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Sen. Barack Hussein Obama, Nov 21, 2008



**The Bronze Star and Purple Heart medals are hereby awarded to:
Lt. David Matthew Gardner**

for unparalleled bravery and exceptional service in the defense of the United States of America during The Hacienda War and American Indian Movement (AIM) Uprising.

Awarded for action on May 4, 1976

Lt. David Matthew Gardner (aka Coyote), is a member of the exclusive Sandhill Rangers, and an undercover operative for the CIA, Special Forces. Agent Gardner perfected the most feared Native American capability of skin walking. This skill enabled agent Gardner to unobtrusively spy on subversive AIM meetings and activities. Agent Gardner was also capable of planting thoughts and ideas into the subconscious minds of the enemy.

Agent Gardner's first heroic act involved defusing the "Bloomer Riot" in which Joann Yellow Bird (AIM) was caught stealing a pair of ladies panties from a clothing store. Using his unique skin walking capabilities, agent Gardner was able to locate the package of stolen panties hidden beneath her bra. Despite hard evidence, Joann Yellow Bird got away with the crime when her husband and AIM leader Robert Steele (aka Bob Yellow Bird) stormed into the store and pulled her away from the authorities.

Agent Gardner was on location, but off duty, when the Hacienda War broke out in Gordon, Nebraska on May 4, 1976. Bob Yellow Bird, his squaw (Joann Yellow Bird), and several other AIM leaders began verbally accosting two undercover Sandhill Rangers, Ronald Zywiec and Ronald Haag. The battle escalated as a vicious Indian arm wrestling match ensued. The combatants crashed through the windows and swinging doors of the Hacienda Saloon into the parking lot where the battle became even more heated as the Red Rover challenge began. At this point, agent Gardner arrived at the scene. Robert Yellow Bird pulled a gun and pointed at Zywiec and Haag. Agent Gardner placed himself between Yellow Bird and the other agents and said "Yellow Bird, put that fucking gun down." Bob Yellow Bird immediately fired two bullets into agent Gardner's chest. Gardner fell to the ground. Joann Yellow Bird threw a stolen Hacienda ashtray at Gardner's head which broke on the pavement. She then picked up a jagged piece of the ash tray and began scalping the wounded Gardner. Yellow Bird fired the remaining rounds at Zywiec and Haag, then fled the scene. Zywiec was hit three times in the back. Haag was injured when he ran into a barb wire fence while evading bullets.

US Marshals claimed to have seen the entire battle (through the windowless walls, using their X-Ray vision) from their 2nd floor rooms at the Hacienda Brothel. However, the Marshals feared to come to the aid of the wounded Sandhill Rangers.

The wounded agents were assisted by local citizens who tended to their wounds and called for an ambulance. Agents Gardner and Zywiec spent a month in the hospital recovering from their wounds.

Agent **David Matthew Gardner** is hereby field promoted to the rank of Captain, CIA, Special Forces.

Tony Hillerman, Researcher & Author, Indian Mythology

Richard Alva Cavett, The Dick Cavett Show, beer thief

Gerald R. Ford, 38th President of the United States of America