

TWIN BUTTES TIMES



The South Segment administration will strive to serve members of the South Segment living both on and off the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation, to further their living standard, promote self-sufficiency, sustainable energy, and food sustainability within the tradition of the Mandan, Hidatsa, and Arikara Nation.

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COUNCILMAN SPOTTED BEAR'S GREETINGS



Photo by Fawn Fettig

Tashkanito'sha,

Greetings to all,

I hope everyone is doing good. I hope everyone is pushing through our challenging northern plains winter with perseverance. I send my condolences to all of you that have lost loved ones or dear friends. Also, I send my encouragement to anyone going through a difficult and challenging time, I know things will get better.

Community development progress continues to press forward. It has been some time since I have received an update regarding our new water treatment facility but I am certain the new plant is in its final stages of completion. The new community center is shaping up nicely. I have made a few walk throughs and have taken note of any improvements that will need to be made before the building is complete. Most of the fitness equipment has been shipped and is awaiting installation. There will be a heated maintenance garage built and attached to the new community center.

This construction is estimated to be completed in April or May. The Twin Buttes motel is going up at a steady pace. The motel is scheduled for completion in April or May as well. It will be nice to have the new motel open for business during our annual pow wow celebration this coming summer. The round homes are also going up nicely. The roofs of two of the homes are currently being installed. In total there will be six round 'Living Stone Lodge' homes in a row near the softball field, on the far north side of west housing.

Tuesday January 28th, we released 14 bighorn sheep in the western most area of our Twin Buttes segment. The area the Bighorn sheep were released is along the little Missouri breaks, near a high point local folks know as "Wild Horse Ridge". Biologists have said that the steep cut banks and clay buttes in this area are prime habitat for a bighorn sheep population. Bighorns were native to this area many years ago, before they were hunted out. The last bighorn population to be living in the area was estimated to be over 150 years ago. Our tribe received the bighorns as a gift from the Rocky Boy

Cree Tribe in Montana. With the help of Toni Fettig-Smith and her team at the Three Affiliated Tribes Game and Fish Division, the 12 ewes (females) and 2 rams (males) were transferred to Twin Buttes successfully. There were also 16 bighorn sheep delivered to the Mandaree breaks as well, 13 ewes and 3 rams. In about 5 to 7 years, if all goes well, we will be able to have our first regulated bighorn sheep hunting season on MHA Nation lands. For the avid outdoors-man this is a very exciting and wonderful opportunity. In one of the paintings of our famous chief Mato Tope "Four Bears" he is wearing a shirt or "robe" made from a brain-tanned bighorn sheep hide. The bighorn sheep hide is one of the softest tanned hides that there is.

There are many exciting initiatives to look forward to in the Twin Buttes community as we prepare plans for a new clinic, roads garage, rodeo grounds and pow wow area. Our ice skating rink has been shaped up and opened and there have been many children and families enjoying the skating rink and warming house that we have. I look forward

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Photo taken from Bismarck Tribune Article "Bighorns Released on Fort Berthold ..."

NU'ETA LANGUAGE INITIATIVE

Indrek Park
Linguist, Nu'eta Language Initiative
Mandan, Hidatsa, and Arikara Nation



Photo by Byron Everette

Anyone driving towards Twin Buttes from the direction of Halliday will see, on the right side of the road, a bilingual sign in Mandan and English that says **Tiiru'pa Pshii Wooni's - Twin Buttes**. The literal meaning of the Mandan name is "Place Where He Shot His Bow (Lying) Flat."

The following is a condensed version of the Twin Buttes origin story based on the interviews with **Edwin Benson** (Mandan) and **Rosaria (Wicker) Starr** (Hidatsa), transcribed by **Elijah Benson**.

A long time ago when the People lived in the old village, hunters used to go hunting in the area that is now known as Twin Buttes. Hunting was good, there was a lot of game, and they brought back to the village a lot of meat.

One day, a group of about ten or twelve hunters went out. They had agreed to meet at a certain place, but only a few of them showed up when it was time to head back. "Well, maybe the others already went back to the village," they thought and decided to go back as well. When they got back to the village, their companions were not there. They never saw them again.

Soon after more hunters would go out to the same area and never return.

Finally one of the older men said: "Say, some of you are good." He called the names of six great and spry men, all good shots and hunters, and told them: "Go there and find out why those lads that go hunting there never come back."

When the six scouts arrived at Short River (a mile-long lake now under Lake Sakakawea), they discovered big footprints in the sand.

The distance between footprints was ten steps for a normal person. They could see that the tracks were fresh because the grass was packed straight down. The men followed the tracks until they suddenly saw a giant of a man standing high on a hill, somewhere where Bob Lincoln's house is now.

When the giant saw the men down there, he started downhill toward them. "Be careful, he's coming!" hollered the men at each other. They all ran off in different directions.

A young boy, 14 or 15 years old, had followed the scouts. He didn't run when the others scattered. Instead, he lay flat in the middle of the tall buffalo path. (When buffaloes roam, they create paths that are nice and deep.) He took out his bow and arrows and lay there flat, waiting for that giant of a man who was coming down the path. When the giant was almost upon him, he shot his bow and hit him somewhere in the head. When the giant came down, he shot him once more and the giant never moved again.

The scouts, who had been hiding in the grass, saw the giant go down. "Who shot him? Who

got him?" they shouted. Then they saw that young boy lying flat on the ground and they pointed at him.

Some people say that the giant was also a cannibal, which is the reason that the lost hunters were never seen again.

The area where it all happened became known as **Tiiru'pa Pshii Wooni's** in Mandan and **Idaruhxa Arucuhgaru Waa'u'sh** in Hidatsa, both of which literally mean **Where-He-Shot-His-Bow-Flat**. According to Edwin Benson, it is the Mandan-Hidatsa equivalent of the David and Goliath story.

Later on cowboys started ranching here and said: "These buttes kind of look alike." They made it a landmark and decided: "We'll gather cattle here." This is how the English name Twin Buttes came into being.

As the memory of the history of this area faded away, more and more Hidatsa speakers have started to use an approximate translation of the English name of Twin Buttes, calling it **Caa Ruubash**, or **Two Buttes**. This has caused quite a bit of confusion because there is already a place that has always been called **Two Buttes - Caa Ruubas** in Hidatsa and **Maa'aak Saahka Nupe (Two Conical Buttes)** in Mandan. As one drives north on highway 22, the real Two Buttes can be seen in the north-east direction on the horizon right before the road descends to the river by the Lost Bridge. The two buttes appear as two conical horn-like protuberances, aptly named Billy Buttes in English.



Photo submitted by Maria Tromp

FIRE DEPARTMENT SILENT AUCTION

The Twin Buttes Volunteer Fire Department is currently running a Silent Auction to help raise department funds. All items up for auction are currently being displayed at the South Shore C-Store in Twin Buttes. The Auction started on January 22nd and will end February 29th. If you have any questions regarding the Fire Department or would like additional information on the Silent Auction, please contact Fire Chief Orville Martinez at 928-978-2281



To Lisa Furr!

Wishing you a very Happy -belated- Birthday! (January 27th) With lots of love from Chloe & Devoe!

For the most up to date Twin Buttes Community Events, like and follow our groups on Facebook! Search for:



Twin Buttes - South Segment & Twin Buttes Community Events



Stefon Diggs Autographed Vikings Helmet



Peyton Manning Autographed Football w/Display



Brett Favre(UF) Autographed Jersey



Tom Brady - 6 Super Bowls Framed Picture



Johnny Cash & Elvis Presley Framed Picture



So God Made A Soldier Framed Picture



George Strait Autographed Collage



John Wayne "The Duke" Framed Picture

Plus many more items! *Please note that each item has its own minimum starting bid*

TWIN BUTTES FIELD CLINIC

Greetings from the Clinic!

If you set goals to improve your health in the New Year, we would love to help you achieve them! Andrea Weisz, APRN, FNP-C, is very passionate and knowledgeable about preventative care. She would love to discuss how to make your goals a reality. If you're interested in making healthy changes in your lifestyle, call the clinic at 701-938-4540 to make an appointment.

In other exciting Elbowoods Memorial Health Center news, the Tribal Council has approved FreeStyle Libre continuous glucose monitoring devices; for patients who meet specific clinical parameters. What is continuous glucose monitoring?

Part of continuous glucose monitoring means not having to poke your finger to obtain a blood sugar reading. With a scan of your smart phone, you can get a blood sugar reading within seconds.



This is an exciting opportunity for those who deal with diabetes.

Call the clinic and make an appointment with Andrea and we can determine if you qualify for continuous glucose monitoring.

Take care!

Becky Dressler
RN-BSN
Twin Buttes Field Clinic

COUNCILMAN SPOTTED BEAR'S GREETINGS

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to the new community center being permanently opened where we can enjoy so many activities all year long. There is no set date yet for a grand opening, but once the building is completely furnished and staged we will set a spring date for a big grand opening when the weather is warmer. I hope everyone stays safe warm and healthy. I thank Alisha Brim and all the contributors for doing a great job on the Twin Buttes Times newsletter. Until next month I say A'taronito'sh. That's all for now.



Cory Spotted Bear
Twin Buttes Representative
Twin Buttes South Segment

BIGHORN SHEEP SPRING INTO TWIN BUTTES



Photo by Fawn Fettig

TAT Fish & Wildlife translocated bighorn sheep onto the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation. Thirty bighorn sheep were captured in the Bear Paw Mountains on the Rocky Boy Reservation in Montana on Monday, January 27th, 2020. All bighorn sheep were disease tested and GPS collared at that time. They were then transported more than 400 miles by truck and were released in both Mandaree and Twin Buttes, ND on Tuesday, January 28th, 2020. Thirteen ewes and 3 rams were released in

Mandaree, while in Twin Buttes, 12 ewes and 2 rams were released. This is the first time in over 150 years that bighorn sheep have roamed the reservation. The goal of this project is to reestablish bighorn sheep on the reservation and being to repopulate its historic range.

Kristen Mason
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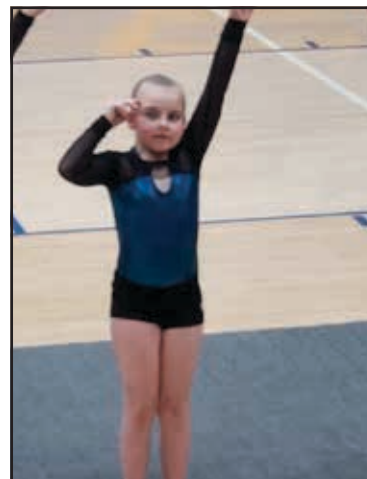


Photo submitted by Sierra Spotted Bear



Photo by Fawn Fettig

YOUNG CHAMPIONS PRACTICE GYMNASTICS



A number of girls from Twin Buttes have joined the Northern Lights Gymnastics Academy (NLGA). NLGA is a non-profit, parent operated organization, and holds weekly gymnastics classes in Beulah for children of all ages. Classes are organized by skill level, beginning with toddler age “Mini Moons”, and are offered in fall,

spring, and summer sessions (session costs vary by level). Gymnasts who achieve more advanced levels become a part of the “Show Team”, and get to demonstrate their skills during basketball half-time performances in our region. We are grateful to head coach Autumn Serna as well as the assistant coaches, who have all been very

supportive of Twin Buttes students. Gymnastics is great youth activity, as it teaches balance, strength, and flexibility, as well as giving students a chance to publicly demonstrate their skills, and make new friends. NLGA can be contacted through their Facebook page.

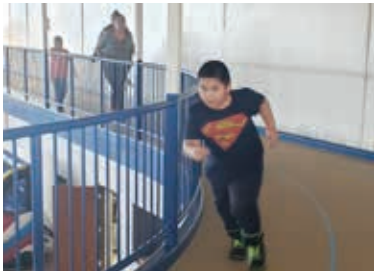


Submitted by Jessica Young Bear





SUPER BOWL SUNDAY PREGAME PARTY



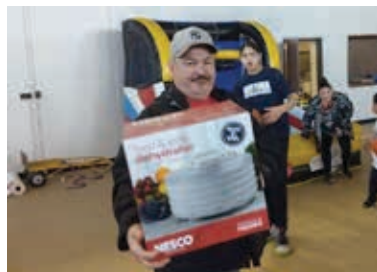
A few of the Twin Buttes community members kicked off their Super Bowl Sunday Celebration with a 5k walk/run. Participants walked, jogged or ran 40 laps around the indoor walking track at the new South Segment Wellness Center. Following the 5k, sandwiches and water were provided as the inflatable games came to life.

A better part of the morning was spent with both kids and adults socializing and playing on the inflatables. A healthy cooking competition was held where Charlotte Smith won two prizes, one for Deer Meat Street Tacos & one for Strawberry Cranberry Lime Juice sweetened with the Twin Buttes Maaskuhe Honey. Hank Starr also won a

prize in the competition for his healthy Turkey Chili! Community members then gathered around to draw for some awesome door prizes. Those who did not win a door prize got to fill their names in on a large chart and had the chance of winning a prize based on the scores of the upcoming super bowl match.



Treadmill Winner



Category Winner: Tailgate Food with a Healthy Twist



Door Prizes



Category Winner: Traditional Foods
Category Winner: Beverage



Trampoline Winner



Top 10 Treadmill Finalists



Top 5 Treadmill Finalists



Top 5 Trampoline Finalists



Top 10 Trampoline Finalists



Special thanks to Blanche Hunts Along, Sommer Cummings, Jessica Young Bear and their crews/volunteers that helped put this event together for the community. Also thank you to JT's Inflatable Games for coming out once again and providing the awesome inflatable games for the afternoon. We hope that everyone had an amazing Super Bowl Sunday and we are looking forward to hosting more community events in our new facility.



If you are interested in submitting an article or an announcement in our next newspaper, please e-mail your submissions to:
TwinButtesTimes@Gmail.com
 before the submissions deadline.

Please include
"TBT Submission" in the subject line.

Deadline for Vol. 6 /Issue 3 –
 March 2020 is
Tuesday, February 25th, 2020



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TwinButtesTimes@Gmail.com

TWIN BUTTES HONOR ROLL STUDENTS

The following is a list of Honor students from Twin Buttes who are attending college. These students have made the honor roll or better and in recognition of a job well done, the Twin Buttes Community Board has issued \$500.00 to each

- Keauna Fox-
- Awnah Altringer-
- Karrisa Diaz-Corral-
- Turquoise Eagle Staff-
- Jake Bosley-
- Brey Leigh Gegelman-



Congratulations and keep up the great work!

Twin Buttes Boys & Girls Club



GREAT FUTURES
 START HERE.

**February
 2020**

MONDAY



TUESDAY



WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY



Club Hours

Ages 6-9 3pm - 5pm
 10+ 5pm-7pm
 Fridays we close at
 5:30pm for ALL ages.

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 -Branch Manager
Taisha Solvie
 -Activity Coordinator

All calendars are
 subject to
 change

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3rd 3:00 - 4:00 Triple Play: BODY 4:00 - 5:00 Arts HOME 5:00 - 6:00 Money Matters 6:00-7:00 Trip Play Soc. Rec.	4th 3:00 - 4:00 Triple Play BODY 4:00 - 5:00 Arts HOME 5:00 - 6:00 SMART Moves 6:00 - 7:00 Trip Play Soc. Rec.	5th 3:00 - 4:00 Triple Play: BODY 4:00 - 5:00 Arts HOME 5:00 - 6:00 Money Matters 6:00 - 7:00 Trip Play Soc. Rec.	6th National Frozen Yogurt Day! 3:00 - 4:00 Triple Play BODY 4:00 - 5:00 Arts HOME 5:00 - 6:00 SMART Moves 6:00 - 7:00 Trip. Play Soc. Rec.	7th 3:00 - 4:00 Triple Play: BODY 4:00 - 5:30 Triple Play Soc. Rec.
10th 3:00 - 4:00 Triple Play: BODY 4:00 - 5:00 Arts HOME 5:00 - 6:00 Money Matters 6:00-7:00 Trip Play Soc. Rec.	11th 3:00 - 4:00 Triple Play BODY 4:00 - 5:00 Arts HOME 5:00 - 6:00 SMART Moves 6:00 - 7:00 Trip Play Soc. Rec.	12th 3:00 - 4:00 Triple Play: BODY 4:00 - 5:00 Arts HOME 5:00 - 6:00 Money Matters 6:00 - 7:00 Trip Play Soc. Rec.	13th 3:00 - 4:00 Triple Play BODY 4:00 - 5:00 Making Cookies 5:00 - 6:00 Smart Moves 6:00 - 7:00 Trip. Play Soc. Rec.	14th 3:00-5:30 Valentine Tea Party
17th All Chiefs Day	18th 3:00 - 4:00 Triple Play BODY 4:00 - 5:00 Arts HOME 5:00 - 6:00 SMART Moves 6:00 - 7:00 Trip Play Soc. Rec.	19th 3:00 - 4:00 Triple Play: BODY 4:00 - 5:00 Arts HOME 5:00 - 6:00 Money Matters 6:00 - 7:00 Trip Play Soc. Rec.	20th National Muffin Day!! 3:00 - 4:00 Triple Play BODY 4:00 - 5:00 Arts HOME 5:00 - 6:00 SMART Moves 6:00 - 7:00 Trip. Play Soc. Rec.	21st 3:00 - 4:00 Triple Play: BODY 4:00 - 5:00 Triple Play Soc. Rec.
24th 3:00 - 4:00 Triple Play: BODY 4:00 - 5:00 Arts HOME 5:00 - 6:00 Money Matters 6:00-7:00 Trip Play Soc. Rec.	25th 3:00 - 4:00 Triple Play BODY 4:00 - 5:00 Arts HOME 5:00 - 6:00 SMART Moves 6:00 - 7:00 Trip Play Soc. Rec.	26th 3:00 - 4:00 Triple Play: BODY 4:00 - 5:00 Arts HOME 5:00 - 6:00 Money Matters 6:00 - 7:00 Trip Play Soc. Rec.	27th 3:00 - 4:00 Triple Play BODY 4:00 - 5:00 Arts HOME 5:00 - 6:00 SMART Moves 6:00 - 7:00 Trip. Play Soc. Rec.	28th 3:00 - 4:00 Triple Play: BODY 4:00 - 5:30 Triple Play Soc. Rec.

COMMUNITY ICE RINK



South Segment Warm House Hours



Ice Skating Rink
North Of West Housing

Skate At your own Risk

- Sunday - Closed
- Monday – 3:30pm-8pm
- Tuesday – 3:30pm-8pm
- Wednesday 3:30pm-8pm
- Thursday 3:30-8pm
- Friday 3:30pm-9pm
- Saturday 11:00am-8pm
- All skate time subject to change
- Weather Permitting
- Please listen for Honeywells to announce changes

Dress in layers.
Parents please be present to help your children with skates.

Skates are available.
The rink is available 24/7 day or night. Hours listed are for when the warm house is open.

For questions or more information please contact Morley Spotted Bear 1-701-220-1182.



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