



Singing Helps and Heals Me and The People Around the Drum

Photos provided by his family



Pictured above is the Mandaree Warriors drum group. Brayon is all smiles with his arm folded. Sitting with the rest of the singers. They recently traveled to Milwaukee, Wisconsin to a powwow called the Hunting Moon Powwow.

The title says it all for this young man. I will first give you an introduction, then you will understand more of who this young man is. As tribes people we all have a sense of where we come from. Those teachings come from our grandmothers, grandfathers, mothers and fathers. Our teachings are all passed down orally to our families. These teachings begin when our children are old enough to understand. In our Hidatsa and Mandan ways of life. When we are born, we are automatically born into our mother's clan. continue on page 3.

Councilwoman Turner-Lone Fight Update



Hello to everyone as we enter a new month.

Before I begin this update. I would like to extend our deepest sympathy to the family and relatives of Edward Lone Fight and Dan'elle Terese Michell. Our prayers of comfort are

with you all.

The Holiday Season is now upon us. Thanksgiving is right around the corner. Here is the schedule for the food baskets for giveaway. West Segment will be giving out Thanksgiving food boxes with turkey and fixings on Tuesday, November 25th starting at 10:00am to 8:00pm for enrolled members. On Wednesday, November 26th starting at 4:00pm to 6:00pm for non-enrolled members. Head of households must be 19 years old.

On November 19th the council will have their tribal budget meeting.

After Thanksgiving then it's onto our Christmas Season, now is the time to think about the Mandaree Parade of Lights for December.

It is with the greatest regret that I need to inform my community that we have been asked for our construction projects to be stopped coming from the TBC.

This is due to budget restrictions. I have been trying to advocate for the community to receive its budget,

but unfortunately, I am only one vote. I will continue to push for us and the success of our community.

I am praying that our projects will have priority, as we all known Mandaree community is far by the least developed segment.

In the photo are some of the dancers at the Veterans gathering. We had a great outcome of people attend the Veterans feed. The photo was taken by



Harriet Goodiron.



Thank you for being a good reader.

Councilwoman Gladys Sherry Turner-Lone Fight

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It is up to our parents and grandparents to help our children understand that. Why we have our clanships and what roles those clanships have in our lives. So our children and grandchildren will know and understand as they get older. Another important component in our Hidatsa and Mandan ways of life is our languages. Today we are lucky to have teachers who teach in schools. We have elders who are instructors who are teaching our younger children in immersion classrooms. We have our younger generation who know how to speak our languages. Every tribe in America has their own languages and ways of life and songs. Today, we are very fortunate to have our tribal songs being taught by our local singers. We have singers available to teach our younger generation who are willing to learn. Some kids come from a family of singers, so it is easier for them to learn our songs, many of the singers usually practice songs in their homes. Our languages and our traditions are the veins of our tribes people.

November is Native American month. So with that in mind, I wanted to feature this young man. His English name is Brayon Monte Lincoln his given Native name is "Holy Rope." His parents name are Monte and Nina Lincoln. He was raised and grew up in Mandaree. Brayon was born into the A-wa-xhe clan (Dripping Dirt Clan). Both his parents are from the same clan. Brayon was blessed with five sisters; Patricia, Jerrilane, Nancy, Frannina and Passion. Brayon was always taught to respect your elders, and have respect for the drum, and to take care of his sisters and help out when ever he can.

According to Brayon there were a few people who taught him how to sing. It was his dad, Jude Phelan, Terrance Morgan Sr., and his uncle Jason Morsette. As far as his teachers for the language his teachers were Martha Bird Bear and Verna Lone Bear.

There is always a person we have in our life time who influences us in many good ways and that person for Brayon was his sister Jerrilane. She travels with her family to a lot of pow wows and her children all dance as well as herself.

There are a few things Brayon enjoys while being in school, he enjoys time with his friends, and most of all every morning the Mandaree Warriors drum group gather together and sing the Hidatsa flag song at the school. Which in the white world would be our National Anthem. I thought that is so awesome to hear our flag song in our language. This was never done when I went to school here in Mandaree, of course that was years ago. Today, I see it as an honor to have these young students sing our flag song every morning at the beginning of a school day. It would make my heart proud and feel that sense of pride Warrior Pride!

To be proud to know our language and be proud of these young ones

who have learned these songs in our language.

According to Brayon he states; "I love singing and watching pow wows and learning our ways of life. Especially knowing who our families are. To me, it's an honor to be asked to sing, you have an opportunity to meet new people from different tribes and have fun.

I asked this young man what singing brings into his life, what it does for him and how it makes him feel. I was very impressed with his answer as he said; "Singing helps and heals me and the people around and I am so honored I can bring this feeling to others."

Today, Brayon is sixteen years old and a junior at the Mandaree High School. He participates in basketball, track, football and the Indian club. I asked him what advice he would share with the youth. This is what he had to say; "find who you are and then be proud of who you are and where you come from." What awesome advice coming from a young man. You can tell he was raised in our ways of life and he is even looking forward to learning more. You will most likely see him now a days at a school event with the Warriors drum group. Or at any other event going on within our reservation. I would like to acknowledge Brayon and his parents for raising such a respectful young man. Who takes it upon himself to learn more about our culture and our traditions. Brayon will be a senior next year and you can bet after high school he will be traveling throughout Indian country with the drum group. I am very proud of this young man and the rest of the drum group. Who would ever thought we would have our Indian flag song sung every morning at the Mandaree School. Now that is one in a million!

Pictured to your left is Brayon doing what he loves singing at a celebration so others can dance. Special thanks to his mother for helping me with the photos and information I needed to complete this article.



The One Stop Store is Now The Wolf Chief Store

Photos by LeeAnna Nation



Pictured above is the new manager; Tiffany Hunts Along for the Wolf Chief Store & Hot Stuff. If you have any questions feel free to call Store Manager 421-7721



Hot Stuff Pizza is open on Weekdays Only. Closed for weekends. Staff members are Jachelle, Stephanie and Kenneth. The phone number is 759-3609.

All the merchandise that was at the jump house building where the Wolf Chief store used to be was hauled up to the new location. All the groceries and dry good are now at the Wolf Chief Store. The One Stop store is now the Wolf Chief Store and Hot Stuff.

Pictured above you can see the shelves are full for now and hopefully our people will shop locally for their needs in groceries.

The hours for the Wolf Chief Store and Hot Stuff will be open seven days a week. Monday to Friday from 6:00am to 8:00pm.

Open on Saturday and Sunday from 10:00am to 6:00pm.

New improvements included installing a new counter top for check out, more shelves for more groceries were added. Also more paper goods products. Fresh water dispenser and frozen meats are also available.

The new sign hasn't been moved as of this article but as soon as it is put up we will have a picture for you to see.



Manager, Tiffany Hunts Along stands in the back of the counter at the Wolf Chief Store. As you can see they installed a new counter top for check out.

Around West Segment

Photos by LeeAnna Nation



You can place your order for food and it will be made for you. You can call 759-3140 and call in your order.

Standing behind the counter at the Hay Draw Café are the two staff employee's. Donovan Reimer and Brielle Jessop. Lindsey Fox is the Café Manager, if you have any questions you can call the Manager at 421-6347.

There has been changes going on as far as the store moving and with that in mind, the Hay Draw Café is now open for service.

The Hay Draw Café hours are from 7:00am to 3:00pm.

Hay Draw Café will be serving breakfast starting at 8:00am to 10:30am.

Lunch will be from 11:00am to 2:00pm.

Daily breakfast and lunch menu's will have something special different daily.

They are still waiting for their espresso machine so they can make custom coffee available for their customers. For now they have just coffee.

Inside the store they soon will have a larger inventory of automotive needs. The Hay Draw Café will take orders for food you can place your order and it will be made call 759-3140. Also they are in need of workers so if your interested stop by.



Now there is more sitting space to enjoy your breakfast, lunch or if you want to just have coffee and visit.

Adolfson & Peterson Construction Gives Back to the Mandaree Community



Mandaree, ND – (November 5, 2025) – Adolfson & Peterson Construction (AP), a national, family-owned construction management and contracting company, continued its commitment to community partnership last week by delivering 250 new winter coats, hats, and gloves to students at Mandaree Public School.

AP team members spent the day at the school helping students find the right sizes, handing out coats, hats, and gloves, and visiting with teachers and staff. It was a meaningful experience that reinforced AP’s dedication to the people behind its projects.

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“We want to be part of the communities we are building in,” said Jessi Noble, Market Lead at Adolfson & Peterson Construction. “Last week, our team had the opportunity to connect with students, staff, and community members who will soon enjoy the new spaces we are building nearby.”

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AP crew who delivered the items then helped the students find their coat size, and handed out coats to other students who knew their size, they handed out hats, gloves to all students. They made sure all the students got what they needed.

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One of the AP workers is helping a student with his coat making sure it fits. In the back is Renay Brown from West Segment office helping AP staff as they distribute coats, hats, gloves to all students.

On behalf of the West Segment community, we are very grateful and thankful to Adolfson & Peterson Construction for their generosity and commitment to our community.

We are very thankful for the winter coats, hats, and gloves you provided for our children. Every student in Mandaree will be warm this winter thanks to AP Construction.

We thank all their workers who were on hand to make sure every student received their winter coats, hats and gloves.

As we enter this new season of Thanksgiving let us remember those who help us make our community better!

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West Segment & Operations Warm Distribute jackets at Water Chief Hall



Pictured is Renay Brown organizing the jackets that were donated.

West Segment and Operations Warm sponsored this jacket give away. All community members were encouraged to come to the Water Chief Hall where the jackets were on display.

These jackets were also given to students who live here in Mandaree but go to a different schools. They were given jackets too.



Thankful to West Segment and Operations Warm for sponsoring these jackets for all students in school here and those who attend other schools as well.

Around West Segment

Baker Awarded Lifetime Achievement Award

Photo by Jerry W. Kram



This fine young man doesn't need an introduction. His dedication and commitment to our West Segment community doesn't go unnoticed. He is Marle Baker, who is very well known amongst our people. A loyal servant for our people, he is committed to their safety, he is always there to lend a helping hand. His parents are the late Emerson Baker and Cerese Baker. He is married to Mary Fredericks, they happily reside in our West

Segment community. Marle Baker, who is the Mandaree Fire Chief and retired head of the TAT Wildfire Service. Recently accepted a Lifetime Achievement Award for his three plus decades of service at the MHA Emergency Services Appreciation Awards. Marle was also presented with the First Responder of the Year Award. Marle is a very humble and thankful young man. He most graciously deserves the recognition and the awards. On behalf of the West Segment community we are all very proud of Marle with his many accomplishments. With all that dedication and commitment, I would say we are very fortunate to have Marle and his wife living in our community. He for sure takes care of his people!

2025-2026 Mandaree Celebration Committee

Food Pantry Donations/Baby Item Drive

Drop off on Sundays during the 2026 Mandaree Celebration bingo fundraisers and receive \$10.00 off regular bingo packet or \$15.00 off regular bingo 2 packets.

Early Birds start at 4:00pm and the regular session at 4:30pm.

Accepting unopened non-perishable food items, hygiene products, laundry supplies, pet food, baby foot/formula.

All items must be equal to \$10.00 or \$15.00.

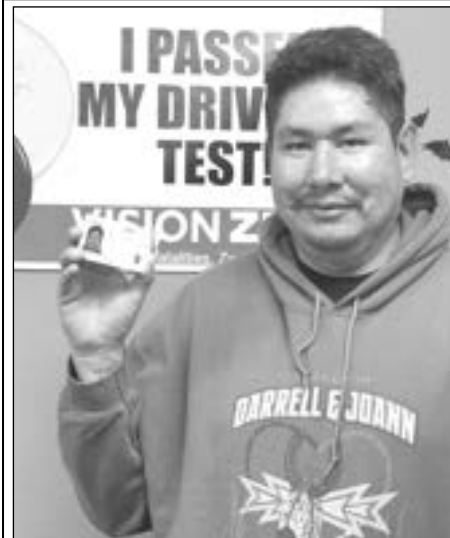
All donations will go to the West Segment Emergency Closet Food Pantry.

Any questions contact:

Roberta White Eagle: (701) 421-8899

Lisa DeVille: (701) 421-8020

NHSC's Commercial Driver's License



Gordon White Owl is a graduate of NHSC's Commercial Driver's License (CDL) Program.

He recently received his CDL. Your hard work paid off and it's time to hit the open road with Storm Pride!

For more information about getting you CDL at NHSC.

<https://nhsc.edu/cdl-program-cert/>

On behalf of West Segment we are very proud of Gordon and we wish him the best of luck as he ventures out with his CDL.

Congratulations Newlyweds



Congratulations to Mrs. and Mr. Devin Bear Claw. The bride Elyza is the daughter of Jade and Denver Spotted Bear and the late Norman Standish. The Groom Devin is the son of LeeAnna and Francis Bear Claw. On behalf of West Segment we

wish them all the happiness with their marriage and their lives together.

From the Desk of the Mandaree School Athletic Director

Photos and captions by Athletic Director Mr. DeVille

Middle School Championships In Bismarck



All state team recognition reward Amiah DeVille top Center.

Amiah DeVille received medal at North Dakota Middle School state championships race in Bismarck, ND at McDowell Dam. She took 5th out of 121 runners Class A and B combined. Awarded ND Middle School All State Team 5th place.

Fettig Mandaree Cross Country Runner Places 19th



Morgan Fettig, Sophomore Mandaree cross country runner 19th place at the Class B High School ND State meet in Jamestown, ND. Fettig was 19th place out of 366 runners. Morgan is the son of Jacob Fettig and Jasmine Myrick.



2nd from your left is Morgan Fettig holding his award with other runners.



Amiah DeVille with her family.

Congratulations to these fine Mandaree School Athletes. We are all very proud of their dedication, leadership, and outstanding performance for this season.

We have our other sports coming up so keep an eye out for our outstanding athletes.

Mann Awarded All District 8 Volleyball Team



Natie Mann a 12 grade senior setter for the Mandaree Lady Warriors volleyball team. Pictured above as she holds her award for District 8 All District Team.



Natie Mann made the District 8 High School Volleyball All District Team. Top right centered Natie Mann with All District 8 volleyball teams from various district 8 school.

A Veteran Retired & Enjoying Life

Photo and information provided by family



Ted and I were classmates here at the Mandaree School. Back then, he was kinda quiet and yet he teased you when he had a chance to. I remember in our (POD) Problems of Democracy which was a government class. Ted would speak up when he needed to that's just how he was. I will let him tell you more about himself as his wife helps him with the questions I asked. His given English name is Ted Lone Fight III and his Native name is "Small Ankle." Ted is a life time member of the Mandaree community. He was raised out east on route 12 at his parents' home.

His parents are the late Maybella (Good Bird) and Theodore Lone Fight. Ted was born into the Water Buster Clan and is a child of a Low Cap.

Ted served in the U.S. Army from 1975-1978. He was honorably discharged as a E-3 Private 1st Class. He received a medal for a sharp shooter and M203 grenade launcher. He lost his bag with his service photo inside so that is lost. Ted served with the 9th infantry division in Fort Lewis, Washington. Their nickname was the Old Reliables.

As a Veteran, Ted does his best to go to the activities and services they have here in our community for all veterans.

He worked all his life in many avenues. He was a rancher, and he was our West Segment Council representative for two terms. While there, he started the MHA Enterprises which is still active today as the Midi Enterprise. He worked for the MHA Tourism and helped the state tourism put up the place holders along the path from Killdeer to Lost Bridge. I don't know why they were removed but they used to be East of the New Town bridge.

After he got out of the service, Ted went to Chemawa, Oregon. His brother Ed was the school superintendent there. So, he stayed, and he found work as a union labor, he was a carpenter. When he returned home he worked as a welder assistant in the oilfield.

Ted along with a group of parents started the Regulators horseback riders that rode all around the reservation. Longest ride was from Mandaree to Canada and back along the Mouse River where they gathered for prayer. Around 30 youth and adults in the group. Regulators entered many parades and always placing in the top 2.

Ted was also instrumental in starting tour guides by the MHA summer youth. They started a garden at the Earth lodges. All the silhouettes you see going along the hills to the earth lodge village was Ted's vision. The traditional dancer you see is of the late Don Rush.

Ted married his lifelong sweetheart Sherry in 1993 they raised three

daughters and three sons. They adopted two children one at eleven years old and the other one at birth. For the past eight years, they have raised their granddaughter. Today Ted is retired he lives at home on their ranch located east of Mandaree on route 12 on the side of where he grew up at his parents' home.

He is home with his wife and his grandchildren. Unfortunately, for Ted he's been battling Parkinson's for the past ten years. With the help of his loving wife, he can enjoy going to the casino and often accompanies her on short trips. These days he just loves hanging out with his family and enjoying his time with his wife and grandchildren.

As we all age we have to deal with our own health issues as we all have them. So Ted you are not alone, we wish you all the best in all that you do.



His wife Sherry, in the back is Aron Abbey, Ted Lone Fight III and Arthur Tom Mandan. This photo was taken a few years ago by Ted's niece Karen Lone Fight. The bottom picture was taken by Harriet Goodiron at the recent Veterans feed held at Water Chief Hall in Mandaree.



New Lighting on Highway 22 and BIA 12

Photo and write up submitted by Lisa DeVille



This past couple of weeks, NDDOT completed the installation of new lighting at the junction of Highway 22 and BIA 12. Earlier this summer, the department also removed the area where individuals had been parking near the intersection. Also installed roundabouts at Junction highways 22 and 73, and junction highways 23 and 8. I want to note that no legislation was required for these improvements. During both the 2023 and 2025 legislative sessions, I met directly with The NDDOT Director to discuss the safety concerns raised by my constituents, and I appreciate the department's responsiveness and commitment to addressing them. Several years ago, I personally counted traffic at that same junction due to the increase in oil and gas activity. 295 vehicles passed through in just 45 minutes. These safety upgrades are long overdue and made a real difference for our community.

Representative Lisa Finley-DeVille



Mandaree School News

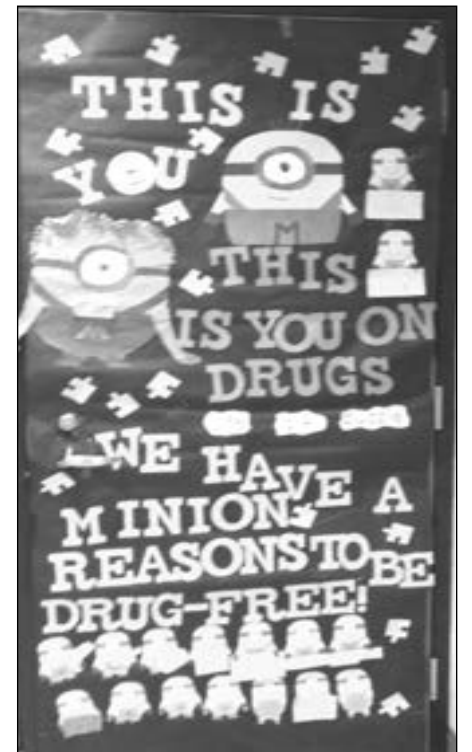
Submitted by Ms. Poitra



As part of celebrating red ribbon week at the Mandaree Public school. Ms. Poitra got her students minds going and their creativity. Ms. Poitra's students got busy and created their decorative doors. The highlight was the door contest, the door contest was sponsored by Walter and Lisa DeVille and their daughter Marea DeVille. The winners were; 1st place was the 9th grade class. 2nd place-7th grade class, 3rd place-12 grade class, 4th place-11th grade class, 5th place-10th grade class, 6th place-8th grade class and 7th place Fac's Room. The theme was "Life is a Puzzle" Drug Free. I would like to thank grades 7th through 12 for their commitment and dedication to being drug free. I would like to thank Lisa and Walter DeVille for sponsoring the door contests and being there for the students. I would also like to thank the student council members for all their help and support. An to Ms. Poitra for being our positive student council advisor.



Pictured above are all the winners for the posters.



November is Native American Month. The Mandaree School will host our culture event on Thursday, November 20, 2025 from 5:00pm to 7:00pm. On the agenda will be an elder speaker, a meal and a mini pow wow and vendors, all students will showcase their talent by sharing their pride in being a MHA member and other tribes being represented as well. The public is invited to come enjoy a meal and take part in our culture event.



Mandaree EMS Update

1. We are currently teaching an EMT class for four students. Students will be able to pass the National Registry by summer 2026. The students are currently employed with Mandaree EMS and it is our honor to educate and advocate for higher learning to valuable members of our community.

2. If you need or would like to be certified in CPR and First Aid, please let us know. The prices vary depending on what you would like and class size. You can contact Josie @ 701-421-1732 or Katarina @ 701-426-4732.

3. Our very own Shantel Fettig attended a Full marathon in Las Vegas and made the top 15 women's division. She ran a total of 26.2 miles and her time was 4:15:05. Congratulations Shantel.

4. Our November Birthdays are Abel Feltes and Josie Bingen. Abel and Josie have been with the service since 2014. **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

5. If anyone wants or needs blood pressures or blood sugars checked, or anything you may have a question on, simply call 911 and they will page out the appropriate staff, we are more than happy to check on you and your loved ones.

6. With deer/gun season upon us please remember gun safety and carry a first aid kit and tourniquet. Remember to always apply firm hard pressure until help arrives. With that Happy Hunting!

Mandaree EMS



WE'RE HIRING



Join Our Team

We are looking for individuals interested in working as EMR drivers for our service. Please email for serious inquiries.

Opportunities include:

- ✓ In-house training
- ✓ EVOC training
- ✓ BLS certification

Requirements for position:

- ✓ Clean driving record
- ✓ Available to work 24hr shifts
- ✓ 18 years of age or older

Contact us at:

MandareeEMS.6431@outlook.com

EMS if Offering Training



EMS offers CPR and First Aid. You can contact: Katarina @ (701) 426-4732 or Josie @ (701) 421-1732



From District 4A Representative Lisa DeVille



Date: October 23, 2025

The Honorable Kelly Armstrong
Governor of the State of North Dakota
State Capitol Building
600 East Boulevard Avenue
Bismarck, ND 58505

RE: United Tribes of North Dakota Resolution on Continuity of Food Nutrition Services

Dear Governor Armstrong,

On behalf of the United Tribes of North Dakota (UTND), I am submitting the enclosed resolution entitle *“Requesting the State of North Dakota and the North Dakota Department of Health & Human Services to Ensure Continuity of Food Nutrition Services (WIC, SNAP, USDA Food distribution) for Tribal members and their communities”*.

I introduced this resolution to UTND in response to growing concerns about the potential disruption of federal nutrition assistance during the ongoing federal budget uncertainty. I worked with Chairwoman Street to urge the member Tribes of UTND to stand together in ensuring that programs such as SNAP, WIC, USDA Food distribution remain protected and uninterrupted for tribal citizens throughout North Dakota. The resolution reflects a unified commitment by the five sovereign Tribal Nations of North Dakota to work collaboratively with the State of North Dakota to safeguard access to essential nutrition resources.

Given the disproportionate rates of food insecurity and rural access barriers faced by tribal communities, any interruption in benefits would have immediate and devastating impacts. We take proactive measures, including contingency planning and tribal consultation, to guarantee uninterrupted delivery of these programs in the event of federal funding delays or shutdowns.

We thank you for your attention to this matter and for your continued partnership with North Dakota’s Tribal Nations. Your leadership in maintaining these essential services will help ensure that no family, especially in our most vulnerable tribal and rural communities, goes without food support during this critical time.

Respectfully,

Representative Lisa Finley-DeVillle

Mandan, Hidatsa and Arikara Nation

Member, North Dakota House of Representatives

Sponsor, UTND Food Nutrition Resolution

Enclosure: UTND Resolution on Food Nutrition Program Continuity



United Tribes of North Dakota

Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe | Spirit Lake Tribe
Standing Rock Sioux Tribe | Three Affiliated Tribes
Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians

UNITED TRIBES OF NORTH DAKOTA RESOLUTION RESOLUTION NO. 25-16-02

TITLE: Resolution Requesting the State of North Dakota and the North Dakota Department of Health and Human Services to Ensure Continuity of Food Nutrition Services (e.g. WIC, SNAP, USDA Food Distribution) for Tribal Members and their Communities.

WHEREAS, United Tribes of North Dakota (“United Tribes”) is the inter-tribal association of the five federally recognized Tribes co-located with North Dakota, each of which has a government-to-government relationship with the United States government established by Treaty, including the Sisseton Wahpeton Sioux Tribe, the Spirit Lake Tribe, the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe, the Three Affiliated Tribes, and the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians, with a Board of Directors composed of the Chairman and once council member from each member Tribe; and

WHEREAS, United Tribes, founded in 1968, exists to further the common goals of the Indian Tribes and Nations co-located within North Dakota; and

WHEREAS, United Tribes represents the sovereign governments of the federally-recognized Tribes in North Dakota and carry responsibility for promoting the health, welfare and security of our tribal members; and

WHEREAS, programs such as the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC), and the USDA Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations are essential “entitlement” or mandatory services for low-income and tribal households, and any disruption in their delivery poses a severe threat to food security, health and wellbeing of tribal communities; and

WHEREAS, in North Dakota, the North Dakota Department of Health & Human Services (NDHHS) has assured that mandatory entitlement programs administered by the agency, including WIC and SNAP, “are expected to continue without interruption” during federal funding disruptions; and

WHEREAS, despite assurances, recent news reports indicate that even in North Dakota, concerns exist about potential interruption of benefits; and

WHEREAS, tribal communities already face historically higher rates of food insecurity, chronic disease, and rural access barriers and, therefore, the sudden interruption of food nutrition services would disproportionately harm tribal households; and

Leadership begins here

WHEREAS, United Tribes calls upon the Governor of North Dakota and the NDHHS to take all necessary administrative, budgetary, and contingency measures to protect continuity of WIC, SNAP and USDA Food Distribution programs on tribal reservations and surrounding communities; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that United Tribes of North Dakota hereby requests that the Governor of North Dakota immediately direct NDHHS (and any relevant sub-agencies) to develop and publicly provide a contingency plan that ensures no lapse in WIC, SNAP or USDA Food Distribution benefits in tribal communities even in the event of federal funding shortfall or administrative disruption; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that United Tribes of North Dakota requests that the State of North Dakota immediately commit to providing adequate state-level bridging resources, if required, to cover tribal nutrition program operations until federal reimbursements or appropriations resume; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that United Tribes of North Dakota hereby requests and requires that the NDHHS engage in regular and formal consultation with the Tribal Nations of North Dakota, through United Tribes of North Dakota and other tribal governing bodies, including but not limited to the individual Tribes, about operational status, risk-alerts, and mitigation strategies regarding the federally-funded nutrition programs; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that United Tribes of North Dakota shall be regularly briefed (at least on a quarterly basis) on the status of nutrition program operations, especially in relation to tribal reservations, and that a designated tribal liaison within NDHHS be named; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this Resolution be transmitted to the Governor of the State of North Dakota, the Commissioner of NDHHS, the USDA Food and Nutrition Service Regional Office and to each Tribal Nation governing body in the State of North Dakota.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned hereby certifies that the foregoing resolution was duly passed at a special meeting of the Board of Directors of United Tribes of North Dakota at which a quorum was present, held on the 20 day of October, 2025, with a vote of 7 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstaining, and 3 not present.

Jamie Azure
Chairman, Board of Directors
United Tribes of North Dakota

ATTEST:

ReNa Little-Lourea
Secretary, Board of Directors
United Tribes of North Dakota

From District 4A Representative Lisa DeVille

Date: November 10, 2025

The Honorable Kelly Armstrong
Governor of the State of North Dakota
State Capitol Building
600 East Boulevard Avenue
Bismarck, ND 58505

Re: Transmittal of United Tribes of North Dakota Resolution No. 25-11-01 – Safeguarding LIHEAP Benefits for Tribal Households

Dear Governor Armstrong,

I am submitting the enclosed Resolution No. 25-11-01, titled *“Resolution Urging the State of North Dakota and Relevant Agencies to Safeguard and Maintain Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) Benefits for Tribal Households.”*

This resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Directors, representing the five federally recognized tribal nations co-located with the State of North Dakota, the Sisseton Wahpeton Sioux Tribe, Spirit Lake Tribe, Standing Rock Sioux Tribe, Three Affiliated Tribes of the Mandan, Hidatsa, and Arikara Nation, and the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians.

The United Tribes of North Dakota urges the State to ensure that LIHEAP benefits for tribal households remain consistent, accessible, and uninterrupted throughout the winter season and in future program years. As you know, many of our families face severe winter conditions and energy insecurity in rural and reservation areas. Collaboration between the State and tribal governments is essential to uphold the welfare of our citizens and meet both federal and treaty obligations.

We respectfully request continued coordination with your office and the North Dakota Department of Health and Human Services to ensure tribal participation, culturally appropriate outreach, and timely assistance for households in need.

Thank you for your attention and partnership in this critical matter. Please accept our gratitude for your commitment to working with the United Tribes and our member nations to protect the health and well-being of all North Dakotans.

Sincerely

Representative Lisa Finley-DeVillle
House of Representatives Dist. 4A
Mandan, Hidatsa, and Arikara Nation
Sponsor, UTND Safeguarding LIHEAP Benefits for Tribal Households Resolution



United Tribes of North Dakota

Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe | Spirit Lake Tribe
Standing Rock Sioux Tribe | Three Affiliated Tribes
Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians

UNITED TRIBES OF NORTH DAKOTA RESOLUTION RESOLUTION NO. 25-11-01

TITLE: Resolution Urging the State of North Dakota and Relevant Agencies to Safeguard and Maintain Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) Benefits for Tribal Households.

WHEREAS, United Tribes of North Dakota (“United Tribes”) is the inter-tribal association of the five federally recognized Tribes co-located with North Dakota, each of which has a government-to-government relationship with the United States government established by Treaty, including the Sisseton Wahpeton Sioux Tribe, the Spirit Lake Tribe, the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe, the Three Affiliated Tribes, and the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians, with a Board of Directors composed of the Chairman and once council member from each member Tribe; and

WHEREAS, United Tribes, founded in 1968, exists to further the common goals of the Indian Tribes and Nations co-located within North Dakota; and

WHEREAS, United Tribes represents the sovereign governments of the federally recognized Tribes in North Dakota and carry responsibility for promoting the health, welfare and security of our tribal members; and

WHEREAS, the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) is a federal block-grant program administered by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and allocated to states, territories, and tribal governments to provide energy assistance and weatherization support to eligible low-income households; and

WHEREAS, in the State of North Dakota, LIHEAP is administered through the North Dakota Department of Health and Human Services (NDHHS) and local human service zone offices, supporting low-income households with heating assistance during the winter months; and

WHEREAS, eligibility in North Dakota is based on household income levels and is inclusive of tribal households, ensuring that those most at risk of energy insecurity can access support; and

WHEREAS, tribal households within North Dakota rely on LIHEAP to offset high heating costs in harsh winter climates, as well as to address emergency fuel shortages, thereby contributing to family stability, health, and safety; and

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From District 4A Representative Lisa DeVille

WHEREAS, Any disruptions in the disbursement of LIHEAP funds would severely threaten the safety and well-being of vulnerable families; and

WHEREAS, the federal government's trust and treaty obligations with tribal nations include commitments to protect the welfare of tribal members, including assurances of stable living conditions, as recognized in the Treaty of Fort Laramie of 1868, wherein the United States acknowledged its responsibility to ensure the well-being of tribal nations; and

WHEREAS, the Treaty of Fort Laramie and related treaty frameworks remain foundational to the understanding that tribal welfare and economic stability are inherent to the government-to-government relationship; and

WHEREAS, it is in the mutual interest of the State of North Dakota, United Tribes, and its member tribes that LIHEAP services not be lapsed, diminished, or delayed, given the disproportionate vulnerability of tribal families to energy insecurity, older housing, rural fuel delivery barriers, and severe winter conditions; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that United Tribes of North Dakota hereby calls upon the State of North Dakota, through the North Dakota Department of Health and Human Services, to affirm and guarantee that tribal households will continue to receive LIHEAP benefits without disruption or reduction in service, including heating, cooling, crisis, and weatherization components, during the current program year and in all subsequent years; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that United Tribes of North Dakota requests that the State of North Dakota coordinate with tribal governments and United Tribes of North Dakota to ensure that tribal-specific outreach, application assistance, and culturally appropriate service delivery for LIHEAP are maintained, so that eligible tribal households are fully aware of and can access the program; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that United Tribes of North Dakota hereby urges the State of North Dakota to commit to ongoing collaboration with tribal governments and United Tribes of North Dakota regarding the state's annual LIHEAP plan submissions, ensuring that tribal input is included and energy burdens are considered in benefit formulas; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that United Tribes of North Dakota hereby urges the State of North Dakota to prevent any administrative or funding delays that could affect tribal households, and to prepare tribal families for crisis heating assistance given their heightened vulnerability to severe weather and rural fuel access challenges; and

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that United Tribes of North Dakota hereby reminds the State of North Dakota that the federal treaty relationship, including the Treaty of Fort Laramie, underpins the obligation to protect tribal welfare, and that the state's cooperation and support of federally funded programs for tribal outcomes is consistent with honoring that commitment; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that United Tribes of North Dakota resolves to monitor the allocation, administration, and outcomes of LIHEAP in tribal communities, and requests that the State of North Dakota provide annual updates to United Tribes of North Dakota on tribal participation rates, benefit levels, and any state plan adjustments affecting tribal service delivery; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that United Tribes of North Dakota authorizes its Chairperson, or a designated representative, to transmit this Resolution to the Governor of North Dakota, the North Dakota Department of Health and Human Services, the North Dakota Legislature, and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, with copies provided to all member Tribal Nations; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption and remain in effect until the objectives stated herein have been fulfilled or, otherwise, until further action is taken by United Tribes of North Dakota.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned hereby certifies that the foregoing resolution was duly passed at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of United Tribes of North Dakota at which a quorum was present, held on the 7 day of November , 2025, with a vote of 9 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstaining, and 1 not present.



Jamie Azure
Chairman, Board of Directors
United Tribes of North Dakota

ATTEST:



ReNa Little-Lomes
Secretary, Board of Directors
United Tribes of North Dakota

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For Your Information

Hay Draw Cafe



Hay Draw Café:

Breakfast at 8am-10am

Lunch: 11am-2pm

Daily breakfast & Lunch specials will be different daily.

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Mandaree Field Clinic

The Mandaree Clinic will be open Monday through Friday from 8:00am to 4:30pm with a break from noon to 12:30pm.

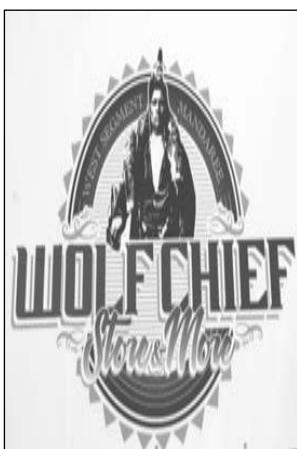
Family Nurse Practitioner, David Emmons, will be the Primary Provider and he will be available on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

Please Note: The Family Nurse Practitioner-David Emmons will not be at the clinic on Wednesdays.

The clinic will remain open on Wednesday for appointment set up.

**Wolf Chief Store is Open
Monday –Friday 6am– 8pm
Saturday & Sunday: from 10am-6pm**

If you have any questions or concerns you can call Manager



St. Anthony's Catholic Church Schedule:

Saturday: 7:30 pm New Town

Sunday: 8:30am New Town

Sunday: 11:00am Mandaree

Mandaree Foot Clinic Care

Foot Clinic:

Foot Care in the Mandaree Clinic will be on Wednesday, you are asked to please call 759-3422 or Sharlene at 627-7977 to schedule your appointment.

Mandaree Post Office:



Post Office Hours Monday-Friday: 12:00-4:00pm

Saturday Hours: 11:00am-1:00pm

Main Phone Line: (701) 353-8540

NHS College November Happenings



Campus Updates

November 11th – Campus Closed for Veterans Day
November 26th -28th – Campus Closed for Thanksgiving

Campus Events

November 2nd - Storm Sunday Brunch Fundraiser 10am-2pm in the Cafeteria
November 5th – UND Information Booth @ 10am – 3pm in the Front Lobby
November 13th - Lunch & Learn @ Noon in room 37 (DJ Driver)
November 14th – All Staff Meeting from 11am-1pm
November 14th – 16th – NHSC Equine Horsemanship Seminar @ Twin Buttes Fairgrounds
November 16th - Storm Sunday Brunch Fundraiser 10am-2pm in the Cafeteria
November 20th – Monthly Job Service Visit in Room 41 @ 9am
November 20th - Lunch & Learn @ Noon in Room 37 (Guest Speaker-Jessica Uran)

Athletics

All NHSC Home Games are all played @ Johnny Bird

November 1st & 2nd – Red Lake @ NHSC @ 7pm & 12pm
November 7th & 8th – NHSC @ St. Boniface (M & W) @ 8pm & 2pm
November 14th – NHSC @ United Tribes Technical College (M & W) @ 730pm
November 17th – NHSC @ Dickinson State (JV) @ 5pm
November 21st & 22nd – NHSC & Turtle Mountain Community College (M & W) @ 8pm & 3pm
November 25th – United Tribes @ NHSC (M & W) @ 730pm

Academics

November 7th – Last day to withdraw from term or drop with record
November 21st – On Site Registration for Returning Students

New Employee

Lenore Pausig – Accounts Payable/Payroll
Jordan Manning – Athletic Director



NHS College November 2025 Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	
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2 Storm Sunday Brunch Fundraiser 10am-2pm in the Cafeteria	3	4	5	6	7 Last day to withdraw from term or drop with record	8
9	10	11 Campus Closed for Veterans Day	12	13 Lunch & Learn @ Noon in room 37 (DJ Driver)	14 NHSC Equine Horsemanship Seminar @ Twin Buttes Fairgrounds All Staff Meeting from 11am-1pm	15 NHSC Equine Horsemanship Seminar @ Twin Buttes Fairgrounds
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For Your Information

The Vice of Pride



Since I presented the Virtue of Humility in the November article, I will present its nemesis in this article, Pride. This vice, this sin is one of the most prevalent vices among us humans, yet a sin that is the least recognized. There is good pride and sinful pride. Good pride is focused on God, on the other person. There is nothing wrong with telling a child that you are proud of him/her for making the right decision. There is nothing wrong with being proud about doing a good job or pursuing excellence as long as credit is given to God, as long as we acknowledge that these desires, these abilities, these gifts are all from God.

Sinful pride, on the other hand is not centered on God but on self. A classic definition of sinful pride would be the inordinate seeking of one's own excellence. The key word in this definition that indicates the sinfulness of pride is "inordinate." When the focus is not on God, actions become inordinate, become sinful. When the focus is on God, actions become virtuous, become humble.

In the November article on Humility, I offered concrete suggestions on how to counter pride. For this article, I will focus on exposing sinful pride in its various forms. If you go online using your favorite web browser and type in "fifty fruits of pride" you will find more about sinful pride. It is amazing how subtle and pervasive pride exists in everyday activities.

With some actions we do, pride is clearly visible because the focus is on us: I want to be well known or important. I am aggressively ambitious. I would rather lead than follow. I am fiercely competitive. I want to win at all costs and it bothers me when I do not win. I want to be the life of the party. I want people to be impressed with me. I want everyone to know what I have accomplished – the car I drive, the house I own, the place where I work, the people I know, how knowledgeable I am, how spiritual I am, etc. I like to talk about myself. I like to talk about others (gossip) because it makes me feel important – I have information others do not.

But ponder these subtle actions that also bring the focus on us: I do not desire to help others be successful or get excited for them when they are successful. I tend to be critical towards those who are doing well. I find myself not sleeping because I worry about tomorrow, my life or my future. I replay interactions with others in my mind wondering how I did, what I said or what they think about me. I am afraid to try new things or enter into uncomfortable situations. I am afraid of looking foolish or doing something wrong. I regularly compare myself with others. I tend to be a perfectionist and can't stand for little things to go wrong for it looks poorly on me. I have an answer for practically everything and an opinion for most every subject. I find it hard to admit that I don't know something. I view corrections as an intrusion into my privacy. I resent people who try

to correct me and become contentious and argumentative. I have a lot of personality conflicts and find it hard to get along with others. I am divisive-my actions and attitudes seem to separate people rather than unite them. I tend to be critical and negative of others. If we have discovered more pride in our actions than we care to admit, do not become discouraged. Turn these discoveries into reminders that we need Jesus and turn these reminders into opportunities to run to the Father. When St. Therese the Little Flower failed at something or committed a sin, she would immediately run to the Father like a little girl and tell him she was sorry. She would then ask the Father to lift her up into his arms and just hold her and punish her with a kiss. May our reactions to any sin we've committed always be as that of St. Therese.

May God Bless you Always & Have a safe and Happy Thanksgiving!

Love & Prayers

Father Roger A.Synek



Care Center Weekly Support Meetings:

Wednesdays: Women's Meeting 6:00pm at Care Center

Fridays: AA Meetings 7:00pm at Care Center

Sundays: AA/NA Men's Zoom Meeting with Verdell Thunderhorse at 7:00pm.

Contact Information:

Todd McKenzie: (701)421-9158

Verdell Thunderhorse: (715)501-8491

Aris Reimer Finley: (701) 421-0610

Donald McKenzie: (701)690-0308

Ze human Chazierman: (701)421-5343

CARE BUILDING

For Your Information

Zihx Ahdish Mandaree Jump House

The Mandaree Jump house will be open for private parties ONLY.

The cost is \$300.00

For your reservation you may contact Renay Brown at 701-421-4641.

Water Chief Hall Has These Applications For Your Convenience

- Employment
- LIEAP
- Chairman's Financial Assistance
- Small Loans
- Hidatsa Housing
- West Segment Grants and Donations
- Solid Waste
- Beautification
- People's Fund direct deposit

If you need any other application that's not listed, please let Loretta Lone Bear know and she will do her best to help get one. You can call the Water Chief Hall at 759-3377 and ask for Loretta.

Bingo time changed!



The 2025-26 Mandaree Celebration Committee will have bingo every Sunday at the Water Chief Hall with the early

birds at 4:00pm and the regular session at 4:30pm. The Mandaree Celebration Committee would like to inform the bingo players; that wakes or any emergency event or bad weather will take precedence over our bingo.

Come support your local celebration committee! Your support is greatly appreciated!

Numbers for Your Convenience

Water Chief Hall : (701) 759-3377

Mandaree One Stop: (701) 759-3609

Wolf Chief Store & More: (701) 759-3140

West Segment Elders Advocate Rosie Johnson: at (701) 759-3377 ext.227 Her cell (701) 421-8519.

Mandaree Clinic: Monday-Friday from 8:00am to 4:30pm phone 759-3422

Mandaree School: 759-3311

Mandaree Elders Program: 759-3092

Mandaree Emergency Services: 759-3492 & Fax: 759-3497

Mandaree Transfer Station: 759-3641

LIHEAP Fuel Assistance: 627-2364 & Fax: 627-2664

Tribal Police: 627-3617

MHA Drug Enforcement: (701) 862-4280

The Mandan, Hidatsa & Arikara Nation Free Food Resources

THE MANDAN, HIDATSA & ARIKARA NATION Free Food Resources

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MCKENZIE COUNTY FOOD PANTRY
212 2nd Ave NW, Watford City, ND
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MCLEAN COUNTY

COMMUNITY CUPBOARD OF UNDERWOOD
208 Lincoln Ave, Underwood, ND
(701) 595-0320
Open: 1st Thursday of the month 4 p.m. - 6 p.m.; 3rd Saturday of the month 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

GARRISON AREA RESOURCE CENTER AND FOOD PANTRY

71 Main St S Ste B, Garrison, ND
(701) 463-2020
Open: 4th Thursday of the month 12 p.m. - 2 p.m., 5 p.m. - 7 p.m.

MCLEAN FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

205 7th St, Washburn, ND
(701) 462-8643
Open: Monday, Wednesday, Friday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

THE LORD'S PANTRY

515 Kundert St, Turtle Lake, ND
(701) 448-2623
Open: 4th Sunday of the month 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.; 2nd Thursday of the month 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.

MAX FOOD PANTRY

215 Main St, Max, ND
(701) 389-0263
Open: 3rd Monday of the month 3 p.m. - 6 p.m.

WILTON FOOD PANTRY

42 Dakota Ave, Wilton, ND
(701) 734-6734
Open: 3rd Thursday of the month 3 p.m. - 5 p.m.

MOUNTRAIL COUNTY

MOUNTRAIL COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY 18
2nd Ave SE, Stanley, ND
(701) 629-1717
Open: Mondays 12:30 p.m. - 3 p.m.

DUNN COUNTY

DUNN COUNTY FOOD PANTRY
220 4th Ave SW suite A, Killdeer, ND
(701) 260-1967
Open: 1st and 3rd Wednesday 2 p.m. - 6 p.m.

DUNN COUNTY FOOD PANTRY SATELLITE SITE 30

4th Street South, Halliday, ND
Open: 1st and 3rd Wednesday from 3:30 p.m. - 6 p.m.

MERCER COUNTY

MARLENE'S FOOD PANTRY OF HAZEN
146 Main St W, Hazen, ND
(701) 870-0951
Open: Thursday 12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

MERCER COUNTY WARC

1500 7th St NE, Beulah, ND
(701) 873-2274
Open: Monday - Friday 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

WARD COUNTY

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St. NE, Minot, ND
(701) 852-0315
Open: Wednesday 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

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(701) 838-0746
Open: Tuesdays 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

IMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH

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(701) 839-3694
Open: Wednesdays 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

* ALL SAINTS EPISCOPAL CHURCH SOUP KITCHEN

301 Main St. S, Minot, ND
(701) 205-1541
Open: Thursdays 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

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120 5th Ave NW, Minot, ND
(701) 852-4852
Open: Sundays - 12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

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(701) 838-8925
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1725 Burdick Expressway W, Minot, ND
(701) 839-1990
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105 Main St. N, Berthold, ND
(701) 562-0041
Open: 2nd Tuesday of the month 10 a.m. - 12 p.m., 5 p.m. - 7 p.m.

BURLINGTON COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY 521

Dave St N, Burlington, ND
(701) 852-3880
Open: All services handled by phone

KENMARE FOOD PANTRY

117 2nd St. NW, Kenmare, ND
(701) 385-4528
Open: 2nd Monday of the month 11:15 a.m. - 12:45 p.m., 5 p.m. - 6 p.m.

* RYDER FOOD PANTRY

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(701) 578-5876
Open: 4th Saturday 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

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(701) 839-6478
Open: Sundays 12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

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(701) 839-1990
Open: Saturdays 10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.

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Health & Human Services

November Mandaree Elders Menu

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
3. Scalloped Potatoes Ham Cesear Salad Peaches	4. Sloppy Joe's Fries Pecan Pie Cookies	5. Liver & Onions Rice Carrots Caramel Rolls	6. Oatmeal Bacon, Egg & Cheese Quesadilla Yogurt	7. Kneopla Soup Bread Sticks Pumpkin Snickerdoodles
10. Indian Tacos All the Fixings Cheesecake Cups	11. VETERAN'S DAY NO MEALS	12. French Toast Hash Browns Boiled Eggs Sausage Links Strawberry Parfaits	13. Bacon Cheddar Gnocchi Soup Biscuits & Butter Apples	14. Million Dollar Spaghetti Breadsticks Peas Snicker Salad
17. Porkchops Baked Sweet Potatoes Green Beans Turtle Brownies	18. Biscuits & Sausage Gravy Boiled Eggs Oatmeal Apple Breakfast Bake	19. Tomato Soup Grilled Cheese Revel Bars	20. Thanksgiving Dinner Turkey, Ham Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Stuffing, Green Bean Casserole, Glazed Carrots, Buns, Pumpkin Pie	21. Philly Cheesesteaks Fries Plachenda (Pumpkin Dessert)
24. Denver Egg Bake Breakfast Potatoes Oranges	25. Creamy Taco Soup Cheese Quesadilla Glazed Donuts	26. Meatloaf Baked Potato Corn Pineapples	27. THANKSGIVING DAY NO MEALS	28. NO MEALS

ALL MEALS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE BASED ON AVAILABILITY

Twin Buttes:
938-3620

White Shield:
743-4121

Mandaree:
749-3092

Four Bears:
627-8100

Important Dates:

11/11: Veteran's Day- NO MEALS

11/20: Thanksgiving Dinner

11/27: Thanksgiving Day- NO MEALS

11/28: Thanksgiving Observed- NO MEALS

2025-26 Mandaree Warriors Girls Basketball Schedule

<u>DAY</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>OPPONENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>LEVEL</u>	<u>TIME</u>
Thursday	Dec 4	Parshall	Mandaree ND	JV	5:30 PM
Thursday	Dec 4	Parshall	Mandaree, ND	Varsity	7:00 PM
Friday	Dec 5	Central McLean	Mandaree, ND	JV	5:00PM
Friday	Dec 5	Central McLean	Mandaree, ND	Varsity	6:30PM
Monday	Dec 8	North Shore/Plaza	North Shore/Plaza	JV	5:30pm
Monday	Dec 8	North Shore/Plaza	North Shore/PLaza	Varsity	7:00pm
Friday	Dec 12	WTCS	Williston, ND	Varsity	5:00pm
Saturday	Dec 13	Washburn (DH)	Mandaree, ND	JV	5:30 PM
Saturday	Dec 13	Washburn (DH)	Mandaree, ND	Varsity	7:00 PM
Tuesday	Dec 16	Killdeer	Mandaree,ND	JV	3:00 PM
Tuesday	Dec 16	Killdeer	Mandaree,ND	Varsity	6:00 PM
Friday	Dec 19	Trenton (DH)	Trenton, ND	JV	3:00pm
Friday	Dec 19	Trenton (DH)	Trenton, ND	Varsity	6:00pm
Saturday	Dec 27	Capitol City Classic (Standing Rock JV)United Tribes		Varsity	1:00PM
Tuesday	Dec 30	Capital City Classic (Dayton Valley-EdinBurg) United Tribes		Varsity	1:30 PM
Friday	Jan 9	Flasher (DH)	Flasher, ND	JV	3:00 PM
Friday	Jan 9	Flasher (DH)	Flasher, ND	Varsity	6:00 PM
Saturday	Jan 10	New Salem (DH)	New Salem, ND	JV	1:00 PM
Saturday	Jan 10	New Salem (DH)	New Salem, ND	Varsity	4:00PM
Tuesday	Jan 13	New England	New England	JV	4:30 PM
Tuesday	Jan 13	New England	New England, ND	Varsity	6:00 PM
Saturday	Jan 17	Powers Lake (DH)	Powers Lake, ND	JV	4:30 PM
Saturday	Jan 17	Powers lake (DH)	Powers Lake, ND	Varsity	7:30 PM
Friday	Jan 23	Garrison (DH)	Garrison, ND	JV	3:00PM
Friday	Jan 23	Garrison (DH)	Garrison, ND	Varsity	6:00PM
Saturday	Jan 24	Wilton (DH)	Wilton, ND	JV	2:30 PM
Saturday	Jan 24	Wilton (DH)	Wilton, ND	Varsity	5:30 PM
Tuesday	Jan 27	Center- Stanton(DH)	Center, ND	JV	3:00 PM
Tuesday	Jan 27	Center- Stanton (DH)	Center, ND	Varsity	6:00 PM
Saturday	Jan 31	Berthold Bomber shootout	Berthold, ND	JV	TBD
Saturday	Jan 31	Berthold Bomber Shootout	Berthold, ND	Varsity	TBD
Monday	Feb 2	White Shield (DH)	Mandaree, ND	JV	3:00PM
Monday	Feb 2	White Shield (DH)	Mandaree, ND	Varsity	5:30PM
Thursday	Feb5	Belfield	Belfield, ND	JV	6:00PM
Thursday	Feb 5	Belfield	Belfield, ND	Varsity	7:30PM
Saturday	Feb 7	Warwick (DH)	Warwick, ND	JV	12:00 PM
Saturday	Feb 7	Warwick (DH)	Warwick, ND	Varsity	3:00 PM

Dates and Times are subject to change. Updated: March 28, 2025

2025-26 Mandaree Warriors Boys Basketball Schedule

<u>DAY</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>OPPONENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>LEVEL</u>	<u>TIME</u>
Friday	Dec 12	WTCS (DH)	Williston, ND	JV	4:30 PM
Friday	Dec 12	WTCS (DH)	Williston, ND	Varsity	7:30 PM
Saturday	Dec 13	Washburn (DH)	Mandaree, ND	JV	4:30 PM
Saturday	Dec 13	Washburn (DH)	Mandaree, ND	Varsity	7:30 PM
Thursday	Dec 18	Killdeer	Mandaree, ND	JV	5:30 PM
Thursday	Dec 18	Killdeer	Mandaree, ND	Varsity	7:00 PM
Friday	Dec 19	Trenton (DH)	Trenton, ND	JV	4:30PM
Friday	Dec 19	Trenton (DH)	Trenton, ND	Varsity	7:30 PM
Saturday	Dec 27	Capital City Shootout (Standing Rock JV)	Bismarck UTTC	Varsity	1:00 PM
Tuesday	Dec 30	Capital City Shootout (Dayton Valley Edinberg)	Bismarck (UTTC)	Varsity	1:30 PM
Monday	Jan 5	New Town	Mandaree, ND	JV	4:30 PM
Monday	Jan 5	New Town	Mandaree, ND	Varsity	6:00 PM
Friday	Jan 9	Flasher (DH)	Flasher, ND	JV	4:30 PM
Friday	Jan 9	Flasher (DH)	Flasher, ND	Varsity	7:30 PM
Saturday	Jan 10	New Salem (DH)	New Salem, ND	JV	2:30 PM
Saturday	Jan 10	New Salem (DH)	New Salem, ND	Varsity	5:30 PM
Saturday	Jan 17	Powers Lake (DH)	Powers Lake, ND	JV	2:30 PM
Saturday	Jan 17	Powers Lake (DH)	Powers Lake, ND	Varsity	5:30 PM
Thursday	Jan 22	Central Mclean	Mandaree, ND	JV	4:30 PM
Thursday	Jan 22	Central Mclean	Mandaree, ND	Varsity	6:00 PM
Friday	Jan 23	Garrison (DH)	Garrison, ND	JV	4:30PM
Friday	Jan 23	Garrison (DH)	Garrison, ND	Varsity	7:30PM
Saturday	Jan 24	Wilton-Wing (DH)	Wilton, ND	JV	2:30 PM
Saturday	Jan 24	Wilton-Wing (DH)	Wilton, ND	Varsity	5:30 PM
Tuesday	Jan 27	Center-Stanton (DH)	Center, ND	JV	3:00 PM
Tuesday	Jan 27	Center-Stanton (DH)	Center, ND	Varsity	6:00 PM
Saturday	Jan 31	Berthold Bomber Shootout	Berthold, ND	JV	TBD
Saturday	Jan 31	Berthold Bomber Shootout	Berthold, ND	Varsity	TBD
Monday	Feb 2	White Shield (DH)	White Shield, ND	JV	4:30 PM
Monday	Feb 2	White Shield (DH)	White Shield, ND	Varsity	7:30 PM
Saturday	Feb 7	Warwick (DH)	Warwick, ND	JV	1:30 PM
Saturday	Feb 7	Warwick (DH)	Warwick, ND	Varsity	4:30 PM
Monday	Feb 9	Alexander	Mandaree, ND	JV	5:00 PM
Monday	Feb 9	Alexander	Mandaree, ND	Varsity	6:30 PM

2025-26 Mandaree Warriors Boys Basketball Schedule

Thursday	Feb 12	Center-Stanton	Mandaree, ND	JV	4:30 PM
Thursday	Feb 12	Center-Stanton	Mandaree, ND	Varsity	6:00 PM
District Tournament					
Saturday	Feb 28	TBD	TBD	Varsity	
Monday	Mar 2	TBD	TBD	Varsity	
Tuesday	Mar 3	TBD	TBD	Varsity	
Regional Tournament					
Monday	Mar 9	TBD	TBD	Varsity	
Tuesday	Mar 10	TBD	TBD	Varsity	
Thursday	Mar 12	TBD	TBD	Varsity	
State Qualifier game					
Saturday	Mar 14	TBD	TBD	Varsity	
State Tournament					
Thursday	Mar 19	TBD	TBD	Varsity	
Friday	Mar 20	TBD	TBD	Varsity	
Saturday	Mar 21	TBD	TBD	Varsity	

Tuesday, Feb 11. C squad. New Town. Mandaree, ND 4:30pm

Dates and Times are subject to change



Mandaree Elementary Little Cheer Squad



MANDAREE LITTLE CHEER SQUAD

GRADES 2-6
GIRLS AND BOYS

STARTS NOVEMBER 17TH
PRACTICE TIMES AND LOCATION
WILL BE POSTED
CLOSER TO START DATE!
SIGN UP SHEET WILL BE AT THE
SCHOOL.

CONTACT INFO
AMANDA DEVILLE 421-8119
MAREA DEVILLE 421-7525
TIA MANDAN 421-0239

 FOR UPDATES:
FOLLOW
TAT-FITNESS AND REC-WEST
SEGMENT



Mandargę School Culture Węk

Culture week



November 17th, 18th, 19th,
20th

- Monday-rock your braids
- Tuesday-ribbon shirt or skirt
- Wednesday-moccasin day
- Thursday-wear something beaded or quilled

Celebrate your Native pride this week!

Mandaree School News

Spotted Horse Receives North Dakota State Recognition



Mrs. Jeanine Spotted Horse has worked very hard at the Mandaree School for the past 17 years. According to Mrs. Spotted Horse; "I was substituting for a very long time here at the school. I've been working very hard towards my teacher's license. This past all that hard work paid off. As of this past August, I now have my own classroom. It was then she got her teacher license and today she teaches kindergarten. Anyone who knows Mrs. Spotted Horse knows that she is a very hard-working woman. She has a lot of commitment and dedication that she puts into her every work day.

Outside of the school house, Mrs. Spotted Horse worked with the Mckenzie County Election Board and she worked with them since 2012. It was quite an honor for this home town teacher to receive this award from the North Dakota Secretary of State. On her award it states she is the 2025 Election Hero.

That may not be the only place she's a hero, Mrs. Spotted Horse is a hero to many students inside the walls of the Mandaree School. She currently has two of her own kids in school. One in the 8th grade and the other in the 5th grade.

On behalf of West Segment we say congratulations on an award so very well deserved.



ARE YOU READY?!

MANDAREE WARRIORS 2025 ALUMNI GAMES

**TUESDAY,
NOV 25, 2025**




**MANDAREE HIGH
SCHOOL**


ALUMNI MENS VS.
WARRIORS HIGH SCHOOL

6:00PM

ALUMNI WOMEN VS.
LADY WARRIORS HIGH SCHOOL

7:30PM





**COME AND SUPPORT THE PAST
AND THE PRESENT OF MANDAREE
BASKETBALL!**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION
CONTACT ATHLETIC DIRECTOR
MICHAEL DEVILLE (701) 421-5814**

For Your Information



MHA Nation Bridge To Aid Incident Response PSA

#1 Dear Community Members,

The United States has officially entered the longest shutdown in its history as of today; As this shutdown continues, The Three Affiliated Tribes Mandan-Hidatsa & Arikara Nation recognizes that many households, enrolled and non-enrolled in our area, are being directly and negatively impacted. These households are not just those who rely on the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), but also active military families and federal workers who have been working for over a month without pay, those primary and sole sources of income is social security benefits, and others.

Our incident response is to help support all community members in this challenging time, Representatives from over a dozen tribal programs,

emergency services, community volunteers, and external organizations have readily stepped up this week to unify and collaborate under the coordination of the MHA Emergency Operations Center to implement food continuity solutions for these households. We are united in the belief that no one should go hungry in our homelands, regardless of race or enrollment status. This includes enrolled members who reside off the reservation.

There was unfortunately a delay in putting out timely information to the public over the last several days but we have received the primary information we were waiting for from TAT Human Services yesterday afternoon regarding what assistance TAT Social Services can offer. SNAP reliant households are strongly encouraged to contact their office to see if General Assistance is an option for them as soon as possible. Please see the list below compiled by the incident response team of other forms of aid to household in need.

Options for Emergency Assistance

#1 individuals can apply for General Assistance with Social Services by submitting a US Department of the Interior BIA Application for Financial Assistance with Social Services Form 5-6601. See attached link <https://www.bia.gov/online-form/application-financial-assistance-and-social-services> and the hard copy of the form at the end of this announcement. This financial assistance is available to individuals who reside on the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation who choose not to close their SNAP/TANF case with State. General Assistance is based on household size, and a check will be issued to the head of household for monthly living expenses. This assistance is equal or greater to what households receive monthly from \$474.00 for one individual up to \$2600.00 for a household of ten. Currently, Social Services can provide some immediate support for those who apply and whose General Assistance application are approved, a \$150 grocery order for the household can be supplied to help in the first 48 hours while they wait for their monthly allocation. For more information and assistance, please contact Human Services Administrator Nicole Poitra at (701) 421-0444 or TAT Social Services office (701) 627-8107 or visit the Social Services Audrey Davy Building located at 404 Frontage Road, New Town, ND Monday-Friday 8:00am to 4:30pm.

#2 Individuals who opt to close their SNAP/TANF case will qualify for the TAT Food Distribution Program (Commodities) See attached link <https://www.mhanation.com/food-distribution-program> (form is near the bottom of the page) and the hard copy of the form at the end of this announcement. To be eligible for the Three Affiliated Tribes Food Distribution Program individuals must meet the income guidelines, live on the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation or within counties but not on the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation, applicants must provide at least one tribal ID from any federally recognized tribe. **For more information and assistance, please contact the Food Distribution Program**

MHA Nation Bridge to Aid Incident Response PSN

Office at (701) 627-4292 or visit their office at 503 9th Street N. New Town, ND Monday-Friday 8:00am-4:30pm.

#3. List of Pantries in Mckenzie County, McLean County, Mountrail County, Dunn County, Mercer County and Ward County. Please see the compiled list of pantries near the Ft. Berthold Indian Reservation. You may be asked to show your identification or a utility bill to verify your address. These services are confidential. All are encouraged to donate to the local pantry wherever you reside. **# 4 is already done.**

#4. Date Passed.

#5. Great Plains Food Bank & TAT Aging Services Elders Food Kits
The TAT Aging Services has a partnership with GPFB to distribute food kits to elders residing on the Ft. Berthold Reservation. Please contact Aging Service at (701) 627-4913 for more information.

#6. Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) helps eligible families with home heating and weatherization costs. The program partially pays the cost of natural gas, electricity, propane, fuel oil, coal, wood or other fuel sources. The program covers weatherization services; (insulation, weather stripping around doors and windows etc.) Furnace cleaning, repair, and replacement, chimney cleaning and inspection, Emergency assistance and help with the cost of cooling device or repair. North Dakota Residents can apply here; <https://www.hhs.nd.gov/applyforhelp/liheap>. TAT LIHEAP is a federally funded program that assists low income Three Affiliated Tribes and other Federally Recognized Tribes households with their home energy costs related to heating and cooling, that reside in our around a 12 mile radius of the exterior boundaries of the FBIR, then the head of household must apply to their local state program. <https://www.mhanation.com/liheap-and-csbg>

#7. FBIR Food Drive. A region wide Food & Essential Household Supplies Food Drive Campaign begins this week! Donation Collection Points are being set up in each segment these were ready on November 7th. Our Segment Coordinators are currently coordinating with the Logistics Section and Operations Sections on arrangements. These same sites will also serve as local Food Pantries. Donations of nonexpired, nonperishable canned and boxed foods, essential household goods for those families in need in our area are welcomed. We will let everyone know when we are set up to accept perishable foods at these sites. There is already an established donation collection point in Four Bears Segment at the Johnny Bird Memorial Center.

Government plays an important role in supporting its citizens, but we each have a personal responsibility to care for the people in our communities, especially those in need. We are scaling up efforts and putting a call of action out to those in our community who can help and have asked how they can help their neighbors ensure food security through this challenging time. We invite and encourage all industry, private sector, nonprofits, educational institutions community and volunteer groups to help us meet the needs in our area of North Dakota.

We aim to help every household in need during this time, which is considered an emergency for a growing number of families. This is no different than what our tribe has done during the Covid-19 pandemic, and before that, the Lewis & Clark Expedition and even earlier than that..

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Working together, we can ensure everyone's dignity is respected and no one will have to go without the critical nutritional assistance that they need.

In Service,

Bridge to Aid Incident Response Command & General Staff:

Incident Commanders: Emily Sitting Bear & Sadie Young Bird

Public Information Officers: Jaime Anderson & Nyamka Reese

Liaison Officer: Catherine Everett

Operations Section Chiefs: Nathaniel Mayer & Sydette Askie

Planning Section Chiefs: Thomas Nash & Kylea Ortega

Logistics Section Chiefs: Richard Hosie & Joseph Jahner

Finance/Admin Section Chiefs: Jaylee Four Swords & Georgia Leppell

Segment Coordinators:

North Segment-Nathaniel Mayer

Four Bears- Komiko DesJarlait-Garcia

West Segment- Kelly Bradfield, Josie Bingen-Heart, Katarina Nyberg, Marle Baker

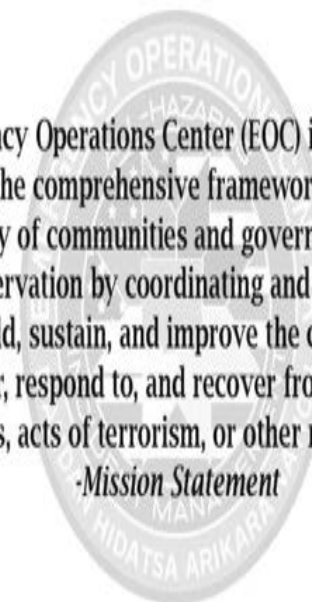
South Segment- Sommer Cummings & Jake Sage

East Segment- Tevin Dixon, Thomas Bonilla,

Northeast Segment- Monica Dixon

The MHA Emergency Operations Center (EOC) is tasked with creating and maintaining the comprehensive framework that will reduce the overall vulnerability of communities and government infrastructure on the Ft. Berthold Reservation by coordinating and integrating all activities necessary to build, sustain, and improve the capability to mitigate against, prepare for, respond to, and recover from threatened or actual natural disasters, acts of terrorism, or other man-made disasters.

-Mission Statement



Obituary

Dan'elle Terese Michell was born on October 28, 1988 in Sidney, Montana to Robert Michell Sr., and Terrie (Claymore) Blake.

She was raised in both North Dakota and Montana, living in New Town, Poplar, Havre, and Billings. She was an enrolled member of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe.

Dan'elle attended school during her early years and later earned her GED. Her stepfather Gordon Blake, was an important figure in his life. Known by several nicknames, including Nell and Dani, her mom always called her Tweeters. Dan'elle was blessed with her son, River James Michell in 2014.

She was a loving mother with River as her guiding light. They shared a strong bond. Throughout her life, she held a variety of jobs, mostly working as a retail clerk. She was friendly and took pride in helping others. Dan'elle also helped others in need, especially the elders and veterans. She volunteered with a youth organization, helping where needed.

Dan'elle had many friends and was always eager to make new ones wherever she went. With her radiant smile, she could light up any room she entered. Family was especially important to Dan'elle, and she cherished spending time with her loved ones. She enjoyed watching movies and listening to all kinds of music.

On Monday, November 3, 2025, Dan'elle Michell passed away at a hospital in Billings, surrounded by family.

She was preceded in death by her father, Robert Michell Sr., grandparents; Lillie Mae Smith and Terrance Claymore Sr., Theodore R. Michell and Rose Moran Michell; great grandparents, John (Sage) Smith and Nellie White Hawk Smith; brother/cousin, Mckenzie Wounded Face and many aunts, uncles and cousins.

Dan'elle is survived by her mother, Terri Mae Blake (Gordon); son, River James Mitchell; brother, Bobby Michell, sisters; Michelle Mitchell and Julia Michell Ricker; special nephew, Jett Mitchell; special niece, Kodi Mitchell; and special aunts; Joleen Fox, Wanda Smith, and Gwen Claymore and many other aunts, uncles and cousins.

The family would like to sincerely thank you for your acts of kindness and thoughtfulness. Following the graveside service,

Please join us in the church fellowship hall for a traditional meal.

Obituary

In Loving Memory Of

Dan'ell Terez Mitchell

October 28, 1988~November 3, 2025



Funeral Mass:

Saturday, November 8, 2025 at 10:00am

St. Anthony Catholic Church Mission

Mandaree, North Dakota

Celebrant:

Father Roger A. Synek

Active Pallbearers:

Jett Mitchell

Jeremy Wounded Face

Richard Fox

Don Fox

Michael DeVille

Forester Middleton

Denver Spotted Bear

Cordell Mann

Honorary Pallbearers:

Hilary Gourneau and Rebekah Acord

All of Dan'ell's many friends

Ladies Auxiliary Post 9061

Final Resting Place:

St. Anthony Catholic Cemetery

Mandaree, North Dakota

Obituary

Edward Lone Fight passed away peacefully at age 86, surrounded by family. Born on the Fort Berthold Reservation to Maybella (Good Bird) and Theodore Lone Fight, he lived his entire life in service to the Mandan, Hidatsa and Arikara Nation; as educator, tribal chairman, language keeper and elder whose quiet strength guided generations. As tribal chairman from 1986-1990, Edward fought for his people's rights with the same careful determination he brought to everything. In 1988, he met with President Ronald Reagan, a meeting that became the catalyst for the Just Compensation Bill, which was the culmination of decades of struggle for fair compensation for lands lost to Garrison Dam. Under his leadership, the tribe established the reservation's first dialysis center and comprehensive diabetes program, founded Mandaree Electronics and LCM Company to bring jobs home, created a solid waste disposal system across the reservation's scattered communities, and began repatriation work to bring ancestors home. He testified before Congress, articulated the case for justice with precision and force, and helped secure resources the tribe still depends on today. But Edward's work extended far beyond those four years. He spent over two decades in education, earning his biology degree at Dickinson State University-among the first tribal members to do so-before completing two master's degrees, one in education, one in public administration. He worked to transform boarding schools that had once sought to erase indigenous identity, including his time as superintendent at Chemawa Indian School in Oregon. Later, he helped implement the Tribal Colleges Act and develop equitable funding formulas for Native school nationwide. He returned home to guide Mandaree School, first as guidance counselor, later as superintendent, retiring in 2000 after decades of investing in young people. Edward spoke Hidatsa fluently, opened meetings with traditional blessings, and carried himself with the dignity of someone who understood where he came from. Descended from Buffalo Bird Woman (Waheenee), the renowned Hidatsa historian and culture keeper and from Chief Four Bears and Sheheke, prominent leaders of the Mandan people, he honored that legacy not through words but through action: language preservation, cultural revival, the quiet work of teaching anyone who asked to learn.

Those who knew him remember his warmth most. He had a way of making you feel like the most important person in the room, whether you were a tribal elder or a child asking questions. His humor arrived regularly and warmly, delivered with laughter that filled rooms. He never rushed off the phone without making you laugh. He moved between worlds with ease-traditional regalia and business suits, ceremonial grounds and congressional hearings-because he never saw them as separate, just different expressions of the same commitment.

From 1994-1998, Edward guided the Tribal Programs office through expansion, nurturing initiatives he'd seeded during his chairmanship. Retirement changed nothing essential as he continued arriving at ceremonies, answering calls that mattered, moving through the community with that particular gravity people had come to trust. Even from New Town in these later years, he traveled to gatherings that needed his voice, carrying forward what four decades of leadership had taught him to hold. When his health declined, family gathered close. Prayers and songs surrounded him as he prepared for the journey home to the ancestors.

Edward Lone Fight is survived by his children, Lisa Lone Fight, Anthony Lone Fight, Karen Lone Fight, and Megan Lone Fight. Grandchildren; Darren Lone Fight, Eliza Yellow Bird, Spencer Lone Fight, Reed Lone Fight, Aleeya Lone Fight, Edward Schilf, Adrian Schilf, Circe Clunie; great grandchildren; Amaria Lone Fight, Elias Lone Fight, Uriel Lone Fight, Liam Thomson, and Alorah Lone Fight; siblings; Sharon Lone Fight, Pete Lone Fight, Tana Lone Fight, and Ted Lone Fight III, and countless other relatives and friends across Indian country.

We carry him forward in the language being learned, in the programs still serving our communities, in the way we greet each other with warmth and care. Edward showed us how to lead by serving, how to honor tradition while building toward tomorrow, how to walk through this world with both strength and gentleness. He has gone home to the ancestors, but his remains with us in every young person learning Hidatsa, in every gathering opened with blessing, in the continuing work of justice and care he championed. His service to his people will echo for generations.

Obituary

In Loving Memory Of
Edward Long Fight
Cagaag Cagi (Good Bird)
May 28, 1939 ~ November 1, 2025



Wake:

Tuesday, November 4, 2025 at 5:00pm at the
Mandaree High School in Mandaree, ND

Funeral Services:

Wednesday, November 5, 2025 at 10:00am at the
Mandaree High School in Mandaree, ND

Officiant:

Pastor Kevin Finley

Active Pallbearers:

Edward's grandsons

Senior Pallbearer:

Delvin Driver Jr.

Honorary Pallbearers:

Edward lived a life of service, laughter, and deep respect for his people. As Chairman, he devoted himself to the well-being of the community he loved. In his retirement, he found joy and fellowship among friends at bingo and on the golf course.

Today, he would wish for his people to stand beside him once more as his honorary pallbearers, for every step of his journey was guided by his desire to bring honor to the MHA Nation.

Final Resting Place:

Lone Fight Family Cemetery
Mandaree, North Dakota

*With
Deepest
Sympathy*

On behalf of West Segment we would like to extend our heartfelt sympathy to the family and relatives of Edward Lone Fight and to Dan'ell Mitchell. Our prayers go out to your family and relatives during this sorrowful time.

Councilwoman Gladys Sherry Turner-Lone Fight & Personal



On behalf of West Segment we would like to wish everyone a safe and Happy Thanksgiving as we all gather with our family and relatives.

Many thanks & blessings!

From Councilwoman Gladys Sherry Turner

-Lone Fight & Personal

WEST SEGMENT
MANDAREE, ND

*Turkey and Givings
Basket Giveaway*

WATER CHIEF HALL

TUESDAY NOV. 25, 2025 10A.M.-8P.M. ENROLLED MEMBERS	WEDNESDAY NOV. 26, 2025 4P.M.-6P.M. NON-ENROLLED MEMBERS
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COURTESY OF COUNCILWOMAN SHERRY TURNER-LONE FIGHT AND STAFF:

THE WEST SEGMENT, ENROLLED TRIBAL MEMBERS WILL HAVE PRIORITY, THEN NON-ENROLLED TRIBAL MEMBERS LIVING IN THE WEST SEGMENT COMMUNITY CAN RECEIVE FOOD BASKETS, IF AVAILABLE

ONE BASKET PER HOUSEHOLD 19 AND OLDER PLEASE HAVE TRIBAL I.D. FOR VERIFICATION OF RESIDENCY PLEASE CONTACT

RENAY BROWN
701-421-4641 FOR MORE INFORMATION..



Happy Birthday Wishes To Our Elders!!



- Arvella White
- Dora Gwin
- Sharon Lone Fight
- Annette Peck
- Curtis Hall Sr.
- Darryl Finley
- Katherine Holding Eagle
- Sherry Turner Lone Fight
- Lila Gwin



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