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Killer roads claim 6 Natives

By Terry Lusty

Two head-on collisions, which claimed six Alberta Native lives in a recent five-day period, have heightened controversy about the quality of both roads.

An April 25 crash on Highway 2A north of Ponoka took the lives of Charlie Orr, 57, of Hobbema, Gary Gunn and his mother Julie, 53, of Rocky Mountain House. All were travelling in a van.

Four other Wetaskiwin residents were killed in the same accident. Their Suburban truck was struck by the on-coming van which strayed across the centre-line of the highway, according to police.

The Wetaskiwin vehicle was occupied by Ernie LeClerc, 56, his wife Norma, 46 and their daughters Adrienne, 9, and Amy, 4.

LeClerc, the director and founder of Hobbema's Muskwatchees Ambulance Authority, was well-known in the Hobbema area for his community service.

Five days later, between Fort McMurray and Janvier, 120 km southeast of McMurray, seven more people were involved in another head-on collision. Three Native residents of Janvier were killed.

The collision, 25 km southeast of Fort McMurray, involved two cars on a

recently-completed gravel road from McMurray to Janvier. Until the road was built, Janvier was accessible only by air.

The three victims were among four occupants of one vehicle. All are related to Janvier Chief Walter Janvier. Dead are the chief's cousin Simon, 46, his brother Alvin, 23 and his uncle Arthur, 63.

RCMP officials at Fort McMurray have not yet released the causes and circumstances of the accident. RCMP officials at Ponoka say the occupants of the van had been drinking.

Both roads have been the subject of much controversy. Traffic on Highway 2A at Ponoka increased dramatically in recent years and officials of nearby towns have been pressing government for an extra traffic lane in the area.

The McMurray-Janvier road, since its completion last fall, has been the site of many accidents. The social impact of the new land connection between the two communities has also raised concerns, many focussing on easier access to alcohol and drugs for Janvier residents.

(Next week, Windspeaker will present an in-depth article on the road and what people are saying about its impact on the community of Janvier.)



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LITTLE GUY A BIG WINNER

11-year-old Warren Bird of the Paul Band took home an armful of awards at the Paul Band Sports Roundup banquet held last weekend. Windspeaker's Mark McCallum was there, see Page 14 for more.

-- Photo by Mark McCallum

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2 councillors quit

Books don't balance at Buffalo Lake

By Norman Blyan and Mark McCallum

The past council of the Buffalo Lake Metis Settlement has not been able to account for a \$268,590 deficit.

At a January 19 general membership meeting of the settlement, a motion by a Buffalo Lake resident that an audit be conducted of all the settlement's financial accounts was passed

unanimously.

A financial review was conducted by St. Paul District Settlement Branch Manager Dennis Woolsey and released on March 24. A summary of the review says the settlement owes outside industries \$154,590. The settlement-owned Buffalo Lake Cast Const. Ltd. also owes \$114,000 to other Buffalo Lake organizations.

When the deficit was found, council members

Ernest Howse Sr. and Marvin Desjarlais announced their resignations. A special Council Meeting was held on April 4 to decide when the settlement could nominate and elect a new council.

Only two members of the four-man council attended the special meeting, though settlement regulations require the whole board to be present at the meeting.

Section 7, paragraph 4 of

the regulations state: "The Board (council) may, by unanimous consent, waive notice of any meeting and hold a meeting at any time, but every member of the Board must be present at such a meeting."

Missing from the meeting were Edward Ladouceur and the two resigned councillors, Howse and Desjarlais.

The settlement regulations also require that any

member resigning from council must be present at the meeting where their resignation is considered. This was not done.

The meeting was attended by councillors Glen Auger and Horace Patenaude, who moved to set the nomination deadline for elections on April 6 and the voting for the council of the settlement on April 21.

Auger and Patenaude were nominated for the

council. But because they were still on the council according to the regulations, they were not eligible to be nominated until their terms expired on April 21. Both men have subsequently been elected to the council.

The other council members are Harold Blyan, Felix Desjarlais and Edward Ladouceur. Ladouceur is in the final year of his three-year term.

National

Native leaders snubbed at Meech Lake

The leaders of the four national Aboriginal peoples organizations are angry that they have been totally ignored at the constitutional talks held at Meech Lake recently.

"It is incredible that Brian Mulroney and the premiers can contemplate such major amendments to Canada's Constitution without us, especially when most of the agenda items affect us," said Georges Erasmus, national chief of the Assembly of First Nations, the group representing the First Nations in Canada.

The Aboriginal leaders met in Ottawa for the first time since the March 26 - 27, 1987, First Ministers Conference on Aboriginal Rights, which failed to achieve an amendment on Aboriginal self-government.

"Senate Reform, federal proposals on a new amending formula and a variety of



GEORGES ERASMUS
...ignored

other items on various provincial constitutional agendas will affect Aboriginal and Treaty rights," said Smokey Bruyere, president of the Native Council of Canada (NCC), which represents over 1 million non-status and Metis people in Canada.

"We have a responsibility

to protect our rights in the Constitution and we must participate at the Meech Lake meeting and other constitutional meetings where necessary," he added.

"We've been talking all along about completing the circle of Confederation by recognizing our inherent right to self-government," said Zebedee Nungak, co-chairman of the Inuit Committee on National Issues, representing the Inuit in Canada. "Instead of completing the circle, they are closing the circle amongst themselves."

"The Aboriginal leaders ended last month's constitutional conference with unprecedented unity amongst us on a common constitutional amendment," said Yvon Dumont, representing Metis National Council (MNC), which represents Metis people on the prairies. "That unity

appears to be solidifying," he added.

The Aboriginal leaders sent a joint letter to Prime Minister Brian Mulroney recently insisting that they participate at the Meech Lake meeting on April 30 at the table as participants on most of the agenda items. The leaders also pointed out that Section 35.1 of the Constitution requires that the Aboriginal people be invited to FMC's on the Constitution when items affect them. Most of the Aboriginal leaders are in Iqaluit during the week of April 27 at the meeting of the Inuit Tapirisat of Canada.

In addition to having a role in all FMC's on comprehensive constitutional change agenda items, the leaders called for an ongoing process to deal with unfinished business on Aboriginal and Treaty rights items.



PETER MANYWOUNDS
...encourages membership codes

C-31 high on agenda

By Terry Newborn

EDMONTON — Peter Manywounds, political advisor to the Indian Association of Alberta (IAA), says the impact of Bill C-31 is "one of the important items on our agenda presently."

At the IAA assembly last June, delegates directed the IAA to seek an extension to the June 28, 1987 deadline for bands to draw up membership codes and have them approved by Indian Affairs. Bands not complying would be bound by membership criteria determined by Indian Affairs.

To date, out of 575 bands in Canada only 10 band membership codes have met government approval, with transfer of control moving from Indian Affairs to the bands, says Manywounds.

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After negotiating with government officials for a year, the IAA is "encouraging First Nations to put their codes in place," says Manywounds.

"We are not trying to encourage them to restrict their membership but to make sure that the First Nations members are the people that make the decision about who will or will not be members of their particular tribe."

IAA Solicitor Tony Mandamin has prepared a draft membership code to guide the tribes in developing their own codes. The draft code was delivered and distributed in early February of 1987, said Manywounds.

Peter said "every tribe has that right to decide who their members are. This is a fundamental exercise of their self governing powers."



OTTAWA REPORT

By Owenadeka

Despite popular demand, I'm back this week to continue giving special recognition to a few people in the world of Native affairs. You may remember that this sometimes takes the form of a pat-on-the-back or a kick-in-the-pants.

Picking up where I left off last week, my first hurrah goes out to the people organizing the Calgary Winter Olympics. They torpedoed a plan to include an old-fashioned cowboy-and-Indian wagon-burning as part of the opening ceremonies. An estimated one and one-half billion people will see the opening ceremonies on television. The organizing committee asked officials from the Calgary Stampede to plan the grand finale. The Olympics wanted something western, something exciting and the Stampede people came up with a dandy of an idea. The Stampede people wanted a horde of Indians to swoop down on a wagon train. The Indians, complete with war paint, would torch the wagons and finish the scene with a war dance.

When Indian leaders heard about the idea, they were livid. One said he would agree to the plan only if the white guys in the burning wagons were the guys who thought it up. Thank goodness the Olympics people can recognize a public relations disaster when they hear one. Because of the Lubicon boycott, the Olympics people are extremely sensitive about bad publicity involving Indians so when the plan for a wagon-burning hit the news, they killed it — fast.

So, here's a cheer for the people organizing the Calgary Olympics.

Next, a little boo goes out to Ethel Stewart. She knows, as well as anyone, that we ended up being called Indians because Columbus got lost on his way to India. Most Indians also know it's a darn good thing he wasn't looking for Turkey.

Just think about it, if you thought being called an Injun or an itchy-bum was bad, how would you like to be called a turkey all your life? And if you thought some bozo putting their hand over their mouth and going "whoo-whoo-whoo-whoo" was bad, just imagine a lifetime of people taking one look at you, tucking their hands up under their armpits and then going "gobble-gobble-gobble."

That little nightmare could become a reality, though,

if Ethel Stewart has her way. She has studied the language patterns of some Indian tribes in North America and the Turkish people of Asia and she says there are many similarities in language and culture. Ethel Stewart wants us to believe that we and they are kissing cousins. She already has the Turkish-Canadian Cultural Association on her side and if her idea catches on, the joke about Columbus looking for Turkey won't be funny anymore. And so, Ethel Stewart, I have one small but good-natured message for you and your idea -- "gobble-gobble."

The next two names on my list are Dr. David Roy and Dr. Christopher Tsoukas. At a recent Ottawa conference on AIDS, they told the story of an Inuit man who became a carrier of the AIDS virus after he had a blood transfusion in Montreal. The man and his community were not blamed. The doctors told the man to practise safe sex when he returned to the North. He didn't and he ended up giving the virus to three women.

The story quickly became front page news. Until then, Northerners had felt secure because AIDS had not yet touched the North but the media coverage created an uproar. People became fearful that their community was no longer safe from the deadly disease. They were worried and they wanted answers. That's when the doctors made their incredible confession. They said the story they told at the conference wasn't entirely true -- but they wouldn't say which parts were true and which were false. They wouldn't say which community was involved and they wouldn't even say whether the man was an Inuk after all. And so, Dr. Roy and Dr. Tsoukas, you deserve a kick-in-the-pants for scaring the heck out of northerners and then refusing to clean up the mess you created.

The last one on my list is a guy from Winnipeg named Barry Marchand. He gets a little hurrah and a great boo. In a letter he wrote to the Winnipeg Sun recently, he identified himself as a Native person and he expressed an opinion that he is unpopular with the vast majority of Native people.

He said he was against self-government for Native people. Indians can't manage their reserves and in some cases, he said, they can't even manage their personal lives. Native people will misuse their money and abuse their power if they ever get self-government, he said. He topped it all off by saying that if it weren't for the white man he would still probably be using bows and arrows and our kids would be dying of diseases we couldn't cure.

So, Barry Marchand, you get a little hurrah for having the courage to swim against the tide of popular opinion. But you also get a big boo for exposing your ignorance and the bad feelings you obviously have against Native people. And one more thing -- remember that it's better to be considered a fool than to write a letter to a newspaper and remove all doubts.

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Penguins' Chabot to Hobbema

By Terry Newborn

HOBHEMA — It was confirmed recently by Larry Hendricks, minor hockey director in Hobbema that John Chabot, a member of the Pittsburgh Penguins National Hockey League team, will be coming to Hobbema on May 13, 1987.

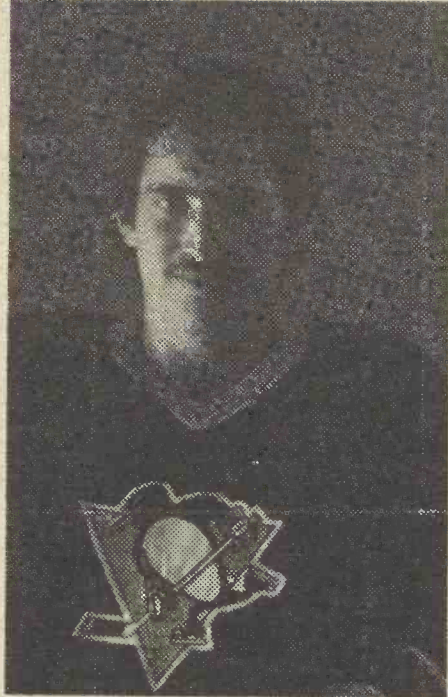
John Chabot is an Algonquin Indian from the Maniwaki Reserve in Quebec, but now resides in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, where the Penguins are located.

John Chabot is causing a lot of headlines in Hobbema these days and everyone according to Larry "is all excited about him taking the time off his busy schedule to share a special minor hockey banquet with the kids here in Hobbema."

Hendricks said, "He is a very special person and he's a good role model for Native kids across Canada and this is one of the reasons why we wanted him as a guest speaker."

Chabot will arrive in Hobbema on May 12 and will be giving lectures at the schools for two days, as well as meeting a lot of the community members in Hobbema.

Wilton Littlechild, a hall of famer himself with the University of Alberta, will



JOHN CHABOT
...NHL player

be master of ceremonies at the banquet.

Hendricks went on to say "the seeds have been planted and that our kids are starting to enjoy themselves playing hockey and developing a bond between them and friends."

Hendricks said, "We have a lot of resources and support here for our minor hockey program and we are trying to create an environment of good living and good skill development and sportsmanship."

In conclusion Larry said, "We just want to give our kids a boost in life that if you work hard and achieve your goals through education and sports you will get your rewards like John Chabot."

Nechi Institute gets \$735,731

EDMONTON — The Nechi Institute in St. Albert will receive \$735,731 under the Canadian Job Strategy's Innovations program to operate a national three-year training project announced Employment and Immigration Minister Benoit Bouchard recently.

The project is designed to develop and test a model to train Native people from across Canada to be professional trainers. At this time there is no systematic, continuous process for developing Native trainers in Canada despite the fact that positions and opportunities for work exist.

"This project will provide the opportunity for many Native people to become professional trainers to fill an increasing number of vacancies that will become available as Native devolution progresses," said Bouchard.

The Nechi Institute is recognized nationally as a highly credible organization with a proven track record of providing Native people with training and education.



BENOIT BOUCHARD
...employment Minister

The institute will not only provide the skill-building necessary for managerial and training activities but it will also help with the job hunting and job matching functions that are so crucial in getting employment for Native people.

The innovations program encourages new ways to generate growth in the Canadian labour market. It funds ideas that explore creative solutions designed to keep the labour market up-to-date and effective.

Regional Council decentralizes

By Albert Burger

Staff cuts brought about by decentralization of services, have hit the Lesser Slave Lake Indian Regional Council (LSLIRC). But director John R. Giroux says the 14 employees were laid off "because the bands are assuming responsibilities of the regional administration" and at least four of the 14 employees were simply transferred to bands.

LSLIRC, Giroux says, "is in the unique position that it is composed of the bands and "each of the bands have their own organizational structure."

"The positions were funded through Indian Affairs by lump sum payment and the regional council determines its own staffing. Indian Affairs is downsizing and intends to pass the savings to the

band level, although we have yet to see it."

Giroux said three of the people laid off by LSLIRC were picked up by the Driftpile Band and a fourth is now working for the Sturgeon Lake Band.

The cuts eliminated four regional council positions in finance and administration, three in education, two in technical services, two in band support and capital management, and one each in social development and economic development. Director Giroux also lost his executive secretary.

Says Giroux: "downsizing and devolution is one of the objectives of the organization which is ultimately to prepare the bands to deliver services and administer programs at the reserve level."

Though the bands will not receive additional funding to take on the additional

responsibilities, Giroux says "the bands feel they are in a position to assume the responsibility. It's a very important step that the bands are taking towards control of their destiny and future."

The regional council will continue to provide administration support for capital projects such as water and sewer and school buildings, but more delivery of services will go to the reserve level. Giroux says this "provides an opportunity for their band members to shoot for employment goals. It will improve the socio-economic status of the reserves."

Giroux insists that the layoffs are "positive from the band perspective. They haven't lost services. These are transferred to the band level. We're still here as a core staff entity" for administrative, consultation and support.

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The district administration of LSLIRC will continue in a financial monitoring function with responsibility for accounting, says its director.

Meanwhile, the regional council which is directed by a board of chiefs and councillors from its member-reserves, returned Jimmy Giroux of Driftpile to the presidency at its annual elections, April 24, in Grande Prairie.

Also elected to one year terms were; Jim Badger of Sucker Creek, first vice president; Dustin Twinn of Swan River, second vice president; Sidney Halcrow of Grouard, third vice president; Clifford Freeman of Driftpile, secretary; and, Pete Joyce of Sturgeon Lake, treasurer.

Dr. Anne gets help, money

By Mark McCallum

With only two days notice, Edmonton Metis and Native organizations put on a benefit dance and raised over \$1,000 for the Dr. Anne Anderson Native Heritage and Cultural Centre, in jeopardy of closing down in recent months due to government funding cutbacks.

"The government (Native Services) kept promising that they would give me funds to run the place... And then all of a sudden, they phoned and said this couldn't carry on anymore," explained Anderson.

The centre has been scratching by on book sales from her "Cree Productions" franchise and a bank loan she took out.

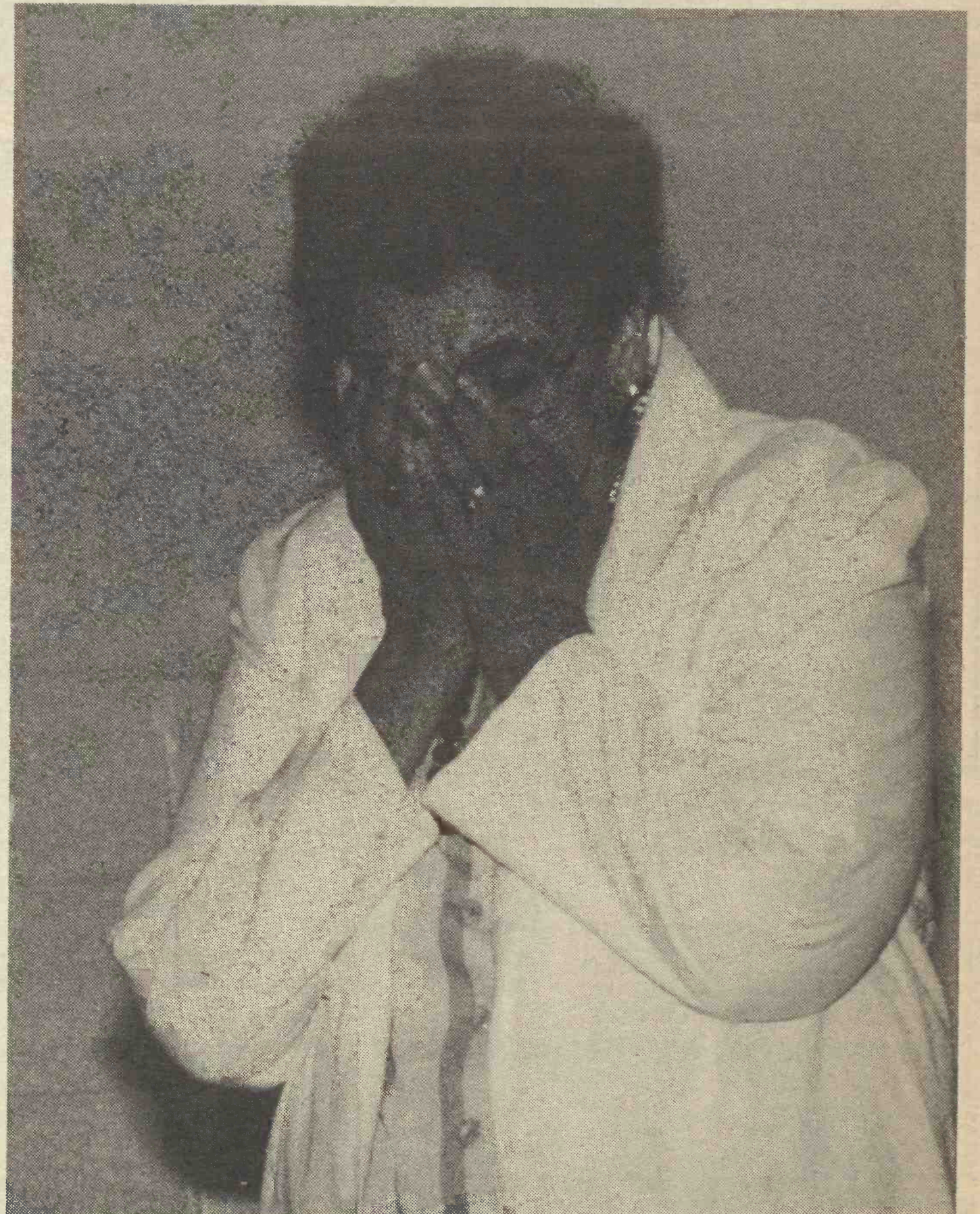
"I'm doing everything I can to help myself," said Anderson, who eventually received help on May 1 when organizer Leonard Gauthier and more than 30 volunteers arranged the benefit dance held at Eastwood Hall.

Remarked Gauthier: "This has brought us all a lot closer together."

Metis Local 1885 President Stan Plante, who helped organize the dance, explained "we want the government to know that she has a tremendous amount of support in the Metis and Native community."

"It's been the tradition of our people to help their own," added Plante.

The acting vice president of the Metis Regional Council Zone 4, Mike Woodward stated, "Dr. Anderson has dedicated



DR. ANNE ANDERSON
...overjoyed by community support

most of her life to helping the Metis and Native community. She has worked and struggled hard with no recognition.

"We know that the proceeds she'll get out of this benefit will never come close to what she can get out of government funding,"

admitted Woodward, "but we want her to know that she has support in the community."

"I kept hoping that something would happen to change my financial problems but nothing did," said Anderson.

"When I heard people

were behind me and willing to help me," she concluded, "it certainly gave me a lot more strength. I don't have enough words to say thank you."

The \$1,000 raised may buy the centre some time, but its financial future remains in doubt.

White Braid Society performs in Albuquerque

By Dorothy Daniels
of White Braid Society

"It's powwow time!"

That's all the Immigration officer at the Canada-US border said when he saw the van and car loaded with White Braid Society members -- adults, teenagers and children -- feather bussels hanging from window hooks and drum music playing on the tape decks.

And powwow time it was at the "Gathering of Nations" in Albuquerque, New Mexico, April 17 and 18, 1987.

Over seven-hundred dancers filled the "pit" for the two-day event. The "pit" at the University of New Mexico is shaped like the Coliseum in Edmonton -- an oval-shaped, covered arena with descending seats.

Traditional, fancy and specialty dancers, like the jingle dress performers, descended the long stairways from four directions to join in unison during the grand entries held each day.

From noon to dawn, Navajos, Apaches, Pueblos, Oklahomas, Canadian Crees and many more danced, gathered, talked, bargained for jewellery, traded goods, danced and gathered some more.

And during this entire time, only one eagle feather was dropped.

It was evident in Albuquerque that we require minimum pre-planned organization when gather-



BOBBY HUNTER
...White Braid dancer at New Mexico powwow

ing. It paid off here. There was no bumping into each other, trampling of toes, or ruffling of feathers among

the 700 who packed the pit.

Even those drawn by the desire to get as close as possible to the pounding

drums would gather around the loudspeakers, respecting each other's dance space.

The Oklahomas led the Group dance -- performed traditionally by their Nation. It's like a round dance except that the lead dancers start from a distance away from a large group of drummers (4 drums in this case with about a dozen singers) and move in with each beat as the drum gets more intensified and more dancers join the many circles around the drummers.

The jingle dress dancers also did a special performance. Women wear silver jingle bell noise makers along the front, back and sides of their dresses and move slow or fast with the drumbeat. Scarves are worn around the neck and wrists, with a feathered fan held in one hand. These scarves replace the shawl usually worn by women dancers of many Nations.

Mixed with the grand entries, intertribals and specialty dancers, were the competition dances. Two White Braid members, grass dancer **Rick Boudreau** and traditional dancer **Craig Auger** both placed in the finals.

The youngest member, three-year old Wasikuan Bellerose, was featured in NBC television network coverage of the Gathering. **Joey Stebbings**, with White Braid since it started 11 years ago, was given a porcupine head roach for his performance. **Stoney Whiskeyjack**, a drummer and grass dancer, received a Navajo tribal printed T-

shirt for his efforts.

Other members who travelled to Albuquerque included White Braid Society's new President **Martha Campioun-Zarutsky**, Elder and lead drummer **Morris Cryer**, **Austin Tootoosis**, **Irvin Waskawich** and **John Keeley**. Other members of the group included **Frank (Foxy) Morin** and his son **Bobby Hunter**, **Theresa** and **George Bellerose** and their children **Rita**, **Donavan** and **Shawna** (as well as **Wasikuan**), **Deanna Cardinal**, and **Dorothy** and **Anoch Daniels**. White Braid's 24 members got there by van, car, truck and plane.

In addition to the excitement of being involved in a large Gathering of Nations (400 tribes are claimed to have been represented in Albuquerque), the White Braid members saw a lot of country, met and dealt with Indians from many parts of North America, and visited Navajo and Pueblo reserves.

Canadian Indians did well at Albuquerque. **Celeste Tootoosis** of Poundmaker's Reserve in Saskatchewan was crowned "Miss Indian World." Celeste, a student at the University of Regina, takes combined Indian studies courses. She is an inspiration to young Native women across the continent.

White Braid plans to participate in other American Indian experiences.

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Peltier support rally May 12

By Terry Lusty

A public rally to increase awareness and encourage public support for the return of Leonard Peltier to Canada will occur in Edmonton on Tuesday, May 12 from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

The rally, part of a North American tour entitled "Solidarity with South African and Native American Political Prisoners," is geared to freeing political prisoners. Two dozen American cities have already been visited by the tour.

The other political prisoner supported by the tour is South African leader Nelson Mandela.

Peltier, convicted of allegedly murdering two FBI agents in the United States during the 1975 occupation of Wounded Knee, has insisted he is innocent since being captured in Canada back in 1976. He has now spent 10 years behind bars.

The major focus of the rally at the Sacred Heart Catholic community School at 9624-108 Avenue, will be on Peltier. Organizers hope a large crowd will turn out to support this cause.

MPs, MLAs, Metis and Indian leaders, and a number of political support groups are expected to attend.

The tour stresses "the indivisibility of the struggle

against oppression and exploitation and for a new, humane, peaceful and prosperous future for all mankind."

Peltier's case has been appealed to the Supreme Court of the United States. That decision is still being awaited.

His lawyer, William Kunstler, a well-known human rights attorney, alleges that evidence against Peltier is questionable. So, too, is his conviction and imprisonment at Leavenworth in the state of Kansas, according to sources representing Amnesty International.

The Leonard Peltier Defense Committee is requesting letters of support as well as financial donations to help defray the legal and political expenses.

Contributions may be forwarded to: International Office of Leonard Peltier Defense Committee, P.O. Box 6455, Kansas City, KS 66106.

Letters of support can be sent to: Leonard Peltier #896-37132, P.O. Box 1000, Leavenworth, KN 66048.

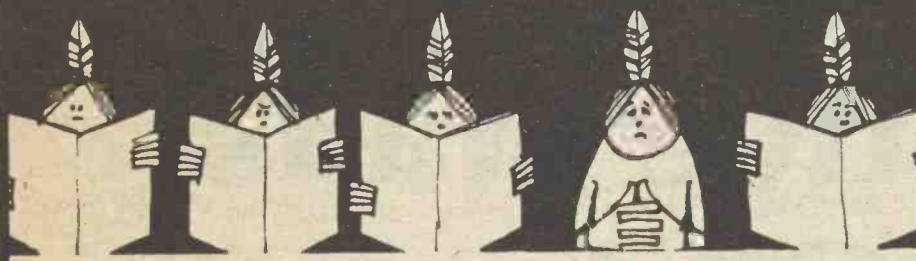
A press conference will be held at 9 a.m. on May 11 at the Canadian Native Friendship Centre in Edmonton.

Poem By Leonard Peltier

...I am the collective Indian voice
and I cry out from a million graves of unresting souls
and another million cries that ask the questions:
where does my future belong and to whom:
Does it belong to my people?
Is it to prosper on the land that is rightly mine?
Yes, it does and it shall.
For my voice shall not be stilled
nor my spirit stopped from soaring
to the heights of greatness
which my people have known and shall know again.

Submitted by,
Leonard Peltier
Defense Committee
Kansas City

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All interested members of the public are invited to observe, and to gain an understanding of their Board operations.

A question and answer period will be provided for the public as an agenda item.


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Editorial

To mothers, it's your day

Guest Editorial by Terry Lusty

Mothers.

Who are they? What are they? Why honor them with a special day?

First, they brought each and every one of us into this world. They nurture us as young babes, give us food, love mental and spiritual strength.

Our mothers comfort us when needed, talk to us and counsel us so we can learn and share their wisdom, care for us when we are hurting.

Their sensitivity is irreplaceable. They hurt when we hurt, worry when we worry, laugh when we laugh, and cry when we cry.

Mothers really are a godsend! What would we have ever done without them? Who would have tied our shoelaces, washed our clothes, wiped our noses and mended our broken hearts when we suffered the inevitable emotional wounds of our teen years.

Some of us have one mother, some have more than one. At different time, or even at the same time, there are those who are blessed with more than one mother.

She may be a natural mother, a foster mother, really close aunt, grandmother or, yes, a mother-in-law. A mother might also be a dear friend we adopted or vice versa.

Whoever our mothers may be, no matter what we may do as we travel the difficult paths in our life, they seem to always be there at our side, when we need them most.

Whatever they are, mothers extend the warmth, love, understanding and caring that we so desperately need if we are to grow, to develop, to become both human and humane.

What can we give in return? Certainly our respect and admiration, as well as our love. Especially our love.

What is one day of each year in our lives? We owe at least that and much, much more. Perhaps we should celebrate Mother's Day more often.

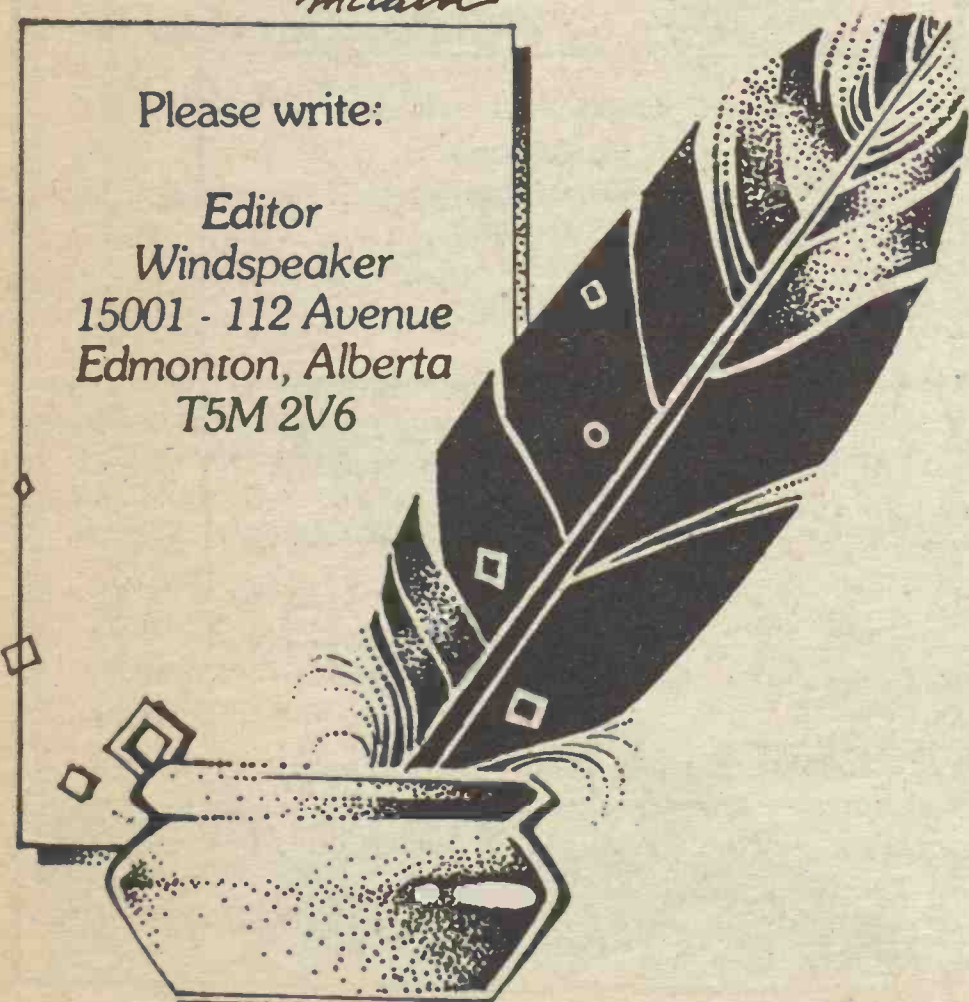
They cherish us, their children. The very least we could do is return what they have given. They are special individuals who have given of themselves.

Thank you mothers, for everything.

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Too few Native grads

By Howard T. Rainer

Soon hundreds of high school graduations will gather proud parents, relatives and admiring friends to high school campuses across the United States and Canada.

Thousands of graduating seniors will step forward and receive their diplomas while commencement speeches of admiration and admonition will be spoken.

While all this is going on, where will the Natives of Canada be? In some schools in Canada, there will be some who will be rejoicing but for most Native young people, the dream of graduation and fulfilling high school dreams is dismal at best.

It is a tragic reality that for the majority of Native students who enter a non-Indian high school, the chances of them graduating or even completing a high school education is remote.

Why have we allowed so many of our brightest, talented and creative Native students to walk away from high school and become another fallen statistic or just another "drop out?" Whose fault is it, or where should we point the finger in seeing so many hundreds of our Native youth fall by the wayside on a defeated path that has no happy ending?

Some could blame the school system, the teachers, the educational process or the teaching methods. Others might blame the government for their failure to rectify the serious attrition rate among Native youth but where else can we point the finger?

Could it be that Native parents have been silent too long and have quietly allowed their children to come home a failure from school? Could it be that Native students themselves have not been taught the value of a high school education? We, as Native people, spend so much time, money and energy turning our young into "super athletes." We have ignored this same energy and effort to ensure and demand that our young people are not only going to graduate from high school but prepare to further their education.

Reserves across Canada will soon face the same problems Indian people living on U.S. reservations must address, what to do with a growing population of untrained, unskilled Native youth under the age of twenty-five. What will we do with thousands of young people who have not finished high school, who have failed in their first semester of college and given up on education?

If Native people value their future, part of the price that must be paid will have to come from supporting and demanding quality education for their children. We can no longer afford to have our youth quit before graduating, sitting in the back and be ignored in the classroom. We can't sit and watch our most prized Native resource become defeated and unproductive to their communities and people.

Why don't we set a goal for next spring and make sure that there will also be hundreds of proud Native parents watching their children receive their diplomas?

Why don't we point the finger at ourselves and say, "I will help change the dropout statistics by working with my own child, son, or daughter."

I only know of four simple ways to change the plight of our youth dropping out of school:

First, parents get involved in what is happening to your son or daughter in the classroom. If you care, someone at the school they attend must pay attention to you. Wherever there are supporters and friends of Native people who understand their challenges adjusting to the non-Indian's education, Indian people should reinforce their commitment and concern for the welfare of Native students. Too often we fail to acknowledge and thank those non-Natives who want our children to succeed. Let them know that we are aware of them and appreciate their extra efforts to reach out and touch our children's hearts and spirits.

Second, if our Indian parents valued reading and encouraged their children to read, there could be positive changes of grades and accomplishments in the classroom. It is not that our Indian youth are not intelligent but that they don't know how to read, write and express themselves.

Third, every Indian community should play up Native youth graduating the same as they do hockey players, baseball and rodeo stars. There should be the same kind of recognition to those who have graduated. When we as adults and parents value education, so will our children!

Fourth, speaking up and expressing your concern for our child's education is vital. Educators and school officials must know that Indian parents collectively will no longer tolerate a "no care" attitude towards their children.

We can no longer afford to have our Native children be "invisible people" in the classroom where they sit and hide in the shadows of silent discontent. It is up to the parents to step inside the school of their children and see what is happening in the educational process of their children.

We as Native people must speak up or speak out and express our displeasure in seeing so many of our youth leaving school as a failure. This is not right and only you can make the difference.

If our Indian people would talk about education and tell their children they value it, then the Native student might see his role and importance of not only surviving in school, but making good grades, contributing his or her talents and graduating.

If one hundred Native parents went to their schools and expressed their concerns, made sure that they are informed what the schools plan to do to alter the dropout rate, then we might begin to see more Native students in the graduating lines in the coming years.

The future for Native people may well depend on how many Native youth can successfully finish high school or college and use their professional skills to save their lands, resources and culture.

Opinion

Windspeaker a winner

Dear Editor:

Congratulations!
I had to write to say that I am very proud of Windspeaker on its recent achievements with the Native American Press Association.

Eight first place winnings out of 13 is very remarkable and furthermore, taking the Overall Excellence award proves that you and your team at Windspeaker are doing a tremendous job.

I always knew that the Windspeaker newspaper was read by many and it reached a numerous crowd who were delighted to receive this paper weekly. The content is not only appealing to those interested in news in Indian country but it is also enjoyed by those who like to spend

even a minute doing the pictograms, or a few more minutes to do the puzzles.

Having been associated with the newspaper in the past, I can say that I know that the newspaper makes every effort to put out the "best" and in the future there could only be room for more advancements and as the past has proved, more achievements.

I am very proud to have been a part of Windspeaker and am glad to know that I will continue reading your material week after week.

To the Windspeaker team, "Way To Go," and I won't say keep up the good work because I know you guys down there strive day in and day out to do so.

Again, Congratulations!

**George Poitras
Fort Chipewyan**



Bella Bridget McGilvery

Her star shone briefly -- but brightly

Dear Editor:

I enjoy reading your newspaper especially the editorial and feature stories.

The reason for writing to you is to share the eulogy of my cousin, Bella Bridget McGilvery. The McGilvery family had asked me to write one up and send it to a paper. She is the young lady who passed away on March 20, 1987 from cancer.

It was sad and the most beautiful funeral ceremony I've ever attended. By beautiful I mean, it was traditional with drum singing and having Honorary Pallbearers. The eight ladies, as honorary ballbearers, each carried an eagle feather. We lifted the eagle feathers as the casket went down with the drum singing in the background. It was so choking I had to cry.

I read the eulogy and was one of the pallbearers.

On behalf of the McGilvery family, we thank you very much for putting the eulogy in your paper.

Thanks to all the people who helped support the family in any way.

**Yours truly,
Pearl Cardinal
Grand Centre**

EULOGY OF BELLA BRIDGET McGILVERY

Bella Bridget McGilvery was born on May 12, 1956 in Saddle Lake, Alberta.

She is survived by her daughter, Stacey and her boyfriend, Teddy Quinney.

Also, her parents, Louie and Emma McGilvery, two sisters, Denise and Sally, nine brothers, Buddy, Lea, Samuel, Bruce, Ovide, Peter, Lyman, Robert and Hector, all of Saddle Lake.

She was predeceased by her older sister, Rose Margaret McGilvery on

March 10, 1084.

She started school in Saddle Lake from kindergarten to Grade 5; from Grade 6 to 9 at Blue Quills, and Grade 10 to 12 at St. Paul Regional High School.

Bella also attended AVC, Lac La Biche with a certificate in Early Childhood Services. Her first job was with Indian Affairs as a Native Student Counsellor at St. Paul School. She then worked as a supervisor for Day Care Services and Boarded Students at Blue Quills for a few years.

Bella decided to back to school to pursue a Bachelors Degree of Arts through Athabasca University which she received in early March of 1987.

Pearl Cardinal read her personal history:

It's an honor to share Bella's personal history. I am Bella's cousin. She was my personal friend and, in the Indian way, she was my sister. I will share with you some personal and general information of Bella's.

Bella was a home birth baby at our grandfather's, Edward Cardinal's place.

Our grandmother, Margaret, midwife of the reserve in the 50s and

Auntie Bella Dion helped to deliver her.

Bella had pride and valued Native culture, Cree language, education, respect for Elders and her own religion.

Bella's friends and relatives knew her as Chan-ni-chich or Bellasis. Our late Mosum used to sing her a song, called chanichich and she would jump up-and-down to dance for him.

Bella was a kind, generous, honest, and respected young woman of this community and elsewhere.

Bella volunteered her time in the church. She sang in choirs and helped organize and plan things with the priest and nuns.

Bella was a firm believer, the Catholic way. Her main request was to pray everyday and thank God, the Creator, for what we have, especially our families, children, health, love and to forgive one another.

Bella was independent; what she had is what she worked for and she had her own way of doing things, like good housekeeping.

Bella enjoyed working with children of all ages. She was especially thrilled to have her own, Stacey

And I want to know if you'll please print this in Windspeaker, for my best friend Jennelle was my only friend in this world. I am lost without her and I trusted only her with my heart and soul.

Everybody else just used and abused me, she never did. She was my only friend. I really miss her a lot.

Please send me a Windspeaker with the thing I wrote of me and my friend Jennelle. Thank you very much.

Tribute to a lost friend

Dear Editor:

"Tansi!" My name is Tamara Lynn Papin and I'm 20 years old, I'm from Enoch Reservation.

I never knew much about my Native ways for I was living in the city always. I am wanting to learn more for I feel weak inside.

I am doing three years and eight months in the pen. I'm at prison for women in Kingston, Ontario. I lost my best friend Jennelle last year (July 22, 1986).

In memory of my only true friend in this world, my friend Jennelle.

*My friend with true colors.
With whom I grew up with
through the struggles on the street.
Together my sister we were there for each other's
understanding.*

*When you were hurting
I was hurting
When you cried
I would hold you and let you
know that I was a true friend to you forever.*

*And you would do the same for me.
For we shared each other's laughter.
When one of us was hungry
And little of money in our pockets
We would share that little hunger
and look at each other and smile.
For we knew in our hearts and souls
That we were there for one another
for our struggles
On the street, and life always*

*You were my only true friend
in this world.*

*For you were the only friend
that knew I was crying out
for a real family and love
For you were my family.*

*My friend it was a struggle for
the both of us.
For I knew that you were a lady
with a big heart
And a very caring person.*

*Nobody could take my heart
and friendship in your place
"ever"*

*I know you would want me to
stay strong and to walk proud
And I will my friend and sister.
For I really miss you with all
my heart and I pray everynight
to the Great Spirit to take care
of you and to keep me strong
Inside, for I love you my friend
You were a beautiful friend.
And I feel so lost and lonely*

*without you
Missing you my friend
With all my love.*

**Your Best Friend,
Tamara Papin,
Little Feather**

friends.

From Vera Cardinal:

Toward the end, Bella was granted the serenity to accept the things she could not change, the courage to change the things she could and the wisdom to know the difference. One of her many wisdoms was to help one another and to encourage each other.

Bella will certainly be greatly missed by her family and dear, close friends.

From Valerie Denny (Cardinal):

Bella was one of the finest women I have had the privilege of becoming friends with. Bella and I worked and played together. Bella taught me a lot about friendship — friends are there for you always. It's very difficult to lose one of your best friends — but I know in my heart that the Creator has a special place for Bella. I know that there will be another time and another place when I will meet my dear friend again.

I thank the McGilvery family for allowing me to share my thoughts and feelings about Bella.

With love and friendship,
Val.

People

50 golden years

By Brian Calliou

SUCKER CREEK — Approximately 200 friends and relatives attended the celebration of Clem and Elizabeth Calliou's 50th wedding anniversary at the new Sucker Creek recreational hall on April 19. The celebration followed an Easter Sunday Mass at the church where the couple were blessed by Father Fred Grouleau of Grouard.

Clem Calliou married Elizabeth Lagrande in Jossard on April 6, 1937.



CLEM AND ELIZABETH CALLIOU
...touched many lives

The couple raised nine children, only one of which was their own. All nine were present and comprised the head table with the original bridesmaid, Agnes Willier.

The nine children they raised were: Peter Harvey Calliou of Sucker Creek, Angeline Willier of Driftpile, Mickey Calliou of McLennan, Peter Francis Calliou of Little Buffalo, Yvonne Arlidge of Hinton, Violet Litwin of Hinton, Sherman Calliou of Sucker Creek, Sandra Goulet of Edmonton and Joyce

Twinn of Sucker Creek.

Clem and Elizabeth have 42 grandchildren and 66 great-grandchildren, most of who were in attendance.

Brian Calliou acted as emcee with Mickey Calliou interpreting in Cree for the benefit of the many Elders who attended. Victoria Calliou asked for a blessing of the food with a beautiful prayer in Cree.

Clem and Elizabeth were presented with a number of certificates and mementoes that were sent to commemorate the occasion by Lieutenant Governor Helen Hunley, Premier Don Getty, Opposition Leader Ray Martin, MLA Larry Shaben and MP Jack Shields.

Grandchildren and great-grandchildren came from many parts of Alberta and one family attended from Nova Scotia.

The principle characteristic of both Clem and Elizabeth Calliou is the overwhelming love they have offered through their lifetimes. They have touched many lives and illustrative that, indeed, some people do have a heart of gold.



FOUR GENERATIONS TOGETHER

Standing on the right, is great grandmother Gladys Calliou from Edmonton. To her left, is her daughter Peggy Crevier. Seated from left to right is Sherry Crevier with Cher and 5-month-old daughter Cheryl and Shelley Crevier with 1-month-old daughter Jenna. The two babies were baptized at St. Eugene Catholic Church in Fishing Lake on Palm Sunday.

-- Photo by Diane Parenteau

Whitney joins Nechi

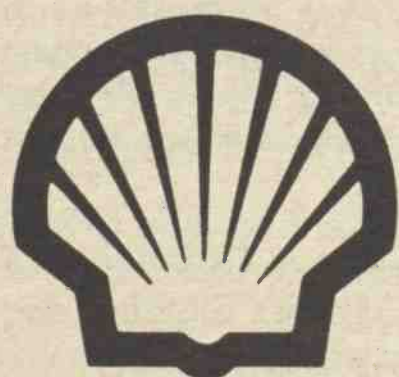
Roy Whitney, Jr., a council member, and former Chief of the Sarcee Reserve, has joined the Board of Directors of Nechi Institute. Whitney is married and has four children. Whitney is a graduate of the Nechi Basic Counselling Series, is a recovering alco-

holic, has experience in seeking funds and negotiating with government levels.

Whitney is at present involved with the NNADAP evaluation team and has developed a new awareness of the training and program issues our com-

munities face in the field of community addictions.

Whitney has a strong commitment to the field of addictions and will bring community insight into our vision in continuing to develop a responsive program to community needs.



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DAVE KEELEY
...has active lifestyle

"Turning point"

Youth meets tradition

By Mark McCallum

"I had a negative attitude when I was 17. I was only going to sweatlodges because my mother told me to," admitted 21-year-old Dave Keeley.

But, this way of thinking changed after Keeley met Berry Menary at a Kehewin sweatlodge. Keeley explained, "that was a turning point in my life. Berry showed me in his own little way how to be a traditional man. He taught me that no matter what culture you're in, if you do things the traditional way, you will always be a man.

"I learned respect, how to be a positive person and how to get a job," he says, adding that he just "floated" from job to job up until this point in his life.

At present, Keeley is attending the Computer Career Institute and is a disc jockey at one of the Franklin's Restaurants in Edmonton.

Keeley says after his mother and Menary "snagged each other," they became a family.

Keeley, born in Prince George, was introduced to the Manatisowan Cultural Society by Menary, who he calls his "spiritual adopted

father," over three years ago when the society was formed. But, it wasn't until six months ago that Keeley began volunteering some of his time to the society, which operates three ongoing programs; a karate club, Cree classes and Native Junior Achievement project.

He spends most of his volunteer hours at the karate club where he achieved enough knowledge in the art of self-defense to receive a yellow belt.

How serious is Keeley about karate?

"I'm serious enough to come here (Edmonton Friendship Centre) every Tuesday and Thursday (6 to 8 p.m.) for the class. But if something comes up and I can't make it to class," he explained, "that's alright because I know it will always be here for me."

But, Keeley has also learned to take the initiative, using his D.J. talents to start a dance at the friendship centre.

"One day I volunteered to put on a dance for young adults, who come from alcoholic backgrounds. But, it fell through because the hall got booked over in March — the day of the dance," he admitted disap-

pointedly. "I wasn't too pleased, but I took it in stride and rolled with the punches like you do in boxing."

Keeley did eventually put the dance on the following month but only 10 people showed up for it. Shrugging off the incident, he said, "but, what can you do about that."

Always looking for something positive in everything that happens to him, Keeley says, the experience did teach him how to organize and plan things out. These skills should help Keeley when he takes charge of Project Lead later this year. Project Lead is another venture of Manatisowan, which means respect in English.

"Project Lead will teach young people (from 13 to 18) to become stronger with themselves and to become leaders," explained Keeley. "They'll do short term goals like doing odd jobs in the community."

A burning desire to become a pipe-holder, compelled Keeley to ask his Elders for this important responsibility. But, they told him to wait and be patient for he will know when he is ready to carry the pipe.

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Youth

Fishing Lake students catch toy award

By Diane Parenteau

FISHING LAKE — The science students at JF Dion School in Fishing Lake are holding their heads up high. Last week, two students from the special education class for advanced students, were awarded first place in the junior division at the National Museum of Science and Technology and the Edmonton Space Sciences Centre National "Invent an Alien" contest.

The northern Alberta regional contest held at the Space Sciences Centre in Edmonton April 25, received 54 entries from across northern Alberta. Half of them were in the junior category for grades 4, 5 and 6.

An invitation to enter the contest reached the school just four weeks ago. It included contest curriculum to follow. Students were told to study the planet Mars. On the basis of their research, the students were required to construct a three dimensional model of an alien creature that could successfully live on that planet.

The contest also asked that the students keep in mind things like what the alien will eat and breath, how it will move, reproduce, communicate, and whether or not it is a social creature that uses any form of technology.

"The whole project started with students interest," said school principal Ken Klein. "The students saw something that they liked and brought it to the attention of the teacher. They volunteered

their time (through Easter break) outside the school, realizing that all projects can't be done in two or three hours. We don't often see those things."

Subsequently, two eleven year olds, Bridgette Tucker and Sara Daniels, both in Grade 6, with some help from Special Ed teacher Brian Tucker, created "Ambrocious."

The name Ambrocious comes from Merlin the Magician's father. This creature, with a "highly developed philosophy and theology that rejects war and violence," was given the species name Ellmond-rill, which means peace. It was taken from the book, *Quest for a Far Dawn*.

The idea for the two and one-half foot scale of the creature stems from a one-celled organism called the Uglena.

"We looked up plants and found a one-celled organism, and we enlarged it," said Bridgette Tucker.

As described in the printed explanation, Ambrocious is "an intelligent plant with a large brain that evolved locomotive functions." It goes into detail about the clear semi-permeable outer membrane (saran wrap), and the insulating layer of clear fat (dippity do) that covers a green inner skin (plaster-cine).

"It has four arms; two are retractable," said Sara Daniels. They are used to burrow down through the surface of Mars, to where moisture can be found.

Alien characteristics outlined by the girls, describe how the creature



(Clockwise from top left) Teacher Brian Tucker, Sara Daniels, Bridgette Tucker, Candice Desjarlais and David Daniels. "Ambrocious" lays on the counter.

transfers radiant energy into heat energy through the greenhouse effect and uses chlorophyll and sunlight to change radiant energy into chemical energy.

The creature is a member of the Matriarchal society that mates, marries, holds general meetings and familial Olympiads.

They have developed migratory paths and use photosynthesis to absorb and store energy.

Ambrocious communicate using telepathy and have a strong cultural background. They are committed to philosophy and traditions.

Community programmer and contest coordinator from the Space Science Centre, Russ Sampson, said one thing that really struck him about the girls was their knowledge and enthusiasm.

"These kids were serious," added Sampson.

The entrants were allowed to build a Mars landscape or backdrop to complement their aliens. As Sampson noted, the JF Dion team found some red soil from an old well, that contained iron oxide and used it for their model. It was the same type of soil that is found on Mars. That extra effort and "indepth knowledge" impressed him.

Entries were judged on how much scientific thought

went into the project, creative ability, originality, logic, imagination, explanation, and the presentation. Fifty per cent of the mark came from the alien, the other fifty per cent from judge interviews with the children.

"We weren't planning to win," said Tucker. "We just entered for fun."

"I kept telling myself not to get too disappointed," said Sara Daniels, "that we weren't going to win. When our name was announced, I almost fainted."

"One thing you can say for sure," added Tucker, "the parents showed a great deal of excitement."

As Ken Klein said, "Unless the teacher goes with the interest of the students and works with them, things won't happen. There was also a great deal of parental concern and involvement. It was a joint effort."

For their first place winning, the children and one teacher or parent received a free trip to Ottawa to compete in the National Invent an Alien contest on June 4, 5 and 6. During their stay they will participate in educational activity events including a meeting with Canada's astronauts.

Winners of the Ottawa competition will receive a telescope for their school.

Sara and Bridgette were assisted in the final stages of the project by 10-year-old Grade 5 student David Daniels and 12-year-old Candace Desjarlais who is in Grade 6.

Natives big winners in city math contest

By Mark McCallum

EDMONTON — On April 30, in an emotional award ceremony, Prince Charles student Jessica Andrews was presented with a trophy and plaque for finishing first in an Edmonton Public School Board mathematics contest held on March 4.

Jessica accepted the honor with tears running down her face after finishing ahead of over 11,000 students from across Edmonton. She was awarded the plaque for placing first out of Grade 6 students and the trophy was for a first place finish over-all.

Eleven other students from Prince Charles entered the contest, which included Grades 4, 5 and 6.

The contest came through the mail to the school, explained teacher Remi Mailhot, who became the teaching coach for the students a month before the contest.

"They gave up all of their recesses, noon hours and took one hour of their class a day (which was made up for with extra homework) to prepare for the contest," said Mailhot.

"I kept making the tests harder and harder when I prepared the students for the contest," he added.

Danine Bullion also did very well at the contest, finishing second for her grade and second over-all just behind Jessica. And, Tania Collins was a first place winner for Grade 5 students over-all.



CONTEST WINNERS

...Jessica Andrews (far left) was first, second place winner (next to her) Dinane Bullion, both from Prince Charles Elementary School.

Education

Educator presents wholistic view

By Diane Parenteau

BONNYVILLE — What do Native American stories have in common with archeology, parapsychology or metaphysics? According to Dr. Allen "Chuck" Ross, Superintendent of Schools on the Standing Rock Reserve in North Dakota, "all things are related."

This wholistic view of the universe was presented by Dr. Ross during a day-long workshop held at the Bonnyville Indian/Metis Rehabilitation Centre April 14. Participants from surrounding communities, seated in the mural-covered gymnasium, welcomed the well spoken visitor.

The one-time school teacher, principal, university professor and health consultant has lectured in 44 states and six provinces in Canada. His 10 presentation lecture series which includes illustrative lectures, handouts and slide presentations began 24 years ago as a search for the origins of his tribe. It eventually grew into the origins of mankind.

"I grew up very ignorant of my culture and my history," said Dr. Ross. "I looked in the mirror; I looked like an Indian but I didn't know anything about being an Indian."

While trying to under-

stand Native American oral history, it became apparent to Dr. Ross that different fields of study were interrelated.

One aspect of this wholistic view of the universe deals with education. Dr. Ross introduced the wholistic education system being used in all four schools on the Standing Rock Reserve.

The system is a balanced approach that addresses the child's total mind, body and spiritual needs. It is based on the idea that the brain is divided into two hemispheres. The left controls: logic, linear thinking, reading, writing, time, conscious and verbal. The right: creativity, wholistic thinking, dance, music, spatial thinking and intuition.

One of the two sides dominates during the learning process. According to Dr. Ross, 60% of children are right brain learners and the other 40% are left.

Most education being taught in schools today is geared toward left brain learners. The right brain learners are being neglected and so, don't do well in school.

"We want to educate both sides of the brain," said Ross. "That's what wholistic education is all about."

In one example, a student was asked to read, but do it while moving. "His reading improved in a snap. He is a right brain learner."

The health and physical education classes teach wholistic medicines like roots and herbs. Home ec students study natural foods. They grow natural plant medicine in solar greenhouses built and designed by school classes. It's their garden "hands on" project.

"In communities this spring, we have four gardens where, in the past 15 years, there hasn't been any," said Ross. "The kids are bringing them back."

Ross says that the wholistic approach still uses left brain learning but supplements it with right brain type instruction.

In addition to teaching both hemispheres of the brain, students receive health education and wholistic counselling. This teaching of a person's identity using wholistic counselling, can replace low self-esteem with the good and the positive. A good self-esteem works towards preventing self-abuse through drugs or alcohol.

While working on his Doctorate dissertation upon which the lecture series is based, Dr. Ross was introduced to some

modern psychology course that had some of the same ideas as traditional Indian thought. One course was on Jungian Psychology that followed the thoughts of Swiss psychiatrist Dr. Karl Gustaf Jung. His theory divided the human mind into three parts.

The lowest level, collective unconscious, consists of latent memories of a person's ancestry. Jung says the way to contact the level is through dream interpretation. Dreams then show through with images and symbols that must be understood.

Indian ceremonies and medicine men deal with problems such as alcoholism by calling upon lower levels of the mind.

Studies by Dr. Allen Ross revealed similarities between parapsychology and traditional Indian thought.

Parapsychology theorizes that a mass of energy grew up from the center of the universe and spread outward like spokes in a circular shape. When a person is born, energy enters the body; when someone dies, the energy is released.

Providing the person has lived a life of harmony between good and evil, the energy will return to the center. If a person lives too much on one side or the other, the energy enters another body. This is called "red road" and "black road." The red road is the balanced.

Dr. Ross, a self-proclaimed alcoholic was able to come to grips with his drinking problem by getting on the "red road." He doesn't say "yes" or "no" to a drink but says "maybe" or "later."

Ross talked about how Indians who used the sacred pipe, claim they can talk to the plants and to the animals.

"That's what the Holy Man has been saying for thousands of years but no one listened to him," said Ross.

Indians go into the mountains to pray. "It helps him make contact with the collective unconscious." Sweatlodges, running of prayers, sundances...they are all methods to make contact with the spiritual world.

It is now known that a large distribution of negative

ions at higher altitudes produce calmness enabling a person to reach the collective unconscious. Steam contains negative ions. Running for a long ways will eventually lead to contact with the collective unconscious.

"Indians, Holy Men, have been saying this for thousands of years," stressed Dr. Ross who repeatedly asked, "How did they know?"

Fifty or so people attended the first workshop. Oliver Soop, executive director of the Bonnyville Indian/Metis Rehabilitation Centre, was instrumental in bringing Dr. Allen "Chuck" Ross to share his insights on Native ancestry.

"It really fits in with our program here at the centre," said Soop.

The Bonnyville Indian/Metis Rehabilitation Centre uses Native sweatlodges, pipe ceremonies and drum ceremonies in their program.

Soop is planning a second two day workshop in September "that will be more geared towards the youth, teenagers and university students."

Deadline May 15

Native student awards

By Terry Lusty

The deadline is fast approaching for Native students who may wish to have their names submitted for the annual Edmonton Journal "Native Student Awards."

Begun in 1985, the awards are made to deserving Natives at the senior high school level. The criteria for the awards are based on academic achievement as well as community service.

Submissions for the awards should be entered through one's school teacher or principal. Contestants grades, projects and related activities should be detailed in the letter to the Journal. Of further assistance would be a short summary of the student's community service and personal goals and plans for the future.

Because the deadline for entries falls on May 15, entries should be submitted immediately. If you are

very close to the deadline and are concerned about it getting to the Journal in time, a phone call to their communications department would help. They can be reached by phoning Edmonton office at 468-4010.

The mailing address for submissions to the competition is: Native Student Awards, Community Relations Department, The Edmonton Journal, Box 2421, Edmonton, AB T5J 2S6.

World forum in B.C.

By Terry Lusty

Education of Native people will be under the spotlight June 8 - 13 as delegates from around the world gather in Vancouver.

The First World Conference on Indigenous Peoples' Education is expected to attract up to 800 delegates to the University of British Columbia site. Already 100 delegates from New Zealand and Australia have registered through

contacts in the UBC teacher education program.

Chairperson Karie Gainer hopes "the success of this first conference will pave the way for more."

"Tradition, Change and Survival" is the conference theme. Some professionals have prepared the program for over two years. In addition, numerous Native and non-Native educators and international leaders have joined forces with UBC and the International Indi-

genous Peoples' Education Association to organize the meeting.

The registration fee is \$150, with a 50% discount available to students and senior citizens.

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The Registration fee is \$60 per person; food is being provided free of charge. Conference participants are responsible for bringing their own camping and sleeping gear, as this year's conference may be attended by 2,000 or more people. There will be limited housing in the homes of the people of the Dene Tha Band for Elders and in teepees on a first-come, first-serve basis.

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Culture

Poitras' paintings earn rare reviews

By John Copley

Magnificent! Dazzling! Unbelievable! Her best Canadian show to date.

These comments came from first time gallery-goers and experienced art collectors at Edmonton's Vik Gallery during the recent (May 1) solo opening by Canadian Native artist, Jane Ash Poitras.

Poitras, a well-known Cree artist who was born in Fort Chipewyan on October 11, 1951 currently makes her home in Edmonton.

Her two page artistic resume includes many group exhibitions around the world, numerous awards scholarships from Canada and the U.S.A. and a series of teaching and lecturing stints across the continent.

Collections of her works can be seen in such places as the National Art Gallery in Ottawa; the Brooklyn and New York museums; and both Yale (Connecticut) and the Columbia (New York) universities.

A proficient artist, as is established by her masters degree from Columbia

University's Fine Art program, Poitras paints from the heart. Good feelings and bad are evident on the walls of one of Edmonton's most popular galleries as her brush strokes harmony and anguishes lie in plain view for all to see.

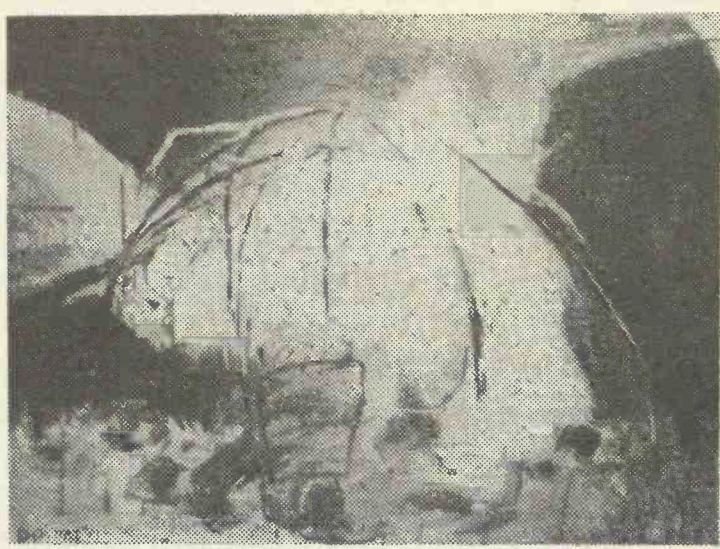
"It's (painting) not about technique," said Poitras, "it's about putting your soul out front for all to see."

From the brightly lit colors of life to the blacks and grays of death, Poitras establishes a realm of realism that gives her a unique identity.

"I usually feel good and have fun when I paint," Poitras said, "and and intense colors are part of that feeling."

Though she claims to like painting "the world in bright colors," Poitras admits that other elements are sometimes also present.

"The burial sequences in my recent work are a dedication (of sorts) in part of my foster mother who passed away last year. I wanted to dedicate the idea of the theme to spirituality



OPENING NIGHT — Jane Ash Poitras, far left, mingles with guests. The insert is one of her latest works.



and to the ancient ways."

Poitras said the series was a "visionary idea" that surfaced similarly to those of the "birth sequence"

when her son Joshua was born and the previously painted "Sky People" series, brushed while she was carrying her unborn

son.

Poitras was pleased that her opening was such a success and credited much of it to the gallery.

"Knut and his staff have been wonderful, as always," she said explaining the dedication and hard work that was necessary for success.

Dr. Knut Vik, an Edmonton medical doctor and family physician, wiles away his extra time at the gallery he opened in 1983.

Showing Poitras' works since 1984 he said "we try to keep a display of Jane's art on hand for viewing but she is very popular and her work sells extremely fast. It is terribly hard to build up a stock of her art."

Vik added that families, individuals and corporate buyers all rank high on the list of anxious persons

seeking her style.

Referring to Poitras as "one of Canada's great stars and not only as an artist," Dr. Vik concluded that "the extreme amount of energy and work required to get an exhibition together is well worthwhile" from a viewpoint of satisfaction.

Satisfaction, happiness and sales. The first two of these perhaps give the artist and gallery a sense of self-worth and accomplishment but the latter pays the bills and if this solo show is any example of her success, Poitras has it made.

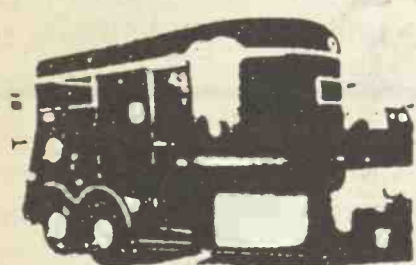
Though Edmonton liquor laws forbid sales of paintings in a gallery setting while drinks are being served, decisive buyers "blue-dotted" (intent-to-purchase stickers) about 12 paintings in the first hour of the opening show. Before the permit had expired (10 p.m.) over 20 of Poitras' paintings had been earmarked for sale.

The paintings fetch anywhere from about \$400 to \$4,000 each.

Poitras' personal manager, Clint Buehler, explaining the philosophy of opening night said, "it's more of a social function than a sales arena and it's really about people getting together to appreciate art. It gives the artist a chance to talk one-on-one with the gallery patrons."

He explained that the artist could "then relate to their questions and concerns" and that they "will have a better understanding of the artist and perhaps some insight into the particular piece they may be interested in."

The Vik Gallery's (10129-104 St.) exhibition of Poitras' current works will continue through May 20.



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Native artists vie for big bucks

By Kim McLain

Alberta Native artisans will soon have a crack at big money and recognition. The Alberta Indian Arts and Crafts Society (AIACS) has just announced a call for entries for the 1987 Alberta Contemporary Native Crafts Competition.

Entries will be accepted in the following categories; Traditional skills used on modern articles, Ceramics/pottery, Fashions (contemporary, new designs), Home Decorator Products, and Special Articles.

\$1,500 is up for grabs for Best New Product, with \$500 and \$250 for second and third place finishes in the same category. The same prize money will be awarded for Best Overall Quality, too. Judging will take place in late June, 1987, but the deadline for entries is no later than June 15.

For entry forms and more information write; Alberta Indian Arts and Crafts Society, \$501, 10105-109 Street, Edmonton, AB T5J 1M8 or phone (403) 426-2048.

Historical background to Peltier's case

By **Guiou Taylor**

Guilt or innocence is a legal finding reaching by judges or juries. Leonard Peltier was found guilty of several crimes in U.S. after his extradition from Canada in 1973.

It is not the mandate of Windspeaker to re-try the legal cases.

However, in this analytical story, freelance writer Guiou Taylor portrays Peltier as one in a long line of warriors who, over 500 years, have attempted to defend Indian lands and culture against the European intrusion power.

This is part of Taylor's Windspeaker series "On the Borderline."

Objibwa-Sioux Leonard Peltier's current address is Leavenworth, Kansas, a maximum security prison. Serving a term after conviction for crimes against the United States, the killing of two FBI agents on the Pine Ridge, South Dakota, Sioux Reservation, Peltier is now claiming international attention.

Whatever Peltier's personal situation, the Peltier Defence Committee feels Peltier's treatment by the legal system is an example of the legal lynching of Native people, one of thousands of cases since the settlement of Europeans in the new world.

Behind the criminal charges against Peltier and others lies a long history of land grabs and treaty violations covered in the last two issues of Windspeaker.

Peltier's mother is a member of the Pembina Ojibwa tribe, with relatives in both the United States and Canada. From a U.S. Treaty in 1864 which awarded 1,150 square miles for a new reservation, that land base had dwindled to less than 70 square miles in 1970.

On his father's side, Peltier is Sioux. That nation's land loss has been reported in the stories on Sitting Bull, The Little Big Horn and Gen. Custer, and the Massacre at Wounded Knee.

The great plains of the Missouri River valley had been "purchased" from the French Emperor Napoleon Bonapart in 1805 by the United States government, in order to finance his campaign to conquer Europe for the French.

Yet settlement of the plains, which includes the states of Oklahoma, Louisiana, Kansas, Missouri, Arkansas, north to the Canadian border, and west to the Rocky Mountains, had remained slow -- until the end of the Civil War.

Suddenly, immigration from Europe thrust millions of new people into America, and land for establishing farms, towns and railroad lines to the west was vital.

Indian rights were lost in

the confusion.

New towns sprung up all over the west. By 1876, only eight years after the Laramie Treaty and the granting of the Black Hills "in perpetuity," Red Cloud of the Oglala was forced to sign a new document relinquishing those hills to the United States. This was the year of the Custer defeat on the Little Big Horn.

The Sioux signed away the Black Hills and 22 million acres of their Great Reservation at gun point. The Sioux were rounded up, restricted to the nine traditional reservations and forbidden under military threat to trespass on the 40 million acres of land they had not ceded to the government.

Over the years leading up to the birth of Leonard Peltier, this great land base was gradually eroded from the Sioux nation through government controlled leases, outright sales, and manipulation of Indian families under the Land Allotment Act.

By the next 60 years, 10,000 Indians had lost their lives fighting for the rights of United States citizens in the First World War. Citizenship was granted in 1924.

Unfortunately, this did not guarantee the right to survive. Reserve Indians found their "rights" did not include adequate food, education, or health care. Programs of the federal government acknowledged that the plight of the Indian was terrible.

With the end of World War II in 1945, a new generation of young Indians, often in the cities where their parents had fled from the inhumanity and poverty of the reservations, began a new struggle for Indian rights.

By the late '60s a generation of young urban Indian warriors had been in "whiteman's jails," served in the United States military, and seen some of the world outside the reservation. Leonard Peltier was one of them.

In November 1972, a large group of Indians and sympathizers set out on "The Trail of Broken Treaties," a trek to Washington, D.C. to confront U.S. President Richard Nixon, and the Bureau of Indian Affairs in their own turf.

The trail ended with the occupation of the BIA building and the refusal of the administration to entertain the 20 demands of the delegation.

In 1973, America was facing what it considered a more demanding challenge than unhappy Indians -- the Arab/OPEC Oil Crisis. Americans were panicking over the lack of oil and gasoline.

The previous decade had seen hippies and passivists

in the streets of every American city. The Black Civil Rights movement and Anti-war movement had prompted other movements including the Feminists to proclaim that something had to change.

Indians were not idle in these struggles and on the Pine Ridge Reservation, the site of the Wounded Knee Massacre in 1890, the struggle for change was not unnoticed.

By 1968, The American Indian Movement (AIM) had been formed. It united young Indian men and women, determined to use their urban skills to push for Indian rights and ensure that historic treaties by the United States government were honored.

In the fall of 1970 AIM established a base camp in the public eye at Mount Rushmore, a symbol of American arrogance which

imposes the faces of four American Presidents on the heart of Indian country. AIM was gaining a national reputation for being "A New Kind of Indian."

In the early '70s, a series of killings of Indian men around the Pine Ridge area and in South Dakota, led to a confrontation between traditionalists on the reservation and the current BIA-approved regime of Charles Wilson.

Acting in a symbolic protest, AIM moved with a small group of the historic village at Wounded Knee.

In an unprecedented move, the State of South Dakota, fearing a second Wounded Knee, called out the state police who were later joined by the National Guard, the FBI and other military personnel. The United States clearly was not about to let itself suffer another defeat, like Vietnam,

at the hands of untrained guerilla troops, the AIM civilians.

For several months, AIM and its supporters held Wounded Knee in the face of the organized federal forces. Finally, under the glare of the world press and the support of numerous church groups, movie stars and other celebrities, the government backed down. One Indian was killed.

But the government, embarrassed, had not forgotten. Nor had Charlie Wilson, whose para-military troops had not been capable of keeping the peace against its own members.

On June 26, 1975, late in the morning and unannounced, two FBI agents with no jurisdiction or authority on the reservation, approached a small house looking for a man about "stealing a pair of boots." In

the action which followed, the two FBI agents were killed.

There followed in the next year a chase that crossed America and into Canada where Peltier was captured at Chief Smallboy's camp in Alberta. After several Canadian hearings he was extradited to the United States where he was tried and convicted.

In recent years, a wide network of international voices has arisen to protest Leonard Peltier's violent capture by foreign agents on an Indian reserve in Canada, and the much-challenged evidence leading to his conviction.

Whatever its outcome, other Leonard Peltiers are now raising the call for Indian rights as the land, its minerals and animals loom more and more important in the life of North America.

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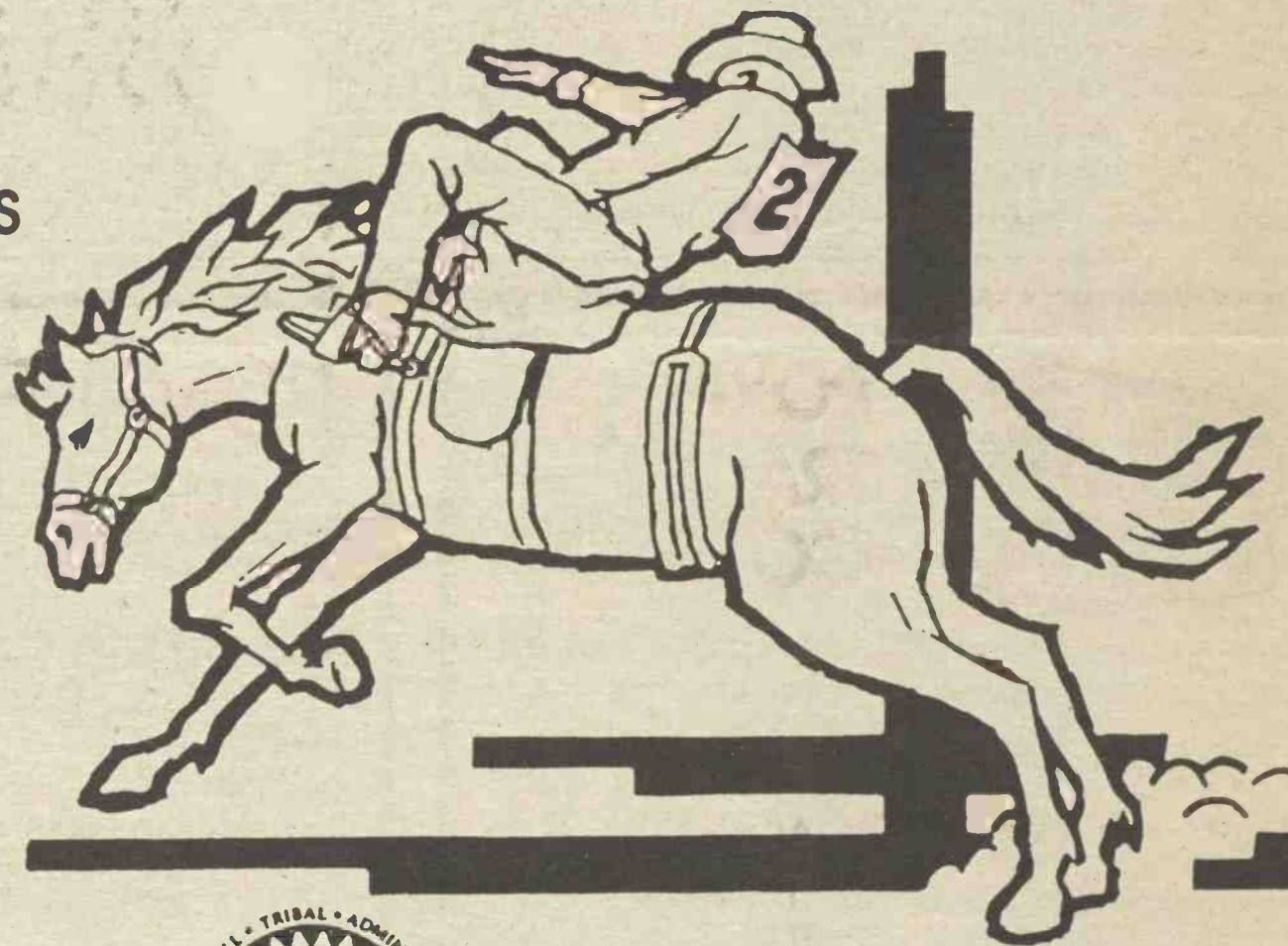
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Sports

Buddy McGilvery big in badminton

By Albert Burger

VALLEYVIEW — Buddy McGilvery had a dream. It involved birds, but not the kind that fly.

On May 1 and 2 he realized that dream. That's when he hooked up with the best senior high school badminton players in the province in the Alberta Schools Athletic Association championships.

"For three years," McGilvery told Windspeaker, "that's all I wanted — to go for the provincials. I think I'm the first Indian that ever came here to the provincials."

The Grade 12 student at Onchaminahos School at Saddle Lake won the local county badminton cup, then the zone playoffs, to advance to the Alberta high school championships.

At Valleyview's Hillside School, McGilvery emerged undefeated from his pool, besting players from Lethbridge, Fort Saskatchewan, and Edmonton. In the semi-final match-up he was defeated by silver medalist Doug Fystro of Peace River, and bumped to fourth place by bronze winner Rory MacKay of Lethbridge. James Tang of Calgary won gold in the senior boys competition.

To McGilvery, athletics and ancestry are inseparable. Besides concentrating on badminton, he and coach Zen Chaba were tireless ambassadors, handing out pens and caps compliments of the Saddle Lake band administration.

McGilvery said he enjoys "showing white people there can be good Indian athletes."

Added coach Chaba, "younger students look up to him."

Soon, Chaba said, there may be another McGilvery on the provincial badminton scene, Buddy's 14-year-old brother Bradley.

"He's already pretty good," Buddy smiled.

McGilvery, all-round young athlete, was prominent on the Saddle Lake volleyball team until he hurt his back recently in practice. "I try everything in sports — hockey, volleyball, badminton," he added.

He has attended school at Saddle Lake since play-school, and at the band-operated Onchaminahos School since it was built.

Buddy is the second youngest child of Emma and Louis McGilvery who have 13 children, some of them adopted.

His sister, Bella McGilvery, died last March of cancer at 31. Before she died she was awarded a Bachelor of Arts degree.

Hockey parents

Go see your kid play -- Paul

By Mark McCallum

After an opening prayer by Elder Mel Paul at the Paul Band Sports Roundup banquet on May 2, Chief Walter Rain set the tone for the banquet.

"We need more parent involvement" was the message Rain, the recreation staff and hockey coaches, who honored their players at the event in the Spruce Grove Motor Inn, echoed repeatedly.

"If you have \$10," said the Chief, "put it in your gas tank and go see your kid play hockey."

Rain stressed that parents must motivate and encourage their children. He also asked for volunteer support.

Rain, a tireless volunteer, won his second consecutive Francis Rain Memorial Award for distinguished contributions towards the Paul Band Recreation activities.

"The first time I won the award, people were coming up to me and saying next year they would take the award away from me," said Rain. "But if that's what happens, I'd be happy because that would mean there is more support for our kids than the year before."

Volunteer plaques were presented to Debby McLeod, Shelly Belhouse, Rema Adams, Bernice Bull, Shirley Martin, Theresa Bird and Bernice Bird for the time they devoted to the teams.

Paul Band hockey players won most of the 71



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plaques and trophies. On the Tom Thumbs team, Nathan Paskewich (Most Sportsmanlike Player), Jimmy Belhouse (Most Improved Player), Jason Michel (Most Valuable Player), Jay Rain (Most Improved Player), B.J. Rain (Most Valuable Player) and Rainbow Bird (Most Sportsmanlike Player) all took awards.

Adams players Warren Bird (Most Improved Player) and Donovan Adams, the team's leading

scorer, took home a very special award. The 11-year-old, the Adams' MVP, also won the Most Outstanding Minor Hockey Athlete trophy.

Jason Giselsbrecht, who played on the Paul Band Provincial Pee Wee D Zone 3 Championship team this year, tied Donovan Adams for the Most Outstanding Minor Hockey Athlete honors and added it to his MVP award. Pee Wee players Leon Bull (Most Improved Player) and Kyle

Bird (Most Sportsmanlike Player) were the team's other winners. Each member of the championship Pee Wee team got an award to celebrate their winning season.

The midget team gave awards to Edwin Burnstick (Most Sportsmanlike Player), Kevin Toews (Rookie of the Year), Lorne Rabbit (Most Dedicated Player), Charles Bearhead (Best Two-Way Player) and Terrence Rabbit (Most Improved Players).

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SPORTS ROUNDUP

By Mark McCallum

June 21, the official first day of summer, grows nearer and baseball and track teams are sprouting out all across the province. Most community friendship centres seem to be gearing up for the National Friends In Sports games at Edmonton July 6 to 9.

National? Yup, two short years ago when the games founders, the Edmonton Friendship Centre, first hosted the games, it was a provincial event. But, this year the games have expanded and could include any centre in the country.

Edmonton recreation director Gordon Russell says, "we don't expect all the centres in Canada to be at the games this year because it's a new event and none of them have had enough time to raise money or prepare a team to come to Edmonton. But, once the word gets around we hope more centres do make it out to the games."

The next national games will be held in three years. This should give more friendship centres time to prepare.

Eventually, Gordon hopes, each province will have a qualifying play-off for the games with finalists going on to the nationals.

The games are limited to friendship centres. But, reasons Gordon, "anyone can join a centre whether they're from a reserve or a city."

For more information about the games phone Gordon at 482-6051.

FORT CHIP -- Recreation director **Bev Davis** says the **Flossie Cyprien, Lloyd Benoit** and **Leeroy Gladue** volleyball teams were winners at a mixed tournament April 28, 19 and 30.

Bev added slow-pitch teams have until about the middle of May to register for league play, so call her at 697-3682.

HIGH PRAIRIE -- The Friendship Centre will host a singles mens' and womens' table tennis tournament May 16. Recreation director **Lorne L'Hirondelle** says the entry fee is only \$2, but players must register by May 14.

On May 12, the centre will begin try-outs for fastball and track teams to compete in the National Friends In Sports (NFIS) games. They were fastball champions at the games last year, and hope to repeat.

"A lot of people complimented us on our sportsmanship after we won the fastball championships," remarked Lorne, "and that's what we want to repeat again this year."

Call **Lorne** or **Vern Lamouche** at 523-4511, for more information.

FORT McMURRAY -- The Nistawoyou Friendship Centre has entered a midgets (18 and under) hardball team in the Zone 7 Baseball Alberta League. Recreation director **Kevin Daniels** says they don't need more

players, but the team could use fan support for its first season. But, Kevin says the midget girls' fastball team is looking for five or six players to fill out its roster. "They'll be playing in the McMurray Senior Ladies Fastball League and we already have four tournaments with other friendship centres lined up."

The centre's NFIS track and field team is officially opening training camp on May 18. The team will train for one month before the centre holds a mini-Olympics to decide who will represent the centre at the NFIS games.

Kevin says the centre is starting 15 new summer programs this year, so call him at 743-8555 for more details.

BLOOD TRIBE -- At the Standoff Red Crow Park, five and 10-mile road races will be held May 23. The races are open to all age groups, but you have to register before 10 a.m. Recreation worker **John Olshoes** explained, "we were suppose to have the race(s) in the fall, but it was too cold and wet then. So, we decided to wait for warmer weather."

Phone 737-3998 for more details.

After the Alberta Junior Provincial Boxing Championships completed eliminations on April 25 and 26 at the Edmonton Friendship Centre, coaches from boxing clubs in the province selected the Alberta Junior C Boxing Team. The team includes **Rory O'Leary, Doug Beler, Todd Peterson, Grant Burwash, Randy McQuaig** and **Shawn Simpson**.

Windspeaker should have results from the team's efforts at London, Ontario where the boxers have just finished fighting for National Junior C Boxing titles in their weight classes.

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17 One Corner Stamp	50.00	60.00	70.00	80.00
18 Three Corner Stamps	60.00	70.00	80.00	90.00
19 Four Corner Stamps	75.00	80.00	90.00	100.00
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Game 15 One Line Across	60.00	70.00	80.00	90.00
16 Two Lines Across	70.00	80.00	90.00	100.00
17 Three Lines Across	80.00	90.00	100.00	110.00
18 Blackout	100.00	110.00	125.00	150.00
19 Around The Free	60.00	70.00	80.00	90.00
20 Sprock	80.00	90.00	100.00	125.00
21 Blackout	100.00	110.00	125.00	150.00
22 One Line Anyway	60.00	70.00	80.00	90.00
23 Two Lines Anyway	80.00	90.00	100.00	110.00
24 Halfhouse Anyway	100.00	110.00	125.00	150.00
25 Blackout	125.00	125.00	150.00	175.00
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WHAT'S HAPPENING

Injunctions granted

By Mark McCallum

EDMONTON — On April 29, court ordered injunctions were served to Metis Regional Council Zone 4 Vice-President Ben Courtrille and board member Ron LaRocque which stated that they can no longer have any dealings with the council.

The injunction was passed by E. Picard, Madam Justice of the Court of Queen's Bench of Alberta, at the request of

council members.

On May 1, the injunction was varied by Madam Justice Picard, after the former council members appealed it. Picard ruled that Courtrille and LaRocque could enter the offices of the council. They had been restrained from doing so by the initial injunction. The varied order restrained both men from identifying themselves as officers of the council.

Motions that Courtrille and LaRocque be removed

from their positions were made at an Annual Assembly of the Metis Regional Council, Zone 4 in Edson on April 25 and 26 after issues they were involved with erupted into a dispute between them and other council members.

The council wanted Courtrille and LaRocque to answer questions concerning the Metis Urban Housing Corporation (MUHC). Council members wanted to know why they acted without the approval of the

council, when their involvement and actions in a recent attempt to remove the MUHC Board of Directors failed.

The attempt began last month when Courtrille and LaRocque sat on a committee which also made efforts to fire MUHC Regional Coordinator Peter Pelletier and suspended Housing Manager Larry Desmeules' contract with the corporation. But these actions were all overturned due, in great part, to a MUHC Tenants Association rally at the Edmonton Friendship Centre where tenants voiced their disapproval of the committee's actions.

Council members also wanted to know why MUHC employees have not been paid for a month.

Courtrille and LaRocque refused to discuss the \$19 million corporation at the assembly reasoning that, because they were defendants in a court case involving MUHC, their participation in any discussion of the organization would be a conflict of interest.

"They should have abstained from voting on issues concerning MUHC because this is (also) a conflict of interest on their



BEN COURTRILLE
...was served injunction

behalf," stated the appointed acting vice-president Mike Woodward.

Metis Local president and council member Stan Plante said, "There was a motion passed on Saturday (April 25) in which Mr. Courtrille and Mr. LaRocque voted to suppress any discussion and instructed the chairman that there should be no discussion on Metis Urban Housing.

When the chairman (Bruce Gladue) instructed them that they could not participate in voting on the motion because it would be a conflict of interest as well," explained Plante, "they made a motion to remove the chairman. This is when the assembly was

disrupted and a dispute occurred."

Courtrille says that "the by-laws state that the only

ones who have authority to remove me are the board of directors for the MAA (Metis Association of Alberta)..."

Courtrille adds that the assembly was "illegal" because there were not enough council members in attendance.

But, Gladue says that he was in constant consultation with legal advisors at the assembly.

On May 23, another annual assembly of the Metis Regional Council Zone 4 will be held at Spruce Grove.

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Treaty days at Heart Lake

By Terry Newborn

HEART LAKE — Chief Eugene Monias and his band members at Heart Lake are gearing up for their seventh annual Treaty days celebrations which will be held on June 19, 20 and 21.

According to Chief Monias they are expecting a capacity crowd this year because of the variety of sporting events they have planned for the three days.

The opening ceremonies will take place on Friday morning and following that the distribution of Treaty money will take place.

A free lunch will be served for all the visitors and participants and included on the menu is dried moose meat and fish.

Chief Monias says, "we are welcoming everybody to come out and celebrate this very special occasion with us." He went on to say, "Indian Affairs from St. Paul and Edmonton will be in attendance because they have to defend their

championship game they won last year here."

According to Chief Monias the game between Indian Affairs and Heart Lake will take place on Friday afternoon. This game is separate from the festivities planned but an added flavour to the whole three day celebration.

Some of the events scheduled are fastball tournaments, hand games, fish derby, horse shoe tournament, powwow, best story teller, women fiddling contest and canoe races.

Added also to the agenda of festivities is open air dances on Friday and Saturday evening. A powwow is also scheduled for Saturday and Sunday.

In conclusion Chief Monias said "we are looking forward to having a good time and if you need more information don't be afraid to call, our number is 623-4130 or 623-4099. You can ask for me or Darlene Francis. We look forward to seeing you and serving you."

Native Perspective hosts Good Times

By John Copley

Native country musicians will be at center stage next Saturday when Native Perspective radio goes to air with its first annual "Good Times Jamboree."

Ray Fox, director of the Aboriginal Radio and Television Society (ARTS), sister organization of AMMSA, will host the show. He says the mega music program will provide a showcase for Native performers and will also help publicize the Native Perspective radio network.

"The small size of our headquarters (in Lac La Biche) prevented us from holding a large grand opening last year so we've decided instead to hold a music jamboree," says ARTS Director Ray Fox.

The jamboree, to be held at the Lac La Biche Jubilee Hall, will hold about 425 people.

"This is actually a cross-cultural promotion," said Fox, "that will provide 12 hours of fun and frolic and give everyone the opportunity to meet new friends and see new faces."

Early indications suggest that good support is forthcoming from both the Native and non-Native sectors of the area.

The guitars start pickin' at 2:00 p.m. with a three-hour jamboree featuring entertainers such as Ernie Gambler (Calling Lake), Albert Chalifoux (Edmonton), Tom Cardinal and the Tomahawks (Grande Prairie), and Edmonton's Terry Lusty and Wabasca's Chuckie Beaver.

Co-hosting the extravaganza with Fox will be well-known country recording artist Bill Hersh. Priscilla Morin and Hersh will be the featured guests at the 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. banquet and supper show.

Special invited guests include local area MP Jack Shields, and opposition member Leo Paquette (NDP). Sam Sinclair, the Metis Association president, is expected as is IAA leader Gregg Smith.

Last on the day's agenda will be a dance, beginning at 9:00 p.m. and continuing through 2:00 p.m. This part of the program will see various country performers on stage doing what they do best.

Tickets, which cover the jamboree, banquet and dance are \$20. To arrange tickets or get more information, call 623-3333.

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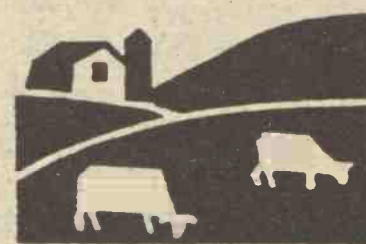
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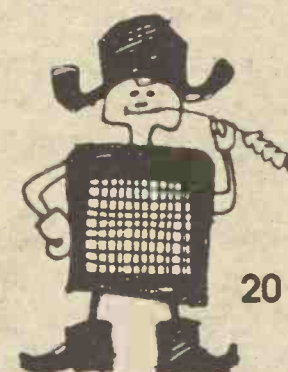
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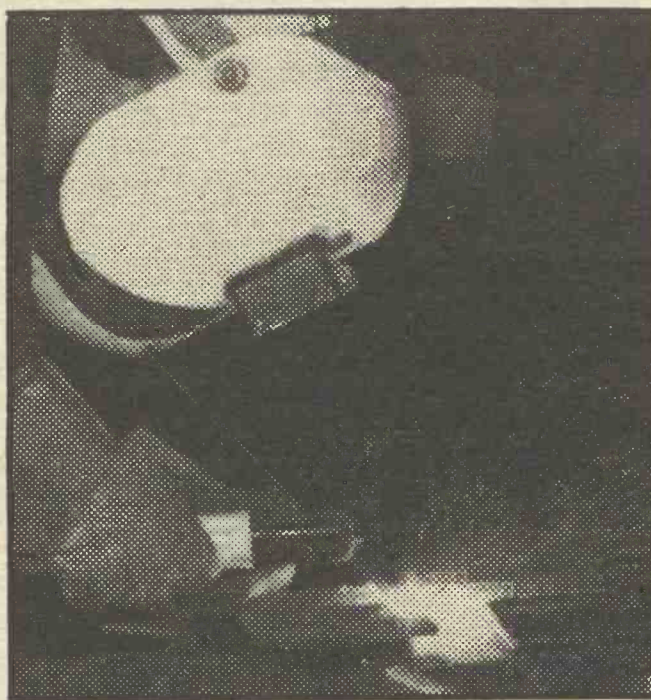
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- Summer School**, May 19-21, Poundmaker/Nechi Lodge, for more information call Wendy Fagin at 458-1884.
- White Swan Powwow**, June 5, 6 & 7, Yakima, Washington, USA.
- North American Indian Celebrations**, June 5, 6 & 7, Oklahoma, USA.
- Morning Star Class of '77 Reunion**, June 20, Blue Quills School, St. Paul, AB. For more information call 645-4455/429-2971 (Ext. 139).
- AVC Lac La Biche Awards Night**, June 20, Lac La Biche, AB.
- Saddle Lake First Nations Annual Powwow**, June 26, 27 & 28, Saddle Lake, AB.
- Badlands Celebration**, June 27, Brockton, Montana, USA.
- Sakimay Celebration — 8th Annual Powwow**, June 26, 27 & 28, Grenfell, Saskatchewan.
- Poundmaker/Nechi Annual Powwow**, July 3, 4 & 5, Edmonton, AB.
- Can Kaga Otina Wacipi (Powwow)**, July 3, 4 & 5, Birdtail Sioux Reserve, Beulah, Manitoba.
- Goodfish Annual Celebration Days**, July 3, 4 & 5, Goodfish Lake, AB.
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- International Golf Tourney**, July 9 & 10, The Liuks, Spruce Grove, AB.
- Mission Indian Friendship Centre International Powwow**, July 10, 11 & 12, Mission, B.C.
- CNFC Senior Games**, July 13 & 14, Canadian Native Friendship Centre, Edmonton, AB.
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- Mens' and Womens' International Fastball Tourney**, July 17, 18 & 19, Enoch Reserve, AB.
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- Lac St. Anne Annual Pilgrimage**, July 19, 20, 21, 22 & 23, O.M.I. Mission, Alberta Beach, AB.
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- Standing Buffalo Powwow**, August 6, 7, 8 & 9, Fort Qu'Appelle, Saskatchewan.
- Piapot Annual Celebration**, August 14, 15 & 16, Piapot, Saskatchewan.
- Bear Shin Bone Family Reunion Powwow**, November 1, Blood Reserve, AB.
- Blackfoot Veteran's Powwow**, November 11, Gleichen, AB.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO POWWOW COUNTRY

Windspeaker is publishing a special issue devoted to powwow and we need your help.

Press time is scheduled for early June and we are compiling a schedule of powwow events — so please, send or call in any events you know about, and powwow organizers please check the above dates.

Windspeaker's Powwow Country, be a part of it! Write Windspeaker at; 15001 - 112 Avenue, Edmonton, Alberta T5M 2V6 or phone (403) 455-2700.

P.S. Anyone interested in sponsoring the powwow calendar or placing advertising in the special powwow issue, please contact Gail Stewart, ad sales manager, at (403) 455-2700.



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By John Copley

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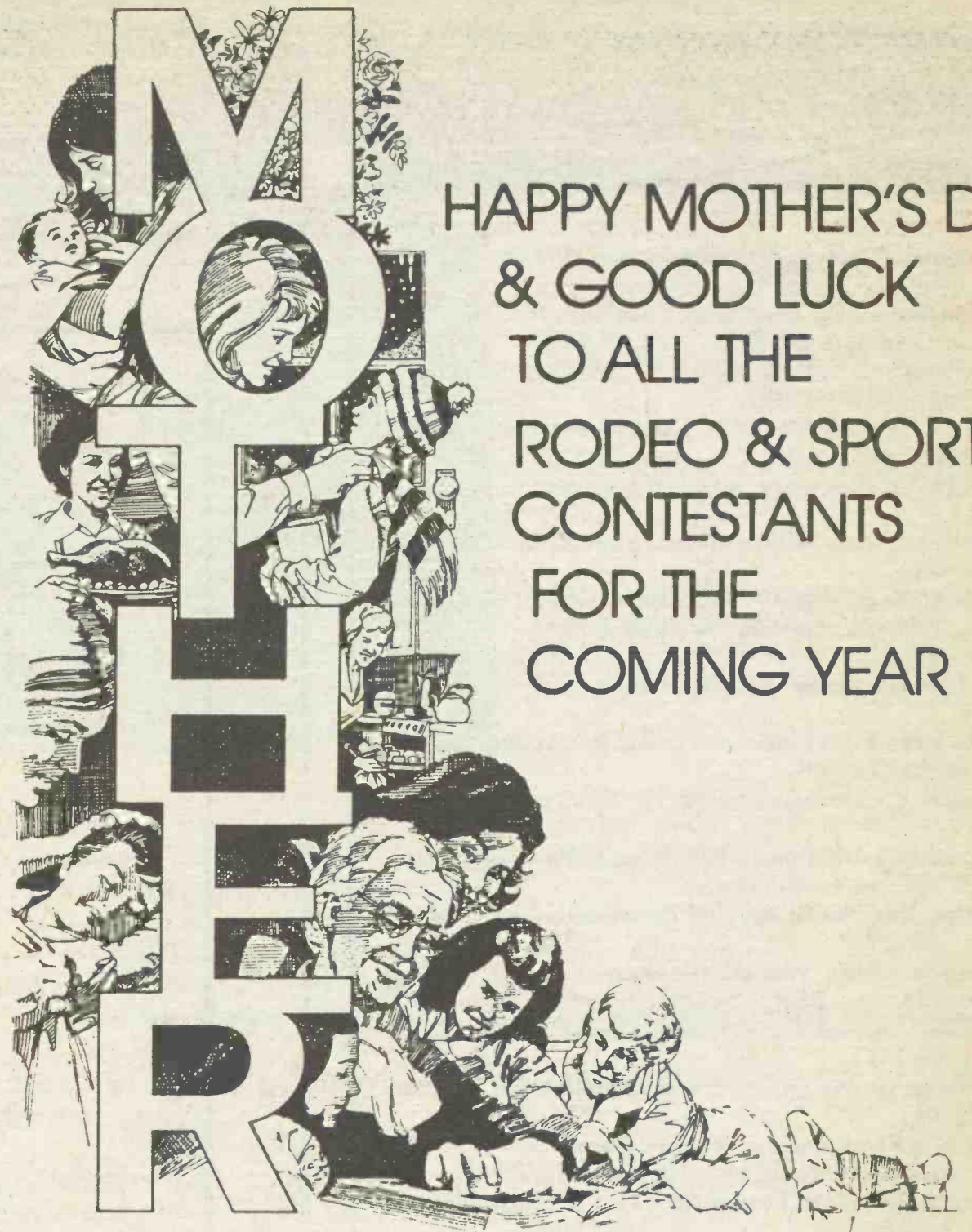
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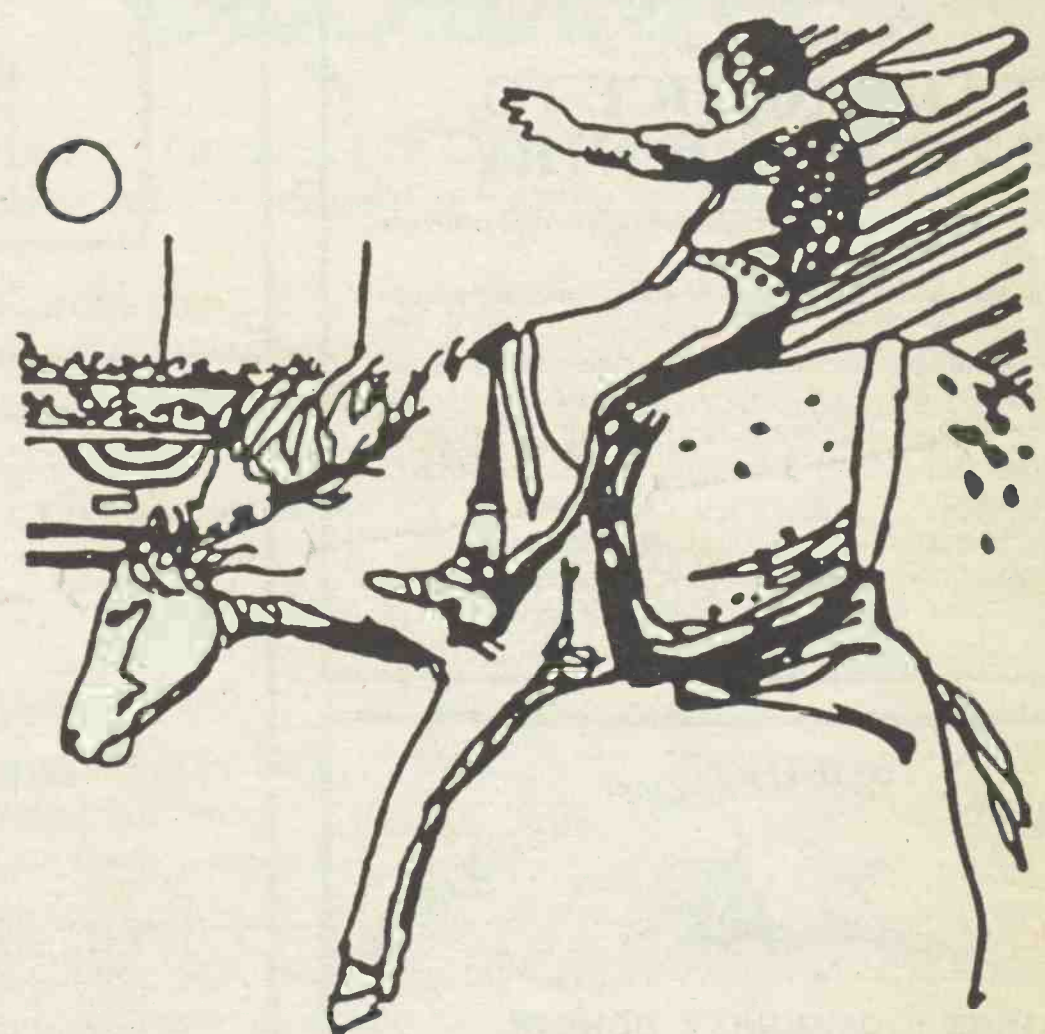
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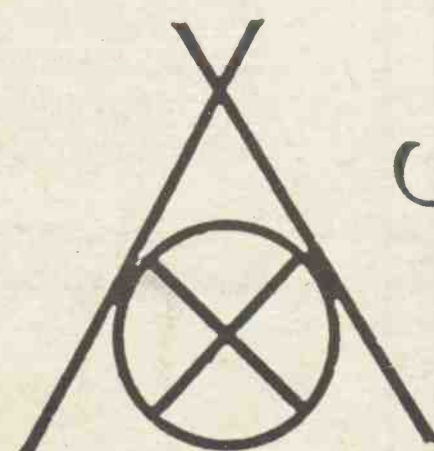


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