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Healing the Body, Mind, & Spirit

Thursday, July 1

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North Country Regional Hospital
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UMD medical student shares the limelight

Jana Hollingsworth Duluth

News Tribune

Published Wednesday, April 16, 2008

The eyes of Chuck Branch welled up as he presented handmade gifts to his teachers and mentors Tuesday at the University of Minnesota Medical School Duluth campus.

Branch, nearing the end of his second year of medical school, was awarded an American Medical Association Foundation Minority Scholars award, and followed his American Indian culture by honoring others with a traditional feast and gifts on the same day. When a pile of gifts remained and students and staff were beckoned to choose

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Chuck Branch (left) gives a beaded pen and lanyard to Dr. Deborah Powell, dean of the University of Minnesota Medical School, during a traditional American Indian feast and giveaway Tuesday at the University of Minnesota Medical School Duluth campus. The event was to recognize those who helped him during his two years at the school. He will finish at the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities campus. The pen has turtles in its design, representing his clan.

CLINT AUSTIN / NEWS TRIBUNE Wednesday, 16 April 2008

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Chuck Branch holds his son, Marcus, while singing with the Onigamising Singers from Grant Language & Arts Magnet School during a traditional American Indian feast and giveaway Tuesday at the University of Minnesota Medical School Duluth campus. It was to recognize those who helped him during his two years there, before he moves to the Twin Cities campus of the medical school.

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Tribal college seeks to strengthen its Indian identity

Jana Hollingsworth Duluth News Tribune

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The pipe ceremony Wednesday at the Fond du Lac Tribal and Community College acknowledged and honored the four directions, the elements and the Creator.

It also signaled a new beginning for the college and the Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa.

By law, both the state and the band run the college. But in recent years, the band has felt its role diminish — a trend that community college officials say they want to reverse.





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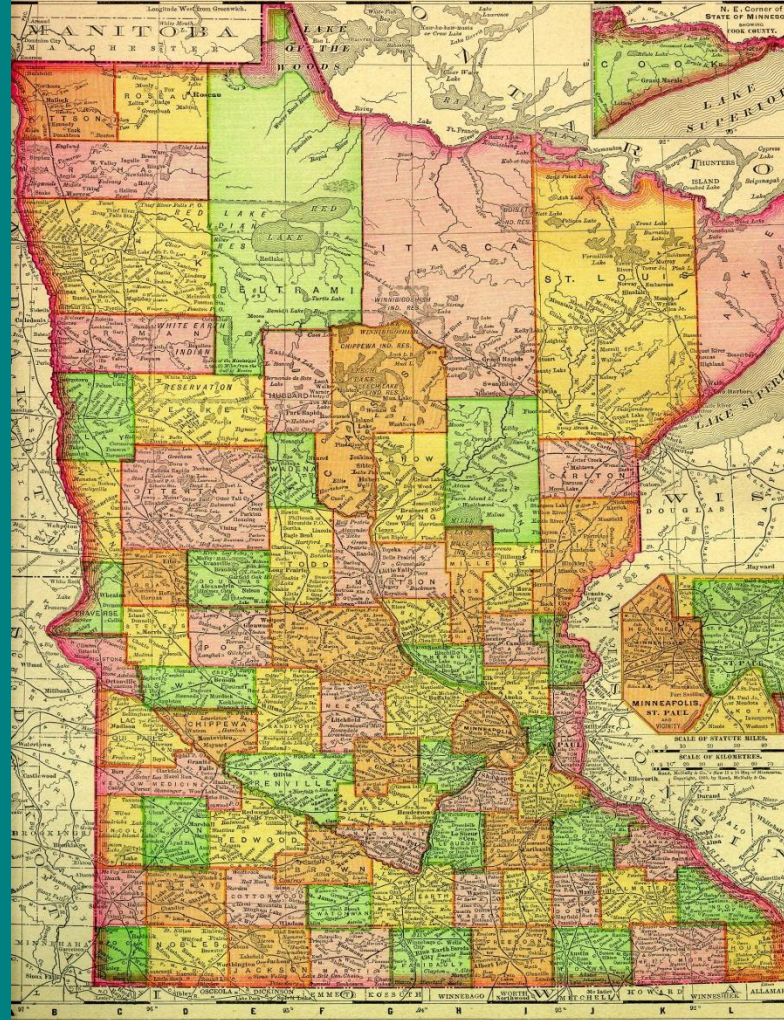
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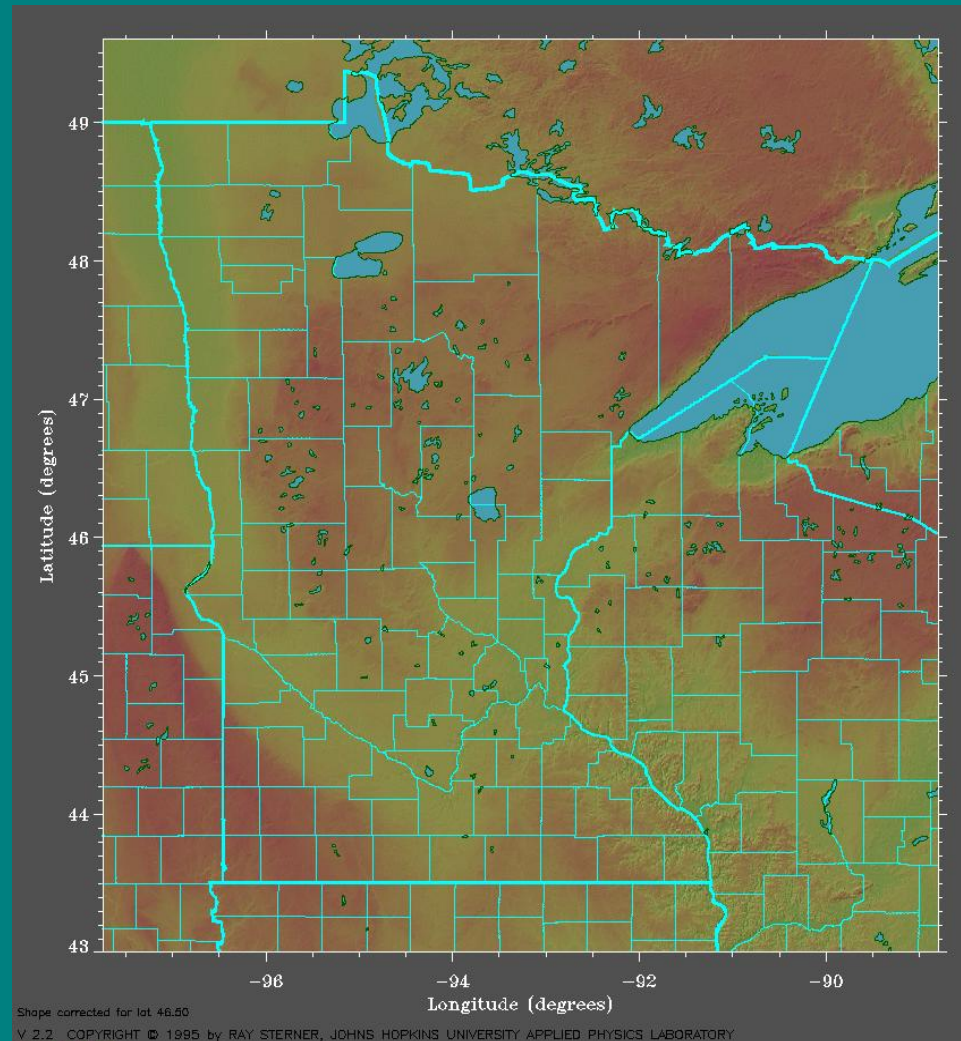
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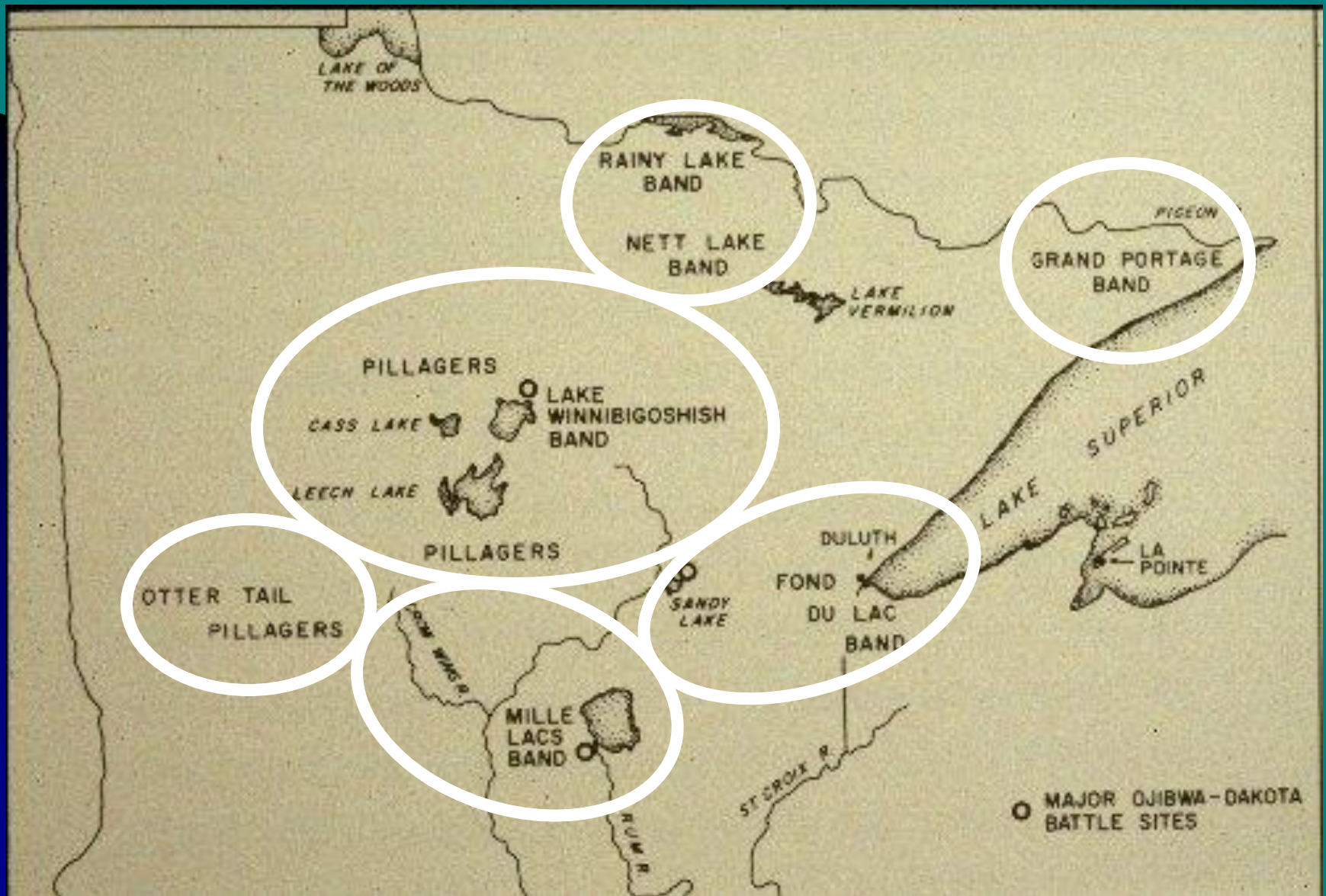


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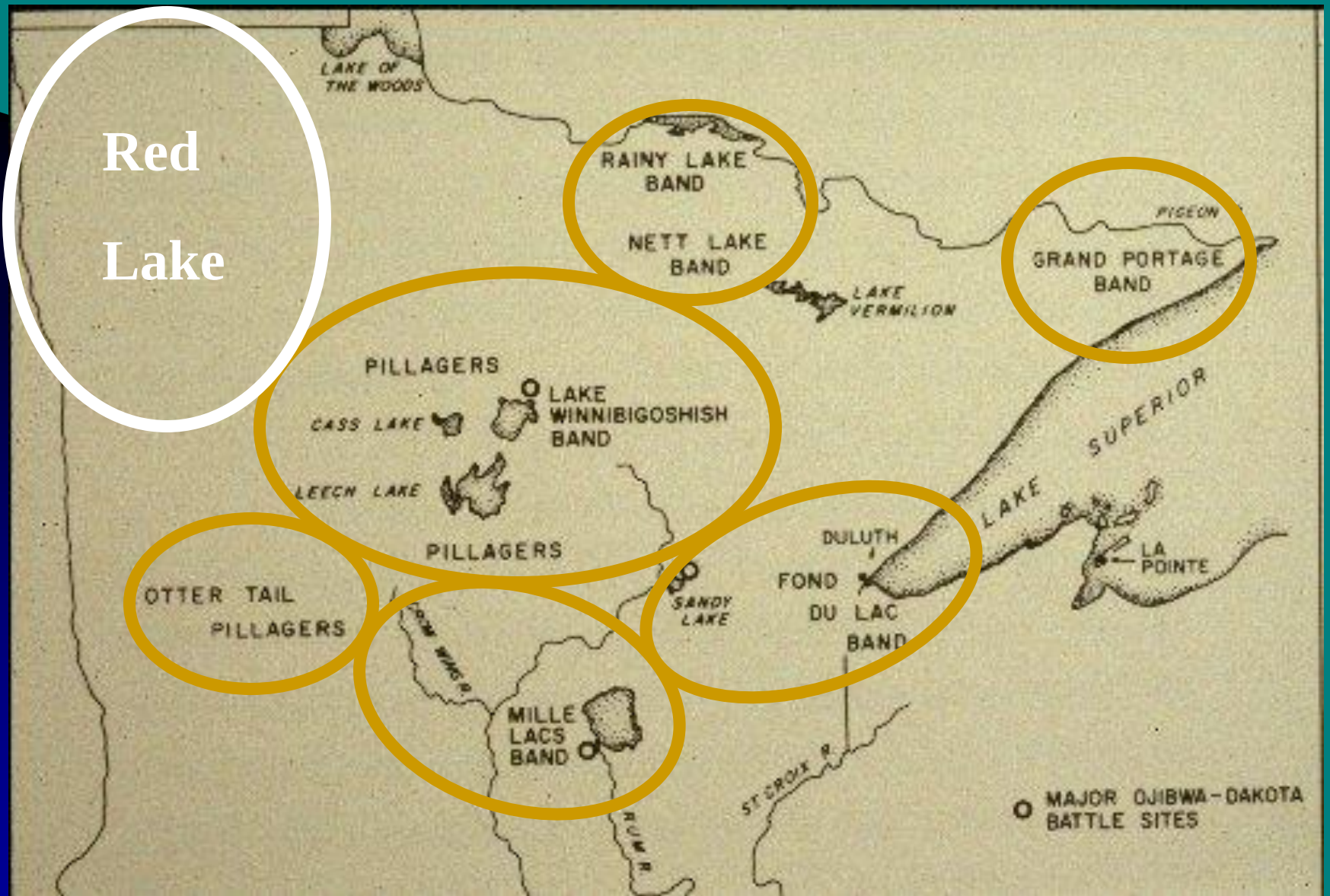




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(18 min., 1971, VC 266B)

Nature and the Concept of Power Among Mississippi and Lake Superior Ojibwa: Reflections of Paul Buffalo

by
Timothy G. Roufs
Department of Sociology and Anthropology
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When Everybody Called Me *Gah-bay-bi-nayss*, "Forever-Flying-Bird": An Ethnographic Biography of Paul Peter Buffalo



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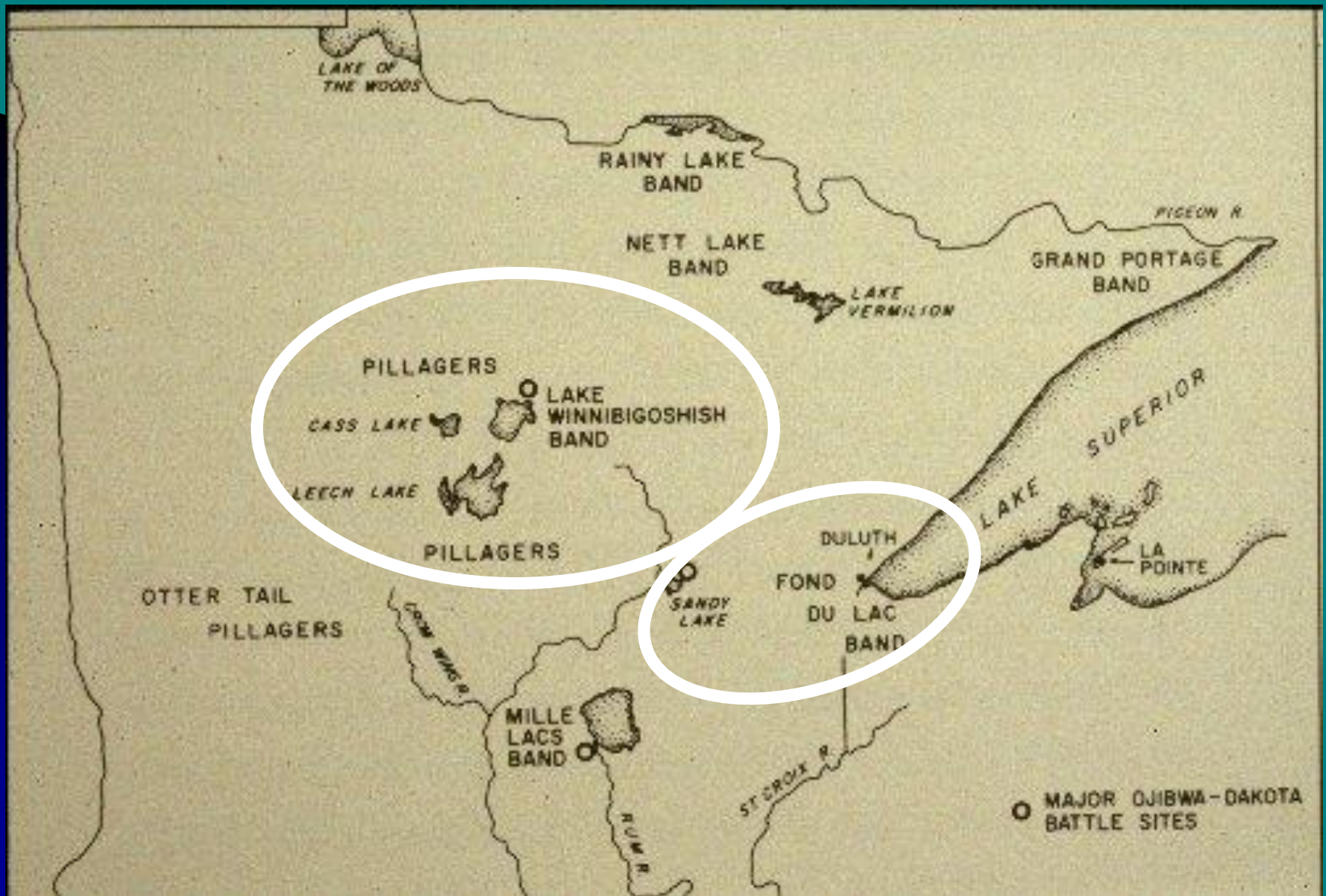
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August 20, 2003



Larry Aitken is a Native healer on the White Earth Reservation. He says there are hundreds of plants found in the forest that can be used for medicine. (MPR Photo/Tom Robertson)

Leech Lake Reservation — American Indians believe healing is part of all spiritual experience. Medicine is always combined with prayer, and the medicines come from nature. Healers



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Big crowd turns out for Fond du Lac chairman's swearing in

BY STEVE KUCHERA
NEWS TRIBUNE STAFF WRITER

FOND DU LAC RESERVATION - Fond du Lac tribal members have something they haven't had for 16 years -- a new chairman.

Long-term secretary-treasurer Peter Defoe took office as chairman Tuesday morning.

"I would like to thank everyone who came today and who voted for me," Defoe told the crowd, which filled the band's Reservation Business Committee council chambers and spilled into the lobby.

Also taking office at the ceremony were Eugene Reynolds, representing District 1 (Cloquet), and Roger "Bouda" Smith, representing District 3 (Brookston).

In June's tribal elections, Reynolds defeated

IMAGES



Steve Kuchera/News Tribune

Former Fond du Lac secretary-treasurer Peter J. Defoe takes the oath of office as the band's new chairman Tuesday morning at Fond du Lac tribal headquarters in front of a picture of his father, who was the band's secretary-treasurer from 1952-1978.



Paul Buffalo Meditating

Anishinabe

- Culturally Constituted Behavioral Environment (CCBE)
 - ◆ A. Irving Hallowell
 - ☞ *Culture and Experience*
 - ☞ *Contributions to Anthropology*

Pre-Treatment Investigation

- screening and referral

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- screening and referral to different kinds of doctors
- but you can only “work with” one doctor at a time

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Chippewa medicine man singer with ceremonial turtle clan drum.

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Mide (Medicine Man) rattle and sticks.

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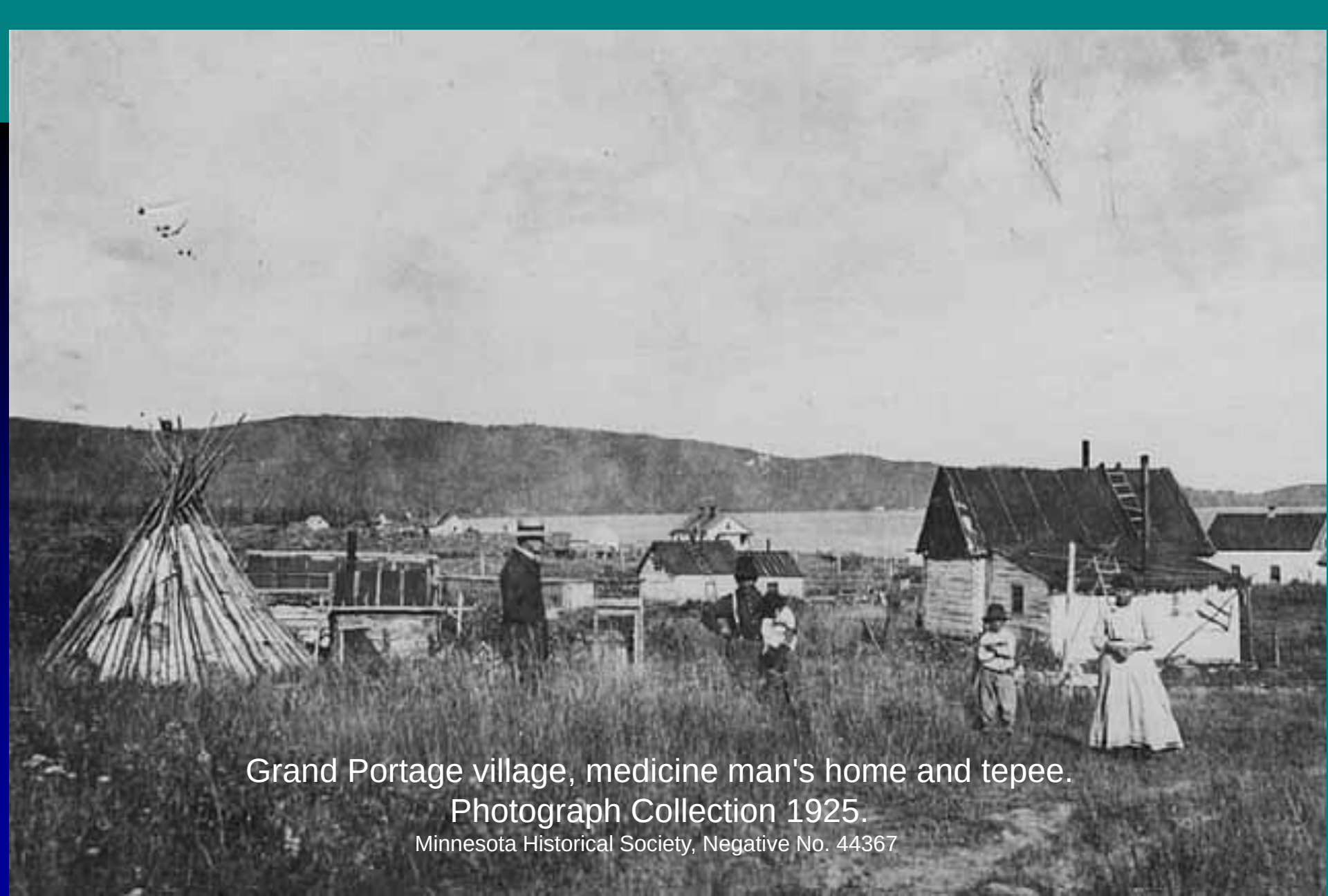
Ojibway Grand Medicine Ceremony at Squaw Point, Leech Lake, 1932.
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“Medicine” on pole near grave of Mrs. John Nett Lake.

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Grand Portage village, medicine man's home and tepee.
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WITCHITIA, or Grand Medicine Society, religious community being held in the special lodge

Courtesy of the St. Louis County Historical Society, Duluth, Minn.
known as the medicine lodge.

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From the St. Louis County Historical Society, Duluth, Minnesota.

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By Robert Moss

Published: March 9, 2008

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- people have specific powers
(they're "specialists")
- can lose power
(especially if you don't practice)

Pre-Treatment Investigation

- patients need to believe



Wanda Baxter, an elder on the Red Lake Reservation, says a Native healer saved her life. She had cancer, but after three years of treatment by a tribal healer, she says she's healthy.

(MPR Photo/Tom Robertson)

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Pre-Treatment Investigation

- give gifts to maintain power



Ojibway Grand Medicine Ceremony at Squaw Point, Leech Lake, 1932.
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Pre-Treatment Investigation

- need *power* to help
 - ◆ the concept of *power* is central

See Paul Buffalo paper:

[“Concept of Power among Mississippi and Lake Superior Ojibwa”](#)

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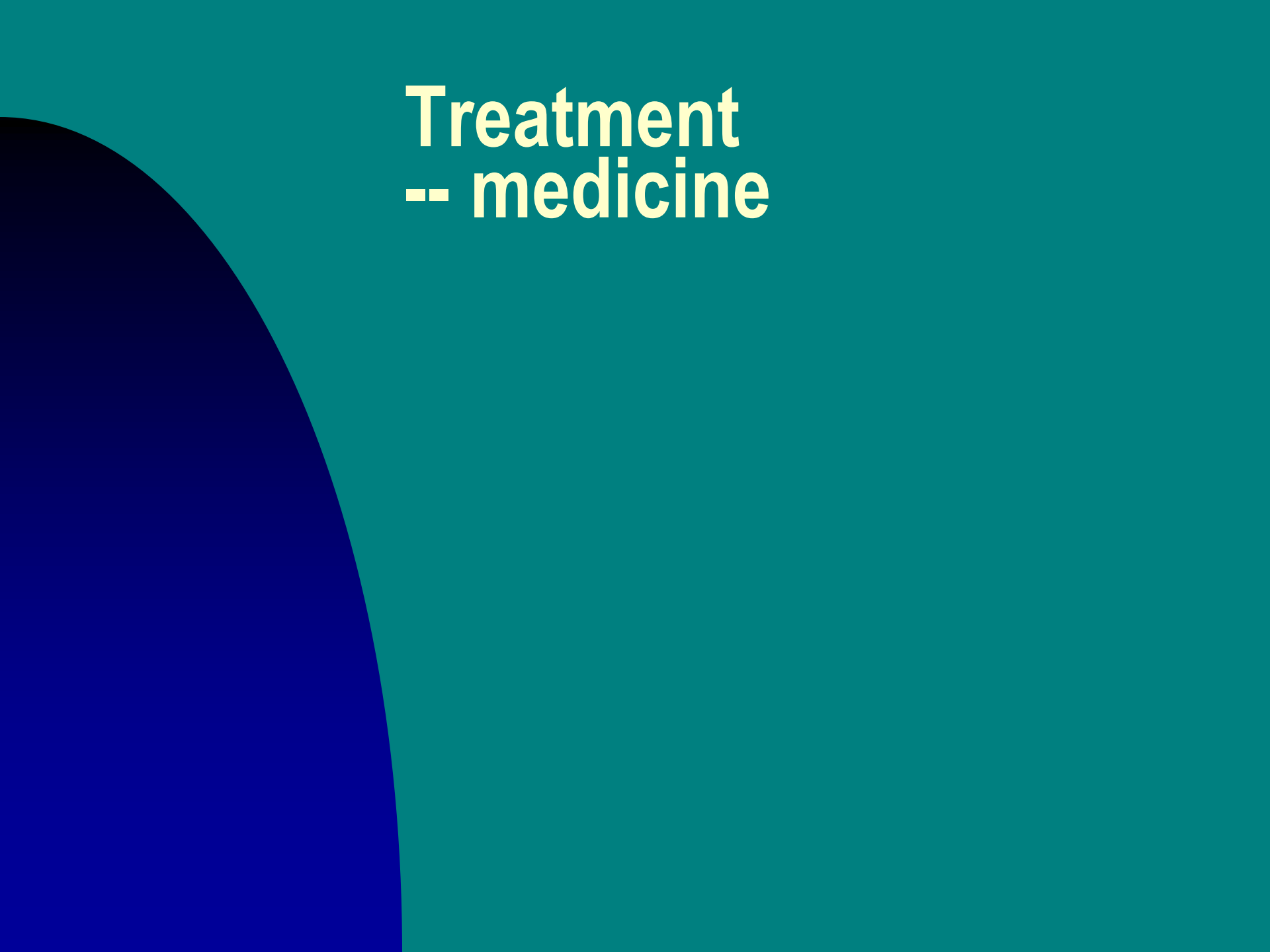
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- Involves the medicine itself
and -- always --
- medicine with a lecture
(a “meditation”)



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- you have to know how to *meditate* the medicine



Paul Buffalo Meditating Medicine

Treatment -- medicine

- Healing only works *through* the doctor
- the *doctor* doesn't cure,
the *Manito* does

Treatment

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bimadizewín



Linda Grover

Sunday, 20 April 2008

“In traditional Native values and ways of living, *mino-bimaadiziiwin* is the Ojibwe word for the living of a good life. *Mino-bimaadiziiwin* involves standards of behavior that include modesty, respect, thankfulness, generosity and awareness of one’s ability and obligation to contribute to the well-being of others.”

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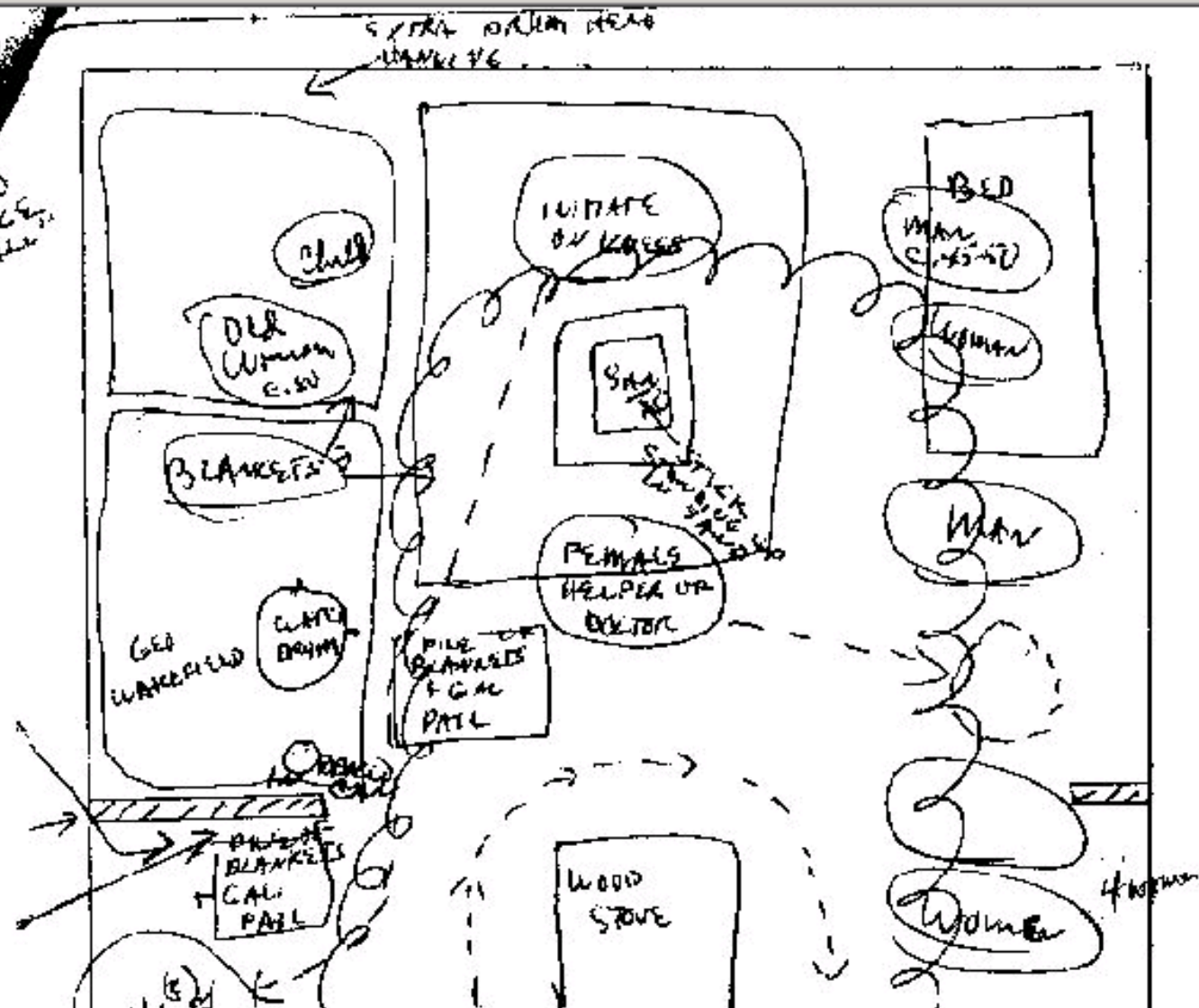
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- *emphasizes that one “has to believe in it”*
- community support necessary
 - ◆ amount varies with the disease
 - ◆ Inger ceremony



Treatment

-- medicine / lecture

- If you don't believe, and/or are just "fooling around" your *kids and relatives* can be affected

Post 1st Treatment

- cure
- no-cure

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- placebo affect
 - ◆ including effect of *belief* in doctor's power
 - ◆ and positive attitude

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The 14th Dalai Lama Visits Mayo Clinic

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Buddhist monk the 14th Dalai Lama Tenzin Gyatso, is the spiritual and political leader of Tibet, who is respectfully referred to as "His Holiness," and often called by his followers Kundun, "The Presence." Yet he describes himself as "just a simple monk." His Holiness lives a focused life of commitment to compassion, peace and understanding, rising each day at 4 a.m. to meditate, pray and reflect for 5 hours. The 1989 winner of the Nobel Peace Prize -- and many other international honors -- for his work in urging nonviolent solutions, His Holiness travels the world urging celebration of the shared humanity of the people of the earth, rather than conflict over superficial differences of language, politics or religion. He lives in a monk's cottage in Dharamsala, India, which is the exiled cultural and political center of Tibetan life since the 1959 Chinese military occupation of Tibet.

About the Dalai Lama Tradition

As the 14th in the line of spiritual leaders and



The 14th Dalai Lama traveled from his provisional base in Dharamsala, India April 17 to visit Mayo Clinic. This is his first visit to Mayo Clinic.

Webcast

While visiting Mayo Clinic, the Dalai Lama delivered an address to patients and staff. "Compassion in the Face of Suffering" focused on practices that

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Dalai Lama touts emotions' role in health

RELIGION:Speaking to Mayo Clinic staff members, the Buddhist leader mostly avoids questions on politics.

BY GREGG AAMOT
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ROCHESTER, Minn. - Sudip Kundu said he was suffering under the stress of a cluttered life when a book by the Dalai Lama, "The Art of Happiness," gave him fresh perspective.

So he wasn't about to miss a rare Minnesota appearance by the spiritual leader of Tibetan Buddhists.

"It's a very emotional moment for me because I really look up to His Holiness," said Kundu, a computer software technician for the Mayo Clinic. "He is a very rare person among most of us -- someone who is enlightened. And it is very difficult to achieve that state."

The Dalai Lama, as part of a visit to Minnesota and its Tibetan refugee community, spoke to about 300 clinic employees Monday after a routine medical examination.

After praising the doctors and nurses for their care, he jumped to the crux of his message: the importance of mental and emotional well-being in living a healthy life.

Emotions such as hate, anger and jealousy can contribute to physical ailments while love, forgiveness and tolerance can aid the body in healing and maintaining health, he said.

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Doling out the placebo effect

With a growing belief in mind-body connections, more doctors see smart therapy in 'dummy pill.'

By Melissa Healy, Los Angeles Times Staff Writer
January 14, 2008

For decades, research physicians have furrowed their brows at the mysterious powers of a treatment known in many medical circles as Obecalp.

In clinical studies, Obecalp has been shown to have occasionally remarkable effects -- and on a remarkable range of maladies. In one 2002 study at UCLA, one-third of patients reported relief from symptoms of depression (and had changes in brain function that reflected that improvement) when treated with Obecalp. Patients with Parkinson's disease have observed their tremors decrease, those with chronic aches have felt their pain ease and hypertensive patients have seen their blood pressure fall -- all in response to Obecalp. Medical journals are filled with testimonials to the frequency with which Obecalp, often administered at little or no cost, can improve patients' health.

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Price makes the pain go down, study says

MIT researchers say people given placebos reported that the supposedly more expensive pills were also more effective.

By Denise Gellene, Los Angeles Times Staff Writer
March 5, 2008

How do you spell relief?

P-A-Y . . . M-O-R-E.

In a study published today in the Journal of the American Medical Assn., researchers found that people given identical pills got greater pain relief from the one they were told cost \$2.50 than from one supposedly costing 10 cents.

"We all know that we expect more from products with high prices and good names, and we wanted to see if these things could change how we react to pain medication," said MIT behavioral economist Dan Ariely, who led the research. "The answer seems to be yes."

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Survey: Many believe in divine intervention

STORY HIGHLIGHTS

- 57 percent in survey said
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A bitter fight over who can be called 'doctor'



Carlos Gonzalez, Star Tribune

Helen Healy, a St. Paul naturopath, examined Svetlana Jones, 32, of Maplewood, who is 30 weeks pregnant. Under a state law that takes effect in 2009, naturopaths will be able to call themselves doctors.

By **MAURA LERNER**, Star Tribune
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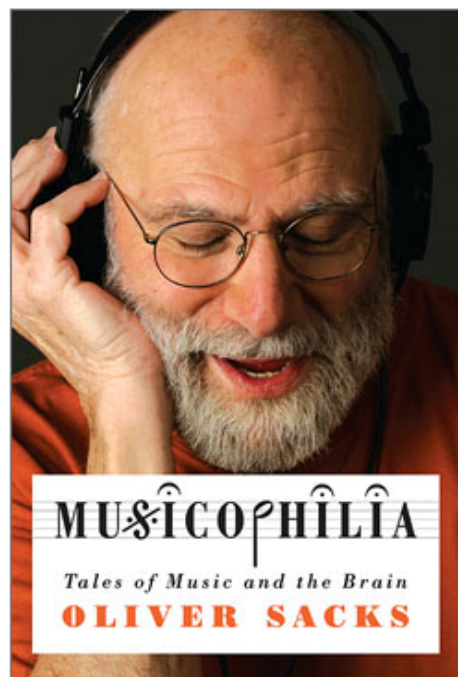


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Oliver Sacks on the cover of his newest book examining the healing effect on people suffering from such diseases as Tourette's syndrome, Parkinson's, autism and Alzheimer's

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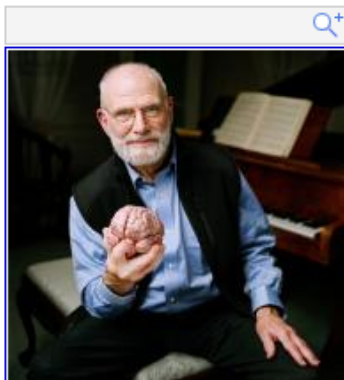
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By KAREN MATTHEWS – 1 day ago

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"Even with advanced dementia, when powers of memory and language are lost, people will respond to music," he said.

A Baptist church is an unusual venue for Sacks, a professor of clinical neurology and clinical psychiatry at Columbia University Medical Center who was brought up Jewish but is not a religious believer.

But the central role of music in church makes Abyssinian a good place to discuss the myriad ways that music affects the human brain, said Sacks, who was played by Robin Williams in the movie version of "Awakenings."

Abyssinian's pastor, the Rev. Calvin O. Butts III, said the choir is looking forward to performing with Sacks. He noted that music plays a central role in the healing power of prayer.

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Homicide Charges for Prayer Death are First in Wisconsin

By WUWM News Staff

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A national group that monitors faith-based neglect of children says the parents charged with reckless homicide for praying as their 11-year-old daughter died of diabetes are the first in Wisconsin accused of such a crime. The executive director of Child Incorporated says at least 309 children have died in the United States in the past 25 years after medical care was withheld on religious grounds.

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Archie? He's the dog star

The 165-pound Newfoundland works his magic daily with abused and neglected children at Camarillo's Casa Pacifica. Only his drool is 'yucky!'

By Mary Engel, Times Staff Writer
July 9, 2007



Going to the dog
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When we see really large creatures, we tend at first to be taken aback. But Archie is a very lovable-looking and acting dog.

— Howard Miller, a therapist at Casa Pacifica

The toddlers spot him the instant he steps out of his office. They swarm him like bees, shouting his name:

"Archie! Archie! Archie!"

He drops to the ground, eye-level with 3-year-olds. They lean into him, hug him, climb on him.

At Casa Pacifica, a Ventura County oasis for abused, neglected and emotionally disturbed children, patience and calm aren't just virtues; they're job requirements. Archie has worked at the leafy campus in Camarillo for two years, and he doesn't flinch when small hands pull his ears and wandering fingers poke his nostrils.

Instead, he bestows slobbery kisses with a pink tongue as large as a hand towel.

"Yucky!" the kids squeal, hugging the 165-pound dog all the harder.

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GOING TO THE DOG: Children hug and pet Archie at Casa Pacifica in Camarillo. Vicki Murphy, the facility's director of operations and development, chose Archie after learning about Newfoundlands' reputation for being natural baby-sitters.

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Project Overview



In recent years, there has been a movement to create technological substitutes for pets – such as the Tamagotchi, Furby, Techno, Poo-Chi, and I-Cybie. One of the most sophisticated of robotic pets currently on the market is Sony's robotic dog AIBO, which in Japanese means "companion." According to Sony's literature (www.aibo.com), "AIBO's a true companion with real emotions and instinct." Elsewhere (Friedman & Kahn, 1992), we have argued that computers, as they can be conceived



Oscar, a hospice cat at the Steere House Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Providence, R.I., walks past an activity room at the facility Monday, July 23, 2007. Oscar the cat seems to have an uncanny knack for predicting when nursing home patients are going to die, by curling up next to them during their final hours.
(AP Photo/Stew Milne)



“His accuracy, observed in 25 cases, has led the staff to call family members once he has chosen someone. It usually means they have less than four hours to live.”

“He doesn't make too many mistakes. He seems to understand when patients are about to die,” said Dr. David Dosa in an interview. He describes the phenomenon in a poignant essay in Thursday's issue of the New England Journal of Medicine.’
(AP Photo/Stew Milne)



“Oscar is better at predicting death than the people who work there, said Dr. Joan Teno of Brown University, who treats patients at the nursing home and is an expert on care for the terminally ill.”

Post 1st Treatment -- cure

- passage of time
 - ◆ Nat Pallone

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Post 1st Treatment

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- naming in curing
- “works if it ain’t too late”

**Post 1st Treatment
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 - ◆ solution: stronger medicine

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 - ◆ solution: use medicine from a different location

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 - ◆ solution: stronger medicine
- medicine from a location not good
 - ◆ solution: use medicine from a different location
- medicine picked in wrong seasons
 - ◆ solution: use different medicine

Post 1st Treatment

-- no cure

- Life (bad living) has not changed
 - ◆ solution: change life

Post 1st Treatment -- no cure

- Life (bad living) has not changed
 - ◆ solution: change life
- Life (bad living) of relative has not changed
 - ◆ solution: have relative or relatives change life

Post 1st Treatment -- no cure

- Medicine “interpreted” incorrectly
 - ◆ solution: reinterpret or re-mix

Post 1st Treatment -- no cure

- other's power overriding or interfering
 - ◆ solution: talk with them about that

Post 1st Treatment -- no cure

- need more time
 - ◆ solution: more time

Post 1st Treatment

-- no cure

- presence of somebody at the curing ceremony might have “interfered” with the cure
 - ◆ for e.g., a white person
 - ◆ or “nonbeliever”
 - ◆ or someone who “doesn’t know about it”
 - ☞ Inger ceremony
 - ◆ solution: redo ceremony

Post 1st Treatment

-- no cure

- it could be that you are trying to “work with” more than one doctor at a time
 - ◆ solution: go work with the other doctor exclusively

Post 1st Treatment -- no cure

- gifts given weren't right
 - ◆ solution: new gifts
 - ◆ solution: gifts from different people

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'Spirit healer' accused of bilking Racine man

By Associated Press

MILWAUKEE - Police have arrested a spirit healer who advertised on the radio for allegedly taking people's money without providing them a service.

Father Eleazar Perez, a priest at St. Adalbert parish in Milwaukee, said a number of people complained to him over the past several months about a curandero, or spirit healer, who has allegedly been taking their money and not giving them anything in return.

He said they didn't want to report it because they were afraid "that he would cast a spell or do them harm and other such nonsense."

Perez said a man from Racine, who said he had paid the curandero \$1,000 and was unsatisfied with the results, came to him on Thursday. Perez urged the man to go to authorities and that he would go with him.

The man agreed, so Perez notified police and the curandero was arrested at his home.

Charges coming Police spokeswoman Anne E. Schwartz said three others have come forward and that the man is expected to be charged with felony theft today.

The suspect had been advertising on WDDW-FM, with testimonials from people who said they were helped by him.

The station's general manager Anna Bermudez said anybody can advertise on the station but that if the station discovers an advertiser has done something wrong, the advertising would not be accepted again.

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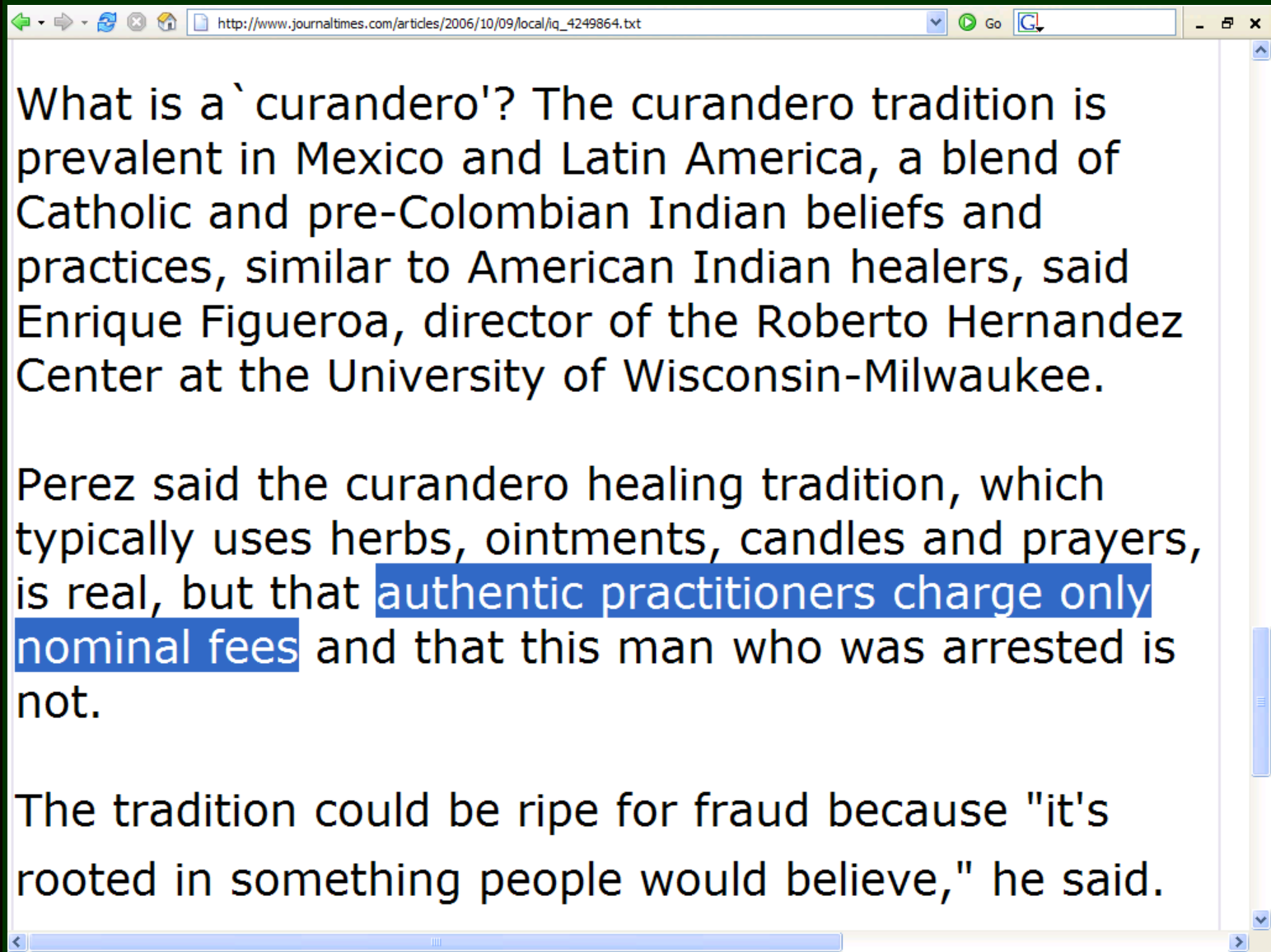
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- lost power
 - ◆ solution: refer patient out

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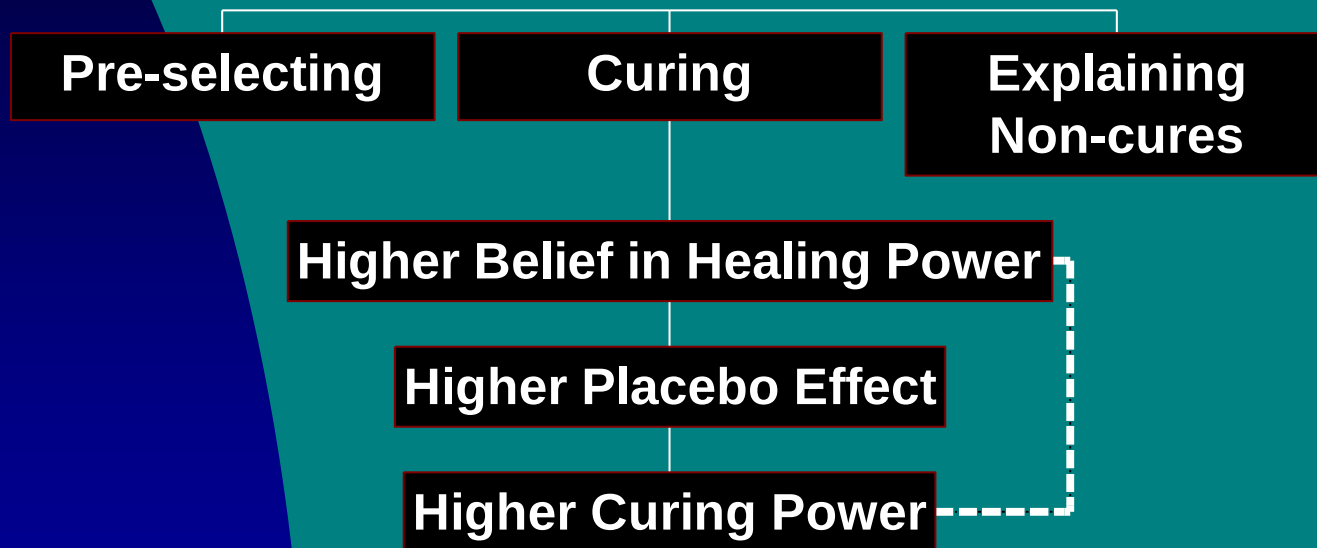
-- no cure

- maybe have started too late
 - ◆ solution: new procedure . . .
 - ◆ or fault may not be correctable

Post 1st Treatment -- no cure

- if it doesn't clear up then:
 - ◆ you know why directly, or
 - ◆ go to the *jessokid* (or MD) . . .
 - ☞ to find out *why*
 - ☞ and / or for further referral or work

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'Cancer personality'? There's no such thing

BY RICK WEISS
WASHINGTON POST

Notwithstanding the claims of some alternative medical books and Web sites, there is no such thing as a "cancer personality," finds a new study of nearly 30,000 Swedes.

A number of psychologists and others have hypothesized that some people are more likely to get cancer because they are angry, neurotic or otherwise unstable. One Web site, for example, has claimed that "lack of self-esteem, the need to people-please,



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