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Left to right: Janice Eastman, Denny Johnson, Gary Donald and David Morrison Sr.



## Ray Villebrun honored...

On May 20, 1996 at the Great Lakes Regional Conference held in Carlton, Minnesota, Chairman Gary Donald had the honor of presenting Mr. Raymond Villebrun, Director of Natural Resources for the Bois Forte Band the Patricia Zakovec Conservation Officer of the Year award for 1996.

In his remarks during the presentation Chairman Donald stated he was pleased to nominate Mr. Villebrun for this award because he not only performs his duties as a Conservation Officer at the highest level but is an outstanding family man who is actively involved with community affairs. The Chairman then asked Ray's wife Vicki to join him on stage to be a part of this celebration recognizing Ray as being the "Best-of-the-Best" in Tribal Conservation Enforcement in the Great Lakes Region that includes the states of Michigan, Wisconsin, Iowa and Minnesota...

Selection for this award is based on nominations and support of the individual's Tribe, fellow Regional Members, and most important, his fellow Tribal Conservation Officers. Based upon the Officer Villebrun's outstanding enforcement service record, efforts to improve the Conservation Department on the Bois Forte Reservation, service as the Great Lakes Regional Conservation Officer Shoot for 5 years, as well as National Conservation Officer Competition Shoot Team Instructor for 4 years made Ray Villebrun the outstanding choice for this year's Patricia Zakovec Conservation Officer of the Year. In addition, Ray Villebrun was elected Alternate Regional Director for the Great Lakes Region. The Great Lakes Regional membership looks forward to Ray's strong leadership on the National Board of the Native American Fish & Wildlife Society. On behalf of the Great Lakes Region, Regional Directors Faith McGruther and Edward Fairbanks congratulated the Bois Forte Reservation on having someone of the caliber of Ray Villebrun as a member of their staff and community.

## BOIS FORTE ENTERS INTO M.O.U. WITH U.S DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

On Thursday, May 9, 1996 representatives from the U.S. Department of Veteran's Affairs were on hand at Tribal Council offices in Nett Lake to officially present a Memorandum of Understanding between the VA and the Bois Forte Band. The signed MOU was presented by Mr. Denny Johnson and Ms. Janice Eastman of the VA, and was accepted by Gary W. Donald, Chairman and David C. Morrison Sr., Secretary-Treasurer of the Reservation Tribal Council.

The MOU provides access to Minnesota Chippewa Tribal veterans of military service to the VA direct home loan program for housing on Tribal trust lands. This program has historically been inaccessible to Tribal members who wish to buy, rehabilitate or construct a home on Reservation land due to trust status. Under the MOU, a legal process is in place which secures a VA home loan on Reservation lands. Bois Forte becomes the third Minnesota Tribal government which has made the VA direct loan program available to Indian veterans.

The maximum loan amount is \$80,000. Current VA Credit Standards are used as a guide, with consideration given to any unique and relevant attributes of a particular trust land area. VA can also recognize property standards which are common to the surrounding area in determining minimum property standards for loans under this program. The VA Regional Office and Insurance Center in St. Paul, Minnesota, will be responsible for processing loans under this program. Their toll-free number for information on this program is 1-800-827-0611.

## VOTING TIME!!!

Tuesday, June 11th is the BIG DAY!!  
8:00 a.m. is the hour....

This weekend of June 8th and 9th, plus Monday the 10th, and TUESDAY the 11th, will be a time of wondering and worrying, and nervousness for all the candidates running for office in this year's tribal election. Gallons of coffee will help settle jangling nerves, and possibly bottles and bottles of sleeping pills will bring blissful rest to those afflicted with insomnia.

Incumbent Gary Donald, and hopefuls Clint Landgren, Lela (King) Goodsky, Harold Goodsky, and Gordon Adams, Jr.,

are seeking the office of Tribal Chairman.

Incumbent Jerome Whiteman, and hopefuls Corey Strong and Ramona Villebrun seek the office of Committeeman for District I (Nett Lake).

Polling places for District I in Nett Lake is the former Headstart Building, now the office building for the Bois Forte Dept. of Natural Resources.

District II will be the Vermilion Center.

Polls open at 8:00 a.m., and will close at 8:00 p.m.

(See candidates' pictures inside)



Left to right: Gene Goodsky, Doris Isham, Wendy Zika, Mavis Drift, David Morrison Sr. and Jerome Whiteman.

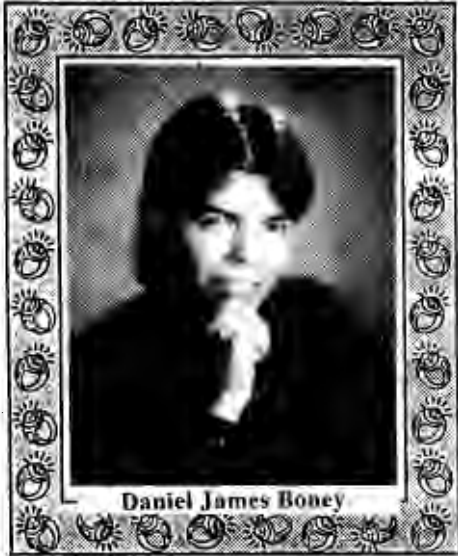
## New Commod Building..

On Wednesday, May 29th, a groundbreaking ceremony was held for the construction of a new Commodity building. Spiritual Leader Gene Goodsky began tribal ceremonies by giving tobacco to each person who then participated in an offering. He then prayed for the community and the elders and concluded the ceremony by explaining to the many attendees the reasons for the ceremony.

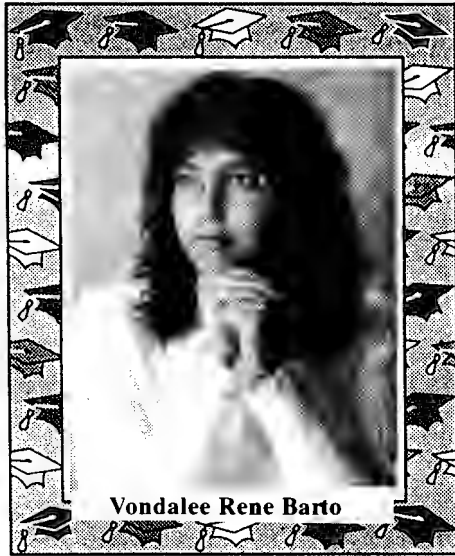
The structure will replace the old quonset which was built for the Methodist church about 30 or so years ago and used as a loom

factory. After the Methodists abandoned their missionary effort, the building was purchased by Don Hackey, former tribal chairman. He installed restaurant equipment and operated it as a cafe for a couple of years. When he moved to Cass Lake, he donated the building to the RBC (now RTC). The local Chemical Dependency program then used the building as a youth center, and after two or three years it was turned into the present Commodity building, which now will house the Equipment Maintenance Division.

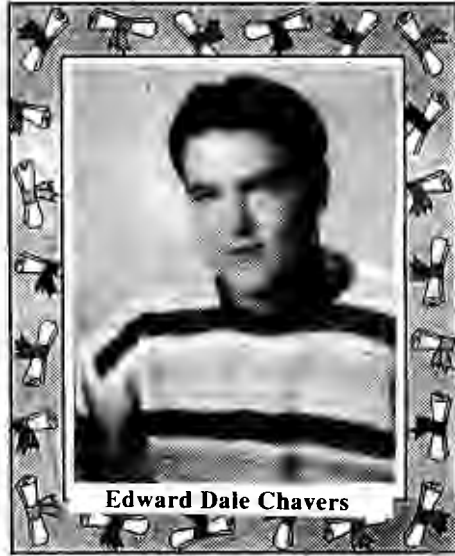
# SPOTLIGHT ON GRADUATES



Daniel James Boney



Vondalee Rene Barto



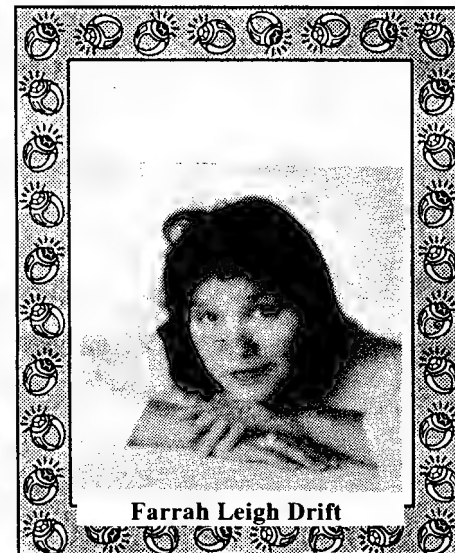
Edward Dale Chavers



LaNaya Dawnelle Brown



Robbie Eugene Gogleye



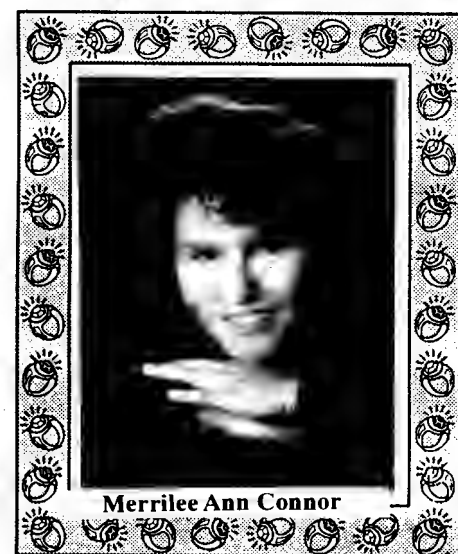
Farrah Leigh Drift



Crystal Rae Villebrun



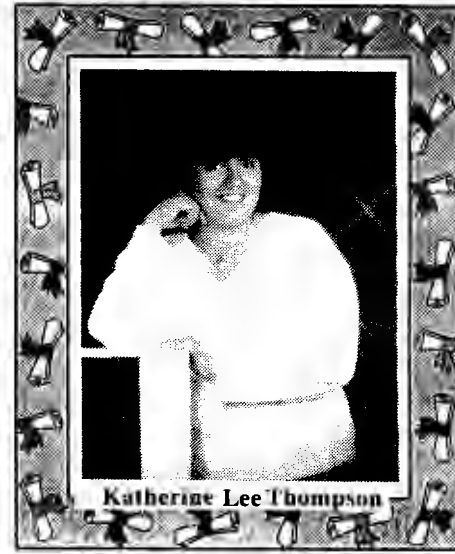
Lucas Zebulon King



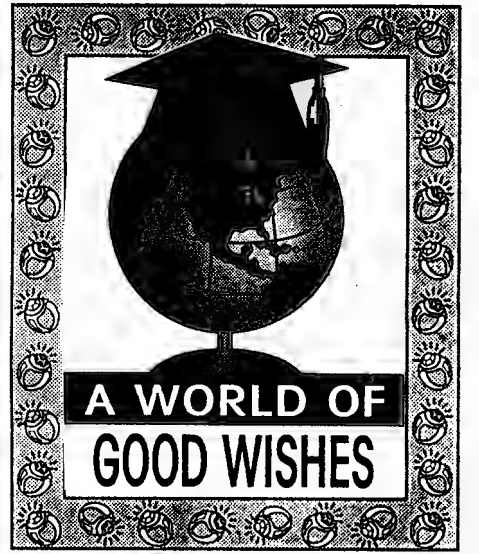
Merrilee Ann Connor



Lisa Maria Vidal



Katherine Lee Thompson



A WORLD OF GOOD WISHES



SENIOR CLASS: front row - Robbie Gogleye, Kathy Thompson; back row - Lisa Vidal, Merrilee Connor, Crystal Villebrun, Farrah Drift, LaNaya Brown, Vondalee Barto, Ed Chavers, Marsha Thompson. Not shown - Jessica Knott.



LIEC Outstanding Student Award: Vondalee Barto. LIEC Athletic Award: Ed Chavers.



**Judy Anderson, Head Start Director**

"School's out for the summer." However, some staff will still be working. We have five grants or contracts (perhaps more with new ones available) that are due before the children return. In addition, we are reporting to the Feds and the State on what was accomplished this year. We are currently working on the 20 page Head Start Program Information Report due the 31 st of May.

A special thank you to some people who made our year easier: all the subs who came when called, especially Denine Udovich and Laura Strong (who filled in for Jane in Kindergarten Day Care; our JTPA worker, Terry Connor, who also donated lots of parent time coordinating fundraising and graduation activities; our Americorps workers, Ellen Whiteman and Shane Drift (who was so appreciated, doing all the little things we needed done without one complaint, and who had to work -ugh!- as the only thorn in a bed of roses, and who worked to raise money for both Head Start and Day Care). Thanks also to the RTC, Joanne Donald, all the parents and the Communities for their support. Special thanks to the Vermilion staff- Pam Sherman, Barbara Chavez, and Pat Running Bear for manning that outpost so well! Their excellent work and cooperation meant that I could trust they'd do what needed to get done. I can't forget the rest of the staff either. Thank you Denise Morrison, Margaret Benner, Rosemary Strong, Karen Drift, Clara Whiteman, Lori Hawk, Jean Inkman, Lesley Vezina, Tylene Laitinen, Shelley Villebrun, Tania Wilkin, and Jo Ann Knutson-- a program is only as good as its weakest link, and each of ours kept the chain together.

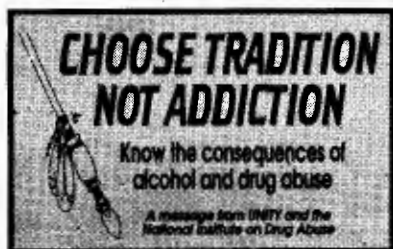
From Margaret-- The Infant- Toddler Training "Socialization and Guidance" will be June 12th from 1:00-3:30 at the Head Start Center. (Note: To those who still owe Margaret for the last few classes, please pay her so that she and her partner, Maureen, can get paid.) from 1-2 PM at the Head

Prenatal classes taught by Brenda Dettman will be June 1 9th Start Center. Please mark those dates on your calendar.

From Denise-- We still need you to finish up those appointments, and to get those promised papers to her to complete this year's paperwork. If you will be enrolling

your child in Head Start this fall or re-enrolling, make your dental screening appointment NOW as July is fast filling up for appointments-- and your child can't begin without the screening done.

Last, Margaret Benner will be taking over coordination of Parent Involvement and Social Services for Head Start as well as coordinating the MCH New Lives program. Rosemary Strong will be assisting in the Components, especially the ongoing educational assessments, so will be in the classrooms at both Centers doing specially assigned tasks, and not as a classroom teacher. This should improve our service delivery considerably, and allow all of us to get the necessary work accomplished.



## Notice

Parents of 1996 Head Start Day Care Students:

I am asking that you send me a picture of your child if he/she was enrolled for the 1996 school year. My plan for the summer is to put a calendar together with their picture on it and the list of events that will happen each month. My goal is to have a 1997 calendar and hope it will continue to be an ongoing project.

Mothers enrolled in the Maternal Child Health/New Lives Program:

I am also asking that you send me a colored picture of your child, if you can't get one, Margaret (Tine) Warren and I will be around to take one.

The deadline for getting the pictures to me is June 28, 1996. I will also need a "Release of Pictures Form" signed. I will be at the Head Start office all summer.

Migwetch.  
/s/ Margaret L. Benner  
New Lives Coordinator/Home Visitor

Drive 5812

# Kim's news...



**Kim King, Career Education Specialist**

The Bois Forte Tribal Education Department has been collaborating with the Nett Lake School, and Fond du Lac Tribal & Community College, to offer higher education classes. Earlier this year a survey was put out in Nett Lake and the surrounding communities to find out how many people would be interested in attending college level courses if offered here at Nett Lake. A direct result of the survey showed there was enough people interested in the Introduction to Computer Class to get one started. There we not enough people signed up in the other classes offered so they were cancelled. We need at least 15 people committed to each class in order to reschedule them. The Intro to Computers is being instructed by myself (Kim King) and George Strong. There are 22 people enrolled in the present class. The class is a 3 credit class which is held for 10 weeks. This particular class started May 28, 1996 and will be held every Tuesday from 4:30 pm - 7:30 pm and will end on July 30, 1996. This is an introduction to computers class which covers the basics on how to use a computer.

Now that school is out for the summer I must say that I will miss all the students and it is very quiet here in the school. I wish all students a safe and fun vacation. Until next issue. In Spirit.

## NEW TRANSFER STATION HOURS

April 1, 1996 - Nov 1, 1996  
Monday - Wednesday - Saturday  
2:00 - 6:00 p.m.

The Solid Waste Disposal Coupons are on sale at the receptionist's desk in the Tribal Offices or at the MSC Foods

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# Candidates for Chairman



Lela Mae (King) Goodsky



Gordon Adams Jr.



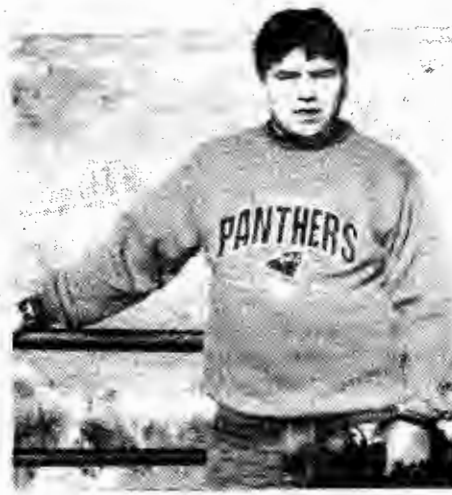
Gary W. Donald, Chairman, RTC

No pictures for  
Clint Landgren  
and  
Harold Goodsky

# Candidates for District I Committeeman



Ramona Villebrun



Corey Strong



Jerome Whiteman



The Exec. with helpers Sherry Erickson and Kathy Holman.



No, that truck isn't junk, yet.

## Spring cleanup a success..

Spring cleanup. All troops were invited to participate in a village cleanup May 14th - 17th. Ray Villebrun, Chief Conservation Warden, lead the effort, assigning areas to various groups to the village, Lake Shore Drive, Pineview, County Highway 23 to the reservation line, and County Highway 7191 to and including Palmquist Housing area. RTC members, David Morrison, Sr., Doris Isham and Executive Director Frank Annette, took time off from their busy

schedules to participate. AmeriCorps Director, E. Curtis Goodsky, had his crew of workers helping out with the clean-up and also in preparing lunch for the participants. The first day's menu was Kentucky Fried Chicken with assorted soft drinks, and the second day's menu was pizzas.

At the conclusion of the clean-up drive, Fearless Leader Ray Villebrun declared it a success,



The dumpster is full — and here are bags and bags of cans (pop cans, of course).

# Tribal Scientists, Holm & Steen, attend National Conference in Montana



**Dr. Chris Holm, Biologist**

On May 21-23 we had the opportunity to attend the 3rd National Tribal Conference on Environmental Management in Polson, Montana on the Flathead Reservation as invited speakers. The scope of the conference was quite broad and covered diverse topics including solid waste, water quality, air quality, hazardous waste, ground water contamination, and others. The conference was well attended. Over 400 tribal representatives from across the nation participated, as did federal agencies including BIA, IHS and EPA.

The Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes live on the Flathead Reservation, an area of 1.2 million acres. The total population of the reservation is 19,628, of that total, 3,771 are band-members. This reservation is surrounded on 3 sides by the majestic mountains of the Mission Range, and contains Flathead Lake, an enormous lake of approximately 120,000 acres. The Salish and Kootenai Tribes were moved to the Flathead Valley from the Bitterroot Mountains in the 1800's as the federal government began relocating Indians on reservations. The Band has since become active and progressive in environmental issues and recently won another of many federal court cases to retain sovereign jurisdiction of it's natural resources.

Our Salish and Kootenai hosts were most gracious and provided excellent accomodations for the conference. The



**Darin Steen, Environmentalist**

conference was held at the KwaTaqNuk Resort in Polson. The facility is situated on the beautiful shores of Flathead Lake and furnished boats and a marina, many large conference rooms, and a fine restaurant and lounge. We also had time to take in some of the local scenery and events. On Tuesday night, we attended a Pow-Wow and feast sponsored by the Band- a very colorful and enjoyable event. The Kerr Dam provided a unique sightseeing experience. This dam was built in 1965 and was co-licensed with the Tribes and the Montana Power Company. The full operation and management of the dam is scheduled to be turned over to the Band in 2015 at the end of the 50 year license. Needless to say, some people are somewhat concerned about the Band's impending control over energy and water resources for the entire Flathead Valley.

We were both delighted to be asked to speak to our areas of interest and expertise at this conference. The "Hands On Indian Country" theme of the conference was conceived as interest in sharing resource management strategies between bands became apparent.

Darin's presentation on groundwater contamination focused on the strategy Bois Forte used to study the potential groundwater contamination source near the Nett Lake village. Darin described a recent investigation conducted at the abandoned solid waste site near the community water wells in Nett Lake. The methods and results of the investigation were shared with the audience to provide them with information on how they may identify and interpret potential problems that threaten their own reservation's groundwater supplies.

Chris's talk focused on strategies that we employ to collect data when finances and lack of personnel constraints are imposed. Chris described current Nett Lake water

monitoring programs, use of federal trust responsibility agents, and concluded with a brief discussion of federal grant options currently available and proposed for tribes.

During our introductions, we also presented some information on Nett Lake and it's resources. This information was well received by the audience and led to many interesting conversations with new friends during the rest of our stay.

Overall, this conference was a great success for all of us working in natural resources across Indian Country. Information offered and gained will be used for betterment of resources nation-wide. We are certainly looking forward to the next conference, which we understand will be held in Alaska.

There's only one way to come out ahead of the pack.

# QUIT



## Housing news....



**Cindy Glasel, Housing Director**

The Housing also had a visit this past month from Francis Harjo, Administrator for the Office of Native American Programs, HUD Chicago Regional Office. Hud is in the process of assigning extra needed assistance to certain IHA's that are identified under certain HUD criteria, and Bois forte has been identified as one with a special need. It's so very exciting.

The Board traveled this past month to Reno NV for Advanced Commissioner Training. In the middle of June, several of us will be going to Washington, D.C. for

the National American Indian Housing Council Convention.

There has been some development in Indian Housing with proposed changes being acted upon in the House of Representatives and Senate, in D.C. we will be brought up to date on these and other important issues.

This past month also, the Housing Office added a member to our staff, Jim Lochevar, Project Development/Coordinator, Construction Manger. He is originally from Orr. For the past three plus years for Leech Lake Housing Authority, he has his Bachelor's Degree in Engineering, and is licensed in septic tank inspection. We anticipate a lot more continuing changes for the Housing Authority in the near future.

All of which include, more construction, and re-modeling, it's a very exciting time for all of us at Housing. We're also looking forward to two additional summer youth workers for the summer months.

Burdell and Ken have finally put away all the snow equipment and brought out the summer gear. Thank goodness!

Well, I sure hope everyone enjoys the warm spring/summer-like weather.

Talk to everyone soon.

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# Pelican Bay

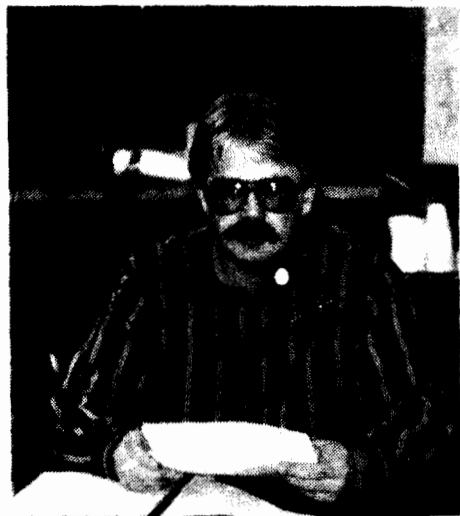


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# NEWS from the Planners..



**David Danz, Reservation Planner**

The Bois Forte Planning Department will have another full time Planner on board by press time. Joining Andy and I as Bois Forte Planners will be Debra Geyer-Smith. Debra is a Bois Forte enrollee just finishing her Master's Degree in Urban and Regional studies. Debra will be the person largely responsible for carrying out the Nett Lake land use planning activities that have been funded through the Administration for Native Americans. We're looking forward to working with Debra, she's going to help make for a pretty powerful team.

Hey, a powerful team of Planner's? Bois Forte Planning Department t-shirts anyone? Ya, ok, sure Dave, so what else is going on?

Well, Bill Whiteman and I just finished the FY 96 HOME Program application. After much wrangling with the point system by which HUD will award a project, it was decided to pursue an extension of the low interest loan, new construction HOME Program currently administered by Bois Forte. We are competing for about \$1 million among all Tribes east of the Mississippi for program funding. Tough competition. Bois Forte is

one of only three Minnesota Reservations to have successfully received money under the HOME program. If this application is funded, Bois Forte can offer financing for the construction of three new homes on the Reservation in the coming year.

A committee has been formed to take a serious look at the need for elderly assisted housing at Nett Lake. The committee is representative of the RTC, Health Department, Human Services Department and the community. Among the issues that are under discussion in the planning stage include what the level of need is for such a facility, what services should be provided, where would such a building be built, where would financing be secured for construction, and what are the operational costs. Individuals on the committee are working together to answer these questions. A formal survey of elders may be forthcoming as well.

I am currently writing the IHS Self-Governance application. This one will be in D.C. by press time. As you know, the Band entered into self-governance with the BIA this past fall. Self-governance legislation includes the option for Tribes to compact for IHS programs as well. How Tribes enter the self-governance program is based upon a demonstrated state of readiness. Benchmarks used as evidence include Tribal Council intent, previous planning; an administrative structure in place; and no significant audit exceptions. Bois Forte has demonstrated all of these essential criteria. Only 30 new Tribes will be admitted into the program in the coming year. These will be selected from those submitting applications.

My daughters, Maria and Leah were reading a recent article of mine in this illustrious publication. At ages 14 and 16, their unified Siskel and Ebert was; "pretty boring Dad!" Um, well I gotta admit this ain't screenplay material.

## Andy Datko's column...



**Andy Datko, Planner II**

I am starting to see some tangible results of the last couple of years work on a few projects. On May 22, a groundbreaking ceremony was held for the new Family Resource Center located near the Vermilion Community Center. A traditional pipe and drum ceremony was conducted by Harold Goodsky with participation by Kurt Goodsky, Ken Strong, Donovan Strong, Rosemary Goodsky, and Alec Pete. Excavation work began the following day. Completion is still expected in October.

Bois Forte Enterprises will manage the new facility and has recently hired J. Kay Davis as the Center Director. Kay is a Bois Forte Band member and currently works

for the BIA in Washington, DC. She has previously owned and operated day care centers and will undoubtedly contribute to the success of this new facility. She begins her new position on June 10.

On May 29 a groundbreaking ceremony was held for the new food commodities warehouse to be constructed next to the Nett Lake Community Center. Gene Goodsky conducted a traditional blessing of the site. David Morrison, Doris Isham, Jerome Whiteman, Mavis Drift and Wendy Zika participated in the ceremonial groundbreaking. Excavation and site preparation work is expected to begin the week of June 3. Completion is expected by October.

This past month I accompanied Gary Donald and David Morrison to St. Paul where we met with the Legislative Commission on Minnesota's Resources (LCMR). The LCMR disperses funds from the state lottery for environmental and resource protection projects in the State. We have an application before them for funding to build a heritage museum and interpretive center on the Vermilion sector. We should hear later this summer if our application has survived the current round of screening.

The planning department is increasing in size with the addition of Debra Guyer-Smith. Dave Danz elaborates on her background in his column. I am very

## FACT SHEET FOR NATIVE AMERICAN VETERANS

Thank you for your interest in the Native American Veteran Direct Loan Program. This fact sheet outlines some basic information on the program. We suggest you read this information carefully and contact us on our toll free line to ask any questions you may have. After you read this information, if you wish to proceed with a Direct Loan application, please request an application from us.

+ The Native American Direct Loan (NADL) Program enables Native American veterans to build, purchase, or improve homes, on tribal trust lands. This program allows loans of up to \$80,000 at market rates to qualifying veterans. Payments can be made over 30 years for home purchase or construction. Veterans do not have to make a down payment but there will be closing costs, including \$400 for an appraisal and credit report. An estimate of closing costs will be sent when a complete application is received.

+ Veterans must qualify for these loans by meeting certain income and credit standards. We are available to discuss income and credit standards as they apply to your situation and we encourage you to contact us directly. We will also help you complete your application.

+ If you wish to submit an application, we will review it and indicate whether we can give you a preapproval, before you send the funds for an appraisal and credit report.

+ It is important that the land upon which your residence (will) stand(s) be Tribal trust land. One indication that the land may qualify is that the tribe indicates the necessity of you signing a lease for the land. Before we order an appraisal, we will seek clarification of your land status through the Bureau of Indian Affairs. A legal description of the land, obtained from the Tribe, must accompany your application.

+ We cannot make home improvement loans on properties where the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has a prior lien. We also need to have your Certificate of Eligibility for VA home loan benefits and proof that you are a member of the Tribe leasing land to you before we act on your application. You should have a general idea of how much your costs will be and the amount of the loan. We encourage you to gather this information, but sign no binding contracts, until we approve your application.

Please do not hesitate to call Janis Eastman or Joe Doherty at the VA Regional Office in St. Paul, Minnesota at 1-800-827-0611 with your questions or your request for an application.

Applications may also be received from the Bois Forte Planning Office. Contact David Danz at (218) 757-3261 or Andy Datko at (218) 753-6400

excited about her joining our staff. She will undoubtedly make a strong contribution to our efforts. Debra will, among other things, be working on preparation of a comprehensive land use and development plan for the Nett Lake sector.

Assisting Debra for a few months will be two graduate student interns from the University of Minnesota - Kim Knutson and Laura Hansen. Kim is a graduate student in planning at the Humphrey Institute for Public Affairs and spent several years working with the Navajo and Hopi Nations on a land dispute issue. Laura is a graduate student in the University's Geography department and has extensive experience in using Geographic Information Systems (GIS). They will be working with Debra this summer to inventory and map existing land use on the Reservation and to gather community input on future land use, development, and preservation of Reservation resources. The need for this plan is becoming more and more evident. The Housing Authority has had difficulty lately in finding adequate lots for new housing. That is one of many issues that this plan will address. So if you see three new faces around the Rez this summer, please make Debra, Kim, and Laura feel welcome.

If you have driven along Highway 65 through the Reservation in recent weeks, you have probably noticed some black and white targets placed on the ground along the road and in the woods. These are

ground targets for aerial photography and mapping of a portion of the corridor near four corners. The photography has been flown and now the consulting engineer will be back on-site to survey the locations of the targets. This should happen by mid-June at which time the targets will be removed. This target surveying is needed to tie the aerial photos to precise vertical and horizontal locations, enabling production of detailed topographic maps of this part of the corridor. We expect to have a final report with recommendations for future improvements of the road from the consulting engineer by the end of June. That report will be presented to the Tribal Council and then to MN:DOT in the hopes of finally seeing some improvement to this long neglected highway.

### NOTICE!!! BAND MEMBERS BOIS FORTE, INDIAN POINT AND VERMILION SECTORS

The Bois Forte Department of Natural Resources will be conducting a **SPRING GILL NET SURVEY** on Lake Vermilion.

Bois Forte DNR staff will wish to **weigh and measure** your catch. This information is essential to update Bois Forte Fishery records.

Participants registering their catch will be eligible for a raffle drawing. The raffle winner will be chosen and notified on June 28, 1996. The winner will receive his/her choice of:

- Assorted fishing tackle (\$150.00).
- A new gill net (\$150.00).

**YOUR PARTICIPATION IS GREATLY APPRECIATED.  
GOOD NETTING!**

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Every Thursday at 6 p.m.

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at ENP Kitchen**

# The Tribal Court system...

**HISTORICAL** The Indian Reorganization Act of 1934 marked a beginning for written codes, in the form of charters, and tribal constitutions. In tribal governance, the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe is a local example of this change. The establishment of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe came about in three parts.

**Part 1:** The Indian Reorganization Act of 1934 was brought to the attention of the Chippewas in Minnesota during 1934, with the various bands eager to accept the benefits proposed by that program of self government. After numerous consultations with the many communities of the Chippewa a popular referendum was held to determine if the question to accept or reject the IRA. At Bois Forte the referendum vote took place on October 27, 1934, and resulted in 159 yes votes and 7 no votes. (The overall Chippewa vote was 1,898 yes and 344 no votes.) At that time it was estimated that the enrollment was 100 members at Vermilion and 688 members at Bois Forte (788 total).

**Part 2:** Tribal leaders at that time which consisted of Chiefs, and Head Chiefs, decided that it would be best to establish the Chippewa under one Tribe and establish a constitution that would govern the Tribe. An acceptable constitution was written and presented and another referendum vote was held on June 20, 1936 whether to accept or reject the new concept. Bois Forte results were 115 yes votes, and 36 no votes (151 total). (MCT tribal total was 1,528 yes votes and 544 no votes.)

**Step 3:** The final need was to establish a charter of incorporation which was drafted and presented for a referendum vote on November 13, 1937. Bois Forte accepted with 171 yes votes and 24 no votes (195 total).

The stage was now set that formed the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe but under Article XI, the new Tribal Executive Committee went a step further and granted sub charters establishing the reservation bands of Bois Forte, Fond du Lac, Grand Portage, Leech Lake, Mille Lacs, and White Earth. The sub charters were submitted to the bands for referendum vote between February 15 to 22, 1939, inclusive. These elections were held and resulted in the adoption of each charter by overwhelming vote. Bois Forte with 93 yes votes and 3 no votes.

Resolution 25, March 21, 1942 is the first evidence of a law and order code on Bois Forte Reservation, and within the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, the Law was titled:

**CONTROL OF UNDESIRABLE NON-MEMBERS:** The Nett Lake Council is authorized to promulgate and enforce stringent ordinances which will subject undesirable Indians from other reservations to punishment or forcible removal from the Nett Lake reservation. This ordinance still exists today but with much civil rights protection clauses built into the statute.

Today it is referred to Resolution 49-83: Removal and Exclusion.

In 1973, the Reservation Business Committee passed a resolution accepting retrocession and began to develop the Minnesota State Retrocession Act. This was done after community meetings and finally a referendum vote by the community to exercise reservation criminal jurisdiction.

1974: The Minnesota Criminal Retrocession Act passed the Minnesota Legislature signed by Governor Wendell Anderson granting Criminal Jurisdiction back to the Federal Government (BIA) accepted June of 1975 under P.L.-280. P.L.-280 is a Federal Act that mandated Minnesota and five other states to control jurisdiction asserted on properties under Federal title or Federal trust such as Indian reservations except Red Lake in Minnesota, or by legislation retrocede jurisdiction back to the Federal Government. (P.L.-280 came about in the 83rd Congress, Chapter 505-1st session, H.R. 1063. Approved August 15, 1953.) Areas of exemption, fish and game and taxation. Other states were California, Nebraska, Oregon, Wisconsin and Alaska.

1975-1980: Various court activities were experienced on the Bois Forte Reservation. The Criminal and Conservation courts were established. This was a time of early self determination and P.L.-638 contracts and grants were experienced with not so satisfactory results due to BIA controls. Since then numerous amendments to the original 638 statute gave more control to tribes. Tribal courts and Law and Order operated with a budget of \$64,000.00 and monthly case loads of 160-200 cases were not uncommon. Today the court average is 14-18 per month, but due to complexities in law the court's services are providing much improved services to its users and cognizant agent, the Bois Forte Band thru the Reservation Tribal Reservation Council.

1980 thru the present: The Tribal Court changed its structure and through the 638 process Courts were separated from Law

and Order, and Conservation Enforcement was separated also under an independent 638 contract. Law and Order functioned under the management of the BIA as it remains today. The courts internally restructured itself using State and Federally licensed attorneys to provide trial Judgeships. Defense programs began to become more evident in tribal court sessions. Prosecutions were processed and argued by state and federally licensed attorneys in behalf of the band. Along with management and procedures there has been in the form of 3 Criminal Codes; 1973, 1975 and 1984, code enhancement over the years. Various Federal Statutes and supreme court decisions were issued over this period and still are being issued all of which have a direct effect on the operations and authority of the Tribal Court. In 1981 I contacted the National Indian Justice Training Center in Peteluma, California and began working with them in the development of a Management and Operations procedure of the Bois Forte Tribal Court. Mr. Joe Myers and one of his staff attorneys came to visit us and developed our primary operations manual which we still use today. At the same time Mr. Myers noticed our staffing structure and reported it to the BIA Judicial Office in Washington, D.C. In 1984 we received notice of special recognition for full representation in the courts by licensed attorneys within all Tribal courts nationally at that time which were about 36. Today there are over 200 operating tribal courts. Indian civil rights were monitored much closer during the 80's and we still work towards fulfilling the requirements of the Indian Civil Rights Act and the continuous amendments as they are presented.

## OVERVIEW Current enhancement efforts.

Currently I am reviewing the possibility of expanding jurisdiction opportunities that could be handled within the Tribal Court Structure. These are ideas the Tribal Council has an interest in seeing expanded services thru the Tribal Court. Areas of exploration are Civil in nature consisting of Probate Law, Torts Claims and contracts, Environmental Law, Child welfare law, and civil commitments. Along with these new exploratory developments we have an opportunity to expand the current court facilities to better accommodate the needs of the reservation. We have proposed an addition that would triple the size of the current court facilities.

I am pleased to announce that we are exploring the possibilities of a defense program on the reservation that would

provide services full-time for on reservation needs as well as regional needs for Bois Forte Members. (Off reservation courts, District and Federal)

As these efforts become more of a reality it will be announced by our reservation officials and publications will be provided that would assist the constituency in using the Judicial Division more expeditiously.

Today's publication announcement is the law library. The Bush Foundation of St. Paul funded \$99,000.00 for the library. (Hand out). An Open house for the community by the courts, police station, and conservation department, and 1854 authority will be scheduled this summer. It has been several years since last event.

## Infant/Toddler Training in Nett Lake



### Topics:

Space to Grow - Creating Child Care Environments for Infants & Toddlers  
June 11, 1996

It's Not Just Routine: Feeding, Diapering & Napping  
Infants & Toddlers  
July 16, 1996

Respectful Care  
August 13, 1996

Presenters:  
Maureen Litman  
&  
Margaret Banner



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Thursdays 2 for 1 Admission

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## Important news for individuals on SSI!!!

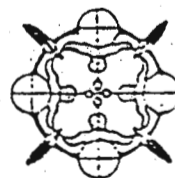
New legislation prohibits the payment of disability benefits under Social Security and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) to individuals whose disability is based on drug addiction and/or alcoholism. The new law affects current disability beneficiaries as well as those who file new applications for disability benefits under Social Security and/or SSI.

For individuals who are currently receiving disability benefits based on drug addiction and/or alcoholism, cash benefits, as well as Medicare and/or Medicaid coverage, will terminate on January 1, 1997. These individuals will be notified by June 28, 1996, about the change in the law. They will have until July 28 to request a review of their claim on the basis that they will still be found disabled without consideration of their drug addiction or alcoholism. Their case will be reviewed by January 1, 1997, and if drug addiction or alcoholism is still found to be the basis for their disability, benefits will be terminated as of January 1, 1997.

A beneficiary who disagrees with a decision that drug addiction or alcoholism contributes to his or her disability may appeal the decision within 60 days after receipt of the notice.

The new law applies to all applications filed on or after March 29, 1996, as well as applications which are pending as of that date. Individuals must meet the disability requirements on the basis of an impairment other than drug addiction or alcoholism.

For more information about the new law, individuals may call Social Security's toll-free number, 1-800-772-1213, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and on weekends and holidays.



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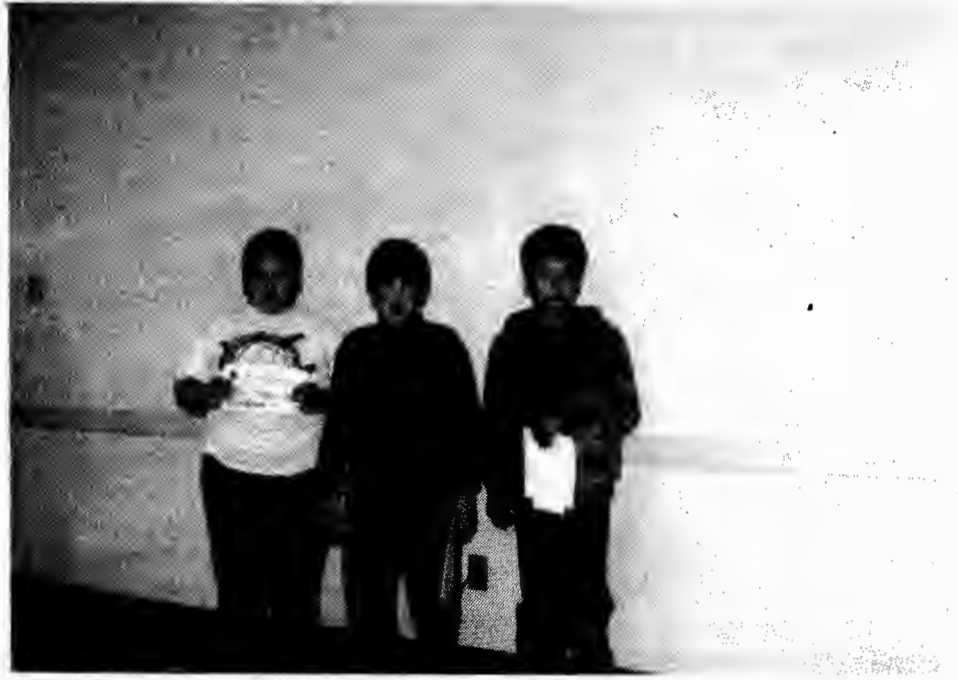
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LOW INCOME ELIGIBILITY BASED ON USDA FOOD STAMP GUIDELINES

# AWARDS! AWARDS! AWARDS! AWARDS!



**KINDERGARTEN:** Steve Roy, Alana Drift, Ryne Villebrun, Aiden Keezer.



**THIRD GRADE:** Jon Strong, Kenny Lien, George Strong. Not shown: Mark Connor.



**KINDERGARTEN CLASS:** Kyle Morrison, Steven Roy, Alana Drift, Ryne Villebrun, Aiden Keezer, Juan Love, John Kingbird. Not shown: Damian Zornes.



**FOURTH GRADE:** Ray Villebrun, Ranika Hoagland, John Day, Myron Graue, Rebecca Adams, Ashley Goodsky, Kevin Strong. Not shown: Jacob Bardwell.



**FIRST GRADE:** Shullon Isham, Jimmy Shroeder, Mike Smith. Not pictured: Aimee Morrison.



**FIFTH GRADE:** Dave Chavers, Brent Villebrun, Jeanna Day, Nina Drift, Andrea Day. Not shown: Lyle Connor.



**SECOND GRADE:** front row: Susan McNey, Jessica Knott, Billie Drift; back row: Aaron Villebrun, Tracey Geshick, Conrad Roy, Jacque Love, Pete Drift, Angelique Brown, Gordy Adams, David Villebrun.



**SIXTH GRADE:** Samantha Thompson, Davelle LaRoque. Not shown: Amanda Bardwell.

# AWARDS! AWARDS! AWARDS! AWARDS!



**SEVENTH GRADE:** (l-r) back row: Curtis Thompson, Amanda Gogleye, Andrew Day, Jimmy Barto, Jeff Barto; front: Ann Isham and Simona Benner.



**CITIZENSHIP AWARDS:** 12 - Lisa Vidai; 10 - Melita Spears; 9 - Ernie Steel; 8 - Erynn Morrison; 7 - Curt Thompson. Not shown: 11 - Jarrod Whiteman.



**GIRLS BASKETBALL:** front row - Janella Whiteman, Corinne Whiteman, Simona Benner, Nicole Fairbanks; second row - Kirsten Strong, Erynn Morrison, Melita Spears, Amanda Gogleye, Patricia Fairbanks.



Ray Toutloff, superintendent.



Coaches Corey Strong and David Morrison Jr.



M.C. Julie Whiteman



Kathy Holman



The chow line.

# 1996 Summer Youth...

For all those interested in what is happening with Summer Youth this year... here is the scoop!!

Again this year, I am happy to be coordinating the youth employment program. We have some great projects and activities lined up and it looks to be another great summer. Of course, any suggestions or concerns are always welcomed!!

Starting date for the youth is set for June 17. It will be a 6 week program. This is a change from previous years, but there is a very good reason why. There has been a large number of youth interested in participating in the Summer Youth Program. We received a lot more applications than we had expected. Due to this large number, we had to make some changes in order to hire as many youth as possible. So we (the STEER Committee) cut down the weeks of employment in order to hire more participants. With this method, more youth will benefit from Summer Youth.

Interviews are set for Monday, June 10 and Wednesday June 12, 1996. Interviews are also new to the program. If participants want employment, they will need to participate in the interview. With this experience youth will get the important pre-employment skills necessary for any job they apply for. Later in the summer we will be involved with a more detailed Pre-Employment Training sponsored by Fortune Bay. Details will be posted to the public soon. All are welcomed and encouraged to participate.

Another change that will take place this year. Students who are required to attend summer school, must successfully complete their requirements in summer school to be eligible to participate in the Summer Youth Program. Students still must complete their Summer Youth Applications, they must attend school, then after summer school is complete they will be considered for employment. They **WILL NOT GET** paid to go to school, but can start work (if they qualify for Summer Youth) after they meet the requirements of the Summer School. If a student is required to go to school, but does not attend, they will not be considered for employment. If a student enrollee in summer school, but for some reason quits, fails their courses or has a large number of absences, they will not be considered for employment. So for all of the Youth out there, start hitting the books!!

Starting NEXT YEAR, youth will be required to maintain certain goals as far as their education.

Participants will need to:

- Attend school regularly. Youth with a certain amount of absences (to be determined later) will **NOT** be eligible for work.

- Must pass all subjects. Youth who **FAIL** one or more grades will **NOT** be eligible for work.

Letters of reminders will be sent to the youth and parents at the beginning of the upcoming school year and the beginning of the Summer '97.

For now, this is all. I will keep everyone up to date on various projects. Keep in mind of all the changes and don't hesitate to call if you have questions of concerns. Thank you!

*Teresa Strong, Coordinator*



Commod. ladies Wendy Zika and Mavis Drift wondering where the heck are those people? They were supposed to be here at 9 a.m.



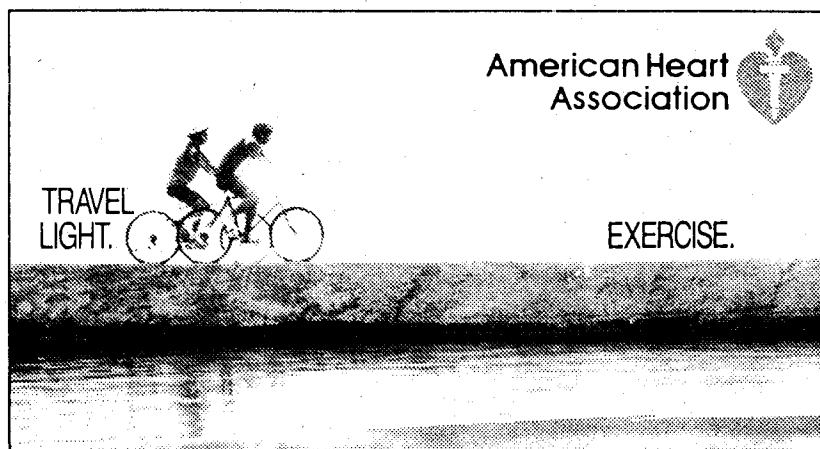
## Letters.....

To the Editor, Bois Forte News

Negative campaigning has become a part of the Bois Forte Reservation's political landscape, in part, because it really works. Recently, anonymous pessimistic letters were being distributed to the Bois Forte Band Members at the Orr and Cook Municipal Liquor Stores, attacking the present Tribal Chairman with lies and innuendos about inequities in our local tribal government. This will not change until the voting public punishes the candidates who choose to use cheap tactics. Besides it's a lot easier to say what is wrong with your opponent, than to tell the people how they plan to address the complex problems that our Reservation is constantly facing.

But, as we have all experienced in the past, the price is high in the end, for the people who live and depend on the Reservation's businesses to earn a living. Perhaps, more important, negative campaigns rarely produce respected leaders with strong, honest mandates.

Sincerely,  
/s/ Joanne Donald  
Bois Forte Reservation  
Tower MN



## June 1996 Clinic Schedule

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						1
2	3 Dr. Berlin 10-4 Ray mtg. gone	4 Dental TVC Falls 9:30-1 Ray mtg. gone	5 Ray NLC 8:30-3	6 Dr. Vergeldt 10-4 Kathy Jacklyn Audiologist	7 Ray TVC	8
9	10 Dr. Card 10-4 Ray A/L	11 Tribal Elections Closed	12 Dr. Helleloid 10-4	13 Ray NLC 9-3	14 Lance Hardwig 10-4 Ray TVC	15
16	17 Ray 9-3	18 Dr. Johnson 10-4 Ray A/L	19 Ray NLC 9-3	20 Dental TVC Ray NLC 9-3	21 Ray - TVC	22
23 30	24 Ray NLC 9-3	25 Dr. Johnson 10-4 Staff Mtg.	26 Ray NLC 9-3	27 Dr. Knaak 10-4 Dental TVC	28 Lance Hardwig 10-4 Ray TVC	29

## June 1996 Dental Schedule

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						1
2	3 Dr. Sondag 8:30-3:30	4 TVC	5 8:30-3:30	6 Dr. Sondag	7 A/L	8
9	10 Dr. Sondag A/L	11 Off Elections	12 Dr. Sondag 8:30-3:30	13 Dr. Sondag 8:30-3:30	14 Dr. Sondag 8:30-3:00	15
16	17 8:30-3:30	18 8:30-3:30	19 8:30-3:30	20 TVC	21 8:30-3:30	22
23 30	24 8:30-3:30	25 8:30-3:30	26 8:30-3:30	27 TVC	28 8:30-3:30	29

**NOTICE!!**  
The Bois Forte Reservation Election Board will be at the Tribal Court on Saturday, June 8, 1996, from **12:00 (noon) to 2:00 p.m. only!!** Walk-in requests only will be taken during those hours. Regular hours resume Monday, June 10, 1996.

**Alcohol Kills! Choose a Better Path**

**CHOOSE TRADITION NOT ADDICTION**  
Know the consequences of alcohol and drug abuse  
A message from United National Indian Tribal Youth



**Pastor Harvey & Marilyn Rabbitt**

## FEARFULLY AND WONDERFULLY MADE

"You mean that's all you do?" someone asks. "You need to get out and do something important!" What a low blow to the highest calling God ever gave to a person. What an ignorant statement.

I guess when we are wiping runny noses, changing hundreds of diapers, kissing "owies", settling sibling disputes, picking up toys, listening to baby talk day in and day out, we may think there has to be something better than that. It gets monotonous, there's no end to it. We want time for ourselves.

Bringing a baby into the world is a miracle of God, holding that baby in your arms is a gift from Him, raising that baby to be a respectful, kind, giving man or woman is a calling of God, the highest profession, an awesome responsibility.

Today we are living in a society that hates the words Commitment and Responsibility. Everyone wants to be a free spirit, to come and go as they please with no one to answer to. Maybe that's why men and women find it much more convenient to just live together until the urge for "greener pastures" overtake them. Its too painful and hard and inconvenient to stay together and work out the problems like those people with old fashioned marriages do. And today if an unwanted pregnancy happens, well theres plenty of abortion clinics all over the world to take care of that problem. After all, a baby isn't a baby until after the birthing process is over - its just a mass of tissue. Right?

Lets see what God's word has to say about the unborn.

"For you formed my inward parts, you covered me in my mother's womb. I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Marvelous are Your works, and that my soul knows very well. My frame was not hidden from You, when I was made in secret, and skillfully wrought in the lowest parts of the earth. Your eyes saw my substance, being yet unformed. And in Your book they were written, the days fashioned for me, when as yet there were none of them." Psalm 139:13-16.

These verses make it very clear that God knows all about us at the moment of conception and that we're special and important to Him. Psalm 119:73 says, "Thy hands have fashioned me and made me."

Psalm 127:3-5, "Behold children are a heritage from the Lord, the fruit of the womb is His reward. Like arrows in the hand of a warrior, so are the children of one's youth. Happy is the man who has his quiver full of them."

We need to be responsible before God in how we raise our children. Its easy to conceive a child, the work comes in raising him and we will all stand responsible before God in how we bring them up.

I was crushed and troubled several years ago when a lady I've known for many years and had been good friends with received a call while she was visiting in our home. It was her oldest daughter who had run off with a young man, gotten pregnant and then didn't want to take care of her baby and so my friend was raising her granddaughter. The daughter was living in California and was pregnant again with no husband and the father didn't want the responsibility of a baby. She was calling her mother for help. Her mother, my friend, told her plainly without any other discussion to get an abortion and do it quick. I lost all respect for this woman and had bad dreams for a long time over a tiny life that was terminated because it wasn't convenient for the parents to bring it into the world.

Today that is happening constantly and by the world's standards - its perfectly acceptable. Our leaders are making it easier for us to live more and more ungodly.

Proverbs 22:6 tells us to, "Train up a child in the way he would go and when he is old, he will not depart from it."

Lets teach our children to be responsible for their actions - even when they are very young. We need to teach them to be respectful to others. We need to teach them morality - a word few even know the meaning of any more. Instead of handing our son's condoms and our daughters birth control pills, lets tell them sex outside of marriage is a sin and theres consequences to pay for those who disobey. We have far too many confused and angry children wandering around our country who don't even know who they belong to.

Lets start becoming responsible, committed parents so our children will have a chance in this world and can stand before God unashamed and thankful for their lives.

This is a combined Mother's Day and Father's Day message and will close with some lines I recently read entitled "Children won't wait."

There will be time, when there will be no slamming of doors, no toys on the stairs, no childhood quarrels, no finger prints on the wall paper.

Then may I look back with joy and not regret.....

God give me wisdom to see that today is my day with my children.

That there are no unimportant moments in their lives.

May I know that no other career is so precious, no other work so rewarding, no other task so urgent

May I not defer it nor neglect it, but by Thy Spirit accept it gladly, joyously and by Thy grace realize that time is short and my time is now.

For children won't wait.

### NOTICE!!

**John Strong's 74th birthday and FAMILY REUNION!!**

**FATHER'S DAY, June 16, 1966**

**Time: 2:00 p.m.**

**Where: John Strong's residence**  
**PLEASE, no gifts. Your presence is all that is needed!**

**NEED family members to contact us A.S.A.P. so we could get the invitations out.**

**PLEASE contact:**

**Laura Strong at (218) 757-3782 or Terry Connor at (218) 757-0064**

# June Birthdays....

01 - John L Arbuckle, Luanne Drift, Verna L King, Conrad A King, Johyn R Maurus III, Kyle J Morrison, Linda L Pete

02 - Marcella Drift, Mavis L Drift, Tyler J Fuller, Lecia G Mesabe, Edna E Whiteman

03 - Burton B Day, John W Grauman, Charles E Mohler

04 - Eileen M Brown, Ruth D Connor, Jeneal A Goggeye, Faye M Hernandez, Kenneth Lyons, Brian D Stillday Jr, Richard A Wakemup, Shirley J Wickner

05 - Edward D Chavers, Keven W Geshick, Diana R Goggeye, June J Osborne, Lance A Pete, Mary J Raudloff, Sasha G Santa, Marsha M Thompson

06 - Sharon M Bass, Ronald A Day, Annette M Howe, Christopher Isham, Alan W Porter, Mari J R Quan, Trevor A K Rintala

07 - Francis L Goodridge, Dennis V Hilmas Jr, Heather A House, Ben F Isham, Cheryl A J Botkin, Kelly A King, Kimberly D Konczak, Pamela Z Ostrander

08 - Sylvia J Astolfi, Andrew J Chaballa, Patrick J Engrav, Janice L Gaines, Diane F Lightfeather, Nora Mihelich, Ryan J O'Leary

09 - Theda F Drift, Veronica K Laitinen, Arlene M Morrison, Angela F Villebrun

10 - Philip D Boness, Jacqueline V Branstrom, William G Kopp, Darrell L Larson, Sandra L Christensen, Leo E Chosa, Michelle M Landgdren, Benny W Taylor

11 - None

12 - Cheryl M A Bowman, Eugene Chosa, Tiara M Drift, Beverly M Frizzle, Bradley D Goodsky, Rosie Hedlund, Leah M Jordan, Mark A Klug, Michael J Kornezos, Barry A Porter, Corrine R Rich

13 - Michael R Anderson, Angela K A Boshey, Mark A Brezinski, Peggy A Connor, John M Jerman Jr

14 - Teresa N Adams, Timothy D Chavers, Ashley R Goodsky, Carol J Koger, Alina M Konczak, Aimee M Morrison, Samuel L Porter, George J Strong

15 - Michael G Drift, Lori D Guenther, Fred M Jordan, Jake E Miller, Connie J Priebe

16 - Arika L Arn, Eileen R Barney, Geraldine M carlson, Maurice J Champagne, Gordon E Cook, Dorthea L Kletschka, Rachelle A Norton, John Strong

17 - Kathleen A Adams, Keith B Boshey Jr, James Chavers Jr, Harold F Lightfeather, Charlynn A R Norton, Charlene J Sampson, Ruth A Strong, Roger L Wakemup Jr, Daniel F Zika

18 - Lorri A Bissell, Ward A Chosa, Leanna L Chosa, Mark I Connor, Carol F Donahue, Theresa A Hermanson, Richard Lumbar, Thomas A Mee Jr, Kathryn H Powell,

19 - Barbara M Brown, Candice J Drift, Lawrence Geshick Jr, Margaret C Pete, Peter Pete Jr, Ruth W Porter, Thomas A Sheehy, Gary E Strong, Michael L Thompson, Lisa M Vidal

20 - Timothy M Brown, Kelly B Goggeye, Mona R Goggeye, Leon F Goodsky, Julie A Isham, Troy A King,

## ASSEMBLIES OF GOD



### NETT LAKE ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH

**1:00 p.m. Sunday**  
**7:00 p.m. Wednesday**  
**Everyone Welcome!**

Wayne A King, Keith L West, Kevin L West, Jacqueline K Yount

21 - Robert Anderson, Jack E Benedix, Peter F Boney, Emily M Brown, Katrina R Chosa, Jonathan Connor, Joseph F Geshick, Derrick L Geshick, Julius V Rodriguez, Kyle S Shock, Anthony J Strong

22 - John N Asmus, McKinley Boness, Elmer J Boshier Jr, Robin A Caroon, Frances E Janeksela, David Grabbitt, Kristopher T Strong

23 - Raina L J Columbus, Vernon K Connor, Patricia L McCue, Travis A Shock, Rita M Strickland

24 - Eugene C Goodsky, Eric L King, John C Lehti, John A Marotta, David K Medicine, Lorraine M McCarroll, Benjamin A Samm

25 - James E Kopp, Donna Lee, Adrian R Loaiza, Rodney J Ranum, Ateekea L Roy, Stanley Strong, Thomas J Tolrud, Milo D Villebrun Jr, Allan M West

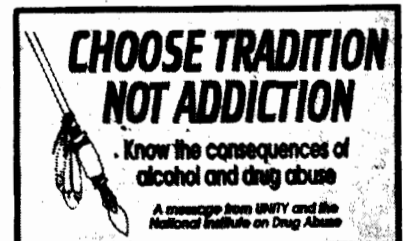
26 - Joey L Day, Matthew W Klug, Congetta N Pearson, Mary A Plesha, Keith A Strong, Carolyn A Willis

27 - Jeffrey R Chosa, Knute Graue, Bradley A King, Travis J King, Katherine M Laitinen, Terry S Landgren, Patricia A Van Vickle, David E Wardas, William G Whiteman, Robin R Wilde

28 - Rachael L Howe, Frank L Lumbar, Jon W Nystrom Jr

29 - Norman G Adams, Lucille A Boshey, Jared Busse, Dianna M Goodsky, Lance A Hill, Tammi L Olson, Ramona J Timmerman

30 - Sharon M Anderson, Sheila L Anderson, Annabelle Mattson, Betty J Schaaf, Janet Day-Solis



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## UofM June Starwatch.....

June doesn't offer very long or very dark nights for star watching, but the light skies make a nice backdrop for two full moons, on the 1st and the 30th. This qualifies June as a "blue moon month," a reference to the occurrence of two full moons in a calendar month. As for the planets, Jupiter supplies most of the action when it moves in from the east to replace Venus as the main evening attraction.

Venus drops out of sight early in the month and passes directly in front of the sun, a position called inferior conjunction, on the 10th. By the end of the month, the brilliant planet will reappear as a morning "star" that quickly gains altitude as the days go by. Because Venus is so close to the sun at this time, its crescent is big enough to resolve in binoculars if skies aren't too dark. Patient starwatchers might want to get up early near the end of June and keep track of Venus until sunrise. Seeing Venus against a lighted sky gives the best view because the glare from the lighted part of the disk will be minimal.

Jupiter, the other bright planet this month, comes up late in the evening during the first days of June, then earlier as the month progresses. Its huge yellow globe dominates Sagittarius, the archer, marked by the distinctive Teapot pattern of stars. Earth's faster orbital speed is quickly bringing the king of planets to a position directly opposite the sun, which it will reach on July 4. Mars, Mercury and Saturn all appear in the morning sky. Saturn rises first, and should be visible low in the east beneath the east beneath the Great Square of Pegasus at sunrise. Mars and Mercury follow, but remain lost in the sun's glow for casual viewers.

The first full moon, on the 1st, is known as the rose moon or the strawberry moon. The second, called the thunder moon or the hay moon, arrives just about an hour before midnight on the 30th, barely in time to qualify as a blue moon. On average, two full moons in a single month occur every 2.72 years. February can never have two full moons because the shortest time between them is 29.27 days. But on the rare occasions February has no full moon at all, look for both January and March to get blue moons.

The moon will be new on the 15th, so that time will be best for moon-free starwatching. During the next few days, the thin waxing crescent will have no bright planetary companion in the evening sky.

Front and center in the night sky, the kite-shaped Bootes commands attention. Arcturus, the bright star at the base of the kite, gets its name from the Greek for "guardian of the bear." Arcturus can be found by extending the arc of the Big Dipper's handle beyond its parent constellation, Ursa Major (the great bear). The star, one of the fastest moving in the sky, is dropping at a sharp angle toward the disk of the Milky Way galaxy in what might be termed a rather peculiar orbit around the galactic center.

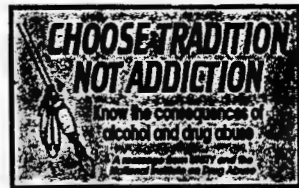
Continuing the arc from Arcturus, the next bright star is Spica, in Virgo. Sighting southeast from Spica, find red Antares, the heart of Scorpius, now raising its head and claws above the southeastern horizon. Antares, a red supergiant star whose name is from the Greek for "rival of Mars," certainly does challenge the planet in both color and brightness. One of the 20 brightest stars in the sky, it's really a double star about 500 light-years away. Scorpius, a rare constellation that actually looks like what it's supposed to represent (a scorpion), is so far south it can only be seen for a few short months in the summer.

The summer solstice occurs at 9:23 a.m. CDT on the 21st. At that moment, the sun will reach its highest position in the northern sky, directly over the Tropic of Cancer.

Astronomically, the sun will be just entering the constellation Gemini.

*Starwatch is a monthly guide to the night sky in the Upper Midwest. For a taped version from the University of Minnesota astronomy department, call (612) 624-2001.*

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## Reading/Oral Traditions helpful in recovery



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Meditation booklets are very helpful to people in recovery when they are feeling down. There are many to choose from. The 24 hour a day booklet, put out by Hazelden, gives one a thought, meditation, and prayer for one to think and meditate on daily, one page for each day of the year. The thought for me day, reminds one of the pain of addiction. The mediation, helps one think of the positives of life. The prayer, provides one with faith and hope that good will happen in the future.

Keep It Simple, is another booklet that provides thought to ponder for the day. It is similar to, 24 hours. This focuses on the 12 Step recovery program. This booklet will take one through the 12 step recovery process, describing the addiction and recovery from it in detail, a day at a time for one year. It also gives one thoughts to think about each day and positive actions one can take to improve his/her spiritual condition a day at a time.

Courage to Change, is for the Family of the addicted. It provides information on the disease of chemical addiction for those living with someone who is addicted. It reminds one that he/she must go on living life as best as one can despite the pain the addiction is causing. It has thoughts that one may want to discuss with others experiencing the same problems. There is also prayer, to improve the Spiritual need of a person.

There are other meditation booklets one may buy in stores. All can be helpful, if one

gets into the habit of picking them up and reading them when one is feeling down. There are times when everyone needs help to think because of bad feelings when there is no one around to talk to, these are times that meditation booklets can be most helpful.

The Ojibwa, Oral tradition, provided for thought, mediation, and prayer. The Sunrise Ceremony included all of these. The saying "Ask the Elders" is the oral mediation booklet. Spirituality is what Ojibwa Traditions are based on. It is good to follow traditions when feeling down, it will help pick up your Spirits.

A thought written down on paper by one in time of pain, expresses faith and hope in the Spiritual.

"As I sit looking out on the lake I feel the gentle wind blowing so freely. I watch the waves ripple upon the lake. I hear the birds chirping in the distance.

I watch the sea gulls fly so carefree, it's as though they know the hand of God is upon them. They seem not to worry, and their fate, it's as though they had cast it all to God! I watch as they gracefully descend upon a rock out in the lake, and as they settle down and tuck their heads in their wings they look so peaceful and content. And the sound of God's gentle voice fills the island again.

I watch as one lone sea gull takes to the wind; he flies ever so freely and so sure of himself, and I can't help but wonder where he is off to and what he will explore.

He flies with ease and as I watch him I feel content. For another light in the tunnel has turned on; for I realize if God would do so much for the sea gull, how much more He does for us.

As I entered the cabin I felt the warmth from the fire and the gentle touch of God, for Faith and Hope are ours just for the asking. And we, like the sea gull, can cast our fate to Him!"

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