



Wasuton Wi

The Harvest Moon
August 2025

Wakpa Ipaksan

Three Sisters Garden

Many ancient civilizations such as the Maya, Cahokia (Mississippian) and the Haudenosaunee utilized some form of companion gardening. The Haudenosaunee or Iroquois Confederacy was the most notable in history books. The use of corn, beans and squash are rooted in their cultural identity and are embedded in their creation stories and teachings.

The Haudenosaunee's creation story tells us that Sky Woman fell to earth where she had a daughter Earth Woman. Earth woman conceived two sons from the western wind. As one son was being born the other became impatient and dug his way out of the womb through the side of his mother, resulting in her death. From her decaying body sprouted many beneficial life sustaining plants. Corn, Beans and Squash sprouted from her torso and hands, strawberries from her heart, sunflowers from her legs, tobacco from her head and sunchokes from her feet, providing the people with life sustaining nourishment and the lessons on how to properly care and respect for each of Earth Woman's gifts.

The legend teaches the people of the interconnectedness and the delicate balance of all things that grow and thrive in life.

Wicoiye Dakota

Wamnaheza / Corn

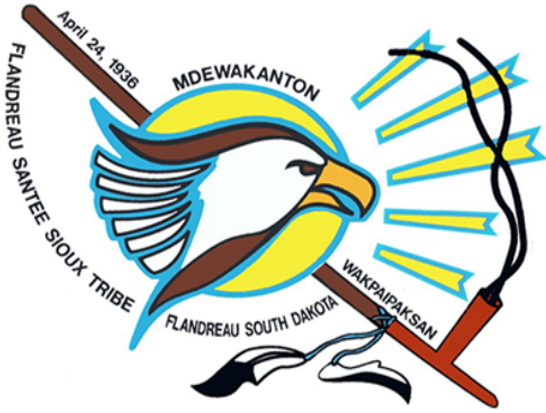
(Wah-m-nah-heh-zah)

Omnic/ Beans

(Oh-m-nee-cha)

Wamnu/ Squash

(Wah-m-new)



Quarterly General Council Meeting

When: Saturday, August 2, 2025
Where: Royal Room
Royal River Casino & Hotel
Time: 9 am to Noon

Employee Birthdays

08/14 Avery Jones
08/15 Taunya Kruse
08/17 Billo Kitto
08/23 Brooki Corcoran



A decorative illustration of a stylized plant with orange and red flowers and green leaves, set against a background of a green field and a yellow sky with a pink horizon line. The plant is positioned in the foreground, partially obscuring a yellow rectangular area containing faint, cursive handwriting.



Members Enjoying the Festivities!



WAKPA IPAKSAN WACIPI 2025 FLANDREAU, SOUTH DAKOTA

Wacipi Committee Specials

Winucada & Wicacada Specials

Golden age 60+ plus Jingle,
Grass, Fancy & Traditional all
Categories Separated:

1st \$800 + Plaque
2nd \$600
3rd \$400

Adults Men & Women age 18-59

Jingle, Grass, Fancy & Traditional

1st \$600 + Wacipi Tee
2nd \$400
3rd \$200

Teens Boys & Girls: Grass, Jingle, Fancy & Traditional: 13-17

1st \$400 + Wacipi Tee
2nd \$300
3rd \$200

Veterans Special

1st \$500
2nd \$300
3rd \$200

Saturday 11:30 AM Bruce Allen Honoring
share a song, meal, shake hands & other
Tiwahe Special TBA

Junior Boys & Girls: Grass, Jingle, Fancy & Traditional

1st \$150
2nd \$100
3rd \$50

Men's 18+ Chicken Dance Special

1st place \$300 + Wacipi Tee
2nd place \$200
3rd place \$100

All ages: Hat & Boot Special, Side Step & Clown Dance

WACIPI COMMITTEE IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR INJURY &
LOST & STOLEN ITEMS. 24 HOUR SECURITY

NO ALCOHOL NO DRUGS NO FIREWORKS OR NO FIREARMS ALLOWED

Waanatan (Sneak Up)

1st \$1000
2nd \$800
3rd \$600
4th \$400

WAKPA IPAKSUN SINGERS

Presents

Two Person Singing

Contest (Saturday Evening)

1st \$400
2nd \$300
3rd \$200

Trista Camey, Outgoing Mrs. Wakpalsun
Teen sidestep

1st \$300 and Ribbon Skirt
2nd \$200 and Ribbon Skirt
3rd \$100 and Ribbon Skirt

Memorial Softball Tournament for Miles Roy
(Saturday 19th) Contact Sylvia @ 605-531-3720

Registration Opens Friday Saturday-Opens
@ 10AM Closes 1230 PM Day Pay for all
dancers - Dancers must be in FULL regalia

DANCERS 18+ MUST HAVE VALID ID OR TRIBAL ID

Host Drum: Mato Pejuta

Arena Director: Chaske Lablanc
Eyapaha - Butch Felix

First 12 registered drums will be paid. Must have
at least 5 singers. NO DRUM HOPPING

Moccasin Games (Registration Sat AM @ Noon Start)

1st \$800
2nd \$600
3rd \$400
4th \$200

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(Saturday 19th) Contact Sylvia @ (605) 531-3720

Friday Evening Meal
Saturday Breakfast & Saturday Supper
Sunday Breakfast

Fireworks Saturday @ dusk
Comments, questions or concerns?
Contact: (Jon Schrader Sr. 605-633-1955
Monte Lovejoy 239-980-6075)

JULY 18, 19 & 20





Scan QR Code
for Wacipi Updates

Wakpa Ipaksan Wacipi 2025

July 18, 19, & 20







PIDAMAYAYE to all who joined us for our annual SDPI
Walk/Run - it was a great turnout and Wacipi Weekend!

Keep moving to the rhythm of your heartbeat song!

Back to School



School Immunization



Walk-in Clinic

**THREE
FRIDAYS**

**AUGUST
1 – 8 – 15**

**8:30AM - 12PM
and
1PM - 4PM**

Back to School Immunization walk-in clinic

Walk-in school immunizations will be available on Friday(s)
Aug 1st, 8th, and 15th from 8:30-12pm & 1-4pm.

Reminder that children typically need updated vaccinations at kindergarten, 6th grade, and age 16.



*If unable to attend vaccination clinics on any of these days,
please call us at 605.997.2642 and schedule a vaccination
update appointment with Public Health.*

August is National Immunization & National Eye Exam month

Both very important for Back to School!

Did you know?

It's the rule...

SHOTS before SCHOOL!



SOUTH DAKOTA
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Kindergarten Vaccination Requirements

Four or more doses of **diphtheria, tetanus, and pertussis (DTaP) vaccine**, at least one dose on or after age 4.

Four or more doses of **poliovirus vaccine**, at least one dose on or after age 4.

Two doses of a **measles, mumps, and rubella vaccine (MMR)**. Minimum age for the first dose is 12 months.

Two doses of **varicella (chickenpox) vaccine**. Minimum age for the first dose is 12 months. History of disease is acceptable with parent or guardian signature.

**VACCINATE
YOUR
4-5
YEAR OLDS**

NOTE:

Although not required for school entry, Hib, Hepatitis A, Hepatitis B, Influenza, and Pneumococcal vaccines are also recommended for your kindergartener.

6th Grade Immunizations:

Tdap* (Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis)

MCV4* (Meningococcal)

HPV (Human Papillomavirus)

Flu (Influenza)

**VACCINATE
YOUR
11-12
YEAR OLDS**

***School entry REQUIREMENT for South Dakota 6th grade students.**

For more information, talk with your family physician or community health nurse about these and other vaccinations your preteen should receive.

BACK SCHOOL

GOOD VISION
=
GOOD YEAR



Healthy Vision
Good Grades
Great Life

FSST Education Department



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Attention

Students, Parents, Grandparents & Legal Guardians

We are here to assist you during your academic career.

Please feel free to reach out to one of us!

Higher Education Students

Time is fast approaching, please follow handbook regarding check lists and submit your paperwork for the fall semester!

Wishing you a successful term!

You may submit forms to us via the email below
education@fsst-nsn.gov



Good Luck Students!

K - 12

2025 - 2026

Eligibility Requirements 2025 - 2026

Definitions:

Member Children are those children who are enrolled members of the FSST and born to a member.

Non Member Native Children are those children born to another nation who attends Flandreau Public Schools K-12

JOM Requirement

Lineal Descendants are children born to a member who otherwise are not a member.

JOM Allowed

JOM / Fsst School Supplies

All Native Children (Members & Non-Members)
Lineal Descendants

Must submit proof of Tribal Enrollment
See Education Department for Distribution

FSST K-12 Meal Program

Members & Lineals

Must Apply for Free & Reduced Lunch
Submit Denial Letter and Reduced Meal Letter to Education Department

FSST School Clothes

Members Only

August 1, 2025 Distribution Date - Education Office 8 a to 4 p

Important Dates to Remember

August 4th
Fall Sports Meeting

Registration
August 5th and 6th
12:00 pm to 8:00 pm
High School Gym

1st Day of School
Tuesday, August 19th
Dismissal at 1:30 pm

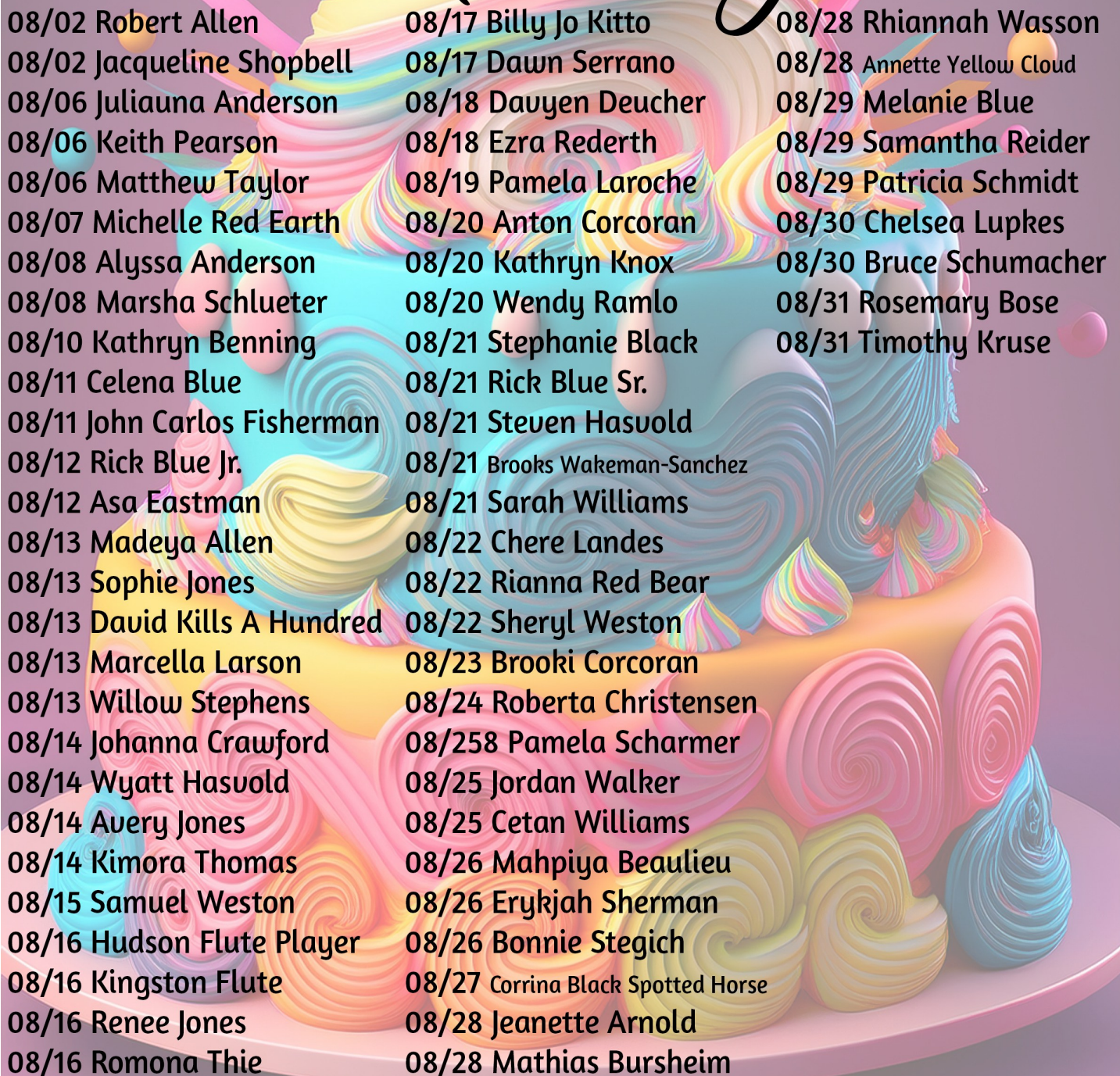


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Member Birthdays



08/02 Robert Allen	08/17 Billy Jo Kitto	08/28 Rhiannah Wasson
08/02 Jacqueline Shopbell	08/17 Dawn Serrano	08/28 Annette Yellow Cloud
08/06 Juliauna Anderson	08/18 Dauyen Deucher	08/29 Melanie Blue
08/06 Keith Pearson	08/18 Ezra Rederth	08/29 Samantha Reider
08/06 Matthew Taylor	08/19 Pamela Laroche	08/29 Patricia Schmidt
08/07 Michelle Red Earth	08/20 Anton Corcoran	08/30 Chelsea Lupkes
08/08 Alyssa Anderson	08/20 Kathryn Knox	08/30 Bruce Schumacher
08/08 Marsha Schlueter	08/20 Wendy Ramlo	08/31 Rosemary Bose
08/10 Kathryn Benning	08/21 Stephanie Black	08/31 Timothy Kruse
08/11 Celena Blue	08/21 Rick Blue Sr.	
08/11 John Carlos Fisherman	08/21 Steven Hasvold	
08/12 Rick Blue Jr.	08/21 Brooks Wakeman-Sanchez	
08/12 Asa Eastman	08/21 Sarah Williams	
08/13 Madeya Allen	08/22 Chere Landes	
08/13 Sophie Jones	08/22 Rianna Red Bear	
08/13 David Kills A Hundred	08/22 Sheryl Weston	
08/13 Marcella Larson	08/23 Brooki Corcoran	
08/13 Willow Stephens	08/24 Roberta Christensen	
08/14 Johanna Crawford	08/25 Pamela Scharmer	
08/14 Wyatt Hasvold	08/25 Jordan Walker	
08/14 Avery Jones	08/25 Cetan Williams	
08/14 Kimora Thomas	08/26 Mahpiya Beaulieu	
08/15 Samuel Weston	08/26 Erykjah Sherman	
08/16 Hudson Flute Player	08/26 Bonnie Stegich	
08/16 Kingston Flute	08/27 Corrina Black Spotted Horse	
08/16 Renee Jones	08/28 Jeanette Arnold	
08/16 Romona Thie	08/28 Mathias Bursheim	

RIVER'S BEND RESTAURANT

ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT PRIME RIB

SATURDAYS
4:30PM-9:30PM

\$21.99

Enjoy tender & juicy, house made dry-rubbed, and slow cooked prime rib with an assortment of sides and salad bar!

Royal River
CASINO • HOTEL

Management reserves the right to enhance, change or discontinue any promotional event at any time with or without prior notice.



Hungry?

EVERY THIRD FRIDAY
4:30PM-9:30PM

SEAFOOD BUFFET

RIVER'S BEND RESTAURANT

ADULTS
\$50

CHILDREN
\$25

Enjoy unlimited crab legs and
an assortment of seafood.

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THURSDAYS | 5PM-9:30PM

HOT HIBACHI *Nights*

RIVER'S BEND RESTAURANT

\$24.99

Enjoy an All-You-Can-Eat Customizable Asian experience with a variety of vegetables, noodles, and meats sauteed in your favorite sauces right in front of you!

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Hungry?



11AM-2PM

BRUNCH *Sundays*

RIVER'S BEND RESTAURANT

Enjoy a delicious buffet with an assortment of all your breakfast and lunch favorites.

ADULTS
\$20

CHILDREN
\$13

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CASH & CARS GIVEAWAY

MSRP \$13,823



2026 Blue Club Car Lithium
2 Passenger, includes ball and
club washer and cooler.

MSRP \$13,516



2026 Black Club Car Gas
4 Passenger Lifted, includes
windshield and side mirrors.

Win your share of
OVER \$50,000 CASH!

Earn entries June 29 - August 30

FRIDAY & SATURDAY

5pm-9pm

Earn an entry for every
10 points earned
or 15 minutes rated table play
Hourly Drawings - Your chance
to win \$200 CASH

10pm

One lucky kiosk drawing winner
will receive \$800 CASH

TWO FINALE GIVEAWAYS

July 26th and August 30th
at 10pm

Each Night!

Win your share of \$10,000 CASH
+ ONE CLUB CAR GOLF CART!

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Partnered with
NB
GOLF CARS

Weekly Promotions!

HAPPY
**Royal
Birthday**

EARN AND WIN FREE PLAY UP TO 4X!

DAILY | 8AM-MIDNIGHT

Celebrate your birthday month with Royal River and
win Free Play + more!

KIOSK GAME SPINS

Win Free Play with each spin:

1ST SPIN Free + 2 Free Drinks

2ND SPIN Earn 50 Points

3RD SPIN Earn 100 Points

4TH SPIN Earn 200 Points

DIAMOND & PLATINUM MEMBERS

Receive a FREE Royal River Shirt

Royal River[®]
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11AM-8PM

11AM-2PM ON
SEAFOOD BUFFET NIGHT

FRY BREAD *Fridays*

RIVER'S BEND RESTAURANT

ADULTS

\$15

CHILDREN

\$10

Enjoy traditional fry bread
made fresh and top with a
large selection taco toppings
and wojapi!

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Hungry?

FIREWORKS *Rescheduled*

SAT AUG 30TH

**ENJOY THE FIREWORKS SHOW
AT SUNSET**

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RIVER'S BEND
RESTAURANT

DAILY
7AM-7PM

\$5 OFF
Senior Meal Deal
Ages 50+

Earn 5 points or higher with your Royal Rewards Card and receive \$5 in COMPS from the kiosk directly to your card. Redeem at the River's Bend Restaurant or Snack Bar.



Weekly Promotions!

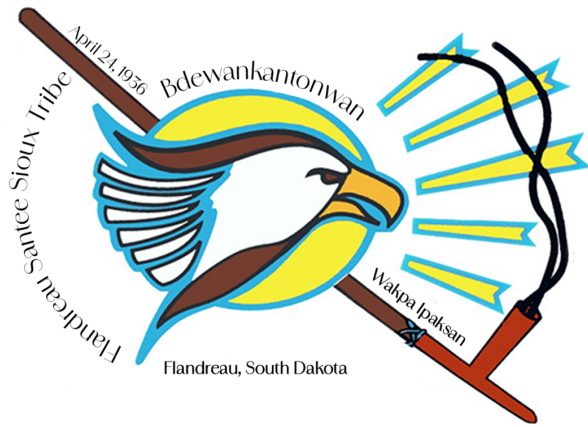
SENIOR PLAY DAY

TUESDAYS 8AM-8PM

AGES 50+ | **PLAY \$10, GET \$10 FREE PLAY**



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Save the dates!

- 08/01 School Immunizations
Health Center
- 08/01 School Clothes Distribution
Education Department
- 08/02 - General Council Meeting
Royal Room at 9 a.m.
- 08/04 Fall Sports Meeting
- 08/05 Flandreau Public School
Registration
- 08/06 Flandreau Public School
Registration
- 08/08 School Immunizations
Health Center
- 08/15 School Immunizations
Health Center
- 08/19 FPS - Classes Begin
Early Dismissal - 1:30 p

Wowapi Newsletter

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- ~ 25th of each month
- ~ Must be typewritten or
Computer Generated Format
- ~ Hard Copy or Email

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August 2025 MENU

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
				Wild Rice Soup 1 Roast Beef Sandwich 7-Layer Salad Humming Bird Cake
Tator Tot Hotdish 4 Buttered Peas Maple Spinach Salad Chocolate Turtle Cake	Creamy Chicken 5 Enchiladas Cucumber Salad Mixed Veggies Do Nothing Cake	Pork Loin 6 Mashed potato Green Beans Creamy Coleslaw Brownies	Lasagna 7 Garlic Bread Caesar Salad Banana Pudding Cake	Chicken Noodle Soup 8 Egg Salad Sandwich Royal Salad Fruit Cocktail Cake
Pancakes 11 Scramble Eggs Sausage/bacon Fruit	Polish Sausage 12 Sauerkraut Parslied Potato's Nuttty Apple Salad Peaches	Chicken Fried Steak 13 Mashed potato's/gravy Cali-blend veggies Broccoli/cauliflower salad Fruited Jello	Beef Burritos 14 Green Chili Rice Corn Salad Tres-Leches Cake	Wisconsin Cheese 15 Soup Ham Salad Sandwich Mandarin Orange Salad Key Lime Dessert
Tuna Noodle Hotdish 18 Tossed Salad Pudding	Goulash 19 Buttered Corn Apple Pecan Slaw Biscuits Chocolate Chip Cookies	Hot Beef Sandwich 20 Mashed Potato's/gravy Seasoned Green Beans Tossed Salad Pears	Chicken Tenders 21 O'Brien Potato's Lima Bean Bake Honey Mustard Sauce Rhubarb Dessert	Senior Picnic more 22 Info to follow 
Beef Stroganoff over 25 Noodles Lima Bean Bake Straight A Salad Cinnamon Baked Apples	Creamed Chicken 26 Over Biscuits Spinach Salad 7-Layer Bars	Oven Baked Chicken 27 Potato's/gravy Buttered Corn Silverglade Salad Fresh Fruit	Tomato Bisque Soup 28 Grilled Ham & Cheese Crunchy Tossed Salad Banana Bar	29 CLOSED  *Menu subject to change without notice.
Grace Moore Senior Citizens Center 997-2924				