

CREW BIOGRAPHIES AND INTERVIEWS

ADVISER – Mary Stadick Smith

Mary Stadick Smith has been the communications director of the South Dakota Department of Education for three years.

ADVISER – Lowell Amiotte

Lowell Amiotte is Native American activities coordinator at South Dakota State University.

ADVISER – Janet Claymore-Ross, Ed.D

An experienced educator of 26 years, first serving as an elementary principal and a director in special education, Janet Claymore-Ross now works in Holbrook, Ariz., as the principal of a private boarding school for Native Americans.

ADVISER – Robert Bryan Cook

Robert Bryan Cook, an enrolled member of the Oglala Lakota Sioux Tribe, is the cultural affairs/ education outreach specialist at the Crazy Horse Memorial Foundation.

ADVISER – Keith Moore

Keith Moore, an enrolled member of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe, became the Indian education director for the South Dakota Department of Education in 2005.

ADVISER – Steven M. Rokusek

A former teacher, Steven Rokusek has developed educational resources for many SDPB radio and television productions, including the Emmy and NETA award-winning series, *Dakota Pathways: A History*.

EDUCATORS/TRIBAL LEADERS INTERVIEWED FOR FILM

Clifford Canku

Clifford Canku is a Dakota speaking elder who teaches language, history and culture at the Sisseton Wahpeton College at the Lake Traverse Reservation located in northeastern South Dakota.

Russell Eagle Bear

Russell Eagle Bear, an enrolled member of the Sicangu Lakota from Rosebud, S.D., is a former instructor for Sinte Gleska University in Mission, S.D., who currently serves on the Rosebud Tribal Council.

Dr. Craig Howe

Craig Howe is director of the Center for American Indian Research and Native Studies, a nonprofit research center committed to advancing knowledge and understanding of American Indian communities and issues.

Jerome Kills Small

Jerome Kills Small, an Oglala Lakota from Porcupine, S.D., teaches the Lakota language, American Indian thought, Siouan tribal culture, Lakota history and a seminar on Black Elk at the University of South Dakota.

MUSIC & INTERVIEW – Kevin Locke

Tokeya Inajin (“the first to arise,” his Lakota name) is a member of the Hunkpapa Band of the Lakota and professional musician and hoop dancer. He wrote and performed the music for ***Oceti Sakowin***.

Ione Quigley

Ione Quigley, a member of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe, is the chairwoman of Lakota Studies at Sinte Gleska University in Mission, S.D.

Webster Two Hawk Sr.

Webster Two Hawk Sr., who was born on the Rosebud Reservation in 1930, has served as an Episcopal priest on the Yankton and Standing Rock reservations, a health administrator for Indian Health Service and president of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe, in addition to commissioner for the Tribal-Government Relations Office in South Dakota.

Chief Albert White Hat, Sr.

Albert White Hat Sr. serves as the Lakota language program director at Sinte Gleska University.