone Fight.

Courtesy of the Young Bucks family



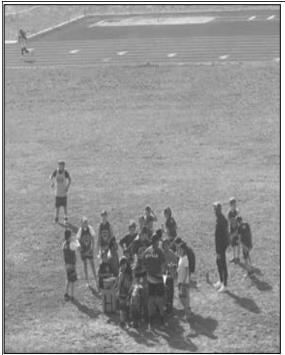
After 5 week, the Parshall Lucky Mound weekly leagues in Parshall, ND have come to an end for our 1st & 2nd Graders. We are grateful for this opportunity that was given to our youth. Also, we are very thankful for the Nike basketballs that were given to each one of our ballers. With the league now over for these grades, it also means that our 2nd grade Division Team's 3rd Season of Travel basketball with Young Bucks has also ended after six months.

We would like to say THANK YOU to all the Parents/Guardians, families, sponsors and everyone that has supported our Young Bucks ballers this season.

The Young Buck Family

1st Track Meet at Mandaree School Track field Great Turn Out!

Submitted by Lisa DeVille



The first track meet was hosted by West Segment Fitness and Recreation, TAT Fitness & Recreation. There was over one hundred pre-k and Kindergarten, and elementary runners participating. It was great to see all the families and fans cheer on the runners.

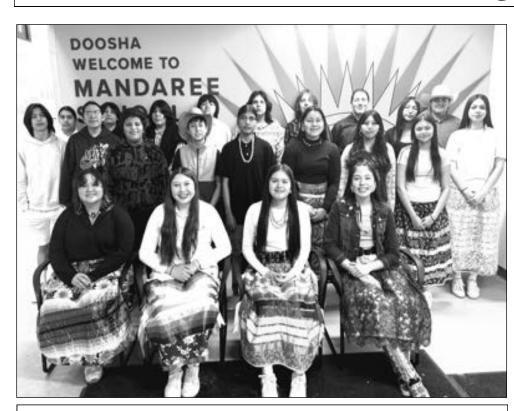
Thank you to Tia Mandan with Mandaree TAT Fitness & Recreation, and coaches, Michael DeVille, Amanda DeVille, Marea DeVille and Hunter Gwin. Thank you, Michael DeVille and Santos C. III, with West Segment Fitness and Recreation staff. Thank you to Amber Black Hawk who helped us make the sack lunches for the runners. Thank you to the ribbon crew;

Amber, Adrianna, Tiffany, and Alexis. Thank you to the Mandaree EMS for being present in case of emergency. Thank you to all who picked up trash. Our track and field is beautiful without trash. I an Walter Sr., volunteered by distributing sack lunches and water out to the runners. Thank you to all the youth runners who participated and their coaches and their families who were there to cheer them on, because of you we had a great turn out. More photos on page 21.



Pictured above are some crew members of our Mandaree EMS. Who were on hand in case of any emergencies, at the track meet in our West Segment community.

Pictured from left to right; Abel Feltes, Jonathan Roy and Manny Lucio.



Back row L-R: Bradley Fischer, Aiden Young Bird, Collin Robertson, Curtis Young Bear, Elias Young Bird, Darryl Mingus, Colte Phelan, Janaya Standish, Lewis Lone Fight. Middle Row: Cashdyn Phelan, Robin Hall Jr., Clifton Black Hawk, Morgan Fettig, Knight Rabbit Head, Natayla Howling Wolf, Kricket McKenzie, Ashton Morsette, Jacelyn Martinelli. Front Row: Taehya Grant, Cora Mann, Charleigh Driver, Passion Lincoln.



We are very proud to congratulate Mrs. Caspie Holds the Enemy Abbey for winning 1st place in her category at the biggest celebration in the United States. The Gathering of Nations held in Albergue New Mexico.

Her husband Donovan Abbey was honored to carry the Eagle staff in the grand entry at the Gathering of Nations pow wow.

We are very proud of our community members; Caspie and her husband Donovan, who travel throughout Indian country and are well known dancers in the pow wow arena. Caspie and Donovan represent our MHA Nation and our West Segment community in Mandaree, North Dakota. Again Congratulations!





North Dakota Forest Service gives West Segment Recreation a Prairifire Tree to Plant

Courtesy of West Segment Fitness & Recreation



West Segment Recreation department Michael Deville and Santos Casarez pictured to your left; got together to plant a prairifire crabapple tree with the North Dakota Forest Service. The tree is one of forty-five trees that are approved for Mandaree community. They plan to planted along the sidewalk to

the memorial wall, basketball courts and around the celebration grounds. They are provided by a grant from the North Dakota Forest Service and a majority of them will be here late summer. Trees make communities a better place to live, work and play, and we love helping plant trees in communities across North Dakota that need them most. We had a great time in Mandaree

with the Mandaree West Segment Recreation doing a tree planting workshop. This crabapple prairifire will provide beauty to the landscape seasons, while also helping to improve the tree canopy and provide essential ecosystem services.



Featuring Veteran For The Month of May

Submitted by Aron Abbey West Segment Veterans Liaison



Clayton Preston Danks Jr., was born to Clayton and Paula Danks in Stanley, North Dakota on November 29, Preston belongs to the Dripping Dirt Clan and is a child of the Knife Clan. His family and friends all call him Preston. currently lives in New Town with his wife Wendi. They are the parents of six children and they have grandchild.

Preston started school in New Town, North

Dakota their family moved to Killdeer in the fifth grade where he graduated in 2001.

He joined the U.S. Army in January 2003 got out in June 2014. While in the Army, Preston was stationed at 782nd Echo Company Fort Brag, NC, 7th Group Special Forces Fort Brag, NC whre he deployed to Afghanistan in 2007. Stationed at Special Operations Command South (SOCSOUTH) Homestead Air Force Base, FL where he went on many training exercises in South America before being transferred to Fort Lee, Virginia as the School House for Parachute Riggers as an instructor.

When he got out of the military Preston went to Barber School in Utah before coming home to Fort Berthold. He worked at the TAT Boys & Girls Club, because he wanted to help young people. He then got into law enforcement as a School Resource Officer.

Due to health reasons Preston went to part time and continued teaching DARE at the New Town Elementary School before stepping down from law enforcement. Continue on next column.

Preston felt strongly about wanting to help his community, so he is currently working at the MHA Veterans Affairs Office in New Town. His position is the Veterans Service Officer, so he is in a place where he can help his fellow veterans. Today, Preston is very active as the Commander of VFW Post 9061. We thank Preston for his service and say thank you for your service to all Veterans.



Two Mandaree Seniors Receive RTC Network Scholarships Feature In Senior Spotlight!

Courtesy of RTC Networks

Senior Spotlight!

RTC Networks Awarded \$40,000 in college scholarships to service area students in 2024.

Congratulations to these students from Mandaree High School!

Best of luck in your future endeavors!





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!

May:

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

Iune:

6th: Father's Day Cornhole tournament 1pm

30th: West Segment Festival ALL DAY EVENT.

TDH catering 6pm

<u>July:</u>

8th: Community Clean up Day 9-5pm

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



20 MANDANA AND ATES & ARIWARA WALL 4

On Tuesday, May 21, 2024

Adult Immunizations will be available at the Elders Building In Mandaree from 4:00pm to 6:00pm

If you have any questions,

feel free to contact the Elbowoods clinic at 627-4701

From District 44 Representative Lisa DeVille



Dakota Resource Council and Fort Berthold POWER Applaud Finalization of NEPA Phase II Regulations

For Immediate Release May 1, 2024

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Bismarck, ND – Today, the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) announced the culmination of Phase II regulations for the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), marking a pivotal moment in the restoration and fortification of environmental regulations under the Biden administration.

NEPA, which holds sway over more than 80 federal agencies, stands as a cornerstone in embedding environmental considerations into federal decision-making processes. The Phase II regulations represent a further stride forward from the initial restoration efforts initiated in Phase I, bolstering the NEPA process to accentuate environmental justice and confront the climate crisis head-on.

Among the key advancements in the final regulations are:

1. Prioritizing Environmental Justice: These regulations establish a federal definition for environmental justice, underscoring agencies' obligation to weigh disproportionate and adverse effects on communities grappling with environmental justice concerns.

The rules underscore the significance of meaningful public engagement, assigning agencies the duty to designate Chief Public Engagement Officers to facilitate community involvement.

2. Addressing the Climate Crisis: Acknowledging climate change as the paramount environmental and environmental justice issue of our era, the regulations offer clarity on how agencies ought to evaluate climate impacts under NEPA. This encompasses not only the ramifications of federal actions on climate change but also the repercussions of climate change on crucial federal infrastructure.

Lisa DeVille, co-founder and President of Fort Berthold POWER, underscored the significance of the Phase II regulations, remarking, "The finalization of NEPA Phase II signals the restoration of NEPA to its original intent. Phase II has also refined NEPA, ensuring that environmental justice and climate change are factored in. This is a monumental development for affected communities like mine, the Mandan, Hidatsa, Arikara Nation, because our interests and our bond with the earth will now be acknowledged, not disregarded."

The Phase II regulations are in alignment with the Biden administration's pledge to effectuate a swift and equitable transition to a clean energy economy. By furnishing clarity and assurance to agencies, project sponsors, and stakeholders, these regulations buttress the administration's objectives of tackling climate change, championing environmental justice, and propelling clean energy initiatives.

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Lisa Finley-DeVille seeks re-election to District 4A North Dakota State House Seat

(Mandaree, ND) – Lisa Finley-DeVille receives the Democratic-NPL nomination and will run for re-election for the district 4A House seat. Lisa Finley-DeVille proudly announces her acceptance of the Dem-NPL District 4a nomination. Lisa is committed to bringing District 4a's important issues to Bismarck. Lisa's policy issues include continuation of support for K-12 education funding, affordable access to healthcare, higher education programs, diversification of our state's economy. Lisa also worked to support:

Landowners, Farmers and Ranchers Rights must be Protected. Environmental Protections and Public Health Natural Resources; Clean Air, Clean Water and Healthy Soil Supporting and keeping teachers in North Dakota

"I am honored and humbled to accept the Dem-NPL nomination for District 4a House seat. I understand the unique challenges and opportunities that face our rural communities. The Bakken oil boom has brought us both good and bad, so much that it has changed our ways of life. I am committed to being a strong voice for progress. Together we can build a path forward for us all" said Lisa Finley-DeVille.

Lisa Finley-DeVille, Maheahzah Ahgawgish (Accomplishes Everything) and Eagle Woman (Lisa received from her mother on her passing) has lived her whole life in Mandaree, North Dakota on Fort Berthold Reservation. She is a citizen of the Mandan, Hidatsa, and Arikara Nation. She and her husband Walter Sr. have five children and eight grandbabies. Her parents are the late Marcia White Eagle and Robert "Bobby" Finley Sr. (Veteran of US Army). Her Maternal Grandparents are the late Thomas and Julia (Mandan-Charging) White Eagle. Her paternal grandparents are the late Evan and Louise (Black Hawk-Huber) Finley Sr. Over the last 14 years, Lisa has volunteered and advocated on issues that protect the future of North Dakota. Before her volunteer work, she helped build home ownership and renovation programs on Fort Berthold Reservation for 13 years.

Lisa was recognized in November 2017 as one of the "Eight Native American Leaders Working for Climate Justice" by Nexus Climate (Nexus Media). In 2015 Lisa received the North Dakota Human Rights Arc of Justice Award, and the Gillette/Baker Achievement Award. In 2023 for Native American month Lisa was recognized by the US Environmental Protection Agency as one of Native Americans fighting pollution. Lisa also served on the National Environmental Justice Advisory Council (NEJAC) in Washington, D.C. that works to "provide advice and recommendations about broad, cross-cutting issues related to environmental justice, from all stakeholders involved in the environmental justice dialogue. In addition, the NEJAC provides a valuable forum for discussions about integrating environmental justice with other EPA priorities and initiatives."

Lisa is a co-founder and creator of grassroots group the Fort Berthold Protectors of Water and Earth Rights (POWER). She serves on the Dakota Resource Council (DRC) Board of Directors. She served on Western Organization of Resource Council (WORC) Board of Directors and member of DRC Oil and Gas Task Force, all groups that work on responsible energy development in Western North Dakota. She serves on the Mandaree Volunteer Fire Department Board. She serves on the West Segment Development Authority Board. She served on the Vision West ND Project Consortium. She is the current vice-chair for the ND Dem-NPL and the incumbent House Representative for District 4a.

Lisa brings a wealth of experience, with a proven track record of leadership and community service. She has dedicated her life to fighting for the safety and well-being of all people in western North Dakota. With her extensive experience in policy and advocacy, she is well-equipped to continue to represent the diverse needs and interests of District 4a.

Lisa received her Master of Business Administration and Master of Management from the University of Mary. Lisa received her Bachelor of Science in Environmental Science, an Associate of Science in Science, Associate of Arts in Native American Studies, and an Associate of Applied Science in Information Management Specialist from Nueta, Hidatsa, and Sahnish College.

Calling All Bingo Players For Saturday!



The 2024 Mandaree Celebration Committee will have bingo on Saturday, May 18th. They will continue to have their bingos every Sunday after that.

On the last page of the newspaper you can see the poster of the Eagle sundance bingo that will be held on Sunday, May 19th.

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.



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.

Kanzas Johnson, Solid Waste Director

Cell: 421-7674

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 at the Water Chief Hall in Mandaree, North Dakota. They will have some bingo games. So bring your own dabbers.

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)

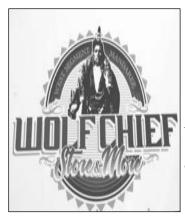
897-9812 or email: grayboynakota@gmail.com

Santee Lucky Mound Celebration:

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

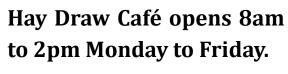
Dance Specials, giveaways, honoring (s) or any special event can contact Felicia Dickens at (701) 421-7868

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 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

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Mandaree Field Clinic Hours

Clinic is open Monday-Friday: 8:00am-4:30pm: Closed for Lunch 12pm-1pm

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

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

3rd Grade Classroom has End of the Year Art Project

Photos by Mrs. Lincoln



Mrs. Lincoln is very creative when it comes to her classroom here they are making God eyes. So here they are making use of the yarn. Pictured is Cleary Johnson, Moses McCormick and Iziel Thomas.



By the end of the school year these students will have God eyes to take home to their parents. They are all keeping busy finishing up on their projects.



Autumn Young Bird and Britt Lachney working on their Gods eye project helping each other with the yarn.



Conner Fox proudly shows his work in progress it is slowly becoming a God eye.

First Track Meet Held Here at The Mandaree New Track Field

Photos by Tia Mandan



Keoni Beaks and Rylan Jefferson finish their 400 meter dash.





Pictured are the 2nd grade girls taking off for their 100 meter dash.



Mandaree Runners Breleigh and Rileigh Hunts Along are ready and set with participants from Parshall, White Shield and Twin Buttes ready to roll.



These guys are all Kindergarten boys and here they are ready and running the 50 meter dash.

Come Follow Me! Homily



Jesus says, Come follow me! We are gathered here as followers of Christ through our Faith in him. Let me ask you this, have you ever been around someone who is just excited about their faith? It's contagious and it is awesome. You want what they have!

Faith comes alive, it becomes real through gratitude when we share our personal experiences of faith with those around us. As followers we need to be aware of things that will try to lead us away from following Christ.

Pride, greed, lust, envy, gluttony, wrath and sloth.

Lust - to have an intense desire or need

Gluttony - excess in eating or drinking.

Greed - a continual lust for more, never satisfied.

Laziness/Sloth - disinclined to activity or exertion. Not energetic or vigorous.

Wrath - Strong vengeful Anger or indignation.

Envy - Painful or resentful awareness of an advantage enjoyed by another joined with a desire to possess the same advantage.

Pride - Quality or state of being proud.

Placing myself above another, pride says I'm not like you.

We as followers of Christ must always be on guard of ourselves not to fall into these deadly traps that will lead us away from Christ. Following Christ means practicing our faith. Faith without works is dead. Faith without love is nothing. There are 7 virtues in our Faith that to continually nurture and practice. They are:

Faith, faith is the belief in the right things. Belief in Jesus.

Hope is taking a positive view of the future.

Charity is concern for and active helping of others.

Fortitude is never giving up.

<u>Justice</u> is being fair and equitable with others. **Prudence** is care of and moderation of money.

<u>Temperance</u> is moderation of needed things and abstinence from things which are not needed.

We have to remember Faith without works is dead. We have to believe we have to put our faith in action.

Let us Pray:

Lord our God help us to love you with all our heart and to love men as you love them.

In our meditation let us ask God? How can I do better at following you! God is Good All the Time!!!

Deacon James Baker St. Anthony's Catholic Church New Town and Mandaree

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-

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Mandarge School Awards Night

Photo by Denise Lincoln & Sherry Lone Fight



Linda Lincoln is pictured above. She did an outstanding job with all her plaques and her trophy. Congratulations to all the students who received plaques and trophies.



Passion Lincoln with stands proudly with her award.



Winona Lincoln took home two trophies and four plaques. A good year for this young girl.



Leah American Horse gladly shows her award.



Jersey Thompson



Melody, Theo, Telesia, Natie Lone Fight.



As you can see these two girls are very happy as they wave on and show their awards. Pictured is Jaylse Baker, and Telesia Lone Fight.





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- Tuition: \$300.00-Covers all course material and equipment.

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Secure you spot now and prepare to be a part of a dedicated team of professionals protecting our community from fire. Don't miss out on this opportunity to make a difference! Ready to answer the call? Enroll today!

https://bismarckstate.edu/WildlandFirefighter



Please join us our family will be honoring two sisters Martha Bird Bear and Mary Gachupin at the 2024 Mandaree Celebration. We are very proud and thankful for their teachings of our language, culture and heritage.

The 2024 Mandaree Celebration Committee will let us know when the day and time will be so we can do this honoring.

Maacirgacc to Wylee Bearstail for this poster/flyer.



TAT Law Enforcement PSA



TAT Law Enforcement is announcing an enhanced traffic enforcement initiative throughout the summer of 2024 on the importance of driving safely.

Click it or Ticket (Seatbelt Enforcement)
will run May 20 - June 2, 2024
Seatbelts save lives, remember to
always buckle up!



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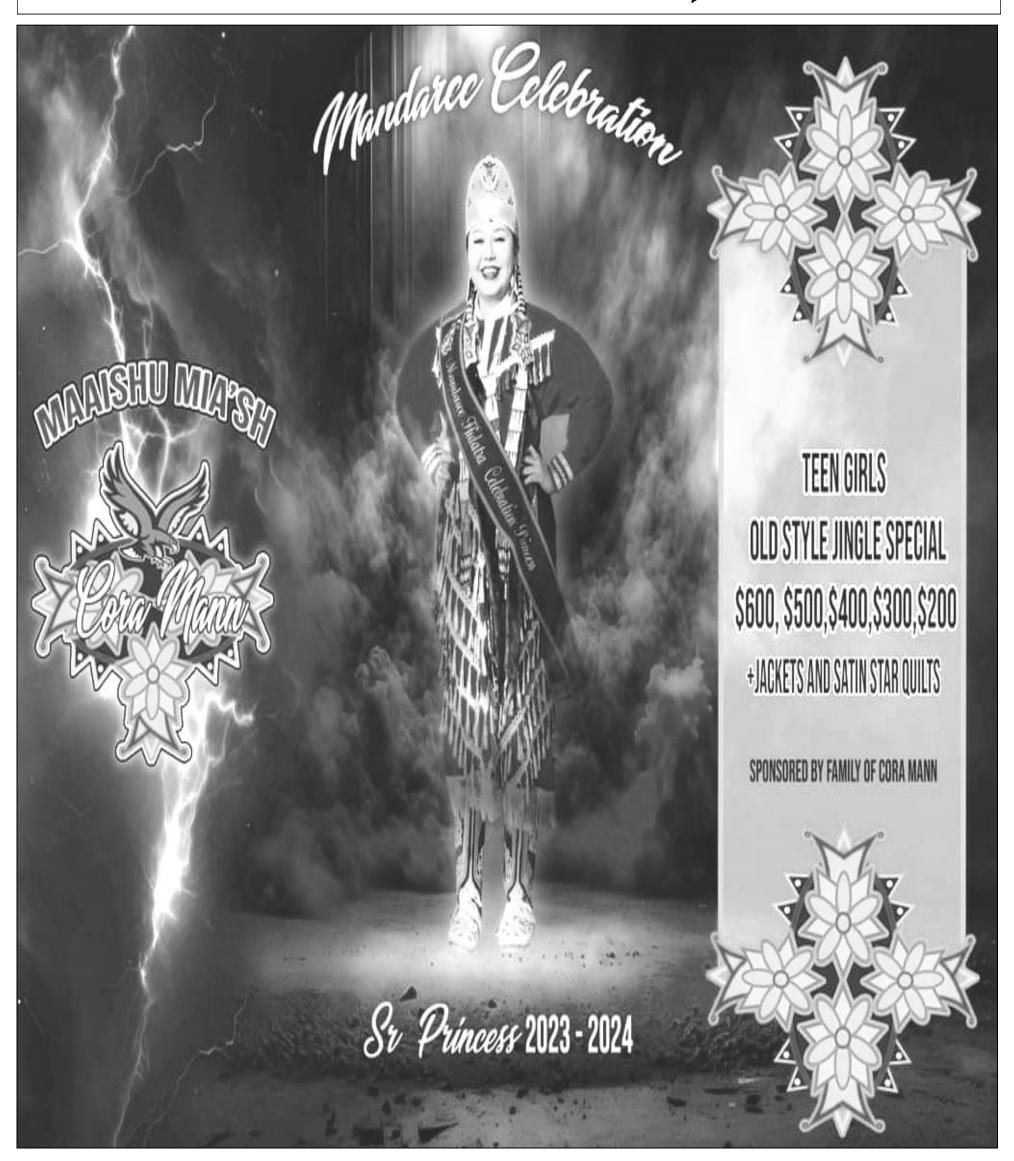


SCREENINGS!



White Bear/Hale Family will have this Special in Memory of Connie White Bear, Tony Joe White Bear, and Michael White Bear-O'for. The family will have a feed on Thursday, July 18th at the Mandaree Celebration Grounds at 3:00pm. All are welcome!





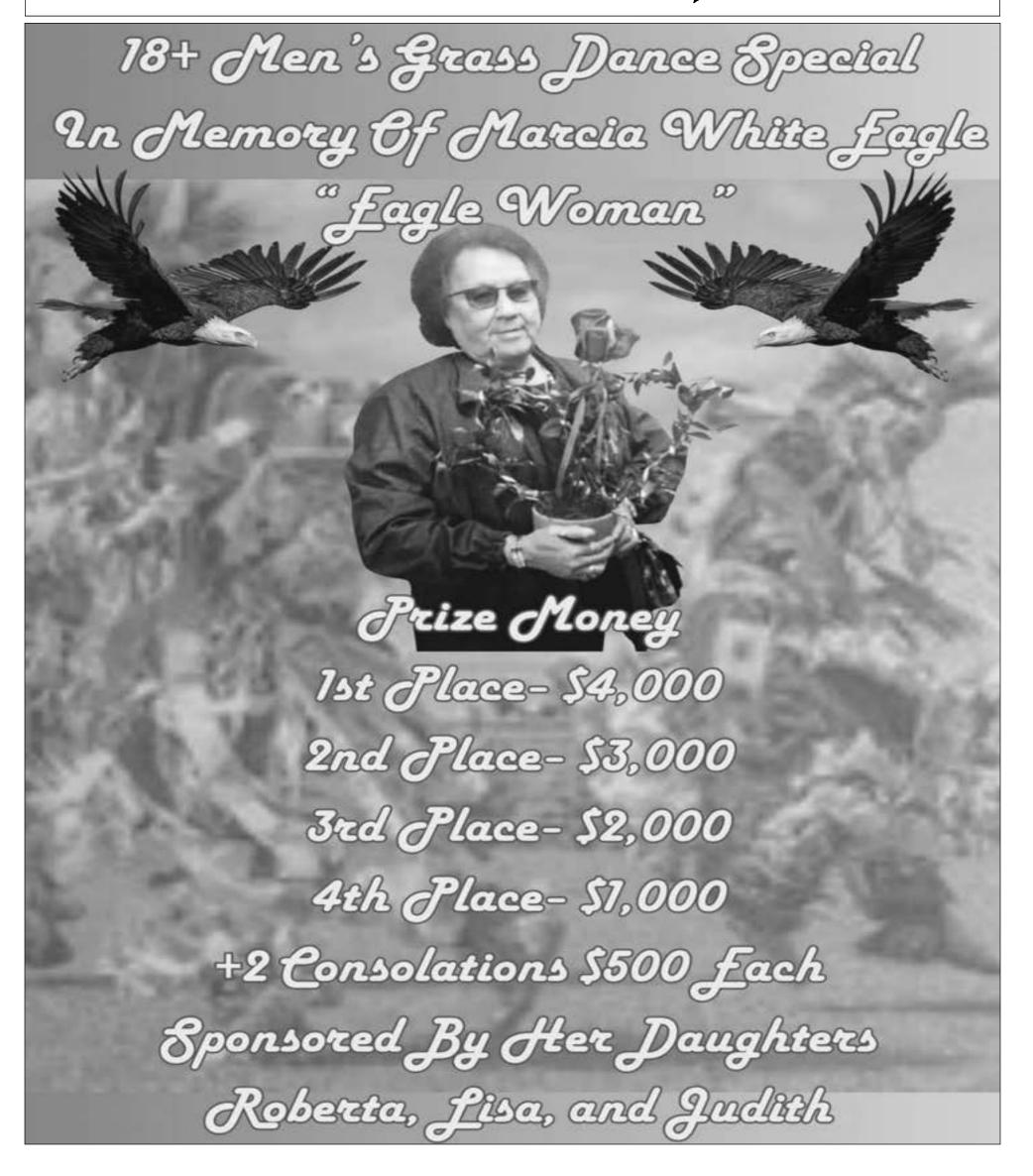


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HANDAREE - SHOKEY TOWN - BULLHORN





All Ages Women Crow Style Double Beat Special In Honor Of Caspie Abbey "Makes Good Camp"

1ST PLACE- \$300, TROPHY, JACKET, AND GIFTS 2ND PLACE- \$250, TROPHY, JACKET, AND GIFTS 3RD PLACE- \$200, TROPHY, JACKET, AND GIFTS

PRIZE MONEY

Sponsored By 2024 Mandaree
Celebration Head Woman Dancer
Tessa Holds The Enemy-Abbey

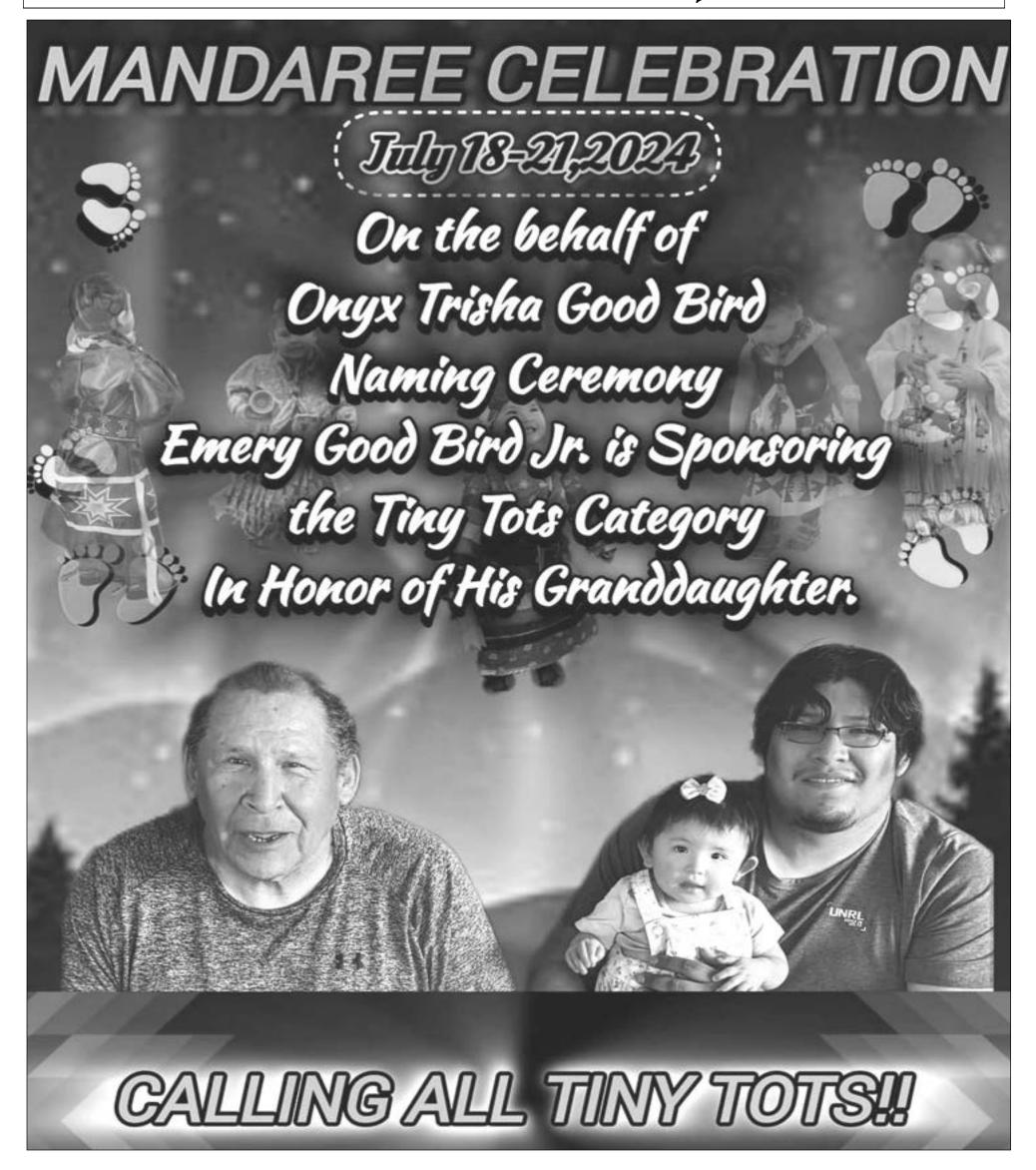




3RD PL. \$ 400 + SHIRT, 4TH PL. \$ 300 + SHIRT 5TH PL. \$200 + SHIRT, 6TH PL. \$100 + SHIRT,

7TH PL. \$ 50 + SHIRT

For more information please contact Losa 701-421-2821





2024 Four Bears Celebration



Saddle Butte Challenge



Women's Challenge 3 person team Runner-4 Miles Swimmer- 1 Mile Horse Rider-9 Miles 18yrs&Older Youth Challenge Run to spear throw spear at target Get on there pony 15yrs&Under Men's Challenge
1 man
Run- 4 miles
Swim- 1 Mile
Horse Riding-9 Miles
18yrs&Older

Family friendly and Drug and Alcohol FreeEvent

Contact: 701-421-3851 Saddlebuttechallenge@gmail.com

In loving memory of our precious Brook Linn Heart, was born on March 13, 2004, Dickinson, ND to Lana "Bubbles" Conklin and raised by her stepdad, Jack Conklin. She is a member of the Dripping Dirt Clan. Brook was raised in the big city of Mandaree, she attended Mandan, Lewis and Clark elementary, Mandaree and New Town public schools. She played volleyball and participated in cross country.

Brook was a very unique individual in her own way of doing things. Brook went through her Punky Brewster years. She played the part to a tee, looked, dressed, and acted just like the movie star she portrayed. Brook had fancy leather boots the family would say Brook and her "hooker boots". She sure loved dressing up, later in her teen years she loved doing facials and fixing up with loud make-up. She collected rocks and clam shells, she found when her grandma Emma would take her fishing but would not touch the fish.

When Brook entered the room, everyone knew. She came in with a bright smile and laughter, she made everyone feel good. She would often be seen with her childhood friend, Jewelz, they did everything together. In 2014, they entered Mandaree has talent, and she was a back up singer and dancer along with her baby sister Jacks and DJ Mingus guitarist. They sang "Proud Mary", they did an amazing job.

She loved camping, outings, singing and swimming. Brook was a very free spirited, she had such a caring compassionate heart. She helped out the family on many occasions and had the best sense of humor and would have her family and friends laughing. When her grandma was still with us, you could always see her and Brook together, she was grandma's girl. Her grandma loved eating dirt and was asked by the doctors to stop eating it, but Brook would sneak it to her.

Brook later found her residence in New Town where she loved to go on hell rides and cruising around. She would attend bible studies at the Justice Center. She loved the Lord and now she is with Jesus. Brook enjoyed spending time with her nieces and nephews, there are many cherished memories we all have of Brook. She will be missed dearly by her family and friends.

Brook passed away on Friday morning, April 19, 2024 in Mandaree.

Surviving her are: her mother; Lana Conklin, brothers; Isiah Finley, Mandaree, ND, Ben Heart (Kelly), New Town, ND, Jake Conklin, New Town, ND. Sisters; Kaci Wise Spirit (Conrad), New Town, ND, TaMira Lighthall (Manny), Minneapolis, MN, Baby Jacquelyn Conklin, Mandaree, ND; aunties, uncles, nieces and nephews.

Preceded in death; Dad, Jack Conklin, Grandma Emma White Owl, Edward Finley Sr., Ricky Finley Sr., Ricky Finley Jr., Garth Tanner Finley, Charles Smith Jr., Emma Grace Finley, and Dana Newman.

In Loving Memory of

Brook Linn Heart

March 13, 2004~April 19, 2024



<u>Wake Services:</u> Wednesday, April 24, 2024 at 5pm Water Chief Hall~ Mandarge, ND <u>Funeral Services:</u>
Thursday, April 25, 2024 at 11am
Water Chief Hall~Mandarge, ND

Officiating: Kevin Finley <u>Senior Pallbearer:</u>
Stacy Bear

Active Pallbearers:

Brandon Edwards

Jayden White Owl

Conrad DeMarce

Donovan Gilbert

Matthew Edwards

Riley Esquibel

Riley Esquibel

Dassen White Owl Jr.

Honorary Pallbearers:

Ashton Crows Heart Justine Wells

Primberly Bird Bear Katic Good Iron

Jewelz Lone Fight Brooks many friends

<u>Final Resting Place:</u>
White Owl Family Cemetery~ Mandaree, ND

Ryanette Jaime Hunts Along, 50, of Mandaree, North Dakota passed away on May 6, 2024. Born in Williston, North Dakota on February 27, 1974 to Rhine Hunts Along and Verna SittingBear. Ryanette was a cherished member of her community and a beacon of joy and laughter to all who knew her.

Ryanette grew up a cowgirl in the country, spending a lot of time with her grandma Margie when she was younger. Her summers were spent gardening, riding horses with her sisters and playing basketball.

Ryanette graduated from Mandaree High School in 1992, where she excelled in basketball and was prom queen. She furthered her education on a basketball scholarship at Bottineau State College. She became pregnant with her one and only baby girl Tateona "Peanut" and left Bottineau after a year. She completed her studies at the Fort Berthold Community College in 1995, earning her Associates degree.

In 2013 and 2017 she had her two grandbabies whom she loved so much and spent a lot of time with Dobelyn and King Jerome Hunts Along. She loved them deeply and was the best grandma to them. She embodied spirit and passion in every endeavor. Rynette's love for music and basketball defined her vibrant youth; she enjoyed singing, playing the saxophone, twirling the baton, and was an enthusiastic and excellent cheerleader.

She had many accolades throughout her basketball career, including numerous all district awards. She continued her basketball journey into her later years, playing in countless independent tournaments.

Ryanette's laughter and playful teasing brought light and warmth to our lives, and she was relaxed and laid back as well. A lover of country music, she carried a tune in her heart and always found a reason to smile reminding us all of the beauty in life. In her spare time, you could find her at a country concert or watching a rodeo. She loved to spend time at the lake, where she made plenty of great memories with family and friends. She was an amazing grandmother who had unconditional love for her grandchildren and her nieces and nephews.

Proceeded in death by her father, Rhine, and siblings; Dobelyn, Kristie, Vane Dale, and Ryan Hunts Along, Ryanette's loving spirit will forever be cherished by her surviving family; her amazing mother, Verna Sitting Bear; her beloved daughter, Tateona "Peanut" (Tifa); her adoring grandchildren; Dobelyn and King; and her amazing siblings; Wade, Bryan, Lucy, and Casey Hunts Along.

Ryanette will be profoundly missed by her family, friends, and all who were fortunate enough to know her. Her legacy of kindness and cheerfulness will continue to inspire and guide us.

In Loving Memory of

Ryangtte Hunts Along "Ahi Wiash" Turnip Woman

February 27, 1974~May 6, 2024



Wake: Friday, May 10, 2024 at 5:00pm At the Water Chief Hall ~Mandaree, ND Fungral Services:
Saturday, May 11, 2024 at 10:00am
At the Water Chief Hall~Mandaree, ND

Senior Pallbearer:

Jubal Bear

Officiating:

Father Roger Synek

Active Pallbearers:

Puane Budreau Tolaska Hunts Along
Jordan Hunts Along Leighton Baker
Pusty Wounded Face Gordon White Owl
Jason Bigpond Jr. Anthony Bigpond

Adam Fredericks Wade Hunts Along

Cordell Mann Jordan Hale
Vincent Hunts Along Joey Gonzales

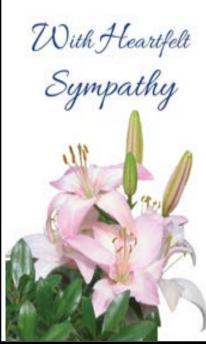
Honorary Pallbearers:

Pale Hall, Andrietta Touchine, Coty Lincoln, Theodora Pubois, Adele Phelan, Penise Lincoln, Sharon Fredericks, Tanya Mongram, Regina Yeahquoe, Cameron Smith, Cheryl Fox, Everette Hall, Jordan Baker, Roberta White Eagle.

All of her friends and family and The Class of '92'

Final Resting Place:

Hunts Along Family Cemetery-Mandarge, ND



On behalf of West Segment we would like to extend our deepest condolences to the family and relatives of Brook Heart and Ryanette Hunts Along. Our prayers are with your family and relatives.

From Councilwoman Gladys Sherry Turner-Lone Fight and Personnel.





Happy Mother's Pay to all the Mothers, Grandmothers, Grandmothers, Aunts, and Sisters! From Councilwoman Gladys Sherry Turner-Lone Fight and Personnel.



Happy Birthday Wishes To Our Elders!!

Corrine Brugh Sage
Mary Gachupin
Mavis Young Bear
Elton Spotted Horse
Sharon Fimbres
Donita Hale
Fern Bull Head





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