

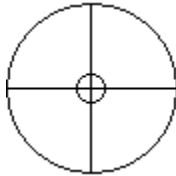
DAAG / AAW week 2010

Various Medicine Wheel / Circle Teaching's  
Ron 'Bigbear' Goddard/DND

i) The Sacred Circle

“Everything is done in a circle. The world is a circle, bird's make their nest's in a circle, our Brother's the 4 Wind's are also represented in a circle via the 4 cardinal points which they represent.”

Chief Seattle 1880's



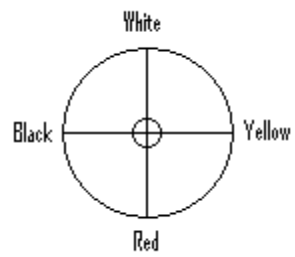
ii) Here are multiple representations of the circle teaching's applied by the 1<sup>st</sup> Nation's people's on our Earth Mother.

The teaching's resides within various circle. One must remember that whatever Circle teaching that is passed on, when one is in the middle of the Circle, not one end is stronger than the other as everything is equal!

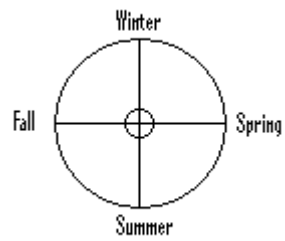
The following representation's are only a few of the examples given to these basic teaching's, when applied, can be enhanced with the proper teaching's & the wisdom learned via the various use's. Further teaching's would most likely be required to fully understand how to apply each one below.

Here are some example's of the representation's which personally have been applied by myself thru life's journey!

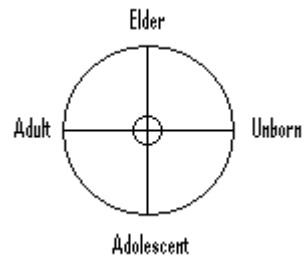
-The Circle representing the Races:



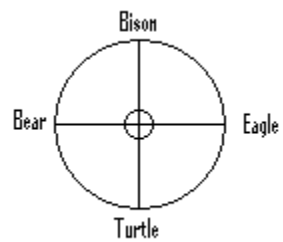
-The Circle representing the 4 Wind's Brother's / Season's:



-The Circle representing Life:



-The Circle representing the Animal Totem's:





to the termination movement that the Indian Nation had been enduring since the 1950's.

Dave was involved in the "Longest Walk", which repeated the journey from San Francisco to D.C. in 1978. This walk resulted in the Native American Freedom of Religion Act of 1978, which was sponsored by Senator Ted Kennedy. Although granted "quasi" citizenship in the U.S.A. in 1924, Indians were not allowed to have the benefits of the "Bill of Rights" with that citizenship. Freedom of religion was not granted until 1978.

In 1984, Dave ran in and led ceremonies for the "Jim Thorpe Longest Run," a relay run from the "Six Nations" (Iroquois), from New York to Los Angeles. The run took 54 days and resulted in the reinstatement of Jim Thorpe's nine gold medals, which were returned to Jim Thorpe's family.

Dave's great grandfather, Red Dog, was a signer of the 1868 treaty with the U.S. government. Dave, who is fluent in Lakota, has inheritance rights to talk about the treaties, the Black Hills, and Lakota traditions and spirituality.

Dr. Arvol Looking Horse, the Keeper of the Sacred White Buffalo Calf Pipe, in Green Grass, South Dakota, encouraged Dave to "Vision Quest." As a result, Dave went to Green Grass to seek a Vision each year for four years. After his Vision Quest, the fourth year, Stanley Looking Horse, Arvol's father, interpreted Dave's vision as permission from the spirit world for Dave to be a Ceremonial Leader of the Lakota, and even to do Yuweepi Ceremony, if he felt to do so.

Dave Chief has Sun Danced for four years, at Green Grass, at Arvol Looking Horse's Sun Dance.

In 1994, at the request of Arvol Looking Horse, Dave led a ceremony for Unity and Balance, at the White House in Washington, D.C.

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