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Loneman School

Owayawa



"This is something the community has been working on for a long time, in trying to get a new school," said Bordeaux. "It's so exciting and so overwhelming that we are finally going to have that happen. It's hard to put into words."

By Roseanna Renaud
Times Correspondent

OGLALA- About seventy-five people turned up at the sixty-year old Loneman School near Oglala to hear representatives from WHPacific of Albuquerque, New Mexico, present the eco-friendly tornado resistant design for Isna Wica Owayawa, the new K-8 school slated to begin construction on March 8, 2010 and ready for move-in by May 28, 2011. The building is funded through a \$13.6 million dollar grant from the Bureau of Indian Affairs Office of Facility and Management Construction, with part of the money used to renovate the school's shop building and bus garage.

WHPacific, the largest 100% Native American-owned engineering and architectural firm in the United States grew from a 2-person startup business twenty-five years ago to become a company with 700 employees in seventeen offices nationwide. Headquartered in Anchorage, Alaska, WHPacific is owned by NANA Development Corporation, a private corporation representing the interest of more than 1,400 Inupiat shareholders who are descended from families living in Northwestern Alaska. NANA is one of 13 regional Native Corporations created in the early 1970's as a result of the

Chief Spotted Tail in Italy



By Dr. Alessandro Martire and Vi Waln, Times Editor

ROME, ITALY - Last month the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) held a World Summit in Rome, Italy. One track of the summit was the Global Indigenous Peoples' Food Sovereignty Forum where discussion focused on food sovereignty policies and actions to eradicate hunger, malnutrition and food diseases around the world.

The Forum hosted 187 different Indigenous representatives from all parts of the world. Chief John Spotted Tail represented the Rosebud Sioux Tribe and the Lakota people at the Forum by opening the Meeting on November 13th at the Campidoglio located in the Municipality of Rome. He was also asked officially to close the Indigenous sessions with a formal prayer.

This international Forum was under the auspices of FAO and the United Nations for Indigenous and Tribal Peoples to draft a declaration to improve agricultural productivity, raise levels of appropriate nutri-



tion, improve the lives of Tribal peoples and to contribute to the growth of the world economy, as well as the struggle against diseases connected with inappropriate nutrition such as type 2 diabetes which affects the Indigenous nations of the Turtle Island Continent.

The Forum program was advertised with the words of Lakota Chief Crazy Horse - Tashunka Witko. Specifically, on the cover of the program, printed in three languages was the quote "One does not sell the land upon which the people walk."

Chief Spotted Tail was also welcomed officially as representative of a Foreign Nation within the Parliament by the 5th major and higher officer of the Italian Government: Senator Antonio Mazzocchi in his role of "Questore della Camera dei Deputati" (higher Responsible of Italian Parliament). Out of all the 187 different Representatives of Indigenous People,

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IHS Mobile Clinic Hits the Road

