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## **Ribbon Cutting for New MHA Drug Enforcement Center in Parshall**



R to L – Jeff White, K-9 Chief; Fred Fox, White Shield Segment Representative; Mervin Packineau, Parshall Segment; Gerald White Jr., Chief Drug Enforcement, and Brant Sanford, Lt. Gov. ND.

Officials from the tribe and state cut the ribbon officially opening the MHA Drug Enforcement Center in Parshall on Wednesday. The building is a newly renovated Laundromat located at 13 West Central Avenue. It is staffed with nine people which include a K-9 unit with three dogs. The staff includes FBI agents and people who have experience in law enforcement. (Story continues on page 4) Fred Fox, Austin Gillette, Duane Fox and Herb Adson



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



Hello, White Shield community members and elders. We had a very busy fall season, and Old Man Winter is knocking on our door. We had some very difficult losses in our community, and I would like to send my condolences to the families.

We had two great trips this fall. The elders went to Prairie Knights Casino in Standing Rock and I heard we had some big winners. In October, elders, American Legion, and the Ladies Auxiliary traveled to Pawnee, Oklahoma for the 2nd reunion. Our Pawnee brothers hosted ceremonies, hand games, and a powwow on the last day of the reunion. I didn't make it out there this year, but we are planning a reunion next year, which I will make this time. The planning stages for the reunion are to meet halfway, where the tribes had a village before the Arikara traveled north.

This past month Vice-Chairman Phelan and I traveled to Milwaukee for the National Congress of American Indians Conference. We had some very interesting meetings concerning Double Taxation in Indian Country and the Indian Traders Law. Those topics hit hard with the State of North Dakota and their double taxation on Fort Berthold with Oil &Gas. Also, Vice-Chairman Phelan ran for the Vice-President of NCAI. He lost his bid but ran a very successful campaign for Indian country.

This time of the year brings us a new fiscal year for the Tribe. Last year the MHA Nation received \$60 million in Royalties. The Tribe distributed \$45 million in per capita payments and \$23 million in Health Insurance to the membership in 2017 for a total of \$68 million. With that said, the entire \$60 million in revenue from royalties and more was given back to the people, as it should be. Last year for the Segment, we spent \$1.5 million in salary and fringe for permanent staff. We spent \$504,627 for the C-store and other staff. We also spent \$700,000 on medical grants/financial assistance/donations and \$300,000 on Elder medical grants and financial assistance.

Some of the new projects for White Shield this coming year are a \$2 million 12-plex located in Sesame, ten new homes and five new elder homes, and the

completion of the White Shield School. We did take a break and regroup with the School. Work has commenced and will continue throughout the winter months. The Segment will startup a community farm and ranch, which will have a barn and storefront. We will raise cattle, hogs, and chickens. We will have the animals butchered and sell meat, bacon, and eggs at a reduced rate for the community. We will also donate the beef to funerals and community powwows. We will also plant corn, potatoes, and squash to sell to the community at a reduced rate.

Also in this year's budget is money set aside for a brand new chartered bus for the White Shield School. We will also build a couple of homes for the teachers. I will give a more detailed report at the elders meeting on November 6th. I will also give another update to the rest of the community during the Segment Thanksgiving dinner on the November 20th.

We also have set the date of December 11th for the Segment Christmas Party.

I would like to congratulate all our runners for completing a hard cross-country season, and all our volleyball players for finishing a fantastic season. To all our football players, congratulation for completing another co-op season with Parshall. We all can't wait for the basketball season to begin and so please encourage and motivate all our young players.

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## **Announcements**

TAT Council meeting is scheduled for November 15th. Budgets will be discussed.



White Shield Segment councilman Fred Fox announces Thanksgiving dinner and update will be Monday, November 20<sup>th</sup>. The site will be Ralph Wells Complex. Coupon for turkeys will be given out also.



Fox also announced the date for the Segment Christmas Party will be Monday, December 11. Location is undetermined at this time.

### (Law Enforcement story continued from the front page.)



Gerald White Jr., Chief of Drug Enforcement; Fred Fox, White Shield Segment Representative; Jay Standish, member of Black Mouth Society; Scott Davis, Executive Director of the North Dakota Indian Affairs Commission.

"We also spent 30 percent of the tribal budget (Oil and gas funds) on law enforcement and protection of the reservation and surrounding community," said Fred Fox, White Shield Councilman.

He spoke to the community, state and local officials at the opening of the Parshall Drug Enforcement Center.

This problem doesn't just

affect a few people. It affects everyone — aunts, uncles, mothers, fathers, children, grandparents. The whole reservation is affected in one way or another, he said. This drug epidemic is destroying their communities.

According to tribal sources, there is a growing and overwhelming opioid, Heroin, and meth problem that is costing both the state and tribe millions of dollars. The tribe spends more than the State of North Dakota on these problems, Fox said.

White gave all TAT councilmen an award for their support that culminated in the new Drug Enforcement Center in Parshall.

McClean County, Fox's home territory, works well with McClean County law enforcement. Jurisdictional and hot pursuit issues have been worked out through agreements. The agreements give McClean County the ability to come on the reservation if there is a crime being committed or a criminal crosses onto the reservations. And equally, the tribe's law enforcement has the power of law enforcement pursuing criminals in McClean County.

There were other counties at the ribbon cutting and, Fox said, they are hoping that other counties will follow the lead of McClean County.



## Arikara Medicine Lodge Confederacy, 501c3

**Membership Drive** 

When: November 28, 2017, 5:00-8:00 pm

Where: Ralph Wells Memorial Complex

**Why: Membership Drive** 

Single person-15\$

**Immediate Family-50\$** 

## **Agenda**

5:00-6:30 Prayer, Potluck, Welcome, Mission, Vision,

General Address; Being Arikara in Modern

Times.

6:30 Break

6:45-8:00 Arikara Time-Line, MLC membership, Five

**Year Plan** 

7:45-8:00 Question and Answer

## Flute Smudges Workers and Visitors and Asks Blessings for the New White Shield Apartments.



Wayne Flute smudges workers and housing staff.



The White Shield community is awaiting a new apartment building west of the Sesame community.

The community and housing board watch as men work on the building. They are all watching the sky. Even though it was a warm, sunny day, high winds and snow were predicted. The weather is turning toward winter.

The men are laying the foundation. After the cement foundation is laid, they can work on the inside and are not at the whim of the weather, said Chris Wacker, Superintendent of Graham Construction of Minot and this project.

They got a late start because of administrative problems but are in full swing now, he said.

Marita Abe, Project Manager said, they started the project in September and should be finished in February 2018. The 12-Plex has eight two-bedrooms and 4 one-bedrooms rental apartments. There are two handicapped apartments on the bottom floor.

If you want to rent one of these apartment, see Tina Malnouri, Secretary, Ree Lodge Management Housing Office at the Ralph Wells Complex for applications. The amount of rent has not been determined at this time, but the aim is that it will be affordable housing.





**Summary**: This product recall involves two styles of Kidde disposable fire extinguishers:

- Plastic handle fire extinguishers
- Plastic push-button fire extinguishers

This Recall does not include Kidde Professional or Badger branded fire extinguishers. Units with metal handles/valve assemblies are not included in the recall.

- Read the Full Announcement on the CPSC Website (Opens in a new browser window)
- Frequently Asked Questions (Opens in a new browser window)

#### **Follow These Steps:**

- 1. View the following links to determine if you have an affected model:
- Plastic handle fire extinguishers: Open to view the Fire Extinguisher ID Guide (Opens in new browser window)
- Push-Button Fire Extinguishers: Open to view the Fire Extinguisher ID Guide (Opens in new browser window)
- 2. If you believe that you may have an affected model, **before continuing**, **also use the Fire Extinguisher ID Guide** (**link above**) to locate and collect your Model Number, Serial Number, and Date Code (if applicable). The Date Code is a 10-digit number printed on the side of your fire extinguisher, near the bottom. Digits five through nine represent the day and year of manufacture, and these five numbers are what you will need to proceed.
- 3. When you are ready to proceed, select your unit from the list below. *Note: If you have a push button model used on a personal watercraft such as a JET SKI*®, *be sure to select the personal watercraft option.*

Plastic Handle
Push Button
Push Button Watercraft

Please check your fire extinguisher. Some in this area are on the list of extinguisher that may explode. They can be returned for a new one. Read the information. If you have questions call David Blacksmith (701) 421-6507 or Larry Trujillo 421-0919 (701) Look it up on Kidde.com.

## **Halloween Party at White Shield Segment**

Gerilyn and Liz Yellow Bird get a little testy after serving hot dogs and chili in a bag all evening to a fun-filled Ralph Wells Complex community at local Halloween party.







Tony Lone Fight wins TAT Pumpkin Contest.



Bernadette, commander of Veteran Post 253, Young Hawk/Bear, loves Spiders . . we heard.



Yes, its Gary.



White Shield Boys and Girls club put a lot of effort into this Halloween booth and it looks like a winner. They had fun too.



 $Sweet\ Medicine\ and\ Magen\ Achtenberg.\ \ Sam\ Ledesma\ in\ the\ background.$ 



Matt Esquibel and son.





Get me out of this chair. I need candy!



Geez, I scared myself, Red Star Fox.

## Halloween at the Judicial Center



Judge Seaworth shows prisoners Aurora Lockwood and Liz Yellow Bird what can happen in jail at new Judicial Center in New Town. (Halloween joke.) Both women work at the center and the judge presides there.



### **Headstart Visits Elders on Halloween**



Headstart makes a regular, routine stop at the Nishu Lodge when they are tricks or treating. They usually receive not only smiles and hugs but a "boatload" of tasty candy to add to their tricks or treats bags.

It was chilly that day, so these Headstarters covered their customs with jacks and hats. But they were still scary and scared elders who were there for lunch.



Dr. Herbert Wilson, Aletha Marsette and Lilian Osborne Wilson, wife of Herbert . Wilson was honored at UTTC PowWow during Veterans' honor

BISMARCK—Dr. Herbert J. Wilson, 96 of Bismarck, formerly of New Town, flew 31 missions in World War II. He wrote of his life in the war in a book called, "The Memoirs of Dr. Herbert Joslin Wilson." Wilson flew with the 44th Bomb Group, a unit of 8th Air Force's 2nd Air Division, out of England from February to May 1944.

Born in Bethel, Vermont, Wilson was a student at Harvard College in Cambridge, Mass., when Pearl Harbor was attacked on Dec. 7, 1941. He was inducted into the military in September 1942 (his father served in World War I) and after basic training and studying aircraft hydraulics and armament stateside, he traveled in 1943 on the Queen Mary ship to Shipdham Air Base at Norfolk,

## England.

Wilson made his last mission on May 19, 1944, to Brunswick, Germany.

While stationed in England Wilson met his future wife, Lilian Osborne, at the USO. They were married Jan. 20, 1945, on the Isle of Wight.

Wilson was discharged from the U.S. Army Air Forces in August 1945, then returned to his studies at Harvard, graduating in 1945. He went on to Tufts College Medical School, graduating in June 1950. After his internship and a short time with Public Health Service in Tampa, Fla., he spent 40 years at Elbowoods and then New Town as a physician until he retired. He and Lilian remained there until he retired from his practice in New Town in 1995 and they moved to Bismarck.

Some information for this story attributed to the Minot Daily News.

## White Shield Fishing Derby Nets Big Prizes for Old and Young Alike



Helen Kruger holds fish she and Xamaoa Black Cloud caught. Xamaoa won 1st place - girls.



Tim White Bear - Grand Prize (items he won in background)



Shane Felix and Duffy Kruger - winners



Rick Hall & Helen Kruger are the men and Women's winners

## **Obituary**



**Delancy Wilkinson**, 34, White Shield, died on Sunday, October 22 from injuries sustained in a motor vehicle accident near New Town. Funeral services were held on Thursday at the Ralph Wells Jr. Memorial Complex. Wake services were Wednesday in the complex.

Delancy Wilkinson Sr. was born April 17, 1983, in Bismarck ND, to Beverly J. Wilkinson. He was the last born child of eight children and was raised in our small community in the country, Buffalo Rock.

As the last born child,he was taken care of by all his siblings, who fought over him when he became a toddler but it was probably because he was the only one who had the blonde hair. So, he was given the name "Custer". And since he never wore shoes, he was given the name, "Woodstock". But later, Cedrick named him "Senitson" because he could not say his name, Delancy.

He loved his Uncle Howard Wilkinson and learned his ways from him. Together, they went to many horse sales and rodeos. Later on, he followed in the footsteps of his older siblings, becoming a licensed pipefitter, fabricator, welder, traveling throughout the United States, mastering his trade to become Employee of the Month at his company, Buffalo Rock Stronghold.

He was brought into the Dead Grass Society by Donald "Budzie" Malnourie and sang at the drum with them. He participated in many rides as a member of the White Shield Spirit Riders. He attended schools in White Shield ND, Lake Charles, and Baton Rouge Louisiana. He completed welding school in Halliday and carpentry and plumbing at Ft. Berthold Com. College.

Even though Delancy was the youngest, he was the protector of his family. He was so kind-hearted and generous. He loved kids and always took time to listen and talk with them, which is probably why he was always a kid at heart. He was such a comic who loved to laugh and make people laugh. Although he did not quite accomplish his one ambition, to become the next tribal chairman, he already made life on earth so much better by just being Delancy.

Delancy Sr. lived his life to the fullest, always making another friend along with his many travels. He never forgot where he came, his family and extended family, his friends old and new. Wherever he traveled to work, he was never a stranger; he made sure he learned the local lingo so that he could always fit right in. Those he knew here on earth will never forget him. They know when he meets his relatives and friends that have gone before him and they ask him, "Isn't life here grand?" Delancy will say in his best Canadian lingo, "Ya betcha!!"

Delancy Sr. is survived by his son, Delancy Jr., his siblings, Douglas, Cedrick, Della, Manford, Louie, Malone; adopted siblings, Pam Nicholson, Karen Skye, Lorenzo Many Ribs and Danny Gonzales and many extended families. He was preceded in death by his mother, Beverly, brother, William Shang, beloved uncle, Howard, nephew, Dustin Wilkinson, grandparents, John and Helen (Wolf) Wilkinson.



## November 2017

Almit Breuer 11/3

Donald Dickens 11/27

Fredman Everett 11/7

Lujuanna LaCroix 11/15

Diane Mongram 11/9

Rhoda Star 11/5

## **December 2017**

Robert Bear 12/12

Bobbette Bruce 12/4

Ardith Esquibel 12/29

Nancy Fox 12/24

Wayne Hunter 12/27

Neal Karlson 12/15





Elders can get pedicures at elder center on December 7<sup>th</sup> starting at 10 am. Sign up with Bobbette Bruce. She is a clerk at elder center.

## **Elders Travel to Prairie Knights Casino**



Maggie Yellow Bird/Young Bird family

Standing Rocks – It was getting late for the fiscal year 2017 funding for the White Shield's Elder program. So to get the project completed before the close of the year, the elders opted to use their casino and culture funds for a visit to our neighbor Prairie Knights casino at Ft. Yates, ND.

Usually, the group tries to visit far-away places that the elders would have a hard time getting to by themselves. But those casinos were either booked (short notice), or they didn't give the group any breaks.

Some of the White Shield elders have questioned rather the casino trips were

helpful or a good place to spend time and money (most are not smoke-free).

All segments on the reservation began having casino trips for the elders, so White Shield followed in that direction.

When discussion was first held about casino trips, the value of the trips was to helps elders get out of the house and travel which some

do not do for years. One White Shield woman, said she saw her uncle sit in front of the television every day, week after week and month after month wasting away. So, she said when this opportunity for a casino trip was mentioned, she jumped at the chance for him to go. "I also took him to every rodeo or outdoor event that happened on the reservation. He always enjoyed them and came home feeling better.

Also, the elder's group decided that each trip would include a cultural event. They started with Deadwood,



Yellow Bird family



Marilyn Young Bird & Maggie Yellow Bird

SD in the Black Hills. While there, they took in one or two of the following events. Mount Rushmore, Crazy Horse (which they went to on all the SD trips); Bear Butte (they had a speaker, and some went up on Butte and prayed) Bear country, Devils Tower, Buffalo Jump



Gloria Brennan

and other places. They also went to the North Dakota Historical Society for presentations and Native American exhibitions. They planned a trip to the Ft Totten heritage center and their park, but they were closed when they went there.

They also went to Mystic Lake,

Minneapolis, MN. Some of the groups also visit Native American shops near the casino and some went shopping downtown. It was a long trip in a bus.



The last trip to Prairie Knights was fun and a lot of people and their families went to this event. The question of weather is always a factor as winter nears. Whether the elders will participate in further casino events will be discussed at a later meeting.



**Bobbette Bruce** 



Glenis Bears Tail



Joyce Kruger & Ramona Malnourie



Yvonne Fox



Dorothy Wells & Chuckie Felix



Phillip Ross Jr.



Winogene Blacksmith



Cheryl LaCroix helps Elva Karlson at casino.



Angelita Felix & JC Whitman

## Elders and Community Members Travel to Pawnee, Oklahoma for Reunion

**PAWNEE, OKLAHOMA** – A Harlow bus drove some 40 White Shield tribal members to Pawnee, Oklahoma for a second meeting to renew a relationship/friendship between the Arikara and Pawnee. This is the second step toward a reunion of the two tribes.

The trip, elders will tell you, was a long but an exciting event. They were well received by their Pawnee cousins. The trip started with Arikara and Pawnee playing hand games after they were served some delicious home cooking by the Pawnee. The group was given beautiful black t-Shirts with Arikara and Pawnee names in both languages on them.

The following day, they gathered for a ceremony and smoking of the Sacred Pipe in ceremony, and they sang traditional songs. After the ceremony, they were taken to a Pawnee historical museum and were served dinner. After the meal, a discussion was held about the language, ceremonies, and traditions of each tribe.



Arikara Veterans, Ladies Auxiliary, Head woman and man dancer and elders and other Arikara in Grand Entry at Pawnee Pow Wow.

The three days were culminated with a Pow wow in the Pawnees' impressive, modern-day earth lodge. It is very large, built in a circle like an earth lodge, with a hard-packed ground floor, but much larger than most earth lodges. It could probably hold from 400 to 500 people.

Arikara Post 253 brought in the Eagle Staff and a contingent of Veterans who, with the White Shield Ladies Auxiliary, lead the pow wow. The large group of women, all with Auxiliary shawls or jackets, came in together. Gerilyn Yellow Bird, head woman dancer, and Jon "Poncho" Brady, head man dancer lead the group. The entrance were impressive.



Bonnie Fox and Debbie Echo Hawk

Gifts, as well as food, was given to those attending.

Yvonne Fox was given a corn sheller with a wagon to pull it, by Debbie Echo Hawk. They also gave her blue corn seeds. Blue corn seeds are the corn that they grow and cultivate. Braids of blue corn stalks were placed around the arena. They serve some blue corn dishes at the meals.

Fox is the Keeper of Mother Corn and talked with the woman about the ceremony and Mother corn.

A third meeting is planned. Committee members are Herb Adson (Pawnee), Director Resources Division; Fred Fox, Segment Representative, Duane Fox, Austin Gillette members of that committee. Their task is to set-up next meeting in Carney, Nebraska where the Pawnee own some land where we once lived as a tribe.



Walter Echo Hawk and Austin Gillette standing behind drum group. Drum group L to R: Didymus Morsette (Echo Hawk with hand on his shoulder), Fred Morsette, Jason Morsette, and Didymus Morsette. Last drummer unidentified.



Jon "Poncho" Brady, head man dancer



Herb Adson, granddaughter, Carson Dunbar, and wife Kim.



Gerilyn Yellow Bird, Arikara head woman dancer; Maggie Rice, Head woman dancer for Pawnee.



Fred Fox and Walter Echo Hawk at NCAI Milwaukee, WI