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Daughters Of The Earth/CDR Native American Services/April 2009

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During this week in 1910, Congress passed an act that forever waived tuition for Native American students at Fort Lewis College in Durango, Colorado. Today, the four-year college has American Indian Studies, Native student organizations and a Native American Center.

~ National Native News

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Three Affiliated Tribes deploys rapid response to flooding crisis in Fargo/Moorhead area

Three Affiliated Tribes Chairman Marcus D. Levings deploys rapid response to flooding crisis in Fargo/Moorhead area

We are responding immediately during this time of crisis for our tribal people who are residents of the Fargo/Moorhead area or who may somehow be affected from these unpredictable effects of Mother Nature," said Chairman Levings. "We realize this is a very emotional and traumatic time for all citizens of the two cities, but we want to do the best we can as tribal leaders and officials to address the needs of our tribal members."

"On behalf of the Three Affiliated Tribes Business Council I would like to inform our tribal members Kim Abbey, TAT Bismarck Satellite Office Manager, is a primary point of contact as well as Scott Satermo who is an active member of the City of Fargo's Native American Commission."

Three Affiliated Tribes members are encouraged to contact the TAT Fargo/Moorhead Flooding Disaster Response Team: Kim Abbey, TAT Bismarck Satellite Office 701.421.0615 or Scott Satermo, City of Fargo Native American Commission 701.361.8734

**NATIVE COMMUNITY
GATHERING & POTLUCK
BRING YOUR FAVORITE DISH**

Special Guest

Keith Bear, Mandan-Hidatsa
Storyteller, Flute Maker &
Musician

April 19, 2009 Sunday
Day after the WHHP Pow-wow
1:00 - 3:00 pm
St. Mark's Lutheran Church
670 4th Ave. N. Fargo
(Behind Salvation Army)

Thank you Fargo Native
American Commission, FM
Indian Ministries and
Daughters Of The Earth for
support of this community
gathering!!

For more information, contact
Sandi Berlin 701-729-2627 or
Mary John 287-5433

INTERNET BIO

Keith Bear's name in the Nu
E'ta (Mandan) language is
O'Mashi! Ryu Ta. It means
Northern Lights or He
Makes the Sky Burn with
Great Flame. A self-taught
flute player, Keith has been
performing since 1986.

His critically acclaimed
performances include
traditional storytelling
and the sacred Buffalo
Dance; a ceremony,
which only honored
tribal members, may
perform.

According to Keith,
"The Nu E'ta people
have had flutes for
hundreds of years using
the wind, birds and
water from the Big and
Little Missouri Rivers
for accompaniment."

His first recording,
Echoes of the Upper
Missouri, reflects
Keith's desire to take
each listener on a
journey back to the
bottom lands as in
times passed. In fact,
the natural sounds
heard on this release
were recorded on
location in the ancestral
lands of the Mandan-
Hidatsa people.

Keith has appeared as
a solo presenter and
storyteller with the
Smithsonian Folklife
festival, the Kennedy
Center, Lewis &
Clark Bicentennial
signature events
throughout the US,
International
Storytellers Festival
in Wales, UK; for the
North Dakota Arts
Council, and cultural
programs throughout
Europe.

He has soloed with
the National
Symphony, Grand
Forks Symphony
Orchestra and the St.
Paul Chamber
Orchestra in
performances of The
Fable of Old Turtle
Symphony (composer:
Linda Tutas Haugen).
2001

20th Annual Woodland and High Plains Traditional Pow-Wow

**NDSU Bison Sports Arena
N University Dr & 17th Ave N
Saturday, April 18, 2009**

- Adults- \$3.00
- Children age 6-18 years old- \$2.00
- Free admission- elders 55+ and children 5 and under
- NDSU, MSUM, and Concordia students attend free with a student ID

Registration Opens: 11:00 am
1st Grand Entry: 1:00 pm
Supper Break: 5:00pm
2nd Grand Entry: 7:00pm

Please join us as we celebrate the Native American culture through dance and music.

Colorful dance regalia, beating drums, foods, and arts/crafts of the Woodland and High Plains tribes will fill your day with enjoyment.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Please email:

christopher.peltier@ndsu.edu



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CLASS ARE BEING OFFERED
BEGINNING

APRIL 14, 2009

Earth Day - April 22, 2009

*Woody Vaspra
(Hawaiian),
President of the
World Council of
Elders*

*Prayer for the
Healing & Care of
our Mother
Earth.'*



We give thanks to you, our Creator, (or God, Yahweh, Allah, Ke Akua, Wakan Tanka...) for all the wonderful gifts you have bestowed upon us. We are grateful to you for helping us endure as long as we have on our beloved Mother Earth.

At this time of critical change, Creator, we ask you for strength and courage. We ask you to help each one of us gain the understanding and wisdom we need to heal, to love one another, and to finally realize peace. We ask you to help each one of us become more aware of our responsibilities in caring for all life on this beautiful planet.

Creator, we know deep inside that we are a part of you and all creation. We want to take back our roles as caretakers of our planet. We want to open our hearts to honoring, respecting and caring for our natural environment.

The global warming that is occurring all over the Earth is a blessed wake-up call. It is time to make a more loving, compassionate, thriving, vibrant world. Together, we can restore the integrity and healing powers of our water, air, and land to build a sustainable future for our children. Together, we can do this as One family working in unison to fulfill our purpose on this Earth. --

Native Voices Foundation in the Press!

"We must protect the forests for our children, grandchildren and children yet to be born. We must protect the forests for those who can't speak for themselves such as the birds, animals, fish and trees."

Qwatsinas (Hereditary Chief Edward Moody), Nuxalk Nation

We Shall Remain Begins April 13th, 9am PBS Television Series

At the heart of the project is a five-part television series that shows how Native peoples valiantly resisted expulsion from their lands and fought the extinction of their culture -- from the Wampanoags of New England in the 1600s who used their alliance with the English to weaken rival tribes, to the bold new leaders of the 1970s who harnessed the momentum of the civil rights movement to forge a pan-Indian identity. *We Shall Remain* represents an unprecedented collaboration between Native and non-Native filmmakers and involves Native advisors and scholars at all levels of the project.

You may need to check the TV Guide listing to identify the correct time in our area to see any of the listed programs below that may be of interest to you.

April 13, "After the Mayflower"

In 1621, the Wampanoag of New England negotiated a treaty with Pilgrim settlers. A half-century later, as a brutal war flared between the English and a confederation of Indians, this diplomatic gamble seemed to have been a grave miscalculation.

April 20, "Tecumseh's Vision"

In the course of his brief and meteoric career, Tecumseh would become one of the greatest Native American leaders of all time, orchestrating the most ambitious pan-Indian resistance movement ever mounted on the North American continent.

April 27, "Trail of Tears"

Though the Tsalagi embraced "civilization" and won recognition of tribal sovereignty in the U.S. Supreme

Court, their resistance to removal from their homeland failed.

Thousands were forced on a perilous march to Indian Territory (Oklahoma).

May 4, "Geronimo"

Goyathlay ("one who yawns"), as the leader of the last Native American fighting force to capitulate to the U.S. government, Geronimo was seen by some as the perpetrator of unspeakable savage cruelties, while to others he was the embodiment of proud resistance.

May 11, "Wounded Knee"

In 1973, American Indian Movement activists and residents of the Pine Ridge Reservation occupied the town of Wounded Knee, demanding redress for grievances. As a result of the siege, Indians across the country forged a new path into the future.

LaDonna Brave Bull Allard

We are inviting you to our Special Presentation on the History of Native American Women on April 11th from 1-3 pm at the YMCA, South University, Fargo.

Daughters Of The Earth looks forward to meeting you. Our Special Guest is LaDonna Brave Bull Allard. She is the Standing Rock Tribal Tourism Coordinator for the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe and Marketing Manager for the Alliance of Tribal Tourism Advocates. LaDonna is a national certified interpretive guide, has her own guide company and has trained in historical preservation. Her lecture eloquently discusses with diverse audiences information on Native American Women and their history.

In order that we may plan for snacks and refreshments appropriately, if you plan to attend, we ask you to please call Mary John at 287-5433 or email at mary.john30@gmail.

JOIN THE DISCUSSION

When: Second Wednesday of each month 6:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Where: YWCA Cass Clay
3000 South University Drive, Fargo, ND 58103

What: Educational sessions about racism and diversity issues in our community

Cost: Free and open to the public!

Tim Wise: On White Privilege April 8
Participants will view a filmed keynote address from Tim Wise about white privilege; it's affects and how to understand it.

WORKING TOGETHER

You're invited to a Community Kick-Off Meeting

- Learn about the strengths of cultures and ethnic groups in our community.

- Talk about shared challenges.

- Work on common solutions.

- Create a stronger community together.

Kick Off Starts Saturday, April 4th 9 a.m. - Noon

A Noon lunch of Local Ethnic Foods will be provided at Centro Cultural de Fargo-Moorhead 1014 19th Street South Moorhead
Please RSVP by calling: 701-526-3000 or 218-236-5434

It's time to talk forums on race

Players In Progress

St. Ann's Catholic School is located on the Turtle Mountain Reservation at Belcourt that has an enrollment of 31 students in grades K-6. The students are all enrolled members of the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa. This year the school initiated a program called, Players in Progress (PIP) that provides kids with basketball fundamentals.

They dribble, pass, and spin the ball on their fingers in sync. Their ball-handling techniques and attractive routine quickly got them many invitations to perform at local sporting events on and near the reservation. This escalated into invitations to tournaments, including the North Dakota Class A basketball tournament held at the Fargo Dome on March 14.

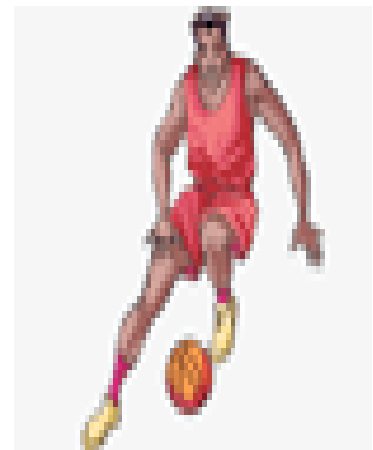
The school, which operates primarily with volunteers and a limited

budget with many parents who live in poverty, had a very short time to raise funds to give the students the opportunity to perform at the tournament. Many of the parents could not afford the trip, so this gave the school an additional challenge. However, it was just a bump in the road. Through the generosity of the people of Fargo, the trip became reality and the kids were able to make the journey to Fargo.

Upon arrival, the Oak Grove School allowed the kids to sleep in their gym on cots provided by the Red Cross. They even provided a breakfast. And, the Daughters of the Earth Native women's organization agreed to provide Indian Tacos.

When searching for a location to feed the group, St. Stephan's Episcopal Church opened their cafeteria to the

grateful group from St. Ann's. Without the kindness shown to the group by the Fargo residents, the trip would have been a challenge and may not have occurred. Upon return, one of the students commented to his mother, "This was the best thing that happened to me in my life!" St. Stephan's has wonderful community spirit and for this the school has expressed their deep appreciation.



Wise old Indian
reflects on
Daylight Savings
Time
"Only white man
would believe you
could cut off top
of blanket, sew it
to bottom of
blanket, and have
longer blanket."

LPDOC Opportunities

Leonard Peltier
Defense Offense
Committee needs
volunteers for
office organizers.
We also have t-
shirts for sale and
bumper stickers.

Leonard is waiting
to be transferred
from Lewisburg
Federal Prison and
once he is gone he
will apply for his
parole hearing.
Thank you

*Contact: Kari Ann
Assistant Coordinator*

*Leonard Peltier
Defense Offense
Committee*

www.whoisleonardpeltier.info

Native Flood Victims

We have 30 Blankets for Native Flood Victims, please
call Mary at 287-5433.

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