A Wacipi or (Pow-Wow) is a social gathering that focuses on traditional dance, song, and celebration. Everyone is invited bring the family, friends, kids love the PowWow. We have a small free crafting class for kids.

A tribute to a great ancestry, the Wacipi or (Pow Wow) is an event of significance to the Native American Nations. MMDTC has been a community for 27 years.

Our 25th Annual Traditional Wacipi or (Pow-Wow) is September 9-10-11-2022. It can be a valuable and fascinating cultural experience.

As a small tribal community, we operate on member’s contributions and donations. We are not affiliated with the other Minnesota Mdewakanton Dakota Communities. We do not have Federal Recognition.

This is also a way to support your local Native American Community in Mendota MN.

A $10.00 button donation helps with our expenses. No one is turned away, and admission is free. We do accommodate elders, handicap, and veterans. We pay for our event with the help of individual and corporate donors, in-kind donations, charging vendors for craft booth space, and food booth and button sales, and raffle booth. Please help us fund this event if you are able.

❑ $20.00 ❑ $100 ❑ $250 ❑ $350 ❑$500 Other $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Please make checks to MMDTC.

We also need people to hold a successful Wacipi. Call the office if you want to help / there is a small pay out this year.

This year the Mendota Community really needs your help for the Wacipi. We received a grant from MRAC. The Wacipi probably would not happen without their donation. We did not get the other grant. We do get donations from others to that is greatly appreciated.

The Wacipi must go on; we need to dance, and hear the druns.

Along with donations needed to fund this event, we also accept donations for our raffle and auction booth. If you donate, we put you in our brochure. We need those donations by August 28th, in advance helps to organize the raffle & auction booth better.

Please email the office at mendotadakota@gmail.com with any questions. We hope that you will consider this request for the important work we do in preserving and sharing our Dakota Heritage in Mendota Minnesota.

Pidamaya means Thank You in Dakota: The Mendota Tribal Council Sharon Lennartson Tribal Chairwomen, Joseph Lennartson Treasurer, Greg Standmark Historian, Steve Renville Vice Chairman, Danielle Ross Secretary. And the Wacipi / Pow Wow Committee.