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Elder Wilkinson talks about the traditional art of drying corn



Delores Wilkinson, an Arikara elder, continues an age-old Arikara tradition of roasting and preparing corn for preservation. She has taught her children just as she was taught by her mother, Leona Dean. **(Story continued on page 11)**



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



The 2016-2017 school season is complete and summer is upon us once again. White Shield School had graduation May 26th at 7pm. Summer school will soon begin and all the kids will be in summer camps.

I want to send my condolences to all the families that have lost loved ones. Memorial Day is upon us and it is a time to remember those who died in active military service. In White Shield we always remember them on the original day of May 30th. The legion and auxiliary have a program in the afternoon and the Old Scouts Society has a program afterwards. So with that said I want to pay my respects to all those who served and died in military action and also remember those who served.

This month was very busy, I had the opportunity to be a speaker at a Congressional hearing on education funding with BIE. I also had a great visit with Tom Udall, Vice-Chairman of Senate Indian Affairs, about BIA school construction and Facilities Operation & Maintenance for the White Shield School and Oil and Gas Tax - Cotton Petroleum Case and also the possible Infrastructure Bill. This past week I and the White Shield School board visited Paul Holley, BIA Office of Facilities, Property and Safety Management. We went over the architect drawings for Operations & Maintenance of the new White Shield School. With the school project moving forward, the School Board approved a Construction Management Agreement with Graham Construction to build the school. The school board also awarded EAPC Architecture for Architect on record. With that said, the school board terminated the agreements with DJR and DA construction and also 3ICO Construction.

Also the Tribal Business Council visited the Office of Special Trustee in Albuquerque, NM at the same time the school board visited the BIA on the new school. The OST went over all their duties and responsibilities for Indian Country. They also gave an update on the \$360 million People's Fund and the \$149 million JTAC funds. Finally, I would like to congratulate all of our graduating high school seniors and wish them the best of luck in their future endeavors. Take care and God bless.



ReeFit Nation's 5th Annual Fitness Competition Now History



Lt to R - Matt Howling Wolf and Trina Star

White Shield - ReeFit Nation's 5th Annual Fitness Competition was a huge success. On Saturday, May 6th, the White Shield Complex was filled with 32 outstanding Native athletes and tons of excitement.

Five years ago, ReeFit Nation brought CrossFit style training to the Fort Berthold Reservation. Year-after-year, as they continue to prioritize active lifestyles and healthy communities. This year's events were bigger and better.

Athletes and spectators traveled long distances to attend this year's competition, arriving from as far away as Arizona, Canada, and Wisconsin. Brad Kroupa thanked athletes for sacrificing their time to travel to White Shield and make this event successful. And thanked for all of the hard work, effort and determination they brought, workout-after-workout. Native athleticism and strength was on full display. Each athlete was an inspiration.

Kudos to the staff, volunteers and judges who made this competition possible. The day was long, with limited rest for the staff, but everyone did an amazing job, said Kroupa

Special thanks to massage therapist, Dakota Harmon, LMT, for traveling from Fargo to offer her services during the event.

And thanks to all of the sponsors and donators – MHA, TBC, White Shield Segment, the Arikara Development Cooperation, and Makes Cents, Inc. Your contributions are greatly appreciated.



L to R Brandon Carley, Tom Malnouri, Shani Bourdeax.

White Shield 2017 Graduating Class



Jules Regen (Valedictorian), Isaac Garcia Medina, Mya Dickens, Madisyn Archambault, Jacob White Bear and Aaliyah Howling Wolf.



Bill Gourneau, (husband of Linda) Birdie Fox with granddaughter, Mark Fox, TAT Chairman and Linda Gourneau, Guest Speaker.



Connie Howling Wolf, wearing 2017 glasses to watching her grandchildren graduate.

Rev. Wesley D. Fox, provided a prayerful beginning to the graduation ceremony as this spiritual leader has done many times in this community. He also graduated from White Shield in 1959 and was in the first graduating class of the school. Mrs. Stacey Blacksmith, High School Principal, provided guidance and direction to the services. Dr. Linda Gourneau, guest speaker, was inspirational as she talked about meeting her goal in field of medicine. She graduated from the University of North Dakota and works as a physician in Bismarck. Ms. Jules Regen, gave the farewell address for the 2017 graduating class.

Eighth Grade Graduating Class and Some Family photos



(Not in order) Olivia Bird, Lexus Fox, Sylvia Stranger Horse, Eugene Jesse White IV, Kaeleigh Cavanaugh, Madison McKinney, Daryn White.



Madonna Azure, with grandson, Jacob Azure, and Holly Felix.



Red tipped White Rose



Isaac Garcia Medina and family.

Tribal Council Cuts Ribbon for the New Three Affiliated Tribes Safety and Judicial Center



Fred Fox, White Shield Segment; Monica Mayer, North Segment; Mervin Packineau, Parshall Segment; child, Mark Fox, Tribal Chairman; Randy Phelan, Mandaree and Cory Spotted Bear, Twin Buttes.



Fred Fox, White Segment and Chairman of the Tribal Council Judicial Committee.



Lawrence Baker, moderator for Grand Opening with Honor Guard.

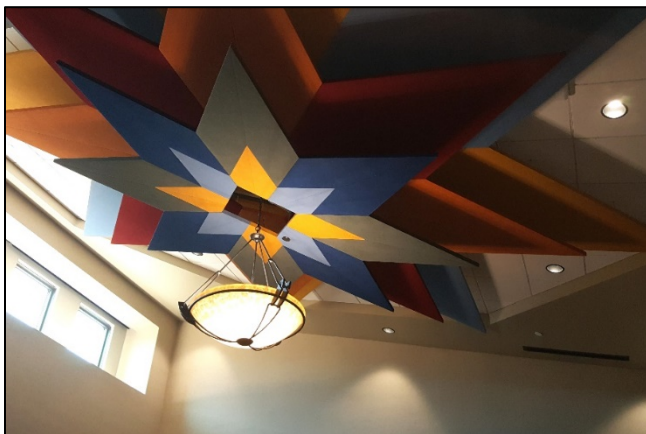


Kayla Danks, Superintendent, Bureau of Indian Affairs, New Town, ND

New Tribal Supreme Court Hold its First Hearing at New Town' New Judicial Center in May



Michelle Rivard Parks, Chief Justice.



The ceiling of the Supreme Court room is a mosaic of colors and light shaped into a star which is a traditional icon of Native people

This article written by B. J. Jones, examines the current state of the law governing tribal court practice in North Dakota with an emphasis on the ever-changing civil jurisdiction rules governing tribal courts, an examination of full faith and credit between tribal and state courts as well as between tribal courts, and finally a review of recent federal legislative proposals which undoubtedly will impact tribal court civil practice. With four tribal courts in North Dakota and a substantial native and non-native reservation population in this state, tribal court practice is becoming a necessary staple of civil practice for many attorneys wishing to provide the full panoply of legal services for their clients. It is hoped that this article, however brief, may set out some of the fundamental rules governing tribal court practice which in turn may induce more attorneys to venture into the realm of tribal court practice.

Mr. Jones, who wrote article, is also the Chief Justice of the Turtle Mountain Tribal Court of Appeals, a Special Magistrate of the Non-Removable Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Tribal Court, and an alternate judge of the Three Affiliated Tribes Tribal Court. He is a member of the Diversity Committee at the School of Law and has acted as a clinical instructor for the Native American Law Program; he has also taught Indian Law. Mr. Jones serves on the North Dakota Supreme Court Committee on Tribal-State Court Affairs, and the ABA Committee on the Unmet Needs of Children. He was an instructor at Sinte Gleska University and Sitting Bull College. Mr. Jones publishes and presents in the area of Indian law.

*The complete article can be found on the Internet at this site:
ndcourts.gov/court/Resource/Tribal.htm.*

White Shield's Memorial Day Celebration and Dance



Legion and Auxiliary take part in honoring at Old Scout's cemetery.



Fancy dancer



Rodney Howling Wolf, Veteran, Old Scout Member



Dancing couple



Madonna Azure, dances with Auxiliary group

Ladies Auxiliary Officers were sworn in by David Johnson, ND American Legion State Adjutant



Officer for Post 253 Ladies Auxiliary were sworn at Memorial Day celebration. They are MaDonna Azure, President; Gerilyn Yellow Bird, Vice President; Jennifer Dickens, Secretary; Donna Mae Lewis, Corresponding Secretary; Glenise Bearstail, Sergeant- At-Arms; Shannon Use the Knife, Shallen Azure, Megan White Bear and Misty Foutah, Flag Bearers; (Shallen, Megan, and Misty are not pictured) Loretta Meredith, Chaplain; Diana Poitra, Historian; Cheryl Dank, Treasurer, (not pictured).



Auxiliary members who attended Celebration

Proposed MHA Nation Cultural Interpretive Center September 2018



*Delphine Baker,
Administrator*

The MHA Nation is planning the Interpretive Center and Amphitheatre where audio tours, other electronic media, or at a host of other recreation, natural or cultural sites will be performed. Interpretation is delivered in a variety of ways, including guided walks, talks, living history demonstrations, staffed stations, exhibits and displays, signs, brochures. The 40-acre site of MHA Earth Lodge Village site and future home of the Interpretive Center/Amphitheatre is located in a rural lakeside setting, roughly 6 miles from New Town, 1 mile from the Four Bears Casino and Lodge.

The tourism industry of the MHA Nation and Four Bears Casino will bring the site the highest revenue generation through overnight accommodations, including the hotel expansion and new camper cabins. The opportunities to expand that revenue are by continuing to upgrade the camping facilities to current day standards, continue to tap into the Four Bears Casino and Lodge tourist market and increase the day use visitors by offering additional recreation amenities.

Interpretive Center Building will house ten offices and a large display of museum quality and interactive kiosk of the culture of the great MHA Nation. The building will have a 250 seat event room and a state of the art kitchen for preparing traditional meals to the public at certain events. The Interpretive Center will have a classroom for cultural educational classes such as traditional foods, beading, tanning hide etc. The MHA Interpretive Center will house a Gift Shop that will sell merchandise with the MHA Logo. The brand for the Interpretive Center will be the Three Chief Logo of the MHA Nation. In addition to the new building, they are building an amphitheater with 350 outside seating. The goal of the Amphitheatre is to hold special events such as plays, musicals, sells tickets to special events along with a traditional meal served. They also plan on renting the event room to outside vendors for rent for meeting and other activities, along with a catered meal. They anticipate planning for a variety of participant experiences. As mentioned previously, the Visitor Center will be used as a “hub” for various interpretive activities. These activities could include but are not limited to:

- Storytelling
- Tribal History, to also include more recent historical events, such as the relocation brought on by the Garrison Dam
- Cultural Demonstrations
- Traditional Gardening, using an actual garden site as a learning tool
- Cultural gatherings
- Discussions and demonstrations of tribal art
- Traditional horse races
 - Amphitheater for Musical Performance and Storytelling plays of the MHA Nation.
 - Traditional Meals made and served to public

A significant goal for the Tourism department is to use tourism as a means to preserve and promote the cultures of the three tribes, not only for the visiting public, but for the enrolled members as well. Accordingly, activities are often geared toward the youth of the reservation, with the inclusion of tribal elders.

The MHA Nation planned for the building of the Interpretive Center in 2001. The funding for the Building never materialized. This project was put on hold. The MHA Nation did build an Earth Lodge Village and had maintained this since 2001.

The Interpretive Center Department was funded in 2012 and plans have moved forward to Building the Interpretive Center and Architectural, and Engineering designs have been developed, and they are in the process of breaking ground in September of 2017. Funding for the Interpretive Center is the on the building project queue and is only funded for FY 2017 at 2 million dollars. This will only provide for the initial dirt work of this project and footings. The Interpretive Center Project has been plagued by many outside interruptions in its ability for funding to proceed. Since 2001 the building of the center has been planned and then dropped due to funding. The MHA Nation is in a very good financial position to fund the building, but due to unforeseen circumstances the Interpretive Center never gets the work completed toward building from lack of funding.



(Continued from front page) Green, fresh corn is roasted with husks on. It is picked at the proper time, roasted, shelled and dried. It is sun-dried, or a dehydrator can be used. It is saved for the winter or cooked for special occasions. This has become a specialty dish. There is only a limited number of household who still use this traditional way. In the distant past, Arikara was noted for large gardens of many kinds of corn.

We learned many surrounding tribes even enemy tribes came to trade with the Arikaras for their dried corn. This elder hopes this continues. I believe there is no other soup on this planet that is compared to the Arikara dried corn soup or green corn bread.

A modern grill as a roasting fire pit can be used. This is “elder friendly,” as it eliminates a lot of bending and burn control. Grandma Delores

OBITUARIES



Sylvia M. Spotted Horse, departed Wednesday, May 24, 2017 in a Bismarck hospital surrounded by her family. Sylvia was born on June 6, 1945, to Neola Spotted Horse and Everett Hosie Sr.

Sylvia, known as “Bitsy”, began her education during the year 1951 at Elbowoods School, next she went to Garrison High School and finally graduated from White Shield High School in 1965. Sylvia was a good-daughter and loved helping her mother. Sylvia is remembered by her family as selfless and sacrificed a military career to help her mom care for her younger brothers and sisters. Sylvia later pursued a career and education in the health field as a CNA. Sylvia worked at Rock View Nursing Home as a CNA and various administrative jobs with the Three Affiliated Tribes.

In September 1967, Sylvia began her life as a mother when Mylo was born. In 1968 Sylvia met her lifelong soulmate Antoine Jensen and together they raised Mylo until the birth of their second son, Travis Jensen. Sylvia always supported her family’s endeavors and whatever efforts her family chose to pursue by helping her parent her siblings’ children.

As a mother, Sylvia truly accepted this honor and made diligent efforts to spend quality time with her sons. Sylvia passed on life principles and made time to support her son’s events. She relished spending time with her two sons and creating memories, fostering resilient teenagers that became caring husbands. Mylo and Travis valued and honored their mother’s love by raising their families founded on their mom’s life principles. Mylo honored his mother’s dream and served the US military as a US Marine. Two grandchildren also cherished this principle fashioned by Sylvia. Travis carries on the selfless character by raising and parenting children who need a father figure, a family value instilled by Sylvia.

Sylvia treasured her grandchildren. She loved each of her grandchildren equally in her own way. She celebrated birthdays, graduations and milestones with each of her grandchildren joyously. Sylvia cherished each grandchild’s time with prayer and encouragement.

Sylvia is survived by: Sons: Mylo (Carolyn) Spotted Horse, Parshall, ND; Travis (Rebecca) Jensen, White Shield, ND; Grandchildren: Heidi Spotted Horse; Larissa Spotted Horse, Parshall, ND; A. Nathaniel Spotted Horse, Ft. Stewart, GA; Adopted grandchildren; Tashena (Roman) Sabottke; Tehya Bird; Sisters: Aldine Rush, White Shield, ND; Glenise (Kevin) Bearstail, Garrison, ND; Lori (Mike) Hendrick, Mesa AZ; Vonna Duro, Coachella Valley, CA; Doveta (Dan) Cavanaugh, Ft Totten, ND; Brother: Richard Hosie; Leonard Hosie; Dewey Hosie; David Hosie, Sr.; Wallace Hosie, Sr., White Shield, ND; Sisters: Greta (Carlos) Hosie; White Shield, ND; Janis Hosie, Oregon;

Preceded in death by: Grandson, Carl Spotted Horse; Sisters: Clarinda Young Bird; Jillanye Rush; Companion Antoine Jensen; Son, Kenneth Spotted Horse; Brother, Orville Spotted Horse; Parents, Neola Spotted Horse, Everett Hosie, Sr., and Grandmother, Vinnie Spotted Horse Seminole.



Joyce Lynne Gabel, 67, Minot, formerly of White Shield, died on Sunday, April 23, 2017 in a Minot hospital.

Joyce was born on April 26, 1949 in Bismarck, ND to Ben and Margie (Sears) Slocum. She was reared and educated in Elbowoods and White Shield, ND and graduated from White Shield High School in 1967. She attended Minot State College and graduated from Bryant and Stratton College of Commerce in San Jose, CA in 1970.

Joyce was once married to Darrell Linton and Ernest Huntress and was employed in real estate sales and as a secretary. More recently she played keyboard and sang for the country band entitled “Night Wind”. She was forced to retire due to ill health.

Joyce was united in marriage to Bruce Gabel on July 26, 1996 in Minot. Following their marriage, they made their home in Minot throughout the years.

Joyce’s Indian name was “When the Corn Husks Turn Brown”. Her hobbies and special interests included: music, crafts and scrapbooking.

Joyce’s loving family includes: her husband, Bruce, Minot; children: Audrey (Wade) Williamson, Minot; Marcy Huntress, Minot; 4 grandchildren to include: Kailey, Rielee and Ashlee Williamson and Shaleen Griffey and nieces: Marie (Bob) Primeaux, Colorado and Taryl (Cameron) Gabel, New York.

Joyce was preceded in death by her parents and brother: Jim Slocum; nephew, James Scott Slocum, along with several aunts, uncles and cousins.



Eric James Everett, “Eye of the Tiger”, 31, White Shield, died on Monday, April 17, 2017 at his home. Funeral services were held on Friday at 11:00 am at the Ralph Wells Jr. Memorial Complex in White Shield. Wake services were held on Thursday at 5:00 pm at the complex. Burial was at the Everett Family Cemetery.

Eric James Everett was born April 28, 1984 to Alice Everett and Theodore Everett JR (Lucky) in Stanley North Dakota. He grew up in White Shield, attended White Shield School, and graduated in 2004. While growing up, he enjoyed playing basketball and had great skills in the game. More than that though, he loved boxing. He started at a young age and was very talented. He joined Parshall Boxing Club, coached by Bob Walsh and Gene Morsette and was mentored by his two oldest brothers, Gary and Joe. He loved the sport so much, as a little guy that his

Parents often had to put on the movie Rocky before he would go to bed. He could always be found training to the song Eye of the Tiger.

After Graduating High School, he attended Burdick Job Corp in Minot, taking an interest in Culinary Arts. He became a Mailroom Operator for Mandaree Enterprise Corporation for the duration of its HUD Contract. He then went to work in construction for PCI. He was currently employed in maintenance and construction at Ralph Wells Memorial Complex in White Shield. Eric was an avid sports fan. Watching ESPN Sports Center was a favorite hobby of his. He could tell you everything about players and teams from college and professional basketball, football, boxing, and baseball. His favorite basketball team was Indiana Hoosiers. Like his big “bro” Gary, his favorite football team was Washington Redskins, but he could quickly become a Cowboys fan whenever big bro Joe was around.

Eric’s greatest passion was his family. His mom and dad, brothers and sisters, nephews and nieces, aunts, uncles, and cousins were his everything. He told his mom and dad he loved them every day before he walked out the door and shared that same sentiment whenever he was speaking to a family member in person or by phone. He highly respected Gary and Joe, was peas in a pod with brothers Triple, Isaiah, Derek, Brandon and Hector, and called his sisters Teddi and Liz “My beautiful big sisters” as if it were their names. He adored all his nephews and nieces with all his heart, and because he was closer to them in age, he was able to be their big-brother protector and loving best friend. He was a big-hearted, sentimental, beautiful person inside and out, and he took great pride and care in helping to raise his great-nephew Kobe, who was “his little man” and his niece and “little princess” Malaysia.

His bright eyes, infectious grin, and natural sense of humor brought smiles and laughter to everyone around him. He is now our Guardian Angel and Heaven’s Helper who will be forever with us in our minds and in our hearts. “Eric James Everett, we love you always!” Eric is preceded in death by his brother-cousin and best friend Tommy Everett, brother, Derek Oshkeshequoam, his Paternal Grandparents, Theodore and Betty Everett, Uncles, Russell, Marlin, & Cory Everett; and by his Maternal Grandparents, Jesse and Emma Andrade, Uncles, Jesse Andrade SR, & Rudy Rodrigues, and his aunt Betty Andrade.



May 2017 June ►						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Elders Spirit Lake Casino Trip	2 Elders Spirit Lake Casino Trip	3 Elders Spirit Lake Casino Trip	4 Elder Fair Northern Lights 10:00 am	5	6
7	8	9 Grand Opening of Justice Center New Town, ND 11:00 am	10 Tribal Council Meeting	11 Tribal Council Meeting	12 10:00 am RTC Meeting with Debbie Hanson regarding the Internet	13 White Shield War Bonnet Dance.
14	15	16	17 Arikara Celebration Bingo	18	19	20
21 Parshall Graduation	22	23	24	25	26 White Shield Graduation	27
28	29	30 Memorial Day Celebration and PowWow – 12:00 and 6:00 pm	31	Notes: June 8 TBC Council meeting;		

Elder's birthdays for May

Thomas Breuer	5-18
Yvonne Fox	5-2
Dana Howard	5-9
Joyce Krueger	5-16
Herman Mongram	5-31
Phillip Ross	5-2
Rose Drapeau	5-28

Elder's birthday for June

Cleo Charging	6-14
Wesley D Fox	6-21
Janice Garcia	6-24
Rosalie Schreiner	6-27
Gail Valenzuela	6-18

This will be the last mail out for the [NAhtAsuutaaka' \(White Shield\) News Journal.](#)

The Journal announced in January that we would be moving to digital distribution. If you want the journal, please send you e-mail address to Dorreen Yellow Bird @ sahnish65@gmail.com. (If you have questions, you can call me at 701-421-2876.

We have collected many of the e-mail addresses, but not all of them so if you do not receive the news journal you will know we do not have your email address. Copies will be available at the Nishu Elder Center, Nishu C-Store, Culture Center and White Shield School.

**The e-mail copies are far clearer and do not cost White Shield anything. We have been spending too much on mail outs.
Thank you.**