

Honoring Our Ancestors is Saturday Feb 8, 2025. We will meet even if it is very cold. Consider the people back in 1862 who were forced to brave the cold.

On December 26, 1862, the U.S. military lynched 38 of our Dakota patriots in the largest mass execution in United States history. On November 7, 1862, a group of about 1,700 Dakota, primarily women and children, were forcibly marched from the Lower Sioux Agency to a concentration camp at Fort Snelling.



When: Saturday February 8, 2025.

Sacred fire lighting and ceremony at 11:00am.

Tommy, Steve, Richard and Duane will assist Joseph at the ceremony.

Where: Fort Snelling State Park.

The park entrance is off Highway 5 at **Post Road** near the Minneapolis/St. Paul International Airport.

Drive down into the park, go inside the building to get your free pass, which is this flyer, or print it now. Mendota will have flyers at the entrance building too. Thank you to the DNR for their help each year.

Feast: After the ceremony, everyone is invited. Please bring a dish to share. Location: At our new office 1200 Centre Pointe Curve Suite 300. Right side of building. In Mendota Heights MN 55120.

If you need more information, please call the MMDTC office, ask for Sharon.

651-452-4141. Dress warm, the ceremony is outside. Women should wear skirts. Please bring some tobacco for an offering”

Pidamayaye from the Mendota Mdewakanton Dakota Tribal Community!

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