

Honoring akicita, heroes

Honoring the sacrifices made by akicita, or warriors, is a long-established tradition of the Dakota oyate and other Indian nations. Therefore, participation by Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribal veterans and their families in South Dakota's World War II memorial dedication in Pierre on Saturday, September 15, 2001, was to be expected.

A combined color guard, consisting of veterans of the Agency Village American Legion Post 314, SWST Vietnam Veterans Association, and the local BRAVO chapter, represented the Tribe and Lake Traverse Reservation in a parade featuring 137 entries.

The day of remembrance and recognition of World War II veterans was highlighted by unveiling a World War II memorial along Capitol Lake.

During the parade and unveiling ceremony, two of the Sisseton-Wahpeton Tribe's WWII veterans participated on the review stand alongside Governor Bill Janklow: Rev. Floyd L. Heminger, and Winfield J. Thompson.

Rev. Heminger performed his military duty with the Third Armored Division, Invasion of Normandy, France, Omaha Beach, June 6, 1944, the Battle of the Bulge, Ardennes Central Europe, December 1944, and other areas of battle and campaigns in Europe.

Winfield Thompson is a survivor of the infamous Bataan Death March and WWII prisoner of war. Places of imprisonment: Camp O'Donnell, Luzon, Philippine Islands, 4/9/42 to 5/6/42; work detail at Balanga, Luzon, P.I., 5/7/42 to 7/3/42; Japanese Prison CP#1, Cabanatuan, Luzon, P.I., 8/1/42 to 7/15/44; transferred to Prison Camp #23, Kyushu, Japan, 7/16/44 to 9/19/45. In November 1988, during a traditional wacipi, Winfield was presented with the Prisoner of War Medal. In addition, he holds the American Defense Service Ribbon with Bronze Star in Lieu of Clasp Victory Medal, Asiatic-Pacific Theater Service Medal with three Bronze Stars, Philippine Defense Service Medal, and Distinguished Unit Badge with Two Oak Leaf Clusters.

Participating in the reviewing of the parade and dedication ceremony, Rev. Heminger and Winfield Thompson were representing many other Sisseton-Wahpeton veterans, some alive and present for the day's activities, others deceased, and spouses who were also invited to Pierre on September 15th.

There are 274 SWST members identified as WWII veterans; six killed in action (KIA); three prisoners of war (POWs); eight women; one Pearl Harbor survivor; and Lakota Code Talker, Philippine Islands and Pacific area.



SISSETON-WAHPETON DAKOTA AKICITA INCLUDED IN WWII MEMORIAL UNVEILING AT PIERRE -- United veterans organizations of the Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe, Lake Traverse Reservation, carry flags in the statewide World War II veterans ceremonies held in Pierre on Saturday, September 15th. For photo highlights, see pages 8 and 9 inside this issue of the Sota Iya Ye Yapi.

Seeking roster of current service personnel

The Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe is compiling a list of all current Tribal members in uniform – in all branches of the U.S. military forces.

A major purpose is to develop as complete a roster as possible of all Tribal members involved in Operation "Infinite Justice," President Bush's worldwide campaign against terrorism.

If you are currently serving, or you know of anyone who is serving, please contact the office of SWST Vice-Chairman: SWST, Vice-Chairman Jake Thompson, P.O. Box 509, Agency Village, SD 57262; telephone (605) 698-3911.

United Sioux Tribes sends President Bush resolution of support



(Editor's note: The following statement, from Chairman Charles Murphy, Standing Rock Sioux Tribe and United Tribes of North Dakota, shows the overwhelming support from the United Tribes for the nation's unified response to the terrorist attacks.)

September 17, 2001
President George W. Bush
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear President Bush:
On behalf of the United Tribes of North Dakota, which is our intertribal organization comprised of the elected leaders of the five tribes of the state including part of South Dakota, and the Board of the College (United Tribes Technical College, Bismarck), we wish to express our continued firm support of your work and efforts to alleviate the horrendous acts of terrorism which impact on all of us. We urge you to continue to provide that leadership and to take the necessary steps.

These acts are of a vile and immoral nature and we offer our heartfelt sympathy and prayers for those who have lost loved ones in the tragedy

in New York City and at the Pentagon, along with the innocent citizens lost in the hijacked jets.

Our tribal leaders met this past Saturday to offer our condolences and support for all the victims, the nation, you and our leaders who can make the difference in resolving this matter. The members of our Board include the Chairman and another elected official from the Spirit Lake Dakota Nation, the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe, the Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe, the Three Affiliated Tribes of Fort Berthold, and the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa. If you should need further information please do not hesitate to contact me or President David M. Gipp.

Sincerely, Charles W. Murphy, Chairman, United Tribes and the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe.

The following are excerpts from an accompanying United Tribes resolution:
WHEREAS, Terrible and horrific events occurred on September 11, 2001, which have

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**Tribal akicita
promoted to
Sergeant-Major**



TRIBAL MEMBER PROMOTED TO RANK OF SERGEANT-MAJOR -- This stylized photo shows the promotion ceremony held for B.J. Kitto, who was promoted to the rank of Sergeant-Major in the U.S. Army National Guard on September 15, 2001. (For more information, and photos, see page three inside this edition of the Sota.)

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Sota guest editorial feature –

Wellbriety community observance next Thursday

(Editor's note: The wellbriety feature comes from Sisseton Wahpeton Community College.)

Local Wellbriety Month events are scheduled for Thursday, September 27th, 2001 at Agency Village, South Dakota. The day will begin at the Tribal Gym at 9:00 a.m. with a prayer, followed by a wellbriety walk. A wellbriety forum is scheduled for 10:00 a.m., lunch at noon, and wellbriety talking circles at 1:00 p.m.

Everyone in the local and surrounding communities is invited to attend as many of the events as possible. The main sponsors of these events are: the Women's Circle, Dakotah Pride, Weed and Seed, Boys and Girls Club, Sisseton-Wahpeton Law Enforcement, Native Hope, Sisseton-Wahpeton Housing Authority, SWST Treatment Court, American Legion Post 314, and BRAVO.

September's emphasis on the need for people to strive for "wellbriety" is not a new idea. People of every time and every culture have realized this need. A few years ago I was privileged to visit the Historic Indian Village at Mitchell, S.D. We learned about how native people had lived, survived, and died; all in a space of a few short years. (Researchers believe that their life span was twenty to thirty-five years.) I was struck by the realization that how people live, respect, support, and love one another really constitutes what is important in life.

Today, our mainstream society would like to convince us that money is the only thing we need in life. The emphasis on a "culture of money" overflows in the verbal and visual media all around us. As people begin to recognize the brokenness (the effects of drug, alcohol, tobacco, and other abuses) of life, they more they begin to realize the need to heal the loneliness and separation from themselves and others.

The horror of September 11th seems very remote to many of us, something that we don't really want to think about. At the same time it sneaks into our consciousness when we least expect it. We are reminded that the world of the United States will never be the same sweet innocent place of freedom that it was when we were children. Last month we were excited about flying to a far-a-way place, or a friend or relative was enjoying being part of a "peace-time military." The worst part of the terrorism threat is that it is like a virus, it doesn't seem to be there until it strikes! Or is it?

There are people who believe that change is only achieved by forcing people to live according to enforced laws or regulations. Another theory focuses on public protest as a vehicle. A third theory focuses on the individual - emphasizing that how people treat each other eventually rubs off on others until change is effected. Certainly all of these methods effect change, yet each of us will have a different conception and attitude toward each of them.

It would seem to make sense that the journey to wellbriety must begin with a single step -that of each individual joining together with family, community, society, and nation to work toward a common goal. Could it be that the real answer to the huge and terrible problem of terrorism is as simple as learning how to respect life, ourselves, and each other? In the process, is it not possible that we could learn how to slay the dragons of prejudice and intolerance? Is it not possible that the absence of prejudice and intolerance would eventually rub off on the entire world? Is it not possible that our reaction to need for wellbriety will influence many beyond our homes and community?

The observances planned on September 27th each of us to a new awareness of ourselves and our community. The SWHA Drug Elimination Program supports the observance of September as Wellbriety Month. Ms. Diane White, the acting director, actively works to help individuals and family escape from the slavery of chemical abuse. The following list of the characteristics of substance abuse are meant to help people recognize the warning signs or evidence indicating substance abuse so that more individuals can be helped to overcome it.

SWHA Drug Elimination Program

Behavioral Characteristics associated with Substance Abuse

- *Abrupt changes in school or work attendance, grades, quality of work, discipline, work output.
- *General attitude changes and /or irritability.
- *Withdrawal from responsibility.
- *Deterioration of physical appearance and grooming.
- *Impaired performance at school or work.
- *Association with known substance abusers.
- *Unusual borrowing of money from friends, parents.
- *Stealing small items from home, school, work.
- *Secretive behavior regarding actions possessions; to avoid attention and suspicion.

Signs characteristic of use of specific substance/Alcohol

- *Odor on breath.
- *Intoxification.
- *Difficulty focusing; glazed appearance of the eyes.
- *Uncharacteristically passive behavior; or combative and argumentative behavior.
- *Gradual (or sudden in children/adolescents) deterioration in personal appearance and hygiene.
- *Gradual development of dysfunction, especially in school/work performance.
- *Absenteeism.
- *Unexplained bruises and accidents.
- *Irritability.
- *Flushed skin.
- *Loss of memory (blackouts).
- *Availability and consumption of alcohol becomes the focus of social or professional activities.
- *Changes in peer group associations and friendships.
- *Impaired interpersonal relationships.

Judge BJ Jones, Chief Judge at SWST Tribal Court, sent the following letter to the Wellbriety Task Force in support of the observance of Wellbriety Month:

On behalf of the Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribal Court and its Treatment Court I am writing to express my support for your efforts at conducting a Wellbriety Day on September 27, 2001. Unfortunately, due to prior commitments, I cannot attend in person. However, I want to take this opportunity to express my personal feelings regarding the effort at Wellbriety.

As the Chief Judge for the Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribal Court, I and others at the Tribe started an initiative approximately four years ago to bring a Treatment Court to the Lake Traverse reservation. I believe that alcohol and drug abuse has a serious impact upon families and communities on the Lake Traverse Reservation and we saw the Treatment Court as an integrated approach to healing persons and families in the community involving our treatment providers, law enforcement, other Tribal programs, and the court system. I believe the number one public health problem on the Lake Traverse Reservation is alcohol and drug abuse and without addressing this issue other problems such as crime and family break-up will never be resolved.

Since its inception we have had over 60 persons participate in the Treatment Court and 16 persons graduate from the program. We appreciate the efforts other agencies, including Dakotah Pride, SWST Child Protection, the Sisseton-Wahpeton Housing Authority, and Law Enforcement have provided in this program. We strongly believe at the Court that "wellbriety" should be the goal of the community, and will work here to achieve this goal.

Sota guest editorial –

Message of peace, spirituality

(Editor's note: While Arvol Looking Horse calls for participation in a prayer service that has already been held, his message of peace and spirituality remains appropriate.)

Mitakuye (my relative):

I, Chief Arvol Looking Horse of the Lakota, Dakota and Nakota Nation, would like to ask for this time for you to understand an Indigenous perspective in reflection of what has happened in America, what we call "Turtle Island". For the past six years, my work has concentrated on an effort on uniting the Global Community, through a message from our sacred ceremonies in recognizing a day of World Peace and Prayer on June 21st as a time to unite spiritually, each in our own ways of beliefs in the Creator.

We have been warned from the messages, passed down from Ancient Prophecies of these times we live in today, but also a very important message of a solution to turn these terrible times around. To assist you in understanding the depth of this message involves the recognition in the importance of Sacred Sites. It is important that you realize the whole interconnectedness of what is happening

Lake Traverse District members honored for living, promoting alcohol-, drug-free lifestyles



RECOGNIZED FOR ALCOHOL-, DRUG-FREE LIFESTYLE -- Vastana (Opal) James, Lake Traverse District, is honored with this alcohol- and drug-free lifestyle award presented by District Councilman Ron DuMarce at the August 8th Council session.

Members of Lake Traverse District were recognized for living and promoting alcohol- and drug-free lifestyles at the August 8, 2001 session of Tribal Council.

Award recipients were: Vastana (Opal) James, adult; and Gerald "William" King, youth.

The Gray Fox Singers provided an honor song. (Editor's note: Photos courtesy of Audrey German, Human Services Board member.)

Vastana "Rocky" Opal James Adult

Vastana, daughter of Charles and Irene Wilson Kitto, married LaRue James of Center, Nebraska in 1960.

They have six children - Charles, Pauline, Donna, Darwin, Robert, and Sheila - and 15 grandchildren. All are members of Lake Traverse District.

She is a member of St. John's Episcopal Church.

Vastana began working in 1979 as a senior citizens aide, and has since worked off and on with the SWST Elderly Program. She worked full-time for the program in 1990, then retired for awhile and returned to full-time work again with the Elderly Program.

She has been on the District Election Board many years, and actively involved in the annual Tribal Fair for 15 years.

Vastana has been alcohol-free for 20 years and always encourages family members to live a healthy lifestyle.

Her family is active in church work.

Gerald William King Youth

Gerald attends Sisseton High School. He is a junior this year.

He was born to Wilma King but was raised by his aunt Peggy King.

Gerald is an honor roll student, getting A and B grades.



ALCOHOL-, DRUG-FREE LIFESTYLE AWARD GOES TO YOUTH -- Gerald (William) King, a youth of Lake Traverse District, is recognized for living and promoting an alcohol- and drug-free lifestyle award at the August 8th SWST Council session. Presenting the award is David Flute, Lake Traverse District Vice-Chairman.

He attended science fair in Minneapolis, Minn. and received an award for his project.

He is employed at Alco.

Gerald does not smoke or drink and is drug-free.

He encourages those around him to live an alcohol- and drug-free lifestyle.

This was one of an on-going series of monthly presentations to recognize the many individuals on the Lake Traverse Reservation who live and promote alcohol- and drug-free lifestyles. The activity is one step in the Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribal action plan to address alcoholism and substance abuse (objective: "To acknowledge, promote, and support alcohol- and drug-free leadership as a fundamental policy of the Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe.")

today, in reflection of the continued massacres that are occurring on other lands and our own Americas. I have been learning about these important issues of Sacred Sites since the age of 12, upon receiving the Sacred White Buffalo Calf Pipe Bundle and it's teachings. Our people have strived to protect Sacred Sites from the beginning of time.

There needs to be an understanding in the concern of the protection of Sacred Sites that goes deeper than just the issue of Shrines built by humans. Our people have built similar objects and Shrines to identify and to remind the significance in the power of the Sacred Site. We have also witnessed them being destroyed for many decades, but we also realize it is what is underneath them that is important. These places have been violated for centuries and have brought us to this predicament that we are in concerning the unstable Global Level thus far. Look around you, our Mother Earth is very ill from these violations and we are at a brink of destroying a healthy and nurturing survival for generations to come, our children's children.

Our ancestors have been trying to protect our Sacred Site from the continued violations called the Sacred Black Hills in SD, "Heart of Everything that is". Our ancestors never seen this site from a Satellite view, but now that those pictures are available with modern technology, we see that it is in the shape of a heart and when fast forwarded it looks like a heart pumping. The Dine have been protecting Big Mountain, calling it the liver and now that the coal is depleting, we are suffering and going to suffer more from the extraction of the coal and poison processes used in doing so. The Aborigines has warned of the contaminating effects on the Corral Reefs from Global Warming, which they see as Mother Earth's blood purifier, our sacred water is being polluted. The Indigenous people of the Rain Forest relay that the Rain Forest are the lungs and need protection and now we see the Brazilian Government approved the depletion of 50% of this Sacred Site. The Gwich'in Nation has an issue of oil drilling in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge coastal plain, also known to the Gwich'in as "Where the life begins!" The coastal plain is also the birthplace of many other life forms of Animal Nations. The death of these Animal Nations will destroy Indigenous Nations in this territory. As these destructive developments continue all over the world, we will witness many more extinct Animal, Plant and Human Nations, because of the misuse of power that mankind has made and their lack of understanding the "balance of life."

The Indigenous people warn that these destructive developments will cause havoc globally. There are many, many more Indigenous awareness's and knowledge of Mother Earth's Sacred Sites, connections (Mother Earth's Charkas) to our spirit that will surely affect our future generations.

These people are still suffering from this contamination and their livelihood is being destroyed as I write this to you. There needs to be a fast move toward other forms of energy that are safe for all Nations upon

Mother Earth. We need to understand the whole picture in the type of minds that are continuing to destroy the spirit of our whole Global Community. Unless we do this, the powers of destruction will overwhelm us.

Our Ancestors foretold that water would someday be for sale. Back then this was hard to believe, since the water was so plentiful, so pure, and so full of energy, nutrition and spirit. Today we have to buy pure water, and even then the nutritional minerals have been taken out; it's just empty liquid. Someday water will be like gold, too expensive to afford. Not everyone will have the right to drink safe water. We fail to appreciate and honor our Sacred Sites, ripping out the minerals and gifts that lay underneath them, as if Mother Earth were simply a resource, instead of the Source of Life itself.

Attacking Nations and having to utilize more resources to carry out the destruction in the name of Peace and elimination is not the answer! We need to understand how all these decisions affects the Global Nation, we will not be immune to it's repercussions. To allow continual contamination of our food and land, is now affecting the way we think. A "disease of the mind" has set in World Leaders and many members of our Global Community, with their understanding that a solution of retaliation and destruction of peoples will bring Peace.

In our Prophecies it is told that we are now at the Crossroads, either unite Spiritually as a Global Nation, or be faced with chaos, disasters, diseases and tears from our relatives eyes.

B. J. Kitto promoted to rank of Sergeant-Major in Army National Guard

On September 15, 2001, Ben J. Kitto, Sisseton-Wahpeton and Isanti Dakota, son of Mrs. Cecelia I. Kitto and the late Gordon E. Kitto Sr., was awarded the rank of Sergeant-Major at the National Guard Camp Dodge Headquarters, Des Moines, Iowa. This exemplary achievement reflects Ben's attainment of the highest rank for non-commissioned personnel serving in the U.S. armed services.

Colonel Timothy Orr led the promotion ceremony of awarding the rank of Sergeant-Major to Ben J. Kitto in the presence of the HHT 113th Cavalry Troop for which Ben had served as First Sergeant. Colonel Orr first related Ben's entire armed service history of 26 years, telling of Ben's various assignments, the variety of training programs he has successfully completed, and of the awards/commendations earned throughout his armed service career.

In a special and memorable gesture, Colonel Orr requested Ben's mother, Mrs. Cecelia I. Kitto, attach one of his insignias, and for Ben's wife Kathleen to attach the other insignia designating Ben's Sergeant-Major rank onto his lapels. Executive Officer Glynn then signaled for the troops to join in a congratulatory salute for the well promotion.

Everyone present joined in a round of applause for Sergeant-Major BJ Kitto. Colonel Orr requested Sergeant Major B. J. Kitto to formally address the troops assembled. In part, Ben's speech encouraged the troops to always do their best, to be the first and, given the state of the world, to be of good courage.

Colonel Orr commented upon and thanked the family members for being present at Ben's promotion ceremony noting the importance for armed service personnel to be supported by their family and nation.

Family members present at Ben's promotion ceremony included his wife Kathleen; his daughters Kristen and Amber of Aberdeen; Ben's sister, Cora L. Jones, the Great Plains Regional B.I.A. Director of Aberdeen; and her grandchildren

In times of disasters it is sad to say that it is the only time that we unite spiritually, but we must not taint it with anger and retaliation. We are the only species that is destroying the Source of life, meaning Mother

Earth, in the name of power, mineral resources and ownership of land, using methods of chemicals and warfare that is becoming irreversible, as Mother Earth is becoming tired and can not sustain any more impacts of war. I ask you to join me on this endeavor. Our vision is for the Peoples of all continents, regardless of their beliefs in the Creator, to come together as one at their Sacred Sites at that sacred moment of what is known as the Summer Solstice of June 21st, to pray and meditate and commune with one another, thus promoting an energy shift to heal our Mother Earth and achieve a universal consciousness toward attaining Peace. As each day passes bringing us to this day of concentration together, I ask the Global Nations to begin a Global effort, in knowing that each and every one of us are making a daily effort in waking to a gratitude of another day, that is gifted to us and begin to remember to give thanks for the Sacred Food that has been also gifted to us by our Mother Earth, so the nutritional energy of medicine can be guided to heal our minds and spirits.

This new millennium will usher in an age of harmony or it will bring the end of life as we know it. Starvation, war and toxic waste have been the hallmark of the Great Myth of Progress and Development that ruled the last millennium. To us, as caretakers of the heart of Mother Earth, falls the responsibility of turning back the powers of destruction. We have come to a time and place of great urgency. The fate of future generations rests in our hands. We must understand the two ways we are free to follow, as we

choose—the positive way or the negative way...the spiritual way or the material way. It's our own choice — each of ours and all of ours.

You yourself are the one who must decide. You alone—and only you—can make this crucial choice. Whatever you decide is what you'll be, to walk in honor or to dishonor your relatives. You can't escape the consequences of your own decision. On your decision depends the fate of the entire World.

You must decide. You can't avoid it. Each of us is put here in this time and this place to personally decide the future of humankind. Did you think the Creator would create unnecessary people in a time of such terrible danger? Know that you yourself are essential to this World. Believe that!

Understand both the blessing and the burden of that. You yourself are desperately needed to save the soul of this World. Did you think you were put here for something less?

In a Sacred Hoop of Life, where there is no beginning and no ending!
Mitakuye Oyasin, Chief Arvol Looking Horse, 19th Generation Keeper of the Sacred White Buffalo Calf Pipe.

Sota guest editorial –

A spiritual message from the nation's Native elders

(Editor's note: This message to America is the result of the National Indian Council on Aging Year 2000 Conference in Duluth, Minnesota. More than 1,700 elders from 108 tribes across America attended and contributed to the words in this message. Think about your elders as you read this. They came together, setting aside tribal and political differences in order for you and your children to have some words of wisdom to help you in your lives. Please pass this on to a many people as you can, both Native and non-Native alike. These are the words of our Native elders, but the values expressed can be appreciated by all of humanity. Once you have read it, you are responsible for it. These are the elders' hopes and dreams for the world you re-create every day. It is being re-circulated in response to the terrorist attacks on America.)

As we stand before the dawn of a new millennium, we pray for America's survival, our survival. We pray that we will be given strength by the Creator to follow the footsteps of our forefathers to share our love, respect, and compassion for one another.

There is good in everyone because the Creator has put a little of Himself in all of us.

We pray for forgiveness for the pain and suffering we have caused one another.

We pray that our children will not repeat our mistakes.

We pray that we can respect the diversity of America; all life is sacred.

Every child born is a precious gift of our Creator.

It is our sacred trust to embrace children from all walks of life because we are part of the same family.

We pray that children will honor and respect their elders – that is where the wisdom comes from. This respect will not allow forgotten elders.

We are all equal, with each having our own special gift to contribute.

These values allow our youth to become leaders and workers in our society.

Children, you are our future and our hope for the people. Stand and be courageous.

We pray to learn and use the wisdom of all that has come before us, to achieve personal successes and to contribute to those of others.

Only when our young ones learn respect for everything can they evolve.

Earth: We pray for respect and love of Mother Earth because she is the foundation of human survival, and we must keep her pollution free for those who will travel after us. Protect her water, air, soil, trees, forests, plants and animals. Do not just take and waste resources. Make it a priority to conserve. The land is given to us by the Creator to care for, not to own. If we take care of the land, it will take care of us.



RETURNS TO DUTY -- Sergeant-Major Kitto returns to duty following his promotion ceremony on September 15, 2001.

from Omaha, NB. Deryk and Devyn Jones; and, Ben's mother and sister from Bazile Creek - Mrs. Cecelia I. Kitto and Dr. C.M. Kitto, M.D.

Sergeant-Major B.J. Kitto, in his civilian capacity, is employed as a webmaster within the Information Resource Management section of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Great Plains Regional Center.



AWARD CEREMONY HELD FOR SERGEANT-MAJOR KITTO -- Colonel Orr awards the rank of Sergeant-Major to B.J. Kitto with the presentation of promotion in the presence of the HHT 113th CAV troops and family members.

HIS MOTHER PINS INSIGNIA ONTO UNIFORM -- Ben's mother, Mrs. Cecelia I. Kitto pins his Sergeant-Major insignia onto her son's uniform during the promotion ceremony.



Unity: We should have respect for each other. We pray for commitment and responsible behavior in order to help those in need and to give them support and friendship. Be an example in life that others may follow; serve people, community, and country. We should strive to be leaders and contributors. Do not sit back and let others plan and do all the thinking. Let us unite together so that we may have the strength to protect our future. Strength comes from working through trials and tribulations.

Health: Spiritual health is the key to holistic health. We pray to have the discipline to set healthy examples for our children to follow. Respecting everyone and everything in the universe starts with self-respect. Take time to listen and take care of your body and spirit.

Family and youth: Family is important and precious. Always let them know that they are loved. Let your children and grandchildren know you are always there to love and support them and that they mean the world to you no matter what they do or say. Children are of infinite value. Live what you teach. Spiritual values, honesty, and integrity, start in the home. We pray for the youth. We must teach the youth to work together and respect all that is living on our Mother Earth. We need to convey to our younger generations that the survival of our people lies in spirituality.

Peace: We pray to learn ways to settle differences peacefully, teach respect for each other's ideas, value honesty on all levels, from children to parents, to community, to governments. We will be happy when we create peace with each other.

To the seventh generation: Survive . . . keep hopes and dreams . . . take care of yourself . . . remember your spirit . . . be there for each other . . . respect courage . . . share knowledge . . . always keep learning . . . remember your true values.

(American Indian Research and Development, 2233 W. Lindsey, Norman, OK 73069; 405-364-2944.)

On and off the Reservation: brief commentaries from the editor's desk

Perhaps it really is true that adversity breeds greatness. At least it seems so, that in the wake of the surprise devastation in the concerted terrorist attacks on America we see beyond the images of horror, even the heartbreaking telephone calls that Ron Cleveland knows firsthand from NYC, and now notice the many images of courage, images of resolve and unity.

There is much in this edition of the **Sota** that we recommend to our readers. Honoring the Tribe's akicita, World War II veterans, current heroes involved in the rescue and recovery efforts at New York City. And more.

Thanks to everyone who helped in gathering the news for this week's issue, photos and news items, especially the information on the veterans and volunteers.

We encourage all service personnel, or their families, to contact Vice-Chairman Jake Thompson's office with their name, branch of service, and mailing address. It is important that the Tribe develop as comprehensive and correct database of current servicemen and servicewomen as possible, especially since the nation is heading into Operation "Infinite Justice" in response to the terrorist attacks on American soil.

We had an e-mail message from one of our readers this past week, who takes offense at the description of the attack on the World Trade Center and Pentagon as the worst terrorism ever in America's history.

While agreeing that it was horrible, the writer points out that it hardly compares to the long reign of terror perpetrated against the first peoples.

This is one of many alternative perspectives on the tragic attacks by terrorists.

There are others.

Anger at those individuals and "networks" directly responsible is obvious and, of course, justified.

But what about anger directed at decades of failed and flawed U.S. foreign policy? Who brought the Taliban into power in Afghanistan anyway? You got it. The USA, who at the time of our support, considered them "freedom fighters" fighting to rid their country of communism.

Who trained Osama bin Laden who in turn has trained hundreds and perhaps thousands of "terrorists?" Right, of course, we did.

We see no alternative to our nation's rally of support for President Bush and this new war on terrorism, but while we whole-heartedly support our military service people in whatever tasks are assigned to them, we caution that especially in this shrinking world no more can our nation stumble along with short-sighted, constantly shifting foreign policy goals.

Here are comments via e-mail from a Tribal member living off the Lake Traverse Reservation who keeps up with news via the Sota website:

I grew up on the SWST Reservation but left years back. I was so delighted to come pass this website of the Sota. I believe the last time I was home was in 1983. I miss my home area from time to time. Although my home is now in Utah it amazes me and prides me to see the growth and positive changes our Reservation has made.

I am extremely pleased at the website because no matter how far away you go from home and how much time has passed, it's always nice to hear about our Tribe.

I had to contact the Tribal Chairman's office last week and I praise the courteous and friendliness as well as helpfulness of Geraldine German. She was thorough in directing me in the right way so that I could handle some family emergency that will soon take place.

I miss home, and deep in my heart South Dakota will always be home to me.

Thank you so much for the Sota and the excellent job in making currents news from home possible.

Thank you for the praise that was also given to our President of this country in his valiant leadership and guiding our country and making this a safe place to live and liberally enjoy the freedoms of this land.

My parents were Gabriel and Naomi Amos from Big Coulee.

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Education watch

Record student enrollment at Sisseton Wahpeton Community College

The 2001-2002 initial enrollment at Sisseton Wahpeton Community College (SWCC) reached a record 274 students for the fall semester. This number could change as the drop and add activities continue.

SWCC Registrar Darlene Redday, who registered the 274 students during the fall registration period at SWCC, said, "77% of the registered students are of Native American descent and they come here to school because it is near their homes. However, some of the nursing students come from surrounding states."

Commenting on some of the students who drop out during the "drop and add" period, she said, "Many of these people are single parents and their jobs conflict with their schedules at the college and they have to leave school in order to take care of their families."

Darlene indicated size of the classes as another factor in students choosing to attend SWCC. According to the registrar,

students feel more comfortable in smaller classes where they can participate more actively with their classmates and the instructors.

Harvey DuMarce, SWCC Dean of Students, commented, "A lot of younger students are attending the college and that helps the enrollment numbers."

He also referred to the varied course selection of the college and the fact that when people can receive the classes they want here, they are less likely to look elsewhere for a college to attend.

"Good faculty also plays a big part in our increasing enrollment," the Dean said, adding, "Students are our first priority, and when they see we are interested in their future, they respond by trying harder."

During the past three years, he said, the major part of the student body is comprised of people in the 18 to 30 age group. "Before that, most of the people were older people returning to school."

Sisseton-Wahpeton Tribal Vice President Jake Thompson took time out from his busy day to comment on the SWST enrollment.

The Vice-Chairman said, "I think the consistency of the certified staff and the success of the nursing program has a lot to do with people wanting to attend the college."

He also said that he believes if the college offered some four year programs, enrollment would rise even higher. He added that the SWST now provides financial incentives to students who attend the college. Each tribally enrolled student is eligible to receive \$40.00 per credit hour for the courses they successfully complete with a 'C' or higher average. These awards are distributed at the end of each semester and help the students with some of their financial concerns and encourages them to stay in school and continue their education.



Tribal police officers visited the school on Tuesday, September 11th, to re-assure the students about their safety and answer questions concerning the terrorist attacks on New York and Washington D.C. Officer Julia Stops also discussed the effects of alcohol and drugs and how they can alter behavior in a person. They want the students to know they are there to protect and secure the community.

Tribal school students respond to terrorist attacks on America

YOUTH RESPOND -- Students at Tiospa Zina Tribal School and Enemy Swim Day School respond to the September 11th terrorist attacks on New York City and Washington, D.C. Below are American flags painted by kindergarten students in Mindy Deutsch's class at TZTS. Class discussion was held about what the students had seen on TV the day of the attacks. They talked about the American flag and the importance of respect. To the right are photos of Tribal and BIA law enforcement officers talking to ESDS students about the attacks.



"Planes crashed, maybe they could put the plane back together." Gokon Lemere.



"I feel sad for all the people." Angie LaBelle.



"When we prayed, we prayed at sweats. Pray for those people that died." Nick Lawrence.



"The flag, for the people that died." Madeline.



"A flag for those people that crashed." Alexis St. John.

Tiospa Zina homecoming week of October 1st

On Monday, October 1st, Tiospa Zina Tribal School will be kicking off Homecoming Week. The theme for this year's Homecoming is Medieval Times. For each day of the week, we will have a special activity. On Monday, we will have Robin Hood Day. Tuesday has been declared Royalty Day, staff and students are encouraged to dress as their favorite king, queen or other royal figure.

Tuesday evening, the Lady Wambdi will do battle with the Roslyn Lady Vikings in girls basketball. The junior varsity game will begin at 6:30 pm followed by the varsity at 8:00 pm. Please show your support for our Lady Wambdi by attending the games at the Eagles Nest.

The activities will continue at Tiospa Zina with Jester Day on Wednesday, followed by Witches/Wizard Day on Thursday.

Also on Thursday there will be a Bonfire Pep Rally at the football field beginning at 7:30 pm. On Friday there will be a Spirit Day, so wear anything related to Tiospa Zina or just school colors. The parade will take place at 1:30 pm.

On Friday night, the Wambdi Football field will be invaded by the Langford Lions. The Wambdi will defend their kingdom beginning at 7:00 pm. We would like to see as many of you as possible to cheer and encourage us on. (Submitted by Randy Price)

Attention all Tiospa Zina Tribal School Alumni! What have you been up to? Well, we want to find out. I represent the Class of 2002 and we're going to try to find you so we can ask you all kinds of interesting questions. So, you ask, "how can I make your job easier?" Well you could help us help you by contacting Carolyn Soles in the MS/HS Office here at Tiospa; the number is 605-698-3953 extension 10 or email her at carolyn@www.wambdi.bia.edu . Just let her know how we can reach you, please give her your



address and phone number. We will be conducting surveys and interviews to compile a complete history of all our Tiospa Zina Alumni. Thank you for time and cooperation, we really appreciate it! (submitted by Eric DuMarce)

Wambdi football team downs Lower Brule

Tiospa Zina's Wambdipi won their first game of the season against Lower Brule last Friday night, September 21st.

Congratulations to the team, and thanks to family and friends of the community who traveled to support their team at Lower Brule.

Next game is this Friday, September 28, in an away game against Waverly/South Shore.

The girls basketball team will play be at home against Waverly this Thursday night.

On Tuesday, the 7th and 8th grade girls basketball team goes up against Milbank at home at 4:00 p.m. Cross country runners will compete in Ortonville at 5:00 p.m.

(Editor's note: See photos, stats on next page.)

Picture day at TZTS

Picture day is this Wednesday, September 26th, at Tiospa Zina.

Healthy living class

The Tiospa Zina 6th grade girls Healthy Living class has been analyzing social values.

First, students learned about ten basic values, or universal values which are common to civilizations everywhere.



The Enemy Swim Day School student body elected student council officers: 5th grade representative, Chris Johnson; 6th grade rep., Travis Herrick; 7th Grade rep., Telina Kampska; and 8th Grade rep. William Kampska.



These universal values are: Equality, Self-control, Respect, Responsibility, Honesty, Promise-keeping, Self-respect, Dependability, Trustworthiness, Justice and Fairness.

Next, the class correlated these universal values with the five Dakota values, Ohoda, Okciya, Tehinda, Wicake and Waunsida.

The class placed these basic universal and Dakota values on the trunk of a "Values Tree." (See accompanying photo.)

Wambdi Football Stats
After 3 games



| Rushing Leaders | | Receiving Leaders | |
|-------------------|----------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Brandon Barse | 17 for 60 yds | Anthony Keoke | 3 rec for 18 yds 1 TD |
| Randy Price | 12 for 19 yds | Randy Price | 2 rec for 15 yds |
| Anthony Keoke | 1 for 8 yds | Madrid Roberts | 1 rec for 3 yds |
| Madrid Roberts | 1 for 7 yds | | |
| Chance Wiedenbach | 1 for 3 yds | | |
| Craig Spider | 2 for -12 yds | | |
| Jarret Coon | 22 for -37 yds | | |

| Passing Leader | |
|----------------|-------------------------------|
| Jarret Coon | 6 comp 14 att for 36 yds 1 TD |

| Punting Leader | |
|----------------|---------------------|
| Randy Price | 39 yds ave per punt |

| Kick Off | |
|----------------|---------------------|
| Madrid Roberts | 37 yds ave per kick |

| Defense Stats | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|--------------|---------|--------------------|-------|-------------|------|------------|
| | Solo Tackles | Assists | Tackle Behind Line | Sacks | Knock Downs | INTS | Fumble Rec |
| Jarret Coon | 21 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 4 | | |
| Madrid Roberts | 25 | 7 | 3 | 1 | | | 1 |
| Chance Wiedenbach | 21 | 6 | | | | | |
| Brandon Barse | 10 | 5 | 1 | 1 | | | |
| Randy Price | 4 | 4 | | | 1 | | |
| Edward Tipton | 6 | 5 | | | | | |
| Theo Bobtail Bear | 6 | 3 | | | | | |
| Craig Spider | 4 | 4 | | | | | |
| Orlando Williams | 2 | 2 | | | | | |
| Anthony Keoke | 1 | 2 | | | | | |
| Jay Barse | 0 | 2 | | | | | |
| Wayne DuMarce | 2 | | | | | | |
| Coty Hoff | 1 | | | | | | 1 |

Tiospa Zina at Lower Brule – Football Results

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| At Tiospa Zina | 6 | 0 | 12 | 14 |
| Lower Brule | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 |

TD's

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|-------------------|-----------------------------|----|-------------------|
| Randy Price | 45 yrd run | TZ | run failed |
| Randy Price | 55 yd pass from Jarret Coon | TZ | run failed |
| Randy Price | 35 yd run | TZ | run failed |
| Lower Brule | 2 yrd run | LB | run failed |
| Jarret Coon | 20 yrd run | TZ | run failed |
| Chance Wiedenbach | 33 yrd run | TZ | Wiedenbach run EP |

Team Rushing
TZ 32 for 243
LB 20 for 80

Passing
TZ Jarret Coon 5 for 9 for 123 yds 1 INT
LB NA

Defense
TZ Team Effort – lead by Edward Tipton, Madrid Roberts, & Chance Wiedenbach each with 10 solo's. Jarret Coon 2 INT's

Women's Circle, FACE, American Legion, SWCC Student Senate, Enemy Swim GED – TANF, Enemy Swim Day School, SWCC Extension, SWST Police, Waubay Police, Econo Foods - Watertown, JC Penny - Watertown, JC Penny Salon – Aberdeen, JC Penny – Aberdeen.

SWST Head Start menu

Tuesday, September 25: breakfast – corn muffins, applesauce, whipped honey butter; lunch – beef burrito, oven fries, fruit salad; snack – Graham crackers with cheese, orange juice.

Wednesday, September 26: breakfast – Rice Krispies, orange slices, whole wheat toast; lunch – lasagna, corn, breadsticks, pears; snack – vegetable chips, vegetable dip.

Thursday, September 27: breakfast – egg soufflé, apple, whole wheat toast; lunch – tuna hot dish, carrot sticks, peas, whole wheat bread, applesauce; snack – spice cake, orange juice.

Whole milk served to children 1-2 years; 2% milk served to children 2-3 years in Early Head Start; 1% milk served to children 3-5 years in Head Start.

Menu subject to change.

New titles at SWCC Library

The following new titles are on the shelves now at the Sisseton Wahpeton Community College Library:

*Bison: Monarch of the Plains Photographs by David Fitzgerald, text by Linda Hasselstrom.

*The Cat Encyclopedia by Esther J.J. Verhoef-Verhallen.

*The Encyclopedia of Marriage, Divorce and the Family by Margaret DiCanio, Ph.D.

*The Horse Encyclopedia by Josee Hermsen.

*Learning Through Assessment: A Resource Guide for Higher Education.

*The Management of Time : The Art and Science of Business Management by A. Dale Timpe.

*Medicinal Plants: Culture, Utilization and Phytopharmacology by Thomas S.C. Li.

*Native Science: Natural Laws of Interdependence by Gregory Cajete The Shamans of Prehistory : Trance and Magic in the Painted Caves by Jean Clottes and David Lewis-Williams.

*The Temptations of Big Bear by Rudy Wiebe.

Library hours: Monday-Friday, 7:45 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; Saturday-Sunday, closed.

The SWCC Library is a community/public library as well as a college library. COME CHECK US OUT!



The 2001 Tiospa Zina Wambdi Football Team (pictured from left to right) — Top row: Craig Spider, Anthony Keoke, Jarret Coon, Brandon Barse, Randy Price, Madrid Roberts, Brody St. John, Chance Wiedenbach, Edward Tipton. Bottom row: Wayne DuMarce, Matt Keoke, Theo Bobtail Bear, Walter Seaboy, Brian Twilling, Jay Barse, Eric Twilling, Moses Rodlund.

ESDS activities update; "Lights on After-school"

The Enemy Swim Day School student body elected student council officers: 5th grade representative,

Chris Johnson; 6th grade, Travis Herrick; 7th grade, Telina Kampeska; and 8th grade, William Kampeska.

Tribal police officers visited the school on Tuesday, September 11th, to reassure the students and answer questions related to the terrorist attacks on New York and Washington D.C., and events in the community.

They want the students to know they are there to protect and secure the community.

Law enforcement officers who participated include: Lou Robertson, BIA criminal investigator; Gary Gaikowski, Tribal Law Enforcement Captain; Tribal Law Enforcement Officer Julia Stops; and Tribal Law Enforcement Officer Skyman Redday, who told students that DARE classes will begin soon at ESDS.

Those that are involved in Lights On After-school see the importance of innovative, high quality after-school programs for all children.

Lights On After-school events are held across the nation to demonstrate the contributions after-school programs make to improve academic achievement, help working families and keep kids safe.

Enemy Swim Day School has invited many community organizations to be part of the Lights On After-school Event on October 11, 2001. The following organizations have made a pledge to participate in the evening's activities:

Enemy Swim & Waubay Weed and Seed, Boy's and Girls Club - Enemy Swim and Waubay,

FACE information night

The Enemy Swim Day School FACE program will hold an information night from 6:00-7:30 p.m. this Wednesday, September 26th in the Commons of the Educational Center.

Supper will be provided. This is an opportunity to meet the FACE staff, visit the Preschool and Adult Education classrooms, and find out more about how this new program will benefit families.

All those who have pre-registered are invited to attend, as well as any other interested families. Registrations will be accepted that night.

The program begins officially on Monday, October 1st for both the home-based and center-based participants.

(Editor's note: The FACE program, while based at ESDS, is open to all students and families across the Lake Traverse Reservation.)

Sota Iya Ye Yapi
Wednesday, September 26, 2001



VICTORY! -- Here are the Wambdi football players pictured in the locker room after defeating Lower Brule in a game played away from TZTS.

Dakota words homework

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| "NO" = hiya (he-ya). | "BE QUIET" = inina (ee-knee-na). |
| "YES" = han (ha - female) | "GOOD" = waste (wash-han (how - male). |
| "SIT DOWN" = iyotanka (ee-yo-ta-ka). | teh). |

ToKa Nuwan Wayawapi Welcome Back Wacipi

Enemy Swim Community, Cultural, & Educational Center

Friday, Sept. 28, 2001

Dinner - 5 p.m.

Drum Warm-up - 6:30 p.m.

Grand Entry - 7 p.m.

Master of Ceremonies - Danny Seaboy

Introductions - School Board and ESDS Staff

Honoring - Lori Wiley

Day Money for Dancers

Drum Split



Glimpse into academic advising at Tiospa Zina Tribal School



Tiospa Zina Tribal School academic advising: Nadine Eastman's academic advising group -- Lucy Irish, Ashley Quinn, Karmen Lightfoot, Delia Hare, Vickie Max, Tina Peck, Shanna Keoke, Kadine Kohl, and Nadine. Not pictured: Amanda Eastman, Barndi Franzen, and Ida Lufkins.



Delia Hare triumphing over geometry in tutoring.



Krista Kirk contemplating math standards at tutoring.



Hazel Middletent working on government after-school.

SWCC Library website

The SWCC Virtual Library is now available on the World Wide Web. The new internet address is: <http://swcc.cc.sd.us/vlibrary/index.html>. The site has been created as part of the AIHEC (American Indian Higher Education Consortium) Virtual Library Project.

Like any library, a virtual library is an organized collection of information that has been selected to meet the needs of a particular set of users. The site has been organized by tribal

librarians and includes ready reference, full-text databases, Native American information and the SWCC catalog.

The library's electronic catalog (NetPac) contains records for over 14,000 titles of books, videos, audio cassettes and other items held in the SWCC library collection.

"We're excited about this new addition to our library," said Librarian Jane Kirby. "We hope it will help to better serve the needs of our users and expand the amount of information available to our students, faculty and community."

Sisseton-Wahpeton Tribal Law Enforcement community policing

Playing softball with the Little Voices Group Home staff and youth was the last of the summer events to take place.

We are now going into the school year and expect to visit our schools with lots of community policing. With the different seasons and holidays coming we will work together with the Tribal programs to hold

joint community policing outlook activities.

If there are any Tribal programs that would like us to come in and work with your staff or clients, please give us a call.

We have three community policing officers: Lisa Jackson, Skyman Redday, and Juliah Irizarry.

All officers will be working with the community in several up-coming events.

For October we will be working closely with Women's Circle on Domestic Violence Awareness Month activities. We will make contact from October 15-19.

We will enter the schools, having improvisation and several activities, with open sessions with questions from students on the issue of domestic violence and effects it has on family, work, and community.

We also have Officer Juliah Irizarry working at the Boys and Girls Club in the Enemy Swim area, with the Smart Girls Program. This program helps younger girls understand several life choices.

Tribal Law Enforcement accepts challenge of softball contest from Little Voices Group Home



Officer LaFontaine makes the first home run of the game.



Robin Quinn takes on the challenge of the first base position.



Officer Coke LaFontaine gets the team warmed up.



Sisseton-Wahpeton Law Enforcement team. Thanks, guys, you did great!



Officer Robertson and Officer Bird (with son Curtis) enjoy the day at the ball park.

As a community, you will also be hearing officers interacting with the radio station to get the word out on community policing and information on different crimes that happen in the community, safety tips, and reminders such as curfew.

Please, if you would like more information, call us at (605) 698-7661 or (605) 698-7662. Ask for Captain Gaikowski, Officer Jackson, Officer Redday, or Officer Irizarry.

Readers travel to the British Isles for fall reading series

Angela's Ashes by Frank McCourt and Excellent Women by Barbara Pym will give area readers a closer look at life in the British Isles, particularly England and Ireland, by participating in the South Dakota Humanities Council Reading Series this fall at the Stavig House Museum. The first discussion takes place Monday, October 15, at 7:00 p.m.

with second and third meetings on October 29 and November 12.

Readers meet with John Nelson from Dakota State University to talk about life across the ocean as depicted in Angela's Ashes and Excellent Women. Interested readers can register for the reading series and purchase the two books along with a study guide for \$10 at Roberts County National Bank or the SWCC Library.

Excellent Women looks at the lives of middle aged, unmarried women who willingly take the role as supporting players in other people's crises. Pym has often been compared to Jane Austen in her description of everyday British life.

The second book, Angela's Ashes, gives the author's remembrance of growing up in a poverty-stricken Irish home with rarely enough food on the table, a father who drinks too much, and a growing family that survives, sometimes with great humor, through it all. The one gift McCourt's father gave him was a love of storytelling. McCourt won the Pulitzer Prize for the memoir which describes his brutal, yet poignant life.

The authors of both books will be seen in video documentaries shown at the October 29 session.

The Reading Series takes place in 30 South Dakota communities this fall as part of the Humanities Council's "Knowing the World through Reading" discussions. For more information contact Jane Rasmussen at 698-3025 or the SD Humanities Council at 605-688-6113 or visit their website at <http://web.sdstate.edu/humanities/>.

Attention Parents

SWST Early Head Start has openings for children who would like to be in the Home Base Program.

A Home Visitor will meet with the parent and child once a week for a minimum of 1-1/2 hours and provide two group socialization activities each month.

If interested, please contact Kimberly Pratt at 698-3503 for an application.

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Enemy Swim Day School Telephone Extensions

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| Student Services - Nikki Rumpza..... | 3001 |
| Business Manager - Deb Rumpza | 3002 |
| Facilities - Rita Marx | 3003 |
| Lunchroom | 3004 |
| Library | 3005 |
| Administrative Ass't - Barb Danley | 3006 |
| Ass't Administrator - Virginia Dolney | 3007 |
| Superintendent - Sherry Johnson | 3008 |
| Kitchen | 3009 |
| Guidance Counselor - Tom VanOrman | 3010 |
| GED/Higher Ed - Becky Bergquist | 3011 |
| Kindergarten - Jill Dick | 3012 |
| FACE Preschool | 3013 |
| 4th/5th Grade - Jane Looyenga | 3014 |
| 1st/2nd Grade - Mary Ann Aker | 3015 |
| 3rd Grade - Joan Biersbach | 3016 |
| Language Arts - Amy Peckham | 3017 |
| Special Education - Darla McKernan | 3018 |
| Culture - Danny Seaboy | 3019 |
| Computer Lab - John Roache | 3020 |
| FACE Adult Education - Teresa Shoemaker | 3023 |

FACE Parent Educators:
Kari Ewalt and Grace Frazier

947-4607

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RETURN TO SCHOOL CELEBRATED IN WACIPI

WACIPI -- Tiospa Zina Tribal School staff, students, parents, and community members gather on the Wambdi football field to celebrate the beginning of the 2001-2002 school year with a wacipi. Here are photo highlights.



Tiospa Zina Back to School Wacipi - Thanks to all the students, their family, friends, alumni and the staff who attended showing their support on Wednesday evening. The staff group photo consists of the following staff: Travis Max, Noah Williams, Lee Greseth, Judy Hewlett, Morris Canku, Celine Buckanaga, Nadine Eastman, JoAnne Thorpe, Miranda Eastman, Dave Flute, Carolyn Soles, Mindy Deutsch, Kristi Herting, Felix Johnson, Gabe Derosiers, Robin Cook, Linda Crawford, Gabe Kampeska, Roger Bordeaux, Lisa Forcier, Ron Campbell, Chris McCoy, Diane Reylets, Jen Heath, Eric Heath, Rose Carlson, Amalika Jackson, Colleen DuMarce, Joyce Wood, Ron Holy Bull, JR Rondell, Mary Beth Kirk, Korry Bertsch, Jerome Renville, Darrell Amos and Catherine Thompson. Staff not pictured: Richard Auch, Bruce Baumann, Valerie Hill, Sarah Bensen, Peggy Redday, Phyllis Roberts, Lisa Reese, Barb Danielson, Pat Harles, Edwina Bernard, Ember Dady, Leah Hefeneider, Heather Bainbridge, Adam Gregory, Michele Coughlin, Carl Kitchin, Amy Gaede, Kenny Johnson, Lynn Ducheneaux, Ed Williams, Bernadette Mockacin, Ben Bordeaux, Richard Bordeaux, Andre Zimiga, Craig Kirby, Carole Crawford, and Anita Hart-Wanna.

**Honoring our akicita
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Those KIA are: Francis L. Bird, Elmer A. Feather, Stanley Goodbird, Ole L. Johnson; Norman Redthunder; and William Keoke.

POWs: Robert "Bud" Owen, Winfield J. Thompson, and Louis E. Williams.

Women WWII veterans: Virginia R. Thompson, Margie W. Spencer, Jeanette H. Schoenrock, Ruth Owen O'Connell, Vera H. Weston, Cora Owens Le Beau,

Delight M. Kaahanui, and Inez Owens Clay.

Pearl Harbor survivor: Smiley H. Shepherd.

Lakota Code Talker: Guy F. Rondell (Philippine Islands, Pacific Area).

SWST WWII veterans still living and invited to attend the recent ceremony in Pierre (Cecil "Corby" Renville was included, but he passed away shortly before the dedication):

Amos J. Mireau, Basil P. Robertson, Charles R. White, Walter "Bud" Robertson, John A. Barse, Kenneth A. Hart, Leonard LaBelle, Herman Charles Ragsdale, William R. Iron Moccasin, Kenneth C. Stuart, Sampson Hill, Theodore L. Wilson, Winfield J. Thompson, David Marlowe, Inez Owens Clay, James E. Marlowe, Paul G. Robertson, Kenneth C. Owens, Nicholas G. Thompson, Rev. Floyd L. Heminger, Richard Keeble, Sr., Rueben L. LaBatte, Solon M. Hill, Tony Ross, Calvin J. Rondell (SWST Veterans Service Officer).

SWST World War II akicita living spouses: Gerald M. Heminger (Rosella), Smiley Shepherd, Sr. (Helen); Frank Barse, Sr. (Violet); Harold Barse,

Sr. (Joyce); Maurice Barse (Delores); Hiram Owen (Lillian G.); Elijah Eagle (Clara); Moses Gill, Sr. (Dorothy); Guy Rondell (Harriet); Woodrow Wilson Keeble (Blossom); Ivan Owen (Rosalie); William Jerry Herr (Cleo); Howard Genia, Sr. (Pansy); Kingsmill Jones (Louise); Walter G. Owens (Audrey); Malcolm Robertson (Janus); Rollin Ryan, Sr. (Barbara); Oliver J. Wanna (Angeline); Leo F. Wilson, Sr. (Pearl); Sylvester Robertson (Lena); Albert L. Redwing (Belva Hadle); Joe Renville (Naomi); Victor J. Simon (Mary); Alfred Spider (Geraldine); Orten Emmett Roberts (Jerena); Silas Johnson (Geraldine Rencountre); Thomas Brant (Evangeline); Albert Starr (Martha); Sheldon Bird (Sarah); Levi Williams (Shirley).

Planning underway for 2001 akicita wacipi

The annual Veterans Day akicita wacipi will be held November 9, 10, and 11, 2001 at Dakota Magic Convention Center.

Lake Traverse Reservation veterans organizations are planning the annual pow wow, which will feature limited specials.

(Editor's note: Watch for details as they become available.)



ANOTHER VIEW -- Here is another view of the combined color guard comprised of Sisseton-Wahpeton akicita.



MEMBERS OF THE AGENCY VILLAGE LEGION POST -- SWST veterans of Post 314 carry the flags during the parade at Pierre.

**Photos courtesy
SWST member/
Vietnam Veteran
Dennis Isaac**



WWII VETERAN -- Attending the September 15th memorial dedication ceremony is Bill Iron Moccasin, World War II veteran. Bill served in a U.S. Army airborne division, in the glider service. (Note the umbrella, useful on the rain-filled day of the ceremony in Pierre.)



PARADE ENTRY -- SWST member/Vietnam Veteran Gerald Thompson poses alongside his 1929 Oakland, an entry in the WWII memorial parade in Pierre.



UNITED VETERANS ORGANIZATIONS OF THE SWST -- An honor guard of members of the SWST, Lake Traverse Reservation veterans organizations participate in the WWII memorial parade on September 15th. Carrying the colors and eagle staff during the rainy parade are members of the SWST Vietnam Veterans Association, Agency Village American Legion Post 314, and the local BRAVO chapter.



SALUTING A PASSING ENTRY -- Governor Bill Janklow and Major General Phillip Killey, Adjutant General of the S.D. National Guard, salute a passing entry in the WWII memorial parade. Invited to join the Governor on the review stand were Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribal members/ WWII veterans the Rev. Floyd Heminger and Winfield Thompson. (Photo courtesy of the S.D. Dept. of Tourism.)



MODEL -- Here are photographs of the model of the South Dakota World War II memorial.



CURRENT SERVICE MEMBERS -- Current members of each branch of the U.S. Armed Forces stand behind the statues representing WWII servicemen and women after unveiling the memorial. (Photo courtesy of the S.D. Dept. of Tourism.)



YOUNG AND OLD -- Participants of all ages gather to admire the statues created by South Dakota artists Lee Leuning and Sherri Treeby. (Photo courtesy of the S.D. Dept. of Tourism.)



MILITARY COLOR GUARD -- One of many military color guards participating in the September 15th WWII memorial parade in Pierre. (Photo courtesy of the S.D. Dept. of Tourism.)



VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES -- A view of the crowd gathered around Capitol Lake to celebrate the dedication of the WWII memorial. (Photo courtesy of the S.D. Dept. of Tourism.)



FLOATING BRIDGE -- This floating bridges is set up on Capitol Lake to provide front-row seating for veterans and their families during the WWII memorial dedication ceremony. (Photo courtesy of the S.D. Dept. of Tourism.)

**On and off the Reservation
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I am proud to be a member of the SWST Tribe. I am thankful for all my friends and relatives that are back home. I soon will be coming home to visit and plan to tour our Reservation. I am excited to be coming home for the visit.

Thank you so much for the people who work at the Sota and make it possible for those of us so far from home to keep in touch on home news. Great job and thumbs up to you all. From Gail Marie Torres (Amos) Orem, Utah.

For those who have internet access, you can read the **Sota** news and see highlighted photos - in full color - at the following website, updated weekly (more frequently when major events happen):

www.earthskyweb.com/sota.html

The **Sota** welcomes submission of articles, ideas and rough drafts, and photos by readers.

If you have an interesting family story, or news you would like to share, please contact the editor.

Copy to be considered for publication - news, advertising, editorial opinion letters, etc. -

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Earlier receipt of copy is always appreciated. So, if you are aware of a date or message that needs to be publicized or advertised, please let us know about it in advance of the weekly deadline.

For more information, come to Tribal headquarters, Agency Village, or call (605) 938-3911. Also, a 24-hour dedicated fax line is installed at the **Sota** production office: (605) 938-4676. Voice-mail messages can be sent to the production office at (605) 938-4452.

A preferred way of the new millennium to submit articles, ideas, even photos (if you happen to have access to a digital camera or scanner), is by e-mail. The editor can be reached at the following e-mail address:

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**Open letter -
Offers public
apology**

To the Lake Traverse District members and the Tribe as a whole:

By now you are probably aware of my removal from office for "failure to maintain an alcohol- and drug-free lifestyle while in office." I am writing this public apology to the District members who supported me during the election. I am sorry I disappointed you. I am sorry I disappointed my family and close friends. I can only blame myself and my addiction for what I did and I must be held accountable for my actions.

I failed myself and you, but I will learn from my mistake and I will pick up the pieces and move forward.

I am asking that my District and my family and friends forgive me for my actions.

I want to say that I get a lot of satisfaction in helping tribal members from my district as well as the other districts to secure homes and obtain home repairs, get help for medical assistance and the like. I am painfully aware of the high rate of alcoholism on the reservation. Nationwide it is considered a disease that hits people of all colors and

backgrounds causing health problems, family break-ups, teenage pregnancies, suicides, and car accidents. As a tribe we need to be aware of what it does to adults and children alike and that is why tribal council has the responsibility to uphold the rule of an alcohol free lifestyle. One way or another everybody can be affected by this terrible disease.

Once again I ask for your forgiveness for what I did. This has been a heartbreaking lesson for me, but it has made me a better husband, father, friend, and a better man.

Thank you. Ron DuMarce.

**Veterans
employment rep**

A veterans employment representative from the Northeast Area One-Stop Career Center will be in the Sisseton One-Stop Career Center, located at 205 East Oak (federal building) on Thursday, October 4, 2001.

Hours are from 9:30 a.m. until 12:00 noon.

Any veteran with questions about employment, job search, career counseling, or training, is encouraged to call the Sisseton office at (605) 698-3964, for more information or to schedule an appointment.

**United Tribes resolution
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shocked our Nation, and have caused great loss of life and property . . .

WHEREAS, As Tribal Nations, we stand in complete condemnation of these terrible and horrific acts . . .

WHEREAS, The cultures of our member Nations teaches us that we are all related, and never has this felt more true than now when our Nation has suffered such a terrible disaster and where our Nation has lost so many of its lives, so many of its citizens, innocent victims all . . .

WHEREAS, We, the member Tribal Nations of United Tribes Technical College and United Tribes of North Dakota, recognize the suffering of the victims and their families and offer to them our deepest sympathies, our prayers, and our support . . .

WHEREAS, As the Nation deals with its grief and loss, as Nations and as peoples who have suffered our own share of disasters, and as we seek answers to the senselessness of these acts, we ask that our fellow citizens not condemn anyone because of their race, or their religious or political beliefs . . .

WHEREAS, The member tribes of United Tribes recognize the need for the United States to find and bring to justice those who are responsible for these heinous acts, and the need of the United States to work together with all Nations of the world to

prevent such acts from occurring anywhere in the world in the future . . .

WHEREAS, United Tribes has recognized September 14, 2001 as a National Day of Prayer and Remembrance of the victims and their families, as declared by President George W. Bush in remembrance of the victims and their families of the terrorist attacks on the United States on September 11, 2001 . . .

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of United Tribes Technical College, who are comprised of the Chairmen and a Council member from each of the Tribes that control United Tribes Technical College, do hereby offer their prayers, sympathy and support to all those persons and their families who suffered as a result of the horrible acts of September 11, 2001 . . . and that the Board of Directors of United Tribes Technical College hereby joins with the President in condemnation of the terrorist acts of September 11, 2001, and supports whatever actions the President of the United States deems appropriate in the face of these atrocities, including such things as assistance to the victims and their families, and requests that our Congressional delegations of the State of North Dakota and South Dakota work with our President and all other

NOTICE TO INDIAN LANDOWNERS

PROBATE CHANGES

The law provides two methods for a judge to decide who will own your land. By writing a will, you decide who receives your property. If you do not write a will, a judge will apply rules of *intestate succession* to decide who will own your land. The rules explained in I and II will apply to the estates of people who die after May 2002. These rules may also be affected by a federally approved tribal probate code.

I. Rules of Intestate Succession.

If you do not write a will, a judge can only give your land to your spouse or immediate family, but only if they are Indian.

If your spouse or immediate family are not Indian, they can inherit a life estate. The remainder interest will go to any of your close family if they are Indian and also own a share in the same allotment. If no members of your close family are Indian or none of them owns a share in the allotment, the tribe will get the land when the life estate holder dies.

If a share is smaller than 5 percent of the whole allotment and it is inherited by more than one of your heirs, those heirs will inherit as JTROS. If the decedent's share is more than 5 percent, each heir will inherit as a tenant in common.

II. Rules of Inheritance with a Will.

If you write a will, you may leave your trust land to any Indian or the tribe.

However, if your will leaves your land to a non-Indian, they will receive only a life estate. The judge will give the remainder interest to your spouse or immediate family, but only if they are Indian.

If neither your spouse nor your immediate family are Indian, the remainder interest will go to your close family if they are Indian and also own a share in the same allotment. If no members of your close family are Indian or none of them owns a share in the allotment, the tribe will get the land when the life estate holder dies.

If your will leaves your land to more than one person, the judge will make them JTROS, unless your will specifically makes them tenants in common.

If your spouse, immediate family, close family, and children, grandchildren, etc. are all non-Indians, you may be able to leave more than a "life estate" to them. To find out more about your options, you should contact the local BIA Real Estate Services Office.

To prevent land from leaving trust status, tribes may buy interests that are left to non-Indians by will.

III. Rules for Co-owners.

If you own a share in an Indian allotment, you may buy the share of a deceased co-owner to prevent the tribe from acquiring that share under either intestate succession or a will. You may not do this if the deceased co-owner's family will inherit the property.

ADDITIONAL CHANGES

Other parts of the new law will help with land consolidation and the development of allotted land.

1. At any probate hearing the heirs can consolidate their shares in the land being probated or any other shares in allotments the heirs may own.

2. The new law makes it easier for allotment owners to buy, sell, or exchange interests in trust land. For example, an appraisal may not be needed when you give or sell land to a family member. Also, you can now make a gift of your land to non-family members and the tribe. It should also take less time to put an undivided interest into trust if any of the allotment was in trust on November 7, 2000.

3. To encourage consolidation, you can now make a written request for the names, addresses and ownership interests of your co-owners or the owners of trust land on your reservation. To encourage development, lessees and other users can also obtain the same information.

4. To encourage negotiated leases, the law sets new minimum consent requirements for the leasing of allotted land.

5. The new law does not apply to land in Alaska.

SUMMARY

Congress has enacted a new law affecting all allotted land. The purpose is to keep allotted land in trust for Indian use. This law makes important changes in how Indian land is inherited. From now on:

*You must be an Indian.

*Non-Indians can no longer inherit allotted land.

*Only close Indian relatives will automatically inherit allotted land.

*The law also makes it easier to sell or gift deed your allotments to other Indians.

*If you do not have a will, your land can pass only to these Indian relatives: spouse, children, grandchildren, parents. In some instances the following relatives may also be able to inherit your land: brothers and sisters, aunts and uncles, nieces and nephews, or first cousins.

*If you make a will, you can leave your land only to another Indian or the tribe. You can also give a life estate (right of use) in that land to any non-Indian, with a remainder interest going to any Indian immediate family member.

*Even if you already have a will, you should contact your BIA Real Estate Services Office to see if you should make changes to your will. If you do not have a will and you wish to control who will inherit your property, you should definitely read this information and contact your BIA Real Estate Services Office.

A new law has made important changes in what happens to Indian allotments when the owners die. On November 7, 2000, "The Indian Land Consolidation Act Amendments of 2000," P.L. 106-462 became law. This statement provides some information about the new law. For more detailed information please contact your local BIA Real Estate Services Office. For a list of Bureau offices you can go to the Bureau's website at www.doi.gov/bureau-Indian-affairs. Under "Organization" click on "Bureau of Indian Affairs." Click on "Regional Offices" and there is a complete list of all Bureau offices with addresses and phone numbers. If you do not have access to the Internet, you may write to -

Bureau of Indian Affairs
Public Affairs/ILCA
Mail Stop 4542 MIB
1849 C. St. NW
Washington, DC 20240

. . . and a list of Bureau offices will be mailed to you.

(BIA-Sisseton Agency: P.O. Box 688, Agency Village, SD 57262; telephone 605-698-7676.)

Special terms used here:

**Life Estate*. If you own a life estate in land your right to the land lasts as long as you live, but you cannot decide who will get the land when you pass away.

**Remainder Interest*. If you own a remainder interest in land, your right to the land begins when the person owning the life estate in the land dies. If an Indian has the remainder interest, the land stays in trust.

**Tenants in Common*. If you own land with someone else as tenants in common, you will have an equal right with your co-signers to the land while you live, and you can also decide who will own that interest when you pass away.

**Joint Tenants with rights of survivorship or JTROS*. If you own land with someone else as joint tenants with right of survivorship, your right to the land lasts as long as you live. As each joint tenant dies, the surviving joint tenants get the share of the deceased joint tenant. Eventually, the last surviving joint tenant owns the entire interest in the land, and only that person can decide who gets the land.

**Immediate Family*. Your immediate family members are your parents, children, grandchildren, grandparents, brothers, and sisters.

**Close Family*. Your close family members are your brothers, sisters, aunts, and nieces, nephews, and first cousins.

**Indian*. You will be considered an Indian under the new law if you are enrolled (or eligible to be enrolled) in a federally recognized Indian tribe, or if you are considered an Indian under certain other federal laws.

Dwight Ironheart Benefit Dinner & Auction

Saturday, Sept. 29, 2001

4:00-8:00 p.m.

Peever Community Center

Dinner Sale - Auction - Bake Sale

Door Prizes - Music

Please join the Ironheart Family in raising money to help with medical costs due to Dwight's recent surgery and upcoming physical therapy in Rochester, Minn.

Memorial Dinner & Giveaway

for

Robin & Jace & Jaelyn Wilson

Saturday, Oct. 6, 2001

1:00 p.m.

Tribal Elderly Center

All Family & Friends Invited



In Loving Memory of
Becky Marie Whaley
June 5, 1962 - October 8, 1991

Been ten years, Beck, since you left.
My favorite memory of you is us, walking home from school.
Walking on a dirt road, next to "the woods," in shadow, on a beautiful sunny day.

You were so unspeakably talented at mimicking people. And many other things too, Beck.

Anyway, you were being extraordinarily funny back there on that dirt road. I still laugh out loud to this very moment. We got to laughing so hard I peed my pants, and we laughed even harder at that.

I didn't think we'd ever get home.

So many good memories of you. Catch you later.

Shannon

If you lose your way,
Look back on yesterday.
Remember me this way.
Remember me this way.

Nations of the world to take such actions as will bring the terrorists to justice and prevent such terrorism from occurring in the future.

(Resolution dated September 14, 2001, Bismarck, N.D. Signed by Charles W. Murphy, Chairman; and Tex G. Hall, Secretary, United Tribes Board of Directors.)

He helped with the more emotional and difficult cases.

He has worked from 7:00 a.m. until 11:00 p.m. for the past two days. Utah Operational Center takes the overnight calls.

Ron quoted many saying, "I have no one to talk to." They are surprised there is someone to listen to them.

Veronica, Ron's mom, was at work when the attacks happened.

There are over 4,000 employees in Ron's department. Half of them have been laid off.

Ron has also sent out correspondence to 3,500 people, 30-40 percent they have not heard back from.

One woman had been out of town but had not notified her family that she was all right.

Two young children called and hadn't talked to their parents for two days and needed someone to talk to.

A day care provider had children that had not been picked up. So she still had them with her, not knowing if or when they would be picked up.

There were so many, many calls and tragic happenings all day and night.

There have been threats made against Islamic workers.

Honoring our heroes - Volunteers/heroes at ground zero NYC with ties to Lake Traverse Reservation

Ron Cleveland

(Editor's note: This news report telling of Ron's involvement in the rescue/recovery effort at the World Trade Center site in New York City comes from his



aunt. Ron is the son of Veronica Barse Ojeda and Gary Cleveland.)

Ron Cleveland called his aunt, Gladys Backman, on Friday, September 14, at 8:30 a.m.

Ron and family members work for Discovery Card, and their headquarters was in the second World Trade Center building.

Ron said that if their paycheck had been mailed on Monday they should receive them, otherwise it was questionable if they would receive them . . . and when.

Ron and his family work for the Morgan Stanley Co., which became the command center for survivors, families looking for loved ones.

Calls came from all over the world.

Ron was called into a special call center and was made manager of these calls.

Revival

Saturday & Sunday
Sept. 29-30, 2001

Mary Keeble's Home

Waubay, S.D.

(Northeast side of BlueDog Lake)

Services:

Saturday night at 7:30 p.m.

Sunday morning at 11:00 p.m.

Baby Dedication at Sunday morning services
Visiting Minister is from Sioux Valley, Manitoba
Brother Wayne Wasicuna

The end time is near and we need to accept Jesus in our lives.

His hand is stretched forth, all we need to do is let him in our hearts.

. . . But yield yourselves unto the Lord, and enter into his sanctuary. . . (2 Chro. 30:8)

This revival is in memory of Brother and Sister Walker, Brother Ben Eagle, and Sister Lucy, and other brothers and sisters who have gone to be with the Lord. Come and see what the Lord has in store for you.

For more information, contact Margaret Keeble at (605) 882-4325.

Security guards found out it was an employee using *69.

I could tell by Ron's voice that something had happened, not knowing what he was going to tell me. I thought something had happened to his immediate.

I could tell that Ronnie needed someone to talk to, too. Thanks, Ronnie, you'll always be "Ronnie" to me.

Hopefully, I have put this together to your satisfaction. Excuse me if I have not.

God bless you, Ronnie, and Gladys Backman.

Chrissy Nelson

(Editor's note: Here, in her own words, are comments from volunteer/hero Chrissy Nelson, RN. Chrissy is the mother of Tribal member Stephen Rondell. She adopted Stephen as an infant and cared for him until he passed away this summer just before reaching the age of 15 years.)

Good Day From the Armory at the New York war zone.

Greetings.

Last week the world was changed. Every person was affected and will be forever. My flight to Washington, DC was scheduled for Tuesday morning, September 11. It was changed on Sunday, September 9 because Infinitec, a division of the United Cerebral Palsy Association invited me to a fund-raiser on Monday, September 10, and my friend Holly from Science and Health asked me to assist a friend on Tuesday morning, September 11. My flight would have landed in DC at 9:6 a.m.

Last week I fled to embrace my mother in Wisconsin. Later in the week I accepted a request to assist at the armory in New York.

As I sat at my station collecting DNA samples from teary eyed, hopeful souled victims, the reality of the war

began to rip away heart's blanket of peace.

My new friend, my hero from Seattle, quickly placed his hand on my shoulder. "We have come this far to help, you can do it."

We learned quickly that as life carried on in Chicago and Seattle we were not really a part of it. We were a part of our country's war healing and we were now, our entire world.

When the crowd dissipated, we rested our heads on the piles of papers that lined the tables in front of us. Looking up through tears a lone fireman, covered with ash, found a place to rest his humble body under a table in the far corner. His fireman's

hat rested at his feet. A young girl covered him with her sweater.

One of the families that had just filled out the pages of paperwork to register their brother, huddled in the center of the room. Their sobs echoed pain.

Our world, as we know it, has changed.

Heroes are everywhere. They exist everywhere. This week we focus on the lives, the victims, and the heroes in the war zone.

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**Honoring our heroes
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As we packed to leave our "post" and return to our various homes, we paused to embrace and say our good byes. My new Seattle hero, whispered in my ear, "What if all of the world is just like this now, what if Seattle and Chicago are just like this?" We put our bags down, sat on the cold floor, and cried.

To you, our heroes.....yes, the ones who keep the coffee shops open, drive the school buses, make apple pie, collect our tolls, mow the grass in the parks,

America under attack:**Talking points parents can use with their children**

by Laura Jana, M.D., F.A.A.P.

The terrifying attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon have brought normal, everyday life in this country largely to a standstill, at least for a while. But, as a parent, you know that your child's world still goes on and you have to somehow find a way to maintain structure in her life and impart a sense of security. To that end, we have put together some questions that young children across the country are likely to ask their parents, along with some replies that young children can understand.

Question: "Mommy, what's happening?"

Answer: The amount of detail and explanation you go into depends, of course, on the age of your child. For young children, you might say something along the lines of: "We don't know exactly what happened yet, but it's clear that two buildings in New York City and one in Northern Virginia, were attacked. A lot of people were hurt and it's very sad." Since your child is sure to realize that you're upset, you might want to reassure her, perhaps by saying, "I'm sorry if I seem upset, but I'm not angry with you." It's also important to keep reinforcing the message "I will make sure that you are safe."

Question: "Is it happening here, Dad?"

Answer: Children tend to personalize these events, perhaps by thinking about an airplane trip they just took or a tall building they visited. And even early school-age children begin to understand that if a bad thing happened to someone else,

Coping with the Emotional Fallout

by Robert Needlman, M.D., F.A.A.P.

As horrifying as recent terrorist attacks were, the days to come are sure to pose even more emotional challenges for our children. For adults and children alike, the first response to an overwhelming disaster can be a sense of unreality. After the initial shock wears off and the facts sink in, then other emotions, such as sadness, fear, and anger, are likely to emerge.

Like adults, children often have a delayed response to witnessing traumatic events. They tend to take their cues from the adults around them, but may respond in ways that are hard for adults to understand. Some clearly act upset, crying or clinging. Many continue to play as though nothing had happened, but are very aware of the mood and conversation of the adults around them. Later, they may ask questions or show through their play or behavior that they have been affected emotionally.

The closer you are to the traumatic events—perhaps because you live near one of the sites of violence or have relatives who were directly affected—the more intense your emotional response, as well as your child's,

and stock the shelves at local grocery stores.....you are our heroes. You are the ones that we want to come to.

All my love and hopes of peace, Chrissy L. Nelson.

PS: I will return to the war zone in one week armed with poems from my beautiful boy's book, "Stephen, Letters of Courage and Hope." Right now, I just want to sleep.

(Author of Eagle Doctor, Stories of Stephen, My Child With Special Needs Founder of Stephen's Hope Foundation Available Now! Stephen: Letters of Courage and Hope by Stephen! www.StephensHope.org)

it conceivably could happen to them, too. The point is to make your children feel as far removed from the tragedies as possible. Most people across the United States can simply and honestly reassure their children that these events happened far, far away from their homes, and that's bound to make them feel better. But parents in New York, Washington, and Pittsburgh will have to work a little harder to make their children feel safe. They might say something like: "One of these terrible things did take place near here, but it only happened in one small area and we are all safe."

Question: "Did anybody die?"

Answer: If you are faced with this question, don't lie to your children, but don't overwhelm them with details and explanations. Say as little as possible. Start with a simple "Yes, I think so." If they press you for more information and ask how many, you can try saying that you don't know or simply "A lot of people, I'm afraid." Acknowledge how sad it is, and then, once again, stress that you are all safe and that it happened far away.

Question: "Are things going to be OK?"

Answer: No matter what doubts or fears you might harbor, you need to act positive and offer your children a sense of security. Simply telling your children that you love them, that you will protect them, and that grown-ups are making sure that nothing else bad will happen is often enough to put a young child's mind at ease.

is likely to be. But the unfortunate fact is that everyone in our society was affected, and every child will observe and have to deal with the emotional fallout as the adults around them review, discuss, debate, and react to the events.

Observe children's responses

Some children's reactions will be easy to interpret. They will blow up block buildings over and over, or crash a toy airplane. They will draw explosions and smoke, as they saw on television. Other reactions will be less obvious. Children may act more serious, with less spontaneous joy, or look in a worried way at the sky or buildings along the street, as though they might burst into flames. Other children may be unusually wild or disobedient, which is just their way of dealing with the strong emotions around them.

Children's artwork may be indirectly related to the traumatic events. A child may draw a sad-looking house, for example, or a dog that "is very sick, and he might die," as the little artist might explain. Another child might make a happy scene with a sun and flowers, declaring, "I want everyone to feel happy again."

Verbal children may ask many questions, or ask the same question over and over. Others may ask one question (about the plane blowing up, for example), accept a parent's answer in a matter-of-fact way, then go back to playing. Although they seem unaffected, they are processing your answer. Hours or even days later, they may ask the next part of the question: "Did the people in the plane die?"

It's important to recognize that all of these behaviors are attempts to deal with the upsetting, frightening emotions raised by the traumatic events.

What you can do

Children need permission to deal with difficult emotions, just as adults do. They also need to have the freedom not to deal with emotions, at least outwardly, until they are ready to handle them. Some specific things you can do include:

*Talk with your child about her feelings. If you notice her looking sad, anxious, or upset without obvious reason, ask your child if she is thinking about the plane crashes or the buildings that fell down yesterday. If she says "yes," let her know that you have been thinking about the same thing.

*Accept your child's emotions. Children need to know that any feelings they have are OK. Children who have grown up with strong moral principles may worry that it is wrong to feel very angry, or to imagine taking revenge. Others may think that it is a sign of weakness to feel scared. Worry or shame connected to these normal responses can make the emotional strain worse.

*Help your children find language for what happened. Many of the words to describe what happened—terrorist attack, devastation, disaster, catastrophe—are too big for children to feel comfortable with, or even understand. They need simple, concrete words: the airplane crash, the building falling down, the fires, when all those people died in New York and Washington. Although you may be tempted to keep things a little vague and avoid such direct descriptions, they really do help children make sense of the events and give them the ability to talk about them.

*Help your child use art. Many children—especially young children—do better expressing feelings in pictures, rather than in words. Let your child have paper and crayons, and take seriously what she draws. Rather than just admiring the artwork, invite your child to tell you about it. If she doesn't feel like talking, that's OK, too.

*Realize that play can be a coping mechanism. Children's play is not frivolous. Children use play as a way to handle emotionally charged issues. It's important that parents accept their children's play, even if the themes are disturbing (death, for example), rather than trying to make the children play "happy" games. You can join your child in play simply by sitting quietly nearby. Or you can reflect the action in words, with little other comment—for example, "That building just fell down. What happened?" Play that has a repetitive, compulsive quality can be a sign of more severe upset—if a child repeatedly draws disturbing pictures, or instance, or only seems to play games that involve violence or death for more than a day or two. See our article on post-traumatic stress for more on recognizing and helping with this condition.

(Created September 12, 2001. Reviewed September 12, 2001 by Laura Jana, M.D., F.A.A.P., Dr. Spock.)

Revisiting: State-tribal relations committee meeting on Lake Traverse Reservation

(Editor's note: The following are official proceedings of the August 2001 session of the South Dakota State-Tribal Relations Committee meeting held on the Lake Traverse Reservation.)

Third Meeting Tribal Council Chambers 2001 Interim Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe August 27, 2001 Agency Village, South Dakota

The third meeting of the 2001 interim of the Legislature's State-Tribal Relations Committee was called to order by Chair Senator J.E. "Jim" Putnam at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, August 27, 2001, in the Tribal Council Chambers of the Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe in Agency Village, South Dakota.

The following members were present: Senators Arnold Brown, Richard Hagen, J.E. "Jim" Putnam, and Ronald Volesky and Representative Thomas Van Norman. Senator Patricia de Hueck and Representatives Stan Adelstein, Jean Hunhoff, Barry Jensen, and Paul Valandra were unable to attend.

Staff member present was Tom Magedanz, Principal Research Analyst.

A list of guests present during all or part of the meeting is on file with the master minutes.

(Note: For the sake of continuity, the following minutes are not necessarily in chronological order. Also, all referenced documents are on file with the master minutes.)

Opening Remarks

Chair, J.E. "Jim" Putnam said that the focus of the meeting would be on economic development activities of the Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe. In addition, the committee will hear updates on the status of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act Reauthorization in Congress (SB 212) and on issues related to the licensure and practice of Indian Health Service physicians in South Dakota. Chair Putnam expressed thanks to the Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe

for hosting the meeting of the State-Tribal Relations Committee and for allowing the committee to use the tribal council chambers.

Economic Development Activities and Issues on the Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Reservation

Ms. Gail Williams, Director of Planning, Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe, described planning functions and programs of the Tribe. These include creation and maintenance of a Geographic Information Systems (GIS) program, which involves mapping and plotting of all infrastructure and utility features on the reservation. These can then be combined with maps and files on soil and water resources maintained by the Office of Environmental Protection and can be used as a planning tool to identify all community resources and infrastructure. The planning office also has undertaken a Tribal Census Survey in addition to the 2000 U.S. Census. The Tribal Census Survey is funded by the Tribe and collects information from tribal members on health, housing, education, and employment in more detail than is available from the U.S. Census. This information is helpful in identifying needs and resources in designing development programs and is helpful as well in seeking funding and assistance from outside sources. The planning office also operates the Facility Management Program, which provides for the management of tribal buildings and facilities. The Tribe currently maintains twenty-five separate facilities, including a fire department, community center, Boys and Girls Club, Head Start, Day Care Center, and other facilities.

Mr. Doug Dolney, Economic Development Director, Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe, discussed the Tribe's overall economic development strategies and needs. A new Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy for the Tribe will be completed

next summer. The Sisseton-Wahpeton reservation is divided into seven separate districts, and each is granted an amount of money to pursue economic development projects of their own choosing. Some of the districts have economic development projects in operation, while others are in the planning stages. The tribe currently operates three casinos, as well as a manufacturing plant, but is interested in other potential economic development opportunities, such as a home buyers program, a modular home factory, wind power generation, a distribution center for casinos, and other possibilities. He noted that many individuals wish to start businesses, but they need help in the form of business loans and technical assistance. The tribe also is involved in the acquisition of land in certain circumstances. Ms. Shannon LaBatte, Coordinator of the Business Mentorship Program, briefly described the program, which includes an economic diversification plan and a strategic plan and focuses on education and training (Sisseton-Wahpeton Community College) and the further development of infrastructure, which is necessary before significant additional economic development can proceed.

Mr. Richard Keeble, Jr., Director of the Employment Training Demonstration Program, explained to the committee that this program consolidated eight federal programs related to employment training into one unified program. Forty-five tribes nationwide participate in the Employment Training Demonstration Program, and Congress recently authorized the tribes to use ten percent of the funding for local economic development purposes. In response to a question by Senator Putnam, Mr. Keeble stated that the program contracts with the community college to do actual employment training. The program also assists in placing people with companies and pays for the training.

Mr. Tim Azure, General Manager of the Dakota Western Corporation, briefed the

Notice**Buffalo Lake District Members**

The next regular District Meeting will be held this Thursday, Sept. 27, 2001, beginning with a meal at 6:30 p.m. at the District Center.

All District members are encouraged to attend.

**Rummage Sale
(Too late to classify)**

Friday, Sept. 28, 2001, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Big mens shirts, women's clothes, miscellaneous, at the Gene Heminger home, 1010 Little Crow Drive, Agency Village, S.D.

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For news, photos of the Lake Traverse Reservation see the Sota pages & website <http://earthskyweb.com/sota.html>

committee on the corporation's background and operations. Dakota Western is a tribally-owned manufacturing firm that produces plastic film and plastic trash bags. Dakota Western has been in operation since 1989 and sells its products to the federal government's General Services Administration and to the McDonald's and Wendy's corporations. The firm was funded primarily by assistance from the federal Economic Development Administration and by casino revenues, with additional grants and loans from the Bureau of Indian Affairs, the Small Business Administration, and Norwest Bank. The current facility was constructed in 1992, with an addition completed in 1995. The company employs 45 people, 70% of whom are Native American, and generates \$10 million in annual revenues. Dakota Western purchases plastic pellets from suppliers in Texas and Canada and uses them to produce plastic bags of varying sizes and specifications. The company is currently considering diversifying its operations by manufacturing decking lumber made of an extruded plastic/wood composite which is related to their current production operations and practices. Mr. Azure noted that the location of the Sisseton-Wahpeton reservation near the Interstate highway and near a rail line is very important and that tribes in a more remote location would have a difficult time making an enterprise such as this profitable. He also informed the committee that the company has been involved in an ongoing dispute with the state regarding the payment of state excise taxes on materials entering the reservation from outside sources. This has caused confusion among general contractors during construction of the plant, and they decided to pay the tax even though the question of paying taxes on materials to be used on trust land is still in dispute. He would like to see this issue resolved. Mr. Azure also stated that the company has a good relationship with the tribal government and that the Tribe has been very supportive of the operation. He said that a manufacturing business provides employment opportunities and experience for many different talents and trades in addition to production workers (such as electricians, plumbers, drivers, clerical and managerial personnel) and that the payroll adds significantly to the local economy.

Ms. Rachel Brewster, an attorney who works for the Enemy Swim District of the Sisseton-Wahpeton reservation, described economic development projects undertaken by the Enemy Swim District. The Enemy Swim District's primary economic development project is a new day care center that will open September 4, 2001. Because a number of people in the district work at the casino and in Watertown, a day care center was needed to allow them to be away from home for work. The day care center, which can accommodate twenty children and employs four people, was funded in part by a state grant from the Governor's Office of Economic Development, as well as economic development funding from the tribe. The district has also identified five other potential projects, including transportation for people to work, a convenience store along Highway 12 near Waubay, a silk-screening project in Waubay, a multifunctional building that would accommodate several small businesses, and a water recreation attraction at Enemy Swim Lake. These projects were identified as a part of the district's strategic economic development plan.

Mr. Glen Wilson, District Chairman, and Ms. Virginia Matts, District Councilwoman for the Long Hollow District, discussed the district's economic development efforts. The Long Hollow District's primary economic development project is an automotive repair and servicing business that was recently purchased and is currently in operation. The shop employs a mechanic and a bookkeeper and handles automotive minor repairs, lube, oil, tires, and other servicing. The shop is located in the Long Hollow area, which is ten to fifteen miles from Agency Village and Sisseton, and the location limits the number of potential customers. The district is looking at moving the shop to a location in or near Sisseton. Another possibility would be to use garage space in the Tekakwitha Center, which was recently purchased by the Tribe. The Long Hollow District previously operated a sanitation business for a period of ten years and is considering starting another solid waste/sanitation operation.

Tour of Economic Development Facilities

The committee toured the Dakota Western Corporation's manufacturing plant and was briefed on its operations and plans by General Manager Tim Azure. The committee then had lunch at the Dakota Connection Casino, which is located near Sisseton on Interstate 29, and toured that facility. The committee was briefed on casino operations by Tribal Vice-Chair Jake Thompson and met briefly with the Sisseton-Wahpeton Tribal Gaming Commission. The committee then drove to Long Hollow and was given a tour of the Long Hollow district's automotive repair and servicing shop by District Chair Glen Wilson.

Update on Health Issues

Ms. Sara DeCoteau, Health Coordinator for the Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe, discussed the status in Congress of SB 212, the reauthorization of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act. She discussed provisions of the bill related to long-term health care for the elderly, physician licensure and practice, third-party coverage, and billing practices. She reported that the bill probably will not pass this year. The bill is expensive to fund, and the new administration has not yet taken a position on the bill. Another problem is that the Indian Health Service (IHS) already faces a huge backlog of unfunded needs under current law, making it more difficult to obtain funding for additional Indian Health Service activities, such as the provision of long-term care and nursing homes on Indian reservations. A hearing on the bill scheduled for August 2, 2001, was postponed, and the bill is likely to be amended to reduce certain costs and programs. She also presented written material related to congressional action on SB 212 to the committee (Document 1). Senator Putnam expressed disappointment at this

development, because the committee had been hopeful after testimony at the last meeting that positive congressional action on long-term care was a possibility. Senator Brown noted that South Dakota's congressional delegation has been contacted in the past by the committee on this issue and has not responded to the committee. Senator Hagen stated that he has personally carried requests to the congressional delegation on the nursing home issue with no response. Representative Van Norman, who serves as Tribal Attorney for the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe, stated that the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe is pursuing a federal solution for the nursing home problem and will be meeting with federal officials on SB 212 in September.

Senator Volesky moved, seconded by Senator Brown, that the committee send a letter to South Dakota's congressional delegation stating that health care for Native Americans, and particularly long-term care and nursing homes on Indian reservations, are priority issues. The letter would include a request for a written response on these issues and on the status of SB 212, and would refer to previous correspondence from the committee to the congressional delegation. Motion prevailed on a voice vote.

Ms. DeCoteau then discussed developments since the last meeting on the issue of Indian Health Service physician licensure and the interpretation of statutory exceptions allowing Indian Health Service physicians who are not licensed in South Dakota to practice in the course of their employment with IHS outside the physical boundaries of IHS facilities. She met with a representative of the South Dakota Board of Medical and Osteopathic Examiners and the possibility of a pilot project in the Sisseton area that would allow IHS physicians to practice outside IHS facilities in certain circumstances was discussed. This issue is also one of many topics addressed in SB 212, but the future of SB 212 in Congress is uncertain. The committee has requested a formal Attorney General's opinion on SDCL 36-4-10, which exempts U.S. Public Health Service physicians "in the actual performance of their duties," from South Dakota licensure requirements. The Attorney General's office is currently working on this request but has not yet issued an opinion.

Public Testimony

Mr. Fremont Fallis of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe asked when the committee would meet to address racial profiling as discussed at the first meeting. Senator Putnam stated that the committee would set meeting dates on that topic later in the afternoon during the committee discussion portion of the meeting.

Committee Discussion

Senator Volesky distributed for the committee's consideration copies of HB 1226, which he introduced during the

1997 Legislative Session (Document 2). The bill would establish a State-Tribal Economic Development Commission. He also requested that copies of the bill be sent to tribal presidents in South Dakota.

The committee then discussed the date and location of the next meeting, which will deal with racial profiling. The Executive Board of the Legislative Research Council at its August 6 meeting authorized the committee to hold one additional meeting. The committee tentatively scheduled the next meeting for October 17-18, 2001, in Pierre. The committee also requested that

additional efforts be made to publicize this meeting beyond the normal interim study procedures because of the importance of this topic.

Senator Putnam again thanked the Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe for hosting the meeting and for their hospitality and their efforts. He also expressed his appreciation that the committee was allowed to use the tribal council chambers for the meeting.

Senator Hagen moved, seconded by Senator Brown, that the meeting be adjourned. Motion prevailed on a voice vote.

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Reservation boundaries restoration committee invites Tribal member input

The Reservation Boundaries Committee is interested in getting input from all Tribal members. So, the Committee will be visiting each District and inviting Tribal members to attend and share stories about the Lake Traverse Reservation, the 1867 Treaty, and the 1975 court case.

Here are remaining dates of local Committee meetings in the Districts this fall:

*Wednesday, September 26, 5:30 p.m.: Long Hollow District Center.

*Wednesday, October 10, 5:30 p.m.: Buffalo Lake District Center.

*Wednesday, October 24, 5:30 p.m.: Veblen American Legion Hall.

Reasons for re-establishing the Lake Traverse Reservation boundaries (Provided by the Committee)

*The DeCoteau Case was not decided with the Tribe's participation.

*So that the Tribe may Preserve Historic Sites and Native Culture.

*So that the Tribe may regulate the environment and set high air, land, and water standards.

*To uphold the Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Treaty Rights and to continue with the pride in our history.

*To right an historic wrong.

*To allow the Tribe to effectively do land consolidation to increase the reservation land base.

*To know that the Reservation will be here for future generations of our People.

Everyone is urged to attend.

CHR/MCH transportation policy

(Editor's note: Please note the current transportation policy of the Lake Traverse Reservation Community Health Representatives/Maternal-Child Health program staff. The new policy is signed by CHR/MCH Manager Lorraine German and SWST Secretary Michael Peters.)

In order to reduce transportation services, according to the directive from CHR/IHS headquarters, and the exorbitant prices for gasoline, and to provide more services to the elderly and handicapped, the following transportation policy has been adopted and implemented:

*CHRs will transport only the elderly, handicapped people, dialysis patients, according to a memorandum of agreement and those without transportation for health clinic appointments, including re-certification for WIC. CHR/MCH staff will not transport children home from school because of illness. Minor children scheduled for clinic appointments will be required to be accompanied by a parent or guardian. It is most appreciated when patients call in early in the morning with requests for transportation services. This common courtesy gives the CHR ample time to plan the daily schedule.

*CHRs will transport dialysis patients who are eligible American Indian recipients of Indian Health services to tertiary care hospitals for any health care services they may require.

*Requests for the delivery of medications will be honored for elderly, handicapped, and those without transportation. Patients who are seen in health clinics are being asked to wait for their medications. These requests for the delivery of medications are most appreciated when made in the morning, for delivery in the afternoon.

*CHRs will assist the elderly and handicapped in their grocery shopping and personal care needs. This includes WIC participants, who are without transportation.

CHR/MCH policy cont'd on page 14

SWST COMMODITY PROGRAM October 2001 Schedule

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|--|--|---|--|--|--|----------|
| Note: Dates may change due to unforeseen circumstances | 1 Open 9:00-3:00 | 2 Open 9:00-3:00 | 3 Open 9:00-3:00 | 4 Open 9:00-3:00 | 5 Open 9:00-3:00 | 6 |
| 7 | 8 Closed for Native American Day holiday | 9 Closed for delivery: Old Agency a.m., Sisseton p.m. | 10 Closed for delivery: Lake Traverse a.m., Long Hollow p.m. | 11 Closed for delivery: Big Coulee a.m., Enemy Swim p.m. | 12 Closed for delivery: Buffalo Lake a.m., Veblen/Helpa p.m. | 13 |
| 14 | 15 Open 9:00-3:00 | 16 Open 9:00-3:00 | 17 Open 9:00-3:00 | 18 Open 9:00-3:00 | 19 Open 9:00-3:00 | 20 |
| 21 | 22 Closed | 23 Closed | 24 Closed | 25 Closed | 26 Closed | 27 |
| 28 | 29 Closed | 30 Closed | 31 Closed | | | |

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Lake Traverse District Special Election October 5th, 2001

Deadline Dates to Remember

The August District meeting with new memberships accepted at the September Tribal Council meeting is the deadline to change and/or update rosters prior to the Special Election.

There will not be absentee voting due to the time constraints of 45 days of the Special Election.

*September 10th, 2001, 4:30 p.m.: Deadline to file notice of intent with the Tribal Secretary for the Council Position of the Lake Traverse District. Filing fee: \$200 upon filing Notice of Intent.

*September 20th, 2001: Certification of Candidates for the Lake Traverse Council position by the Reservation Election Board to the Tribal Secretary.

*September 20th, 2001: Deadline to post Notice by Tribal Secretary of all qualified candidates for the Lake Traverse Special Election. To post time and place of the Special Election.

*September 25th, 2001, 4:30 p.m.: Deadline to appeal to the Tribal Court on the qualification or disqualification of candidates.

*October 4th, 2001: Deadline for Tribal Court to determine appeal on the certifications of candidates.

*October 5th, 2001: Special Election Day for Lake Traverse Council. Any recount challenge shall be made by the candidate immediately prior to the Council certifying the election results.

*October 15th, 2001, 4:30 p.m.: Deadline to challenge or contest to the Tribal Court on the Special Election.

*October 29th, 2001: Deadline for Tribal Court to determine appeals on the validity of the Special Election.

Reservation Election Board Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe of the Lake Traverse Reservation

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NOTICE

Lake Traverse District Members SPECIAL ELECTION FRIDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2001

To: Lake Traverse District Members.

For: Vacant Council Position.

Polling Place: Lake Traverse District Center.

Polling Hours: 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Tally of votes will be held in the Lake Traverse District Center after the closing of the Poll Hours.

Reservation Election Board Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe of the Lake Traverse Reservation

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*Family members of the CHR/MCH staff will be afforded the same transportation services, if they are too ill to drive or do not own a vehicle. CHRs will be required to apply for sick leave for their own health care appointments, and will use their personal vehicles in contract health care appointments.

*CHR/MCH staff will not transport those patients who voluntary sign (AMA) from hospital, jails, and Dakotah Pride Treatment Center. CHR/MCH staff will not transport those who are under the influence of alcohol, drugs, or mentally out of control.

*Nursing home residents are the responsibility of the nursing homes for transportation services. Delivery of medications to nursing homes will be honored via the pharmacist or attending physician.

DOJ forms anti-terrorist task forces in U.S. Attorney offices

United States Attorney Michelle G. Tapken announced Attorney General John D. Ashcroft has directed every U. S. Attorney district to establish an Anti-Terrorism Task Force. These task forces will coordinate the dissemination of information and the development of investigative and prosecutive strategy in dealing with terrorism throughout the country. The

enforcement with a comprehensive and seamless approach to attack terrorism within our borders."

Tapken stated that the District of South Dakota intends to make this the highest priority for her office. The U.S. Attorney's Office in South Dakota will do all that it can within its mission to support the Attorney General's anti-terrorism efforts.

"I have directed David Zuercher, an experienced prosecutor, to serve as the Anti-Terrorism Coordinator for the District of South Dakota." Zuercher convened a meeting today of representatives from the federal law enforcement agencies as well as state and local police representatives. Agencies represented on the task force will include the FBI, INS, DEA, Marshals Service, Customs Service, Secret Service, ATF, Postal Inspection Service, and the IRS's Criminal Investigative Division. Each Anti-Terrorism Coordinator will coordinate with a National Anti-Terrorism Coordinator, as assigned by region of the country, in the Terrorism and Violent Crime Section of the Criminal Division. National coordinators will be responsible for integrating regional activities into the

formation of these task forces provides the operational foundation for a concerted national assault against terrorism

"The threat that seemed fairly remote to most Americans seven days ago is now felt in every heart and in every home in the United States. I have directed every United States Attorney to commit all available resources and manpower to our national mission against terrorism" said Ashcroft. "This system will provide law

NOTICE

Lake Traverse District Members Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Absentee Ballots

There will be no absentee voting due to the forty-five (45) day time constraints of the Special Election as specified under the revised Constitution and By-Laws of the Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe.

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Department's national anti-terrorism strategy.

The creation of these task forces will serve several purposes- First, each task force will act as a conduit for information about suspected terrorists between the federal and local agencies. The intelligence obtained will then be disseminated through these task forces to the local law enforcement officials who can assist in monitoring terrorist networks on the local level. Second, each district task force will serve as a coordinating body for implementing the operational plan for the prevention of terrorism. Third, the Anti-Terrorism Task Force in each district will serve as a standing organizational structure for a coordinated response to a terrorist incident occurring in that district. The Department of Justice will provide clear guidance to each Anti-Terrorism Task Force on an ongoing basis and will detail the operational plan for terrorism prevention and provide briefings about the terrorist activities in each region of the country.

Diabetes/fitness center

The SWST Diabetes and Fitness Center, in cooperation with the Center for Disabilities program of USD School of Medicine, will provide a grocery store tour and nutrition display on Tuesday and Wednesday, October 2 and 3, 2001.

The displays and half hour tours will begin at 3:00 p.m. and conclude at 6:30 p.m. each day.

Come and join in the fun, fitness, and education provided by the Fitness Center.

Some of the topics are: food safety, reading food labels, shopping tips, diabetic information, tour of the grocery store.

Displays and activities will be in the conference room of the Diabetes Center located on the second floor of the federal building (U.S. Post Office), Sisseton.

For more information, call 698-3922.

Nursing Notes

Submitted by Colleen Donnell R.N.

Sisseton IHS

Strategies to protect your heart

Shelter yourself from heart disease by following this step-by-step plan.

Maybe you can't change your age or your family his story, but you can adopt some healthy habits that will greatly reduce your risk of heart disease.

1. QUIT SMOKING. Smoking is the single greatest risk factor for heart disease. To find out

about smoking-cessation programs in your area, call your local branch of the American Lung Association, the American Cancer Society, or the American Heart Association. Con de nicotine replacement therapy as an adjunct to behavior modification.

2. Get Moving. Just 30 minutes a day of low-to-moderate intensity exercise three or four times a week produces tremendous cardiovascular benefits: lower levels of low-density lipoprotein ("bad" cholesterol), higher level of high density lipoprotein ("good" cholesterol), increased metabolism, and weight loss.

3. Eat Wisely. A heart-smart diet includes a variety of foods low in fat and high in fiber. This includes more whole foods-fruits, vegetables, and legumes, than processed or refined foods.

4. Maintain a healthy weight. Starting and staying with a exercise program.

5. Keep your blood pressure in check. If you eat wisely, maintain a healthy weight, and exercise regularly, you're already on your way to a healthy blood pressure. Cutting out excess salt in your diet-you should have 2,400 mg. or less a day, and limiting alcohol will also help.

6. Lower high cholesterol. Thirty percent or less of your total calories should come from fat, less than 10% from saturated fat. Become an avid label reader.

NOTICE CURFEW

Curfew within Housing will be 10:00 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and 11:00 p.m. Friday and Saturday nights.

Exceptions made only for school- and church-related events.

Sisseton-Wahpeton Housing Authority

NOTICE

TO ALL SISSETON-WAHPETON HOUSING AUTHORITY TENANTS

Dwelling lease will not be renewed if a tenant has a delinquent rental charge.

Delinquent rent must be paid in full by the expiration date of previous dwelling lease.



September '01 Bingo Calendar

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
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|  | | | VIKING TICKETS! We've got Viking tickets and we are giving them away all through the months of September and October. | | | 1 Stay & Play Matinee Regular Session Money Mania Receipt Night Moonlight |
| 2 Senior Citizens \$5 Off | 3 Triple Win Play Football Night | 4 Triple Win Play | 5 Triple Win Play | 6 Regular Session Good Neighbor Moonlight | 7 Ladies Night Jr. Discount \$5 Off Moonlight | 8 Stay & Play Matinee Regular Session Money Mania Receipt Night Moonlight |
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Grand Prize Night is Back!

Sept. 24th Dining Room Table & Dinnerware

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ATTENTION CONCERNED TRIBAL MEMBERS

The 2001 Tribal Census will soon be coming to a close. If you live within the Reservation boundaries and have not been counted and you would like to be, there is still a chance.

We ask that you take a few minutes of your time and stop by the Planning and Development Office and fill out a census questionnaire form.

This will take only a few minutes of your time.

Our population numbers are important. Stand up and be counted! Do it for the benefit of your children, yourself, and for the benefit of our Tribe.

For more information, call 698-4972.

NOTICE LONG HOLLOW DISTRICT MEMBERS

The Long Hollow District will host the Reservation Boundaries Committee at the Long Hollow District Center this Wednesday, September 26th, at 5:30 p.m.

All Tribal members and Long Hollow District members are encouraged to attend.

A meal will be provided starting at 5:30 p.m. Join us for a discussion on re-establishing our 1867 Treaty Reservation Boundaries.

Hope to see you there.
Regular District Meeting

The next regular District Meeting will be held Sunday, September 30, 2001, at 1:00 p.m.

School Clothes
Deadline for applying for school clothes assistance is December 2001.

PUBLIC NOTICE Lake Traverse District Members

The next regular District Meeting is scheduled for this Thursday, September 27, 2001 at 7:00 p.m.

All District members are encouraged to attend.

The Selection (Election) of three (3) new Budget Committee members will be on the agenda.

Persons who are interested in the three (3) positions must submit a resume and notice of intent to Ray Wilson, District Chairman.

Call or visit with District Executives if there are any questions on basic qualifications:

1. Committed and knowledgeable on District operations.
2. Experienced in business and budget operations.
3. Must be able to meet upon immediate notification for budget meetings.
4. Must be available for training 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. when scheduled.

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Notice

Heipa/Veblen District Members

Special Meeting to be held on September 20, 2001 at 6:00 p.m., Veblen Legion Hall, Veblen, S.D. The Heipa/Veblen District Treasurer's position is vacant. All interested District members please attend. The Heipa/Veblen District Constitution Revision Committee will present the proposed changes to the District Constitution. All District members are encouraged to attend.

The regular District meeting will be held on September 27, 2001.

Advertising is for new and experienced entrepreneurs who need to get their sales message to the right people. This session covers developing a marketing plan, market research process, market analysis, four P's, and advertising methods for small businesses.

These workshops will be held in Gettysburg, Redfield, and Webster via interactive videoconferencing over the Dakota Digital Network. In addition to the structured classroom training, each of the workshop locations will have facilitators and instructors on hand, along with speakers or a panel of speakers with expertise relating to the workshop topic. Each of the four workshops will be offered in Webster from 6:15 to 9:30 p.m. at the Webster High School, 1209 Main St., North Entrance, Ground Floor, DDN Tech Center.

The workshops can be taken independently.

You may register by mail, email, or fax; but seats will be reserved only upon receipt of payment. Registration is \$25 for each workshop or \$80 if attending all four workshops. The registration deadline is one week prior to each workshop.

For more information, please contact: Kelly Weaver or Carla Schweitzer, Small Business Development Center (SBDC),

416 Production St. N., Aberdeen, SD 57401; 605-626-2565, Fax 605-626-2667 or E-mail: carlas@midco.net.

These workshops are co-sponsored by NESDEC, F&M Bank of Webster, Dacotah Bank of Webster, Webster Area Development Corporation, and Webster Area Chamber of Commerce. This series of workshops is also being offered this fall in Gettysburg and Redfield.

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however, reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any minor irregularities, informalities or discrepancies.

Plans and specifications are on file for inspection at the office of OWNER aforesaid and at the office of Holton Engineering, Inc., 512 Veterans Avenue, Sisseton, SD, 57262.

Bidders desiring Drawings, Specifications, and Bid Proposal for personal use may secure a complete set from: Holton Engineering, Inc. 512 Veterans Avenue P.O. Box 68 Sisseton, SD 57262-0068 Telephone: 1-605-698-3850; fax 1-605-698-7968.

Dated at Sisseton, SD this 18 day of September, 2001. By Ron Jones, Director, Sisseton-Wahpeton Housing Authority, Agency Village, SD 57262.

Notice of Election

Enemy Swim District Members

Election for Enemy Swim District Chairperson will be held at the Enemy Swim Bingo Hall on Saturday, September 29, 2001. Hours: 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Special Meeting to follow.

A Candidates Forum will be held Saturday, September 22, 2001, 7:00 p.m. at the Enemy Swim Bingo Hall.

Notice

Big Coulee District Members

At the next regular monthly District Meeting, the District will need:

- *New District Treasurer.
- *Judicial Committee member.

All interested persons please attend the next meeting.

Avoid snacks and baked goods made with hydrogenated or partially hydrogenated vegetable oil, which can raise cholesterol almost as much as animal fat.

7. Control your blood glucose. If you have diabetes, you already know how important meal planning and exercise are to your health. Remember that diabetes also increases your risk of heart disease.

Remember, it's never too late to start a new beginning to a healthy lifestyle. No matter what age you are!

Small-Business Development Center to hold small business workshops

Are you a potential businessperson or a small businessperson looking to learn more about starting and managing your own business? If so, the Small Business Development Center may be able to help. The Small Business Development Center is co-sponsoring a series of four Small Business Workshops in Webster in October and November 2001.

The series of four small business workshops:

Workshop #1: Taking the Plunge - Venturing into Business Thursday, October 4th.

Workshop #2: Show Me the Money - Financing For Your

Business Thursday, October 18th.

Workshop #3: Cash is King - Understanding Your Financial Information Thursday, November 1st.

Workshop #4: Improving the Bottom Line - Marketing and Advertising Thursday, November 15th.

A description of each workshop is as follows:

Workshop #1: Taking the Plunge - Venturing into Business is for entrepreneurs who have not yet ventured into business. The session covers common entry strategies, managing risk, preparing the business plan, introduction to marketing, and introduction to financial planning.

Workshop #2: Show Me the Money - Financing For Your Business is for entrepreneurs

who are ready to turn their business dreams into reality. This session covers debt and equity financing, potential sources for financing, 6 C's of credit, and the successful banking relationship.

Workshop #3: Cash is King - Understanding Your Financial Information is for new and experienced entrepreneurs who want to better control their cash. The session covers break even analysis, cash-to-cash cycle, working capital, internal controls for cash, preparing cash flow projections, and managing excess cash.

Workshop #4: Improving the Bottom Line - Marketing and



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**Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe
In Tribal Court
Lake Traverse Reservation
State of South Dakota
ORDER FOR AND
NOTICE OF HEARING
Case No. D-01-447-356 to
D-01-450-359**

In the matter of the name change of: Carolyn North Peigan, Sara North Peigan, Jena North Peigan, Thomasina Ryan, minors. And concerning: Philomene North Peigan, Petitioner.

Notice is hereby given that the Petitioner's request for a change of name from Carolyn North Peigan to Carolyn Genia and Sara North Peigan to Sara Genia, Jena North Peigan to Jena Genia, and Thomasina Ryan to Thomasina Genia shall be heard before the Honorable Judge Jones, Chief Judge of Tribal Court, in the Sisseton-Wahpeton Tribal Court at Agency Village, South Dakota at 2:00 p.m. on the 17th day of October 2001.

Dated this 18th day of September, 2001.

By the court: B.J. Jones, Chief Judge.
Attest: Eileen Anderson, Clerk of Courts.

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**Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe
Job Announcement
Administrative Assistant – Law
Enforcement**

To assist the Captain of Police in processing necessary paperwork for the efficient operation and to keep accounting of daily expenditures of the Law Enforcement Program.

Requirements: Knowledge of Law Enforcement Service procedures and operations. Must be able to perform clerical functions of above average difficulty. Extensive computer knowledge and work experience. Must be able to perform a variety of administrative functions in a timely, accurate manner. Job description is available in the Personnel Office.

Salary: \$10.50/hour.

Closing date: September 28, 2001.

Submit application and supporting documents to: Etta Jo Seaboy, Tribal Personnel Office, Agency Village.

**Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe
Little Voices Group Home
Job Announcement
Child Care Workers
(Part-time, 2 female, 2 male)**

Must possess the minimum of a high school diploma or GED. Must have some experience in working in a youth residential facility or caring for children in a structured setting. Must be mature individual and at least 21 years of age. Must have 2 years of continuous, verifiable sobriety. Must submit to and pass the required background criminal/character background investigation. Job description is available.

Salary: \$8.00-\$10.00 per hour.

Submit application and supporting documents to: Etta Jo Seaboy, Tribal Personnel Office, Agency Village, S.D.

Brown-Day-Marshall (BDM) Rural Water Program

All Tribal members interested in water hook-ups to this rural water line, please contact the two Tribal Liaisons:

John Cloud III (605) 698-3462 or (605) 698-4821; and Vine Marks (605) 881-8988 or (605) 698-7453.

**Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe
Job Announcement
Head Start Teacher's Aide**

Work hours: 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM Monday through Friday, Mid-September through Mid-May of each program year.

Responsible for assisting the teacher and other classroom staff in providing a safe and healthy environment and developmentally appropriate learning opportunities in accordance with the Revised Early Head Start and Head Start Performance Standards, 45 CFR 1304.21, for young children entrusted to them. The aide must consult and cooperate with the parent/family who has temporarily delegated the responsibility for the care and development of their child to the Head Start Program. In the absence of the teacher, the aide must provide leadership and direction to other staff within the classroom and cooperate with other staff in providing services for the children and their parent/family. Must have a high school diploma or GED certificate, however, will consider education and experience. Must enjoy working with pre school age children and their families. Ability to communicate effectively with staff, parents and community members. Must be in good health and physically capable of lifting, running, skipping, jumping, crawling and playing with 3-5 year olds. Must be able to attend training, classes, workshops. Must sign a declaration form regarding a background investigation, sign a confidentiality form, standard's of conduct form and pass a drug test.

SALARY: \$6.25/hour.

CLOSING DATE: September 28, 2001.

Submit application and supporting documents to: Etta Jo Seaboy, Tribal Personnel Office, Agency Village.

**Sisseton Wahpeton
Community College
Advertisement for Bids**

Sisseton Wahpeton Community College is accepting bids for a concrete footing/foundation and handicap ramp for a Day Care Facility. Bids will be accepted until October 5, 2001, 4:00 p.m.

Plans and specifications are available at SWCC, 1 BIA Road 700, Old Agency, Sisseton, SD 57262.

Contact Tony Hannasch at (605) 698-3966.

**Enemy Swim Day School
Position Vacancy**

Enemy Swim Day School has an immediate opening for a part-time security guard. This is a year around position, approximately 12-16 hours per week. Hours during the school year are 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Summer hours

are 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. Duties include patrolling the school grounds and buildings and completing logs.

If interested, please pick up an application from the business office or call (605) 947-4605 and ask for Deb to inquire about the position. Wage is dependent upon experience.

Closing date is October 8, 2001.

Indian preference policies will be followed.

**Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe
Child Protection Program
Job Announcement
Protective Service Worker**

GENERAL STATEMENT OF DUTIES: Performs professional work of average difficulty in providing direct services to clients.

SUPERVISION RECEIVED: Under the supervision of the Program Manager of the Child Protection Program.

JOB RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. Investigates reports of suspected child abuse or neglect and takes appropriate action.
2. Carries a caseload composed of individual cases for which case records are maintained according to agency policy; necessary forms and reports are prepared and case findings and correspondence are reported; eligibility for services is determined; case service plans are developed with clients whose major areas of concern includes the development of parental rights, both voluntary and involuntary.
3. Assists the court in providing oral testimony on individuals and/or families; completing home studies for custody/guardianship requests; submitting child abuse/neglect investigation reports; and termination of parental rights, both voluntary and involuntary.
4. Provides supervision to children placed in family foster care; work with the foster parents to enable them and the child(ren) to be successfully cope with the situation.
5. Provide counseling service to natural parent(s) to prepare for return of child(ren).
6. Must be available on a rotating basis for emergency calls.
7. Providing Transportation for clients when appropriate and within agency policies.
8. Maintain contact with individuals and families, bi-weekly or monthly with home visits.
9. Communicates directly with community and tribal agencies on client referrals, (i.e. state/tribal courts, state/tribal/federal agencies and programs).
10. Attends staff meetings and training sessions as required.
11. Submits monthly reports in regard to accomplishments and activities to the Program Manager.
12. Performs other related duties as assigned.

REQUIREMENTS: 1. An undergraduate degree with a major in the Social Work field. 2. Two (2) years

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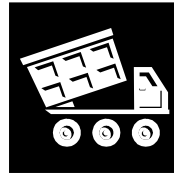
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experience in the delivery of family and children's Social Services. 3. Any combination of the above. 4. Preference given to the Indian applicant who is an enrolled member of the Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe. 5. Must live and alcohol and drug free lifestyle. 6. Must have a valid driver's license and clean driver history. 7. Must have a home telephone. 8. Must submit to and pass the required criminal/character background investigation.

SALARY: \$18,500 TO \$20,000 per year based on education and experience.

CLOSING DATE: September 28, 2001.
SUBMIT APPLICATION TO: Etta Jo Seaboy, Tribal personnel Office, Agency Village.

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SUBMIT APPLICATION AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS TO: Etta Jo Seaboy, Tribal Personnel Office, Agency Village.

**University of North Dakota
Position Announcement
College Coordinator**

#1-232. Requires a Master's degree in counseling, behavioral sciences, or education. Must have three years experience working with American Indian people and programs. Desire familiarity with medical school requirements. Prefer some educational administration and management experience. Must have excellent interpersonal skills and be able to relate to American Indian students. Requires knowledge of regional tribes. Knowledge of proposal writing and the Indian Health Service (IHS) scholarship program helpful. Indian preference is applicable under Public Law 94-437. To apply, refer to position name and number. Send letter of application and resume to: Personnel Services,

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**NOTICE OF CALL FOR BIDS
SISSETON WAHPETON HOUSING
AUTHORITY
CONCRETE CURB AND GUTTER
AT SISSETON WAHPETON NORTH
HOUSING PROJECT**

Bids Close is 3:00 P.M. C.D.T. TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2001.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Scaled Bid Proposals for the Construction work indicated above at Sisseton Wahpeton North Housing Project will be received by the Office of Ron Jones, Director of Sisseton Wahpeton Housing Authority, P.O. Box 687, Agency Village CPO, Sisseton SD 57262, until the date and hour indicated above, and will be publicly opened and read aloud immediately thereafter. The work, in accordance with drawings and specifications prepared by Holton Engineering Inc., 512 Veterans Avenue, PO Box 68, Sisseton, SD, 57262-0068 consist of the following major items of work.

BIDS WILL BE ACCEPTED FOR WORK CONSISTING OF + -445' CURB AND GUTTER, VALLEY GUTTER, DRIVEWAY GUTTER, TWO SPILLWAYS AND TWO DRIVEWAYS. SEE 9113 SCHEDULES FOR DETAILS. TIME FOR CONSTRUCTION: TEN (10) DAYS AFTER NOTICE TO PROCEED AND TO BE COMPLETED WITHIN SIXTY (60) CALENDAR WORKING DAYS.

Bid Proposals shall be submitted on forms furnished for that purpose.

Bid proposal shall be accompanied by a "Bid Security" in the form of a certified check made payable to Sisseton Wahpeton Community Authority in the amount not less than five percent (5%) of the total bid, or a Bid bond in the amount not less than ten percent (10%) of the total bid, payable to the OWNER, with the surety company thereon duly authorized to do business in the State of South Dakota, such Bid Bond to be a guarantee that the bidder will not, without the consent of the OWNER, withdraw his bid for a period of thirty (30) days, after the opening of bids, and, if awarded a contract, will enter into a contract with OWNER and the amount of the certified check will be retained or the bond enforced by the OWNER in case the bidder fails to do so. All bid securities except those of the three (3) lowest bidders will be returned within five (5) days after the opening of bids.

The Bid Security of the three (3) lowest bidders will be retained until the contract is executed, but in no event longer than thirty (30) days, provided that the Bid Security of the lowest responsible bidder shall be retained in any event until the contract is executed and Performance and Payment Bond furnished as herein provided. No bidder shall without consent of the OWNER, withdraw his bid for a period of thirty (30) days after the data for the opening thereof.

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