

# Flandreau Santee Sioux Tribe Monthly Newsletter DECEMBER 2018

*Can'napopa Wi - December - the moon  
of the popping trees.*

Happy  
Thanksgiving



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Digital photos or sending other original files is encouraged.

Deadline for submission of material is 5 work days before the 15th of each month

Flandreau Santee Sioux Tribe

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[marcie.walker@fsst.org](mailto:marcie.walker@fsst.org)

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# Flandreau Santee Sioux Tribe

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## Energy Assistance Application

October 1<sup>st</sup>-March 31<sup>st</sup>

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

### Vendor Information:

Name of Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Name on Billing: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Disconnection: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of Billing: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Are you receiving On Res Per-cap Payments? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand and agree to the Flandreau Santee Sioux Tribe deducting **\$100.00 from my monthly Per-Capita check on the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month or \$50.00 from my Bi-weekly payroll check** as repayment for this loan. If there is no balance to deduct form the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month per capita check, deduction amounts will be adjusted on other loan balances (excluding business loan payments) to accommodate repayment.

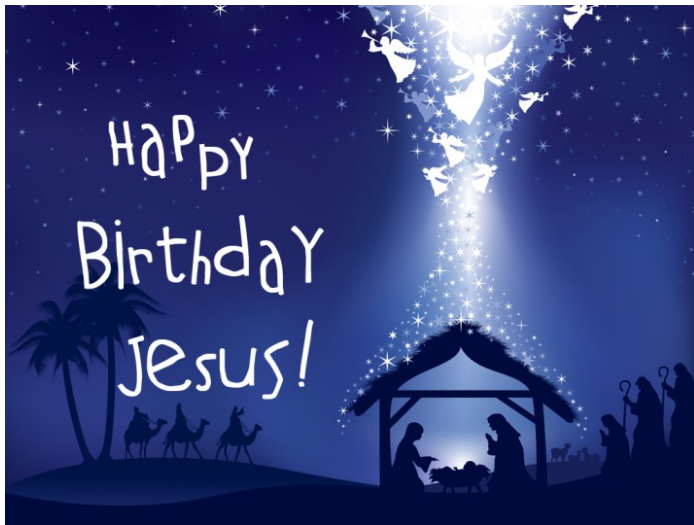
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Members Signature Date

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Office use

Tribal ID \_\_\_\_\_ Per-cap ded. \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Current loan Balance \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Payroll ID \_\_\_\_\_ Payroll ded. \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Amount to be paid to vendor \$ \_\_\_\_\_

New Balance \$ \_\_\_\_\_



*Happy Holidays*

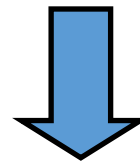
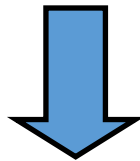


Update your address with Marcie or Angie

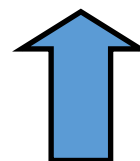
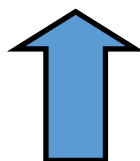
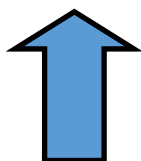


Happy Birthday Jason on the 22nd  
from your lil Sister

- Lavonna Allen 12/13
- Dave Williams 12/14
- Jackie Barse 12/18
- Jason Armstrong 12/22



The gym at the Wicoicaga Otipi Community Center will be CLOSED from 12/28/2018 - 01/05/2019. During this time, the gym floor will be resurfaced and will take a week to fully dry. Thank you for your understanding and we apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.



# Woman elected chairwoman of Sisseton-Wahpeton

*By Ernestine Chasing Hawk*

Agency Village, SD – Native Sun Today – Nov. 26, 2018 – On January 2, 2019 the Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate on the Lake Traverse Reservation will welcome a new Chairwoman to lead their tribe of 13,872 members.

Ella Robertson, 44, was elected during the SWO General Election on Nov. 6 and defeated incumbent Dave Flute – 1,063 to 891.

Robertson made history as the second woman elected to lead the tribe, whose reservation straddles the border of both North and South Dakota. The first tribal Chairwoman to be elected was Lorraine Rousseau in 1992 when she defeated incumbent Russell Hawkins.

Robertson, mother of four children and two grandchildren, is the daughter of Chyrel Renville DeCoteau and Edward “Toto” Robertson.

The new Chairwoman elect is lifelong resident of the Lake Traverse Reservation, and a member of the Big Coulee District. She is an alumna of the Sisseton Wahpeton College, University of Minnesota Morris and received her master’s degree from the University of Minnesota Duluth in Tribal Administration and Governance.

“Since I was little my family always told me that I would lead our people, and I think everything that I have experienced in life, the good and the bad has led me here, now the Chairwoman elect of the Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate,” Robertson said.

When Robertson announced



**Ella Robertson, the Chairwoman-elect of the Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate, poses with a campaign sign on the Lake Traverse Reservation. Photo by Ella Robertson.**

her candidacy to family and friends she said a young gentleman shared the following story that was passed on in his family, a story that she said further inspired her.

“A long time ago the Wahpe Kute were living down near Nebraska. An enemy tribe attacked the village, the men left to fight them, protecting the people. The women watched from the hilltop as the battle went on below. The Dakota men began to fall, they were being killed and it looked like they were going to lose the battle. So the women ran down the hill, picked up weapons and began to fight to save their men. One woman picked up a bow and shot the war chief of the enemy tribe, ending the battle,” Robertson shared. “This is our history. Our women are strong

and they will fight to protect their people. Now is that time.”

The political road hasn’t been an easy road for her as she said it brings division and animosity to her people each campaign season, “What kept me centered was the encouragement of many men and women, young and old that believed in me and what I stood for.”

She acknowledges that for years her people have been oppressed and because of that oppression they become the oppressors and drag each other down.

“It is lateral violence. It hinders our growth as individuals and as a people. We are not the enemy; the enemy is out there threatening us.

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We walk in two worlds balancing our Dakota culture and values with the western world and technology” she said. “We are unique and we paint a unique picture that reflects our common goals. When we are not focused on our differences we can see the good in ourselves and others and how we can work together for positive change.”

Robertson said the very fabric of her community is that each and every member is a thread that makes up the Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate, “The barriers that divide us are not as great as the goals that unite us. I shared this message of Unity throughout my campaign because together we are strong!”

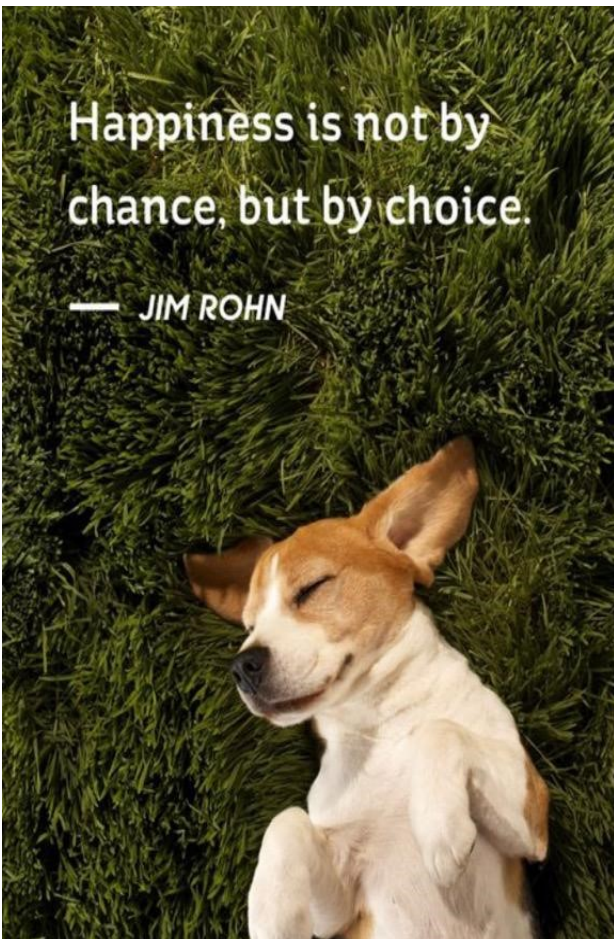
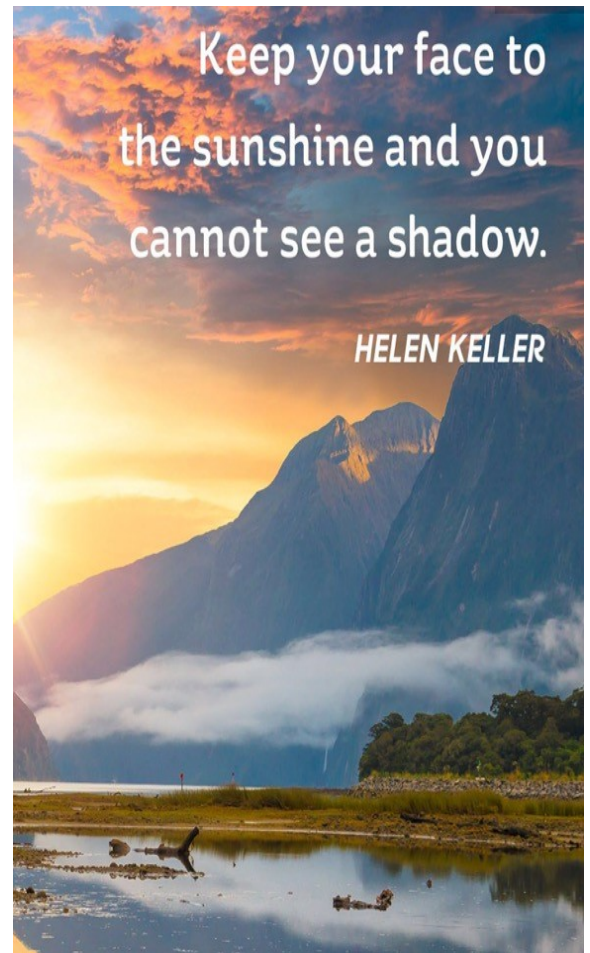
Her tribe faces many of the same issues that Indian Country faces, addiction, bullying, water

rights, jurisdiction, suicide, poverty and threats to their sovereignty.

“I have plans for change but I am one of many and it takes a collaborative effort of our Tribal Council and the involvement of our membership to determine the best approach that will work for our community and our families. My plan is to love my tribe like a mother and protect it just as fiercely,” the warrior woman elect said.

Robertson travels the powwow circuit as a jingle dress dancer. She also practices traditional arts as bead worker, quill worker, seamstress, artist, writer and horsewoman. She is also a gardener, a practitioner of traditional medicine and is an advocate of food sovereignty.

On January 2, SWO will not only reign in a new chairwoman but will also welcome a new administration.



Happy Birthday to  
My Sons!!!

Steven on 12/1

Buster on 12/20

Love, Mom

# RECRUITMENT FOR THE STUDENT ADVISORY COUNCIL



## WHAT IS OUR GROUP ABOUT?

We advise the  
Flandreau Public  
Schools, tribal affairs  
and bring awareness  
to Native education  
and equality.

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High and Middle  
School Kids  
Needed!

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Time:

Mondays @ 4 PM

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Location:

COMMUNITY CENTER  
W BROAD AVENUE.  
FLANDREAU, SD  
57028  
(CULTURE CLUB)



# City Of Flandreau

As one of the oldest cities in South Dakota, there are a number of historic sites dating from about 1822 in and around Flandreau. Those marked with an asterisk (\*) are on the National Register of Historic Places. Take a little time to visit these sites for a glimpse of our past.

- **Crystal Theater\***- 1913 - One of the oldest theaters in South Dakota offering live performances - 215 E. Second Avenue
- **Early Hospital** - 1915 - Served city from 1915 to 1937 - 108 E. First Avenue
- **Few House\*** - 1899 - 208 E. First Avenue
- **Firehall** - 1913 - Displaying 1925 LaFrance Fire Engine - 215 E. Second Avenue
- **First Presbyterian Church with Indian Cemetery** - 1871 - Oldest church in South Dakota still in operation. Gravesite of Chief Little Crow, Santee Sioux patriarch - 1 mile North on Highway 13
- **Flandreau Indian School** - 1892 - Government High School for Indian students from tribes throughout the country - 1000 N. Crescent Street
- **Japanese Gardens\*** - 1919 - Dance Pavilion with hardwood floors - Flandreau City Park - 1 mile East of Flandreau
- **LaFramboise Fur Trading Post** - 1822 - Site located along Big Sioux River, east of Golf Course
- **Larchwood Place** - 1879 - Pettigrew Home - Second house built in Flandreau - 203 E. Broad Avenue
- **Masonic Temple\*** - 1882 - Original Moody County Court House - 300 E. Second Avenue.
- **Moody County Court House\*** - 1914 - Historic murals of early pioneers, Indians and homesteaders - 100 E. Pipestone Avenue
- **Morse House** - 1873 - First house built in Flandreau, contained Post Office and store - 115 N. Crescent Street
- **Pettigrew Barn\*** - Period of Significance 1900-1924 - Round barn - 309 E. Broad Avenue
- **Philander Prescott Trading Post** - 1832 - Site of log cabin near Flandreau City Park - across Big Sioux River, north of Sportsmans Club
- **South Dakota Department of Transportation Bridge No. 51-140-078\*** - Period of Significance 1900-1924 - Local road over Big Sioux River
- **St. Mary's Episcopal Church\* (aka Flandreau Indian School Chapel)** - North Crescent Street
- **St. Vincent Hotel\*** - 1897 - Second oldest continually operated hotel in South Dakota - 100 N. Wind Street
- **Thatcher Monument** - Tribute to Mrs. Joseph Thatcher, a captive of the Spirit Lake Massacre, who was drowned in the Big Sioux River - Flandreau City Park, 1 mile East of Flandreau

### The Flandreau Colony

Indians have inhabited Moody County for thousands of years. The large number of arrowheads, hatchet and hammerheads and other Indian artifacts found are evidence of their presence. The burial mounds south of Trent contain Indian remains and are evidence that a permanent village endured for a considerable time along the Big Sioux River.

Indians traversed this prairie and river-bottom land to fish, hunt and trap for furs. Many traded their furs for needed items. As early as 1683, French traders searching for rich trapping areas mapped the valley of the Big Sioux. In 1701 a trading party in the employ of French explorer Le Sueur visited the Big Bend in the river well known as a favorable camping spot to Indians traveling through Dakota. There on a high hill above the river they built a trading post. In 1822 Joseph La Framboise, a French explorer who had built a trading post on the Missouri at Ft. Pierre, came to the Big Bend and built a trading post on the south bank of the Big Bend near the present site of Flandreau. That post operated continuously until 1840.

The 1851 treaty ceded land from the falls of the Big Sioux to Big Stone Lake. In 1857 the Dakota Land Company laid out a town site northeast of the present site on the north bank of the Big Bend. When the Santee families moved from Nebraska to take up homesteads they located along the river as far as twenty miles to the north and south of the old town site. They called the settlement Riverbend.

Fifteen families walked from Santee, Nebraska, in March 1869. One woman perished in a snowstorm on the walk to the Big Bend. They trapped, hunted and fished. With hoes they began farming. For the next few years they struggled to improve their conditions without government aid.

The first newspaper in Flandreau was the *Moody County Enterprise*. A.M. Fink began the weekly in June of 1878 with J.H. Smith as editor. H.M. Williamson bought it in April 1879. The *Flandreau Herald* is said to have begun in 1882 as a result of a political campaign by the renowned R.F. Pettigrew of Sioux Falls. Dissatisfied that the *Enterprise* was so critical of his campaign to become territorial representative, Pettigrew saw to it that a rival newspaper was launched to give him a voice in the political affairs of the county. Pettigrew later withdrew his candidacy at the convention in Bismarck but was a prominent political figure in early territorial politics and later was to become a U.S. Senator from South Dakota.

### Flandreau

As indicated, Flandreau has been in different locations and has had different names and spellings since its founding in the spring of 1857 by the Dakota Land Company of St. Paul, Minnesota. The company laid out the town site probably on the Big Bend of the Big Sioux River several miles east and north of Flandreau's present location. Under pressure from Chief Smutty Bear and the Yankton Sioux, the site was abandoned and destroyed after one year.

The site was named for Charles E. Flandrau, a Sioux agent and territorial judge. Flandrau had been instrumental in securing the rescue of two captives of Inkpaduta of the Wahpekute tribe after the Spirit Lake massacre in northwestern Iowa. Shortly before Flandrau was founded, the Indians had fled over the Big Sioux at Big Bend where one of the captives, Mrs. Thatcher, was killed. Friendly Indians rescued the remaining hostages with money raised by Flandrau. He was later an organizer of the defense of New Ulm, Minnesota, against the Indian uprising in 1862.

The Indians called the first post office in 1871 River Bend. Its location is uncertain. David Faribault was the first postmaster and was succeeded by Marshall Morse. From January to July 1873 the post office was called West Bend with F.W. Pettigrew as postmaster. It was later moved to the new site of Flandreau that had been homesteaded by Pettigrew and where the first legal office was located.

When the new village was platted, the name was spelled Flandreau. In 1880 the townspeople made efforts to omit the "e" in accordance with the correct spelling of Judge Flandrau's name. In 1891 the *Moody County Enterprise* returned to the previous spelling with no explanation for changing the name a second time. The *Flandreau Herald* in 1882 took up and continued the spelling of Flandreau, as we know it today.

## Flandreau Continued

In 1869, Charles K. Howard, pioneer businessman from Sioux Falls, opened a trading post with Clark Coats to deal with the Indians. Additional white settlers came to join the established colony of Christian Santee homesteaders along the Big Sioux. The Indian Presbyterian Church was erected in 1871. In 1873 Marshall Morse established a general store. M.D.L. Pettigrew and his family were the first white family to homestead. They settled south of Flandreau. F.W. Pettigrew homesteaded much of the land that is now the town of Flandreau.

Between the years 1869 and 1872, the population of Flandreau doubled. The grasshopper plagues and other difficulties slowed its growth for several years, but then the settlement pace quickened. In 1878 Flandreau had three general stores, one drug store, one hardware store, two hotels, three real estate offices, one newspaper, one livery, one harness shop, two blacksmiths, two saloons, one barber shop and one meat market. It also had a mill, dam and two flour mills. The terrible winter of 1880-81 and the resulting spring flooding caused considerable damage to mills and property all along the Big Sioux.

The city of Flandreau was official organized in 1879. Records indicate that it is the oldest town in the county. In the same year offers were made by the Southern Minnesota and Black Hills railroads, to build a line to Flandreau. Hopes were high that the two lines would extend to Flandreau by winter. It was not until January 1880, however, that the first train was run into Flandreau by the Southern Minnesota line of the Milwaukee Railroad. The company continued the line to Egan, which was organized in 1881. Egan and the surrounding area made a strong bid for the county seat but was defeated in a county election. Flandreau was officially declared the county seat in 1881 and the first county courthouse was erected in 1882.

The railroad opened up the Dakotas to immigration and replaced boats and wagons as the primary means of travel and settlement. Moody County and Flandreau shared in the rapid increase of population during the Dakota Boom of the 1880's. Population growth was not spectacular but in 1913 Flandreau could boast of over 50 places of business. Included were three banks, two weekly newspapers, two wagon shops, the government Indian school (the Riggs Institute), an opera house, moving picture shows, eight churches, water power, electric lights, two hotels, a flour mill, creamery, foundry and automobile garages.

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### Pipestone Ave.

Not sure of date this picture was taken. St Vincent on Right. Pettigrew home on the left.

Pettigrew home is the family residence of the late Richard and Tribal member

Marcella Schumacher

## HIGHER EDUCATION STUDENTS

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### Reminder!

Deadline for Spring Semester/Winter Quarter funding is due at the **end of December** for your file to be reviewed by the Higher Education Committee in early January. If you have any questions, contact the Education Office at 605-997-2859.

For Continuing Students	For New, Transfer, or Returning Students
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Class schedule that includes your total credits</li><li>• Transcript/Grade report that includes your term/cumulative GPA</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A completed Higher Education Packet</li><li>• All previous transcripts</li></ul>

## BUILD DAKOTA SCHOLARSHIP STUDENTS

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### Reminder!

Deadline for FALL 2019 COHORT is due at the **JANUARY 5, 2019.**

If you have any questions, contact the Education Office at 605-997-2859.



*FSST Recreation Department*

# Nutrition & Fitness

## EDUCATION PROGRAM

Monday, Tuesday & Thursdays

3:30-5:30pm

Daily Snack followed with a Physical Activity

Applications available with FSST Recreation Department.

\*\*\*Students must have appropriate shoes and clothing.

\*\*\*Students must have own transportation provided.

\*\*\*Students must be at W.O.C.C. building by 3:50pm.

\*\*\*Students participation is mandatory of program.

?'s: CONTACT SYLVIA ROY @ 573-4195 OR  
E-MAIL @ [sylvia.roy@fsst.org](mailto:sylvia.roy@fsst.org)



# Nutrition & Fitness Education for Kids

*Application for 2018-19 School Year*

## Parent/Guardian Information:

Parent Name (1):	
Parent Name (2):	
Home Address:	
City, State, Zip Code:	
Tribal Affiliation:	
Phone Number (1):	
Phone Number (2):	
Can we text?	Yes or No
E-mail Address:	
Can we e-mail flyers?	Yes or No

## Child(ren) Information:

<u>Full Name:</u>	<u>Tribal Affiliation:</u>	<u>Birthdate:</u>	<u>Gender:</u>	<u>Age:</u>	<u>Grade:</u>

## Medical Information:

Please list/explain all medical illnesses, medication and/or allergies for child(ren):

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**Emergency Contact List:**

Name of Contact:	Phone Number:	Relationship to Child:

**Emergency Authorization Form:**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ hereby give my consent to the Nutrition and Fitness Education Program to call Dr. \_\_\_\_\_, at the following number \_\_\_\_\_ and/or take my child to the nearest Hospital Emergency Room for medical or surgical care should any emergency arise where such services is indicated. I understand that the cost of this care will be paid by me.

I understand that a conscientious effort will be made to notify me before such action is taken, if time permits. I understand that the Nutrition and Fitness Education Program will contact the names that I have designated on the Emergency Contact List to be called for emergencies if I cannot be reached, if time permits.

I hereby authorize an acting representative of the Nutrition & Fitness Education Program to give consent for any and all necessary medical care for my child(ren) while in the care of the program.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Media Release Consent**

I hereby give permission for my child(ren) and/or myself to be photographed, videotaped or recorded for publicity purposes and that I waive all claims for compensation.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Wicoicaga Otipi Community Center**  
**After-School**  
**Program Closed:**

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**All Fridays in December 2018**  
*December 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>*

**Holiday Break**  
*December 21<sup>st</sup> to January 4<sup>th</sup>*

**Martin Luther King Jr. Day**  
*January 21<sup>st</sup>*



**Please contact SYLVIA ROY for  
questions at 573-4195 or  
[sylvia.roy@fsst.org](mailto:sylvia.roy@fsst.org)**



# FINANCE DEPARTMENT HOURS

Monday: 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM & 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Tuesday: 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM & 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Wednesday: 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM & 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM

❖ Closed for payroll every other week

Thursday: 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM & 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Friday: 12:30 PM – 4:30 PM

❖ Closed the last Friday of the month for month end processing

- ❖ Holidays may affect hours
- ❖ Credit applications can be submitted to the front desk or put in Mariah Henderson's mailbox
- ❖ Applications will be reviewed as they are received
- ❖ Checks will be ready for pickup on Friday's

If you need immediate assistance please see the front desk, or you may email the following:

- ❖ Jessica Hovland – [jessica.hovland@fsst.org](mailto:jessica.hovland@fsst.org)
- ❖ Val Knutson – [val.knutson@fsst.org](mailto:val.knutson@fsst.org)
- ❖ Mariah Henderson – [mariah.henderson@fsst.org](mailto:mariah.henderson@fsst.org)
- ❖ Major Redwing – [major.redwing@fsst.org](mailto:major.redwing@fsst.org)

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding!

WAKPÁ IPÁKSAN DAKÓTA IÁPI OŠPÁYE

6TH ANNUAL

# 2018 WANÍYETU WAČÍPI

FREE ADMISSION

DONATIONS WELCOME

## DECEMBER 8TH & 9TH

WIČÓIČAGA OTÍPI COMMUNITY CENTER | 503 W. BROAD AVE. | FLANDREAU, SD 57028  
GRAND ENTRY | SATURDAY AT 1PM AND 7 PM WITH A FEAST AT 5PM | SUNDAY AT 1PM

### SPECIALS

HAND DRUM CONTEST  
1ST - 300 2ND - 200 3RD - 100

MEN'S TRADITIONAL  
1ST - 300 2ND - 200 3RD - 100

WOMEN'S FANCY  
1ST - 300 2ND - 200 3RD - 100

TEEN GIRLS ALL CATEGORIES  
1ST - 150 2ND - 100 3RD - 75

TEEN BOYS ALL CATEGORIES  
1ST - 150 2ND - 100 3RD - 75

JUNIOR GIRLS ALL CATEGORIES  
1ST - 100 2ND - 50 3RD - 35

JUNIOR BOYS ALL CATEGORIES  
1ST - 100 2ND - 50 3RD - 35

### HOST DRUM

MATO PEJUTA | ISÁNTI

### ÉYAPAHA

JERRY DEARLY SR. | IMNÍŽA SKÁ

### ARENA DIRECTOR

CHASKE LABLANC | ČANŠAYAPI

### AKÍČITAPI

GORDON WESTON POST | WAKPÁ IPÁKSAN

### ACCOMODATIONS

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1-877-912-LUCK

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&  
FLANDREAU SANTEE SIOUX TRIBE

### WAČÍS'API

REGISTRATION OPEN UNTIL  
GRAND ENTRY SUNDAY  
DAY MONEY FOR  
ALL REGISTERED DANCERS

### DOWÁNS'API

REGISTRATION OPEN  
SATURDAY 12PM-6PM

### CONTACT

DUSTY BEAULIEU  
605-864-8887

DEVIN DRAPEAU  
605-864-0420

AVERY JONES  
605-864-8171

DRUM SPLIT  
\$6000

DRUG AND ALCOHOL FREE EVENT | DAKÓTA OPHÍČ'IYA PO | NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR THEFT OR ACCIDENTS

# NATIVE



# PRIDE

Jackie Bird does a hoop dance for students in kindergarten through 12th grade at Flandreau. Her granddaughter, Rayanna Bird, 11, dances in her fancy shawl regalia.

With energetic sounds of Native American song and rhythmic dancing feet, Jackie Bird showed the students in the Flandreau School District a traditional hoop dance.

While the dance uses symbols of elements and directions to connect with the earth, Bird made a connection with the students while wearing traditional regalia and working with colored hoops.

“The symbol of the hoop dance is all nations working together for unity, world peace and global healing,” she said.

Bird, from Bushnell and a Flandreau Indian School graduate, shared her Native American heritage through dance and music with students in kindergarten through 12th grade on Friday. She was invited by the school’s First Nations Club, which organized the event, and was sponsored through a grant from the Flandreau Santee Sioux Tribe.

In one song, she told the story of the Dakota woman standing brave. In another, sung by her son Gordon Bird II of Flandreau, she shared a song she wrote about leftover food shared with all. Her daughter Randi Bird and granddaughter Rayanna Bird, 11, also danced at the event.

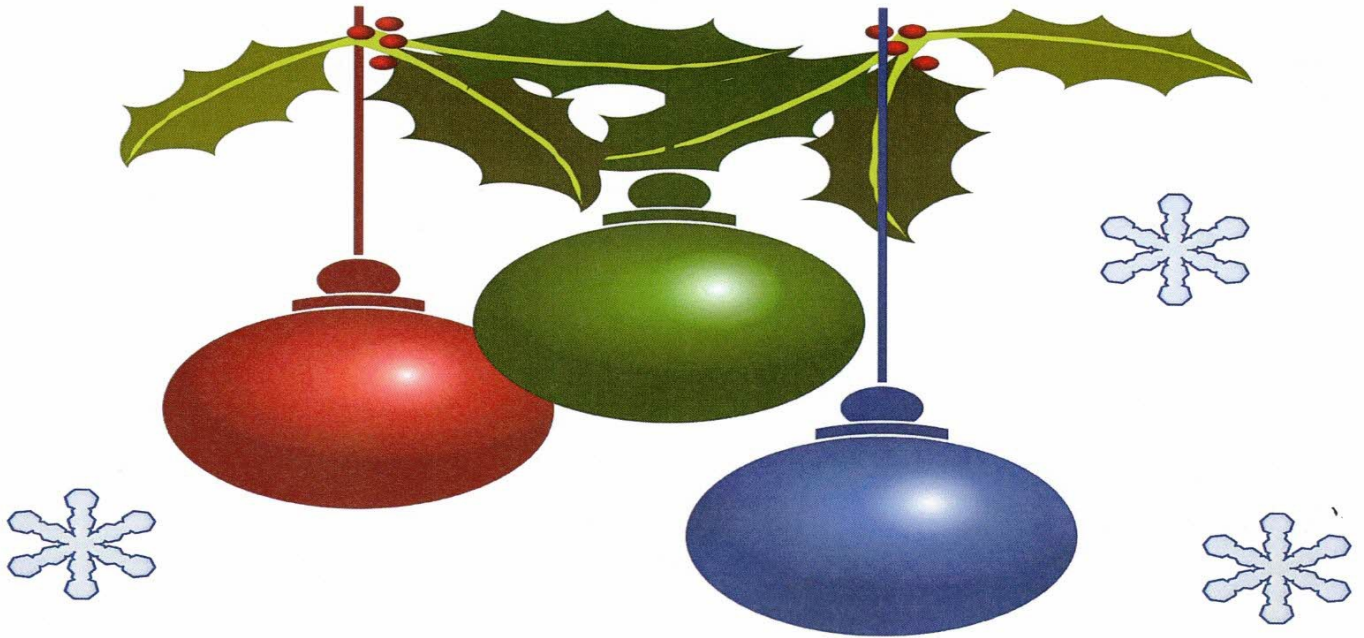
Jackie Bird said she wants to inspire students to use their gifts. “I give all that I am in life to bring great messages. Whatever their gift is, it’s inspirational,” she said.

Student Jevan Moran helped Bird with her hoop dance, using green hoops to symbolize a hawk. Soon friends Taryn Ukestine and David Allen joined him as they ran around the hoop dancing in the role of birds.

Diego Serrano, a junior and member of the First Nations Club, said he liked how Bird’s dancing provided a role model and showed artistry through dance. “It will bring more awareness to kids about Native American culture,” he said.

Trinity Redday, a sophomore and a fancy shawl dancer, said she helped work on the program as part of the First Nations Club, a group of about 25 students. The group also provided samples of fry bread and wojapi, a berry sauce, to all students in the school as part of the heritage week and also sponsored a coloring contest and wore ribbon skirts to school for one day.

“I like that it showed other people that are not Native American, our culture and our ways and our celebrations,” she said. “I think they really enjoyed it.”



# 2018 Tribal Government Holiday Closings

**Monday November 12th—All Offices Closed (Veteran's Day)**

**Wednesday November 21st—All Offices Closed**

**Thursday November 22nd—All Offices Closed**

**Friday November 23rd—All Offices Closed**

**Friday December 14th—Employee Holiday Party - Closing at 11am**

**Monday December 24th—All Offices Closed**

**Tuesday December 25th—All Offices Closed**

**Wednesday December 26th—All Offices Closed**

**Monday December 31st —All Offices Closed**

**Tuesday January 1st—All Offices Closed**

Attention Tribal Membership: G.W. Checks & Bonuses will be available for pick up Thursday December 13th and G.W. Checks will be available for pick up Friday December 28th.



Happy Holidays and a very Happy New Year! FSST Management

Come celebrate FSST employees' Birthdays this month!

Wednesday, December 5th at Noon

# December Birthday Cake



<b>Hunter Henderson</b>	<b>8th</b>
<b>David Walford</b>	<b>10th</b>
<b>Teddy Hardeastle</b>	<b>11th</b>
<b>Christine Reed</b>	<b>14th</b>
<b>Garrie Kills A Hundred</b>	<b>14th</b>
<b>Laureen Herrick</b>	<b>16th</b>
<b>Gloriz Nelson</b>	<b>17th</b>
<b>Travis Anderson</b>	<b>19th</b>
<b>Dustin Beaulieu</b>	<b>20th</b>
<b>Delores Allen</b>	<b>20th</b>
<b>Dean Renville</b>	<b>21st</b>
<b>Jason Armstrong</b>	<b>22nd</b>
<b>Shelby Bailey</b>	<b>22nd</b>
<b>Pamela Kitto</b>	<b>25th</b>
<b>Nick Zachariasen</b>	<b>27th</b>



Wish our December Birthday Employees a Happy Birthday and enjoy a slice of birthday cake with them. A birthday cake will be placed in both the Tribal Office and the Tribal Health Clinic Breakrooms at noon. FSST Management would like to wish those of you with birthdays in December a

**Happy Birthday!**

# Free Food for Seniors in Need



Are you a senior citizen at least 60 years of age on a fixed income?

Having to choose between groceries and medication, or other bills each month?

The Senior Box Program, a USDA Commodity Supplemental Food Program through Feeding South Dakota, distributes *free* food to limited income senior citizens.

The boxes average 25 to 27 pounds of food, and contain at a minimum: 2-lb block of cheese, juice, shelf-stable or powdered milk, cereal, canned fruits, canned vegetables, pasta or rice, a canned meat or entrée such as beef stew or chili.

#### Eligibility

- At least 60 years old
- On a limited income

Those interested in learning more or would like to sign up to receive a monthly box of food should contact their local Feeding South Dakota partner agency listed below.

Learn More by Contacting Us!  
EVERY 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday  
EASTMAN hall 3 pm

Feeding South Dakota is a statewide organization with locations in Pierre, Rapid City. Their mission is to eliminate hunger in South Dakota. For more information, please visit [www.feedingsouthdakota.org](http://www.feedingsouthdakota.org).  
This Institution is an equal opportunity provider.





## **Chief Financial Officer**

**Open : 11/26/2018 - Until Filled**

**FLSA Status:** Full Time - Exempt

**Salary:** (\$85,548-\$100,000)

### **Summary:**

The Chief Financial Officer is responsible for all aspects of accounting and financial investments and management; the annual audit process, cash flow management, budgeting and forecasting, banking and long term debt management and supervision of accounting and finance staff. The organization includes a governmental segment and an enterprise segment. Additional responsibilities include managing financial requirements of grants and contracts, and annual budgeting for governmental departments, and fiscal responsibilities of enterprise operations, and commercial real estate properties. Candidates should have an understanding of the GASB 34 requirements. This position will also provide oversight of financing activities including banking relationships, loan management, future bond financing, budgeting, projections and pension plan management.

### **Minimum Qualifications:**

- A. The ideal candidate will have a four-year degree in accounting or finance, CPA plus, 5+ years of progressively responsible experience in an accounting environment with direct experience or exposure to governmental (enterprise) accounting and familiarity with Governmental Accounting and Auditing Standards, 3+ years of experience with personnel management, ability to communicate effectively, both written and verbal. Additionally, qualified candidates must have strong computer skills including a preferred accounting software program(s), be a self-starter and work autonomously. A history of working with Tribal governments or non-profit entities in this capacity is a requirement.
- B. Additional experience as outlined above may be substituted for the education on a year for year basis to a maximum of three years.

Must submit to a background check and pre-employment drug and alcohol screening.

Applications are available at the FSST Tribal Office or apply online at [www.santeesioux.com](http://www.santeesioux.com)

May attach resume to Tribal Application.

Preference in filing vacancies is given to **qualified** Indian candidates in accordance with Indian Preference Act of 1934 (Title 25, USC, Section 472). Verification must be submitted with the application if claiming Indian Preference. Consideration will be given to non-Indian applicants in the absence of qualified Indian Preference eligible.

Direct questions to Tribal Human Resources Department 605-997-3891 or email [Kiya.Esquivel@fsst.org](mailto:Kiya.Esquivel@fsst.org).



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**Every Thursday**  
**October 4-March 2019**

Flandreau Santee Sioux Tribal Clinic  
Any Questions or concerns please call the clinic  
@ 997-2642





**Happy First Birthday  
Hendrix Soward!**

**Love you**

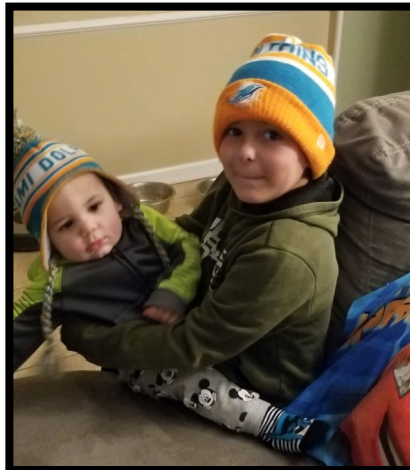
**bigger than the sky!**

**Grandma Gayle &  
Big Brother Ashton**



Ashton & his dad Adam Soward  
working on Gingerbread house  
at his dad's house in Idaho.

WAY TO GO! Ashton and Adam.



# DECEMBER 2018 MENU

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>3</b> Tato Tot Hotdish Buttered Broccoli Apricots	<b>4</b> Hot Tuna Buns Hashbrown Casserole Green Beans Pears	<b>5</b> Beef Stew Cottage Cheese Salad Fresh Bread Cookies	<b>6</b> Chili Dogs French Fries Tossed Salad Fruit Jello	<b>7</b> Chicken & Rice Soup Egg Salad Sandwich Pickles Cranberry Bar
<b>10</b> Polish Sausage w/ sour kraut Parmsed Potato's Mixed Veggies Dessert	<b>11</b> Soft Shell Taco Spanish Rice Apple Muffin	<b>12</b> <b>BIRTHDAY MEAL</b> Oven Baked Chicken Mashed Potato/gravy Butter Corn Colelaw Cake	<b>13</b> Potato Soup Ham Salad Sandwich Pickle Brownie	<b>14</b> CLOSED EMPLOYEE CHRISTMAS PARTY
<b>17</b> Hamburgers Macaroni Salad Baked Beans Cake	<b>18</b> Ham & Bean Soup Corn Bread Mandarin Salad Rice Krispy Bars	<b>19</b> Swiss Steak Steamed Rice Oriental Colelaw Candied Applesauce	<b>20</b> Tomato Bisque Soup Grilled Cheese Sandwich Royal Salad Chips Dessert	<b>21</b> SENIOR CENTER CHRISTMAS PARTY
<b>24</b> CLOSED	<b>25</b> CLOSED	<b>26</b> CLOSED	<b>27</b> CLOSED	<b>28</b> CLOSED
<b>31</b> CLOSED				



Grace Moore Senior Citizens Center 997-2924

\*Menu subject to change without notice.