# Mendota Mdewakanton Dakota Community News

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

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## Voting Membership Meeting Sunday, June 26<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 PM (bring a dish to share)

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. We didn't have enough people attending our last two meetings!

# **Tribal Council Member Elections**

We will announce the results of the vote for our new Tribal Council members at the June meeting. Please be sure to return all voting materials or bring them to the meeting.

# HAU MITAKUYEPI from the Chairman:

Thanks to all who attended the leather craft class and made moccasins. My heart soars to see our members learning our traditional ways! I am looking forward to our next class, where individuals will pick what they want to make. Leather will be available for purchase the night of the class.

Our first monthly craft show was a loss of about \$25. It cost us \$250 to advertise and we collected \$225 from vendors. We anticipate a profit next month and in future months as well.

Our garage sale got rained out, but we still managed to bring in \$265.

Kangi Cistana (Michael Scott)

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## Voting Membership Meeting



# MAY 22, 2005 MINUTES

Michael Scott called the meeting to order at 2:35 PM.

Joan Minske sat in as Secretary for Beverly Scott and announced that a quorum was not present.

#### Officer Reports:

Secretary: Minutes of the April meeting were reviewed. No changes were made.

<u>Chairman:</u> Michael Scott reported that the outdoor sign will arrive soon. Dave Olin agreed to pay for ½ the sign (\$1,250.00). Mike Miller has agreed to install it for free. Tiffeny Eggenberg's husband has agreed to donate \$300.00, but we still need to come up with the remaining \$625.00.

Leather craft class is to be held on May 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. We will teach participants how to make their own moccasins.

Treasurer: Jim Albrecht presented the financial report.

#### Newsletter

#### articles

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

Emailing it to: <u>*Rjohnson2929@comast*</u> <u>.net</u>

Or you can mail it to the MMDC office.

<u>Historian:</u> Jim Anderson reported that Arvol Lookinghorse is looking for some help running the World Peace and Prayer Day in South Dakota. This event is held for global healing. Runners have already been sent out from the four directions. Jim Anderson will be gone from June 15-22 and would like at least six people to join him. Help is needed with security and setting up tipis. All people are welcome to help out. Even assisting for even part of the event is helpful.

#### **Committee Reports:**

<u>Cultural:</u> The Pow-Wow committee now has about five or six members. They still need volunteers to work at the Pow-Wow. They are also taking donations for raffle items and pop, water, etc. We need all Community members involved to make this successful.

Constitution/Membership:

25 letters were mailed to applicants requesting more information. The vote for open Tribal Council positions was moved to the June meeting to allow the time to mail out proxy voting materials.

<u>Scholarship:</u> Vicky Scott reported only one scholarship request has been submitted and it is currently being reviewed.

#### Old Business:

The State approved our license for selling pull-tabs at the store. We are still awaiting response from the State regarding our license for tobacco sales at store.

#### New Business:

Father Kevin of St Peters Church has asked for three representatives from our Community to smudge the new church before it is opened. It is a great honor!

The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 PM.

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Voting	Agenda					
Membership	Call to Order	Old Business				
Meeting	Announcement of quorum	Tobacco License				
(continued)	Officer Reports	Grant Update				
	Secretary	New Business				
	Chairman	Vote on Tribal Council Positions				
	Treasurer	Gaming				
	Historian	Open Forum				
	Committee Reports	Adjourn				
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	MMDC is Y	OUR organization!				
Lend a Helping Hand		eople who make it successful.				
	<b>Constitution/Membership Committee:</b> Help us review membership applications. No experience needed - we work as a team. Join us in the MMDC office every other Tuesday (see the <u>calendar</u> for dates). Contact Renée Johnson at 763-757-8354.					
	<b>Pow-Wow Committee:</b> Volunteers make our Pow Wow a success year after year. It's a great time for members to join together in unity to support our community. It's also a good time! 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.					
	you can sell buttons; work in the craft feast on Saturday. We'll also need so	you soon and asking how you can help. Maybe s, soda/water, or raffle booths; or help out at the ome strong hands to help with set up and take ocal businesses and ask them to donate some r a very fun family get-together.				
		will determine guidelines, including the s. Contact Vickie Scott at 763-323-1383.				
		g? Share your skills with others in the lesday each month. Contact Michael Scott at				
	Monthly Craft Show: Vendors want	ed to display crafts. Cost is \$50 per table.				
	to six taste tests per year. Each time MMDC is credited with \$6-\$9. Day a	is consumer testing company to take part in up a tester participates, they receive \$21-\$35 <u>and</u> nd evening test times are available. Contact egistration form or check out the Food rspectives.com.				
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Dakota Culture Classes	Learn About the Dakota Culture by Jim Anderson
	Mark your calendars for the last Wednesday each month starting on June 29 <sup>th</sup> . The language class will be replaced once a month with a Dakota culture class. 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.
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Friends of the Friendlies	Mendota Dakota Ośpaye by Linda Rost and Diane Elliot
	The vision of the MMDC is to re-establish and preserve the Dakota heritage; its language, crafts, spirituality and sacred sites. In doing so, they have reached out to surrounding communities – both Native and non-Native – so that we, too, may experience this rich culture.
	Our relatives have made us feel welcome. In an effort to show our appreciation to the Mendota Mdewakanton Dakota Community for bridging cultural barriers and inviting us to be a part of their community, 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.
	Email at <u>hecetul@yahoo.com</u> Linda Rost 612-825-1079 (leave a message) or Diane Elliott at 651-457-0312.
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Chairman	Michael Scott 612-789-6642	Constitution/ Membership	Renée Johnson 763-757-8354			
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		Public Relations	Dick LeClaire 651-687-9480			

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June 20	005	Wo I ca ga (	Wo e cha gah)	Month when everything comes to		
SUNDAY Anpetu Wakan	MONDAY Anpetu Wanzi	TUESDAY Anpetu I Nonpa	WEDNESDAY Anpetu I Yamni	THURSDAY Anpetu I Topa	FRIDAY Anpetu I Zaptan	SATURDAY Owankayuzazapi
			<b>1</b> 4:30 pm Tribal Council Mtg	2	<b>3</b> Craft Show	<b>4</b> Craft Show
5	6	7 Newsletter Article Deadline	<b>8</b> 4:30 pm Tribal Council Mtg 6:30 pm Language	<b>9</b> 6:30 pm Pow-Wow Committee Mtg	10 White Earth Pow-Wow	<b>11</b> White Earth Pow-Wow
12 White Earth Pow-Wow	13	14 6:00 pm Membership Committee Mtg <i>Flag Day</i>	<b>15</b> 4:30 pm Tribal Council Mtg 6:30 pm Language	16	17 Hinckley Pow-Wow Mail Newsletter	18 Hinckley Pow-Wow
<b>19</b> Hinckley Pow-Wow Father's Day	20	<b>21</b> 7:00 pm Leather Craft Class <i>Summer Begins</i>	<b>22</b> 4:30 pm Tribal Council Mtg 6:30 pm Language	<b>23</b> 6:30 pm Pow-Wow Committee Mtg	24	25
26 2:00 pm Voting Membership Mtg 3:00 pm Gaming Mtg	27	<b>28</b> 6:00 pm Membership Committee Mtg	<b>29</b> 4:30 pm Tribal Council Mtg 6:30 pm Dakota Culture Class	30		

July 20	05	Wo spi wi (Wo sh	ip we)	Time to pick th	Time to pick the berries before they get too rip		
SUNDAY Anpetu Wakan	MONDAY Anpetu Wanzi	TUESDAY Anpetu I Nonpa	WEDNESDAY Anpetu I Yamni	THURSDAY Anpetu I Topa	FRIDAY Anpetu I Zaptan	SATURDAY Owankayuzazapi	
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<b>31</b> 2:00 pm Voting Membership Mtg 3:00 pm Gaming Mtg			6:30 pm Dakota Culture Class				

August	2005	Wa su tun w	i (Wah sue tun w	ve) Berrie	s are ripe-over-rij	pe, everything
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	<b>3</b> 4:30 pm Tribal Council Mtg 6:30 pm Language	4	<b>5</b> Upper Sioux Community Pow- Wow Granite Falls	<b>6</b> Upper Sioux Community Pow-Wow in Granite Falls
<b>7</b> Upper Sioux Community Pow-Wow in Granite Falls	8	9 6:00 pm Membership Committee Mtg Newsletter Article Deadline	<b>10</b> 4:30 pm Tribal Council Mtg 6:30 pm Language	11	12 MMDC Welcome Home Pow-Wow	13 MMDC Welcome Home Pow-Wow
14 MMDC Welcome Home Pow-Wow	15	<b>16</b> 7:00 pm Leather Craft Class	<b>17</b> 4:30 pm Tribal Council Mtg 6:30 pm Language	18	19 Mail Newsletter	20
21	22	<b>2.3</b> 6:00 pm Membership Committee Mtg	<b>24</b> 4:30 pm Tribal Council Mtg 6:30 pm Language	25	26	27
<b>28</b> 2:00 pm Voting Membership Mtg 3:00 pm Gaming Mtg	29	30	<b>31</b> 4:30 pm Tribal Council Mtg 6:30 pm Dakota Culture Class			

September 2005Can wa pi gi (Chan wah pay ge)Month when leaves start turning							
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
				1	2	3	
4	5 Labor Day	<b>6</b> 6:00 pm Membership Committee Mtg <b>Newsletter Article</b> <b>Deadline</b>	7 4:30 pm Tribal Council Mtg 6:30 pm Language	8	9	10	
11	12	13	<b>14</b> 4:30 pm Tribal Council Mtg 6:30 pm Language	15	16 Mail Newsletter	17	
18	19	<b>20</b> 6:00 pm Membership Committee Mtg 7:00 pm Leather Craft Class	<b>21</b> 4:30 pm Tribal Council Mtg 6:30 pm Language	<b>22</b> Autumn Begins	23	24	
25 2:00 pm Voting Membership Mtg 3:00 pm Gaming Mtg	26	27	<b>28</b> 4:30 pm Tribal Council Mtg 6:30 pm Dakota Culture Class	29	<b>30</b> Craft Show		

October	· 2005	A pehin pa ya (	Ah pay hin pay y	vah) Month	when the leaves	s start falling
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY 1 Craft Show
2	3	<b>4</b> 6:00 pm Membership Committee Mtg	<b>5</b> 4:30 pm Tribal Council Mtg 6:30 pm Language	6	7	8
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<b>30</b> 2:00 pm Voting Membership Mtg 3:00 pm Gaming Mtg	<b>31</b> Halloween					

November 2005Ta ca k ice ya ha piMating season for deer and an						er and antelope
SUNDAY Anpetu Wakan	MONDAY Anpetu Wanzi	TUESDAY Anpetu I Nonpa	WEDNESDAY Anpetu I Yamni	THURSDAY Anpetu I Topa	FRIDAY Anpetu I Zaptan	SATURDAY Owankayuzazapi
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6	7	8	<b>9</b> 4:30 pm Tribal Council Mtg 6:30 pm Language	10	11 Mail Newsletter Veteran's Day	12
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27	28	29 6:00 pm Membership Committee Mtg Newsletter Article Deadline	<b>30</b> 4:30 pm Tribal Council Mtg 6:30 pm Dakota Culture Class			

December 2005		Ta he cap s	sun (Tah heh cho	op soon) M	oon) Month when deer, elk and	
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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					Craft Show	Craft Show
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			6:30 pm Language		Mail Newsletter	
11	12	<b>13</b> 6:00 pm Membership Committee Mtg	<b>14</b> 4:30 pm Tribal Council Mtg	15	16	17
		Committee Mig	6:30 pm Language			
18 2:00 pm Voting	19	<b>20</b> 7:00 pm Leather Craft Class	<b>21</b> 4:30 pm Tribal Council Mtg	22	23	24
<b>Membership Mtg</b> 3:00 pm Gaming Mtg			6:30 pm Language Winter Begins			
25	26	<b>27</b> 6:00 pm Membership Committee Mtg	<b>28</b> 4:30 pm Tribal Council Mtg 6:30 pm	29	30	31
Christmas Day			Dakota Culture Class			New Year's Eve