

Frosted Ice Snow Weighs down Electrical Cable Cause Outages



Quotes For The Heart & Mind:

- "Life is 10% what happens to me and 90% of how I react to it".~Charles Swindoll~
- "When I let go of what I am, I become what I might be".~Lao Tzu~
- "In order to write about life first you must live it".~Ernest Hemingway~
- "An unexamined life is not worth living".~Socrates~

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You may have seen some photos of how nice the frozen snow on our trees look and on our fences. But in this photo it shows how heavy the snow turned ice which can weigh down our cables and cause power outages. Even if you have a generator, it is wise to call in an outage you may help others in your surrounding area. According to McKenzie Electric here is some information from their website.

When reporting outages, please be sure we have your current phone number on file. This helps us quickly locate the area experiencing a power interruption. Having your account number on hand will also aid in the timeliness of power restoration. Report outages using the following methods: Phone (701) 444-9288. If a planned outage is scheduled, we will send calls and email notifications using the information you provided on your account, which is why it is vital that you keep an undated cell phone numbers and email address on file with us.

To update your contact information or add additional information, sign into the Smart Hub app or speak to one of our members services by calling 701-444-9288. Our engineering and operations team works diligently to minimize outage frequency while also prioritizing the safety of our line crews. If you are without power, trust that we are doing everything we can to the best of our abilities to restore your service in a timely fashion.

Councilwoman Turner-Lone Fight Update



Hello to my relatives far and near. January was a very cold month, we have had some serious wind chill temperatures. Along with power outages due to the ice on the electrical cables. February hasn't been that bad we do hope we are done with storms.

At this time, I would like to extend my deepest condolences to the family and relatives of Brandon Many Ribs-Romero, Marcia White Eagle family and Christine White Owl Gonzales family and Justin Kyle Staples family. Prayers of comfort goes out to each of the family members in mourning.

Before I get started on anything, I want to mention that our community and our MHA Nation was hit so hard with deaths which leaves many of us in mourning. While others are at hospitals with loved ones, I felt the need for our community to come together and support each other. I want our West Segment employees to be there for our community and to help where we can. Recently, the Mandaree Hidatsa Celebration committee fed the mourners on Monday, January 30, 2023. West Segment provided the meal for everyone who attended. On this same day, West Segment invited everyone to join us in a Prayer Service (no matter what religion or spiritual preference). This Prayer service was for our West Segment community and our MHA Nation. We are all here for one another so we can help each other with prayers since our community was in need of prayer, and healing.

Here's what's happening so far for our West Segment community. Deadline for our elders who are going to Deadwood, South Dakota. The deadline to sign up will be on Wednesday, March 1, 2023. This deadline was set up so we are able to calculate how much food to buy and how many rooms to pay for and meals there. So elders

please keep this deadline date in mind.

West Segment has incorporated a new program, it's called Pathways to Wellness this program is located upstairs inside the Water Chief Hall. The people to see about this program are Verdell (Smith) Thunderhorse and Sidney Hunts Along. Another program that is set up in the same office but not the same program. Is Pathways to Wellness, the Healing Hope Narcotic Anonymous Program with the Site Coordinator- Cordell Mann. You can view the Narcotic Anonymous poster on page 15 of the West Segment News.

West Segment requests the presence of United States Armed forces Veterans to join the Mandaree Community for a meal. This is contributed by myself; Councilwoman Gladys Sherry Turner-Lone Fight and our West Segment employees. Come join us on Thursday, February 23, 2023 at the Water Chief Hall here in Mandaree. We will start at 6:00pm if you have any questions or would like further information feel free to contact the West Segment Veterans Liaison Aron Abbey at (701) 421-5076. The Poster for this event is on page 31 of the West Segment News.

Everyone was invited to the Valentines Day Prize Bingo we had here on Valentines Day at the Water Chief Hall. \$10.00 a packet all proceeds will go to the Emergency Closet here in Mandaree.

All the Warrior Fans get ready! Mandaree will be hosting the 2023 District 15 Boys High School Basketball Tournament on February 24, 25, 27 in our new school. Let us show our guests what good hosts we are. Let us cheer our Mandaree School Warriors onto victory!

This is all I have for now, keep reading our monthly newspaper for what's been happening in our community.

Thanks for being a good reader

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Information For West Segment Elders



Fall Prevention: Simple tips to prevent falls: By Mayo Clinic Staff

Fall prevention is an important topic to consider as you get older. Physical changes and health conditions and sometimes medications used to treat those conditions, make falls more likely as you age. In fact, falls are a leading cause of injury among older adults. Still, fear of falling doesn't need to rule your life. Instead, consider six simple fall prevention strategies.

1. **Make an appointment with your health care provider.** To assess your risk and discuss fall prevention strategies, your health care provider may want to talk to you about the following; your medications, any previous falls, your health condition.
2. **Keep Moving;** with your health care provider's OK, consider activities such as; walking, water workouts or tai-chi a gentle exercise that involves slow and graceful dance like movements. These activities reduce the risk of falls by improving strength, balance, coordination and flexibility.
3. **Wear sensible shoes;** high heels, floppy slippers and shoes with slick soles can make you slip, stumble or fall.
4. **Remove home hazards;** remove boxes, newspapers, electrical cords, phone cords from walkways. Secure loose rugs with double faced tape, tacks or a slip resistant backing or remove loose rugs from your home. Use non slip mats in your bath tub or shower. Use a bath seat, which allows you to sit while showering.
5. **Light up your living space;** Keep you home brightly lit to avoid tripping on objects that are hard to see. Place night lights in your bedroom, bathroom and hallways. Place a lamp within reach of your bed in case you need to get up in the middle of the night. Make clear paths to light switches that aren't near room entrances. Turn on the lights before going up or down stairs. Store flashlights in easy to find places in case of power outages.
6. **Use assistive devices;** Your health care provider might recommend using a cane or walker to keep you steady. Other assistive devices can help too. For example: handrails for both sides of stairways, nonslip treads for bare wood steps, a raised toilet seat or one with armrests, grab bars for shower or tub, a sturdy plastic seat for the shower or tub, plus a hand held shower nozzle for bathing while sitting down.

If necessary, ask your health care provider for a referral to an occupational therapist. An occupational therapist can help you

Brainstorm other fall prevention strategies. Some solutions are easily installed and relatively inexpensive. Other may require professional help or a larger investment. If you're concerned about the cost, remember that an investment in fall prevention is an investment in your independence. I hope all elders will take all this information and find it very useful



Happy Birthday Wishes to our January Elders:

Brenda Hale
 Belinda Beston
 Leland Hall Jr.
 Keith Mandan
 Pam Hall
 Fayette Young Bear
 Arnie Guimont
 Roseann Johnson
 Ted Lone Fight III
 Terry Gottschall
 Susan Fredericks
 Jon McGrady
 Sharon Fredericks
 Wilbur Hunts Along

Happy Birthday with many blessings to you all!

Sincerely,

Rosie Johnson, Elders Advocate

Work Number: 759-3377 ext. 226

Cell: 701-421-8519.

West Segment Youth Enjoy the Bottineau Winter Park

Photos by LeeAnna Nation & Roni Stiffarm



The weather was just right for the kids to go skiing, snowboarding or tubing. All the kids were all excited to get there and when they arrived they wasted no time getting ready for a day of fun!

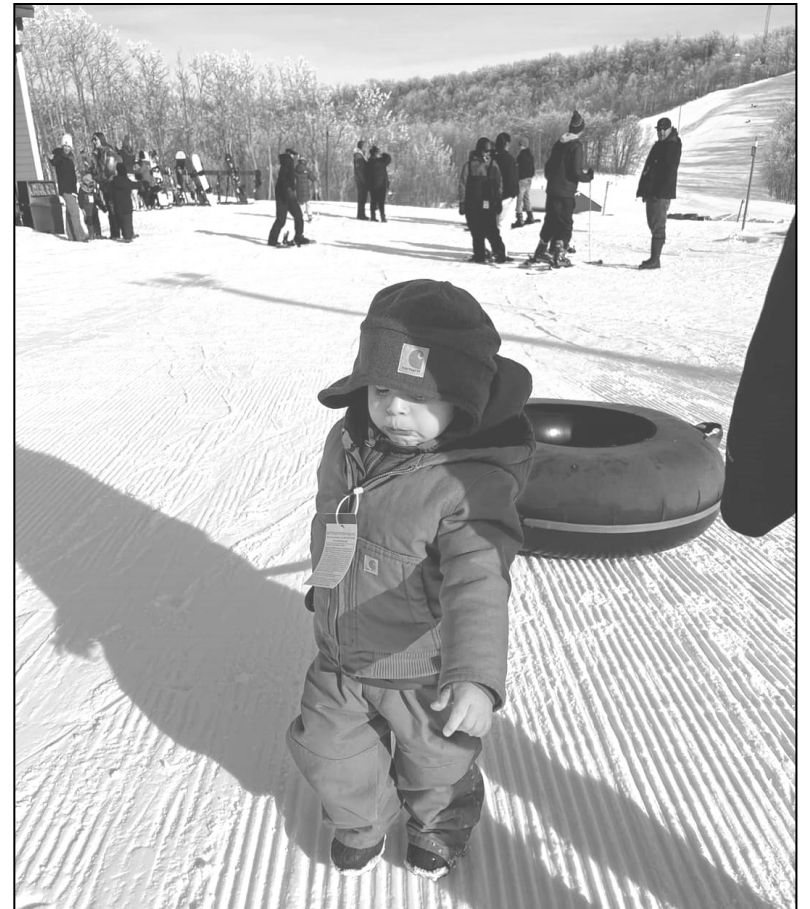
The Bottineau Winter Park is located in the Turtle Mountains, this area is known to be one of the most beautiful areas in North Dakota. Here are some of the services they provide at the winter park. They offer a full service rental shop. They have two user friendly conveyor lifts on the beginner hills, one handle lift, one rope tow, and one triple chairlift to get you to the top.

So people can ski on fully groomed trails. They offer tubing, ski and snowboarding, ski and snowboards you will have to rent. They also have snowshoes.

Also while you are at the Bottineau Winter Park and want to eat they have Annie's House and a visitors center inside there is a full service cafeteria.

They also offer rates for groups, that the Mandaree West Segment used when they brought the kids to the winter park. It was a great time had by all the kids who attended. The winter park offers group rates and that's what they used when they went on this trip.

West Segment Recreation's department sponsored this activity and they will have many more activities to offer our youth.



Pictured above is a youngster who isn't wasting any time with his inner tube as he pulls it towards the sliding area. It's great to see the younger ones being able to enjoy themselves doing what they love.



Here are some other kids getting ready to take their tube to the hill so they can slide down. Kids that were five years of age must be accompanied by an adult.

Pictured above is Amiya Deville and Cheyenne Mendez

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While on their way to go sledding these young ones stopped to pose for a camera shot. They were all excited to be at the winter park.

Pictured above is the Mendez family with their children who were there to have a great time. Mrs. Bernadine Fredericks Mendez West Segment Co CEO attended this event with her husband and their two daughters. They are standing inside Annie's house the visitors center and a place to warm up and eat at their cafeteria.

West Segment Recreations department took care of all the expenses of rentals for the youth whether they wanted to go snowboarding or skiing.

Also the youth who attended this trip to the winter park were asked to have their parent or guardian sign a wavier before they boarded the bus.

The bus loaded the youth by 8:30 in the morning, they left from the Water Chief Hall in Mandaree and traveled onto the Bottineau Winter Park.

Coordinators for the West Segment Recreations department were LeeAnna Nation and Roni Stiffarm whom were on hand during this trip.

Keep an eye out for more fun activities they will schedule in the near future for our youth from West Segment.



It was a great day for these kids some of them went tubing and others went snowboarding and skiing. So the kids had their choice of what they wanted to do. West Segment paid for the rentals on their skiing and snowboarding.

Lunch was also provided for all who attended.

2023 Mandarø School Parents Night

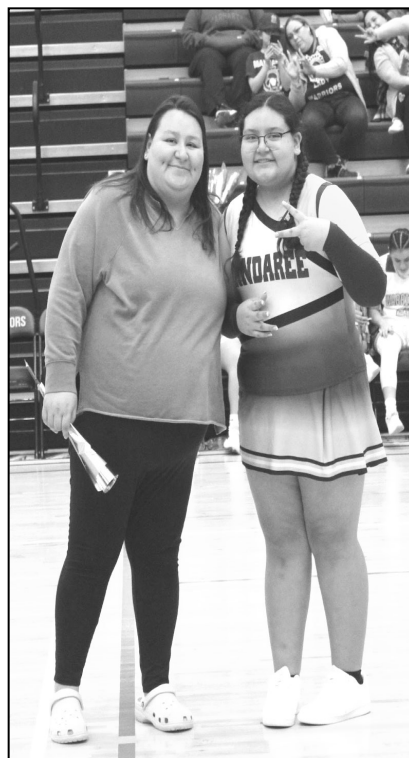
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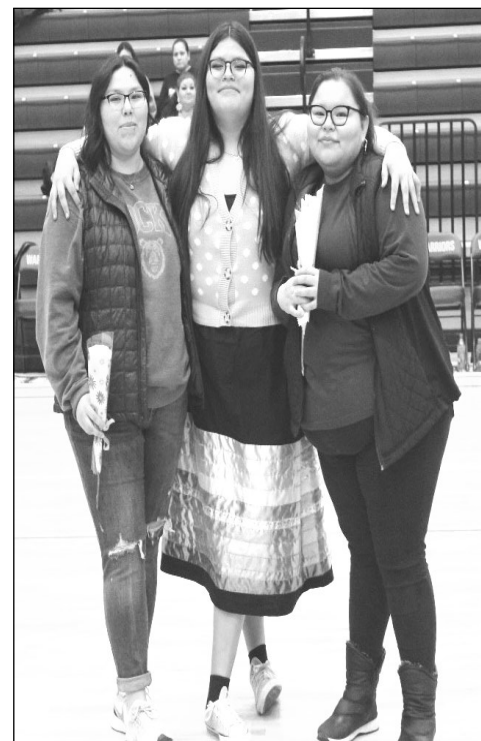
Tiana Lester her mother Michelle Monogram and her sister.



Kaireaze Shane and her mother Tasha Plume.



Josie Baker and her daughter Jaylyse.



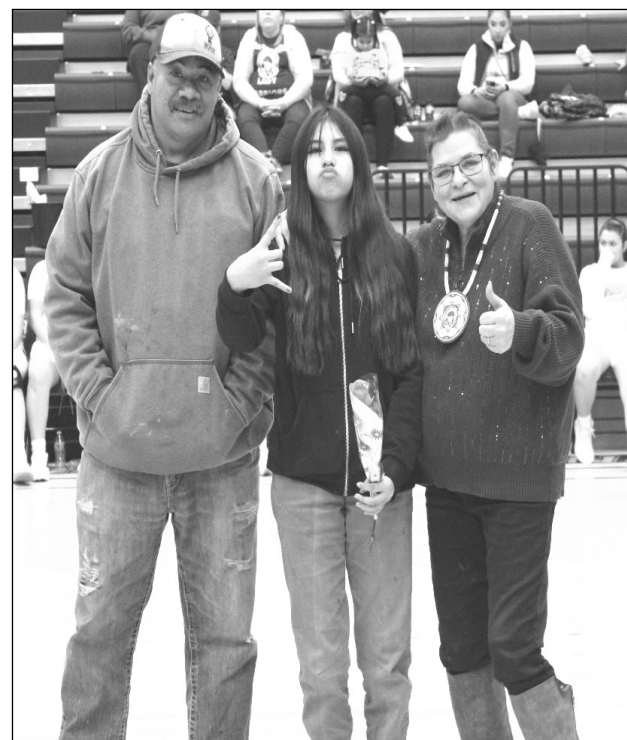
Nancy Montclair and her mother.



Jessilyn Lone Feather and her family.



Jacelyn Martinelli with Dane and Brandy Fox



Tony IU, Telesia IU and aunt Gladys Sherry Turner-Lone Fight.

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Jewels Lone Fight and her family.



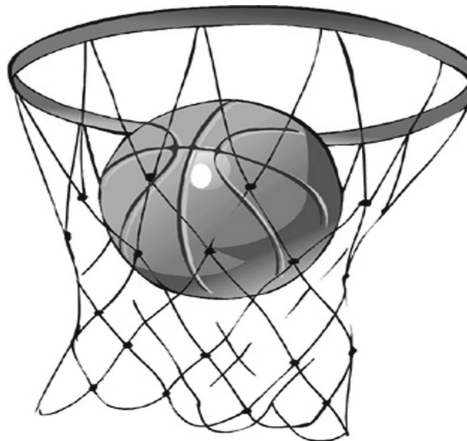
Frank Bear Claw, Cora Mann and her mother LeeAnna.



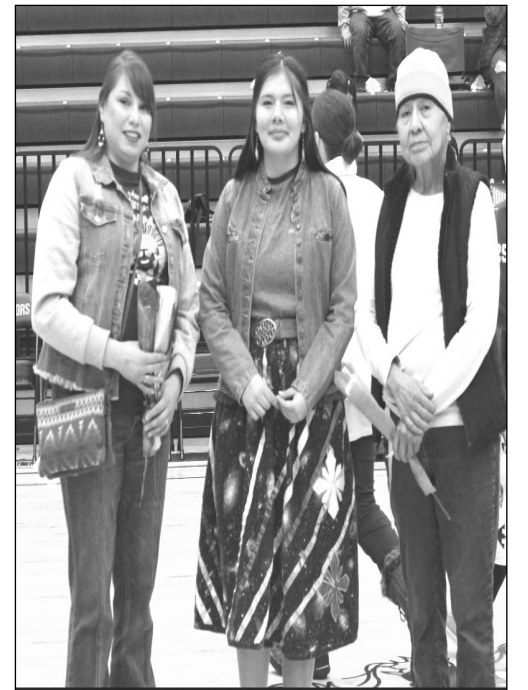
Anastasia Holds the Enemy with BrandeeRhae Mays.



Her mother Maranda, Aiyonne and her dad Tony Johnson.



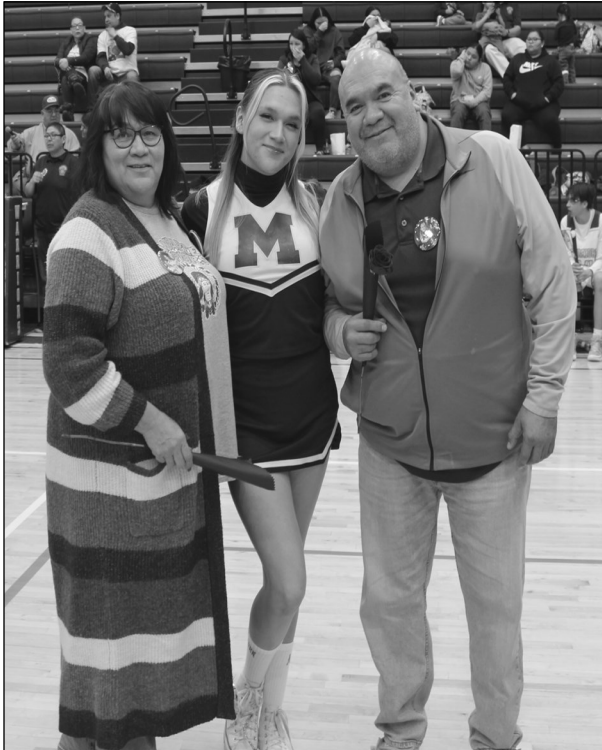
Robert Grady, Jocelyn, sister and grandmother Eldora Poitra.



Leeanna Nation, Janet Dawes and Catherine Smith.

2023 Mandaree School Parents Night

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Skylar stands between her parents; Trena and Al Newman.



Vida Craig stand close to her granddaughter Natie and her aunt Echo.



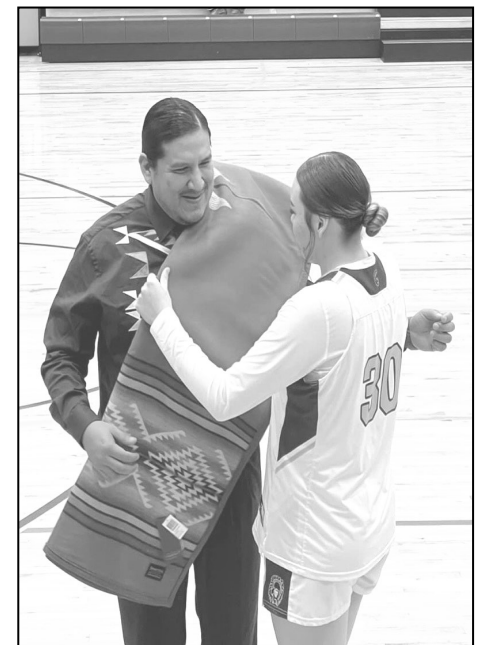
Rose White Tail her mother and Nahtalea.



Ursela Stiffarm with her daughter Kota and her dad Kenneth.



Her dad Merrill Howling Wolf, Natayla and her mom Yvonne Howling Wolf



During the evening BrandeeRhae Mays a senior this year gifts Coach Abbey a beautiful Pendleton blanket.

2023 Mandarçe Boys Basketball Parents Night

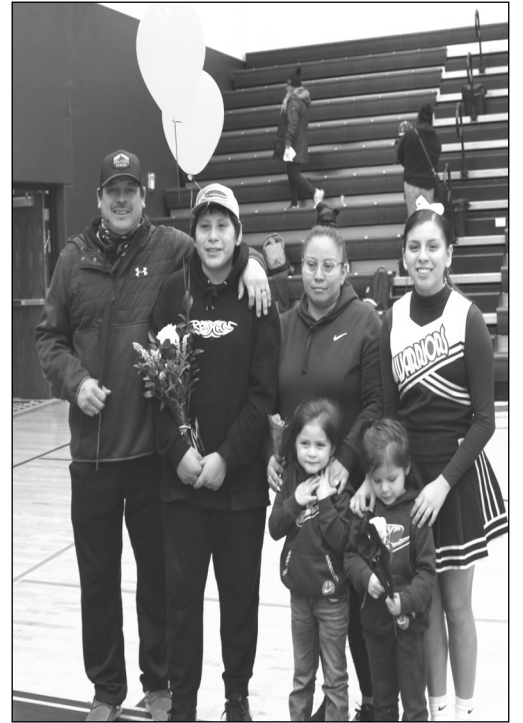
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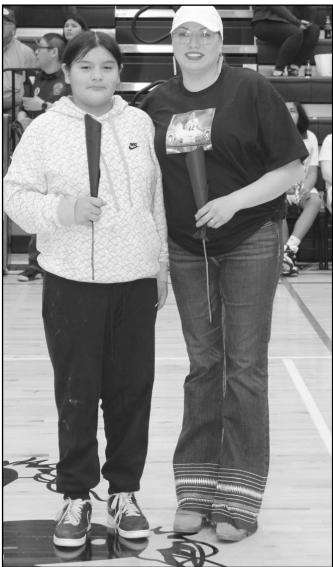
Head Coach-Michael Deville, Water Girl Amiya Deville and Assistant Coach- Acorn Holds The Enemy



Kenyon and Kyle Jr with their mother with Davonna Condon and grandmother Eldora Poitra



Korday and Aiyonna Johnson with their parents Miranda and Tony Johnson



Tommy Bear Claw & his mother LeeAnna.



Kyler and Beau Robertson Jr. with their grandmother Delreen, Great grandmother Lyda Bearstail and Parents Allison and Beau Robertson



Ky Grady with mom Davonna Condon and Grandmother Eldora Poitra



Kota with her parents Ursala and Kenneth Stiffarm.



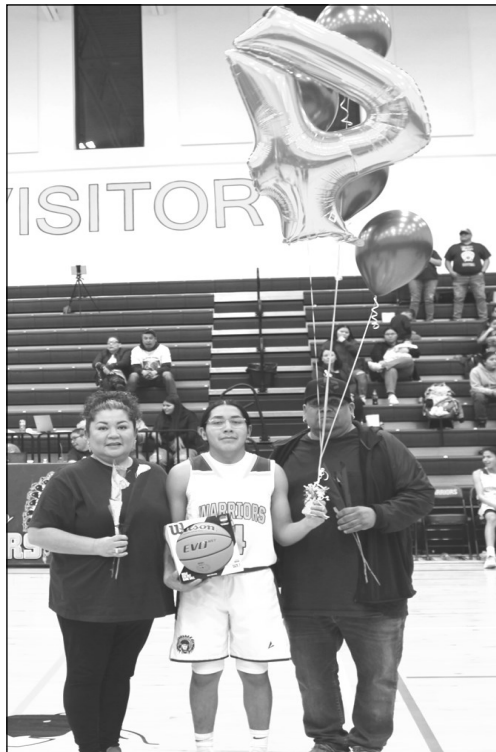
Pictured to your left is; Lewis with parents Daniella and Lloyd Vigen and sister Jessie.

2023 Mandaree Boys Basketball Parents Night

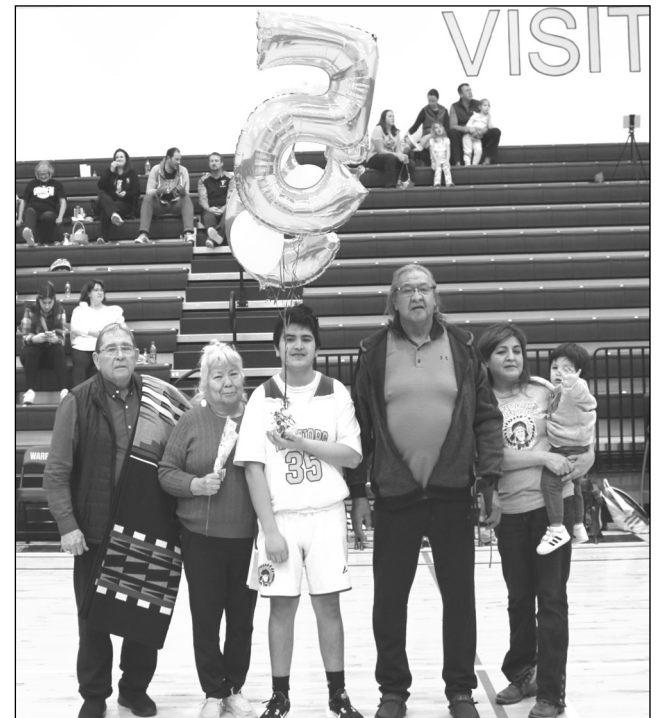
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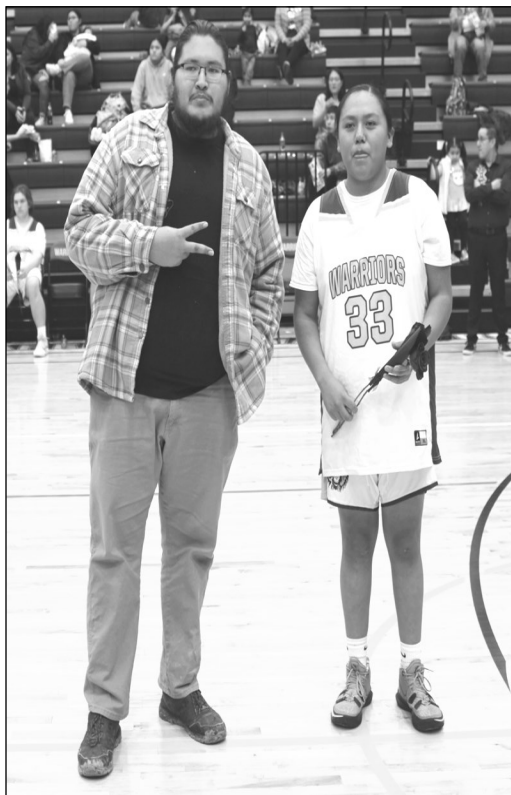
Rosie White Owl stands between her grandsons who are Seniors; Aaron Wolf Jr. and Alono Antonio



Senior Athlete Dahu Xubaa Beston stands between his parents Terry and Milton Beston



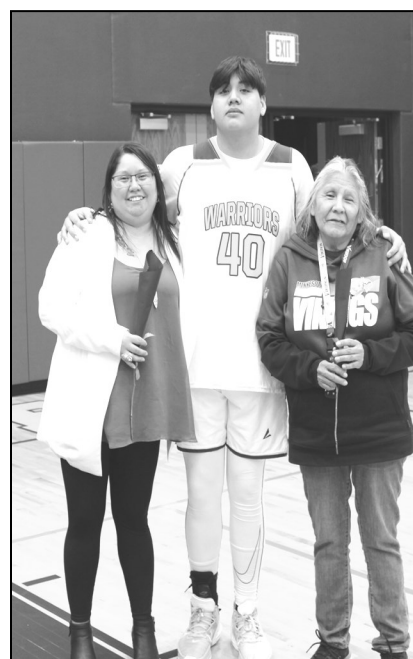
Greg Sherwood, Senior-Anthony Starr Jr. with Grandmother Mavis and Grandpa Ronald Stiffarm and his mother Roni Stiffarm



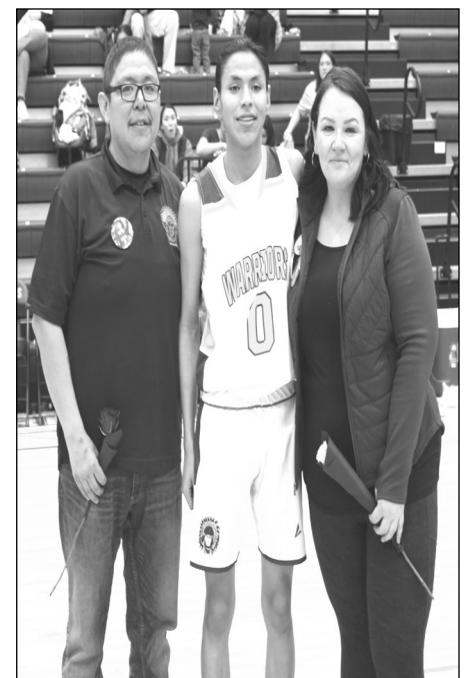
OD Gardipe with Uncle Justin Guaerru



Oray Hall with his mom Stacey Bear



Teighan stands between his mother Colleen and grandmother Florene Halvorson



Senior Elmer Jr. stands with his parents Elmer & Norma Flying Horse Sr.

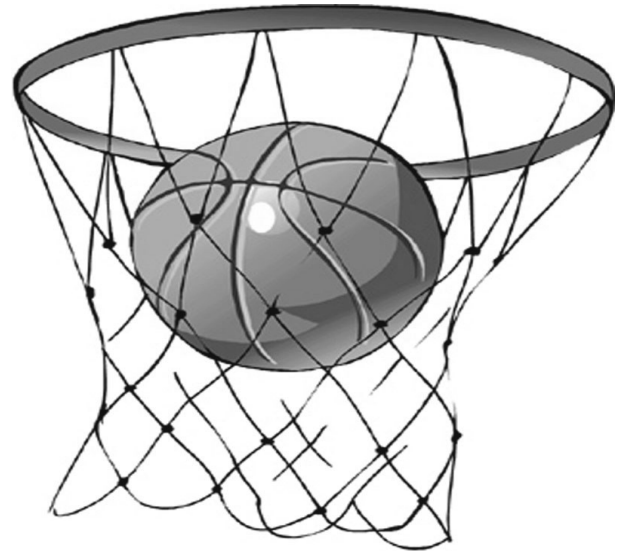
Mandaree School Honors Pass Employee's

Photos by LeeAnna Nation



Mandaree School took some time out before the Mandaree Boys Basketball game to honor Kyle Grady and Mr. Fry who passed away a year ago. An honorable gesture by the Mandaree School. Both Kyle and Mr. Fry were committed and dedicated employee's of the Mandaree School, they both worked at the school for many years.

What a memorable way to honor these two dedicated and hard working employee's of the Mandaree School.



Pictured above are family relatives and friends shaking hands with the Kyle Grady family and Mr. Fry's family.



Mandaree youth sang an honor song for both Kyle Grady and Mr. Fry family and relatives.

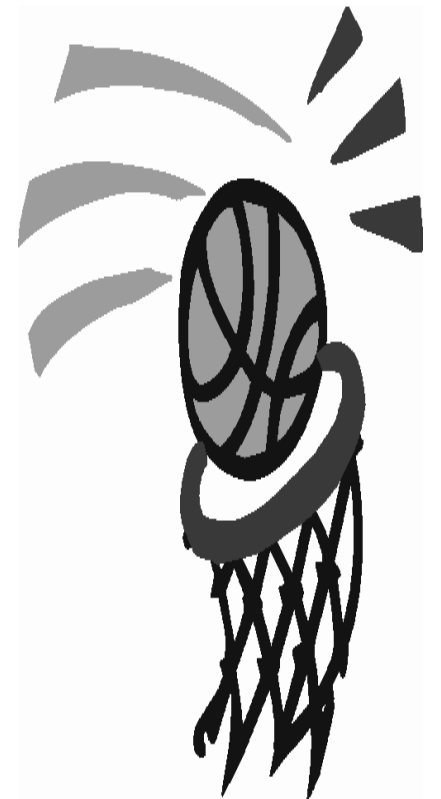
Family relatives and friends gather together of the two families being honored. Kyle Grady and Mr. Fry.

North Dakota High School Girls Basketball District 15 Tournament

Photos by LeeAnna Nation, Anastasia Holds The Enemy and Caspie Abbey



Pictured to your left is the Lady Warriors Team.



Here is another photo of the Lady Warriors Team only this time they are pictured with their Coach, Coach Abbey.

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In the photo to your left in the back row the second person is Jewelz Lone Fight and beside her is Brandee Rhae Mays. Both students at Mandaree School. They were selected District 15 2023 All Tourney Team.

Congratulations to these fine young ladies who were selected. We are very proud of your skill and talent and hard work which paid off with these awards.

Congratulations to Lady Warrior's Coach Abbey and Assistant Coach Vigen, as they advance to the Region 8 High School Girls Basketball Tournament as the 3rd place Champions out of District 15.



In the photo to your left are the team members who got District 15 2023 All District team. In this photo we have two Mandaree School students, who were selected and we are very proud of their accomplishments and their skill and talent in basketball.

In the back row from your left she is the third one down is Brandee Rhae Mays.

In the front row from the she is the second one on the right side, Aiyonne Johnson

North Dakota High School Girls Basketball District 15 Tournament

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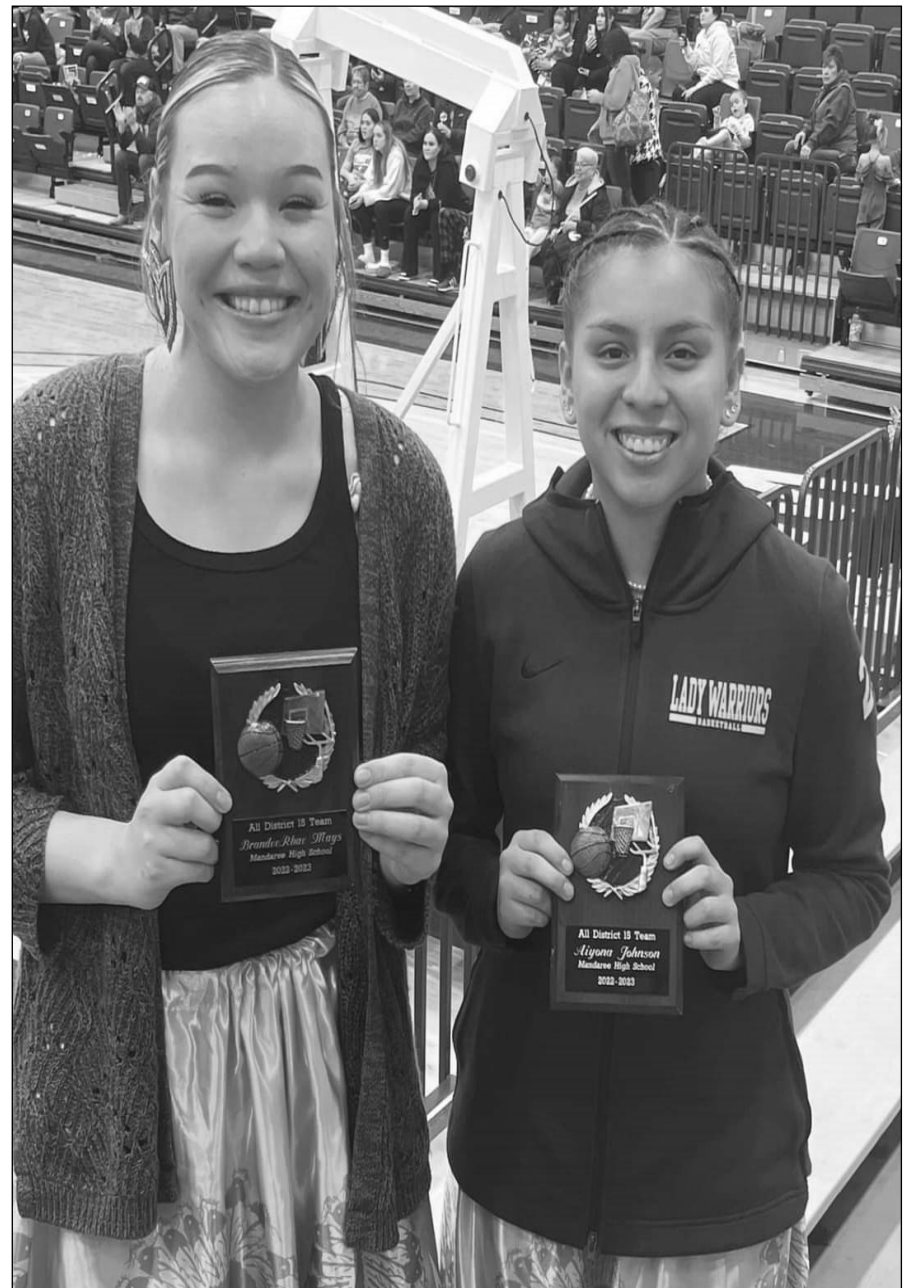
District 15 2023 All Tourney Team Awards



Both Jewelz Lone Fight and Brandee Rhae Mays stand together displaying their awards for District 15 2023 All Tourney Team.

Jewelz parents are Ted and Sherry Lone Fight and Brandee's parents are Acorn and Anastasia Holds The Enemy.

Mays and Johnson both awarded All District Team for District 15 2022-2023



Brandee Rhae Mays and Aiyonna Johnson are pictured above with their awards. District 15 2022-2023 All District Team. Brandee Rhae Mays parents are Acorn and Anastasia Holds The Enemy.

Aiyonne parents are Toni and Maranda Johnson.

Lady Warrior's District 15 **Senior Athlete of the Year** was Brandee Rhae Mays!! We are all so very proud of these girls who were recently awarded for their dedication, commitment and hard work in playing basketball with their team! Way to go Lady Warriors!

For Your Information

*Healing & Hope
Welcomes all to attend*

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS



*Narcotics Anonymous uses a 12-step model developed
for people with varied substance use disorders.*

Every Wednesday Night 6pm
Beginning February 1, 2023.

Water Chief Hall
Conference Room

*Cordell Mann Healing & Hope Mandaree Site Coordinator 701-421-5816
Levi Chapin Healing & Hope Project Educator 701-421-3815*

From The Desk of District 4A Representative Lisa DeVille

Keeping one foot two worlds, my Native world and in the non-Native has been challenging for the past four weeks. I did attend to my ill mother after committee meetings in the morning and voting on the floor to spend as much time as I could with her. I did take leave of absence from my legislative duties when she past. My husband Walter was also a senior pallbearer for another elder in our community, which is a huge responsibility as we assist the family in their time of need. I came back to Bismarck to attend my assigned standing committee hearings (House Agriculture Committee, and House Taxation and Finance Committee) and vote to give a recommendation on bills that will eventually go to the floor. Those bills eventually go to the House floor where they're voted on by the entire House. I enjoy the work and hearing testimony on all of the issues that are important to North Dakotans has been helpful.

Unfortunately, I did have one bill that I had hoped to introduce but missed the deadline to submit due to my absence in my mother's passing. I am working with our caucus to get it passed in education or will work to create a delayed bill. I did miss the hearings for two cosponsored bills one on alcohol tax and early childhood appropriations, I will get to vote on these bills once they go to floor.

There is lots of research that needs to be conducted when writing laws. It takes time to reach out to North Dakota agencies for facts and to see if what is being done on issues that affect our tribal communities. I am awaiting several responses. If there is not anything being done or if we need more funding for tribal early childhood I will work on those bills next session.

There are three bills that have been heard in committee already.

HB 1536 a bill that would create State level protections for the Indian Child Welfare Act as the federal Indian Child Welfare Act is currently under fire.

HB 1371 a bill that would loosen the corporate farming laws in North Dakota. Governor Doug Burgum testified in favor of this bill even though in 2016 75.7% of electors rejected a 2015 bill that would do the same thing. Governor Burgum is calling this bill a food stability bill, which would create a pathway for factory farms to take over small family farms. Corporations owning farms or farmland in North Dakota has been prohibited under state law for nearly 100 years. After his testimony, Governor Burgum did take one question, though I did raise my hand to ask a question but the they ended the questions. My concern is that this will open up fee patent lands on our reservations to corporations and will submit testimony in opposition to this bill.

HB 1251 a bill that limits compensation for school district superintendents. This bill would defund superintendents that have low enrollment which is defined as less than 450 students. Reservation schools are small but offer traditional teachings and are invaluable to our communities. This bill could harm Mandaree school district and many other small schools throughout the state. I will also submit testimony on this bill. I am a co-sponsor on the ICWA bill alongside Representative Davis. Jayme did an amazing job on drafting and introducing this bill. There are more bills that are discriminatory to the LGBTQ community than any other bills. Our cultural beliefs state that LGBTQ people are two spirited and are important in our societies. We live in harmony with all people and beings, it is not a Christian way to judge and hurt people based on their identity. I have posted weekly bills of interest we are watching (working with ND Indian Affairs). Not all bills pertain to tribes.

Representative Finley DeVille sets the record straight on Bakken Cough. You know you have struck a nerve when the energy industry teams up with a conservative media pundit to produce not one, not two, but three hit pieces on me for statements I made recently regarding health impacts from oil flaring in the Bakken.

Recent columns from Scott Hennen, Ron Ness (Petroleum Council), and Peter Edis (McKenzie County Healthcare Systems, Inc.) represent what appears to be a coordinated effort to discredit a Fargo Forum story highlighting real health impacts of the oil and gas industry in North Dakota. The article featured a quote from me regarding a doctor's diagnosis of Bakken Cough that both my husband and I received approximately 8 years ago.

Hundreds of studies show increases in respiratory illnesses among those living and working near oil and gas wells. Though Bakken Cough is not an officially recognized diagnosis, it's what the doctor at McKenzie Health System called our illness after learning that we lived next to a flare. Our doctor said they had seen other people working and living near flares with similar

respiratory symptoms. It's alarming that a hospital administrator would question a patient in public - especially as this administrator wasn't working for McKenzie Health, wasn't in the exam room when I was diagnosed, and knows nothing about my health. Unfortunately, I must consider that there may be a connection between the \$1.4 million donated to Edis's facility from members of the North Dakota Petroleum Council and his participation in this clumsy attempt to discredit me.

What is not surprising is Scott Hennen resorting to name-calling, labeling me an "eco-terrorist." In reality, I have never said I am against the oil industry. I have said I am for appropriately regulating the industry to reduce any harmful environmental impacts.

As a state representative, I will work to get a health study funded and an appropriation for more air quality monitoring through the legislature. I will also work with Fort Berthold officials to get robust air quality monitoring on the reservation. I believe in finding workable, common-sense solutions – not burying my head in the sand or resorting to childish name-calling – and that is what I will focus on for the people of North Dakota.



Pictured to your left: Chairman Fox gives neutral testimony to ND House Finance and Taxation committee.

Pictured to your left: Gretchen (Dem -NPL caucus leader) and I, Representative Lisa Finley-DeVille support ND nonprofits.



For Your Information

“That isn’t what I asked you...”



I have become more aware, as time moves onward, that we as people with basic intellect, find it difficult, if not impossible, to answer a question directly. It appears our answers must be accompanied by an explanation of why we answer the way we do... without really answering the way we should. Whether it's because we are

not sure of our answer or because we enjoy hearing ourselves talk... either way, the direct answer continues to be elusive. Exactly what is this direct answer of which I speak? Well...it's...wait for it... "yes" or "no".

To help explain my point, I would like to share the following example. (This is an actual occurrence that took place approximately 12 years ago). I was teaching a confirmation class to a group of young men and young women. As our discussion went on about confirmation and what it meant for those young people, I decided to ask them a question...to test their faith...so to speak. This is what I asked them... "Now, I want a 'yes' or 'no' answer to this question." "Is it right to throw a rock through a window?" After a minute or so of silence, I asked them again. "I want a 'yes' or 'no' answer to this question." "Is it right to throw a rock through a window?" Their answers started to come then. "What if the house was on fire?" "What if the house was about to be flooded?" "What if my favorite teddy bear was in my bedroom and the room was on fire?" "What if the window was in an old, abandoned building?" All their answers were like these. None of their answers were correct...initially. I asked for a "yes" or "no" answer to the question and did not receive one. What I received from them were situation questions...the "what ifs?" Not one "yes" or "no" answer. So, after some discussion with them, I said to them, "listen people, that isn't what I asked you." "I did not ask you what you would do if your house was on fire or was about to be flooded or that your favorite teddy bear was in danger." "What I asked you for was a 'yes' or 'no' answer to my question." I believe they finally started to catch on to the reasoning behind my question. Just answer 'yes' or 'no' when asked to. That's it...direct...not elusive. Your explanation of 'why' you answered 'yes' or 'no' can come later.

So, with that, I would like to ask YOU this "yes" or "no" question...to test your faith...so to speak. Do you believe in God??

May God Bless you always

Deacon Dan Barone St. Anthony's Catholic Church

FBRW Attended The National Rural Water Rally in Washington, DC



Dallas Fox-Osborne, Senator Kevin Cramer and Congressman Kelly Armstrong.

Fort Berthold Rural Water recently attended the National Rural Water Rally held in Washington, DC. In attendance was Dallas Fox-Osborne, went on Capitol Hill to speak about the FBRW program and the continued need for the MHA Nation to have access to clean potable drinking water. Also

was able to have continued support for additional federal funding for the Dakota Water Resources Act. Dallas is the daughter of Bruce Fox Sr. and Kathy Mann. She currently resides in Mandaree, North Dakota and is employed in New Town at FBRW.

2022-23 Mandaree Celebration Bingo



Attention Bingo Players:

The Committee's Bingo fundraisers will be held every Sunday at 3:00pm at the Water Chief Hall.

Bingo, lunch sale, door prizes and baskets. This coming Sunday will be a Cash Bingo with the following Sunday a prize bingo. Please keep in mind our bingo fundraisers will automatically be cancelled due to wakes or bad weather. Thank you for your supporting you local celebration committee and have fun playing bingo!

MHA Nation's Red Berry Women Receives Grammy

Photo by Christa Kiedrawski



This talented young lady never ceases to amaze me. She does her work on her own, even though she's a wife and a mother and yet she comes up with her amazing ideas of her unique style. Red Berry Woman AKA Norma Flying Horse, is an enrolled member of the MHA Nation located on the Fort Berthold Reservation. Her mother's name is Roberta Baker. She is the granddaughter of the late Norman Baker and Beverly Walking Eagle Baker. Red Berry woman belongs to the Prairie Chicken Clan and is a child of the Flint Knife Clan. Norma and her husband Elmer currently reside in New Town with their family.

This was utterly amazing when she was recognized at this year's Grammy's for the Cultural Recognition Award. According to Norma she stated in a recent interview with KFRY; "My mom was the one to teach me how to sew, my grandmother was the one to teach me to bead. Like I said, it was just for my own cultural attire, you know because I would participate in our pow wows, our dancing, and I guess it just morphed into contemporary clothing rather than just traditional."

Red Berry's clothing graced the runways of many international fashion shows and red carpet events including Paris Fashion Week. The 2018 Oscars and the 2019 Grammy's.

This lady has done outstanding work as far as her creativity is concerned. Her clothing has dressed many tribal members from here as well as from other nations. For some who were fortunate to have modeled her clothing line for her website.

Photo by Shane Balkowitsch



If you were on line and watched this interview on Instagram. You can see a busy mother holding her precious little one as she's being interviewed.

Norma's hope is that her work may inspire young children to pursue their dreams in fashion and to experience all the doors it can open for them.

In the photo above show cases some of her work as she poses for Shane Balkowitsch from Bismarck, North Dakota.

You can bet that Red Berry Woman will amaze many of us with her beautiful couture fashion in the near future.

I know for sure I will be watching to see what dynamic creations she comes up with as she shows her unique style.

For Your Information



List of 2023 Warbonnet

Parades on Fort

Berthold:

Mandaree Hidatsa

Celebration Warbonnet Parade

is set for **Saturday, April 29, 2023** at the Water Chief Hall in Mandaree, ND.

Little Shell Celebration Warbonnet Parade

is set for **Saturday, May 6, 2023**. Mourners feed at 11am in the New Town High School cafeteria. The Warbonnet Parade will begin at 1pm in the New Town High School gym.

Four Bears Pow wow Warbonnet Parade

is set for **Saturday, March 4, 2023**. Mourners Feed at 11:00am at the Johnny Bird Veterans Memorial Building gymnasium. The Warbonnet Parade will begin at 2:00pm at the Johnny Bird Memorial Building.

Arikara Celebration Warbonnet Parade

is set for **Saturday, April 15, 2023**. Mourners feed at 1:00pm at the New Ralph Wells building. The Warbonnet Parade will begin at 2:00pm at the New Ralph Wells building in White Shield.

Twin Buttes Celebration: Warbonnet

Parade is set for **Saturday, April 8, 2023**

1:30 Central Time Zone at the Memorial

Hall. Mourners feed at 12 noon at the Memorial Hall in Twin Buttes.

Santee Lucky Mound Celebration:

Warbonnet Parade is set for 1:30pm **Sunday,**

April 23, 2023 at the Parshall Red Hall.

Mourners feed at 11:00am at the Parshall Red Hall in Parshall.

MHA Division of Enforcement "Defenders of the MHA Nation"

Spike in Overdoses on Fort Berthold Indian Reservation:

The MHA-Division of Drug Enforcement has responded to eight overdose calls since January 7th, 2023, five of which have resulted in a death. Prior to this, we had responded to three overdoses in December 2022, with none resulting in death. The spike in the last five weeks is very concerning and our patrol officers and Narcotics agents are working diligently to investigate these overdoses.

The usual question is "is there a bad batch of drugs in town?". The answer is always the same, there is NO good batch of Drugs. All illegal drugs have the potential to be deadly, with varying degrees of potency depending on the individual who puts it in their body.

Our goal is to identify the individuals responsible for dispersing these illegal substances in our community to hold them accountable. However, first and foremost, we want to make sure the victims receive the medical care that is needed to save their lives. Don't put the victim in a bathtub and run water on them in an effort to revive them yourself. That does not work and valuable time is being wasted where they are not receiving medical attention. Call 911 right away and get help on the way, and the dispatcher can walk you through proper CPR procedures. Have NARCAN if available and administer the dose to the victim. All TATLES and MHA-DDE officers carry NARCAN for these types of calls.

TATLES Officers, and possibly MHA-DDE agents and BIA-Criminal Investigations agents, will arrive and will ask you questions. All of your rights are still afforded to you, and you are protected by the Overdose Prevention and Immunity Law, but we want to know what happened that led to the overdose, and we also want to remove any illegal items that may be used by people at the scene that could possibly lead to additional overdoses. The officers and agents will also explain this to you when they arrive, but feel free to ask questions about the process as well.

Again, our goal is to get the victim the medical attention they need to save their life, and also to get information that might assist us in preventing further overdoses from occurring in our community.

These are difficult and stressful times in the world. If you or someone you know is suffering from addiction, please seek out help. We do not want to see more overdoses and death that can be prevented. Also, if you have information regarding someone you believe to be selling/distributing illegal drugs in your community, please call your local law enforcement agency.

All of these overdoses are still being actively investigated so no further details regarding the investigations will be released at this time.

#StopOverdoseonFBIR

MHA-Division of Drug Enforcement and Three Affiliated Tribes Law Enforcement Services

NARCAN Distribution sites on Fort Berthold:

Elbowoods Memorial Health Center

The Circle of Life in New Town

Four Bears Segment the MHA Nation Healing & Hope Project

Addiction Services on Fort Berthold:

The Door 701-627-4358

MHA Recovery Hotline 701-421-8869

Good Road Recovery 701-751-8260

For Your Information



On January 24, 2023, our mother Marcia White Eagle (Eagle Woman) made it home.

We appreciate and are grateful for our relatives, community and friends for your generous support, encouraging words, thoughts, and prayers.

Before she made her journey to the next world, she received numerous gifts, flowers and several warbonnets. We joked about our mother having to make five trips to take her gifts across with her just before dawn.

We will miss our mom, grandma, aunt, sister and friend.

Thank you for thinking of us in our time of need.

Lisa DeVille and Family

Roberta White Eagle and Family



We are greatly appreciative to each of the West Segment Employees who have helped the Custodians.

Our community has been going through a difficult time with so much loss recently.

The Water Chief Hall has been continuously occupied with arduous grief for our community members and

their loved ones who have passed on. Again, thank you so much to everyone who has helped out and cleaned, comforted the family, just did whatever you could to help our community and our department.

Submission by: Stacey Bear and the West Segment Custodians.



Sending Thanks to a Very Gracious Giver!

Maacagiraac Nurse Josie Lynn Bingen! Nurse Bingen has been a gracious and caring citizen of the West Segment Community!

On Monday January 11, 2023 Nurse Bingen

donated deer meat to our local Emergency Closet.

The West Segment Emergency Closet is located at the Wolf Chief Store and More phone number (701) 759-3104.

Again, thank you so much Josie!

Submission by Josie's Sister Lindsey



...a fun place to play and learn!

The Mandaree Boys and Girls Club Unit would like to give a huge shout out to SISU Engineering for the beanies and face masks.

Thank you, Chris and Sam Haugen for always thinking of our kiddos.

We appreciate you so much!

Submitted by: Mandaree Boys and Girls Club Unit

Mandaree, North Dakota

For Your Information



West Segment Covid-19 Testing

When: Monday-Friday

10am to 3pm daily

Where: East Entrance of
Water Chief Hall in Mandaree,
North Dakota

Everyone is welcome to come in
and get tested!

Open to Everyone!

For any questions, please call Shelby at
701.421.3461 Or Valerie 701.421.3462

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Wolf Chief Store hours are as
follows:

Monday through Friday: 8:00
a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

On Saturday and Sundays the
Wolf Chief Store will open at
10:00 a.m. to 6:00p.m. 759-3140

If you have any questions, or need some assistance
concerning the Wolf Chief Store, you may call the Wolf
Chief Store Manager/Michaela Bacon at 421-1365. She will
assist you in any way she can.

Mandaree Field Clinic Hours

Clinic is open Monday-Friday: 8:00am-
4:30pm: Closed for Lunch 12pm-1pm

FNP Lori Jepson: is in the Mandaree Clinic
on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Fridays

Every Wednesday: a Nurse will be at the
Clinic for immunizations only by
appointment.

Mandaree Clinic Pharmacy: is open
everyday during the week Monday-Friday
8:00am to 4:30pm

Mandaree Post Office Hours:

Monday-Friday: 12:00-4:00pm

Saturday: 11:00am- 1:00pm



Breakfast daily: Monday
thru Friday from 8:00am-
2:00pm

Lunch daily: Monday thru
Friday: 11:00am-2:00pm.

Brunch: on Saturday and
Sunday from 11:00 to
2:00pm

Times and dates may change.

Café Manager: Lindsey Fox-Sepeta at 759-3140

St. Anthony's Catholic Church Schedule:

Saturday: 7:30 pm New Town

Sunday: 8:30am New Town

Sunday: 11:00am Mandaree

Mandaree School News

Submitted by Carolyn Bluestone, Mandaree School Superintendent

Attendance Recovery Opportunity



The attendance policy sets the allowed number of absences at 8 days for the school year. When a high school student has 9 absences in a class that class is non-credited. An elementary student that has excessive absence is considered for retention.

A student can recover absence by attending after school tutoring, Friday Enrichment and Tutoring Day, and by signing up for and attending Saturday Academy.

There are 14 weeks of school remaining, as of February 9!

We are increasing the Saturday Academy opportunity to every Saturday (excluding holiday weekends) beginning February 18, 2023.

Saturday Academy:

Students must sign up in the front office.

Each group will be capped at 15 students.

There will be 3 teachers.

1 for grades k-5

1 for grades 6-8

1 for grades 9-12

Students must sign up before 3pm the Thursday prior to the Saturday Academy. Students must have their own transportation. Students must bring their own work for the day and stay engaged with academic activities or no credit will be given. There will be a grab and go lunch. Hours 9am-3pm. Grades k-8 will be credited a full day of absence recovered. Grades 9-12 will be credited 1 class period for every hour attended with a possible 6 class period per Saturday Academy.

Calendar Reminders:

Feb. 13– Science Fair and PTCs

Feb. 15- County Spelling Bee

March 21– Spring Concert

March 30– Community Meal-Easter Dinner (Rescheduled Community Meal)

April 3-7– Spring Break

April 27– Academic and Athletic Awards Banquet

April 28– Snow Day

May 18– Field Day-Last day of School

May 20– Graduation

Class of 2023:

Graduation Date: May 20, 2023

Valedictorian: BrandeeRhae Mays

Salutatorian: Elmer Flying Horse J.

Mandaree School News



Mandaree School Spelling Bee Champions, Runner Up and Alternates! Our Champion and Runner Up will compete in the McKenzie County Spelling Bee on Wednesday, February 15, 2023 in Watford City.

Mandaree Spelling B Winner's

First Grade:

1. Keilah Standish
2. Alyx Starr
3. Raquel Middleton

Second Grade:

1. Connor Fox
2. Winter Sam
3. Aziel Thomas

Third Grade:

1. Liam Marcellais
2. Kadence Ranger
3. Ella Mann

Fourth Grade:

1. Dezmond Howling Wolf
2. David Cox
3. Sparrow Poitra

Fifth Grade:

1. Tila Alkire
2. Kamrie Bad Hand
3. Jesu Young Bird

Sixth Grade:

1. Timber Johnson
2. Emberly Young Bear
3. Avah Mora

Seventh Grade:

1. Curtis Young Bear
2. Cora Mann
3. Cricket McKenzie

Eighth Grade:

1. Kaleb John
2. Jalyse Borja
3. Beau Robertson

Mandaree Spelling B Winner's



Warriors Basketball Schedule:

District Tournament: February 24, 25, 27, 2023 At Mandaree.

Regional Tournament: March 6, 7, 9, 2023.

State Tournament: March 26, 27, 28, 2013.

Lady Warriors Basketball Schedule:

Regional Tournament: February 20,21,23, 2023

State Tournament: March 2, 3, 4, 2023.

2022-2023 Young Bucks by their Grade

Photos by Fawn Fetting



For Your Information

TRAINING ANNOUNCEMENT

FP-PER213 WIDE AREA SEARCH



Mobilize, organize, and deploy resources needed to perform wide area searches over a large affected area.

- Preparedness and Response
- Search Management and Planning
- Mapping
- Search Strategies and Skills
- Communication
- Team Management
- Hands-on Exercise

Course Dates: April 25-27 2023 (24.0 hours)

Location: New Town, ND

Registration: 40 Slots Available

Audience: FBIR Tribal, Local, County First Responders

Cost: Free

Training provided
in partnership with:

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EXTENSION SERVICE

For More Information & To Register Contact:

MHA Emergency Operations Center

Emily Sitting Bear, Director

Email: esittingbear@mhanation.com

For Your Information

TRAINING ANNOUNCEMENT

INCIDENT COMMAND SYSTEM BASELINE TRAINING CURRICULUM

IS-100.C INTRODUCTION TO THE INCIDENT COMMAND SYSTEM (2.0 HRS)

Introduces the Incident Command System (ICS) and provides the foundation for higher level ICS training. This course describes the history, features and principles, and organizational structure of the Incident Command System. It also explains the relationship between ICS and the National Incident Management System (NIMS).

IS-200.C BASIC INCIDENT COMMAND SYSTEM FOR INITIAL RESPONSE (4.0 HRS)

Reviews ICS, provides the context for ICS within initial response, and supports higher level ICS training. This course provides training on, and resources for, personnel who are likely to assume a supervisory position within ICS.

IS-700.B AN INTRODUCTION TO THE NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (3.5 HRS)

This course provides an overview of NIMS, with a basic understanding of NIMS concepts, principles, and components. NIMS defines the comprehensive approach guiding the whole community - all levels of government, nongovernmental organizations (NGO), and the private sector - to work together seamlessly to prevent, protect against, mitigate, respond to, and recover from the effects of incidents.

Course Dates: February 21-22 2023 **Instructor:** John Byars

Location: New Town, ND

Registration: 50 Slots Available

Audience: FBIR Tribal, Local, County First Responders & All Critical Infrastructure/Essential Department Supervisory Staff

Cost: Free

**Training provided
in partnership with:**



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For More Information & To Register Contact:

MHA Emergency Operations Center

Emily Sitting Bear, Director

Phone: 701-421-5114 or Email: esittingbear@mhanation.com

For Your Information

TRAINING ANNOUNCEMENT

SEARCH & RESCUE- MAN TRACKING



First Responders will learn how to systematically trail human subjects lost in various environments.

Introduction and use of Man Tracking Skillsets:

- Initial scene considerations
- How to evaluate tracks and impressions
- How to determine precise directions of travel
- Individual tactical movement
- Enhanced sensory awareness
- How to manipulate terrain in your favor
- Individual and Team Movement Exercise

Course Dates: May 6-7 2023 (16.0 hours)

Location: New Town, ND

Registration: 30 Slots Available

Audience: FBIR Tribal, Local, County First Responders

Cost: Free

**Training provided
in partnership with:**



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For More Information & To Register Contact:

MHA Emergency Operations Center

Emily Sitting Bear, Director

Phone: 701-421-5114 or Email: esittingbear@mhanation.com

Mandaree Public School Calendar

Mandaree Public School | 2022-2023 CALENDAR A | (4-Day FD: 8/16; S1: 12/21; S2: 5/18)

School Days = 0
4 Observed Day Off

Black Fridays are regular, required school days with all students expected to attend.

Gray Fridays are Enrichment/Tutoring days with school open for activities.

JULY '22						
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JANUARY '23						
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29	30	31				

School Days = 16
2 Winter Break
13 PD #5 all staff no school
16 M.L. King Day
27 Snow Day make-up
6,20 Enrichment/Tutoring

School Days = 12
8 & 9 New Staff PD no school
10 – 12 PD #1-3 all staff no school
15 Teacher Prep Day 6 hrs.
16 First Day of School
19,26 Friday Regular School Day

AUGUST '22						
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FEBRUARY '23						
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26	27	28				

School Days = 16
9 Parent Teacher Conf.
10 PD #6 all staff no school
17 Regular School Day
20 All Chiefs Day
24 No School Day

***BB District Hosts: 24,25,27**

School Days = 17
5 No School - Labor Day
9 PD #4 all staff no school
13 Parent Teacher Conf.
2 Friday Regular School Day
16,23,30 Enrichment/Tutoring

SEPTEMBER '22						
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MARCH '23						
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School Days = 18
9 End of Q3 (40)
3 Snow Day make-up

10, 17, 24, 31 Enrichment/Tutoring

School Days = 14
7 Friday Regular School Day
13 End Q1 (38)
17-21 No School – Fall Break
14, 28 Enrichment/Tutoring

OCTOBER '22						
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APRIL '23						
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School Days = 13
10 PTC Comp (No School)
7 Good Friday
14, 21 Friday Regular School Day
3-7 Spring Break
10 PTC Comp (No School)
13 Parent Teacher Conf.
28 Snow Day make-up

School Days = 17
11 Veterans' Day
18 Friday Regular School Day
23-25 Family Break
4 Enrichment/Tutoring

NOVEMBER '22						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
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MAY '23						
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School Days = 12
5, 12 Enrichment/Tutoring
18 Last Day of School
18 End of Q4 (37)
18 End of Sem. 2 (77)
18 End of Year (150)
19 Teacher Close Day 6 hrs.
20 Senior Graduation

29 Memorial Day

School Days = 13
1 Parent Teacher Conf
2 Enrichment/Tutoring
9 Friday Regular School Day
16 Snow Day make-up
21 End of Q2 (35)
21 End of Sem 1 (73)
22 PTC Comp (No School)
23-31 Winter Break

DECEMBER '22						
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JUNE '23						
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Mandaree Meal Site Menu For February 2023



Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

			<p>1 Cabbage soup Dinner roll peaches</p>	<p>2 Salisbury Steak Mashed potato corn, bread Ice cream</p>	<p>3 Scrambled eggs Bacon, hashbrowns, toast banana</p>	
	<p>6 Spaghetti green beans, breadstick and sherbet</p>	<p>7 Baked chicken Stuffings, Carrots, banana pudding</p>	<p>8 Cheeseburger Biscuit, crack- ers, pistachio pudding, salad</p>	<p>9 French dip sandwich wedges, auju cookie</p>	<p>10 Waffles Sausage links strawberries</p>	
	<p>13 Chicken Cordon Bleu Mashed potato Broccoli ice cream</p>	<p>14 Shrimp alfredo with penne Broccoli Nor- mandy garlic bread shortcake</p>	<p>15 Chicken/ dumpling soup cotto salami sandwich cookie</p>	<p>16 Ribs Rice mixed Vegetables peaches</p>	<p>17 Ham egg scramble hash- browns toast tropical fruit</p>	
	<p>20 No Meal All Chief's Day</p>	<p>21 Porkchops rice peas mushroom gravy pudding</p>	<p>22 Beef stew Biscuit, crack- ers and cake</p>	<p>23 Soft shell taco Lettuce, tomato, cheese, tortillas jello</p>	<p>24 Sausage patty, boiled egg, oatmeal, toast banana</p>	
	<p>27 Lasagna Green beans Garlic toast cookie</p>	<p>28 Tator tot hotdish bread ice cream</p>				

Menu is subject to change due to availability of products. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Mandaree Meal site at 759-3092

Nueta Hidatsa Sahnish College News

Submitted by Frances (Buffy) White, NHSC Mandaree Liaison

- 1) NHSC officially offers a B.A. in Business Administration and Management now. We received approval from the Higher Learning Commission and we will begin to offer courses for the bachelor's program this coming Spring semester. Registration is now open for students that want to enroll in this program.
- 2) NHSC has been selected to host the 2023 AIHEC Basketball tournament. The tournament is for Tribal Colleges and Universities and will be held March 30-April 2. Check out our website to learn more information about the tournament - [Basketball Tournament - NHS College](#)
- 3) NHSC will be celebrating 50 years of impact in May 2023. We will be holding campus town hall events soon for community members, NHSC Alumni and others to attend to help with our planning process. Please watch the NHSC Facebook page and our website for updates on the community planning events.
- 4) All Chiefs Society, sponsored by our Native American Studies department, is an organization that is not only open to NHSC students but it's opened to all community members as well. All Chiefs Society holds a meeting every Wednesday at the NHSC Cultural Center at 12:00 pm. For additional information, you can contact our Director of Native American Studies, Shannon Gillis at sgillis@nhsc.edu.
- 5) We have openings for our NAS and NACTEP cohorts for our upcoming Spring semester. Both cohorts are available for students that are registered for the Spring semester. For additional information on each cohort contact Iman Moore for NACTEP or Shannon Gillis for NAS, or you can also go to www.nhsc.edu/students/student-cohorts.
- 6) Did you know that recent Fort Berthold High School graduates can qualify to receive a tuition waiver if they attend NHSC during the first year after they've graduated High School? For more information, you can talk with our Students Accounts Coordinator, Sasha Sillitti at ssillitti@nhsc.edu
- 7) Are you interested in obtaining your GED? NHSC can help! Check out our website at www.nhsc.edu/degrees-certificates/ged/ for additional information. Or you can contact the following individuals:
 - a. NHSC Main Campus – Betty Lockwood at 701-421-0034 blockw@nhsc.edu
 - b. White Shield Liaison – Elissa “Elise” Argent at 701-743-4552 eargent@nhsc.edu
 - c. Mandaree Liaison – Frances “Buffy” White at 701-759-3545 fwhite@nhsc.edu
 - d. Parshall Liaison – Delrene “Susie” Simpson at 701-862-2106 dsimps@nhsc.edu
- 8) Are you a former NHSC or FBCC student and want to join our Alumni group? Reach out to our Alumni team at alumni@nhsc.edu for additional information.
- 9) Want to join the NHSC team? We have a number of jobs currently open and would love for you to join our team. Check out our www.nhsc.edu/jobs to apply.
 - a. Computer Science Instructor
 - b. Engineering Instructor
 - c. Director of Sponsored Programs
 - d. Library Assistant
 - e. Tutor (English, Math, Science, Psychology and/or Computers)
 - f. National Endowment for Humanities Rescue Intern
- 10) Interested in playing for the Storm Athletics program? Contact our Athletic Director Kyle DeCoteau @ kdecoteau@nhsc.edu. We have Athletic tuition waivers available on a first come, first serve basis. Contact Kyle early to sign with us and apply for your tuition waiver! We are accepting applications for our Spring 2023 semester.
 - a. Basketball
 - b. Golf
 - c. Cross Country

For Your Information

**WELCOME WEST SEGMENT
UNITED STATES ARMED
FORCES VETERANS**



**WATER CHIEF HALL
MANDAREE N.D.
58757
23 FEB 2023
1800**

You are requested to join the Mandaree Community
for a meal contributed by Councilwoman Turner
Lone-Fight & Employees.

Please Contact West Segment Veterans Liason
Aron Abbey 7014215076 for more information.

Obituary

Brandon was born on November 18, 1998 to Angel Many Ribs and Alvin Romero at Trinity Hospital in Minot, North Dakota.

Brandon attended school in Mandaree, ND. Brandon's grandma, Katherine helped raise him and he was always with her. He could do no wrong in her eyes and Brandon loved her so much. He was devastated when Katherine passed away. Brandon loved playing with his four children whom he loved with all his heart. He enjoyed going to the lake to swim and just hanging out.

Brandon enjoyed listening to his music, and spending time with his older brother Jordan as they would always be teasing and playing games together. He also loved his younger brother, Tyrin and would travel down to Albuquerque to visit.

Brandon also enjoyed his time with family.

Though he was not the eldest, he played that older sibling role to his brothers. He had a great sense of humor, and his laugh and smile will always be remembered.

Brandon lived his life to the fullest, but he had an emptiness in his heart when his mama passed away. He missed her so deeply. His heart was full again when his mom greeted him with open arms in Heaven on January 15, 2023.

We were blessed with our Brandon for twenty four years and he will be missed by all who knew and loved him.

Brandon is survived by his children; Brooklyn Many Ribs-Romero, Jarrin Many Ribs-Romero, Dayton Many Ribs-Romero, Thunder Many Ribs-Romero. Father; Alvin Romero; brothers; Jordan Many Ribs (Jasmine) and Tryin Romero; Grandmothers; Sheila Many Ribs, Martha (Fritz) Bird Bear, May Gachupin, Uncles; Nathaniel Romero, Barney Romero, Evrick Romero, Grandfather; Benjamin Many Ribs III.

Brandon is preceded in death by his mom; Angel (Many Ribs) Iron Road; Maternal grandmother; Lorraine Many Ribs, Paternal grandparents; Katherine and Michael Lee Romero; Grandmothers; Veronica Good Iron, Victoria Tarrant, Kathleen Charles, Frances Yellow Wolf, Delphine Yellow Wolf. Grandfathers; Bert Yellow Wolf, Tony Yellow Wolf, Raymond Yellow Wolf Sr., Great Grandparents; Benjamin Many Ribs Jr., Wanda White Owl, Daniel Many Ribs Sr., Lulu Four Dance and Mariam White Owl.

Obituary

Forever in Our Hearts

Brandon Many Ribs Romero

November 18, 1998~January 15, 2023



Wake Services:

Friday, January 20, 2023 at 5:00pm
Water Chief Hall, Mandaree, ND

Funeral Services:

Saturday, January 21, 2023 at 10:00am
Water Chief Hall, Mandaree, ND

Officiating:
Kevin Finley

Senior Pallbearer:
Charlie Moran

Active Pallbearers:

Orlando Black Hawk Jr.	Aaron Yellow Wolf
Tyler Whitebody	Alejandro Salinas
Titus Whitebody	Josh Bad Hawk

Honorary Pallbearers:

Kolvin Fox	Darrell Jackson
Steven Swift Eagle	Josiah Wells
Michelle Deane	JP Bad Hawk
Greg Bad Hawk	Leslie Long Bear
And Amira Hurkes	

Final Resting Place:

Holy Family US Scout Catholic Cemetery
Shell Creek, New Town, ND

Thank you All for Your Support during this Difficult Time

Obituary

Marcia White Eagle "Maaishu Mia" was born May 16, 1953 in Stanley, North Dakota. Her parents are Arnold Thomas and Julia (Charging-Mandan) White Eagle. "Maaishu Mia" is a child of the Maxoadia (Alkali Lodge Clan) and a member of the Ciiga (Prairie Chicken Clan).

Marcia married Robert C. Finley. From this marriage five children were born. They are Judith, Valarion, Lisa, Arnold, and Roberta. Marcia was raised in Independence, North Dakota. Her early childhood days shaped her life through her values she carried them into her adult life that is compassion for people and the willingness to be a good neighbor. She never wanted to see people struggle. She knew what hardship was growing up in Independence. She would help without being asked and she did not look for pay back.

In the 1970's Marcia moved to Mandaree where she resided the rest of her life. Marcia attended Mandaree School up to the 8th grade. Her hobbies are beading and gambling. She enjoyed taking about the simple things in life spending time with her family, grandchildren and great grandchildren. Marcia was very supportive of her family, relatives, youth, and the Mandaree Community. She always supported youth activities such as fundraisers, basketball, cross country and track.

Marcia passed away on Friday, January 20, 2023 at the McKenzie Co. Healthcare, Watford City, ND.

Marcia is survived by her companion of twenty plus years James (Jim) Moberg. Her daughters; Judith (Virgil Sr.) Wilkinson, White Shield, North Dakota., Lisa (Walter Sr.) DeVille and Roberta White Eagle (Wilbur Hunts Along Sr.,) both from Mandaree, North Dakota. Grandchildren; Michael (Amanda) DeVille, Thomas (Andrea) DeVille, Jason DeVille, Marea (Hunter) DeVille, Walter DeVille Jr., Molly Wilkinson, Julian Wilkinson, Megan Hunts Along, Wilbur Hunts Along Jr., all from Mandaree, ND. And Julia White Eagle, Missouri. Her great grandchildren; Amiah, Kiah, Jasiah, Andre, Grayson (Baby Val), Samira DeVille, Ashtyn Gwin. Numerous grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces and nephews too many to list.

Her sisters; Gloria Fast Dog and Veronica Serdahl. Adopted brothers; Morgan Fettig and Kelly Spotted Bear.

Adopted sister Lyda Bearstail.

Marcia is preceded in death by her parents; Father Arnold Thomas White Eagle, Mother Julia (Charging-Mandan) White Eagle. Her sons; Valarion Finley and Arnold Finley. Her grandsons; Baby DeVille and Virgil Wilkinson Jr. Her sisters; Judith Ann White Eagle, Lavern Charging Brady, and Ione Mable Charging. Her brothers; David Charging Jr., Delphus Charging, Harvey Charging, Jerry Charging, Reginald Charging.

Obituary

In Loving Memory

Marcia White Eagle

“Maaishu Mia”

May 16, 1953~January 20, 2023



Wake:

Monday, January 23, 2023 at 5:00pm

Water Chief Hall

Mandan, North Dakota

Funeral Services:

Tuesday, January 24, 2023 at 10:00am

Water Chief Hall

Mandan, North Dakota

Officiating:

Kevin Finley

Active Pallbearers:

Duane Young Bird	Rasen Johnson
Walter DeVille Jr.	Cody Serdahl
Azin Antonio	Thomas DeVille
Tyler Charging	Dzan Bear
Julian Wilkson	Wilbur Hunts Along Jr.

Senior Pallbearer:

Zandra Fox

Honorary Pallbearers:

Rosie White Owl Sally White Rosann Johnson Delma Fox
 Verna Sitting Bear Cathrine Smith Lisa Johnson Francis Hall
 Alvina Hall Sandy Smith Ella James Katherine Young Bear
 June Lizotte John & Rebecca Brady Mandan Field Clinic Employees
 Four Bears Casino and Lodge Employees

Final Resting Place:

Independence Congregational Cemetery
Mandan, North Dakota

Obituary

Christine Ann White Owl (George) was born December 4, 1964 to Frank White Owl Sr., and Nina Lucy Turner White Owl at Watford City Hospital. As a child Christine could be seen with Avis walking to Killdeer for refreshments.

She had three children; Benner, Francine and Leann, whom she loved and cherished. On June 30th, 1997 she married the love of her life, the late Trinidad R. Gonzalez (Ace). In their time together they traveled and lived in many places.

Christine worked at the 4 Bears Casino as a maintenance Supervisor, Maintenance at the Mandaree Community Center and helped in Grand Forks, ND during the time of the flood.

She loved to go fishing and exploring around the countryside and sometimes even raising hell. She loved swimming, every summer she would load up the care full of family to go spend time at the lake.

Christine will always be remembered as a kindhearted crazy woman. Whenever someone was in need, she was always there to lend a hand. She loved and comforted many of her nieces and nephews, that she took as her own. If anyone needed a place to stay Christine always had an open door. She loved to entertain children of all ages and often found some kind of mischief to get into. Many of her nephews/nieces have cherished memories of how she supported them throughout their lives. She always took up for them if they were in trouble with their parents or anyone else.

In her later years, she loved spending time with her grandchildren. She raised four of them as her own and continued to do so up to the time of her passing.

Christine is survived by: Son: Benner White Owl (Ona Lee), grandchildren: Angelica Wolf, Aaron Wolf Jr., Anthony Wolf, Ariel Wolf, Pricillaz White Owl, Alliaz White Owl, James White Owl, Kaydyn Bolman and Elliona Bolman. Sister; Rosie White Owl, Brothers; Paul White Owl Sr., Frank White Owl Jr., Samuel White Owl, Jassen White Owl Sr. Many nieces, nephews and grandbabies and all her many extended family.

Preceded in death by: Parents Frank White Owl Sr., Nina (Turner) White Owl, Sisters: Pauline White Owl, Hazel Felix, Emma Finley, Gladys Black Hawk, Lana Bird Bear, Frances Swift Eagle, Connie White Body, Nancy Mingus, Theresa Blanco Bautista and Marcia White Eagle. Husband; Trinidad R. Gonzalez, Daughters: Francine White Owl Wolf and Leann Gonzalez.

Obituary

In Loving Memory Of

Christine Ann White Owl Gonzalez

December 4, 1964~January 20, 2023



Wake:

Wednesday, January 25, 2023 @ 5pm

Water Chief Hall Mandaree, ND

Officiant:

Pastor Marie Gun

Special Music:

Neal Hale

(All Singers Welcome)

Active Pallbearers:

Jassen White Owl	Manuel Lucio Sr.
Steven Swift Eagle	Alano Antonio
Moon McKenzie	Brayon Lincoln
Paul Jones White Owl	Orlando Black Hawk
Jayden White Owl	Tyler Red Bow
Health Hall	Aaron Yellow Wolf
Raymond Yellow Wolf III	John Hawkins
Darren Hale	Frank Sam White Owl

Funeral Services:

Thursday, January 26, 2023 @ 10am

Water Chief Hall, Mandaree, ND

Senior Pallbearer:

Loretta Long Bear

Honorary Pallbearers:

Avis Finley, Lorraine Howe, Sherry Turner-Long Fight, Dylan Castello, Jacob Takes the Gun, Rick Fox, Todd McKenzie, James Dubois, Billie Eckiss, Dennis Fimbres, Emily Yellow Wolf, EMS~ Mandaree, Mandaree Fire Fighters, West Segment Security, Tribal Cops, Sanford Health Staff, Dickinson Hospital Staff. Also included are all her many friends too many to list.

Final Resting Place:

White Owl Cemetery,
Independence, Mandaree, ND

Obituary

Justin Kyle Staples, 34, Mandaree, died Wednesday, January 25, 2023 in Mandaree.

Justin Kyle Staples, "Ghee degah awa nee gheesh" (When the Lightning Hits the Ground), was born March 23, 1988, to Patrick and Deborah (White Owl) Staples, in Minot. He was a member and child of the Knife Clan. Kyle was raised in New Town and graduated from New Town High School. He played football; with his size, you can imagine he was the biggest and hardest hit!

Kyle shared special bonds with his family. His dog, Whip was his baby. He was given several nicknames growing up. Grandma Inez called him "Butter" and his nieces and nephews called him "Uncle Gru" (from the Minions).

His special moments included spending time with his mom and watching her soaps while she cooked him a good meal. He had to compete with his niece, Maliyah, for his mom's attention as she babied them both. His sister, Deborah, would always send him extra frybread when he came to eat.

Uncle Kyle was very close with his nieces and nephews and loved to tease them. He babysat Tehya when she was a newborn, and he would hold her all day long. He supported his nieces at their basketball games. His nieces would stand on their tiptoes next to him to make sure he was still taller; Alysa had no chance while Zaylea and Tehya were almost to his shoulders.

Kyle loved being outdoors and enjoyed hunting with his dad, big brother "Big Mike", and his nephew, MJ. He also liked spending time with his "bros" going out on the boat, jet skiing, shooting his gun, and doing what "bros" do. He was always there for his dad and brothers if they needed something done.

Kyle worked in maintenance around the New Town area including at J&J Rental, Cenex, the golf course, 4Bears Casino, and most recently for MHA Nation West Segment.

Kyle was gentle, kind, and hardworking. He was a big guy with a big heart and will be greatly missed. On Wednesday, January 25, 2023, Justin Kyle Staples, passed away peacefully while he slept. May he rest in eternal peace.

Kyle's loving family; His dad, Patrick Staples of New Town; Brothers; Michael White Owl (Megan) of San Tan Valley, AZ, Patrick Staples (Audrey) of New Town, and Danny Staples (Maria) of Cass Lake, MN; sisters, Ashley Staples of New Town, Emily Staples of Cass Lake, MN, Becky Overlie (Kevin) of New Town, and Deborah White Owl of San Tan Valley, AZ; and Kyle's dog, Whip aka Hotdog.

He was greeted into the spirit world by his maternal grandparents, Richard Sr. and Inez (Lone Fight) White Owl; paternal grandparents, Alvin and Emily Staples; mother, Deborah (White Owl) Staples; brother, Michael Staples; aunts and uncles, Irene White Owl, Blaine Perry White Owl, Eugene White Owl, Richard White Owl, Jr., Marvin Bell, Murphy Bell, and Alan Gross.

Obituary

Celebrating The Life of
 Justin Kyle Staples "Ghez degah awa nez ghzechsh"
 (When the Lightning Hits the Ground)
 March 23, 1988~January 25, 2023



Wake:

Sunday, January 29, 2023 at 5pm
 Water Chief Hall, Mandaree, ND

Funeral Services:

Monday, January 30, 2023 at 11am
 Water Chief Hall, Mandaree, ND

Officiant:

Kevin Finley

Music:

Neal Hale

Senior Pallbearer:

Garcia Walks Jr.

Active Pallbearers:

Garrett Young Bird Dustin Hale
 Dave White Tail Clay Young Bird
 Nate Groves Jerry White Owl
 Tyrrell Driver Aaron Wounded Face
 Dagmigin White Owl Laramie Sordahl

Honorary Pallbearers:

Sheldon Quale, Mike Hawkins, Lionel Chase Jr.
 Alan "Tubby" Chase, Brendon Benton, Josh Lee
 Blue Sky Starr, Lane Bird Bear, Tifa Pulgtasi,
 Tedsena Long Fight, Lane Danks, West Segment Staff,
 J&J Rental Staff, 4 Bears Casino Maintenance Dept.

Final Resting Place:

Memorial Congregational Cemetery
 Mandaree, North Dakota

Thoughts
& Prayer
are with You
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West Segment extends their Condolences to the families and relatives of Brandon Many Ribs Romero; Marcia White Eagle; Christine White Owl Gonzalez and Justin Kyle Staples. On the recent loss of their beloved one. We extend a prayer for all family members during this difficult time. Our sympathies to other segments who have lost loved ones. May the strength of prayer carry you all through this time of mourning.

Councilwoman Gladys Sherry Turner-Lone Fight & Personnel.



On behalf of West Segment we would like to say Happy Valentines Day to everyone far and near.

Enjoy your day with your loved ones.

From Councilwoman Gladys Sherry Turner-Lone Fight and Personnel



West Segment Elders Destination to Deadwood

Councilwoman Turner Lone-Fight would like to invite the residential West Segment Elders to a trip in Deadwood S.D.

Charter bus will depart from the Water Chief Hall Parking Lot Friday, March 24, 2023, at 10:30 am.

Please R.S.V.P. with Bernadine Mendez
701-421-5687

Elders will be staying at the Mineral Palace. A Social Hour will take place at the hotel along with the itinerary.



Happy Birthday Wishes to Our Elders!!

Brenda Halz

Belinda Beston

Island Hall Jr.

Keith Mandan

Pam Hall

Fayette Young Bear

Arnie Guimont

Roseann Johnson

Ted Lone Fight III

Terry Gottschall

Susan Fredericks

Jon McGrady

Sharon Fredericks

Wilbur Hunts Along

* Please forgive us if we forgot to mention your name, it was not done intentionally.