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We are a non-profit organization dedicated to preserving our Dakota heritage.

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Voting Membership Meeting Tuesday, July 26th at 7:00 PM (bring a dish to share)

Note date & time change!

Due to summer activities, we moved our monthly meeting to the last Tuesday at 7:00 PM. Mark this date on your calendar and plan to attend! Our Constitution requires that we have a minimum of 15 members attending to conduct any business.

Helps us save on postage!

We spend about \$80 each month on postage for the newsletter. You can help us save money simply by getting your newsletter through email. Send an email to rjohnson2929@comcast.net stating that you prefer to get your newsletter electronically.

Tribal Council Member Elections

Due to some valid concerns brought forth by one of our members, the Tribal Council has taken the recommendation of our legal counsel and voided the June election results. While no one believes there was any misconduct or tampering with the election results, we cannot *guarantee* that it did not happen.

Members will receive a new ballot in the mail. It is important that each and every one of our members respond. Please take a moment to complete the ballot and return it as quickly as possible.

HAU MITAKUYEPI from the Chairman:

I am looking forward to seeing most of our members attend our Pow-Wow. This is our biggest traditional gathering of the year. It is where we, as a people, join together to share our joy with all nations.

Pidami-gwich! Thank you to all the people who attend our leather classes. It warms my heart to see our people willing and wanting to learn our traditional Dakota ways.

Kangi Cistana (Michael Scott)

DAKOTA OHINNI UN (ALWAYS BE DAKOTA)

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Voting Membership Meeting



JUNE 26, 2005 MINUTES

Will be published in our next newsletter.

Agenda

Call to Order

Announcement of quorum

Officer Reports

- Secretary
- Chairman
- Treasurer
- Historian

Committee Reports

- Scholarship
- Constitution/Membership

Old Business

- Tobacco License
- Grant Update

New Business

- Vote on Tribal Council Positions
- Gaming

Open Forum

Adjourn

Positions Available Now!

Newsletter articles

You can submit an article by faxing it to the Newsletter Editor at the MMDC office: 651-452-4232

Emailing it to: Renee Johnson

Or mailing it to the MMDC office.

Positions Available!

<u>Data Entry Clerk:</u> Accounting background helpful. Hours flexible. Pay excellent (lots of hugs, smiles, and thank you's!). Knowledge of Peachtree Financial Software helpful, but not required. Call Renée Johnson at 763-757-8354 or rjohnson2929@comcast.net for details.

<u>Pow-Wow Committee:</u> We meet at the MMDC office every other Thursday in June (see the <u>calendar</u> for time and dates). Contact Michael Scott at 651-452-4141.

<u>Scholarship Committee:</u> Members will determine guidelines, including the application and disbursement process. Contact Vickie Scott at 763-323-1383.

<u>Craft Classes:</u> Share your crafting skills with those who want to learn! We meet on the third Tuesday each month. Contact Michael Scott at 651-452-4141 to schedule.

Monthly Craft Show: Vendors wanted to display crafts. Cost is \$50 per table.

<u>Food Perspectives:</u> Sign up with this consumer testing company to take part in up to six taste tests per year. Each time a tester participates, they receive \$21-\$35 <u>and MMDC</u> is credited with \$6-\$9. Day and evening test times are available. Contact Joan Minske at 651-452-4141 for a registration form or check out the Food Perspectives website at <u>www.foodperspectives.com</u>.

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Dakota Culture Classes

Learn About the Dakota Culture

by Jim Anderson

Mark your calendars for the last Wednesday each month. Jim Anderson, our Historian, will share his knowledge about our Dakota heritage and ceremonies. Everyone is welcome to attend and learn about this beautiful life way.

Pidamiya ye do

Friends of the Friendlies

Mendota Dakota Ośpaye

by Linda Rost and Diane Elliot

Please note: the email address below was incorrectly published last month.

We are establishing a Society in conjunction with the Tribe to assist in the efforts to preserve the culture. If you are interested in becoming a member of our Society and helping us build our community, please contact us.

Here is the correct email address: hecetu1@yahoo.com

Linda Rost 612-825-1079 (leave a message) or Diane Elliott at 651-457-0312.



Gaming Corner

Charitable Gaming Minutes, June 2005 Meeting

Called to order by Michael Scott, Tribal Chairman. Kiki Marsh presented the May 2005 report. It was approved. Minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved. Allowable Expenses (actual & estimated) were presented and approved. Lawful Purpose Expenditures were discussed and approved.

Agenda for next Gaming Meeting

Call to order Lawful purpose expenditures

Present monthly report Open Forum

Allowable expenditures Adjourn

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