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Warriors Aim for League Championship



Freshman, Jesse White, moves in for a slam-dunk, one of his signature moves. White began playing with the Varsity Warriors when he was a 7th grader. He is now a 10th grader and a key player for the Warriors. White Shield enrollment was small at that time.

All that time on the gym floor time turned him into a fast player with a good eye for the hoop. He is spot-on as a three-point shooter also.

His aunt is Deloris White, who is one of his most enthusiastic supporters. She rarely misses a game. They live in White Shield.

Photo by Karen Lonefight



From the desk Fred Fox, Councilman, East Segment, White Shield, ND 58540

I would first like to begin by sending my condolences to our families that lost loved ones and have family members in the hospital. Our prayers go out to them to give them the strength and ability to fight their illnesses.

I also would like to wish everyone a happy New Year and wish everyone good blessings for you and your family. As we start the New Year, we all have our New Year resolutions we will try to keep. One of my most important resolution is to go to the gym consistently this year. We have one of the best fitness centers on the reservation and in the area, so I should have no excuse. We all have no excuse to get in shape. We should all take time to possibly walk a couple of miles or lift some weights. We also have an endless swimming pool spa, Jacuzzi whirlpool, and a sauna room. So go to the fitness center and get healthy.

Also as the year begins, I'm going to have to roll up my sleeves and start to knockout and finish a few of our projects in White Shield. One of the projects I will get going soon is the White Shield Segment Administration building. We wanted to start construction before the winter, but we decided to hold off until early this spring. The location will be east of the Cultural Center and the new school. This will be around 12 to 14 offices which will be for the Tribal satellite programs that are located in White Shield. It will also be for the Segment offices, and we will have a conference room. The administration building will have room for future expansion so that we can add additional offices. We expect the project to be finished before the winter of 2019. Then as soon as we have completed the administration building, we will begin construction of a new elder center. This will be an elder center with all the amenities that are much needed such as an industrially equipped kitchen with a spacious and relaxing dining area; a much larger living room area with a large television and lot more furniture so elders can sit down and visit. There is also an arts and crafts room, therapeutic pool, and hair salon in the plans.

A few more future projects are finishing four duplexes that will add to the 70 units already built in the past six years of our administration. The other is phase two of the school that will be the sports complex and bus garage. Then finally will be transferring of the old school from the BIA to the Tribe. We will use it temporarily as a community building while we get the funding to start construction of our new community building.

If you haven't stopped by the C-store lately, you're missing out on some great food. For the past year or so we have had hot stuff pizza, but now we're currently serving Coopers chicken. We serve full meals such as mashed potatoes, corn, biscuits, and fried chicken. We have stuff that isn't just pizza; we also serve burgers, chicken wings and burritos so if you have a big appetite, head over to the store, fill up your tank and check out our fresh food.

Boys and Girls Basketball season is in full swing. If you haven't been to a game in the new gym, you're missing out. Both teams are doing well. The girls' team is a young team and has a bright

future ahead of them. The boys team is currently ranked #1 in districts and 1# in the Region. They have received votes in the state rankings and continue to keep charging-up the state poll. Also don't forget we are hosting the Boy's District Tournament and the Four Bears Casino will be hosting the Boys Regional Tournament. We have an exciting season ahead of us so don't forget to follow the teams for the rest of the season.

Some upcoming events are the Segment update on January 30th, and Tribal Inauguration January 26th. So make sure you mark your calendar and take part in your tribal government. The 66th State Legislative session has started and the Tribe has a very important bill that will be submitted this session. The Tribal and State Tax Agreement is oil & gas tax share which is currently set at 50-50. The Tribe will propose an 80-20 share on trust minerals, and 20-80 on fee minerals. This will give the Tribe a larger share to take care of the much needed infrastructure such as roads, law enforcement, oil and gas regulatory, health care and education. I will give a much more in-depth update at the community meeting.

I would also like to send my condolences to all the families have lost loved ones. I know it's been a hard time lately but we will stay strong in our small community. Where ever your travels take you this holiday season, please be safe on the roads and take your time. Take care and God bless.

Remaining Boys and Girls Basketball games

January 22 North Shore Plaza 5:45 Girls Varsity, 7 pm Boys Varsity

January 25 <u>Alexander</u> JV Boys 5:30 pm, 7 pm Boys Varsity

January 29 Solen 4 pm JV Boys, 5:30 pm Girls Varsity, 7 pm Boys Varsity

January 31 Dunseith, 4 pm JV Boys, 5:30 JV Girls, 7 pm Boys Varsity

Tournaments

Mar 4 3:00pm - Mar 7 10:00pm	Away	2019 NDHSAA Class B, Region 8 Boys Basketball Tournament Venue: New Town Event Center
Mar 14 1:00pm - Mar 16 10:00pm	Away	2019 NDHSAA Class B Boys Basketball State Tournament Venue: Minot State Dome



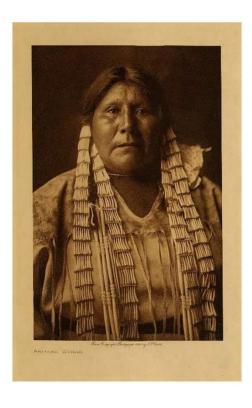
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Up coming:

The Culture & Language Division

Will be hosting an MHA
Nation Language and Culture
"bowl" for the MHA Nation.
It will pit reservation students
against each other to show
mastery of MHA languages
and cultural knowledge! Stay
tune to details!



1804 C-Store Does Well in White Shield Community

Photos by Karen Lonefight



Savanna Thomas tests temperature of frying chicken. All employees who work with Coopers chicken attend training for the job.

White Shield – The 1804 C-Store is growing by leaps and bounds. Even the name has changed several times, but they hope this one will stay, said Gloria Brennan, store manager. There were times in past when the store was barely open, but with the added income from the tribe, it has been renovated, more space added, fast food menu expanded and the number of grocery items increased.

Brennan, who has been at the store two 1/2 years, said: "they are now a fully functioning C-Store." They have changed the store from a place where you could only buy chips, pop, and snacks to a place selling hot, 12-inch pizza (\$12.99); chicken by the bucket (12 pieces are \$12.99) and full chicken dinner with mashed potatoes, gravy and corn. They also have subs, hamburgers, Popper Bowls and many different fast foods. Their breakfast menu, something like

McDonald's breakfast sandwiches, is very popular (\$4.39). The sandwiches are croissants, English muffins, and biscuits. She said she works to keep prices competitive with other C-stores. All employees who work with Coopers Chicken have to be trained in the art of cooking chicken the right way, Brennan said. The food is sold in the new part of the store which also has places to sit if you want to eat there.

They have groceries and other necessities in the main part of the store. They have items like vegetables, bacon, eggs, milk, bread and many other things.

Brennan said she also oversees the new laundromat which has four washers and four dryers. It is a very busy place. They are adding some bigger washers and dryers for blankets and large items. On the north side of the development is parking for RV and trailers with electrical hook-up and sewer. They also have four small cabins to rent, which are full during the powwow season. New coolers and freezers will be installed so all drinks will be cold. They sell regular gas (which they've had since its opening) and now have diesel gas.

Brennan is also responsible for assisting Ree Lodge Management, (White Shields Housing projects) with accounting, and she sits on the tribe Economic Development Committee. Brennan came from Chicago several years ago and brought with her experience in accounting and management. Including Brennan, the store has 12 staff.





White Shield Warriors Look for a District Win



Kingston Marsette – 40 (Junior); Jase Dickens 35 (8th grade); Jonas Dickens - 14 (Junior); Jesse White – 5 (Sophmore); Parker Bearstail 32 (Senior); Devin Benson – 20 (Senior); Frederick Fox – 11 (Senior); Riley Hodgkiss – 23 (Junior); Chontay LaCroix – 1 (Junior).

Boys and men from the Three Tribes took to basketball even before they had a handle on the language or white culture. Many people remember the days when the Elbowoods team played basketball for the first time with their non-Native neighbors. They could hustle, outshooting and moving around the court like the Globe Trotters. Their style of play gave them national recognition although that recognition came many years later.

That kind of fastball is what the White Shield Warriors looks like, but sometimes they are hindered because they don't have much of a "bench" to give them a break to rest, and sometimes other teams have more height. But some of the Warriors have compensated for that by out jumping them and slam-dunking the ball. They are fast and quick, much like those old Elbowoods players.

Coach Brad Kroupa (*Bears Belly*) says he is dedicated to his Warriors and spends time on long-range planning and regular practice. The reward is their success and gym-filled audiences around the state. The Warriors have become the team to watch – they are role models to the White Shield community. Kroupa said, "I want them to be the best version of themselves both on and off the court." "The season has been a process. Today we're a different team than we were in December and we'll be a different team again in February when the postseason comes. We

want a gradual climb to the peak. We're building for February, that's when we want our team at its best. I hope the boys stay focused, humble and hungry. Right now it's about learning, preparation and being ready and we'll see where we are game-by-game," he added.

Sheldon Rush, Assistant Coach, said "This year has been a long dedicated process of hard work, discipline and community support. Also, it is more than a game to us; it represents us as Sahnish, our heart, our hustle, our drive and our respect for each other. And we're showing the younger generation that we can do what we put our minds and hearts to."

The coaches, who are Arikara, use the culture as the foundation for how the games are played. They draw from the culture to inspire the players.



The Team Captain, Chontay LaCroix, praised the coaches. He said "First off, us boys have come a long way ever since I started playing varsity. Once Coach Kroupa and the coaching staff showed up, our team went in a whole new direction, and we thank them for that. The coaching staff has helped put White Shield on the map. This season we found a path, we've been grinding, and it shows. We're not done" he added.

The Warriors other Team Captain, Senior Frederick Fox agreed, "We're not done yet." Fox is a senior this year, and he is one of the outstanding players for the Warriors. He has been playing since the 7th grade. His sure ball handling, a good eye for the three points shots make him invaluable to the team, and his long-time friend Jesse White will miss him next year as Fox graduates and moves out of the playing field.

Chontay LaCroix. Warriors Captain

White agreed. "It's been a grind, and we've been working for everything that we are accomplishing. We have a very resilient team but still, have plenty of room for improvement."

Fred Fox, father and Segment representative, said he thinks this year is White Shield best chance to go to State. Fox is at every game and one of the team's best cheerleaders. He is devoted to his son and has high hopes for all the boys.



Frederick Fox, Warriors Captain



Coaches Brad Kroupa, Sheldon "Duckie" Rush and Luke Gehring.

Coach Kroupa said they have 18 games left and are 11-1 the same as Mandaree. Technically they are tied with Mandaree, but points scored are added into calculation which mean if games ended today, White Shield would place second.

It has been a lot of confidence building. It has been a process, and the boys have bought into it, but he doesn't think they have learned everything, he added. He has more to teach them.

He is helped by assistant coaches Sheldon Rush and Luke Gehring.

Besides coaching, Kroupa is a consultant for Education, Culture and Language classes at White Shield School and Executive Director for the Arikara Community Action.

On right Jesse White and Frederick Fox do warm-up exercises. While other teams shoot casually until the game starts, the Warriors do warm-up exercises Coach Kroupa has developed for them.





Group photo of the team provided by Coach Kroupa. Karen Lonefight provided the remaining photos.

Denby Deegan

One of 1st Native American Architects in US & ND Dies



WHITE SHIELD – The legacy of Denby Deegan, one of the first Native American architects in the United States and North Dakota, lives on in his architectural work.

Deegan, of White Shield, died Dec. 24, 2018, in Bismarck at the age of 77.

Deegan was one of the first Native American architects in the United States and North Dakota, according to the American Indian Council of Architects and Engineers (AICAE).

He also was one of the founding members of AICAE based in Albuquerque, N.M. In the early 1970s fewer than 30 American Indian architects and 15 engineers could be identified throughout the U.S. and very few of them were principals in the firms or offices where they worked. A

small group of them came together in Albuquerque, N.M., on June 23, 1975, to form AICAE, according to AICAE history. The nonprofit organization was established to promote the development of American Indians in the professions of architecture and engineering and to encourage the training and licensing of greater numbers of American Indians in these professions.

"Denby was an accomplished architect and a member of the Three Affiliated Tribes, also known as the Mandan, Hidatsa and Arikara Nation. One of the first Native architects registered in North Dakota, Denby's work can be seen on the cover of Contemporary Native American Architecture (Carol Herselle Krinsky). As one of the founding members of the AICAE, we are grateful for his early contributions to our organization and leadership in the architectural design field. We honor Denby and his family in our prayers and strive to carry forward his legacy," AICAE said in a message sent to its members following Deegan's death.

Submitted Photo Architect Denby Deegan, second from right, is shown in 1992. His son, Justin Deegan, at Denby Deegan's right, said the photo was taken at the grand opening for the Knife River Indian Villages Visitor Center near Stanton. Denby Deegan designed the facility.

Miriam Diddy, secretary of AICAE in Albuquerque, told the Minot Daily News on Thursday that AICAE currently has members across the United States and in Canada.



"I recall my dad telling me the late (Sen.)
Quentin Burdick stated he didn't know
architecture like the Fort Totten school
existed in North Dakota. He called my dad's
structure a work of art," said Justin Deegan,
Denby Deegan's son.

"He was a great mentor to me, both professionally and spiritually," said Herb Fricke, Deegan's nephew who is a civil engineer in Portland, Ore. He said Denby

Deegan knew a great deal of history about Submitted Photo Architect Denby Deegan is shown in 1979 with a model of the Four Winds School at Fort Totten.

their family as well as history of their tribe.

According to biographical information about Deegan: Deegan's major goal as an architect, planner, designer and builder was the preservation of American Indian culture and heritage. During his 45 years of architectural work, much of his work was for and about the Arikara culture and heritage.

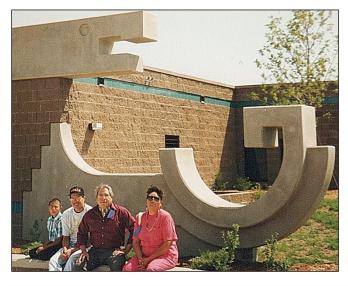
Born March 15, 1941, to Pete and Dorothy (Gillette) Deegan, Denby Deegan's mother was the daughter of the last reigning Arikara Chief White Shield. His Indian name, Surrounded by Enemy, was given to him by the late Sioux Grandma Circle of Tents Good Woman, a cousin to Sitting Bull. Deegan was of the Arikara and Hunkpapa Sioux tribes.

Deegan attended school at Nishu on the Fort Berthold Reservation. Nishu now is covered by Lake Sakakawea. He then went to Marty Mission Indian School in South Dakota and returned to the area to finish high school in Garrison. He attended Bismarck Junior College in Bismarck and received an associate degree in engineering. With encouragement from his sister, Marmie, he went into architecture at North Dakota State University, Fargo. He graduated in 1965, receiving two degrees: Bachelor of Science in Architectural Studies and the professional Bachelor of Architecture degree from the College of Architecture and Engineering.

His survivors include Kaye Bell, his long-time companion; children, Madina (Helm), Damian, Denby Jr., Hunter and Justin; and many grandchildren, nieces and nephews including Herb Fricke.

His funeral service and burial were held Dec. 28 in White Shield.

Denby Deegan's architectural contributions



Architectural cultural and heritage contributions Denby Deegan made to Native American communities and other communities include:

- Three Affiliated Tribes Arikara Culture Center, White Shield.
- Three Affiliated Tribes Cultural
 Interpretive Center, Four Bears.
- Three Affiliated Tribes TERO Building and Energy Office, Four Bears.
- Three Affiliated Tribes White Shield
 School (K-12), White Shield.
- Three Affiliated Tribes 65-unit elderly housing, Fort Berthold Reservation.
- Three Affiliated Tribes, Little Shell Multi-Purpose Dance Arena, New Town.
- Three Affiliated Tribes, Casino and Lodge Events Center/Motel Addition and Main Cultural Entrance and Lobby, New Town.
- Knife River Indian Villages Interpretation Center-National Park Service, Stanton.
- Interpretive Living Monument for the Sacred White Buffalo (White Cloud, Mahpiya Ska and her calf, Princess Winona), National Buffalo Museum, Jamestown.
- Four Bears Bridge Total Context Sensitive Design (large medallion circles that stand on the north side of the bridge), New Town.
- Four Winds School, Fort Totten.
- Arikara Celebration Grounds and Arbor, White Shield. Some of Deegan's work is yet to be completed and waiting to the added to the new arbor.

Other design projects include:

- Brockton Exhibition Center, Brockton, Mont.
- Poplar Exhibition Center, Poplar Mont.
- Oswego Community Center, Oswego, Mont.
- Urban American Indian Center, Minneapolis, Minn.
- Pow Wow Arbor, Lake Traverse Reservation, S.D.
- Assiniboine/Sioux Dance Arena, Fort Peck, Mont.

His latest design inspiration is in collaboration with DSGW Architects on the upcoming MHA Nation Interpretive Center at New Town.

Information compiled by Dorreen Yellow Bird of White Shield.

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OBITARIES



Avis Laverne Mayer, "kunaá'U atna" (Medicine Mother), entered into eternal life on Thursday, December 27, 2018 in Stanley.

Avis was the eldest of 12 children born to May Howard and Adrian Baker on November 23, 1937. She was a child of the Prairie Chicken Clan and was later adopted into the Prairie Chicken Clan by Delores Sand.

Her early school years were spent at Independence and later Elbowoods Day School where she was involved in cheerleading; she attended high school at Stephan Catholic Mission School in Stephan, South Dakota where she graduated in 1957.

After high school she was accepted into the Bismarck School of Nursing and attended for one year. She was unable to continue her studies due to financial hardship. Avis came home to the newly established small city of New Town and quickly made a home for her younger siblings Frances, Glenda, Bion and Jean.

It was a time of upheaval for the people of the Fort Berthold Reservation because of the Garrison Diversion project which flooded millions of acres of tribal lands to build the Garrison Dam, Lake Sakakawea.

Avis married Ervin Mayer in Reno, Nevada in 1961. They had three daughters Monica, Holly and Renee.

Because, of her inability to complete her nursing studies, she always encouraged her younger siblings and later her children to further their education. Her three daughters chose professions in the health field.

Avis worked for the United States Federal Government with her first job being with the Bureau of Indian Affairs then with the Indian Health Service at the Minne-Tohe Health Clinic as an Administrative Assistant for over 31 years. Avis loved her job and was a dedicated employee. After retiring from the government, Avis worked at the Three Tribes Museum where she worked for ten more years.

Her hobbies included being an award-winning bowler and attending ceramics class with her lifelong friend Hattie Walker, where they made many lovely gifts for their family and friends. She also loved to play bingo and gamble. Avis was also known for her green thumb. Her home was always overflowing with beautiful plants and flowers. Her favorite television program was Gunsmoke. One of her many enjoyments was attending the North Dakota State Arts & Craft Fair in Minot, where she purchased her beautiful sparkling and dazzling jean jackets.

Avis was a member of the Clarence Spotted Wolf/John Irwin American Legion Auxiliary Unit 300 and St. Anthony Catholic Church in New Town.

She loved animals especially pugs. Her beloved dogs included Chops, Tai Chung, Ming Mai, Yuk Yuri, Dillon, Ruby and Sassy. May God bless the memory of Avis Laverne Mayer, "kunaá'U atna" (Medicine Mother).

She is survived by her daughters, Dr. Monica Mayer and Holly Mayer-Taft (Karmon); grandchildren, Lexi Taft (DJ), Nathaniel Mayer, Sevant Taft (Jacobi), Shayna Taft, Braedyn (Cody), Averyl Taft, Nevans Taft and Monika Charging; great grandchildren, Jaivelyn Roze, Lucas Jerome, Daxyn Slai and Joltyn Crue; brothers, Peter Coffey, Jr. (Debbie) and G. Russell Gillette; sisters, Glenda Baker Embry, Ardel Jean Baker, Judith Danks (Marty), Mary Coffey,

Jeanette Coffey, Phyllis Howard, Florence Brady, Grace Gillette and Barbara Roy; adopted sister, Dr. Margaret Nordell; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Avis was preceded in death by her husband, Ervin; parents, May Howard Coffey and Adrian Baker; daughter, Renee Mayer; brothers, Bion Baker and Randall (Danny) Coffey; sisters, Frances Baker, Melissa Boepple, and Susann Coffey-Bolkan; Aurelia Gillette, Shirley Smith and Sylvia Chase.



Howard Wilkinson Jr. know by his nickname "Joey," passed away at his home on December 25th in rural White Shield. Joey was born on May 19, 1977 at Med Center One, Bismarck to Delores and Howard Wilkinson Sr. Joey's outgoing, kind personality allowed him to make friends easily.

He loved life and traveling. Joey's early years were spent in White Shield, later his family moved to Buffalo Rock just outside of White Shield. He attended White Shield Elementary School. During this time he also attended DJ Dance Studio where he

learned to tap dance along with his sister, Lisa. He performed in a tap dance group during the Hosta Fest. He graduated from White Shield High School in May 1995. He was self-taught to sew and design clothes. His immaculate design and sewing skills allowed him to create many beautiful things, from clothes to Pendleton bags. After high school, he applied and was accepted at the Fashion Institute Tech School in New York City. After classes, he worked as an aide helping with design presentations. While in New York City Joey enjoyed creating visual merchandising for Macy's Department Store and was proud of his accomplishments there. He then moved to Arlington, Texas and then to Grand Prairie, Texas where he continued to work in the fashion industry. While working the runway fashion shows he meet his fashion idol Gianni Versace and he also rubbed elbows with Ralph Lauren. His many hobbies included: music, cooking decorating and baking Christmas goodies. During the holidays he made and sold special treats for Christmas, especially his "Melt in your mouth" fudge. Joey prepared many special dinners for home. He loved his family and relatives; especially nieces and nephews and grandchildren. Music, dance sewing and shopping were some of his favorite things to do, He loved to decorate and he made it look so easy. His sisters envied the fact he could out sew, outcook and out decorate them.

When he was young he had a favorite horse named "Pumpkin." He enjoyed riding and helping his dad on the ranch and going to rodeos. He volunteered often for the White Shield Spirit Riders group. Joey believed in the Christian and cultural ways. At an early age he was given the name "Xahwaranus (Roan Horse.) His love, creativity and memories will be missed and valued by the many family and friends who love him.

Joey is survived by his mother, Delores Wilkinson, sisters, Diane (Bill) McLaughlin, Tillie Wilkinson, Bernadette (Rick) White Bear-Hall and Kathy White Bear of White Shield; Marti (Terry) Stevenson, Bismarck; Sharon White Bear; Fargo and James (Theresa) White Bear Keller, Texas; Jeffery (Tami) White Bear, San Manual, Arizona; Aunt Kathy Real Bird; Harden Montana; Uncle Mathew (Screech) Mason Sr.,New Town, ND; nieces/nephews: Wilber, Sean, Mick, Adrian Stevenson, Mike, Matt Alicia Code, Jacob, Dani White Bear, Wacey White Bear Dunn, Dennis Shauna, Pamela Cameron and grandchildren: Houston, White Bear, Hunter, Kennedy, Elis Stevenson, Tuff, George, Louie, Charlie Wilkinson, Marisa Driver, Dryden (Thunder), Skylee Cameron.

He is preceded in death by father Howard Wilkinson Sr., brothers Myron David, Michael White Bear, nieces, Lisa White Bear and paternal grandparents, John and Helen Wilkinson, maternal grandparents William J. and Leona Dean Jr.



her home.

Dunreath "Josie" (Plante) Demaray, 49, Thief River Falls, MN, formerly of Parshall, died Monday, January 7, 2019, in her home. Her Indian name was "*Red Sunset" SskunniisAt NapAhaatU*.

Funeral: Saturday, January 12, 2019 at 10 a.m. at Veterans Memorial (Red) Hall, Parshall

Wake: Friday, January 11, 2019 at 5 p.m. at the memorial hall

Burial: Memorial Congregational Cemetery, rural Parshall

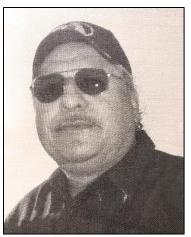
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Dunreath Josephine Demaray was born May 16, 1969, at Trinity Hospital, in Minot, ND, to Jeralyn M. Old Rock. She was later adopted and raised by Angela and Louis Plante. She lived most of her life in Parshall, on the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation. She attended school at Flandreau Indian School in South Dakota. After graduating, she went on the serve the elderly and work in the nursing home for many years.

Throughout Josephine's life, she was blessed with two children and pursued a career in law enforcement. When she was in her early 20's she attended United Tribes Technical College. She graduated with an Associates of Science in Criminal Justice, in May of 2002. After college, she enrolled in the academy for correctional training. Upon completion she received her certification and began work at the North Dakota State Penitentiary. She worked at the State Pen for few years until she wanted to go further in her career.

She and her family, moved home to Parshall. She enrolled in the Police academy to serve the TAT Law Enforcement and began work immediately upon completion. She worked for TAT Law Enforcement for about 10 years before she was badly injured in a motor vehicle accident when on a call. She then retired from Law Enforcement. She continued to live in Parshall for a few years; then moved to Thief River Falls, MN where she lived out the rest of her life.

She is survived by her husband, Billy Demaray; children, Sheralyn Plante and Louis Plante; sisters, Lillian Plante, Sharon Plante, Lois Youpee, and Crystal Decent; biological mother, Jeralyn Fox; aunts, Bonzo, Dolly, Ike, and Cortz; uncles, Tex and Festus; Several Nieces, Nephews, and Extended Family



Danby Deegan, AIA (American Indian Architect) was born on March 15, 1941 to Pete and Dorothy (Gillette) Deegan. His Indian name is "Surrounded by Enemy." It was given to him by late Sioux Grandma "Circle of Tents Good Woman" cousin to Sitting Bull. His mother is the daughter of the last reigning Arikara Chief White Shield. He passed away on Monday, December 24, 2018 in Bismarck. He is the last child of Pete and Dorothy Deegan.

Denby attended school at Nishu, then went to Marty Mission Indian School then returned to finish high school in Garrison. He attended BJC in Bismarck and got an associate in Engineering. With encouragement from his sister, Marmie, he went into

architecture at NDSU and got a degree in Architect and Environmental Design.

Deegan was the first American Indian Architect and had 45 years of architectural experience. His major goal as an architect, planner, designer and builder was the preservation of American Indian Culture and Heritage. Much of his work was for and about the Arikara culture and heritage. He accomplished his work through the interpretation of essential elements of the American Indian Culture.

His latest design inspiration will be in collaboration with DSGW Architects on the upcoming MHA Nation Interpretive Center in New Town, ND.

A list of Deegan's accomplishments is above in a reprint of the front page of the Minot Daily News.



Maurice "Mo" Perkins, 33, White Shield, died on Sunday, January 13, 2019 at Sanford Hospital in Bismarck. Funeral services were held on Thursday at 11:00 am at the Ralph Wells Jr. Memorial Complex in White Shield. Wake services were held on Wednesday at 5:00 pm at the complex.

