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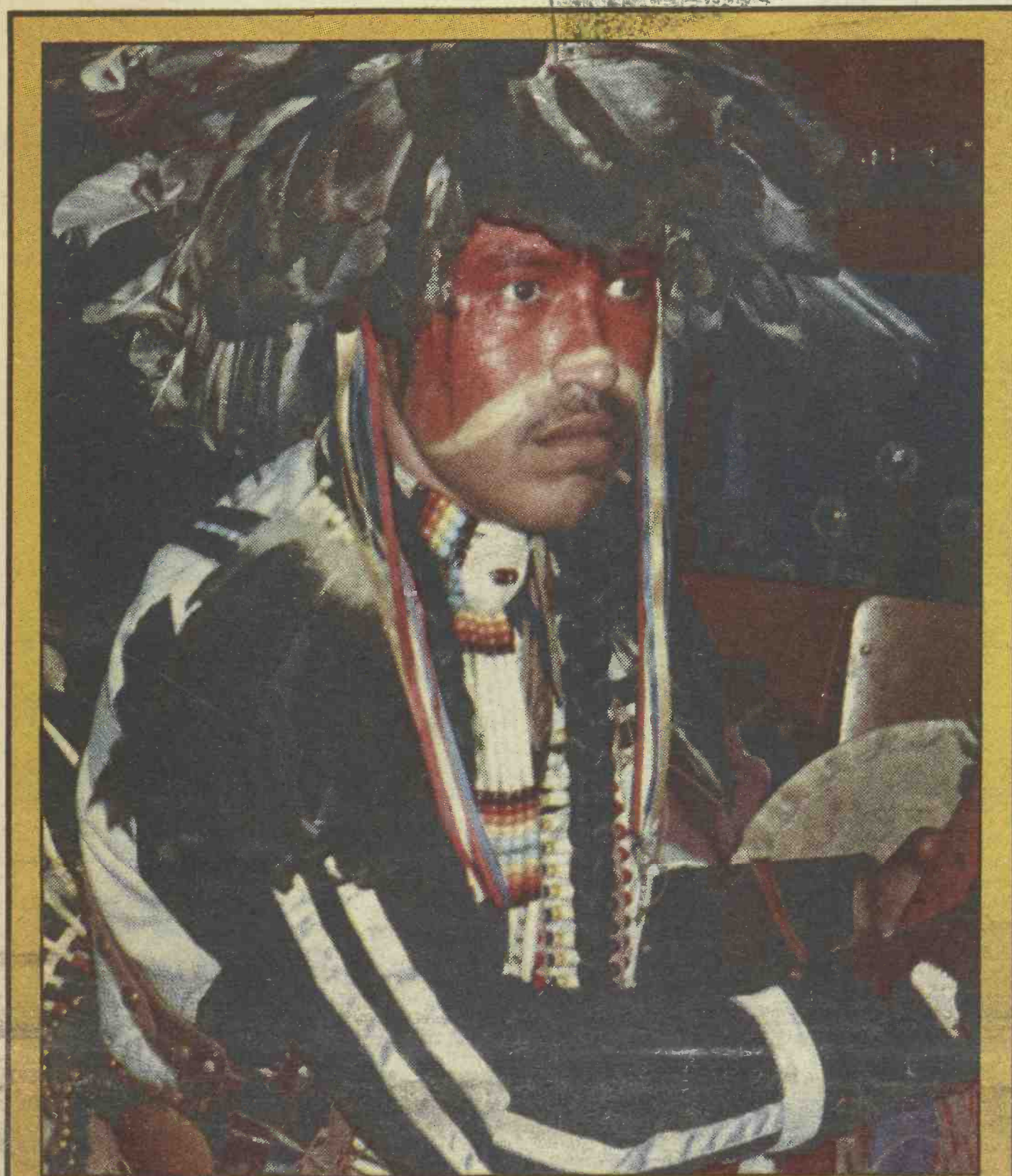
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### Painting the town red

Wayne Moonias, from the Louis Bull band in Hobbema, has been dancing for five years. With his family, he attended the Enoch powwow, held March 17-18 to honor foster children. See story on page 8.

Photo by Elaine O'Farrell

# Funding change could 'kill' IAA

By Jeff Morrow  
Windspeaker Staff Writer

EDMONTON

A change in the way consultation funding is distributed by the regional office of Indian and Northern Affairs could spell the end of the political organization for Treaty Indians in Alberta.

It could mean the end of the Indian Association of Alberta, said Treaty 8 vice-president Bill Sewepagaham.

The recent decision by the Indian Affairs regional director general allowing Alberta bands to choose their own Indian political organization smacks of conspiracy, said Sewepagaham.

The program, being slashed April 1, is part of the IAA's primary funding function, and if the association is closed down bands will suffer without it, he said.

"It's our bread and butter. It's for the protection of treaty rights. . . Other things would be in jeopardy without it. It will kill our organization."

In a telephone interview, Sewepagaham accused the government of massing a campaign to stop bands from working together as one unit to address Aboriginal rights.

"They're using the divide and conquer technique. They want to break up our unity."

The consultation and policy development (CPD) funding enabled the IAA to represent bands in negotia-

tions with the government.

The new plan will give chief and council authority to select other Indian organizations to represent their interests instead of depending solely on the IAA, said the Indian Affairs regional finance director Alberta Oostendorp.

He said his department is simply acting on a basic concern shown by bands throughout the province.

On fact-finding mission last year, Regional Director General Elizabeth Turbayne discovered Native communities questioned funding allocations.

"The majority of them had concerns about how we annually spent the budget for CPD."

He said Turbayne then contacted other Indian organizations for their input expressing better ways of issuing funds.

Oostendorp said his department agreed it should be up to the communities to

decide who gets the money.

"Based on their total membership, it will be an amount of money they can then allocate to whichever organization they wish to have represent them in consultation."

The IAA will be granted \$200,000 in transitional funds, but after that, Oostendorp said, they will only be eligible for funding if a participating band agrees.

Beaver Lake chief Al Lameman, said the CPD funding should have been divided up a long time ago.

"In the '60s, the IAA did their job. They're not effective anymore. They got (sic) to be too political. . . Treaty bands can become stronger if they decide for themselves who gets the funds."

He said his band is one that can rely on itself to fight for what it wants and doesn't need anyone to do its work.

"We've agreed to put the money in our tribal coffers" and depend on the council to negotiate, he said. "I don't think it will divide bands."

Alexander band Chief Allan Paul said he views the government's action as a way of breaking Treaty Indian spirit.

"I have to ask why we fall into these traps set by the federal government. No one will be further ahead if the IAA disbands. It will be harder for us to stay together."

He said there should be even more money allocated to the IAA for CPD operating costs.

## National protest March 22

Assembly of First Nations has declared that all First Nations are facing a crisis in education and will be holding a special chiefs assembly on March 21-22 in Ottawa.

New policies being proposed by the federal government will make it even harder for Native students

to succeed.

Proposed new guidelines and capping of funding for post-secondary education, formula funding for band-operated schools, new space accommodation standards and policy for provision of education facilities are all new policies First Nations are concerned about.

AFN has declared March 22 as the "National Protest Day" and a national demonstration will be held on Parliament Hill. Similar demonstrations, rallies, school closures and assemblies are being planned by First Nations and post-secondary schools across the nation.

# Blood 'executioner' gets life

By Jackie Red Crow  
Windspeaker Correspondent

LETHBRIDGE, ALTA.

One of the two men charged with the March 27, 1988 killing of Blood Indian Bernard Tallman Jr. was given a life sentence with no chance of parole for 15 years Feb. 24 at Court of Queen's bench in Lethbridge.

Darcy Lee Watmough, 21, of Fort Macleod, changed his earlier plea of not guilty to guilty of first degree murder.

Crown prosecutor Jim

Langston told Court of Queen's Bench Justice Clarence Janosik it was Watmough who shot and killed Tallman with a single bullet from a .22 calibre rifle.

Watmough believed Tallman had stolen \$1,400 worth of marijuana, hashish and hash oil from Watmough's truck parked in Lethbridge two days prior to the killing.

Later, he enlisted the help of friends to locate the missing drugs searching for clues in various city bars. Watmough became suspicious of Tallman, who

had been in one of the city bars. Tallman later asked Watmough for a ride to the west side of Lethbridge.

After leaving Tallman's friend in west end, Watmough and a companion started questioning Tallman about missing drugs.

The trio then left for a secluded road southeast of Lethbridge.

Tallman was beaten and a knife was held to his throat.

He was then made to lie face down on the edge of the road while Watmough loaded the gun and shot

Tallman in the back of the head, killing him instantly.

"This was a brutal and callous crime with the appearance of a execution performed in the dim light of the drug trade," said Langston.

Watmough sobbed in the prisoner's docket while the grisly details of the murder were read in court. The Tallman family showed no emotion with Watmough's parents also in court.

The second man charged with the killing of Tallman, Albert David Morin, 24, of Lethbridge, is scheduled to appear in Court of Queen's

Bench March 6 for trial on a charge of first degree murder in Tallman's death.

The Tallman killing sparked a Blood band demand for an investigation into what it called several gangland-style murders which it believes were not properly investigated by the RCMP. The inquiry was agreed to by Premier Don Getty last spring.

Wallace Many Fingers, executive co-ordinator for the Blood tribe, said he was pleased "there" was a measure of justice in this case.

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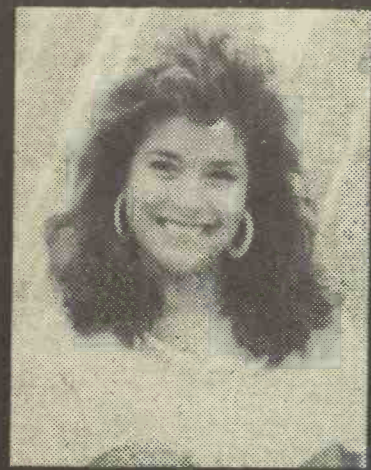
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"I was astonished to learn there is only one Native woman I know who had not been abused." — Alice Hill, director of a women's group in Northwest Territories. See Page 13.

# Lubicon chief gets gift horse

EVERETT LAMBERT, Syndicated Native News

By Everett Lambert  
Syndicated Native News

EDMONTON

A gift horse and a promise to call the prime minister was given to Chief Bernard Ominayak by Premier Don Getty March 9 at the Legislature building.

Majestic Probe, a thoroughbred and former race horse of Getty's, was presented to the chief after Getty held a news conference announcing that he would make a call to the Prime Minister Mulroney.

The presentation was made outside the doors of the legislative building located in the city's downtown area.

When asked about the reason for the gift Getty responded, "this is not an election stunt. The chief and I have had other things we've talked about as well and it's convenient to handle them now."

Getty said that he would

be calling Mulroney to see if the three could meet and make agreements in principle on the 50-year-old land claim. He hopes that such a meeting will put some momentum back into the talks which collapsed in January.

Ominayak had a wait-and-see attitude when asked if he thought the meeting was a productive one.

"I would hope so. I guess time will tell. We've had meetings in the past that have been productive. I still feel that we'll be able to work something out and I think we've got an understanding, which is to try and be fair to our people and hopefully to allow our people to try and have a decent future."

Land claim talks broke down with Ottawa because the two could not agree on the issue of compensation and federal offers which fell short of what Lubicon negotiators were willing to settle for.



A horse and a promise: Ominayak gets surprise

## B.C. mill closure prompts toxin tests at Grande Prairie and Hinton...

By Jeff Morrow  
Windspeaker Staff Writer

GRANDE PRAIRIE, Alta

The same toxic effluents that caused the closure of a pulp mill in British Columbia were found in the Wapiti River south of Grand Prairie last year.

An Environment Canada report conducted in May 1988 revealed levels of toxic furans were found in four samples of white sucker fish taken from the Wapiti River in May 1988.

An official with Alberta Environment said the amounts found were in "ultra trace amounts" and pose no threat to human safety.

John Szumlas, executive assistant to Environment Minister Ian Reid, feels there should be no comparison made between the amounts of the chemical compounds found in shellfish near Prince Rupert, B.C. and the amounts found in the Wapiti because "they had higher concentrations."

Szumlas says passing off information that the dioxins found in the Wapiti River could be harmful to humans, is irresponsible.

"We're dealing with people's health. You can't transmit erroneous information without significantly impacting on people's fears. . . We're just talking about one drop

of dioxins in an Olympic-sized swimming pool."

Bev Huston, spokesman for Health and Welfare Canada, indicates 2,3,7,8 TCDD is considered the most toxic dioxin in the family of 75 related chemical compounds. But the levels found in the Wapiti aren't enough to pose a safety threat to humans.

The 2,3,7,8 TCDD level was found to be below the 20 points per trillion allowance in the Canadian Food and Drug regulations. However, the compound 2,3,7,8 TCDF was found to be in excess of 200 points per trillion in the Wapiti River.

The 2,3,7,8 TCDF compound is considered less toxic by Environment Canada's standards.

Richard Caudron, president of West End Fish Producers Ltd. in Grande Prairie, says the fish that were tested by Environment Canada weren't for commercial use and didn't address the problem with kraft mill effluents.

He says the Wapiti is used exclusively for sport fishing, so the government should be paying attention to the commercially-fished areas to the north of Grande Prairie which are directly affected by kraft pulp mills.

Caudron is worried the fish in Lesser Slave Lake, where other mill effluents

would eventually go, will become too contaminated for commercial use.

Lyle Fullerton, executive director of the Alberta Fish and Wildlife Association, says the Canadian public is becoming more confused by the government's ambiguous reports.

"On one hand we're hearing everything is in great

shape, looking fine. Yet we get another report that comes out telling that there's a significant problem. . . Obviously we have to know who is right so we can know what to expect."

Last month, Environment Canada forced the closure of Skeena Cellulose Inc. in Prince Rupert because its pulp mill effluents were

exceeding standards.

Large amounts of 2,3,7,8 TCDF were found in nearby shellfish.

Vancouver Greenpeace spokesperson Renate Kroesa says the toxic chemicals found in Alberta are as harmful as the ones in B.C. but there was more pressure from environmentalists to close the Prince Rupert plant.

## ...but results inconclusive

By Jeff Morrow  
Windspeaker Staff Writer

OTTAWA

The federal government acted too swiftly when it called for the testing of pulp mills in Alberta after last year's forced closure of a similar operation in British Columbia, according to an Oceans and Fisheries official.

The results were inconclusive so more intense testing will have to be conducted this spring.

Director of oceanography and contaminants, Jean Piuze, says his department analyzed fish samples taken from 15 test sites in Canada last year after toxic chemicals were found in shellfish near a Prince Rupert pulp mill.

Only two effluent discharge sites were tested in Alberta—one in Hinton and the other in Grande Prairie.

He says there was a "sense of urgency."

Now the results have been deemed inconclusive even though Canadian Health and Welfare said there are no unsafe levels of dioxins or furans in the water.

"They did not feel there was a health risk, but they felt the presence of these chemicals warranted further examination."

More tests are to be conducted, weather permitting, he says.

When the federal government initiated the investigation of rivers that may contain toxic waste, including the Wapiti near Grande Prairie, Piuze says he was dependant on the Alberta government for samples.

He says the analysis should have included testing of other fish besides the white suckers that were pulled from the Wapiti River.

"There's plans now to get, not only the suckers, but game fish such as pike and walleye," because these are the fish that are consumed, he says.

Last year's testing was done on the whole fish, and not enough attention was paid to the consumer interests, according to Piuze.

"For the fish in Alberta, everything was tested. That gives us an idea of the content of the whole fish. But it's also useful to test fish for human consumption."

When new tests are conducted this year, Piuze says other sites may be earmarked for investigation including the Daishowa plant in Peace River.

After the federal fisheries department verifies provincial conclusions that the fish are safe, the results are passed on to Canadian Health and Welfare, says Piuze.

## CLOSE TO HOME

# Parents want Native-run day care

By Elaine O'Farrell  
Windspeaker Staff Writer

MONTREAL

Canada's Indian families desperately need more Native-run day care for their children, the national inquiry into First Nations child care heard last week.

Myrtle Bush, a Mohawk from Kahnawake and chairman of the inquiry, said there is a growing sense of frustration among Native parents, many of whom have applied for federal funding for day care and been rejected.

"Native child care and needs are different for First Nations, who struggle with barriers like high unemployment but families are still acutely aware of the need to integrate both educational development and cultural values within the children," Bush said in a telephone interview from Montreal.

All of the Native parents and child care workers who have appeared before the Montreal hearings expressed the urgent need for Native-run child care with a strong cultural component, Bush said.

And many have asked that day care be extended to unemployed parents, who want their children to learn about their Native heritage.

One Micmac community wants to start a child care program, based on the Headstart program in the States, which provides physical and intellectual stimulation for preschoolers, aged three to five, and is not restricted to working parents.

Bush said there is a strong need for family counselling and parenting workshops for Native parents, many of whom were reared in authoritarian residential schools.

"What is coming out (in the hearings) is the problems

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within the communities; the alcoholism, the unemployment, the child abuse.

"They are pinpointing a generation that was taken away from the (Native) community at a very early age. Today, these adults are caught between two cultures," she explained.

Bush said Indian families are primarily concerned with how their children are cared for in their absence.

"Are these children being brought up with traditional values?" she questioned. "We have to be careful with child care to ensure that our babies know their culture and language. We might inadvertently acculturate our babies if we put them in the care of culturally-insensitive people."

Among the country's Native population, a mini-baby boom has occurred over the past three to five years.

As a result, there is a large percentage of single mothers and a growing number of Native children, who make up 40 per cent of the Native population.

The hearings, which began March 7 in Montreal, paint a bleak picture of Native child care in Canada.

Although there are 42 Native child care programs in Ontario, there is only one program for all of Quebec and none exist in Saskatchewan.

The inquiry comes on the heels of Bill C-144, the Canada Child Care Act. The Assembly of First Nations has objected to the Child Care Act because officials say it limits Natives'

control over their children.

AFN National Chief George Erasmus regards the bill as being fundamentally opposed to the rights of Canada's First Nations.

"Number one: the lack of proper recognition (in Bill C-144) of who has jurisdiction over child care in our communities. And number two: the programs here (in Canada) are not up to snuff with programs in the United States," said Erasmus.

"There seems to be little action from federal politicians to meet us on this one."

The bill calls for First Nations to comply with provincial guidelines before they can gain access to provincial and federal funds.

The federal cost-sharing bill died on the Order Paper in Parliament last fall after the federal election was called, leaving it in legislative limbo.

However, the Treasury Board has approved \$60 million in federal support for Native communities.

The Health and Welfare Child Care Initiative Fund, to be available April 1, will be spent over a six-year period.

The inquiry, which will hear presentations from Native parents and child care workers, hopes to address such issues as traditional versus contemporary child-rearing practices, special needs of children in trapping families and jurisdictional issues.

It will make its final report available to National Health and Welfare and all chiefs in Canada.

First Nations officials are optimistic that recommendations surfacing from the inquiry will influence the federal government to accommodate the special needs of Native children.

Public hearings will be held March 14-16 in Winnipeg, Man. and March 20-22 in Vancouver, B.C.

## EXPRESSIONS

ELAINE O'FARRELL, Windspeaker

### Powwow mom adopts nearly 150 children

Lily Roan, 46, of Pigeon Lake, is the proud mother of 152 children, most adopted from all over Canada and the United States.

"We are powwow people," says her husband Joe, himself a four-time world champion dancer. "All of our children wear traditional dress and buckskins."

The couple plan to take a family photo at their next family reunion in June and send to the Guinness Book of World Records.



## NEWS BRIEFS

### Cree declares accord dead

The grand chief of Quebec's Cree charges that the federal government intends to break the James Bay agreement because of plans to build two new hydroelectric projects.

Chief Matthew Coon-come was responding to an announcement by Ottawa to unilaterally impose a settlement on the Cree after talks on implementation of the agreement broke down.

"The government has decided that the James Bay and Northern Quebec Agreement is to be broken as of March 31, 1989," he declared at a special assembly of Quebec's Cree.

The November 1975 agreement compensated the Cree for the first phase of the James Bay hydroelectric project which flooded traditional Cree territory covering 11,000 square kilometres.

### New board for trappers

Internal strife on the board of directors for the Aboriginal Trappers Federation of Canada has forced the organization to recently appoint an interim board and new responsibilities for their executive and membership.

According to a press release issued by the national organization, the chairman of the board, Saskatchewan's Sterling Brass, allegedly disrupted operations so a new board had to be appointed.

But with the new board in place, executive-director Bob Stevenson says, "It is very hard to try to run an organization with any confidence when you have especially a dissident or non-cooperative chairman."

"I am glad the board has now dealt with the matter so that we have no more appearances of infighting, can carry on with our fight against animal rights groups and not with each other."



Stevenson



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**YOUR WORDS**

# Sports conduct shames Kikino man

Dear Editor:

I have never been so ashamed of my own people in my life as I was this last weekend. I attended the Winter Carnival at Goodfish Lake reserve.

I have attended various activities there and there has been a lot of things happening. The recreation activities were really good, so were other visiting teams.

But, it seems like people from my community, Kikino Settlement, have to be the most ignorant hockey spectators and display the worst sportsmanship. What they are doing is teaching our children the worst things about sports and we as older people have to show the younger generation good sportsmanship.

Why are the people showing violence to the children when

they will be moving up to show their children? Is this what your parents taught you?

I have heard parents screaming with anger to the opposite teams, cursing, condemning their looks, ready to fight, and even encourage their hockey or baseball team players to fight.

Is this sportsmanship or is it stampede wrestling?

I am quite sure that other

travelling teams have the same response I have regarding this community but who gets the bad reputation? It is probably reflected in the community of Goodfish Lake. Is this fair?

Come on you people from Kikino, show some respect and good sportsmanship, you can't always be so hateful.

A Fellow Community Member

**AS I SEE IT...**

## Letter to Cadieux appeals policy changes

# Student appalled by E-12

Dear Pierre Cadieux, Minister of Indian Affairs:

This letter is a request for clarification of your department's intentions. The University of Lethbridge Students' Union has been given to understand that the department intends to proceed with implementation of the new post-secondary students assistance programs, replacing the E-12 policy. Is it true?

In regards to a circular dated last May, and signed by the then minister of Indian Affairs Bill McKnight, I must say as both a student leader and a private citizen, I am appalled at your department's handling of this policy implementation. Specifically, I refer to what your department has euphemistically called a "consultation process."

As student president of the university housing the largest Native American Studies department in Canada, I am surprised that the Students' Union was never apprised of changes affecting significant numbers of our student members.

This, of course, is secondary to the treatment of Indian students in this self-same 'consultation.' When I telephoned the Regional Office of Indian Affairs in Edmonton last September, requesting to know who had been consulted in the process of drafting the new policy, I was referred to the information officer. He couldn't answer the question, and referred me to a telephone number in Ottawa.

In Ottawa, I was referred to a woman who said the consultation was then going on. This, despite the fact that the policy had already been draft-

ed by the department.

Now, as I understand it, the new policy is to be implemented unchanged, despite your own department's overtures of consultation. Why on earth did the department bother with the farce of meeting with Indian groups and students, when it apparently had no intention of changing anything?

More specifically, I would like to know: Who drafted this policy? What individual(s) or committee(s)? Did any Indian groups, the Canadian Federation of Students, or human rights organizations have access to the drafting process prior to the policy being unveiled? What were the qualifications of the people who drafted this policy? Did anyone involved have a level of education commensurate with levels of education which this new policy restricts access to? Why do you employ regional information officers who seem to know so little?

I look forward to a response. If my rhetoric seems harsh, excuse me, but I have been encouraging the department to send me documentation as it comes out, and nothing has happened.

It does affect a large number of my constituents so I know you must understand how I feel. Can I recommend that in the future, your offices apprise student unions and the Canadian Federation of Students on education-related issues? They do tend to care about what happens to their bers.

Jon Oxley, Student Union president, University of Lethbridge

Handwritten text in Cree syllabics, likely a letter or official communication. The text is arranged in several lines, with some lines starting with a large initial letter. The handwriting is clear and legible.

YOUR WORDS

# The season of reawakening

Tansi, ahnee and hello. Sometimes these days you think you're ready to settle down. This might be the season for it. This season of reawakening when everything around you is in the motion of coming alive again. You face the cast. The world becomes itself again, shaking off the sleeping robes of winter.



## TOUCHING THE CIRCLE By Richard Wagamese

The land has fingers. They reach down deep inside of you and nudge that certain something which has always connected you with it. Home. You begin to realize that these days you're becoming more and more aware that when you think of setting down you no longer tend to think of it as a place.

When you think of settling down you tend to think of it as becoming comfortable again with the land. Closing your eyes you can see that feeling of being comfortable reflected in the memories of your grandfather. Tending nets and rolling bannock. From all of the stories of the old days you get a picture of a man moving through his life with the land. Going face to face with survival and performing all the necessary chores and duties with something you've come to recognize as love.

And that's what connects you with it. Love. And that more than anything is what our white brothers misunderstand. Politics. They tend to relate our connection with the land to politics. They tend to believe that for the most part, we are a politically motivated group of people. Perhaps it's the truth that the media creates misconceptions which gets them thinking this way. The media focuses very closely on the land claim battles currently underway all across North America. They outline very carefully Native people's claims to the land. They present a very political view. And thus we are political.

But we are more. We are a people whose ethics, values, principles and spiritual identities are tied directly to the land. Politics has simply become a necessary vehicle towards continuing those traditions.

There is an old story which outlines where our beliefs are really at. It seems an old man was being pressured by land developers to sell off the property which he and his family had lived on for generations. They were offering large sums of money. The old man put them off and put them off until in desperation they paid him a visit. "Why," they asked him, "do you refuse to take our generous offer? This land is unfarmable. You are old and could be very comfortable in a modern home with all we're offering. Why do you not take our money?"

The old one sat and quietly smoked his pipe awhile. Finally he looked up at this visitors and said, "Come with me. I have something to show you.

"You see that corral over there? Well, me and a very good friend put up that corral one hot summer a long, long time ago. My friend has been gone a few years now but every time I walk around this yard and see that corral, my friend is with me again.

"And if you look up in that tree there you'll see the nails from where I built a big treehouse for my kids to play around in. My wife and I would look out our window and watch the kids playing and we'd be happy that our family was happy and together. My kids all live in the city now and I don't see them lots but every time I walk around this yard and see that tree my kids are with me again.

"And over here by the fence you can see that old rose bush. Well, every year that old bush blooms with two of the most beautiful red roses you've ever seen. We planted that rose bush the day after my mother and sister were killed in a car crash. Every time I walk around this yard when that rose bush is blooming my mother and my sister are with me again.

"And inside this old house are rooms filled right up with the things that my wife and I put together over many many years. All of those things have their story. My wife is gone now but every time I walk around that house and see all of those things my wife is walking beside me again.

"So knowing all that, how could you possibly offer enough money to take away all of this from me?"

All that we are as a people is tied to the land. Everything that we have ever been and everything we ever hope to be, is with the land. Our bodies and our eyes are the deep brown of the land. Within our collective heartbeats is echoed the heartbeat of the land itself. When the land cries and suffers, the people cry and suffer. The land, our mother, our home.

The legal battles are not for ownership because no one can own the land. The battles are not for guardianship because the land is more than capable of healing and nurturing itself. The battle is rather for the right to remain connected to that which keeps us vital and alive as a people. That which reflects us as much as we reflect it.

Sometimes these days you think you're ready to settle down. And you're beginning to see that all the maps in the world will never help you find that place. It's a geography of the spirit. It's already inside of you and it always was. Until next week, may you walk tall upon the land, Meegwetch.

## Tumbleweeds

By Tom K. Ryan



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JEFF MORROW, Windspeaker



# Elders meet, urge unity

Jeff Morrow  
Windspeaker Staff Writer

GOODFISH LAKE, Alta.

A first sign of Native solidarity surfaced last week when elders from bands across Alberta gathered to address treaty rights in the Whitefish Lake school auditorium.

It's a sign the Canadian government cannot ignore, said band Whitefish Lake Chief Ernest Houle.

Unity among Treaty Indians has been too weak for too long, he said, and the maze of political procedures has hampered Native progress.

According to Houle, the two-day session, which attracted over 120 provincial elders, could be the beginning of a new era in the fight for equality.

Elders declared their willingness to strengthen ties with other bands.

They also called for the

creation of a Native task force to relay their concerns to the federal government.

Houle blames this inevitable move on the government confusing bureaucratic systems.

The biggest concern of the conference was fishing and treaty rights.

"We have to deal with the federal fisheries, Indian Affairs and the provincial government — three different departments — and they're all conflicting."

The issues are the same with all bands and the solutions aren't quit so simple, he says.

"I'm not surprised by the response here. The elders' views are the same. But what we need now is one strong voice in negotiations."

He says the results of the meeting will be presented at the all-chiefs meeting March 18 in Enoch. Official statements will then be turned over to the Assembly

of First Nations.

Houle attributes the successful turnout to a strong, overdue sense of social change among Alberta Native bands.

"I can see the younger people are going to the elders and expressing their concerns. They realize the elders are good facilitators. . . There are so many things that affect them."

He says Native rights issues are beginning to culminate into something the federal government can no longer ignore or evade.

"Willie Littlechild (the first Treaty Indian elected to Parliament) set a path for Native people across Canada. Our strength is beginning to grow."

Erminskin elder, Littlechild's mother Justine, was on hand for the conference to give her support and input.

"We, as an Indian people, are behind and something needs to be done now."

A meeting of minds: Alberta elders gather at Goodfish Lake

## The Community Initiatives in Conquering Alcohol and Drug Abuse Committee

would like to thank all Volunteers, Agency Personnel, Workshop Participants, Community representatives for their commitment and support during Phase II of the Community Initiatives Project. We are looking forward to working with you again on Phase III of our Project in the future.

### ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

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These workshops have been made possible by funding through: Community Action Programs of Health and Welfare Canada

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ACROSS OUR LAND

# NEDP \$345-million boost program ends March 31

By Everett Lambert  
Syndicated Native News

NATIONAL

The five-year \$345-million Native Economic Development Program (NEDP) will end March 31, 1989. However, amid calls from both the Native community and within the board for continuing the program, chances look good for a replacement.

Don Hannah, regional director for the western region (B.C., Alberta and the Yukon) said, "we anticipate the introduction of a new program. No decision has been made by cabinet."

He believes the sheer number and nature of the applications indicates that the Native economic community wants another program. He added he's "confident some decision will be rendered in the next 20 days" which would fall during the last week of March.

If a go-ahead for a new program is announced, Hannah agrees that such an announcement would be considered late-coming but attributes this to the recent cabi-

net shuffle. He's satisfied with the new minister, Harvey Andre, and is pleased he's a senior minister, Andre, replaces Bernard Valcourt as the minister responsible for the NEDP portfolio.

To date, the program has committed \$262 million on 639 projects. B.C. has been allotted \$57 million and Alberta \$48 million. Ontario received \$35 million, and Saskatchewan \$32 million. Manitoba, where the head office was located, received \$16 million. Under the program, if a proposal is accepted, the applicant is either loaned or granted funds or a combination of both.

Pearl Calahasen is the Alberta representative on the Native Economic Development Board. The board, after receiving recommendations from program staff in regards to proposals, makes recommendations to the minister, who makes the final decision.

Calahasen, whose term will also expire with the program, would like to see a replacement for the NEDP.

She also hopes that if a new program is implemented, it will be an improved one with more accessibility. Calahasen also feels Native people should be made more aware of these programs.

## Funds still needed — Metis

By Susan Enge  
Windspeaker Staff Writer

EDMONTON

Various Alberta Metis leaders want the Native Economic Development Program (NEDP) renewed by the federal government by the end of this month.

Some leaders feel the program, scheduled to expire March 31, is critical to the economic rejuvenation of their communities.

A special funding source, such as the NEDP, should be continued because it helps Metis living in small, isolated communities start up a small business they otherwise would not be able to do, said Zone 2 vice-president August Collins from Bonnyville.

He said banks turn down the majority of loan applications submitted by settlement Metis because they

lack collateral. Their houses are built on land they do not privately own. Instead, the land is collectively owned by the Metis Settlement corporations.

**"We used to call it Phantom 345... We heard so much about it. Well, it's there — but it's a phantom."**

Under the provisions of the NEDP, the Metis and Treaty or Non-Status Indians are not subject to the same kind of roadblock, said Collins.

Should the federal government discontinue the program, the chances of a Metis starting up a small construction company or grocery store are slim. So revisions are needed, said Collins.

The Metis vice-president of Zone 4 wants a better

system for distributing program dollars equipped with more money for the "little guy."

"We used to call it the phantom 345 a few years ago when it (NEDP) first came out. We heard so much about it. Well, it's there - but it's a phantom," said Joe Blyan.

He said few Metis were able to obtain money from the program although they knew \$345 million was to be distributed over five years.

Blyan wants the program renewed. He feels the "restrictions" and "errors" made in its design should be rectified. He suggested the federal government conduct "in-depth consultation" sessions with various Native organizations in the provinces.

The chairman of the Settlement Investment Corporation (SIC), an economic business development arm

affiliated to the Federation of Metis Settlements, wants to see NEDP renewed also with some changes.

"Personally, I would suggest...a little bit more flexibility in ways of amending the agreements or in adjusting policies which are better suited to our people," said Harold Cardinal.

Cardinal said "more attention" needs to be paid to the "operation" of individual companies. As it stands, "revenue restrictions" are "inhibiting growth" of some potentially sound businesses. He said the Metis need help in "developing their business ideas" so that when the NEDP board meet, their proposals will be sound in presentation and concept.

SIC received \$4.2 million grant to be distributed over a three-year period. Their final instalment is expected this year.

## Indian Association advisor: Education first, job creation next

Jeff Morrow  
Windspeaker Staff Writer

EDMONTON

The Native Economic Development Program (NEDP) would be more practical if Aboriginal people could become better educated, says Walter Janvier, political advisor for the Indian Association of Alberta.

He says the federally-sponsored program won't do any good if there's a slim chance of success for Native entrepreneurs.

"You've got to have a solid background to make it work. Without proper education, the chance of failure is higher. There's already a low success in business."

Janvier says people can become a success without a

formal education but it would be more beneficial to the development of Native communities if more Indians went to a post-secondary school.

"In the long run for both the community and nation; if they could go to a university, Native students could return to the reserve and assist in development."

Janvier says there is a growing number of people wanting to return to school but the government is failing to recognize the trend. He feels more of the primary focus should be on education rather than job creation.

"Indian people want to pursue careers. Nobody wants to be on welfare but they need to be given the tools to work with. They need an education."



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DIANNE WORLEY, Windspeaker

# Powwow honors foster children

By Bea Lawrence  
Windspeaker Staff Writer

ENOCH, Alta.

Honoring Our Foster Children was the theme behind the powwow at the Enoch recreation centre Mar. 10-11. Both the Alexis and Enoch bands' child welfare committees hosted the successful event.

In the wake of an unexpected blowing snowstorm, curious visitors descended on the centre to witness professional Native dance and drum group talents.

According to event coordinator Carolyn Alexis, Friday's audience numbered almost 500 while Saturday saw a larger crowd of nearly 700.

It was a tremendous success. It gave the non-Native foster parents an opportunity to experience some cross-cultural awareness.

"We had over 150 Native dancers registered. This powwow (dedicated to all foster children), is the first of its kind," said the coordinator.

"Both committees talked it over and they would like to make this an annual event," continued Alexis.

"Also," she added, "we wouldn't have had much success if we didn't have the support from the chiefs and councils. They gave us the go-ahead for hosting this event."

The host drum group was Red Bull from Onion Lake,



Sharing through culture: Fancy dancers

Saskatchewan and the Alexis band Hawk River drum group performed the traditional honor song for the delighted audience.

Other drum groups present were the Northern Cree from the Blood reserve and Littleboy from Alexis.

The host Edmonton area reserve saw many drummers and dancers dressed in bright, colorful regalia come out to represent other communities including: Paul

band, Hobbema, O'Chiese and Poundmakers, St. Albert.

All drummers and dancers were paid an honorarium for their performances. Alexis is also the

health coordinator for the Yellowhead Tribal Council in Spruce Grove.

This year's Maple Creek, Saskatchewan Native Princess Georgette Johnson, 12, was one celebrity in the crowd of traditional dance



Loud and clear: Mesmersized by the drums at Enoch

troupes present. The young girl is a Samson band member and is from Hobbema.

Also, dressed for this special occasion was the Alexis band school counsellor Donna Potts, who brought along her Rainbow dance troupe and a "borrowed" video camera. Potts informed Windspeaker if anyone should be interested

in viewing the video production they could contact her at the school.

Aside from one drum group member who made a quick exit due to feeling sick during his performance, everyone else present seemed to be having a good time.

Masters of ceremonies throughout the two-day event

were: Eric Cardinal (Saddle Lake), Roy Coyote (Hobbema) and Francis Alexis (Alexis band counsellor).

A traditional supper consisting of smoked fish, moose stew, bannock, blueberries, strawberries, apples and oranges was served at 6 p.m. on Saturday prior to the closing ceremonies later that evening.



**Happy Easter!**

From the Chief, Council & Band Members

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# Sioux Olympian to visit Onoway

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At the mention of spring, sunny skies and Easter, we Canadians have to naturally suffer winter temperatures once again. Why? ('Only in Canada,' you say?)

Saturday's snowstorm was unwelcomed, to say the least. Did you see all that snow? Mid-March too. Pardon me, but, I'm sick of winter!

Let's forget winter. Let's have Easter. Let's have spring!

Let's have your stories!

**Onoway:** Athlete Billy Mills is scheduled to host an all-day workshop at this tiny hamlet's local school Mar. 20 ('First day of spring,' says my desk calendar).

The 50-year-old Oglala Sioux runner from Pine Ridge, South Dakota will address his audience with his "winning spirit," topic or an alternative called, "the high of self-competition."

"Weather permitting," said Pat Lanvin vice-principal and chairman of the local Native education project, "the students are invited to participate in a Fun Run with Mills."

According to Lanvin, a sweetgrass ceremony and honor song is slated to commence the 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.



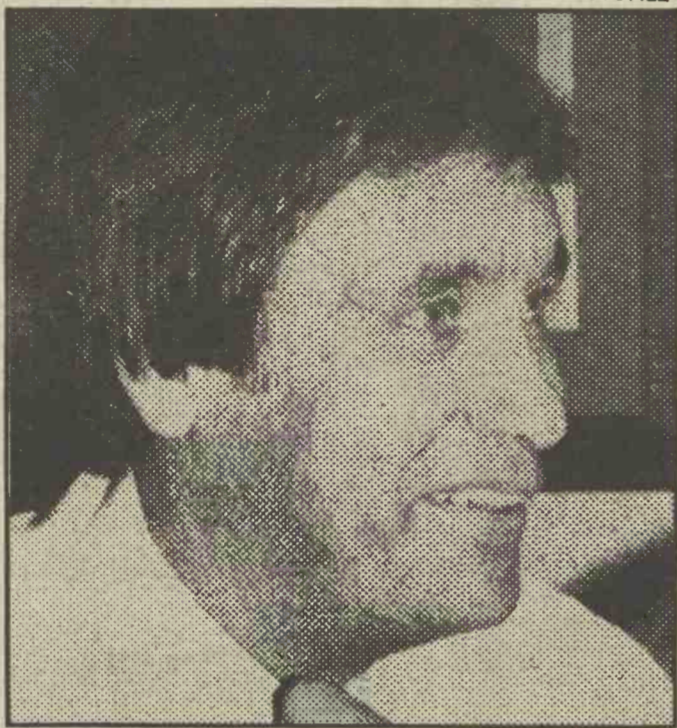
## DROPPIN' IN By Bea Lawrence

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Gold medalist Billy Mills

Did you know? Prime Minister Brian Mulroney will soon be joining the Queen, Elvis Presley and Sleeping Beauty in effigy at London, England's Madame Tussaud's wax museum.

Press secretary Gilbert Lavoie confirmed the Prime Minister met secretly with museum personnel so they could get his physical measurements.

Lavoie said he didn't know when the wax figure of the prime minister would be put on display.

**High Level:** Special

Constable Cecile (nee: Blackman) Hinds has been working here with the local RCMP now for about a year.

event along with the presentation of a ribbon shirt to the special guest speaker.

**Edmonton:** The "lucky" Native brave who owns a convertible car will do the honors of escorting Miss Metis, Twila Turcotte through the '89 Klondike days parade

Special constables (Native) are assigned to work within the RCMP detachment to assist with enforcing the law in Native communities.

"Eighty per cent of my work deals with public relations and 20 per cent with law enforcement," said Hinds.

Special Constables are trained at the Regina Depot Division though not nearly as extensively as the regular members of the police force.

In the short period of four months and three weeks, Hinds completed her physical and self-defense training for her position with the force.

WINDSPEAKER PHOTOFILE



Miss Metis Twila Turcotte

Hinds admits she misses Edmonton, "I miss the city very, very much." No doubt then, Hinds is delighted with every opportunity that bring her into the city.

Hinds, in her early thirties, is formerly from the Cold Lake First Nations band. Congrats Cecile!

**Provincial Elections:** Vote today! Advance polling stations are open! The final date set to cast your vote is Mar. 20.

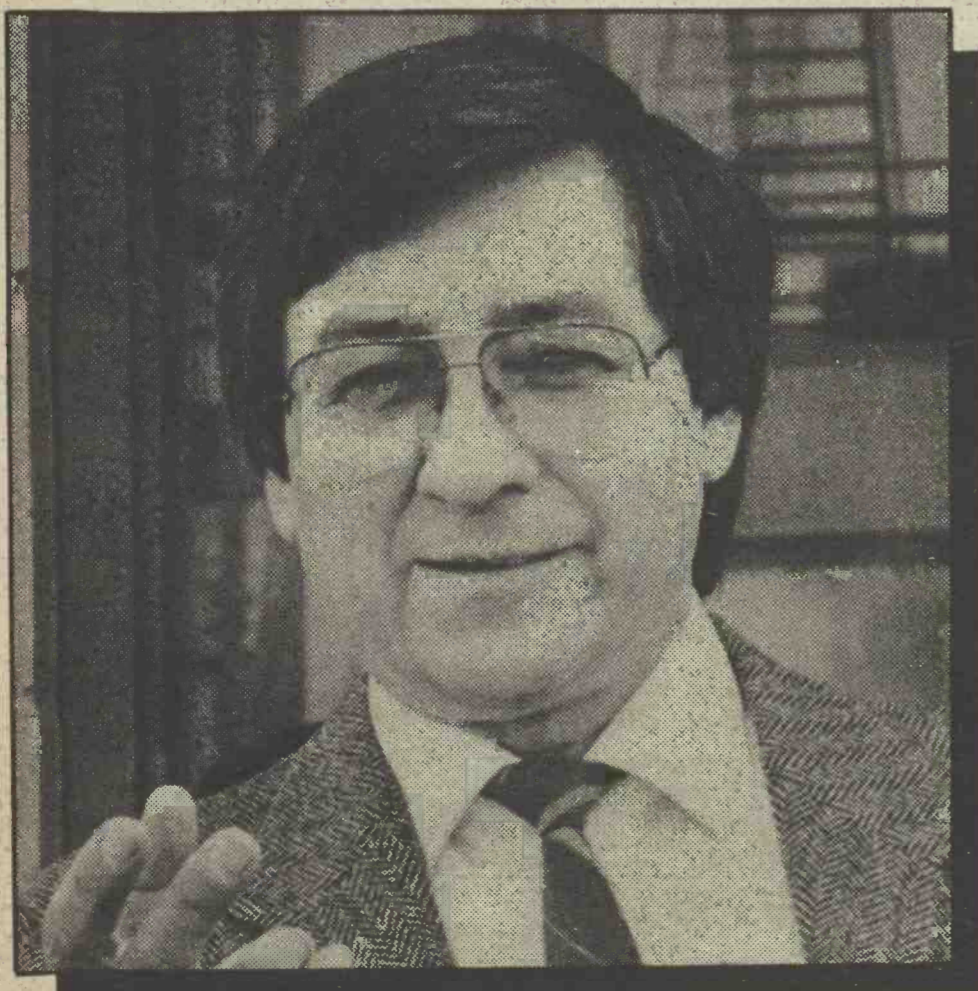
That's all for the week folks! Do have a happy week. And, don't forget to send in your stories. You make this

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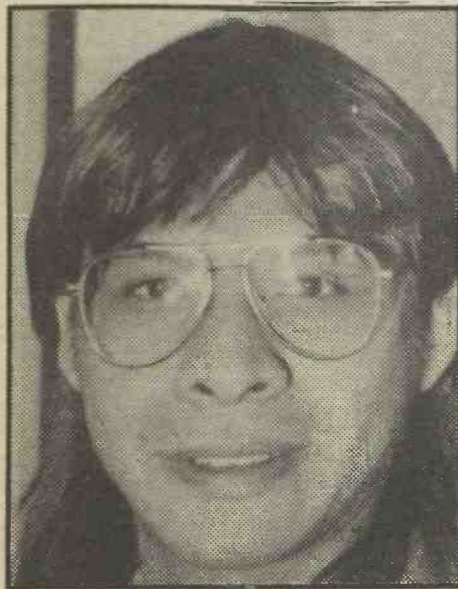
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BEA LAWRENCE, Windspeaker



# Operation Beaver offers volunteers

By Bea Lawrence  
Windspeaker Staff Writer

EDMONTON

Operation Beaver is an international program under the direction of Frontiers Foundation, a federally

chartered non-profit organization, which supports the advancement of disadvantaged communities across Canada and the Third World.

Sponsored by the Canadian Council of Churches, Operation Beaver began in

1964 as an ecumenical work program to provide assistance for the socially and economically deprived communities.

Four years later, Frontiers Foundation was incorporated to assume responsibilities for the administra-

tion and delivery of Operation Beaver. Since 1968, the foundation has expanded the scope of its operations and services.

Operation Beaver's purpose is to support the needs and goals of the person, home, health, education, industry, transportation, communication and agriculture.

The program's western Canada coordinator, Wesley YoungChief, encourages Natives to become actively involved as volunteers to work on community-based development projects.

YoungChief worked for three months at Snowdrift in the Northwest Territories and another three and a half months at McDermit, Ontario under the voluntary service program.

"Volunteers go into the communities that require the program's services," said YoungChief. "And, it gives them (volunteers) a good feeling for spending time with the people and the community."

The program offers services such as building or renovating homes, community centres and schools. Volunteers also help to develop the community's infrastructures.

Over 2,000 volunteers

have dedicated their services as 'community builders' in many areas on various projects (over 300) since the program's inception.

Volunteers (18 years and over) with a strong desire to help others are invited to apply. Canadian project volunteers must be prepared to commit themselves for a minimum period of two months.

Those wishing to volunteer their services overseas must have previous experience with the program or be willing to spend a minimum of one month on a Canadian project.

Volunteer remuneration is provided with food, accommodation and travel. Extended volunteers will be entitled to an additional living allowance.

Resident communities and groups wishing to apply for Beaver participation with their projects should write to YoungChief at: 6745-124 Ave., Suite 4, Edmonton, Alta. T5B 4N5 or call 477-1340.

Non-residents may apply to the program coordinator, Marco Guzman at the national office: Operation Beaver Division 2615 Danforth Ave., Suite 203, Toronto, Ont. M4C 1L6 or call: (416) 690-3930.

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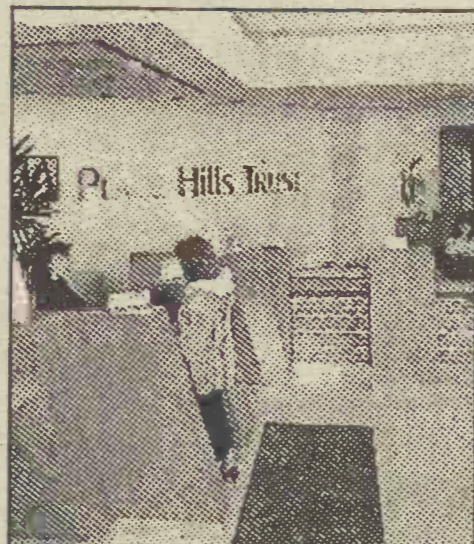


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GRASSROOTS

# Isadore earns city college award

By Bea Lawrence  
Windspeaker Staff Writer

EDMONTON

College student Kathleen (April) Isadore from Driftpile was among the hundreds of students gathered in the John Harr Theatre at Grant MacEwan Community College to be honored during the annual scholarship awards ceremony March 3.

The 22-year-old student was honored with the Laurette Watson Memorial Scholarship certificate for her studies in the Early Childhood Development program at GMCC's Millwoods campus.

"I could finish the program over the summer holidays but I would prefer to apply these (learned) skills in the workplace instead," said Isadore, who intends to seek summer employment in her career field for practical experience.

"My main goal is to establish a day care on the reserve for the children," continued Isadore. "I wish to be involved in serving the community. I want to be a part of it."

Isadore enrolled in the two-year program in 1986 after completing her high school education at E.W. Pratt in High Prairie.

"I did some preparatory school work for college throughout that summer," she explained.

The young Native lady admits how "scary" it was for her in the beginning of her new college life.

"It was a real struggle keeping up with the work, the new lifestyle, and trying to adapt to city streets and avenues."

Isadore visits her northern community to get away from the city "to relax on the reserve and not have to worry about your kids getting kidnapped."

She is mother to a four-year-old son and a two-year-old daughter. "The college program is beneficial to me as a parent. I'm glad to take the course. It gives me a wider range of places to work and I wouldn't be restricted to day care employment. Other employment opportunities

exist in the schools, hospitals and probably any other situation where young children are involved."

The young mother is concerned about others referring to the two-year program as a "babysitting" course.

"We cover a lot of areas besides the basic requirements for rearing a child.

look at their social, emotional and physical needs. And, really, a lot of it is tuning into a child's world."

Isadore, the product of a foster family says, "I keep in contact with both by natural and adoptive parents."

"My natural parents live in High Prairie and my foster family are in Driftpile. I

was born in my grandma's house on the reserve."

Isadore's invited guests present at the awards ceremony included the Driftpile band education councillor Philip Bellerose, band member Marjorie Laboucan and John BigCharles (Isadore's common-law husband).

BEA LAWRENCE, Windspeaker



Honored: Isadore

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**In Rose Bay, Nova Scotia.** We have another link in Canada Post Corporation's growing network of postal outlets. This time in a community where for two years, retail service was not provided through a corporate outlet. Retail postal service is now provided in partnership with a local business.

*"I feel that the postal outlet here is a great step in the right direction to service the people in the area."*

– Sam Emmons, President, Rose Bay area Board of Trade

**In Ste-Félicité-de-l'Islet, Québec.** A retail postal outlet is now offering postal services and products in a community where no post office existed before.

*"In addition to the services provided by a retail postal outlet established in a local business, we now have the benefit of our own postal code."*

– Jean-Paul Pellerin, Mayor, Municipality of Ste-Félicité-de-l'Islet

**In Lewvan, Saskatchewan.** A retail postal outlet is now open to serve customers. The outlet provides customers with access to postal products and services. These services have not been available locally for four years.

*"The retail postal outlet in the Co-op convenience store is a good arrangement – they support each other and it provides all the necessary postal services."*

– Larry Davis, Councillor, Rural Municipality of Wellington, Saskatchewan

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GRASSROOTS

# Gov't gets tough on poachers

Jeff Morrow  
Windspeaker Staff Writer

EDMONTON

A new anti-poaching

campaign was recently announced by the Alberta government.

The campaign is one of five initiatives undertaken by the Department of Forestry, Lands and Wildlife to address problems facing wildlife management in Alberta.

Poaching has become the most serious issue facing wildlife management, says the department's director of program support Tom Smith.

"We recognize the need to control poaching...we recognize it as the number one problem."

He says his department will be placing additional staff in wildlife areas over the next three years to combat the problem.

It will also establish regulations prohibiting hunting along select roadways to reduce human disturbances in sensitive wildlife areas.

There will also be a reward program set up for people who can spot and identify poachers in their areas. A toll-free poacher hot-line will be made avail-

able by calling 1-800-642-3800 (POACHER).

Smith says the poaching problem is not confined to one area and is on the rise all over the province.

In the 1987-1988 fiscal year, 7,207 complaints were issued resulting in 3,837 convictions. The most common offence was hunting during closed season and night hunting.

A second initiative focuses on land management. It is directed at land owners and land managers to help them achieve conservation objectives.

They will be helped in maintaining and expanding habitat for wildlife or starting up a North American Waterfowl Plan.

A third strategy, the

wildlife awareness program, will include information and information kits for schools and the general public.

A fisheries management plan will be introduced in the fourth initiative and will include construction of a new walleye rearing pond at the Cold Lake Fish Hatchery to augment its walleye fingerling capability.

The fifth plan is the wildlife conservation strategy which focuses on management of non-game species to help preserve endangered animals.

The budget for these expenditures is expected to be announced after the provincial election. More information on the initiatives will be made public then.

## Who should receive the 1989 Annual Alberta Environment Awards?

This year marks the third annual celebration of this special program to recognize and honour Albertans who have made significant contributions to the quality of our environment.

Your nominations could be instrumental in helping us select the recipients of the 1989 Alberta Environment Awards.

In order to reflect the broad range of contributions to Alberta's environment, Awards may be presented in up to four categories.

- Individual citizen;
- Industry, Business or Government Agency;
- Education Institution or Education Organization;
- Volunteer Organization or Service Group;

The Committee also reserves the right to present a special award for a contribution not encompassed by the previous four categories.

Due to the large number of excellent nominations received in 1988, all nominees who did not receive awards will be reconsidered for 1989 awards. (If you submitted a nomination in 1988 you will be contacted to verify that you wish your nomination to stand for 1989.) New nominations are also welcomed.

To receive an award, an individual or group will have been instrumental in:

- increasing public awareness and understanding of an environmental problem or situation;
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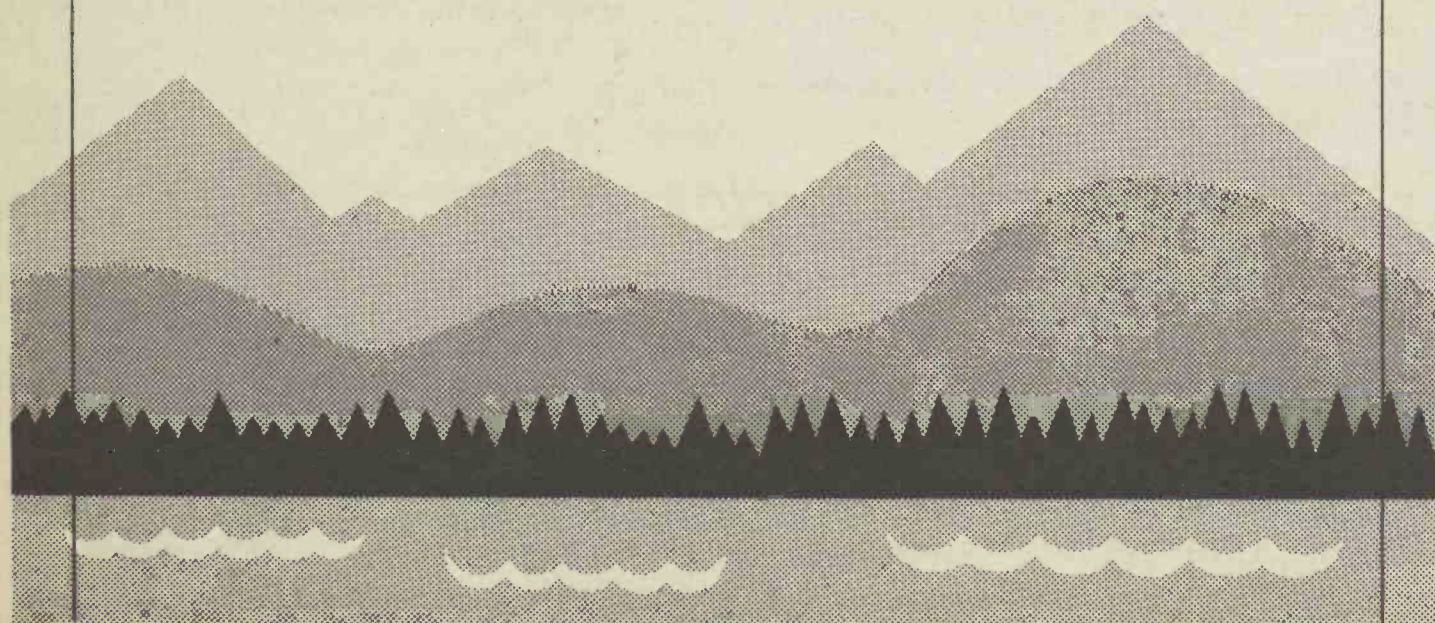
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## LIFESTYLE

## CONSPIRACY OF SILENCE

## Child abuse and incest often a family secret

A conspiracy of silence cloaks the staggering rate of child/sexual abuse in Native communities, says a training counsellor with St. Albert's Poundmaker Nechi Centre.

Brenda Daily estimates roughly 90 per cent of Native families are both affected by substance abuse and child abuse.

And a Northwest Territories survey done last month found 80 per cent of Indian girls under the age of eight have been sexually molested and 50 per cent of boys are victims of sexual abuse.

The study also revealed gang rape and organized abuse is also apparent in the North, including one case in which two teenage girls forced younger children into sex games.

Co-sponsored by the Native Women's Association and the Northwest Territories Social Services department, the study is based on interviews with Native elders, community leaders, health and social service officials and sexual offenders and their victims. It was conducted over four months and covered eight communities in the Western Arctic, including Inuvik, Tuktoyaktuk and Norman Wells.

Alice Hill, executive-director of the Northwest Territories Native Women's Association, was not surprised by the high incidence of sexual abuse in Native communities.

"When I began to find out what had happened to other Native women in the North, I was astonished to learn there is only one Native woman I know who had not been abused at all," said Hill, herself a victim of sexual abuse as a child.

Yet only about 10 per cent of child sexual abuse cases ever get reported.

## Sex discussion taboo

In some Native families, discussion of any sexual matters between certain family members is strictly taboo. It would be frowned upon, for instance, to have a son-in-law and mother-in-law engage in a discussion about sexuality.

And Hill pointed out some tribes, such as the Dene, don't even have a word for sex in their language which further buries the problem of sexual abuse within their communities.

Children who grow up in a home with an alcoholic or chemically-dependent parent often live by three rules of denial: "don't talk about it, don't feel the pain, and don't trust anyone to help."

"Because so many Native people have come from backgrounds of abuse, they've lived with these three rules," said Daily, a 40-year-old Metis who describes herself as a recovering alcoholic. "This leads to a cycle of shame and blaming other people for what happens to us."

Denial is reinforced by the Native community, which is reluctant to disclose sexual abuse problems to outsiders: the RCMP, social workers and other non-Native professionals.

In many instances, child sexual abuse cases never make it to court because of the community's refusal to give evidence against one of their members.

"If a child is being sexually abused, probably about 30 people in that community are aware of what's going on but nobody wants to speak out," Hill said.

In one case, a two-year-old girl and her three-year-old sister were repeatedly raped by their grandfather. But the RCMP officer who investigated the abuse "just shrugged his shoulders because he was a friend of the grandfather," Hill said.

Child abuse and incest is often a well-kept "family secret" in the extended Native family, where the pressure for the victim to deny the abuse is greater, Daily explains in the book *The Spirit Weeps*.

Many Native people have lived with this secret for three or four generations.

"We can track what has happened when alcohol first came into these Native communities, their first contact with the out-



side world, 15 or 20 years, and families began to break down," Daily said.

The high incidence of child abuse can be related to other problems that afflict many Native communities such as alcoholism, high unemployment, overcrowded housing, loss of cultural identity and poor parenting.

Much of the social upheaval Natives are now experiencing can be traced to the introduction of residential schools operated by the Catholic and Anglican churches in the mid-18th century, which separated many Native children from their families at an early age.

The children spent their entire childhood living away from their families, often hundreds of miles from their reserve, and visited home only once or twice a year.

"These schools, which were often located hundreds or thousands of miles from the children's homes, frequently prohibited the use of Native language and tribal customs, required the wearing of uniforms, and enforced rules in an authoritarian manner completely divorced from traditional child-rearing practices," according to one study.

## Legacy of rez schools

After World War Two, residential schools were gradually phased out and replaced by the Child Welfare system, which often had the same effect by taking children into care and placing them with non-Native families.

The system reached a peak in the 1960's, when the apprehension rate was so high that some reserves lost nearly an entire generation of children to child welfare authorities, Daily writes.

Recent figures show that Indian children are placed in care at a rate four and one-half times the rate for all Canadian children. In comparison to .96 per cent of Canadian children, 4.6

per cent of all Status Indian children age 19 and under are in care. And 75 per cent of Indian children who are adopted are sent to non-Native homes.

Today's adults can be best described as a "lost generation", according to a 1987 child welfare report by the Indian Association of Alberta.

Those who fall in the 22 to 37 age group are the products of parents who learned their parenting roles in the often brutal and militaristic residential schools.

## The lost generation

"This generation is lost, for it suffered the residential school inheritance of alcohol and abuse. Moreover, many have been shunted (isolated and alone) from foster home to foster home," the report states.

Many of that "lost generation" are now parents themselves, with children whose ages range from newborn babies to teenagers.

The IAA study found that as a result of the residential school experience, a tribal view no longer binds the generations. For the first time in their history, Native people are witnessing a profound generation gap.

"The tensions, conflicts and confusion never directly expressed, have spilled over into everyday life creating stark alienation, brutality, substance abuse and suicide," the study found.

"The social situation can be likened to the tornado that struck a small part of Edmonton on July 31, 1987. (The only exception) is that this (social) tornado swept through and devastated an entire generation and the survivors are still experiencing its horror."

By Elaine O'Farrell, Windspeaker Staff Writer

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

# Museum will showcase Native village

Courtesy of the Canadian Museum of Civilization

By Elaine O'Farrell  
Windspeaker Staff Writer

HULL, Que.

An authentic Pacific Coast Indian village will be brought to life when the new Canadian Museum of Civilization opens here June 29.

The Grand Hall of the museum will feature an Indian village with full-scale reconstructions of six Indian longhouses linked by a simulated shoreline and boardwalk.

Representing six Indian bands, the house fronts were made in British Columbia by Native craftsmen and later assembled at the museum.

A total of 40 workers were involved in building the six houses at several B.C. locations, including Haida House at Massett, Kwakiutl House at Alert Bay and the West Coast, Coast Salish, Tsimshian and Bella Coola houses in Vancouver.

Their design is based on archival records showing coastal architectural styles

of the past 150 years.

The Indian village will be set in a Pacific rain forest, with the forest backdrop created by a giant screen bearing the world's largest color photograph.

On this photographic curtain, films of supernatural beings from Pacific Coast Indian mythology and other images can be projected to create different moods within the hall.

For the grand opening, the boardwalk display with all six house fronts will be completed along with the interior of the Kwakiutl House.

In front of the Kwakiutl House will stand the 12-metre high Wakius Pole, a genealogical record of the Kwakiutl tribe.

At its base, the pole features a large raven whose open mouth originally formed the entrance to the chief's house at Alert Bay. During potlatches, guests would enter the house through the raven's beak, as if being swallowed by the mythical bird.

The pole stood in Vancouver's Stanley Park from

1928 to 1987 before being restored.

The cathedral-like Grand Hall stands out as the architectural showcase of the new museum.

Its curving wall of glass, which measures 15 metres by 112 metres, offers a majestic view of the Rideau River and the Parliament Buildings.

The view is identical to the one found on the back of the Canadian one-dollar bill.

In the evenings, the hall can be transformed and dramatically lit for a variety of dramatic performances and can provide banquet seating for 400.

Under a doomed 17-metre-high ceiling, the History Hall presents one thousand years of Canadian history, told with recreations of a 16th-century Basque ship, a town square in New France and a turn-of-the-century railway station.

The Children's Museum will provide a stimulating learning centre with a tree house, telescopes, a pirate ship and an imaginary trip around the world. The opening show, Puppnetronics, will



Artist's conception: Where nations will gather

allow children to manipulate larger-than-life sized marionettes.

The museum will also feature an IMAX/ OMNI-MAX theatre with its amazing technology to put the audience right in the picture.

About half of the exhibitions will be completed in time for the June 29 opening, the remainder will be ready within the next three

years.

Among the major exhibits scheduled is In the Shadow of the Sun, a collection of 264 contemporary works by Canadian Indian and Inuit artists. The exhibition, which opened in Germany in December, will tour for three years throughout Europe, Canada and the U.S.A.

Several major exhibits

from Washington's Smithsonian Institution, including King Herod's Dream which features archeological treasures from the ancient city of Caesarea, 22 B.C., are scheduled to appear in 1990.

The \$160-million museum, designed by Metis architect Douglas Cardinal, is expected to draw one million visitors a year.

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OUR PEOPLE

*New venture located in Hobbema*

# Printers get busy

By Everett Lambert  
Syndicated Native News

HOBBEWA, ALTA.

Cree Printers, a new business located on this central Alberta Cree reserve, has opened its doors and is offering a range of silkscreen printing services.

The company is made up of seven men from the reserve. Mel Benson, 37, is an artist and partner in the company. Kenny Omeasoo, 31, is a managing partner, and Brian Lee, 36, is a partner and marketer.

Bruce Omeasoo is also an artist and David Cutarm and Aaron Lee are apprentice printers. Kenny Louis also works with the group.

The company offers

silkscreen printing for T-shirts, hats, jackets and tote-bags, says Mel Benson.

Silkscreening involves the use of stencils in the printing of designs and art on to garments.

They hope to start selling mugs once they buy a kiln, which is used in the baking of ceramics.

Benson adds they're also thinking about producing calendars and mirrors.

The business purchased \$40,000 worth of machines used for silkscreening and related work.

They also hope to purchase a heavy duty canvass sewing machine and hire more people from the reserve once they can secure funding.

They plan on doing a

good deal of their sales locally and to tourists visiting Alberta.

Benson says they already have a demand for T-shirts and have already sold out.

He says "the thing about our company is we develop our own designs."

They have done T-shirts for people in Hobbema, Wetaskiwin and Ponoka.

He adds that they went into the business "to help out artists. There's a lot of artists out there who are talented. They need some place to sell their work."

Since starting after the New Year, business has improved and the company has already completed a number of contracts. Benson attributes the improvement to word-of-mouth.

# Native candidate seeks vacant senate position

By Everett Lambert  
Syndicated News Service

MEDICINE HAT, Alta.

Harvey Cardinal has become the first Native to declare his intention to seek a vacant senate seat if Alberta government goes ahead with its plan to elect senators.

"I felt it was really important we as Native people have representation in Ottawa," said Cardinal, a member of the Bigstone band in northern Alberta.

The band supports his bid for a senate seat.

He said Native people "have the qualifications to run for Senate."

Some of the requirements include being a minimum age of 30 years of age, owning real estate, and placing a \$4,000 deposit.

He is part of Don Getty's drive to have what is called

a Triple E" Senate. The Triple E - equal, effective and elected-Senate would dramatically change the way Ottawa's federal upper house operates.

The Senate positions have long been viewed as retirement favors given to politicians who no longer hold seats in the federal government.

Some political scientists feel they have no actual power and only have a ceremonial "rubber stamp" role, with no actual powers in the making of laws such as American senators do.

Senators are non-partisan and are picked by Prime Minister Brian Mulroney, who does not support election of senators.

Under Getty's plan the Prime Minister would no longer pick the senators from a short list given by the provinces.

Instead there would be an

"equal number elected" by each province. They would no longer have a simple rubber stamp role, but instead an "effective" one giving them greater power in the law-making process.

Cardinal, 49, is the fifth to express an interest in running since the Senate Selection Act was introduced to Alberta's Legislative Assembly. The introduction was made three days before the March 20 provincial election was called.

Cardinal, a Native advocate, will compete with Mary Moore, solicitor general for Alberta, Advanced Education Minister Dave Russell, who are not seeking re-election, retired farmers' advocate Helmut Entrup and Bill Diachuk, former provincial cabinet minister.

Cardinal has four and half years of university training where he was studying to enter Native law.

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**SPORTS & LEISURE**

Saskatchewan Indian college:  
**Sports gets top priority**

By Bruce Spence  
*Windspeaker Correspondent*

REGINA, Sask.

The Saskatchewan Indian Federated College (SIFC) at Regina is using a double-barrelled approach to raise the profile of their athletic program.

The Indian college with a student population of 700 is following the footsteps of larger universities which pump huge amounts of money into their athletic departments. Many college athletes step into high-paying professional leagues right after graduation. And if a career in sports eludes a college athlete, there's

always the degree to fall back on.

Milton Tootoosis, SIFC athletics coordinator, says athletics and university education can go hand-in-hand.

His department's goal is to provide high-calibre competition in sports while students learn.

He says it can be difficult for an Aboriginal student to make the University of Saskatchewan Huskies or the University of Regina Cougars, but SIFC can provide an alternative.

One approach to raising the college's profile is to maintain and host major tournaments.

No time is being wasted here.

SIFC is hosting the 1989 North American Indian Volleyball Championships March 17-19.

Tootoosis says this is the first time NIAA has sponsored a volleyball tournament and he expects teams from western Canada and the northern states to enter.

The other approach, which is tentative, is to join the Canadian Colleges Athletic Association (CCAA), a group of small colleges with 95 members from all across Canada.

SIFC applied for CCAA membership last fall through the group's local affiliate, the Prairie Athletic Conference (PAC). If CCAA membership were approved, SIFC

would then compete against teams from Saskatchewan Institute of Applied Science and Technology (SIASST) campuses in Prince Albert, Saskatoon, Moose Jaw, Regina, Briercrest Bible College in Caronport and the Canadian Bible College in Regina.

As a result of the fall application, SIFC was placed on "exhibition status" by the league, letting the college play exhibition games against PAC teams. But CCAA membership is still a long way off. Although SIFC membership will be discussed at a meeting this spring, Tootoosis says "two years" would be a more realistic time frame.



**Hand on the ball, eye on the hoop**

Killarney Junior High player Sandi Crowfoot drives past Dickensfield's Shelley Boodrom at the Queen Elizabeth high school zone all-star game March 13 in Edmonton.

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SPORTS & LEISURE

# North-South hockey rivalry fizzles out

By Lyle Donald  
Windspeaker Correspondent

EDMONTON

Many recreation directors from northern Alberta are expressing their concern over a lack of participation of the southern teams in their hockey tournaments over the last year.

Unlike the professional sports teams and their rivalries, like the Edmonton Oilers and the Calgary Flames, Alberta's south and north Native people have not shared a real rivalry since the old Indian wars in the past century.

"We understand the costs of travelling and the economic restraints we are all facing right now. We are going through it ourselves but we are still supporting their tournaments and others around the province — they should do the same for ours," said Robert Morin of Enoch.

"At the last Native Hock-

cy Council meeting held in the fall, Marvin (Buck) Yellowhorn of Peigan who is the spokesperson for the south, complained about the northern teams not entering their tournaments," said Alexander's Wyatt Arcand.

"Since the complaint many of our teams have gone out of their way to support their tournaments down there," added Arcand. "Now they don't even try to return the favor."

Both Enoch and Alexander have held tournaments over the last couple of months and both have suffered the same consequences. The southern teams pull out at the last moment then adjustments have to be made to the tournament schedules and to the prize money.

Marvin Yellowhorn was unavailable at press time for comment but Ivan Singer of the Blood band says their situation at Kainai is related to economics.

"We are going through

economic hardships on the reserve. Things are not as good as they were over five years ago when we sponsored the Kainai Chiefs tournaments all across the province," he explained.

"Now if our teams want travel to a tournament they have to cover their own

expenses and right now there are a few of them that are unemployed."

Singer adds a schedule should be made up with dates of tournaments for the year so they will not conflict with other tournaments to be held at the Alberta Native Hockey Council

meetings.

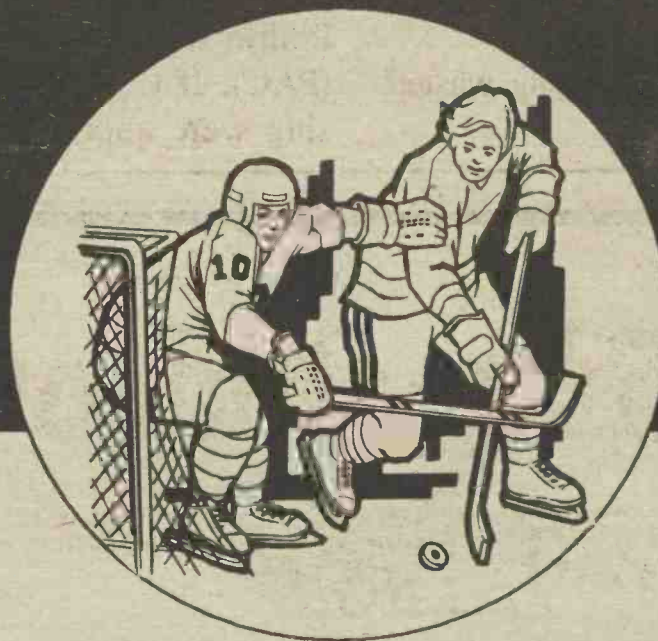
"We do have three recreation hockey teams on the reserve right now, and just this past weekend we had a recreation tournament down south here and we plan on sending a team to Enoch for the Native provincials," explained Singer.

"We don't have anything against the Crees and I don't think they have anything against us. We are all going through economic hard times and one thing we used to take for granted before in sponsoring teams has financially caught up to us," concluded Singer.

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## SPORTS & LEISURE

# Ban lifted from Stonewalker

Danny Stonewalker's professional boxing career is secure. The Alberta Amateur Boxing Association has lifted its life-time ban on the boxer.

Stonewalker, who also coaches the Samson band's amateur boxing club in Hobbema, was suspended Jan. 21 after bribery charges resulted from an Oct. 29 card

in Edmonton.

The life-time suspension was lifted Mar. 10 at the AABA meeting, when executives determined the whole incident to be a joke blown out of proportion.

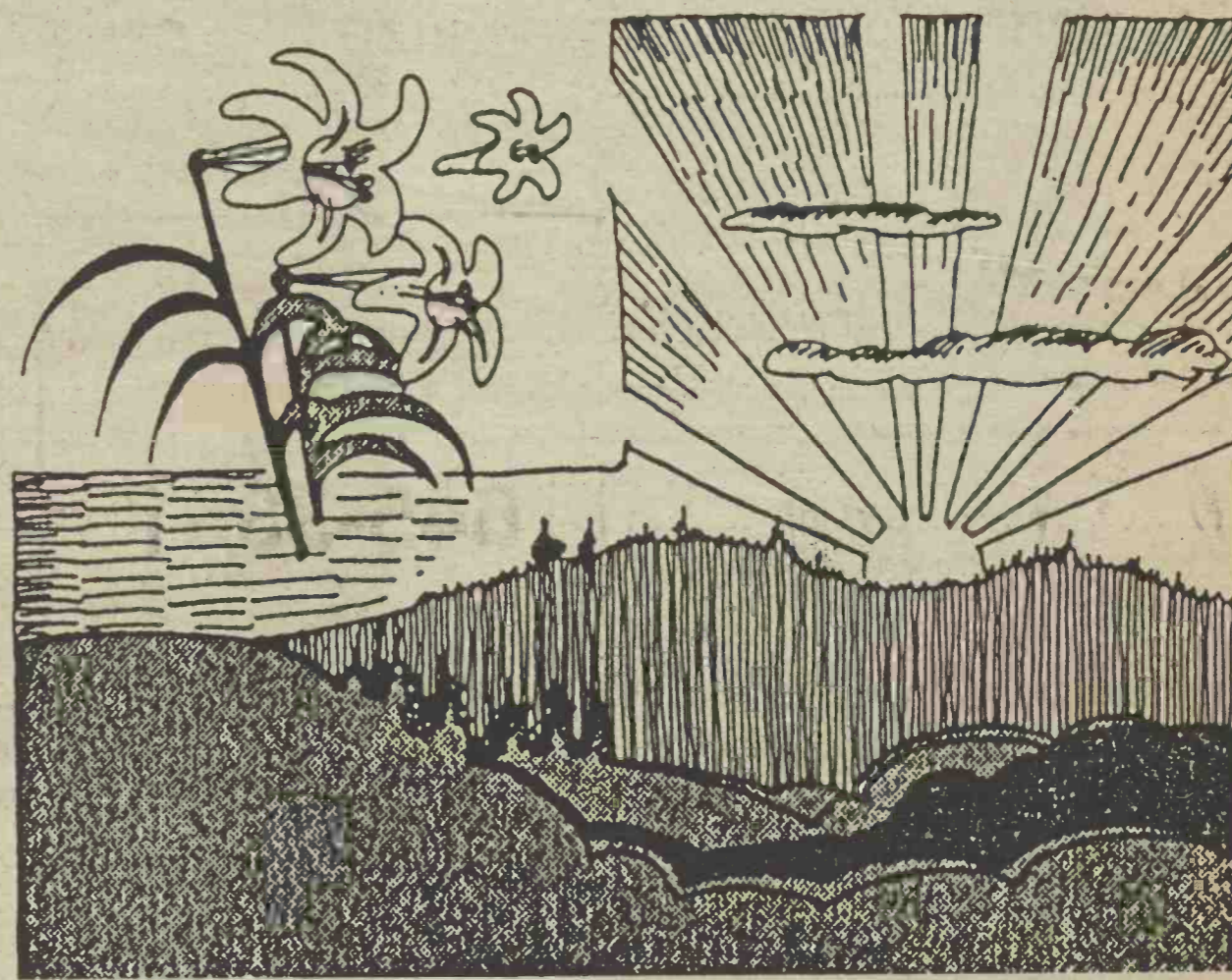
The reserve's head boxing coach Stan Crane stated he has taken legal action against rival Hobbema boxing coach

Jim Gilio over Stonewalker's suspension.

Meanwhile, Stonewalker says all the negative publicity surrounding the incident has actually helped to boost his pro career.

The professional boxer is slated to fight Darryl (Pee-wee) Flint at Fort McMurray on Apr. 29.

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SPORTS & LEISURE

# Athlete wins gold after long wait

By Bea Lawrence  
Windspeaker Staff Writer

EDMONTON

Ron Walker won his first gold medal in the provincial juvenile shot put competitions held Mar. 3-4 at the University Pavilion, more commonly known in Edmonton as the Butterdome.

"It was hard, but finally after three years, I won gold," said the 17-year-old athlete about his 12.26-metre winning throw. According to the young Eastglen Composite high school student, the shot puts used for the competitions weighed 12 pounds and measured five inches in radius.

Walker is quick to admit he loves sport activities and

is most anxious "to help other Native children in sports and life in general like American Indian athlete Billy Mills."

The six-foot, 195-pound athlete is a Treaty Indian formerly from the Sucker Creek reserve near High Prairie.

Walker looks forward to participating in future Olympic games and is cur-

rently in training with the Edmonton Olympic Club track team.

"We're in training right now for a decathlon. We meet at the Kinsmen Centre three times a week."

Another aspect of sports Walker enjoys most is the sports commentators.

"I'd like to give that a try as well — to be a sports commentator."



Shot put champ: Ron Walker, 17

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Grouard Campus — April 3 - June 23, 1989

The Alberta Vocational Centre-Lesser Slave Lake will be offering a PRE-EMPLOYMENT COOK TRADE program beginning April 3, 1989. This 12-week program includes theory instruction, food preparation, practical applications and work experience. Upon completion of the program, students can write the First Year Apprenticeship and Trade Certification examination.

Graduates who pass the Apprenticeship examination can find employment as cook apprentices in restaurants, institutions, fast food outlets and industrial camps.

**Entrance Requirements:** Applicants should be at least 17 years of age with a minimum Grade 9 academic standing. Applicants who do not meet the academic requirement must write and pass an Apprenticeship and Trade Certification Branch Entrance examination to be accepted into the program.

**Deadline for application: March 23, 1989**

**For more information, contact:**

Glenna Anderson, Registrar  
Alberta Vocational Centre — Lesser Slave Lake  
Grouard Campus, Grouard, AB T0G 1C0  
Phone: 751-3915

Alberta  
Vocational Centre  
Lesser Slave Lake



Grouard Campus  
Mission Street  
Grouard, AB T0G 1C0  
Tel. (403) 751-3915

## Invitation to Tender

The Aboriginal Information Managers are requesting proposals to produce a 20-minute video regarding library and information services to First Nation's communities.

Submissions should be received by March 31, 1989 at 5 p.m.

For further information, and please contact:

Cindy Peltier  
Assembly of First Nations  
47 Clarence Street, 3rd Floor  
Ottawa, Ontario K1N 9K1  
(613) 236-0673

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# Happy Easter



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CATEGORIES: T-Ball - 7 years and up for boys and girls;  
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REGISTRATION: is Scheduled for Tuesday, March 28, 1989  
at Westmount Community Hall, 10978-127 Street OR contact  
the Program Director between the hours of 8:30 a.m. - 4:30  
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# Sunline means great service

The Onion Lake Band has provided Lloydminster with a little bit of sunshine. Sunline Husky Gas Bar and Convenience Store is now officially open for business.

"We had our opening on March 10," said Doreen Teeuwsen-Midgley, service manager for the gas bar, "but we have been operating since December 13, 1988. We just made it official."

Approximately 250 people attended the event.

"The weather was bad but a lot of people came. We had a draw for a beautiful barbeque, a toy husky, a Jerry can and an umbrella. We were pleased with the turnout."

In addition to having nine pumps dispensing gas, diesel and propane for up to four vehicles at a time, people can do their shopping as the convenience store carries a wide array of items. In addition, there are hot foods and delicious snacks available for those who are hungry and in a hurry.

They also carry something which may not spring to mind when one hears the words gas bar and convenience store — a complete line of Firestone and Bridgestone in their tire and auto service shop.

The store is spacious, bright and comfortable, set up specifically for the convenience of the customer.

"We've had a lot of compliments from people about the way the store is laid out," said Teeuwsen-Midgley. "People have said they really like the store."

And Sunline has thoughtfully taken another concern into consideration. The store is wheelchair accessible with wide aisles, an accessible washroom and no stairs. Located on the north side of Hwy. 16 on the Saskatchewan side of Lloydminster, the store has ample customer parking. Winter hours are from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m.

"We currently employ five people but we will probably be hiring more for the summer."

In addition to Teeuwsen-Midgley, Sunline also has Gloria Dillon as supervisor. Randy Wallace is general manager. The store also serves another function by providing employment and a source of revenue for Native

people.

"It's hats off to the Onion Lake Band for opening this business. It's a wonderful thing for the community and is helping with job creation. They're looking to the future for the other generations.

"This could prove to be a good opportunity for people because they can get work experience on the job. If they want to open their own business after, they will have

some background."

This store is the culmination of a lot of work. The Band-owned Northbridge Industries has been in existence since 1986.

Sunline Husky Gas Bar and Convenience Store is located at Hwy. 16 East and 40 Avenue. The phone number is (403) 825-9550.

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# Have a happy Easter

## Fun for the little ones

With Easter just around the corner, egg decorating is on the minds of many children. There are a number of fun ways to decorate eggs for this holiday.

Many kinds of paint can be used on eggs, such as acrylics, tempera, enamel or poster paints. Also try tinting eggs with food coloring, fabric and Easter egg dyes. For a porcelain finish, apply many coats of Elmers glue diluted with a bit of water over the egg and any designs. Allow to dry between coats and before finishing with a fixative spray or lacquer. Felt pens can be used for drawings.

Some crafts require that you cut eggs, the shadow box, for example. You can cut eggs with manicure scissors or an exacto knife. Draw outline for the cut with the pencil, then paint over the drawn line with white glue to keep the egg from cracking. When dry, poke a hole with a pin, then snip along the line, keeping the shell well into the blades of the scissors. For straight cuts, use a thick elastic band wrapped around to form a straight line.

When making the shadow box, cut a window of desired size and rinse the shell. The egg may be painted or dyed. Use cotton wool for snow, tiny pine cones or small plastic leaves for trees, miniature Christmas scenes from old cards. Glue fabric, braid, lace or other trim around the opening and fasten a hanging cord or wire through a tiny hole in top or by glueing it in place.

Decoupage and collage allow you to make many designs from simple to intricate. Simply cut out pieces of paper, pictures from gift wrap (which is a good choice because it is so thin and is easy to work with) or magazine photographs or cartoons. Dried flowers, leaves or feathers make a very attractive decoration, as well.

Apply white glue to whatever is going to be applied to egg. Do not move about. Let dry completely before applying layers of decoupage coating (Modge Podge) or varnish, clear or pearl nail polish. Try a collage using craft tissue papers in several colors to cover an egg. Tear the paper into very small pieces and smooth them onto an egg coated with glue. The papers are overlapped at the edges to blend the colors. Coat as described above.

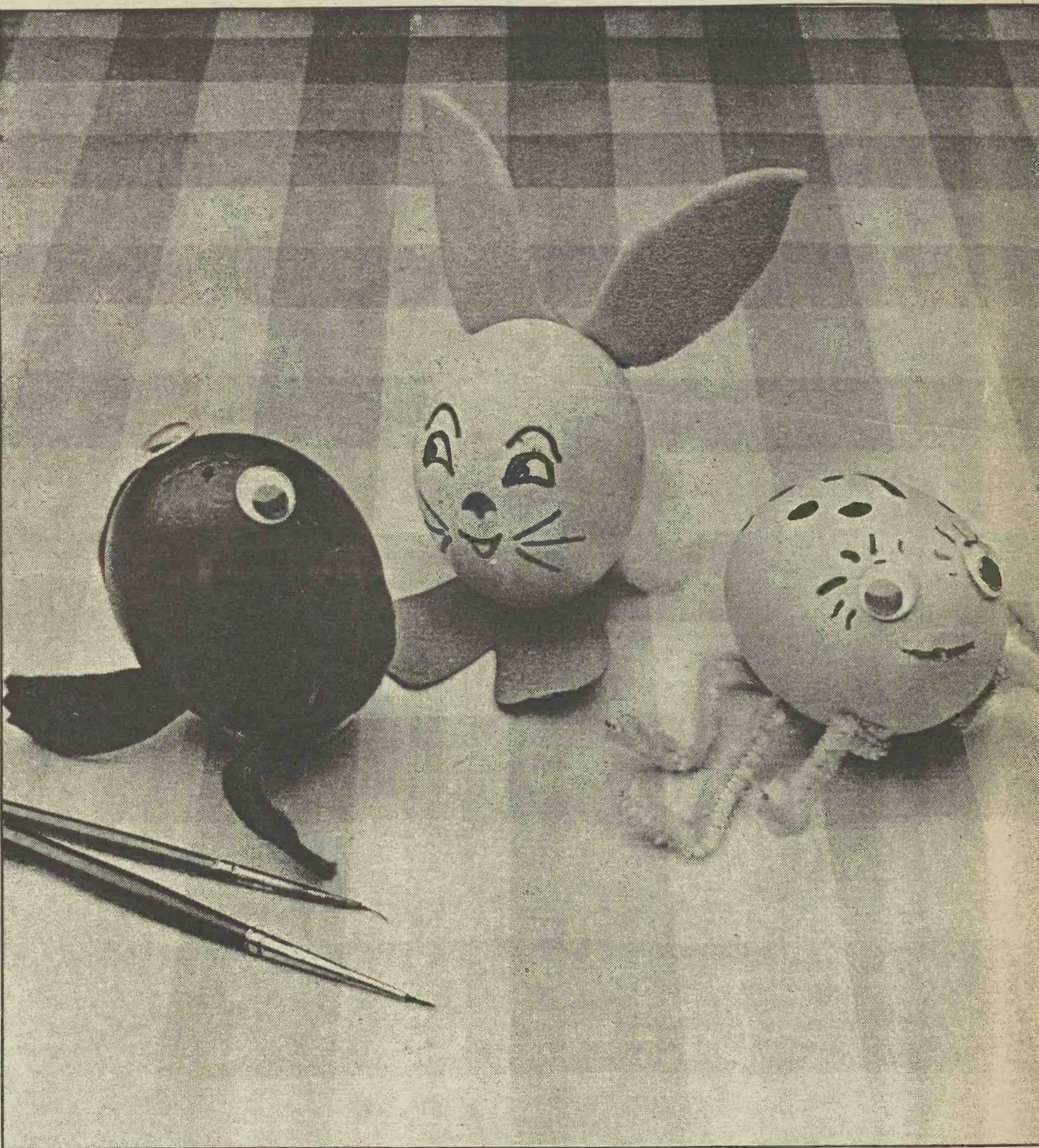
To make egg baskets, save the large end of egg shells. Rinse well and let dry thoroughly.

Paint or dye shell in desired color. Designs may be added with felt pen. Or cut four pieces of material to fit shell, glue on and let dry. Glue ribbon, lace or rickrack around rim. Cut ribbons, 10 and 6 inches long and glue over material seams, allowing longer ribbon to form handle for the basket. Fill the basket with tiny flowers, other decorations or candies

A piece of thin wire strung through holes of blown egg and knotted at one end makes a handy tool when dip-dyeing or for hanging to dry.

- After drawing designs with felt tip pen, let dry and coat with clear nail polish to prevent smearing.
- To make stands for decorated eggs, glue on small plastic curtain rings, buttons, spools, stones, pieces of wood or bottle caps.

- Liquid lacquer will discolor paper cut-outs of certain kinds of paper and some dried flowers and feathers. Try it out on scraps before applying.
- Pearl nail polish will give a beautiful effect when used in place of varnish.



### Hoppy Easter to you

Make Easter more fun for your family by trying one of these decorative eggs. Some of the styles are quite simple to do but are very attractive and will be a nice touch for the season.

## An eggciting Easter craft

Easter egg decorating can be a lot of fun for the whole family using either hard-cooked or blown eggs. It need not be time consuming nor expensive.

Children can make various egg animals by using pieces of odds and ends found around the house.

To blow eggs, first wash and dry them. Pierce both ends of the egg with a large needle. Slightly enlarge the hole at the small end of the egg. Push the needle well into the egg to break the yolk. Hold the egg over a bowl with the small end down. Blow into the hole at the opposite end. Rinse the shell with cold water.

Here are some suggestions for decorating the following animals:

- Owl: color the egg with a black or brown felt pen. Glue on a beak made of a triangle of construction paper. Use two small stones for the feet.
- Pig: dye an egg pink and blue miniature marshmallows for the legs and snout. Make a curly tail from a pipe cleaner and draw the eyes with a felt pen.
- Bird: dye the egg blue. Glue on a beak made of construction paper and wings and tail made of tissue paper. Draw the eyes with a felt pen.
- Spider: dye the egg green. Give the four legs made of pipe cleaner on each side of the egg, two plastic

eyes and draw the eyelashes and mouth with a felt pen.

• Bunny: dye the egg first, glue on foam ears, construction paper feet and a ball of cotton wool for its tail. Draw the face with a felt pen.

• Frog: is a dark green-dyed egg, with webbed feet made of felt and revolving plastic eyes.

The contents of blown eggs can be used in a variety of ways, besides the traditional scrambled eggs.

How about trying main egg dishes like omelettes, quiches or more exotic sounding dishes like eggs Florentine, zabaglione or eggnog.

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- Experience in working with Indian people at the community level.
- Knowledge of statistical research and experience in making statistical projections.
- Ability to travel extensively in the province.
- Knowledge of an Indian language spoken in northern Alberta.

Salary: Negotiable to \$32,000 plus travel

Deadline for Applications: March 31, 1989

Send resumes to:

Audrey Parke, Executive Director  
 Alberta Indian Health Care Commission  
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- Must be bondable
- Knowledge of volunteer recruitment process and selection
- Must be in possession of First Aid/CPR certificates
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COMMENCEMENT DATE: April 17, 1989

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: March 23, 1989

Resumes submitted in confidence to:  
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 Canadian Native Friendship Centre  
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 EDMONTON, Alberta  
 T5M 0T2  
 Telephone: 452-7811



## Director of Mobile Treatment Society

#101 - 2666 S. Queensway

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**REQUIREMENTS:**

- Bachelor's Degree in Social Work or related social science desirable with 5 years related experience, preferably with Drug and Alcohol
- Knowledge of financial and administrative skills
- Demonstrated sound organizational and supervisor skills required
- Public relations skills with effective written and oral communication abilities
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- Three written references required

Send resume to:

Secretary  
 4343 Allen Avenue  
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Closing Date: March 24

## Job Description

### Superintendent

Education Authority, Saddle Lake

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**QUALIFICATIONS:**

The prospective Superintendent should have the following as a prerequisite to the position:

**ABILITIES & EXPERIENCE**

- Fluent English (Cree an asset)
- Supervisory experience
- Office management experience
- Proposal writing experience
- Budget preparation experience
- Recruitment experience
- Curriculum development understanding.

**EDUCATION:** Graduate of Teacher certificate of Alberta (B.Ed and Administration).

Complete job description available at Saddle Lake Education Authority  
Telephone: 726-3829 Ext. 108

Salary: Negotiable

Applications to be submitted by March 23, 1989 before 4:30 p.m.

Applications submitted with complete resume to: Saddle Lake Education Authority, P.O. Box 130, Saddle Lake, Alberta T0A 3T0