

TWIN BUTTES TIMES



The South Segment administration will strive to serve members of the South Segment living both on and off the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation, to further their living standard, promote self-sufficiency, sustainable energy, and food sustainability within the tradition of the Mandan, Hidatsa, and Arikara Nation.

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COUNCILMAN SPOTTED BEAR'S GREETINGS



Hau Numakaki aame

(Greetings to all),

As I write this piece for the newsletter we are approaching the peak of our growing season. June 21st, the longest day of the year, is just a few days away. I hope those of you who planted this spring are seeing your gardens coming in. Sierra and I have planted a small garden in our front yard, but I think our kids might have drowned all our plants! None-the-less we are thankful to have a simple plot to tend, there are many teachings that go along with the gardens.

I would like to give my condolences to all those who recently lost loved ones. My condolences go out to my friend Fawnah Mumma and the family of the late Mike Mumma. Mike was a friend of mine and he was my neighbor. He was a very talented man and good at many things, a true handyman. I enjoyed visiting with him and I was thankful when calling upon his expertise in auto mechanics. Mike will be missed but his perpetual spirit will forever live on and we are all thankful to know that.

I would like to give my congratulations to all of the graduates. This year we had 13 Headstart graduates, four boys graduated from Jr. High in Twin Buttes, and we had quite a few High School graduates from the local area who have family ties to Twin Buttes. Every graduation in one's life is a stepping stone and as parents it is all we could have asked for our children; to be successful. Both of my grandmothers, Ollie Benson and Martina Ross expressed to me the importance of an education. Both women told me "an education is something no one can ever take from you."

Congratulations to Bill and Elaine Incognito on their 50th wedding anniversary, and to Don and Diane Tomlin on their 50th wedding anniversary as well. 50 years of marriage, awesome! Bill and Elaine, Don and Diane, may your future together continue to be blessed.

Development progress continues to move along in the Twin Buttes community. The dirt work is starting to happen. The foundation has been

poured on our Twin Buttes tribal building expansion and upgrade. The walls to the new addition will be going up very shortly. They will begin pouring concrete at our solid waste transfer station site. It will be a concrete foundation, fenced in, a monitoring station, roll-off dumpsters, as well as bins designated for recycling purposes.



Dirt work has started in our West Housing area. We are phasing in an additional 15 to 17 new homes in the area. The foundation has been poured at our gas station. We are working to get the gas pumps operable with credit card readers sooner than later, hopefully, while the construction of the store is on-going into the fall months.



We will start the dirt work just west of west housing, near the Headstart building. This area is designated for our athletic fields, playground, and family picnic area. An all-season inflatable sports dome is in the planning stages for the athletic field area. Inside the dome will include a 9-man football field made of artificial turf, indoor track, batting cage, as well as other healthy fitness activities. We have such a short summer/outdoor season here in our region it is vitally important to have a facility that allows us to continue our athletic programs on into the winter months. It will lift the spirits of the children to see the green indoor field in the middle of winter. In the outdoor athletic area will be a parking lot, soft-ball field, outdoor basketball court, horseshoe pits, picnic area, playground, and an 18 hole Frisbee golf course that will have a cultural informative landmark at each tee box to showcase our local history and heritage. The dirt work for the expansion of our Twin Buttes Memorial Hall will soon be underway as plans are being finalized and preliminary soil sampling and surveying are wrapping up.

Our elder's center design has been configured. The elder's center will be attached to a

proposed new clinic. The new clinic will be a future phase of the elder's center. Dirt work will start very soon.

Twin Buttes Custom Homes building is being addressed for water and run-off issues. Historically the building has had issues with water. It was built in a wetlands type of area and a portion of the building has been steadily settling and sinking over the years. The dirt is being graded and the site is being reconfigured and designed to shed water away from the building. Work on the inside of the building is on-going and our construction crew continues to make improvements. I invite anyone who would like to witness the progress to stop by any of the development sites for a visit and a tour.

The elder's meals and Bountiful Baskets food coop will be starting soon. An elder's meal cook is currently being hired and meals are scheduled to start very soon. Before a service is provided in a community there is so much preliminary work that has to take place. There are hours spent planning, budgeting, and problem solving. For example, it was a great challenge to secure Twin Buttes as a "drop-off" site or the Bountiful Baskets food coop. I would like to thank Brittany Benson for all her work accomplishing this. I would like to thank Allan Demaray for all his work on the elder's meals as well as working on licensing opportunities for our future day-care providers. I would like to thank Blanche Hunts Along for coordinating many of the events that occur in our community sponsored by our segment office. The list is long of all the people on our staff who deserve recognition and a sincere thank you, I will continue to give praise where praise is due in future newsletters. Everyone on the South Segment staff is working very hard on behalf of our entire segment.

In the next couple of months I will attempt to get visual concepts of some of the development projects that are underway in Twin Buttes so everyone can see some of the exciting facilities and services that are coming. It is all fun and exciting stuff and we have much to look forward to.

In closing I wish everyone abundance, prosperity, good health and happiness, fun and enjoyment at this year's annual Twin Buttes Celebration. Enjoy the powwow and all the fun events that surround the entire weekend. I encourage everyone to continue to work together to see what good we can do for our children, our community, and our homelands.

*Hahoo, a'taro'sh.
Councilman Cory Spotted Bear
Twin Buttes Representative*

TWIN BUTTES POLICE DEPARTMENT



Hello Champions.

I like to first start by thanking the community for the house that you have provided to us, the Officers of the Twin Buttes community. Thank you very much to everyone.

Summer is here and that means more time out in the fine weather. Well when it's not raining. More time out could lead to drinking alcohol and should you desire to consume alcohol please drink responsibly. Don't drink and drive. If you have an off-road vehicle, please operate it with all the safety equipment and know the limits of the vehicle.

On Saturday June 20th during the Twin Buttes celebration, there will be a seat belt check point from 8:00pm to 10:00pm. This is only a seat belt check point to help the community on seatbelt awareness and child safety seats. This is not a DUI check point but action will be taken if any persons are operating motor vehicles under the influence.

Sincerely,

Sergeant Dustin Krueger
Three Affiliated Tribes
Police Department



"Oh good Officer! You can settle an argument. She says I'm drunk and I say I'm not!"

TWIN BUTTES VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT



Devon, Juan & Zach putting out a grass fire

On Monday June 1, 2015 Twin Buttes was met with a unique situation, there was a grass fire down at the celebration grounds. Armed with only a few shovels, and a few bottles of water Devon Starr, Zach Benson, Juan Diaz Corral, Sierra Spotted Bear, and Brittany Benson were able to contain the fire. It took Halliday Rural Fire department approximately an hour to respond to the fire.



Marle talks to the room about creating a Fire Dept.

On Thursday June 4, 2015, Thanks to Allan Demaray, Marle Baker came to meet with us and something unprecedented happened. With Mr. Baker's guidance Twin Buttes Volunteer Fire Department was formed. During the meeting we discussed such things such as the Three Affiliated Tribes fire code, and the bylaws put in place by the Mandaree volunteer fire department. As part of the official protocol, the 24 members present elected our district board.

Morley Spotted Bear was elected president by a landslide, and Dustin Krueger, in a much closer race took position of vice president. Brittany Benson slid into the secretary/treasurer position and Zach Benson and Devon Starr were elected as members at large in a tight and amusing race.

The next item at the meeting was to elect the Twin Buttes Volunteer Fire Department chief and assistants. Shannon Wolf was voted in as Fire Chief, with James Jacobs and Jake Bosley as the first and second assistants. There are also talks of having a safety and training officer.

Lastly, we have not decided on our official name and will be open to suggestions from all those interested in becoming a volunteer. These items and more will be discussed at the next meeting. Please stay tuned for our next meeting date and time to be announced on our Honeywell instant alert system.

Brittany Benson
Secretary/Treasurer
Twin Buttes Fire Fighter Board

On behalf of the Twin Buttes Volunteer Fire department, we would first like to thank Marle Baker and Allan Demaray for helping the community fire department start up. We know this is just the beginning and we have a long road ahead but it is a start. We are still looking for a name, particularly a name with history in the community, one that the fire fighters could take pride in. If you have any ideas please let us know.

We have yet to set a date for our first meeting but hope that it takes place soon. We will give out community updates and let everyone know the progress of fire department as the information becomes available.

I would like to start putting out safety notes and here is the first. Thank you all and have a safe summer.



Wild land fire safety reminders
Action steps for around your home:

- CLEAR leaves and other vegetative debris from roofs, gutters, porches and decks. This helps prevent embers from igniting your home.
- REMOVE dead vegetation and other items from under your deck or porch, and within 10 feet of the house.
- SCREEN in areas below patios and decks with wire mesh to prevent debris and combustible materials from accumulating.
- REMOVE flammable materials (wood piles, propane tanks) within 30 feet of your home's foundation and outbuildings, including garages and sheds. If it can catch fire, don't let it touch your house, deck or porch.
- Wildfire can spread to tree tops. PRUNE trees so the lowest branches are 6 to 10 feet from the ground.
- KEEP your lawn hydrated and maintained. If it is brown, cut it down to reduce fire intensity. Dry grass and shrubs are fuel for wildfire.
- Don't let debris and lawn cuttings linger. DISPOSE of these items quickly to reduce fuel for fire.
- INSPECT shingles or roof tiles. Replace or repair the shingles that are loose or missing to prevent ember penetration.
- COVER exterior attic vents with metal wire mesh no larger than 1/8 inch to prevent sparks from entering the home.
- ENCLOSE eaves and screen soffit vents using 1/8 mesh metal screening to prevent ember entry.

Dustin Krueger
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The MHA Nation Satellite Office serves tribal enrolled members of the Three Affiliated Tribes (TAT) who live off the reservation and/or in the Bismarck-Mandan area. The Bismarck satellite office has provided small loan, tribal enrollment, 477 training, Higher Education, T.E.R.O APPLICATIONS~ Holiday gatherings and our end of the school year summer picnic.

The Bismarck Satellite Office schedules for a variety of TAT tribal programs for a day periodically throughout the year to provide services to our enrolled members who live in the Bismarck-Mandan area. Such programs may include: the TAT Enrollment Office (providing tribal ID cards), the Tribal Diabetes program (education & awareness seminars), the Elbowoods Memorial Health Center (flu shots/HIV-Hep C testing/immunizations), and other educational programs from back home.



Calvin Black Hawk, Val Finley Jr., Leah Black Hawk, Anita Green, Daunelle Marsette, Meranda Sanderson & Mark Little Owl

~Happy Spring Enrolled Members of the Three Affiliated Tribes~

Reminder: We have staff who can notarize Minor Disbursement Forms and other documents for TAT enrolled members free of charge. In addition to our previous services, we now offer:

Assistance with Health Education

- Nursing Care Services
- Medication (Pickup & Distribution)
- Transportation for medical appointments (when one has no ride)
- Assistance with making health/medical appointments & referrals
- Assistance with Health Insurance information
- Tutoring (elementary, middle school & high school students)
- Assistance with FAFSA, Seeking College Scholarships/ Grants & GED
- Advocacy with social services issues (960's ~ child protection services)
- Community referrals for individual and family care/services

Please watch our Facebook page, future flyers, and postings for upcoming health screenings being made available to our enrolled members living in the Bismarck-Mandan-Lincoln areas!

Sincerely,

The MHA Nation Satellite Office Staff



"Hau numakaki aame"

Greetings to everyone! My name is Allan Demaray and I'm the Chief of Staff for our South Segment Office. It is my great honor and opportunity to serve my people in this capacity. I spent my childhood in our beloved homelands of Twin Buttes and I have always come back to be a part of our unique community. My heart fills with the light and love that our people have for one another and I continue to try and be the embodiment of the best of the great MHA nation.

Each of us, as people of the earth, continue our wonderful journey of life and all its great mysteries. We as a people see the unlimited power and hope within the wondering eyes of our children as life unfolds before them. Fostering hope and teaching the beauty of life to our children is our most important responsibility so that our children can be the best human beings that they can be. It is up to us to create a nurturing, supportive learning environment and provide opportunities for maximum growth.

Part of building such a learning space includes ensuring cultural and traditional teachings are wrapped into the education and enlightenment our community receives, and revitalizes. This is the work that brings me to our community; to provide cultural development in our work environment to increase our consciousness of ourselves and the world we live in. In order for our children to grow in a healthy environment, we as a people must be willing to be the embodiment of love. Our love of family, community, life and Creator makes us brave with the gifts we receive and earn. I recently had the opportunity to share some of these teachings with colleagues, friends, and relatives in the community.

The first part of our journey through our cultural development was to understand some of our stories relating us to our people and the land. The medicine wheel ideology was incorporated in understanding ourselves as human beings and how we are related to each other. Through this method we understand the fire, the earth, the water and the air and how we are the elements. We also learn how the seasons of life pertain to us and the colors of life, as life is full of colors in our daily perception. These concepts help us to become more conscious of the world within and around us as human beings.



The earth lodge concepts of community were also incorporated into our thought process and how we depend on each other for success. It took a community to build an earth lodge. Community members from children to elders were needed to craft our traditional dwellings; we drew myriad teachings from these structure, and in understanding the home fires of the earth lodge. The structure itself reflected the teaching of balance, which is required from the ground up; without balance, the entire lodge would fall. This teaching is true too for our communities; we are vitally and inextricably tied to each other, and dependent upon one another for our community to thrive.



"by sharing the load, the weight is lighter"

Another activity we undertook was understanding what it is to carry the weight of the people. This teaching is done by an individual who carries a weight that represents leadership. After some time of explaining this the individual gets tired and is required to allow other leaders to help carry the weight. As leaders we share the responsibility with one another. By sharing the load, the weight is lighter – and by working together in harmony, the load is less burdensome.

The buffalo has taught our people a great deal of life and continues to do so. The buffalo robe toss is an old game which our people played for centuries; the teaching activity I derive from it is

a variation of this. This activity helps two groups to understand the cooperation we need as a people. Each group has to hold onto the buffalo robe and throw a ball in the air four times. This is difficult if all participants are not in balance with each other through teamwork. The people soon become in-balance with one another and the task is fulfilled. Teamwork and selflessness is required to fulfill this activity.

Thought and consciousness is always emphasized in our team building exercises. One activity is physically passing ideas from one person to another. First, we pass thought (ball representing thought) in a circle where everyone touches or passes the idea. This is easy with our eyes open. Afterward we close our eyes to truly depend on each other; if the ball is dropped then everyone has to do pushups. Another ball is added to this activity going in the opposite direction which makes everyone focus on multiple thoughts and this takes trust and teamwork to accomplish this activity.



“...he or she must earn the trust of those they lead.”

Trust is a foundation for any leadership position. In order for an individual to be an effective leader, he or she must earn the trust of those they lead. We demonstrate this trust through a simple guiding task. This activity tests our leadership and our ability to follow directions. One individual is blindfolded and has to listen to the other while completing an obstacle course. Once this is done then the blindfolded person has to give directions to the other who is blindfolded. A good leader is also a good follower.

We learned a lot together as a community with these team building activities and we were challenged to work with each other for the success of the people. The journey in life brought us to a deeper understanding of the universe within and the exterior universe we share. This was a wonderful opportunity and a great honor to offer these events to the people. I want the people to remember that a good leader has good followers; a great leader creates and inspires others to lead.

Hahoo, a'taro'sh.

Allan Demaray
Chief of Staff
Twin Buttes New Town Office

It was hard to be indigenous. It probably still is. And yet we loved to celebrate life as we knew it. There was a particular way of doing it; A celebration of gathering.

To be more particular, it involved the expectation of a younger generation carrying the flame, the desire to continue celebrating as indigenous people.

In the later times of our indigenous timeline, they held schools for us.

Back in the late 1950's, after the flooding of Elbowoods, children had to leave for school for good education. And before they went, the community or as parents of large families decided to put on a celebration for the children before they left. It wasn't easy starting it. We had people back in those times donating what little they had or how much some few people had of the benefits the Garrison dam brought

HISTORY OF TWIN BUTTES POW-WOW

for them. Rest assured the money was scarce and used for important things. That's what this powwow was for us in the days of spiritual struggle. Important.

My grandpa Edwin Benson recalls that year of the first powwow as a good year, a good powwow. "It turned out real good! It continued on because it turned out so good. The second year then White Shield started. White Shield wanted a powwow like Twin Buttes had. And after that one started; Little Shell." My mother continued to ask, "So as far as you remember, Twin Buttes was the one that started first?" My grandpa responded quickly, "Kind of started, yeah." And everybody else soon followed.

"It was originated by the cause of this Garrison dam." He pointed the direction of where it's at.

The grandfather of all powwows of the Three Affiliated Tribes was the Elbowoods powwow, once held on the fair grounds. Where the government subsidize for the tribe which included wells and all of the necessary water work used for gatherings. Even camp grounds right along the timber for powwows back then were initiated. And all for the districts of each tribe gathered along for this ancient powwow and things were simple, beautiful and needed. They've met each other there, seen each other, relatives of friends and new friends made up. Different reservations came in from Standing Rock and Crow Agency, and even very few from Canada to visit such a place that once was.

So, pushing forward through time, what has changed? You could say as a definitive answer was the oil boom. But let's look past that for a good portion of what I could speculate.

When we were once banded as a whole community even with different tribes, everyone had the ideal agenda for how powwows started, particularly how the Elbowoods powwow started, especially in its prime. Ever since the flood, we spread out for new homes and separated. This fortunately wasn't that bad of a situation to totally disband each other as we are still affiliated. But, looking onwards to the present day we have maybe lost our way of how it was. Just a little bit.

Remember the days that you have not lived but can only envision of what our grandmothers and grandfathers say.

Oil money will play a big part in our society and rightly so, because the corporations are feeding off the land we own. But I might argue what the cost of having such a luxury of money and how things maybe easier than it was before. I pontificate the idealism of economical-mainstream attraction, opposing a traditional get-together as how most elders would say; "How it should be." It makes sense for the tribe(s) to give in to the corporatocracy to make ends meet more fluently. This may be the cause of the new generation not precisely following the tradition our fore parents taught us. Now I say "following" as opposed to learning, meaning we may very well have already learned but because of the privilege we have now, we soundlessly push aside ideology given to us in our younger years. Even we do follow suit of traditions given, we mix it up, falsify it and we might not even know it.

The language barrier holds true sentiment to this cause because we found it easier and harder for us to communicate as different tribes for a sole celebration. In those days we banded because of our only home.

What I'm saying is, the more we value our tradition we can definitely subdue our celebration as modern placeholders of true gathering.

"It's a bad thing, I think. We all look for something easy, we all look for hand-outs, us Indians. If that money ever ran out, then what?" My grandpa asked with a stern face.

One of the interesting ways we would fund raise a powwow was, the singers back in the day would sing outside of people's houses and sing for money. Especially Mandaree singers back in those days. They would come here to Twin Buttes and earn money by singing. Though, it wasn't out of the blue for events like that to happen, it was announced. My grandpa recalls this like so, "If you wanted to do that here, you would have to get singers from here and go to

other communities. That was possible. But, you have to have it announced before you do that. So when they come, they expect you that day you were going to be there. You'll be ready, prepared for them. You don't just jump up and go start singing and think you'll get something, it don't work like that. You always planned everything ahead of time and let it be known."

Who were the Twin Buttes singers?

My mother asked my grandpa, "The Twin Buttes singers, who were they? Was you one of them?" My grandpa with a sly smile replied, "Yeah, I was kinda pretending to be one!"

Societies within the communities formed throughout the years and perhaps a crow society in Red Butte district north of where the powwow grounds lay towards the peak of the hills. Sitting Crow's home with a family of deep tradition, respected whole fully to the ways, originated from a Mandan tribe that got left behind long ago, called (forgive my spelling on this tribe) Numpdadi. A part of a Mandan tribe that spoke a different type of Mandan that differentiates of what we know.

"Dad and Salvin, Sage, Albert Little Owl, and Ralph, it was them that sang." My grandpa said. These were the Twin Buttes singers or perhaps one of them that represented Twin Buttes.

Back then there wasn't a host drum to begin with. Drummers sat anywhere in the arena. "Little Shell started the numbers on the drums. There would be so many drums there but not like here, at the most 6 or 8 drums, maybe. Little Shell had 21 drums and they had to start to number them, now everybody does that.

"Everybody that shows up were able to sing and knows what they're singing. That's why they're there. And enjoy singing. We're all not made and born to sing. That was like a gift, to be singing.

Grand Entries were a different thing back then. Hell, it even came from a movie. "People from the south, I don't know what tribe it was, but that tribe would have an opening for a dance. It's kind of a sacred dance, that that tribe does and they sing on a long hide, not like a circle drum, they sing it because it's sacred. When they started singing it, that movie, they all had snakes, they were dancing with live snakes as they came in like this [gestures his body as if he were holding a snake with his two hands dancing] all the way around the arena dancing. Some people liked that, they seen that. We could do that! Bring live snakes." My Mother laughs as my grandpa continues dancing. "And that's where Grand Entry began. So it actually started snake dancing - what it is. So it's kinda of a dangerous sacred thing to, you know. We shouldn't do that but we do any damn thing here, you know." My mother laughs again.

It was hard to be indigenous. It probably won't be anymore. Until that day comes we won't know who we were, or how we started. Who our ancestors are, who we came from. We won't know how we suffered and endured. Nature made us warriors of survival. Celebration was the calling of people to unite as life's many rewarding pleasures we took upon ourselves. Gatherings made us whole and unity was the backbone of traditions kept alive. We knew how the world worked and it made us stronger as each millennium progressed. We fell to the spirits above calling for their guidance and we have learned prosperity. We recognized the poetry of dancing and it made our hearts warm. We knew the healing power it had and we used to for the people in need. Today it's easy to be indigenous. It's a good day to be indigenous.

Byron Everett

TWIN BUTTES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



Inspired by the awesomeness of this Jaguire at the Minnesota Zoo



Enjoying rides at Nickelodeon Universe

We are happy to report that we have completed yet another very successful school year. We were able to finish our school year with an awesome field trip to Minneapolis, MN. While we were in Minneapolis we visited the Minnesota Zoo, the Minnesota Science Museum, Nickelodeon Universe and Sea Life Aquarium in the Mall of America.

Needless to say, it was a very busy but fun trip. The staff and students who participated in the trip would like to thank all family and community members who contributed through our MANY fundraisers.

Also a huge thank you to Councilman Spotted Bear for his generous donation. You all helped to help make this trip an amazing adventure!

I would like to recognize and congratulate our 8th grade graduates: Blaize Gegelman, Ryan Gullickson, Justice Howling Wolf, and Chad Morsette, Jr. We wish you all the best of luck as you venture into your high school career!

As we start the summer months, I'd like to remind everyone of our Summer Food Program. Hot lunch begins June 8, 2015. Meals will be served from 12:00 pm/CT to 1:00 pm/CT. Meals are free for children up to age 18. Anyone over 18 will be charged \$4.00. Meals are served Monday- Thursday until July 31, 2015.

We have a very limited staff working through the summer months. If you need something, please call the school first to make sure the person you need is working. If it is an important issue that cannot wait, feel free to contact Sandy Starr at 870-2688, or Josh Sage at 870-0351.

Have a safe and relaxing summer!

Sandy Starr
Superintendent/Principal
Twin Buttes School



Playing in these giant teeth at the Minnesota Science Museum



Mars Explorers at the Science Museum



Our young ones enjoying time at the pool

THE TWIN BUTTES SCHOOL DISTRICT IS ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS UNTIL FILLED:

Elementary Teacher

Salary: Depends on Experience

Qualifications: North Dakota Teaching Certificate K-8

Job Summary: Responsible to work as a Classroom Teacher to teach in K-8 school. Grade to be determined depending upon qualifications. Job to start for the 2015-16 school year.

Para Professional – 2 positions

Salary: Depends on Experience

Qualifications: Associates degree (or higher) from an institution of higher education

Job Summary: Assist Classroom Teachers with duties that are instructional in nature and deliver services to students. Job to start for the 2015-16 school year.

All applicants subject to background checks. Selected applicants must comply with alcohol and drug-free policy, drug testing requirements and must adhere to all employment related policies adopted by the Twin Buttes School District. Applicants wishing to be considered for these positions must submit completed applications (include all supporting documentation – licenses, diplomas, certifications, tribal enrollment, military service, etc) to the Twin Buttes School.

For more information or to obtain and submit an application for employment, contact

Sandy Starr, Principal, Twin Buttes School,
7997 7A Street NW, Halliday, ND 58636
or call 701.938.4396.

Twin Butte's Clean Up Day



TWIN BUTTES FIELD CLINIC

The Twin Buttes Field Clinic will be closed Friday, July 3rd in celebration of the 4th of July weekend.

WIC will be available at the Twin Buttes Field Clinic Tuesday, July 21st from 11-2pm CST. Stop by to pick up your WIC checks!

CLINIC HOURS

8:00AM - 4:30PM CST
Monday - Friday
Main Phone Number
701-938-4540



Dr. Orlan Jackson, D.O.
Monday
9:00AM - 4:30PM
Friday
9:00AM - 4:30PM CST



Andrea Richter, FNP-C
Tue / Wed / Thur
9:00AM - 4:30PM

Recommended Safety Tips

- Obey all local laws regarding the use of fireworks.
- Know your fireworks; read the cautionary labels and performance descriptions before igniting.
- A responsible adult SHOULD supervise all firework activities. Never give fireworks to children.
- Alcohol and fireworks do not mix. Save your alcohol for after the show.
- Wear safety glasses when shooting fireworks.
- Light one firework at a time and then quickly move away.
- Use fireworks OUTDOORS in a clear area; away from buildings and vehicles.
- Never relight a "dud" firework. Wait 20 minutes and then soak it in a bucket of water.
- Always have a bucket of water and charged water hose nearby.
- Never carry fireworks in your POCKET or shoot them into METAL or GLASS containers.
- Do not experiment with homemade fireworks.
- Dispose of spent fireworks by wetting them down and place in a metal trash can away from any building or combustible materials until the next day.
- FAA regulations PROHIBIT the possession and transportation of fireworks in your checked baggage or carry-on luggage.
- Report illegal explosives, like M-80s and quarter sticks, to the fire or police department.

MEMORIAL HALL HOURS

MON-FRI	5-7PM CST	OPEN TO KIDS
MON	7-9PM CST	TEEN NIGHT
TUES	7-9PM CST	VBALL NIGHT
WED	7-9PM CST	MEN'S NIGHT
THUR	7-9PM CST	WOMEN'S NIGHT
FRI	7-9PM CST	OPEN GYM

TWIN BUTTES MEMORIAL HALL BUILDING NEWS

The Memorial Building welcomes the month of June! Lots of visitors, people using the facilities to full advantage. We have B&GC kids in the am's, and the high school crowd coming in on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1pm-3pm doing various basketball drills etc.. Maybe even get a good game going!

We have coffee on early for the visitors/workers in the area everyday. A great new rubber mat flooring will be installed in the weightroom. All our fellow weight lifters will appreciate that. Zumba has been put on hold for the month of June.

One thing i would like to share is the change in the mornings around here! Every week day morning there are people out and about working like ants. Its good to see all the activity, especially when it is our very own community members. People have jobs and people are working hard.

One more share.. Twin Buttes is now the proud owner of the "Smoothie" stand! Sharon Jacobs is the newest, bestest smoothie maker ever. The Smoothie Stand will be at all the local pow wows on the weekends. Also, hoping to maybe have burgers and such during the weekdays for our local hard working people.



The whole Twin Buttes Community is preparing for the big celebration, hope to see everybody there enjoying themselves, visiting friends and family. Please feel free to stop by and say Tashka'sha?[male] /Tashka'na'?[female] (How are you?)

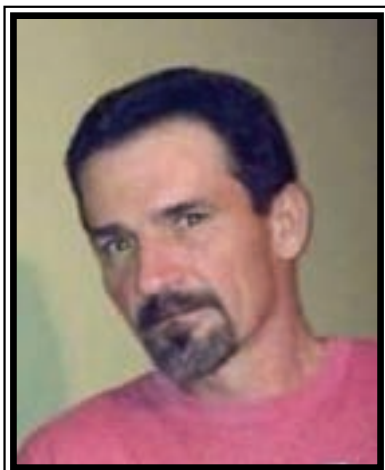
Any questions feel free to call (701)938-4737

Geneva Kazena
Staff
Memorial Hall

The Twin Buttes Field Clinic would like to wish everyone a fun and safe 4th of July!



In Loving Memory



Michael Muma
(March 14, 1967 - May 30, 2015)

MIKE MUMA, 48, of Twin Buttes, ND peacefully ended his fight with cancer on May 30, 2015 during his brief stay at Knife River Care Center, Beulah. Services will be held at 11:00 AM CDT on Wednesday, June 3, 2015 at Barbot Funeral Chapel, Beulah with Pastor Barry Zietz officiating. Cremation will follow funeral services. Mike was born in Yale, Michigan to Jack and Mary (Sokolick) Muma on March 14, 1967. Mike attended Brown's City school system until his graduation in 1985. In 2010 Mike joined the Eagles of Dickinson. On June 1, 2013 he married his best friend Fawnah White in Dodge, ND. Together they lived happily in Twin Buttes until his brief stay at KRCC in Beulah. Mike was a happy spirited guy who loved to work. Not only was Mike an excellent mechanic he was also a good machine operator. Mike enjoyed working on wood projects and playing on ATV's or dirt bikes. A few of Mike's favorites consisted of the Detroit Lions, Detroit Tigers, Justin Verlander and Nascar's Dale Earnhardt Jr. #88. He also enjoyed playing pool and challenging his wife to a good game of darts. Mike is survived by his wife, Fawnah; his dad, Jack Muma; sister, Cindy Chrzanowski; two step-daughters, Maggie and Maddie; one step-son, Ian; one son, Chad McNary; one niece; one nephew; his mother-in-law, Svea (Louis) Lizer; and his father-in-law, Floyd White. He was preceded in death by his grandma, Sokolick; his mother, Mary Muma; one brother, Chris Muma; and one niece, Stacy Imerzel.

Arrangements are conducted by Barbot Funeral Home, Beulah and Hazen.

NU'ETA LANGUAGE INITIATIVE

NUU'ETA IROHAA TASHKAHAA EHERO'SHA? — HOW DO YOU SAY IT IN MANDAN?

The sound recordings of the following phrases can be found on the Mandan Facebook page.

HĄPE TASHKANASHO'SHA? — HOW'S THE WEATHER?

Depending on the context, hąpe can mean either day or weather.

The little hook under ą in hąpe indicates that the sound is nasalized (pronounced through the nose). Any vowel with a hook under it is nasalized.

Remember that men and women are addressed differently. When you ask a question from a man, add -'sha to the question; when you ask a question from a woman, add -'na.

A statement ends with -'sh when the person talked to is male and with -'re when she is female.

The phrases and sentences below are presented in the male addressee form. Replace -'sha with -'na and -'sh with -'re if the addressee is female.

The apostrophe ' represents a glottal sound, such as in the English expression uh-oh.

A: Hąpe tashkanasho'sha? How's the weather? (literally, "how's the day")

B: Hąpe shi'sh. The weather is good. (literally, "the day is good")
B: Hąpe xiko'sh. The weather is bad. (literally, "the day is bad")

B: Naresho'sh. / Hąpe naresho'sh. It's hot. / The weather is hot.
B: Shiniho'sh. / Hąpe shiniho'sh. It's cold. / The weather is cold.

You can add waaxtani very or matjijhta outside to naresho'sh and shiniho'sh:

Waaxtani naresho'sh. It's really hot.
Matjijhta shiniho'sh. It's cold outside.

Add ki- to the adjective when the weather is changing or has recently changed. The literal meaning of ki- is to become. In some words, such as naresho'sh it is hot, you have to use ka- instead of ki- (kararesho'sh it's become hot.)

A: Hąpe tashkanasho'sha? How's the weather?

B: Hąpe kishi'sh. The weather is getting better / has become good.
B: Hąpe kixiko'sh. The weather is getting bad / has become bad.

B: (Hąpe) kararesho'sh. It's getting hot / has become hot.
B: (Hąpe) kishiniho'sh. It's getting colder / has become cold.

You can add xamahxaa a little bit, somewhat to expression with ki-. The sound x is pronounced as guttural h (as if you were cleaning your throat). The sound hx is pronounced as an extra long x in casual speech. Example:

Hąpe xamahxaa kishi'sh. The weather is a little bit better.

In the previous newsletter we learned the word tu'sh / tu're there is, as in the sentence Waraxuure tu'sh There is coffee. It can also be used in weather related expressions:

Haare tu'sh. It's cloudy. (literally, "there are clouds")
She' tu'sh. It's windy. (literally, "there is wind")

Instead of saying "there is wind", you can also say "the wind is big":

She' xte'sh. It's windy. (literally, "the wind is big")

TASHKANITOSHA AKI NUMAK AKI

(HELLO ALL INDIAN PEOPLE)

We here at the Nu'eta Language Initiative are working hard to produce some different materials for those wishing to learn our sacred language. We have been beefing up our employment by hiring 5 new individuals. Four of which will be working through the Indiana University. The fifth will be a temporary hire for the summer who will help us with out strategic planning by creating a 5-year language plan. We are continuing to look to the future and wanting to see more fluent speakers. This is going to require more language advocates from the communities. If you or someone in your community is willing to learn or teach your children the Nu'eta Language, we are asking for your assistance. It has to be a collective

effort in order for our language to thrive. The Immersion School we are planning is in the works through the Twin Buttes Day Care. It will be our greatest asset whereas our children should be our target audience. They will live and learn here in our communities and with the language as a tool; they should be able to bring the Nu'eta language back to life. We appreciate the help of our elder, grandpa Edwin Benson, for his years of service and effort of recording the language. If it weren't for him and a few others, we would be starting from scratch. They have given us a foundation to work from and this has become our guide to how we are creating our language materials.

Washiraharanito'sh
(Thanks to all of you)

Marty Young Bear

Director

Nu'eta Language Initiative



Returning to Our Gardens Event
in Twin Buttes

Sponsored by the Nueta-Sanish-Hidatsa College & NDSU Extension Office




For information on the G.E.D. program,
please contact Sierra Spotted Bear at (701)421-1342

ANNOUNCEMENTS

61st Annual
TWIN BUTTES
Celebration
2015
"EMBRACING OUR YOUTH"
JUNE 19, 20 & 21
CAMPING DAY JUNE 18
TWIN BUTTES, ND

2nd Annual
Darrell & William Jacobs
Memorial Horseshoe Throwdown



In Loving Memory
 Saturday, June 20th
 Rodeo Grounds, Twin Buttes, ND


For more information contact: James Jacobs 701-938-3525

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR ELDERS

June Birthdays:

- Connie Stone (6/4)
- Joy Burr (6/5)
- Elaine Incognito (6/7)
- Don Tomlin (6/9)
- Tom Young Bird (6/10)
- Arleen Benson (6/18)
- Ardith Whitman (6/27)
- Delmer Wilson (6/27)

Sorry if we missed anyone's birthday, it was not our intention.



UPCOMING POWWOWS

Twin Buttes	June 18, 19, 20 & 22
Parshall	June 25, 26, 27 & 28
White Shield	July 9, 10, 11 & 12
Mandaree	July 16, 17, 18 & 19
Little Shell	Aug 6, 7, 8 & 9
Four Bears	Sept 3, 4, 5 & 6

MONTHLY MEETINGS

ELDER'S ORGANIZATION

MEETING TIMES:
 EVERY 3RD WEDNESDAY
 10AM (CST)

COMMUNITY BOARD

MEETING TIMES:
 EVERY 3RD WEDNESDAY
 6PM (CST)

SCHOOL BOARD

MEETING TIMES:
 EVERY 2ND TUESDAY
 4PM (CST)

HAPPY



Fathers's Day!
 Sunday June 21st


Letters to the Editor



If you are interested in submitting an article, an announcement or a nomination for the Community Spotlight in our next newspaper, please e-mail your submissions to Alisha Brim at: Abrim@mhanation.com before the submissions deadline. Please include "TBT Submission" in the subject line.

Deadline for Vol. 1/Issue 5 – July 2015 is Thursday July 9th

HONEYWELL ALERT SYSTEM



If you have not yet signed up for the Honeywell Community Alert system, please contact Lori Fredericks at 938-4396. The Honeywell system alerts you to announcements for the community as they become available. For best results, all community members are encouraged to join the Honeywell system.



If you are interested in receiving a copy of the Twin Buttes Times in the mail, please send your name and address to Sierra Spottedbear at: sierra.yellowflower@yahoo.com

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Hello everyone! I have started working with Bountiful Baskets to try and get a drop off site right here in Twin Buttes, and my hope is that, by the time you are reading this it will be set up!

Bountiful Baskets is a food co-op that brings fresh fruit and vegetables to our community at a fraction of the cost. It works in such a way, that a group of people "contributes" a set amount of money (through credit/debit card on www.bountifulbaskets.org) and then that money is used to buy produce in bulk. Our segment will be providing baskets to our elders within the community, and we would like to see everyone utilize this program. Every other week different items are available from mangoes, oranges, and strawberries to lettuce, cucumbers and squash. As a community it is important that we work together to make this happen, we will need volunteers on the Saturdays that food is delivered. If we work together this process will be quick and easy. Please stay tuned for volunteer times and any other announcements that will be sent out over our Honeywell instant alert system. I encourage you to check out www.bountifulbaskets.org and register for an account. If you need any help please give Brittany Benson or Sierra Spotted Bear a call, or stop by the Nu'eta Language Building, or The NHS Community College mentor site. Brittany can be reached at 701-301-1328 and Sierra can be reached at 701-421-1342.



Coming Soon!!

The Mandan Immersion Program will be starting up soon. This program is for children ages 2 and younger. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the Nu'eta Language Initiative for more information.

The Nu'eta Language Initiative would like to invite our community members to join in our Open Language Classes.

Monday	12:00pm to 1:00pm
Tuesday	5:30pm to 6:30pm
Wednesday	12:00pm to 1:00pm
Thursday	5:30pm to 6:30pm
Friday	12:00pm to 1:00pm

St. Josephs Christian Youth Camp

High Schoolers - June 28th-29th
Grade Schoolers - June 30th - July 3rd
Swim Day for all ages - July 3rd



Come experience the fun of Christian Youth Camp at the Twin Buttes Memorial hall! If you have any questions please contact Pam Fredericks at 938-4703

Happy Golden Anniversary

50 Years


Bill and Elaine Incognito

Happy Golden Anniversary

50th Anniversary

Donald & Diana Semlin

June 9th, 2015

701-938-3293

www.bgcatat.org

Office Hours:
10:00AM - 3:00PM

Club Hours:
3:00PM - 7:00PM

Sommer Cummings (Branch Manager)
and Alyssa Starr (Activity Coordinator)



Warrior Challenge Horse Races will be in conjunction with the Twin Buttes Celebration on Sunday June 21st. Categories for all ages as well as special tribute to veterans "Rescue Fallen Warrior" race.

Registration at 9am, races start at 10am.

Sponsored by the Twin Buttes South Segment and Nu'eta-Hidatsa-Sahnish College. For more information, call Jessica White Plume at (701) 421-0420



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