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Post 253 fires a gun salute over Old Scouts Cemetary



Jason Morsette, Commander, and flag bearers, watch as veterans fire a gun salute over Old Arikara Scouts cemetery at White Shield. (Story continued on page 4)



From the desk of Fred Fox, Vice Chairman & Councilman for White Shield

Greeting Elders and Community Members,

We had a successful clean-up day this past month in White Shield. Everyone that participated received mega bands for the ND State Fair. Thank you to everyone who came out to help.

We have the road project that is beginning to take place that wasn't completed last summer. The project has started again so our roads should be in a lot better shape than this past winter.

We should have three major projects that will begin shortly this summer that should provide over 100 jobs throughout the summer. They are: the new lagoon, White Shield School and Headstart, and the community center. We are still moving forward with the new housing development down south at Awahu Village. Hopefully the weather cooperates so we can get some of the projects completed soon.

On a sadder note, our superintendent of the school had an accident this past week. We wish him a speedy recovery and our prayers are with him.

I know we didn't have a segment update this past month but we did have a successful elders update at the Senior Center. We will have one for sure at the end of June.

I know the community board and our office would like to have a big celebration for the upcoming 4th of July holiday, so look for an update soon on what activities will take place.

I hope everyone is having a wonderful summer and if you're traveling anytime soon, please drive safe.

Thank you and everyone take care.

Fred

◀ May		~ June 2014 ~					July ▶
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
1	2 Summer School Starts	3	4	5 Last Celebration BINGO	6	7	
8	9 FBCE Brd Meeting No elders meal	10 No elders meal	11 Fitness challenge – cross training – prizes. Call Brad 421-3773 No elders meals	12 TAT Tribal Business Council Meeting – New Town No elders Meals	13 Elders Father Day Cookout starts at 1am Nishu Elder Center	14 CLEO CHARGING BIRTHDAY PARTY 11 to 3. COMPLEX	
15 FATHERS DAY  Father's Day	16 Honoring M Bateman, B Bear, R WhiteTail, Bonnie Yellow Bear- elders center Starts at 1pm	17	18	19 Bingo in Minot. Lv from Elder Center at 4PM and RT at 10 PM. Call 743-4422 for information	20 Foot Care Clinic 1 – 3 Marilyn Yellow Bird – elder center Summer School ends	21 Basketball Camp “Ree Stars” Info call Brad Kroupa	
22	23	24	25 Elder Birthday party for June birthdays 12:30. – 2pm	26	27	28	
29	30 NRC mtg at 1 m. White Shield UP Date Meeting 7pm Complex	Notes:					

re Calendars: Jul 2014, Aug 2014, Sep 2014



Sylvia Spotted Horse June 6
Cleo Charging June 14
Duane Fox June 21
Janice Garcia June 24

Rosalie Schreiner June 27

(Memorial Day celebration continued from page 1)



The following men were in Vietnam with Richard White Bear. They are all from Fox Company, which was White Bears Company also. They traveled from all over the nation for this Memorial Day and to honor White Bear.

Back row, l – R : Gordon Kosobucki, Stoughton, WI, 2nd Platoon, Bravo Squad Leader; Tom Byrd, East Texas, 1st Platoon, Gun Squad Leader, Machine Gunner; Steve Piscitelli, Orlando, FL, 2nd Platoon, Squad Leader, Interpreter, S2; Marvin Carpenter, Galesburg, IL, 3rd Platoon, Squad Leader; Dan Blaschko, LeCenter, MN, 2nd Platoon, Gun Squad Leader, Machine Gunner; Charlie Dempewolf, MN, Navy Veteran, County VA Officer, friend of Dan. Front L - R: Gene Tucker, North Carolina, 2nd Platoon, Bravo Squad, Infantry; Bob Lowe, MN, Bob is friend of Charlie and Dan; Sam Easterbrook, Daytona Beach, FL, 2nd Platoon Commander; Tom Champan, McFarland, WI, friend of Gordy and donated the Eagle Claw; James Williams, Texas, Air Force Veteran and our photographer, friend of Dan.

White Shield – This Memorial Day was special. There were Marine visitors. What remained the same was the traditional military ritual. Sounds of rifles reports over the graves of warriors of yesteryear and soldiers of today were heard across the prairies and grain fields. Then quiet falls over sacred resting places of the men and women who lie in peaceful rest.

Eleven Marines came from all over the country to honor their comrade, Richard White Bear, who died in a car accident after he returned home from the service. He was the son of Matthew "Jiggs" White Bear, Jr. and Opel Packineau White Bear who have also passed away. White Bear served in the Marines with Fox Company. And is the tradition of men and women who fight life and death battles together, they form lifelong friendships and stay in touch. It is as if, during battles, they became one.

After many years, Gordon Kozobucki, Bravo Squad Leader, said he ran across the name White Bear on the Internet . It was Bernadette White Bear. (She works at the White Shield clinic). He contacted her wondering if she knew Richard. That is where the story begins. The Marines made a decision to travel to White Shield for the Memorial Day Celebration. It would be an opportunity to honor White Bear



Another soldier, Steve Piscitell's life changed after the military. He became an artist. For one of his projects, he sculpted a bust of Richard from a photograph. He gave the Bust to the community. It will be placed in the Culture Center. Tom Champan presented an eagle claw to the community. He said he wanted to return it to where it belonged. That place was White Shield, North Dakota.

Both of these items and other memorabilia were given to Commander Morsette. He will place the items in the Culture Center.

Tom Champan gives Morsette the Eagle Claw.



As is the tradition on Memorial Day, the Dead Grass Drum group sang songs for each branch of the military. With each of those songs, people donated in the name of their loved one.

The Marines who attended the celebration were fed a feast and each given a star quilt.

The commander and other members of the Young Hawk/Bear Post 253 invited the Marines to visit anytime.

Picture on left is Austin Gillette (hidden by Post flag) and Bernadette White Bear, Post Adjutant, giving final instruction to veterans entering cemetery.

Proposed site of new White Shield School, Community Center and Headstart



WHITE SHIELD SCHOOL & COMMUNITY CENTER MASTER PLAN

White Shield, North Dakota

June 4th, 2014

Master Plan

114-0028



Scott Jenson, Dean Dovolis, Bob Jangula DJ architects .

Councilman Fox will present a request for \$14 million for a new school; \$9 million for a Community Center and \$1.1 million for a Headstart buildings at the TAT Budget Committee in Bismarck on June 10. If the request is supported by the Tribal Business Council, and proposed White Shield School is approved, Lon Burr, Senior Project Manager, said

his goal for the school is that it will be ready for occupancy by late fall of 2015.

At first, the plan was to build the school west of the old site and near the track field, but there was objections. The space was too limited. The next two sites were: same site as the present school building. It was eliminated because of the cost needed for classrooms for students during the interior and the noise associated with construction. The site being looked at currently is 40 acres near the Culture Center. (See map of building)

Some of the classrooms were changed in size to meet the needs of particular classes and some rooms moved around, but in the end it was basically what DJR Architecture, Inc.; Minneapolis planned.

Lon Burr, Senior Project Director, was adamant that the building suit the needs of the community sometimes interrupting the Architects to allow community members to voice their opinion.

Burr comes to the school project with experience. He was project manager over the building at the Twin Buttes School in 2013. The Twin Buttes School is K through 8, and smaller in size and student population than White Shield. White Shield School population is about 120 students. The school, however, is being built for 225 students in anticipation of future expansion.

The Community Board met and approved the plans for the new Administration building. One of the changes was the elimination of an Olympic size swimming pool. The pool was down sized and more office space was added. It was approved at \$9 million and that budget will also be taken to the TAT Budget meeting.

Some of the Headstart staff met with the Architects and approved drawings for a \$1.1 million building. There were few changes to the designs for this building. The building is smaller and will house only about 30 students.



Architect drawing of proposed new White Shield School

Events

2014 ARIKARA CELEBRATION

JULY 10TH – 13TH

WHITE SHIELD, ND

\$20,000 drum split

Host drums: Old Scouts – Dead Grass – Yellow Face

Grand Entries:

Fri@ 7pm, Sat @ 1pm & 7pm, Sun@ 1pm ONLY

Celebration Committee

Drum Keeper: Trinity White Bear

President: Richard White Bear, White Shield

Vice President: Terry St. John, Minneapolis

Secretary: Leah Black Hawk, Bismarck

Treasurer: Genevieve Azure, White Shield

Arena Director: Alfred Smith, New Town & Joseph Azure WS

Announcers: Pete Coffee Jr, Parshall, Charles Moran, Mandaree

Head Man Dancer: Bennett Everett Sr, White Shield

Head Woman Dancer: Gerilyn Yellow Bird, New Town

Princess: Hannah Mountain

Jr. Princess: Sylvia Regina Stranger Horse



Dancers at Annual White Shield Celebration 2013



BASE/SOFT Ball teams forming

Baseball/softball practice for boys and girls in grades 3 to 6 of this past 2013-14 school year start on Monday June 9, 2014. Please contact the following coaches in your respective communities for time and places: Twin Buttes- Sommer Cummings or Morley Spotted Bear. 701-421-220-6722-Sommer or 701-220-1182-Morley; Mandaree- Boy's and girls' club coach, Thank you very much Ryan and Coby!! Four Bears- Derek Howell. 701-627-3167; Johney Bird Memorial Community Building. New Town- Mel Four Bear. 701-421-6203; Parshall- **NO COACH**- Someone please step up and help the youth of Parshall out please!! White Shield, Sheldon Rush. 701-861-9009.

Kevin Finley, Fitness & Recreation Program, Northern Lights Building
701-627-3456 ext. 5419 Office
701-421-6399 Cell Phone
email: kevinfinley@mhanation.com



MHA Tourism

Three Affiliated Tribes

Fort Berthold Indian Reservation

404 Frontage Road

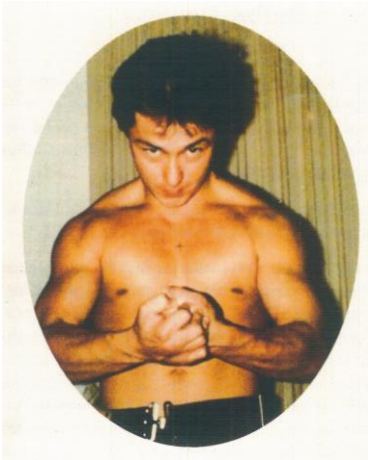
New Town, ND 58763

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2014 Seasonal Opening
Earth Lodge Village

June 7, 2014

OBITUARITIES



Dallas Dickens (Flying Along). Dallas was born December 12, 1960 Garrison, and he passed away on May 6, 2014. His parents were Felix and Maxine (Hosie) Dickens Sr., His maternal grandparents were Lottie (Styles) and George Hosie. His paternal grandparents were Emma Dickens and John Two Crow. Dallas was a child of the Prairie Chicken Clan and received his Hidatsa name from his clan uncle Malcom Wolf.

He attended White Shield high school then received his GED in Denver, Colorado. He attended a vocational school in Los Angeles, California.

When he returned home, he worked at Northrop then began work with Natural Resource where he became a guide with a seismic company to check for historical landmarks. He moved to Tacoma, WA in 1986, where he worked various carpentry jobs. During this time, started a relationship with Marilyn Benson. In 1987, they returned home start their family. During this time, they had five children. He then went into firefighting which became his passion. He started as a G1 and left as a G12 (Federal level). During his tribal firefighting career, he was the director of the Fire Pprogram. He also fought numerous wildfires in the western United States. His fire management program set up as an emergency response. He and his crew responded to the 2003 Columbia Space Shuttle clean up in Texas. Dallas was very compassionate about his work and continued on to training as a smoke jumper.

Because of his professionalism and excellent work ethic, Dallas was sought after from private contractors throughout the Midwest. Eventually, he responded and was employed in Washington for some time and in Utah for one summer. Dallas wore many hats. His was a crew boss, engine boss, roughneck and many other positions too numerous to mention.

Dallas was not afraid to work and accepted any challenge. Wherever he went, he was sure to run into one of his crew members who really bragged him up,. They admired him and call him “The Legend” and he was well-known to many.

Another passion of Dallas' was playing the drums. He was a member of several rock bands and was always ready to "jam." He also loved to box, from which he received various awards and trophies. Unfortunately, due to several health issues, Dallas was forced into early retirement.

In 2005, Dallas found his soulmate, Yvette LaCroix of White Shield. They were married on December 2, 2006. Dallas and Yvette were inseparable. You could see and feel the love they had for one another. Dallas accepted Yvette's children as his own. He developed an even closer bond with their children and his grandchildren. All his grandchildren loved their "Papa." He had a good sense of humor and was always making someone laugh. One time he asked Yvette if she thought the kids liked him because they could see him eye-to-eye.

He is survived by his wife, Yvette, White Shield; children Felicia Lynn (Matt), Casey Mae, Naomi, Scott Lynn and Wilhelmina Grace all of Parshall. Step-children Chance Montel, Charlee Lyn, Chad Naaman and Karmen Charles Fox II all of White Shield. Sisters, Jean Olson, Bremerton, WA; Audry Gottschal, St Cloud, MN; Celeste White Bear, Mooreton, ND; Connie Bennett, Garrison; Donald, Gary and Felix all of White Shield. He was blessed with nine grandchildren, AnnaMarie, Reginald, Felix, Jenna Cashdyn Kingsdyn, Aidyn, Creedance and Cae'l.

He is preceded in death by his parents Felix and Maxine Dickens; two brothers Felix Wayne and Max Owen; two sisters Vickie Buckingham, Adrienne Rae Hunter and one daughter Ann Marie Benson.



Gary Steve Bell (Neetahkas PitkUx)

Gary was born on December 8, 1971, in Santa Ana, CA and passed away May 13, 2014. Gary was of the Alkali Lodge Clan and a child of Prairie Chicken Clan.

He grew up in White Shield then moved with his family to New Town in the late 80's so his mother could be closer to work. Gary worked at the casino, tribe and KMHA radio. Sohi and Gary loved to do play-by-play games for New Town. He was the President of Shell Creek Church and also on the board for the Ft. Berthold Council of Congregational churches.

Gary loved his daughters with all his heart and would never give up even when he was down. He also loved his family and would be there with no questions asked.

He had stories upon stories till you literally had to walk away. Gary loved his work especially at KMHA and also would have candy for kids he saw and helped kids with a few bucks with no questions. He loved to be around his nephews and nieces and would play with them till he tired out. He would be there for his adopted brother's children: Bub, Mac and Sohi to name a few. He loved to ride his motorcycle even through the winter and would brag about it.

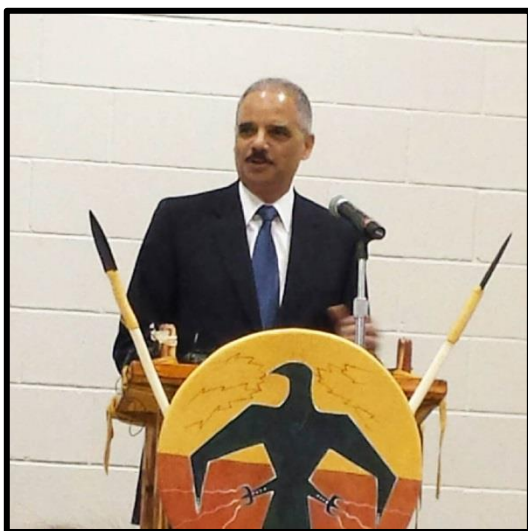
Gary was intelligent and earned highest rank in the State of North Dakota for his GED accomplishments. He loved sports and loved to watch his Knicks, Braves and Falcons.

He loved and respected everyone with all his heart and was always there to help someone in need. He would often "talk your ear off." Gary was a loving father, brother, uncle, nephew, son and, of course, a friend to all.

Gary is survived by his father, Gary Dickens; daughters, Alexis Victoria Bell; Joli Marie Bell; brothers Darrick Bell, Douglas Bell, Joseph Dickens, Andrew Dickens; sisters, Tammy Dickens, Minda Dickens; Grandma Dixie Krueger; all his beloved cousins, nephews and adopted brothers and sisters.

He is welcomed into the spirit world by his grandmother Rachel Bell; mother, Victoria Iris Bell and all his beloved grandmas and grandpas; aunties and uncles; adopted brothers and sisters and his one true love Aimee Yellow Face.

US Attorney General Eric Holder speaks at UTTC



BISMARCK, N.D. — U.S. Attorney Tim Purdon told the crowd at the Tribal Consultation Conference that his motivation for becoming the U.S. attorney for North Dakota was to work in Indian Country. The first time he met Attorney General Eric Holder after his appointment to the post, Purdon told his new boss of the public safety struggles on North Dakota's reservations.

Holder responded it was unacceptable that one in three Native American girls and women will be sexually assaulted in her lifetime. And Purdon knew Holder "got it." Later, during a visit to the Pine Ridge reservation in South Dakota, Holder laid flowers at

Wounded Knee, a memorial former Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy had said more than four decades earlier he wished he had made. And Purdon again saw Holder's commitment to

Indian Country. Holder then took the podium, the most prominent speaker in the four-year history of the event that brings together tribal, local, state and federal officials to talk about public safety challenges facing the state's tribes.

The attorney general lauded the efforts of Purdon's office in working in Indian Country. He cited specific cases in North Dakota, including a prominent murder case and an ongoing drug investigation. Holder also acknowledged the failings of the federal government over the years, the broken treaties and promises. But he said the future is bright.

"We must both acknowledge and confront the lingering impacts — and the deep scars — inflicted by centuries of violence and deprivation," he said.

"You have the head and the heart for Indian Country," Purdon told Holder on Thursday at United Tribes Technical College, likening the attorney general to the assistant U.S. attorneys in Purdon's office who prosecute cases from the state's reservations.

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Holder said working in Indian Country has been a priority for him, as well as for President Barack Obama, who plans to visit Standing Rock next week. And he said they're working to make sure that legacy extends to future administrations.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Rick Volk presented awards to two Three Affiliated Tribes Police Department officers: Detective Angela Cummings and Sgt. Dawn White. He spoke about Cummings' passion for her work and compassion for the people she works with — both victims and suspects. She has helped to bring people to justice, he said.

Volk called White the "eyes and ears of the reservation," and said her knowledge of people and cases on the Fort Berthold reservation is "astounding."

Cummings and White said they work to protect the reservation because it is their home.

"I sacrifice because this is the only place I'm going to be a cop," White said. "I want to be in the front lines to protect, because that was my vow: to protect my community."

"This is my home," Cummings said. "My biggest reward is to know my kids are going to live in a safe world."

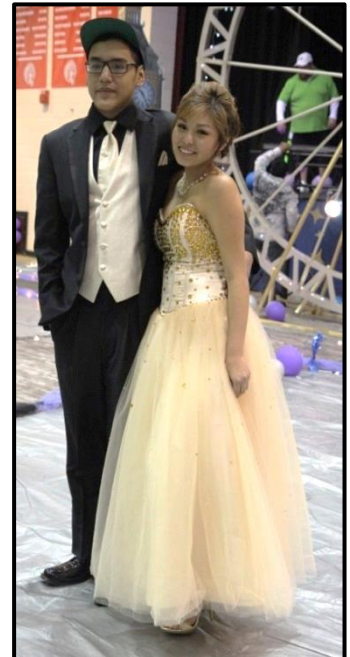
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WHITE SHIELD SCHOOL GRADUATION AND PROM

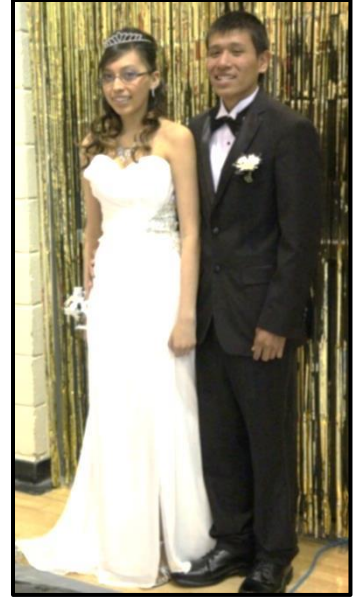
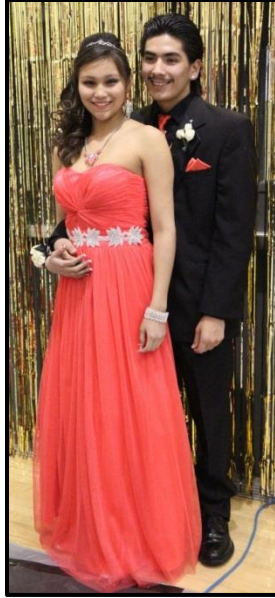


2014 White Shield Graduates: Chantel Androde, Frankie Wilkinson, Julian Wilkinson, Taylor Wilkinson, Melissa Acosta, Mariah Mountain, Alanson "Tate" Connors, Magen White Bear. Estelle White, White Shield elder and woman of wisdom, was graduation speaker on Friday, May 23, 2014.

PROM AT WHITE SHIELD April 2014



Pictures above L to R: Shania White Bear; Kate Price, Luke Hartman; Wichapi Gonzales, Quincy Plenty Chief.



Pictures above L to R: Seth Wolf; Mia Wilkinson, Wyatt Felix; Mya Dickens, unidentified date, Alson "Tate" Connors, Sarianna LeMay; Daniel Jarski, Selena Wilkinson.

Duane Fox June 21
Janice Garcia June 24
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White Shield Ladies Auxiliary at Memorial Day celebration.