TECA WOAPIYE WICOTI (Healing Camps for the Youth) Pine Ridge Reservation, SD, Home of the Oglala Lakota

Hoksila/Koskala(Boys/Young Men) Camp: May 26-30, 2016

Wakanyeja (Children) Healing Camp: July 6-10, 2016

Wikoskala (Girls/Young Women) Healing Camp: July 28-31, 2016

Tiospaye Sakowin Ceremonial Grounds, next to former Oblaye Store, approximately 2.5 miles south of Sharp's Corner, Porcupine, SD.

The *Pte Oyate* (Buffalo Nation) care for and protect their young by putting them in the center of the herd. Our Young Relatives, **ages 0-17**, who have experienced trauma, loss and /or grief are invited to come to the "center" and participate in healing camps. They will be provided with education and healing opportunities, with emphasis on nurturing their Nagi (spirit) toward a strong, mind and body. Young women, up to age 18, who are pregnant and have experienced trauma are welcome to attend either the children's camp or Young Women's camp.



To give life to the values, gifts and teachings provided by Tunkasila and Unci (Grandfather and Grandmother) ancestors for the well-being and healing of our people, which include:

- *Wacante Ognaka-* To have a warm and compassionate environment for youth who have experienced trauma, grief and loss and their parent/guardian and siblings. All youth are treated as relatives and addressed as such
- *Woapiye-* To offer an opportunity for the youth (and their family if they wish) to receive a spiritual purification or "wiping off" of the spiritual residue left by the trauma they have experienced
- *Wopakinte*-To offer an opportunity for the youth to begin or strengthen their healing through traditional healing

- *Woyuskin*-to provide a happy, fun and accepting environment
- *Lakol Caswicatun Pi-* To provide an opportunity for those youth who do not have a spirit name to receive one through ceremony and to have a public acknowledgement of their spirit name to reinforce their Lakota cultural identity
- *Wicozani-* To provide an opportunity for wellness screenings health and mental health
- *Wowasake-* To provide an opportunity to strengthen the mind, body and spirit

Camp Directors/Advisors – Rick and Ethleen Two Dogs, <u>r.twodogs@gmail.com</u> and Gene and Cindy Giago, <u>cindy.giago@gmail.com</u>. For registration, contact Camp Coordinators as listed below. *Once registration is confirmed, additional information will be provided for preparation and participation in the camp. There is a limit of 20 participants per camp due to limited resources and space. See registration deadlines on registration form.*

Camp Coordinators

Koskalaka (Young Men, age 11-17) Wicoti - Joe Giago, <u>joe.giago@gmail.com</u>, 605-441-2794 Wakanyeja (Children, age 0-11) Wicoti - Saige Pourier, <u>spourier14@gmail.com</u>, 605-454-3150 Wikoskalala(Young Women, age 11-17)Wicoti– Randilynn Giago, <u>isantiwinyan@gmail.com</u>,605-454-5178

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Youth Registration Form

Teca Woapiye Wicoti (Healing Camps for the Young) Koskala (Boys/Young Men) Wicoti (Camp) – Registration Deadline: Friday, May 20, 2016, Camp Dates: May 26-30, 2016 Wakanyeja Wicoti – Registration Deadline: July 1, 2016, Camp Dates: July 6-10, 2016 Wikoskalaka Wicoti – Registration Deadline: July 22, 2016, Camp Dates: July 28-31, 2016

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NAME		AGE	DOB	Gender		
Lakota Name		Grade	School Name			
Shirt/Blouse Size (indicate youth or adult size)		Boys Jeans size	Girls Skirt Size	Shoe/sock size		
Parent/Guardian Name		Mailing Address				
Parent Home and/or Cell Phone Number		Directions to Home				
Alternative Emergency Contacts						
Primary Emergency Contact		Secondary Emergency Contact				
Home Phone	Work Phone	Home Phone		Work Phone		
Address		Address				
City, ST ZIP Code		City, ST ZIP Code				
Health and Other Considerations Information						

Allergies/Special Health/Medication or Diet considerations:_

I believe my son/daughter/relative will benefit	from the camp for this reason	(list strengths and needs):
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PARENT/GUARDIAN UNDERSTANDING AND CONSENT

I give consent for my ________to attend and participate in the camp; and understand that he/she will be camping in Tipis. He/She is willing and able to participate in all camp activities which includes sports, hiking, Inipi, healing ceremonies, horseback riding, games, and talking circles. I understand camp sponsors are not responsible for theft or injury while youth are participating in camp activities. I understand that I am welcome and encouraged to participate also; and that I am responsible for transportation to and from the camp. I understand that parents/guardians are required to be present and participate with their child during the Children's Healing Camp.

Parent/Guardian Name (Please print)