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Heather Andrews

Ryan Houle of St. Sophia School in Edmonton

After four years behind bars for a murder he says he didn't commit, Wilson Nepoose may soon be free. A witness who helped convict him admits her testimony was false, says his lawyer Robert Sachs. Attorney General Ken Rostad agreed on Tuesday to Sachs' request for an appeal.

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'Supremacist' charged in shooting

By Amy Santoro
Windspeaker Staff Writer

PRINCE ALBERT, SASK.

The leader of a Saskatchewan white supremacist group has been charged with manslaughter in the shooting death of a Native man.

Carney Milton Nerland, 26, Saskatchewan head of the Church of Jesus Christ-Aryan Nations, was arrested Jan. 30 in connection with the death of Leo LaChance, 48, a Native man originally from the Saddle Lake reserve in Alberta.

LaChance was killed following an incident in Nerland's store. Prince Albert police confirmed two shots were fired in the Northern Gun and Pawn Shop Jan. 28. Moments later a third shot was fired through the front doorframe of the store hitting LaChance in the chest, says Staff Sgt. Dave Demkiw. LaChance died later that day from his wound in a Saskatchewan hospital.

Demkiw says the events which occurred inside the store the day of the fatal incident are unknown.

Terry Long, Canadian leader of the Church of Jesus Christ-Aryan nations, an organization based in Caroline, Alberta, told Windspeaker "I appointed Mr. Nerland as the provincial leader (in Saskatchewan)."

Long refused comment on any link between the shooting of LaChance and the Aryan Nations.

Demkiw, head of the criminal investigations division, says the original facts of the case "as we investigated it do not have racial overtones."

But he confirmed the Aryan Nations organization is being closely monitored by police. "Certainly the incident will cause us to focus a little more" on the organization.

Natives and non-Anglo-Saxons in Prince Albert are uneasy about the presence of a white supremacist organization fuelled by hatred, says Christine Lwanga, director of the Saskatchewan Coalition Against Racism.

"It's time to confront the problem. With this case, if we can establish a link, then the police and the government can put together stronger guidelines prohibiting this (underground movement)."

Eugene Arcand, director of the Indian-Metis friendship centre in Prince Albert, says some Natives have received threatening phone calls "saying 'watch yourself' " after they attended one of Nerland's court appearances as a silent protest.

He says Natives in the community are scared — "we don't want anymore Natives shot."

A Wahpeton band member says she's "outraged" by the shooting. Debra Standing says when some of her Native friends entered Nerland's shop "just to look around," they were told to get out or "they'd get a licking."

Arcand is angered the attorney general's office charged Nerland with manslaughter instead of murder. Arcand, who knew the victim, says he doesn't

believe LaChance provoked the incident in anyway because "he wasn't violent."

Demkiw says police were unable to prove an intent to kill. "The facts we gathered were sufficient for a manslaughter charge. The intention to kill was not there."

Under the Criminal Code of Canada, a murder charge is laid when the intent to kill is present.

Manslaughter is homicide in which the death can be attributed but the intent to kill can't be proven.

Demkiw says it's believed Nerland also uses the name of Maj.-Gen. Kurt Meyer, a Second World War German SS general found guilty of murdering three

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Brad Callihoo

The Rain Family

Traditional dancers Christine, Cheyenne, Donald and Irvin Rain

FAMILY DAY FEB. 18

Dancing draws family together

By Heather Andrews
Windspeaker Staff Writer

EDMONTON

Many people dream of striking it rich on Lotto 6/49. But an Edmonton Cree woman says she values closeness with her family so much she wouldn't trade it for even a lottery jackpot.

"The biggest lottery win couldn't replace what we have got going, dancing as a family," says Christine Rain, who like her husband Donald, grew up

dancing.

She's originally from the Red Pheasant reserve in Saskatchewan and her husband is a Stoney from the Paul Band west of Edmonton. The couple continued the dancing tradition with their two children, son Irvin, 10, and daughter Cheyenne, 8.

The Rain family are regulars on the powwow trail. They're all singers as well as dancers.

"We put top value on our life together as a family. Donnie and I are aware of our place as role models for our children," says Christine. The Rains shun drugs

and alcohol and set aside time to spend with their children, finding that listening to them is the key ingredient in communicating with them.

The children also have full input into costume-making. "We work at it all year long making our own powwow outfits and also filling some custom orders for other people," says Christine.

The family recently travelled to a powwow at Warm Springs, Oregon. Tolerant employers

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Wind speaker

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A prison or a cultural centre?

If there's a choice to be made between building a minimum-security prison or a Native cultural centre in Edmonton's inner city, the decision should be an easy one.

For the residents of the area — typically low-income, unemployed, single Native males — there's already enough prisons of one type or other.

A downtown prison would reinforce feelings that Native people have a better chance of going to jail than going to university.

The proposal for a cultural centre is one that should be loudly supported by the city, the province and the federal government.

Poundmaker's Lodge in St. Albert has done an excellent job of showing just what impact Native cultural and spiritual programs can have in helping Native people get their lives on track.

A similar positive model is needed in Edmonton's inner city.

Native people need a place to which they can go and feel at home, a caring place.

The Native community must be given the resources so it can play the lead role in the battle against inner city social problems.

It's already on the front lines taking the body blows and having to live with the scars.

More Native persons are involved in violent crime as victims and as perpetrators in Edmonton's inner city than any other group.

Natives, for instance, were victims in six of the 14 murders that occurred in the area between Jan. — Dec. 1989.

Native people don't need more jails.

They need help from elders and Native institutions to help them connect with their roots.

Edmonton's Inner City Violent Crime Task Force noted it's all too easy for offenders released from jail to fall back into their old habits. The lack of limited support is an area that needs attention, it says.

"There are no short-term solutions for age-old problems. It has become evident the vast majority of inner-city residents would benefit by being provided an opportunity for personal growth through local employment programs, substance abuse treatment, aggressive outreach support follow-up and after-care programs and an environment conducive to positive growth," says the recently released report.

In short, the inner city could well use what someone has referred to as a one-stop centre for Native social services.



Ignite a new flame

Chief Dan George left directions.

The good chief said: "Keep a few embers from the fire that used to burn in your villages. Someday go back and ignite a new flame for a changing world."

It's fitting somehow he should leave us this. In the eyes of mainstream society Chief Dan George was a successful Indian. Unfortunately, this really translates as visible. However, the chief's legacy is a powerful traditional teaching that Native people are using and one mainstream society would do well to heed.

Keep a few embers from the fire. Beneath the romanticism lies a shimmering truth. The embers are the traditional spiritual values that sustained Native people in pre-settlement times and through the rigors of the past 500 years.

Ignite a new flame. Native people know they can never revive the buffalo hunt, pure tribal lifestyles or a verdant, pastoral North America. Instead, what they seek to preserve are those qualities that will enable them to survive a modern lifestyle. The present through the eyes of the past.

The last few years have seen a



**RICHARD
WAGAMESE**

marked resurgence of spiritual cultural initiatives. Despite the failings of the media to focus on this rather than the obvious political tensions, groups are quietly allowing Native people to heal themselves and their communities.

One such group meets weekly at the Calgary Friendship Centre. Every Friday some 25 people gather for a Sacred Circle under the guidance of local elder Jack Kakakaway. After a prayer and traditional song on a hand drum, the group begins a tradition as old as North America itself.

The Sacred Circle is a healing circle. A sacred eagle feather fan is passed around the group. As each person holds the fan he/she can share any thoughts, questions, pain or enlightenment they may have brought with them that evening. The person and the fan become one. There can be no interruption since the spiritual union between human and object represents the sanctity of personal communion with the Creator.

The eagle is the symbol of introspection. He resides in the western portion of the traditional Medicine Wheel philosophy; the Looks-Within-Place. The fan is a symbol of the person's earnest desire to look within themselves, learn and share.

Many things are brought out as the fan makes its round. Natives who have lost contact with their culture and spirituality share the pain that such alienation has brought them. Those who have suffered at the hands of residential schools, foster care, the legal system, alcohol and drug addiction talk freely.

In the openness and sharing there is a pervasive spirit of letting go and caring.

Because the circle is sacred it's open to everyone. Everyone with a sincere, earnest desire to learn, share and grow. There are

non-Indians in attendance every week. As the fan arrives in their hands, they begin to speak of doubt, confusion, fear and a lack of knowledge about the Indians and their ways. They tell of their own hurts and they begin to walk a spiritual path.

This is a healing way. For generation after generation, the elders gathered the people in a circle such as this and helped them reconnect to the essentials of life as fully functioning human beings. They helped them, as elder Jack Kakakaway does, to reconnect to the tools within themselves that will allow them to cope with a life that's as perplexing to the Indians as it is to everyone else.

As each new person enters the circle it grows stronger. As each drop of pain, frustration and anger is expelled it is replaced with calm, acceptance and faith. People begin to believe it's OK to be vulnerable with each other. It's OK to express doubt and weakness. It's OK to let go and to trust those around you. It's OK to open yourself to growth.

A new flame for a changing world. With the world suffering the effects of war in the Gulf, it is indeed fast becoming a new place for all of us.

The Indians recognize the need to reconnect to a spiritual base to deal effectively and peacefully with it. They recognize the need to let go of those things that impede us and to heal themselves first, their families second, their communities third and perhaps set an example for the world.

The Sacred Circle is for everyone. Fridays, 7-9 p.m., at the Calgary Indian Friendship Centre, 140-2nd Avenue S.W.

Eagle Feathers: To elder Jack Kakakaway for his dedication and commitment to the health of Calgary's Native and non-Native community.

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Your Letters

Government actions in Quebec deplorable

Dear Editor:

The oppressive government actions in Kanesatake, Kahnawake, and the deplorable stoning incident in Lasalle came as a terrible shock and a cause of profound grief to millions of Canadians. Like many other Albertans, we believe the Quebec and federal governments did not negotiate in good faith and did not exhaust all political and peaceful means to solve the crisis in Oka as the prime minister claims.

For centuries the Mohawk Nation has practised patience and restraint in search of peaceful and just land-claim settlements. The inconvenience of commuters and the frustration expressed by the government negotiators during the summer of 1990 did not justify a military

response. We want to clearly disassociate from this type of repulsive government behavior. It does not represent the people of Canada. The Oka crisis and armed struggle reflect decades of successive governments' disrespect, deceit, discrimination and systematic violations of treaties and agreements which have severely deprived Native people across Canada of a traditional livelihood.

Although we do not condone violent acts, we recognize the right of first peoples to protect their property and sovereignty which they have never relinquished. It is important to note that throughout the Oka crisis, the Mohawks never used their arms to endanger the Canadian public. The deployment of their arms was strictly confined to a defensive purpose against the

vastly superior invading Surete du Quebec and Canadian Armed Forces.

As stated in all the existing treaties, the generous accommodations provided by the First Nations illustrated their desire to share their land and co-exist peacefully with the European foreigners. In spite of the long history of physical, cultural and spiritual genocide, this gracious desire still prevails today among Native people.

On behalf of all concerned Albertans, we feel compelled to publicly apologize to all First Nations with deepest sorrow for the actions of our government. We are disheartened by the amount of tacit support of our government expressed by public silence in the face of all the oppressive and unlawful acts by official and self-proclaimed au-

thorities.

We condemn those who committed the unspeakable act of attacking Mohawk elders, women and children in Lasalle. We condemn the underlying racism which was one of the root causes of the crisis.

These types of barbarism do not represent the rest of the non-Native Canadians who support the First Nations' legitimate cause for land claims and protection of sovereignty. We, as Canadians, stand with the Natives and the rest of the world in justly condemning the mayor of Oka, the premier of Quebec and the prime minister of Canada for these unnecessary and unjustifiable acts of barbarism.

Although the media attention and headlines on Oka has all but abated, we resolve to continue to monitor the government han-

dling of justice issues for all First Nations and demand the Mulroney government conduct itself accordingly.

Any further government stonewalling on Native rights and land-claim issues will only create more disorder and more injustice.

*John Chan
On behalf of
Division of World-Outreach and
Division of Church and Society of
Alberta and North West Conference
of the United Church of Canada,
Edmonton Interchurch Committee
on the North,
Citizens for Public Justice,
United Nurses of Alberta,
Edmonton and District Labor Council,
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Friends of the First Nations*

Lubicon Nation seeking a just settlement

Dear Editor:

The following letter was sent to Indian Affairs Minister Tom Siddon.

*Diana Leis
Montreal Lake, Sask.*

Dear Minister Siddon:

I have just read in the Jan. 18, 1991 issue of *Windspeaker* that the land claim of the Lubicon Lake Nation in northern Alberta has still not been settled. The article also stated Norcen Energy Resources and Buchanan Lumber are attempting to take resources from land claimed by the Lubicon Lake Nation as their traditional hunting and trapping area before this claim is settled.

Can your department act in the best faith of Canadians and grant these people the just settlement they are requesting? Surely with the vast amount of land in our large nation and the very large revenues of the federal government from taxes, exports, businesses and other sources, your department should be able

to grant their legitimate claim to the amount of land and money they are asking for.

As you know Mr. Siddon, treaties were legal contracts that secured the vast area of Canada for settlement by Europeans in the 1880s. You also know many Canadian citizens have made a good living and some have indeed become quite wealthy from extracting the resources of this land.

At the same time many of the original inhabitants, who befriended and assisted the first inexperienced settlers, have still not received a just settlement for the land they surrendered. Please, honorable minister, is it not time we European-Canadians paid a just price for the rich land we received?

I need not remind you of the differences between the economic and social conditions of the Native nations and non-Native people of Canada. There are enough resources and land in this country for everyone to have a decent living if the government adopts policies that benefit all Canadians. I think it is time the government took steps to erase

the inequalities that now exist.

The events at Oka last summer provided an honorable example for other Native people to follow, but they disgraced our government in the eyes of the world. Please do not repeat this disaster in northern Alberta. Act in a way that will make me and other Canadians feel proud to be part of Canada. Negotiate with the Lubicon Nation in good faith to reach a just settlement now. All future generations of Canada will suffer if just settlements with Native nations are not reached in this century.

I would also like you to do everything in your power to stop Norcen, Buchanan and any other companies from operating on Lubicon Lake Nation land until this settlement is reached. I would also like you to take action to have all charges laid Nov. 24 against Lubicon Lake band members for allegedly damaging Buchanan Lumber equipment dismissed on the grounds they were defending their homeland.

*Diana Leis
A concerned Canadian*



File Photo

Young Lubicon supporters at a July 1988 rally

Shelter's resources available to Native people

Dear Editor:

Aboriginal and Metis communities in the Yellowhead region (bounded by the B.C. border, Evansburg, Grande Cache and Robb) are working with The Yellowhead Emergency Shelter for Women to help women and children who are victims of family violence. A round dance is being organized in Hinton to raise money to help the shelter get information and help out into communities. Drummers, dancers, organizers and helpers for the feast are needed. A date hasn't been set but mid-March is likely.

The shelter, which is open 24 hours a day, every day of the year, for women and children who are suffering from abuse, is pleased to work more closely with aboriginal communities.

Women, children, and elders, both rich and poor, come to the shelter suffering from physical, mental, sexual and economic abuse. At the shelter, aboriginal people find counsellors who understand what goes on, counsellors who speak Cree. There is also counselling help for children. There is a room well

stocked with clothing for women and children because many people arrive with little to wear. Staff can help with transportation to the shelter from anywhere in the Yellowhead area. They can also help people deal with other agencies and the court system. Classes can be set up in a nearby school for your children. Everything, including meals, counselling and clothing, is free.

At the shelter you're free to come and go. One evening a week babysitting is available so you can have an evening off. The shelter's atmosphere is friendly, safe and calm. Everyone helps out with cooking and housework. Counsellors don't try to persuade you to do anything. You're free to return to your partner if that's what you decide to do. Counsellors just help you make up your mind about what you want to do, what you are able to do. Safety and help are there for you for up to three weeks while you decide what to do with your life.

The round dance and other aboriginal community activities are held to publicize what the shelter does and to encourage

Native people to work against family abuse in their areas. Funds are raised at various activities to pay for information booklets, meeting space rental, posters, speakers and help for volunteers.

Dear Editor:

This letter is a request to all past Native students of Native residential schools in Alberta. I am asking of you — especially my past schoolmates — to contact me with letters and pictures and tell about your experiences in the residential school setting. I want to know your joys, your good times, your sorrows, your achievements — then and now.

I also would appreciate any pictures you can provide. I want to compose statistics, maybe a book, for eventual publication. As you may be aware, there is a lot of controversy now about the treatment we as Native children received in the residential school years. I promise to return your pictures and I promise not to print your name if you do not

want it printed. I ask this of each of you and also to my past classmates during 1946-1957, who attended Blue Quills Residential School so I can document our formative years, why we are like we are today.

My deceased mother, my two sisters, my brother and numerous cousins and I attended Blue Quills. I also have a story to tell

(403)865-1348 for more information.

*Ann Hatfield
Community Co-ordinator
Hinton, Alta.*

Information wanted on schools

and I wish for you to share your story with me.

Send all letters to Box 243, Alix, Alberta, T0C 0B0. And I would love hearing from my old school chums, the guys too, especially the Grade 1 class of 1946-47. Our teacher was Sister Toulalant.

*Sophie E. Maglione
(nee Moosewah)*

Letters Welcome

Windspeaker welcomes your letters. But we reserve the right to edit for brevity, clarity, legality, personal abuse, accuracy, good taste, and topicality. Please include your name, address and day-time telephone number in case we need to reach you. Unsigned letters will not be printed.

What's Happening?

Custer begged to lead last expedition of 7th Cavalry

Hi! Hats off to Kevin Leslie Stonechild who sent us a timely piece of information on the real George (Autie) Armstrong Custer, the subject of a recent mini-series on television called Son of Morning Star. Stonechild did his homework. Possibly he read the paperback Crazy Horse and Custer by Stephen E. Ambrose, because everything Stonechild wrote about this man fits.

To take you back in history, Custer gained fame June 25, 1876, when he and 265 (numbers vary) men of the United States 7th Cavalry were killed in battle against the Sioux and Cheyenne at the Little Big Horn in the Montana territory.

Stonechild offers some interesting facts about Custer.

"General Custer was never really a general. His army rank never rose higher than lieutenant-colonel, although during the Civil War he was made a brevet (honorary) major-general.

"Custer graduated from West Point at the end of his class. He was a braggart and infamously insubordinate. He wasted the lives of his troops in spectacular, and often meaningless, battle charges and his star rose as a result."

Stonechild goes on to write that during the Indian campaign "He deserted his troops and faced a court martial which led to his eviction from the army."

In the book Crazy Horse and Custer Ambrose writes that Custer literally got down on his knees and begged Major-General Alfred Terry to lead the 7th Cavalry on its expedition into Indian



Droppin' In

By Rocky Woodward

territory.

We all pretty well know about Custer's blundering at the Little Big Horn, especially when he split up his roughly 800 men into three different columns to attack the Sioux and Cheyenne camp which he believed was "quite small and that they may try to run away."

Ambrose suggests Custer was looking at a promotion and even the presidency of the United States. So he didn't wait for reinforcements — as he was told to do by Terry — when he found



Margaret Koski

Graduates of a family life improvement course at Whitefish Lake

Sitting Bull's camp.

Thanks for the history lesson Stonechild. I wish I could have put it all in.

WHITEFISH LAKE: It was a day to remember Dec. 12, 1990 for six ladies from this wonderful reserve after they received awards for completing a five-week course presented by Native Counselling Services on family life improvement.

Left to right are: Angie Williams, Margaret Nahachick (social worker), Nina Grey, Pearl Auger (social worker), Beatrice Gaudette, Gloria Thunder, Kathleen Gaudette and Beatrice Laboucan.

Congratulations ladies and good luck on your second phase. **FORT CHIPEWYAN:** From January 11-13 this northerly town hosted a senior men's hockey tournament, which five teams entered.

The Fort Smith Knights took first place overall while Fort Chipewyan placed second and Fort Smith Bulldogs took third.

Best goaltender honors went to Fort Chipewyan's Leslie Wiltzan and Eddie Mah, also of Fort Chip, was named best defenceman. The MVP award went to Phillip Tourangeau of the Fort McMurray Chiefs and Robert Cardinal, also of the Chiefs, was the top points-getter. The most sportsmanlike player award was won by Wesley Heron of the Fort Smith

Knights.

EDMONTON: Right now I'd like to take time out to say hi to Terry Lusty, who just recently returned from Fort Chipewyan and is now back living in our fair city. Hi Terry and welcome back.

GIFT LAKE: Last spring when I was in the High Prairie area, children from the Metis settlement were picking up garbage all along Highway 2.

Here's a picture of four of the about 20 children who participated. There's a big \$10 bill waiting for the first child from Gift Lake who can identify them. Droppin' In can't remember that far back.

DROPPIN' IN: Things are starting to pick up again across the province so I suggest you let Droppin' In know exactly what's happening in your community. Give us a call, write a letter, send up some smoke signals, tap out a Morse code, you name it, we're interested.

See ya, and remember, backs to the wind.



The "Who are These People" contest

Rocky Woodward

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C.N.F.C. BOXING & FIRM-UP; Monday, Wednesday & Friday from 7 - 9 p.m.; Westmount Jr. High School, 11125 - 131 St.; Edmonton, AB.
MODELLING COURSES; Feb. 7 - Apr. 25; sponsored by C.N.F.C.
SOUP AND BANNOCK; every 2nd Friday; NAPI Friendship Centre, Pincher Creek, AB.
A.V.C. ANNUAL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAYS; Feb. 14 & 15; Alberta Vocational College, Lac la Biche, AB.
SADDLE LAKE WINTER FESTIVAL; Feb. 15 - 17; Saddle Lake Complex, AB.
SLAVE LAKE NATIVE FRIENDSHIP CENTRE TALENT SHOW; Feb. 15, 7 p.m.; Slave Lake, AB.
POUNDMAKER'S LODGE ROUND DANCE; Feb. 16, 8 p.m. - 3 a.m.; Poundmaker's

Lodge, St. Albert, AB.
SWEETHEARTS ROUND DANCE; February 16, 1 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.; Grande Cache Correctional Centre; AB.
GRANDE CACHE WINTER FESTIVAL; February 16; Grande Cache, AB.
2ND ANNUAL VAUGHAN WARD MEMORIAL SNOW-MOBILE RALLY; February 16 & 17; The Complex, Fort Vermilion, AB.
COACHING CLINIC; Feb. 16 & 17; C.N.F.C. (11016 - 127 St.), Edmonton, AB.
FLINTKNAPPING DEMONSTRATIONS; Feb. 17, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Head-Smashed-In Buffalo Jump, Ft. Macleod, AB.
LUNCH BOX MATINEES; Feb. 20, 12:05 p.m.; YOUTH, PEACE & POWER and CHILDREN OF WAR; Canada Place, Edmonton, AB.
3RD ANNUAL WORLD FILM FESTIVAL; Feb. 21, 7 p.m.; presented by the Edm. Learner Centre; Myer Horowitz Theatre, University of AB; Edmonton, AB.
BOYLE-McCAULEY HEALTH CENTRE GRAND OPENING; Feb. 21, 2 - 5 p.m., ribbon cutting; 10628 - 96 St., Edmonton.
11TH ANNUAL 3RD WORLD FILM FESTIVAL; Feb. 22 - 24; presented by Edmonton Learner Centre; Tory Lecture Theatres, University of Alberta; Edm., AB.
ROUND DANCE; Feb. 23; Hinton Bingo Hall; sponsored by

Indian Country Community Events

Yellowhead Emergency Shelter for Women; Hinton, AB.
BEADWORK DISPLAY AND DEMONSTRATIONS; Feb. 24, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Head-Smashed-In Buffalo Jump, Ft. Macleod, AB.
LUNCHBOX MATINEES; Feb. 27, 12:05 p.m.; THE ROAD TO TOTAL WAR, THE FIRST ATOMIC BOMBS, PUSH BUTTON WEAPONS and THE BIG SNIT; presented by the National Film Board - 120 Canada Place, Edmonton, AB.
KING & QUEEN OF THE NORTH CONTEST; Mar. 1 - 3; Nistawoyo Assoc. Friendship Centre; Fort McMurray, AB.
CALGARY ART EXHIBITION (A.I.A.C.S.); Mar. 4 - 29; Nova Gallery, Calgary, AB.
NATIVE AWARENESS DAYS AND ROUND DANCE; Mar. 6 - 9; University of Alberta; Round Dance Mar. 9, 4 - midnight; Edmonton, AB.
ENERGIZE, DON'T TRANQUILIZE; one-day forums concerning seniors and drugs; Mar.

7; Medicine Hat Regional College; Mar. 14; Royal Canadian Legion, Grande Prairie; Mar. 21; Colonel Belcher Hospital, Calgary; Mar. 25; Society for the Retired and Semi-Retired, Edmonton.
BOYLE-McCAULEY HEALTH CENTRE ROUND DANCE; Mar. 9, noon - 5 p.m.; 10628 - 96 St., Edmonton.
7TH ANNUAL NATIVE AMERICAN JOURNALISTS ASSOC. CONFERENCE; Mar. 13 - 16; Landmark Inn, 455 S. Colorado Blvd., Denver, Colorado.
DENVER MARCH POW-WOW; Mar. 15 - 17; Denver Coliseum, Denver, Colorado.
METIS WOMEN'S COUNCIL ANNUAL MEETING; Mar. 19 7 p.m., potluck at 5:30; 11821 - 78 St., Edmonton, AB.
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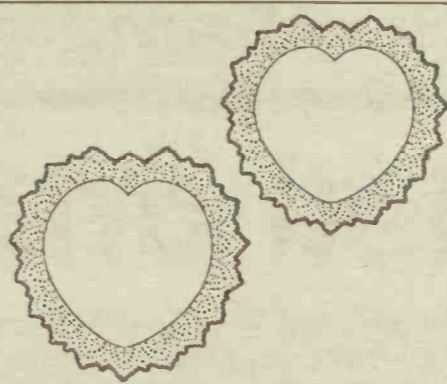
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Native Families

Adopted twins find their natural family

By Heather Andrews
Windspeaker Staff Writer

EDMONTON

When Art and Anne Katryniuk of Dundurn, Sask. decided to adopt a girl in 1965 to complete their family of two boys, they were surprised but pleased eight-month-old twin girls were available.

"They got a two-for-one deal," laughs Joan Youngman, adding she and her sister Jean have always been grateful they weren't split up.

From time to time the girls wondered about their natural family. But Art Katryniuk avoided their questions until after they were 16-years-old, feeling they were too young to handle the emotional trauma.

"Our adopted mother had passed away when we were 13, so we put off our questions to our dad for quite awhile," says Youngman.

The young women finished school while living at Dundurn, 25 miles south of Saskatoon. On Oct. 5, 1985 they were married in a double-wedding ceremony.

Then, one day last year, Jean phoned Joan and suggested they begin searching seriously for their birth mother. Both agreed that at 25 years of age, the time seemed right.

"I was living here in Edmonton by then, but Jean was still in Saskatchewan, so she took it upon herself to see what she could find out," says Youngman.

The women didn't think to try to locate their family at an Indian reserve. "We had been raised in a non-Native community and my adopted parents had been told our ancestry was Scottish and a little Indian," she says. So they were surprised when it was suggested Jean try the Sandy Lake reserve near Prince Albert since their original surname was common there.

Joan travelled to Saskatchewan and together the girls attended a Pentecostal tent meeting at the end of July 1990.

"Coincidentally the minister's message was about a prodigal son returning home," says Youngman. While at the meeting the sisters met a local resident who worked in the band office

who offered to do some checking through her records for them.

Back at work in Edmonton the next day, Youngman received an exciting message from her sister back in Saskatchewan. The band office employee had tracked down two of their mother's sisters, who in turn contacted their mom.

"She wants to see us," Jean exclaimed.

"I was too excited to work after that and everybody in my office soon knew what had happened." As the day progressed, phone calls flew between the girls and their new-found relatives and more facts were revealed.

"We learned we had eight brothers and sisters," laughs Jean.

A few days later the twins met their oldest sister Audrey, who was living in Saskatoon; she remembered holding the twins as babies. At Prince Albert the excited young women bought two long-stemmed roses and a short time later they were pulling up in front of their mother's house on the Muskoday reserve, a scant 15 miles away.

"Nobody cried, we were all hugs and smiles," Jean remembers.

"The next few hours were the most special time." The twins met and began to know many other family members who had gathered to meet them. They sang together, ate together and talked together, making up for so many lost years.

"Suddenly our mother had to go off by herself for a while and then she cried," says Youngman.

The next day the sisters spent time alone with their mother. "We had to know why we were given up," she says. Haltingly, they were told of being the sixth pregnancy for their mother in a few short years with the eldest dying at a very young age.

"Our mother was trying to bring us up by herself and she just couldn't handle it all," says Youngman. A difficult decision was made to surrender the young twins, first as foster children, and eventually for adoption.

"Less than four months later, my mom met her present husband. After they married, they



Jean, her mother Eliza, and her twin sister Joan (left to right) were reunited at the Muskoday reserve in Saskatchewan in Aug. 1990

tried to get us back, but it was too late."

In the fall of 1990 the twins, their natural mother and their adopted father met in Prince Albert for the first time. "Mom just shook his hand and thanked him for bringing up her girls for her," says Youngman. It was an emotional time. The twins will always be grateful for the good upbringing their adopted parents gave them.

"I love them very dearly and all my values and morals stem from their firm beliefs and ide-

als."

Today the family is still getting accustomed to being complete again. Jean and Joan are trying to adjust to the fact they're of Indian heritage.

"It turns out our mother has only a small percentage of Scottish ancestry," says Youngman.

She still doesn't understand what rights she may have under Bill C-31 and hopes to sort out how it may apply to her.

Other pieces of her past are also falling into place. "Hearing my mom talk about her child-

hood years in the residential school in Prince Albert, where she had to give up speaking Cree, was hard," she says. Her mother showed them the old school, still standing, and the hospital where they were born. And they went together to the Anglican church where their mother has always been a regular worshipper.

"All this is giving us a true feeling of family and what it really means to be part of this big, loving group we are busy getting to know," says Youngman.

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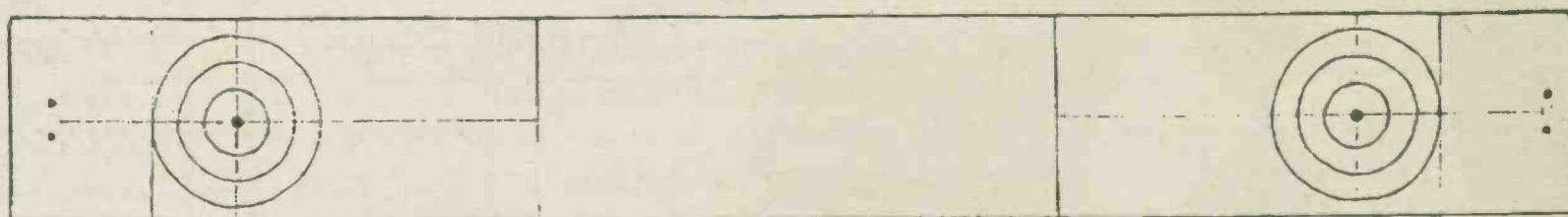


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Native Families

Family pulled together in hard times

By Heather Andrews
Windspeaker Staff Writer

SADDLE LAKE, ALTA.

When Alphonse Cardinal of Saddle Lake broke his back some years ago, he was in a tough spot. "He was laid up and couldn't work," says daughter Margaret Cardinal. But that didn't stop him from earning an income.

Her father, an accomplished carver, made miniature Red River carts, sweat lodges, log houses, small animal traps and drums. In fact he made enough money with his craftsmanship to get his family through the financial crisis. And Margaret remembers receiving beautiful hand-made toys through her growing years, too.

"My entire family pulled together to get us through other hard times, too," she says. Her father once earned his living through trapping but as land was taken over for commercial enterprises, his traditional way of life became impossible.

"We all pitched in that time, too, and worked with our parents, making Siwash sweaters and other handicrafts to trade for food or to sell for cash." The work they produced also included shirts decorated with

Ukrainian designs to suit the tastes of some of their non-Native neighbors.

Her mother Angelique is a superb craftswoman. She creates beautiful beadwork from hides she has tanned the traditional way. "Mom also builds tipis. One year she built 40 for different people in the band."

The family belongs to the Saddle Lake band. Margaret's three sisters — Pauline, Darlene and Elaine — all sew and do traditional crafts. "Our mother is very creative and started to teach us when we were very young," Margaret recalls. Her brother Peter is a carpenter and her oldest brother Alfred, although his health is not good, participates in family ventures when possible.

Cardinal is an instructor at Alberta Vocational College's Grouard campus, teaching Native clothing and design. "I sew Native dolls too," she says.

Some years ago the family began to enter arts and crafts exhibitions. Every year the family has a booth at the Alberta Indian Arts and Crafts shows in Edmonton and Calgary. The family also has a mail-order business.

"My dad could never believe how people from all over the world wanted to buy his mini-

ature carvings," Margaret laughs. Their combined efforts have been featured in art shows as far away as Ottawa.

Cardinal is proud of her parents and the contribution they have made to preserving the traditional handicrafts of Indian people. "Dad didn't have any schooling and mom only went for a few years, but the knowledge they passed on to us sur-

passes academic achievements."

Alphonse has taught many people how to make drums and headdresses. And Angelique taught her daughters and many other girls, both in her home and at school, how to do beadwork.

Although the couple is in their sixties, they continue to live their traditional way of life as much as possible. "Dad still really enjoys carving. He says he

and the beaver are fighting in the woodlands for the willow he needs for his work," Cardinal laughs.

She says she's fortunate her grandfather lived with the family for the last 15 years of his life. "His influence and his teachings of our culture were additional factors which helped us come through many hardships together."



Alphonse and Angelique Cardinal of Saddle Lake

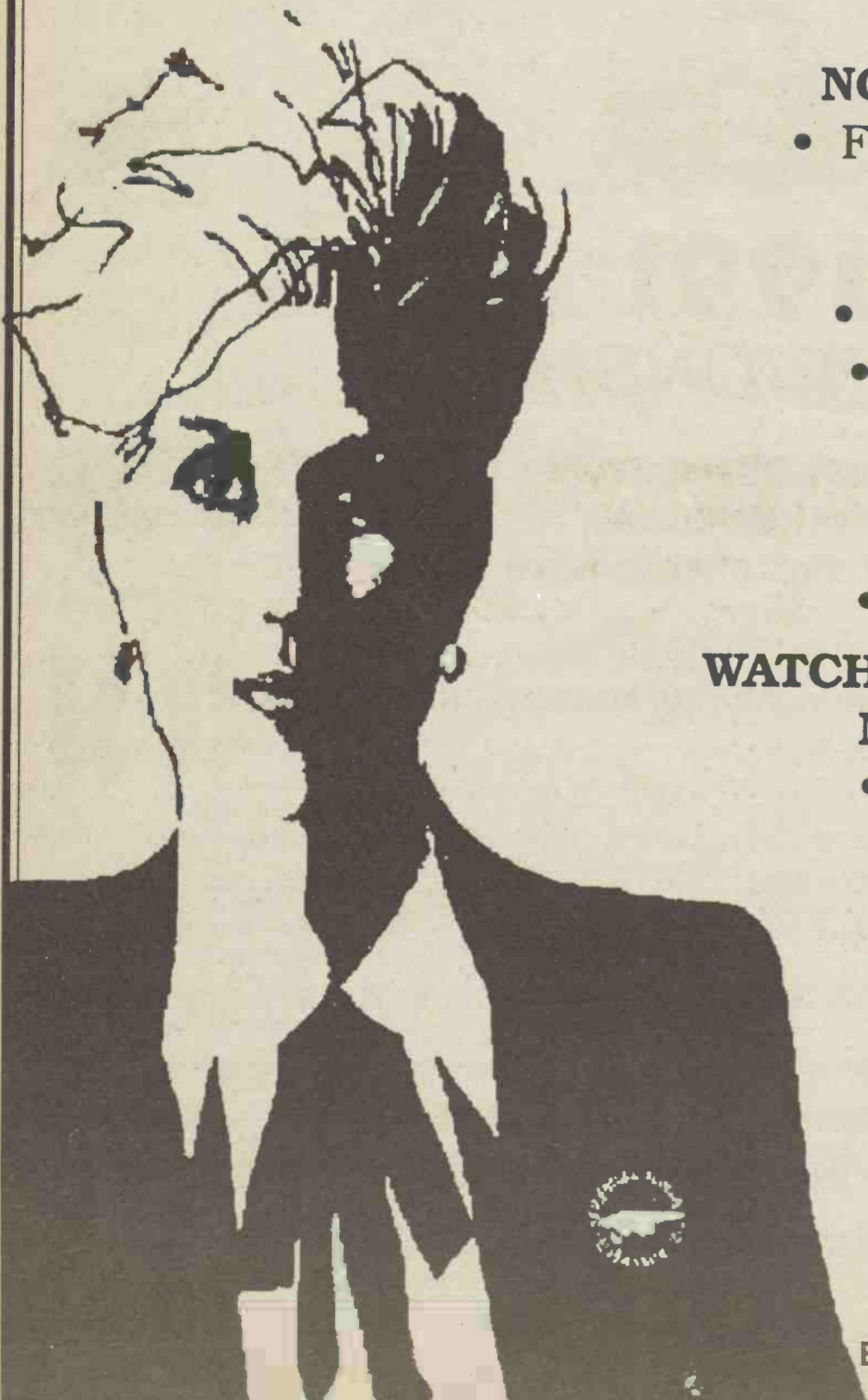
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Edmonton

WIRTC honors 8 people who achieved 'new milestones'

By Rocky Woodward
Windspeaker Staff Writer

EDMONTON

Eight happy individuals were saluted at a reception held in their honor after achieving "new milestones" in the Western Industrial Research and Training Centre's (WIRTC) programs in Edmonton.

By offering vocational training and employment programs WIRTC is dedicated to enabling individuals with disabilities participate fully in their community.

For the first time the centre instituted a president's award. Marty Auger, originally from the Calling Lake area, was the lucky recipient.

"I had the personal pleasure to find someone who has shown outstanding character and perseverance in attaining his or her goal regardless of the obstacles that had to be overcome. It was a very difficult choice. Congratulations Marty," said WIRTC president Donald Bevan at the February 7 celebration.

Auger is of Cree ancestry and moved from Red Deer to Edmonton in 1979. In 1980 he began vocational training and after 10 years at WIRTC, he successfully completed his program.

In his most recent training program Auger operated a heat sealer and met competitive rates for the industrial position. On February 11, he began work as a stamp press operator for Newmans Valve Limited in Edmonton.

"Right now I am very, very nervous. I'm also excited about starting my new job," Auger said at the celebration dinner. He was given a watch and a plaque for winning the president's

award.

WIRTC service consumer of the year awards were also given to John Wilson, Louise Madsen, Alan Smith, Laurie Hansen, David Stockl, Garrett Mytrash and Christine Houle.

"I'm very proud of my daughter. Christine works so hard. I'm proud of them all," beamed happy mother Diane Houle.

Bevan said the centre makes a special effort each year to celebrate the successes of "many of our service consumers."

"We wish to share this experience with parents and significant others so there will be public acknowledgement of the successes that have occurred," he said.

Associate Minister of Alberta Family and Social Services, Roy Brassard, and WIRTC chairman Herb Dixon, presented the awards.

"You are all deserving of the awards. And, I must add, just knowing there is a program such as this makes it all worthwhile," said Brassard.

"I wish I could transmit the feelings I have right now to the rest of the working world. Or better yet, maybe they should talk to Marty or Louise to see what a challenging day is really like," said Dixon in a heartfelt speech.

WIRTC has provided vocational rehabilitation services since 1968 to adults with intellectual, emotional and physical disabilities.

The four centres in Edmonton, St. Albert and Calgary offer in-house training which develops individuals in general and specific skills through sub-contract work in manufacturing environments.



Rocky Woodward

Above:

Consumer of the year winners were all very proud of their accomplishments.

Right:

President's award recipient, Marty Auger, laughs it up with the Associate Minister of Family and Social Services Roy Brassard (left) and WIRTC chairman Herb Dixon upon receiving his award.



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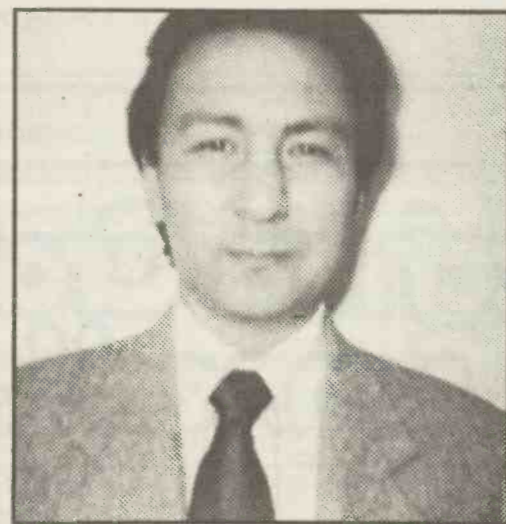
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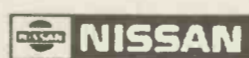
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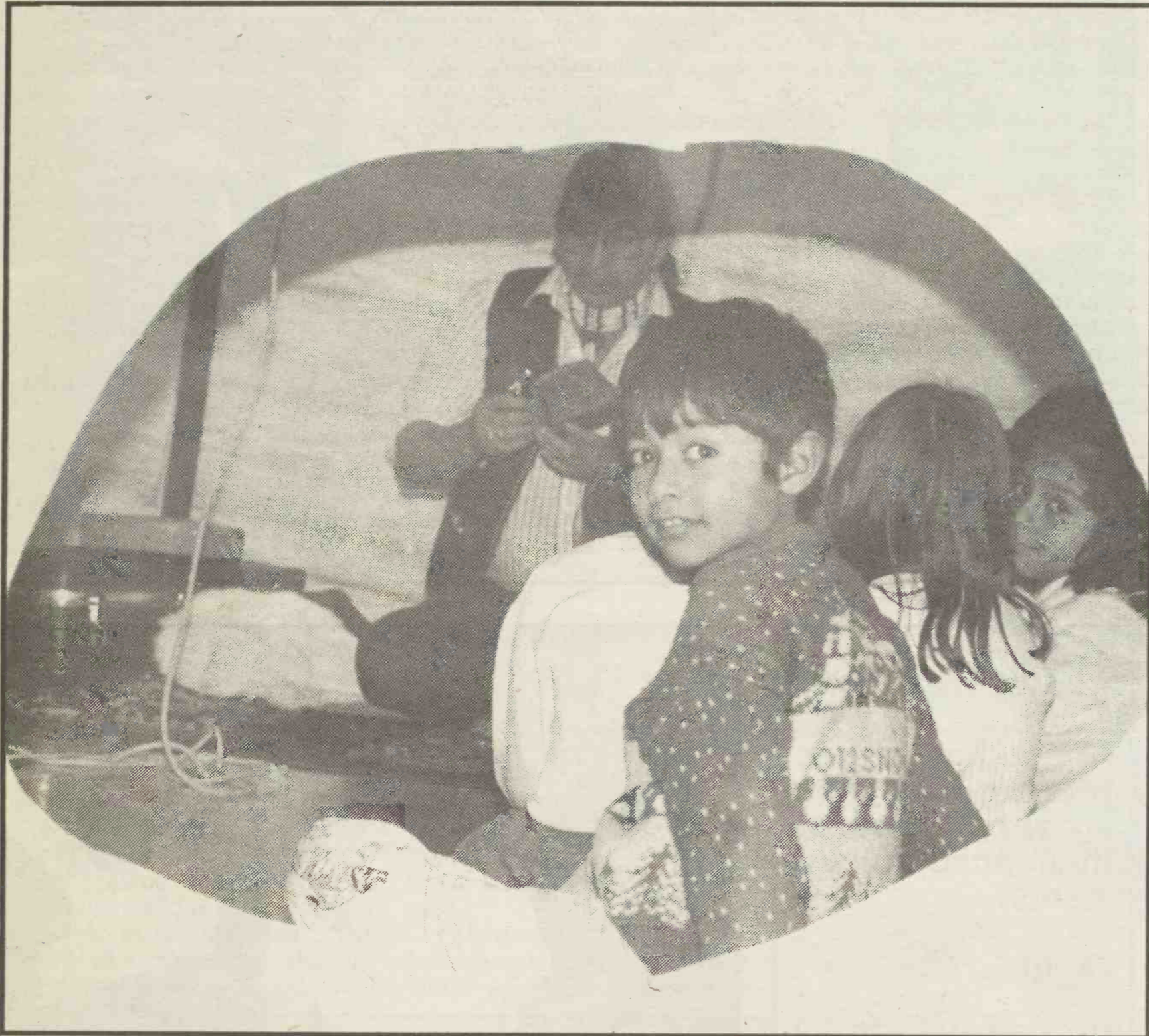
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Native Education: a time to shine



Carlos Vides (left) and Carmen Flores (right) peek out of the tipi while Native youth counsellor Michael Merrier tells a story at St. Sophia

By Heather Andrews
Windspeaker Staff Writer

EDMONTON

Natives took centre stage recently at three Edmonton schools.

Students at Prince Charles and Ben Calf Robe were treated to afternoons of celebration and recognition while students at St. Sophia spent a day becoming more familiar with Native culture.

Select students in the Awasis program at Prince Charles were recognized at a Jan. 28 school assembly. Over 200 students take Cree language and cultural studies in the Edmonton Public School Board's Awasis program in addition to regular courses. Each month teachers select students to receive a Gold Feather award.

"Academic achievement is not the only goal of our program," said Prince Charles principal Gordon Hanson. "We are trying to encourage respect, honesty, humility and integrity. They are all very desirable characteristics and considered especially important in the Native culture."

And in a special ceremony Jan. 31, Ben Calf Robe School

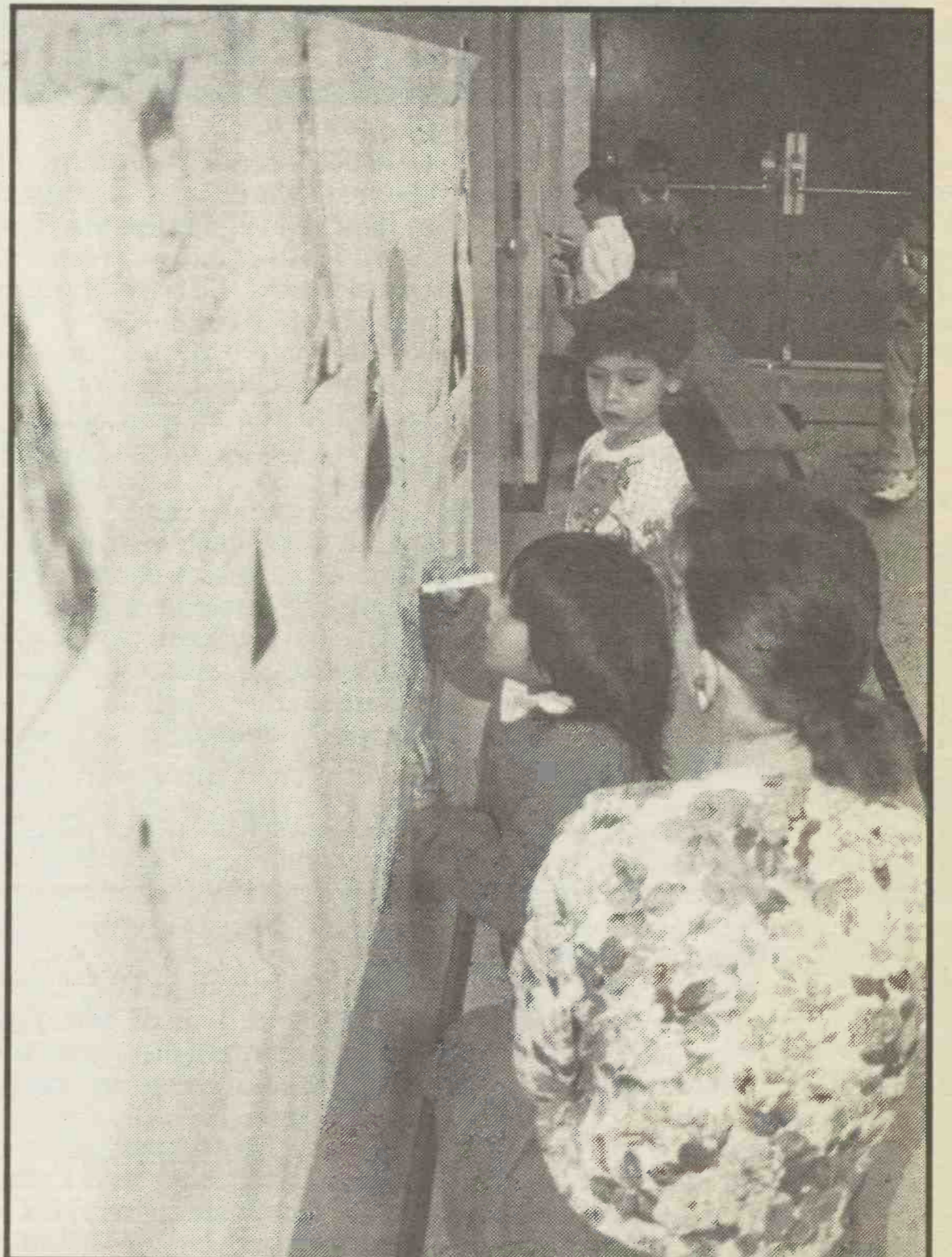
acknowledged government and private funding organizations "who contributed to making our school one of the best junior high schools in Alberta," said vice-principal Kevin Hendrick.

Organizations which donated time, money and advice received plaques of appreciation from the school's student tribal council. Recipients included Alberta Education, the Ben Calf Robe Society, the Edmonton Catholic School District, Winspear Foundation, Ironworkers Local 720, Sterling Crane International and the Northern Alberta and N.W.T. Building Trades Council.

Meanwhile, on Jan. 29 parents and staff at St. Sophia elementary school presented a Native cultural awareness day. "Of our 160 students, about 40 per cent are of Canadian Indian heritage," said assistant principal Brent Patterson.

"We have been studying Native culture for the last month in our classrooms as part of the regular curriculum and today has been a most enjoyable conclusion."

The day featured dancing, storytelling in a tipi and mural drawing. Students also made bannock and did beadwork. Elders led the activities.



Jareth Severeight, a kindergarten student at St. Sophia, helps draw a school mural

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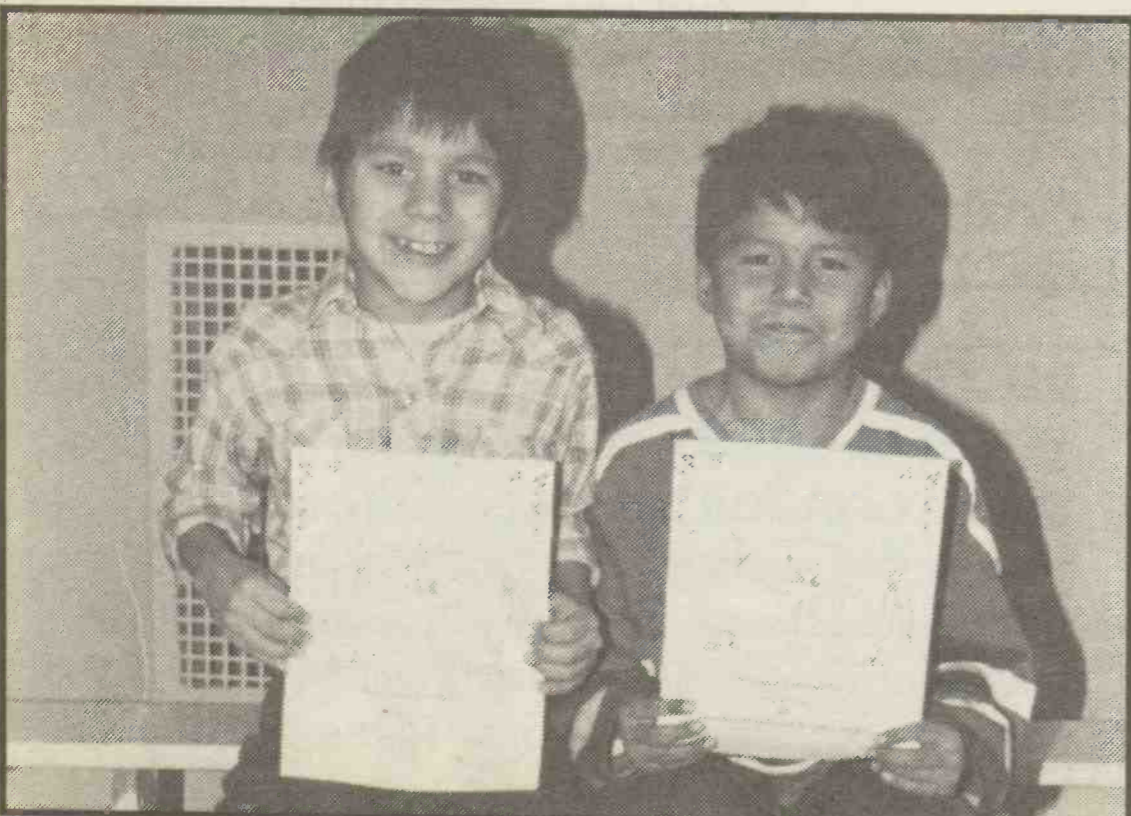


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Lac la Biche

Craftswoman helps run the family farm

By Heather Andrews
Windspeaker Staff Writer

LAC LA BICHE, ALTA.

In her spare time Dianna Wabie works on her handicraft projects, which she sells through her business, Trapline Crafts. It's located at her home south of Lac la Biche where she and her husband run a mixed farming operation.

But despite her busy schedule she still finds time to create work for a variety of shops and museums and to enter local craft shows.

She has acquired both contemporary and traditional artistic skills, having travelled across Canada learning traditional craft methods from elderly Native craftswomen. "Often the elders taught me on a floor lined with spruce boughs, with heat provided by a potbellied stove,"

says Wabie, an Algonquin Indian.

An avid craftswoman, Wabie designs brooches and earrings of fur, shells, porcupine quills, deer antlers, fish scales and buffalo horns. "As I observed the artisans of other First Nations, I realized the techniques were similar even when the designs were different."

Wabie, who was born in Ville-Marie, Quebec, studied Native studies and political science at Trent University in Peterborough, Ontario. "I came to Alberta in 1981 because employment opportunities were better here."

Her university studies, coupled with her travels across the country, were a big help when she helped research and write the book *The Art of the Nehiyawak*. A project of the government of Alberta's Native Education Project, the Grade 7 textbook studies the art of the

Woods Cree, who live in the northern forests of Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

"The Woods Cree call themselves Nehiyawak, which is just one of many Cree words used throughout the book," says Wabie. The culture and tradition of the Crees is reflected and expressed in the work of today's artists and a project at the end of each chapter gives students the opportunity to work with some of the materials while designing their own art and

crafts.

Wabie also helped prepare a one-hour video called *Native Art — Woodland Cree*, which was produced by Imageworks Motion Pictures and featured local artisans like Pat Bruno, crafts instructor at Alberta Vocational College. "Both projects give an insight into the society, religion and art of the Indian people of Canada."

She is also an avid supporter of Ducks Unlimited Canada. "I am committed to the conservation of wildlife and recently

donated a framed caribou hair-tufted piece of my artwork to be auctioned at a local fundraising dinner.

"And I just started working with the Wild Fur Education Program of the Alberta Vocational College, co-ordinating programs concerning trapping," she says.

Respect for nature is consistent with Native culture, she says, adding she's concerned for the future of wildlife, given economic and environmental pressures.



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Saskatchewan

Goulet family believes in education

Each of 11 children has a degree

By Rocky Woodward
Windspeaker Staff Writer

MEADOW LAKE, SASK.

There are seven sisters and four brothers in the Goulet family. Each of them has obtained a university degree.

It's something the family members are very proud of.

Recently Josephine (Goulet) Seanson, along with her daughter Veronica, graduated together and received bachelor of education degrees.

Keith Goulet is an MLA for northeast Saskatchewan and his brother Ordean has two degrees—a bachelor of education and an arts and science degree. The list of family accomplishments goes on.

The Goulets are a Metis family. They were raised at Cumberland House near the Manitoba border. But when their mother passed away it was Josephine who took over the duties of caring for her younger sisters and brothers.

Ordean gives much of the credit to Josephine for the family's successes.

"She kept care of us for about seven years. I guess the drive to educate ourselves came from her support and a lot of pushing by her," he says.

"Now we're scattered across the province but everyone's doing well," he adds.

Ordean, who works as a coordinator and instructor with the New Opportunities Program (NOP) at Meadow Lake, Sask. is quite successful himself.

He says another reason for "making a good life for himself" is because of his Metis pride.

"I'm a firm believer in the Metis and so is the rest of the family. I know education is the number one stepping-stone to being successful. Without it, we will never become a strong nation."

Goulet once worked as an instructor in university accredited Native studies at the Gabriel Dumont Institute in northern Saskatchewan. Later he was hired by the Saskatoon Regional Community College as an instructor and counsellor in a program designed to enhance basic math and English skills and to develop urban living skills.

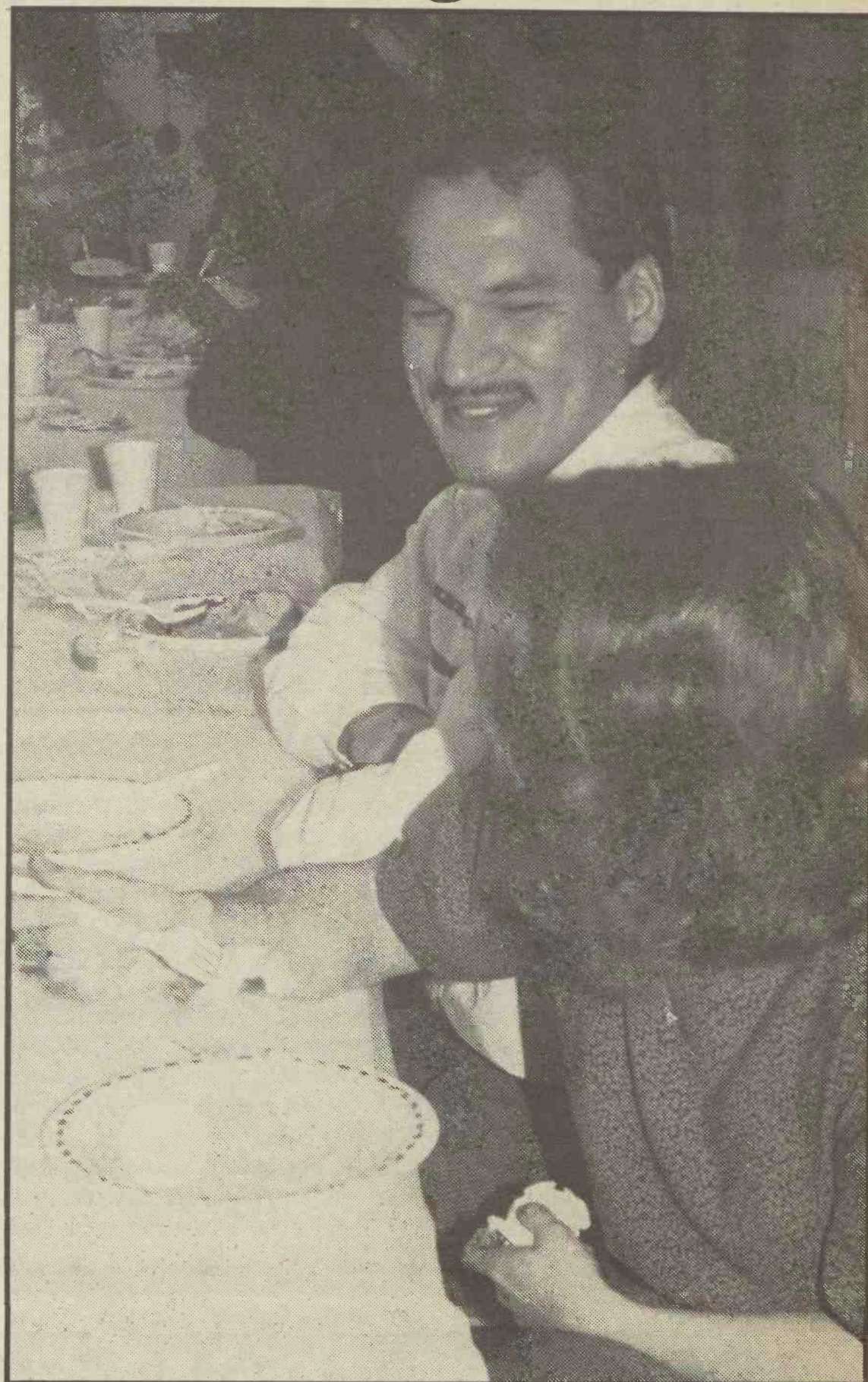
"Education is the key that unlocks the door to societal participation," he says. "If Native people are going to integrate successfully, they must be educated with the knowledge and skills that will enable them to live in a money culture."

He adds that Native people must learn about their heritage to become proud and confident.

And what about the rest of his family?

"The one thing we believe in is education. It's one reason why I wouldn't trade the work I am doing on reserves near Meadow Lake. I love the work I'm doing, helping people get their education. It's the way we grew up," Goulet smiles.

Their father, Arthur, still lives in The Pas, Manitoba, where the family tries to unite at least once a year.



Rocky Woodward

Ordean Goulet knows exactly what he wants from life - so does the rest of his family

IN BRIEF

WOLF BITE CASE UNDERWAY

MOOSE JAW, SASK.—A court case launched by the mother of a young boy who lost his arm during a wolf attack began in Moose Jaw Feb. 4. Clinton Goodwill had his left arm amputated after being bitten by two caged wolves at the Moose Jaw Wild Animal Park in Sept. 1989. The boy, who was 10-years-old at the time of the incident, was bitten during a field trip to the park with about 32 other children from the Lebret Indian Residential School about 100 km northeast of Regina. Joan Goodwill is suing the park and the school for negligence, charges that both parties deny. According to documents filed with the court, the family is seeking about \$125,000 in general damages, \$248,000 for future lost income and \$90,000 in other costs. Niel Halford, lawyer for the Goodwill family, said Clinton required medical treatment recently for complications related to the incident. "He was back in hospital for another operation. Apparently his stump was not healing properly," he said.

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YORKTON—Yorkton-area Indian bands will be the first bands in Saskatchewan to adopt a new program designed to encourage Native students to finish their education. The federal government announced Feb. 1 the signing of the Stay-in-School program with the Yorkton Tribal Administration, which is responsible for eight bands in southeast Saskatchewan. The agreement, which contributes \$108,000 to the tribal administration, will pay for student counselling at four education centres as well as counselling for band members who have already dropped out of school.



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Saskatchewan

Cultural education conference draws over 1,000

Howdy! Did you know the capital city of Saskatchewan was once called 'Pile O' Bones?' Yes it was. Regina was once called this name, probably because so many buffalo were killed on the Prairies in the early 1800s leaving their bones scattered everywhere.

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And a young man from the Thunderchild reserve area in Saskatchewan said, "I'll always remember my grandfather's last words. They were, 'Oh look! A truck!'"

WOOD MOUNTAIN: This wonderful lady you see here has a lot of responsibilities. She sits on the 15-member board of directors for the Crime Stoppers program in Saskatchewan.

Wood Mountain reserve can take pride in Edith Goodtrack, who is also involved with co-ordinating community programs to help make Crime Stoppers work.

PRINCE ALBERT: Yes Lorna Arcand, I will definitely make sure I visit with you the next time I'm in your fair city. Lorna says the Saskatchewan Indian Games are big! big! big! news and it's all happening this year!

"So drop in and we'll tell ya all about it!" Lorna said in that ever-present Saskatchewan



Edith Goodtrack Rocky Woodward

drawl.

And to think those American southern folk thought they were the only ones with a classy talk. **SASKATOON:** This northern Saskatchewan city was recently the site of the 11th Annual Cultural Education Conference and according to Erma Taylor it was well worth the trouble of putting on a conference of this magnitude.

Guest speakers included Western Arctic MP Ethel Blondin and a common household name Elijah Harper.

"We had well over 1,000 people attend and participate in various workshops," Erma said.

The two-day conference was co-ordinated by the Gabriel Dumont Institute of Native Studies and Applied Research. The theme was education and the family.

"Once my report is done we'll fax you information on how the conference went,"

promised Erma. Thanks Erma. **ONION LAKE:** The director of community services Ivy MacDonald and lovely Isabel Littlewolf (forefront) were kind enough to let Border Crossing into the office to take their pictures for all our readers to see.

I just love community people. They're kind, thoughtful, always talented and friendly. Listen to Ivy: "Take the picture, darn you, before I squash you and your camera between my friendly little hands like a worm!"

And Isabel's thinking, "Go for it Ivy, go for it!"

Just joking ladies...thanks for the pic.

Before we move on, Ray Whitstone, who is in recreation, says the North Saskatchewan River Dancers are "one good dance group. Come visit and we'll show you how talented they are," he challenges Border Crossing.

I believe you Ray. But, yes, I'm looking forward to a rec visit.

Ray says they even have oldtime dance practices. Yeah!

REGINA: The Regina Aboriginal Recreation and Sport Committee is pleased to be organizing the first-ever Regina Aboriginal Sports and Cultural days March 14-17.

It's happening! Lorraine Lawrence says the event will feature a hockey tournament drawing aboriginal teams from across Western Canada, co-ed volleyball tournaments for adults and teens and a cultural awareness evening. The evening will fea-

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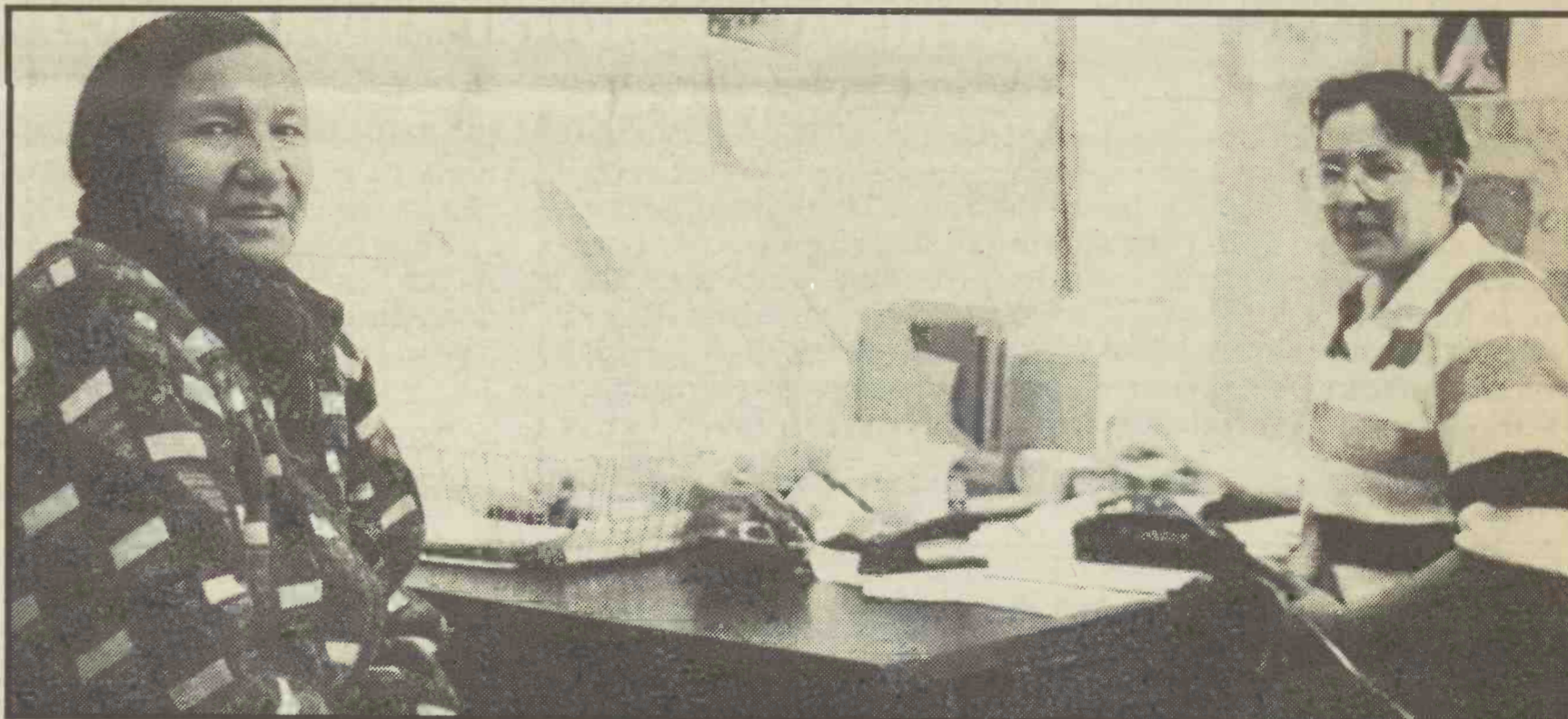
Rocky Woodward on the road

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Onion Lake's Ivy MacDonald and Isabel Littlewolf (front)

Rocky Woodward

IN BRIEF

MP's speech a hit
SASKATOON — Indians want no less than what Quebec Liberals are demanding, says Western Arctic MP Ethel Blondin. "If Canada is going to negotiate any deal within Confederation, it is going to have to re-visit and redefine its relationship with First Nations. Otherwise it will never achieve the harmony it needs to exist as a peaceful country," she said. About 1,000 Saskatchewan Metis gave her a standing ovation Feb. 1 after she addressed the 11th annual cultural and education conference of the Gabriel Dumont Institute. Blondin detailed a number of things necessary to avoid a repetition of last summer's Oka crisis. • Canada must recognize the "absolute necessity" of entrenching aboriginal self-government in the Charter. • The government should appoint a minister whose sole responsibility is to conclude land claims in consultation with aboriginal leaders and • Ottawa should establish a specific claims tribunal to resolve 500 outstanding claims.

Resignations demanded
REGINA — A loosely knit group of status Indians has called for the resignation of treaty commissioner Cliff Wright and Lloyd Barber, chief land entitlement negotiator for Saskatchewan Indians. "Cliff Wright and Lloyd Barber do not represent the interests of

Indian people," said Daniel Woodward, a spokesman for the Treaty Rights Protection Coalition. Woodward, a former spokesman for a number of Native protest groups, is trying to sink talks aimed at resolving Saskatchewan's outstanding treaty land entitlements.

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Fort McMurray

Well-loved pioneer of the North passes on

By Rocky Woodward
Windspeaker Staff Writer

FORT McMURRAY, ALTA.

George Lavallee was a trapper all his life. On January 9 he passed away in the regional hospital at Fort McMurray.

Friends will remember George for his open friendliness, his laughter and the twinkle in his eyes, no matter what problem he was facing.

A father of eleven children (two deceased) George never let them down although he was born in a time when work was almost non-existent for Native people. George always made sure there was food on the table by working seasonally as a laborer for Northern Transportation Limited and trapping.

His trapline ran from Prairie Creek to Salt Creek, 15 km east of Fort McMurray, where he lived until his passing.

George had many friends who visited him at Salt Creek over the years. His many, many friends included Tony Sykes, George Cardinal, George Paish, Hector Demars, Shorty Elwood and Archie Gardner.

He witnessed Fort McMurray grow from a small hamlet of about 700 people to a city of about 30,000 today. And he could tell you many stories of the people who lived there years ago — stories his family and wife of

many years Cecil will now only remember.

George was a Fort McMurray pioneer and should be remembered that way. His French and Cree background belonged to the past — the voyageurs, the Metis and Cree Indians who once lived at Fort McMurray, and who travelled the Athabasca and Clearwater Rivers on their way north to hunt, fish and trap.

His fiddle, which he loved so dear, brought out music that is clearly being lost today. And when he was in a happy mood, George could make that fiddle sing. When finished, he would speak in part Cree, French and English, telling exactly what he played and why.

Small wonder George had so many friends. He was wonderful to listen to and to be with.

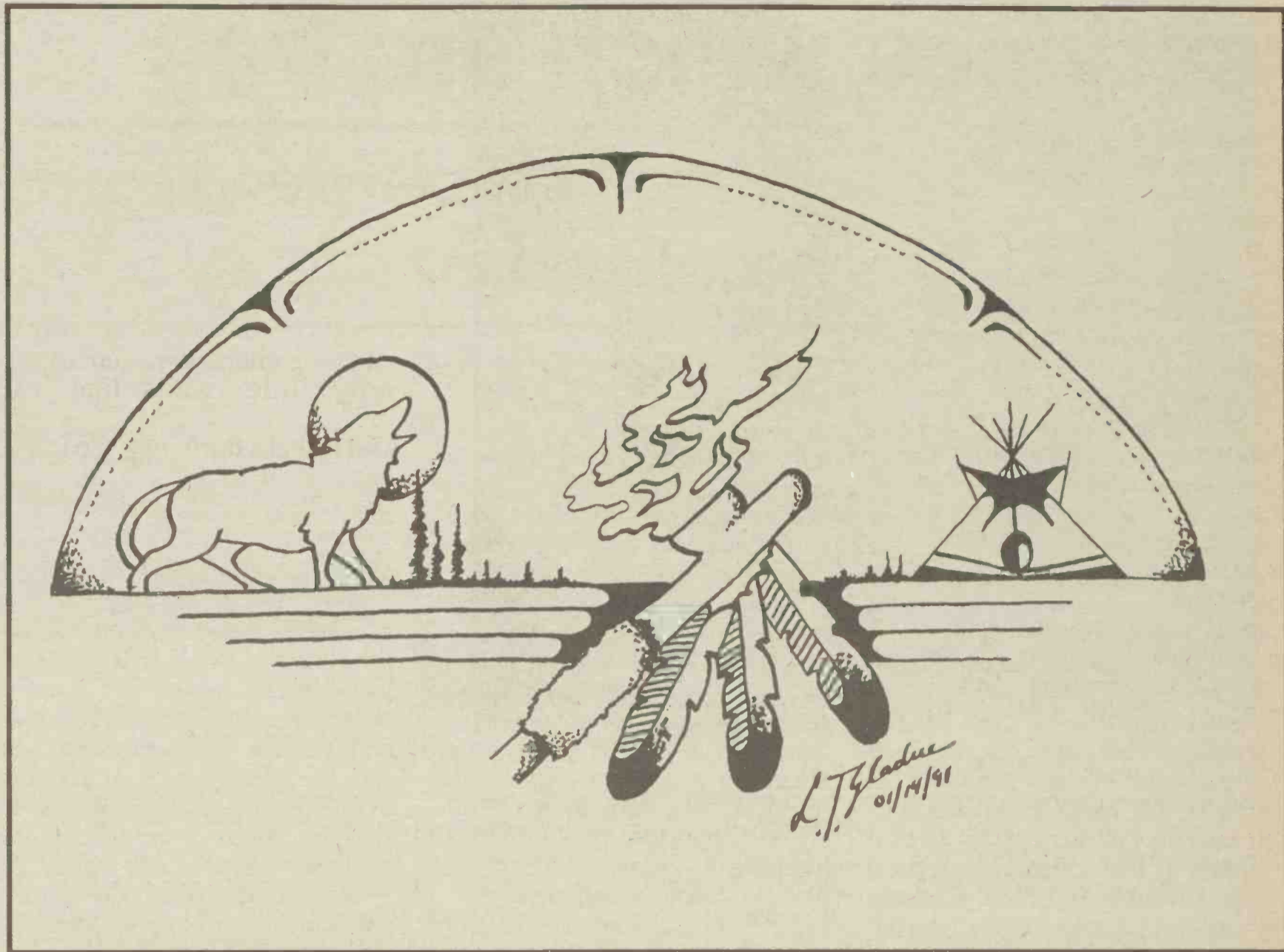
Over 250 people attended George Lavallee's funeral.

George leaves behind his wonderful wife Cecil and children, Lawrence, Irene, Maryrose, Louie, Raymond, Charles, Joe, Margaret and Jeanette from an earlier marriage.

He was predeceased by children Karen and Corinne.

George Lavallee will be deeply missed by his family, his friends and this writer, who he brought into his home with love when there was nowhere else to go.

When we hear the wind blow through the trees, wherever we



Graphic by Leroy Gladue

may be, we should always think of George and his love for the bush.

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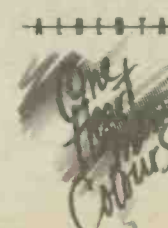


MULTICULTURALISM COMMISSION APPOINTMENT

Ernest Houle

Doug Main, Minister of Culture & Multiculturalism and Steve Zarusky, Chairman of the Alberta Multiculturalism Commission, are pleased to announce the appointment of Ernest Houle to the Alberta Multiculturalism Commission.

Mr. Houle has recently completed a three-year term as chief of the Whitefish Lake Band. As a band leader, consultant and recreation program director, Mr. Houle has overseen long range planning for recreation, cultural, tourism and parks development for the Goodfish Lake, Saddle Lake and Cold Lake bands. Mr. Houle is a member of the Blue Quills College Board of Directors.



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Native Health Care

Many Indians paying for services which are free

By Heather Andrews
Windspeaker Staff Writer

EDMONTON

Audrey Parke can't believe how many Indian people in Alberta are paying for health services which they should be receiving free.

"Treaty Indians, as well as non-Natives married or living common law with treaty people, are eligible for many services besides basic health care," says the executive director of the Alberta Indian Health Care Commission.

Each Indian person in Alberta is supplied with a no-charge health-care card by the medical services branch of Health and Welfare Canada. "If you've just moved to Alberta or if you've just turned 18, get on down to the office, located on the seventh floor of Canada Place, and apply for your card," she says.

In addition to any of the basic items covered by Alberta Health Care, the medical services branch will pay for prescription drugs, eye glasses, hospital admission fees and other necessary services. "Watch out for businesses who extra-bill for

'We are special people who negotiated for special rights'

glasses and hearing aids," cautions Parke.

She advises people to call their urban health worker who has a list of businesses, which don't extra-bill. "People from the southern part of the province can call 262-3656 and those in the northern half can call 429-3978 for the information."

Parke also cautions patients to get approval from the medical services branch for any expenditure over \$300. "If you experience any problems with billing or approvals, your urban health worker is once again available to investigate, get you the best deal or refer you to someone else."

She also reminds Indian people their treaty rights are portable. "You're covered everywhere, not just on the reserve."

Rural communities can request that professionals be brought to the reserve, which is a big help for the very sick or the elderly. According to Parke, eye exams are often conducted

on site. "As well, the use of contracted services is becoming increasingly common with dentists and pharmaceutical services from a nearby town coming out on a regular basis."

Indian people who must come to the city can ask for transportation and accommodation while away from home. Arrangements can be made by the local health centre or nursing centre in the patient's home community. "If necessary, you can be met by taxi at the bus depot or airport. An interpreter will be made available when necessary, too," states Parke.

If patients, like very young children, require assistance, arrangements are made to include another person to accompany them, she adds. "Meals are even provided, if necessary."

Parke urges Indian people to refuse to settle for simply basic health services. "After all we are special people who negotiated for special rights."



Audrey Parke

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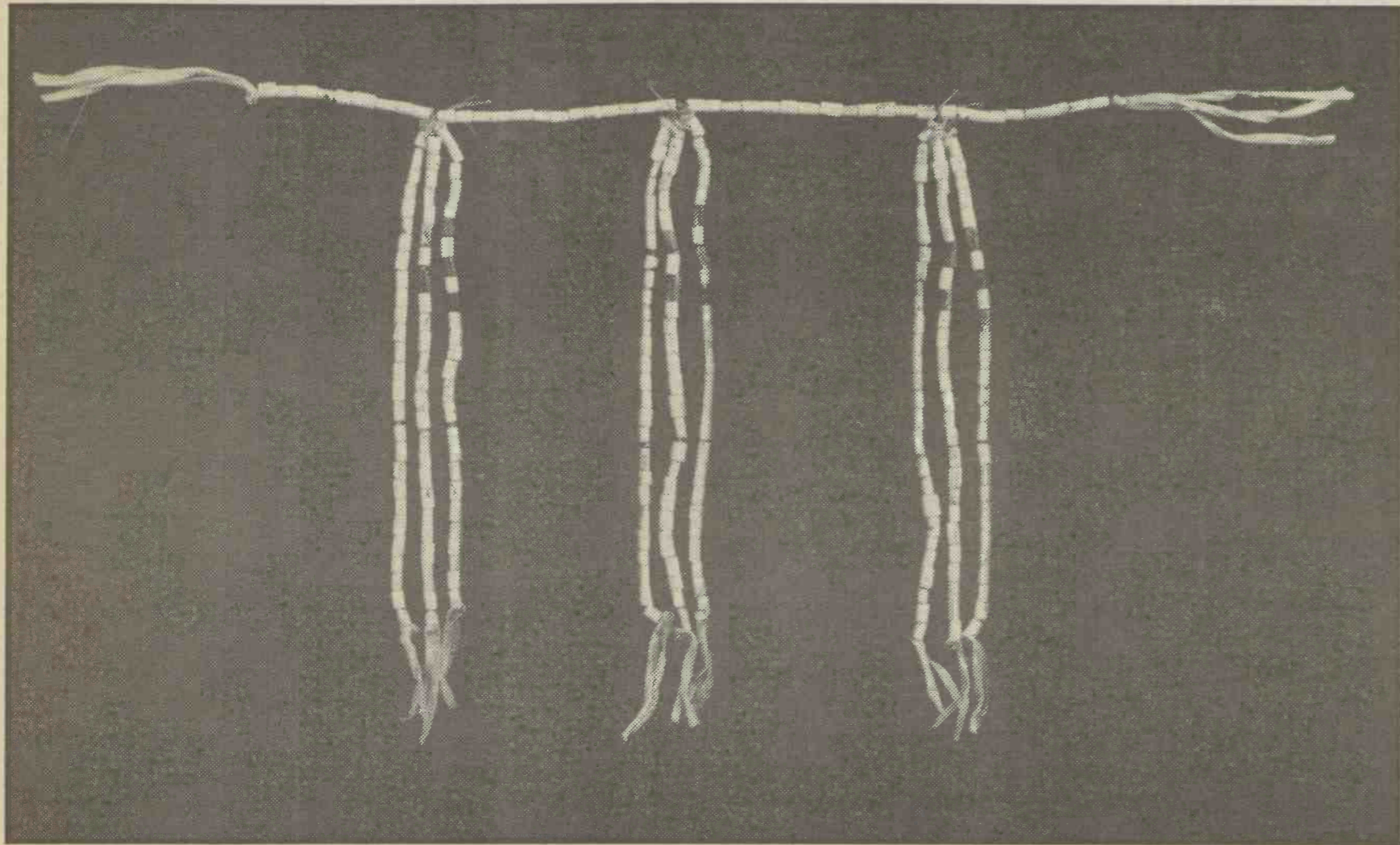
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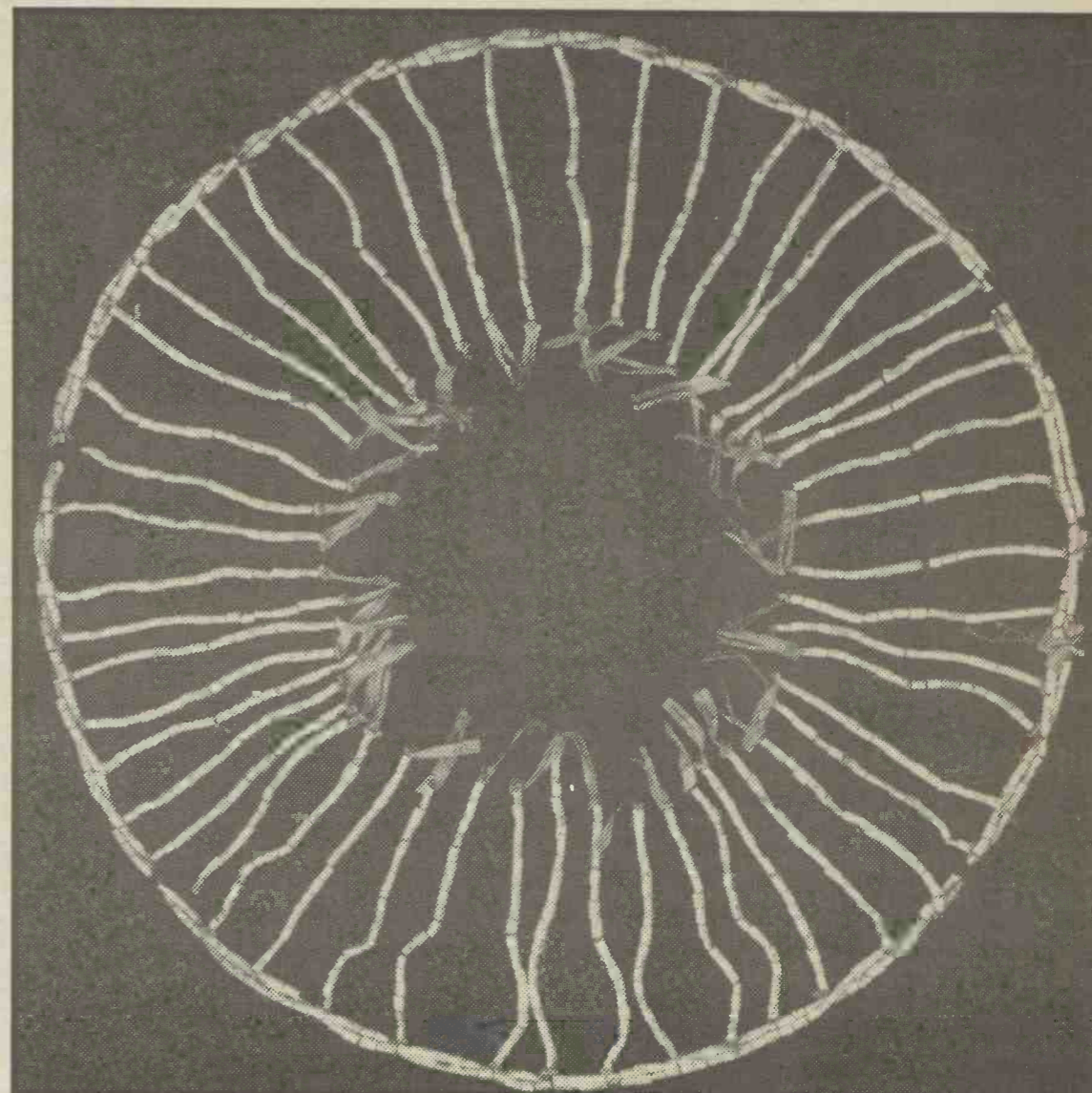
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Native Culture



This wampum depicts Mohawk nationhood



Circler of the League wampum

Museum returns wampums

HULL, QUE.

The Canadian Museum of Civilization has returned three wampum belts from its collection to the Six Nations Iroquois Confederacy. The decision was made Jan. 5 in a meeting held with museum and confederacy officials in an Iroquois longhouse in Caledonia, near Brantford, said a museum news release.

Wampums are an assembly of beads made from two species of seashells (columellae) of the Whelk and Quahog). Belts crafted with such shells are also referred to as wampums. They are the communal property of the Iroquois people and are uniquely important to their cultural heritage. The three wampums were legally acquired in 1930. They were purchased by the museum from 73-year-old Mohawk Chief W.D. Loft. Even though acquired within the framework of Canadian law, the museum returned the wampums to its legitimate claimants after satisfying itself the artifacts would be preserved in the community on behalf of future generations.

The Circler of the League wampum is made up of two twisted strands of beads forming a circle on which are appended 50 beaded strings turned inwards like the spokes of a bicycle wheel. This is the symbol of the Iroquois Confederacy with its 50 titles and indicates the roles and status of each of the 50 chiefs gathered around a fire.

The two other wampums are the pendant type. One illustrates a parable of the reunion of the Iroquois nations and the message that only peace and harmony bear fruit. White bands separated by crimson ones tell us of three sisters who made a solemn promise to themselves to never quarrel with each other despite their differences. The third wampum depicts the Mohawk nationhood. It is comprised of nine rows of beads divided into three groups, each group representing the name, status and role of the chiefs of the three Mohawk clans (the Wolf, the Bear and the Turtle).

Under an agreement reached between the two parties, the museum can make replicas of the three wampums and use them for exhibition purposes, though always in a respectful manner.

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Arts & Entertainment

Arts foundation awards grants and scholarships

TORONTO

The Canadian Native Arts Foundation (CNAF) recently awarded five grants in Alberta and Saskatchewan totalling \$11,577.

They were among 27 grants and scholarships totalling \$52,675 awarded across the country.

Among the recipients are • Lee Crowchild, a 32-year-old from Sarcee reserve. He will use his \$1,500 grant to take a 16-week theatrical training workshop that will develop four drama

projects and train five actors in performance traditions including drumming, dancing, masking and singing. The objective is to produce a highly trained ensemble which will produce theatre by, for and about Native people. • Warren Leslie Gladue, a 26-year-old Cree from Calling Lake, who has been playing guitar for 12 years. He wishes to teach, perform and compose music. His \$1,872 grant covers the cost of jazz guitar music theory and ear training lessons in preparation for entrance to Grant MacEwan College. • Ray-

mond Keighly, a Saskatchewan artist, will use his \$2,800 grant for framing, invitations, documentation and exhibition costs for a one-man show at Art Work Gallery in Saskatoon. • Tiffany Laplante, 8, of Saskatoon was given a \$405 grant. She has been taking ballet classes since she was four-years-old and will use her grant for ballet lessons and • Suntep Theatre of Saskatchewan was given a \$5,000 grant. The Saskatchewan Urban Native Teacher Program (SUNTEP) is an education program for Native teachers, operated through the

Gabriel Dumont Institute, in cooperation with the University of Saskatchewan and the University of Regina. The grant will pay for two students to perform a dramatic piece for the World Indigenous Peoples Education Conference in New Zealand.

"This brings the foundation's total scholarship disbursement to over \$400,000 since 1988," said John Kim Bell, founder and president of the organization, and the first North American Indian to become a symphony conductor.

"These recipients represent a major step forward for the Native community as these young people have shown commitment and excellence to their chosen artistic disciplines. They will use their scholarships for training and education that will eventually place them in a working arts environment".

Individual grants ranged from \$250 to \$5,800 for youth living in British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba,

Ontario, Quebec and New Brunswick. Grants were provided in the following areas: theatre and drama, classical ballet and music, film and video production, photography and visual art studies and exhibitions.

Scholarships are awarded for education, training and professional development.

CNAF is a nationally-registered, non-profit organization established in 1985 by Bell. Both privately and publicly funded, CNAF provides access to career opportunities for Native youth by providing them with educational and professional development scholarships in all areas of the performing and visual arts.

The next deadline for receiving grant and scholarship applications is April 15. Contact Judy Tobe in Toronto at 416-588-3328 for further information or write to CNAF at 99 Atlantic Avenue, Suite 315, Toronto, Ontario, M6K 3J8.

CBC's Native Heartbeats pumps aboriginal music

Curtis Jonnie, better known as Shingoose, explores the social and personal evolution of North American Indian music over three decades on Sundays, March 10-24 as part of CBC Stereo's The Entertainers, which airs from 2:25 p.m. to 5 p.m.

He talks with Karen Gordon, host of The Entertainers, and plays recordings by a diversity of singer-songwriters from the '60s, '70s and '80s in Native Heartbeats.

"Shingoose is a wonderful guide," according to Gordon. "He brings not only experience as a rock musician, but the gentleness, humor and sense of celebration and tradition of his ancestors."

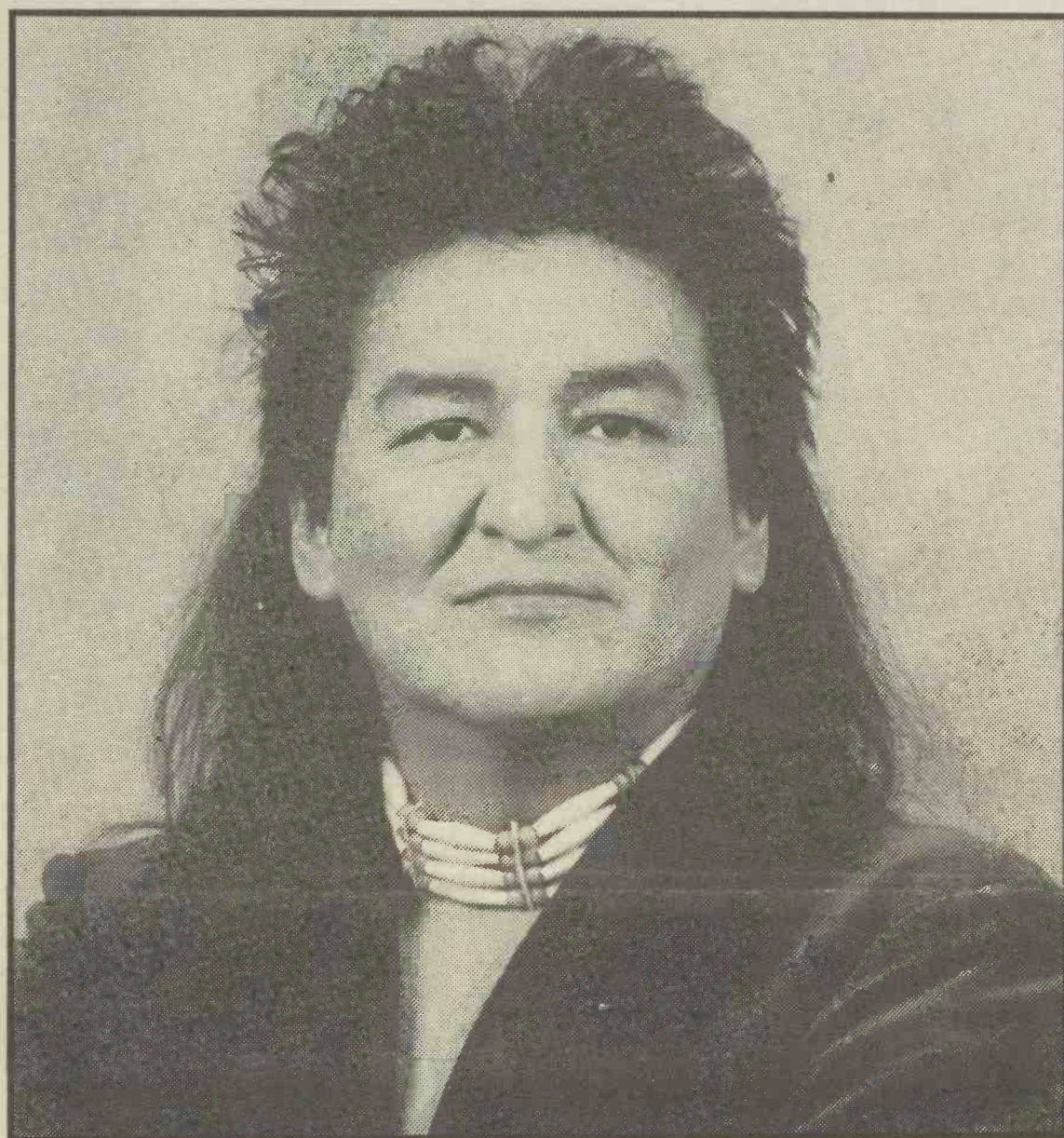
On March 10 Jonnie explores the early influences of the '60s, the time the Indian movement sprang up as part of the civil rights movement. He begins with Patrick Sky, who had a number of songs recorded by Johnny Cash including Many A Mile. Also heard are Buffy Ste. Marie's hit Universal Soldier and Floyd Westerman's Custer Died for Your Sins. Jonnie finds Westerman's song a landmark in "giving Indian people a voice."

Part II (March 17) moves to the '70s when Jonnie says "aboriginal people turned their attention to rediscovering their roots, culture and language." The content was expressed in such diverse musical styles as Latin, blues and rock. Music includes Vacation, a plea for world peace by Metis folk rock balladeer Tom Jackson of Winnipeg, and songs by southern California rock band Redbone, Alberta country rock singer Laura Vinson and Jonnie.

The final show (March 24) focuses on a new generation of aboriginal songwriters. Jonnie finds the Native songs of the '80s marked "a coming to terms with one's individuality and realization there was more to life than social issues." Artists include Keith Secola, a Chippewa from Wisconsin, Winnipeg's Errol Ranville, formerly known as C-Weed, Canada's Suzanne Bird, Jim Pepper, a Kaw Indian whose hit Witchi Tia To reveals some means jazz sax playing, and Robbie Robertson, a Mohawk who became a major influence on three decades of musicians.

Shingoose started out professionally in the late '60s in the U.S., playing with rock bands, before settling down in Winnipeg to work on his solo career.

CBC Stereo is heard on the following frequencies: Edmonton (90.9 FM), Calgary (102.1 FM), Lethbridge (91.7 FM) and Saskatoon (105.5 FM). It's heard mainly in and around large cities, but it's also carried in some smaller areas on cable.



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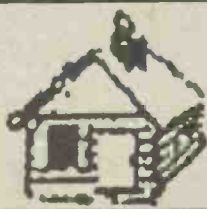
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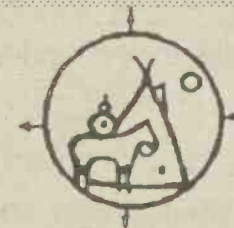
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Advertising Feature

McMurray workshop to explore youth issues

By Heather Andrews
Windspeaker Staff Writer

FORT MCMURRAY, ALTA.

A four-day workshop to be held in this northern Alberta community will explore many issues affecting youth today from the traditional viewpoint of aboriginal people.

The dates of the event have yet to be decided. "Hopefully it will be the last week of February or the first week of March," says facilitator Andrew Leach.

"The workshop will develop the power in today's young people to do what they can, with what they've got. And we feel they've got a lot," says Leach.

In traditional Indian society, a harmonious co-existence with everything in the universe was emphasized. Ceremonies which marked the passage from youth to manhood or womanhood created stability and continuity.

"With the coming of colonization, these important structures have not been maintained and there are no clear boundaries," explains Leach. Youth, therefore, must struggle to develop their own initiation and identity. The results, added to the other complex issues faced during this dynamic period of growth, can be disastrous.

"We will be addressing effective communication, sexuality and relationships, alcohol and drug usage and self-esteem," says Leach.

Young people, who participate, will be encouraged to take

their new skills back to their communities.

Other workshops are planned for the near future in Ontario, Manitoba and British Columbia. As well, follow-up sessions will be planned for a later date. "And then we hope to run a series of workshops for teachers and parents to assure that the people working with our youth are in tune with cultural values, too," says Leach, who has been actively involved with youth for many years.

Originally from the Kamloops area in the B.C. interior, the Stl'atl'imx man found through his own experience there aren't enough Native role models to encourage youth.

"I went through a time myself as a young person when I was involved with drugs and alcohol, so I know all the problems youth face."

Although he began recovery at the age of 22, he found there were still many problems which had to be solved by personal healing and a wholesome lifestyle. Straightening out his life was a huge undertaking, he says.

"What it really boils down to is using simple basic skill development, but what we need is a cultural base."

The workshops are sponsored by Resurgence of Aboriginal People, a non-profit society based in Vancouver. Formed last year, the society is dedicated to showing aboriginal youth how to address serious social issues by getting in touch with their roots.



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The facilitator is Andrew Leach, a member of the Stl'atl'imx Nation. Andrew has travelled extensively in cross-cultural situations and has been involved with various youth programs for several years. He is also a recovering alcoholic. All interested parties can call Andrew at his office at (604)879-2420 or he can be reached at the telephone number listed below.

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Sports

Siksika takes top spot in Treaty 7 games

By Wayne Courchene
Windspeaker Correspondent

SIKSIKA NATION, ALTA.

More than 1,300 athletes from five reserves and two friendship centres converged on the Siksika Nation to participate in the second annual Treaty 7 Winter Games.

The host team walked away from the Jan. 31 to Feb. 3 event with a total of 24 medals to finish first, toppling the Peigan Nation, which won the grand aggregate trophy last year.

Siksika dominated the games by winning 11 gold, 10 silver and three bronze medals. The Bloods came in second, taking home four gold, four silver and eight bronze while Peigan teams won five gold, five silver and two bronze. Calgary was fourth in the medal standings with three gold, four silver and eight bronze. The Stoneys, Sarcees and Lethbridge shared 12 medals.

An estimated 3,000 sports-minded people, ranging in age from six to 60, attended or participated in the games, which consisted of friendly competitive volleyball, basketball, hockey, badminton and skiing. Boxing and hand games were included this year as spectator sports.

The games started with the youth playing in minor hockey games, volleyball and basketball.

"The winter games have been a huge success and we look forward to the next games," said games co-ordinator Ferron McMaster.

The most popular sports were basketball and hockey with over 30 teams entered in each event. The games were so numerous that two school gymnasiums and the Deerfoot Sportsplex were booked solid throughout the weekend. Game organizers also rented the arena in the neighboring town of Gleichen to

allow the over 30 hockey teams to play their games throughout the day.

"It cost over \$25,000 to run the games," said McMaster. "We gave out close to 700 medals and assorted prizes like jackets and sweaters. The referees cost us a fair bit of money to ref the games."

Siksika Chief Strater Crowfoot issued a friendly challenge to opponents at the opening ceremonies to beat the Siksika teams in the games. The challenge brought a response from the visitors.

Siksika swept volleyball winning gold in all three categories, senior co-ed, junior boys and junior girls. They were also looking for a sweep of the gold medals in basketball, but the Bloods, the Peigans and the Calgary Friendship Centre captured four of the first-place medals in the eight categories.

The rivalry was intense in the last basketball game. The senior 'A' men's event between Siksika and the Lethbridge friendship centre ended with a final score of 76-61 for Siksika. The senior women's basketball game was also dominated by Siksika.

Siksika also dominated in hockey but wasn't as strong as it had been in basketball. Siksika won three golds in hockey, winning in the oldtimers, rochets and midgets categories. The Siksika oldtimers' hockey team won the final game handily with a 11-2 lopsided victory over the Peigans.

The Bloods spread their winnings over the events while all five Peigan gold medals came in skiing. Peigan Nation was also strong in the event last year.

The Calgary friendship centre improved its performance significantly over last year taking 18 medals. Last year the team took home only one silver medal — it came in volleyball.



Wayne Courchene

Basketball action between the Calgary Friendship Centres' Rebel Runners and Siksika Nation

A lot of work went into organizing the games. Work started last September, said McMaster. "A special thanks goes to all the volunteers who put a lot of hours of their own time into the games. Without them the games would not have turned out as well as they did."

The host of the next Treaty 7 Winter Games will be decided in March by the seven recreation directors from the area.

Stonewalker set to defend his Canadian title in March

By Rocky Woodward
Windspeaker Staff Writer

EDMONTON

Three of Canada's top boxers are scheduled to fight on the same card at Edmonton's Agri-con March 9.

Danny Stonewalker and Harpal Talhan will defend their Canadian titles while Scotty Olsen will be featured in his first 10-round main event fight.

Glen Carriere of KO Boxing Promotions said Edmonton has always been the hotbed of boxing and "in March the card will feature the best in boxing Canada has to offer for its fans."

He also praised Sawridge band Chief Walter Twinn for supporting KO Boxing Promotions in this venture.

"Without Walter's support, it would almost be impossible to bring quality boxing back to Edmonton," said Carriere. Twinn has been an avid supporter of boxing for years.

Stonewalker will defend his light-heavyweight title against tough Terry Jesmer of Winnipeg while lightweight champ Talhan will defend against Toronto's Ned Simmons.

It is believed Olson's fight is another stepping-stone towards



Rocky Woodward

Sawridge Chief Walter Twinn (right) may be in the corner of Danny Stonewalker (left) at the March 9 boxing card in Edmonton

a world title shot against Dave McCauley for the International Boxing Federation flyweight title.

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Rehabilitation & Treatment Centre

- Chemical dependency treatment services directed toward people 16 years of age and older
- Minimum 6 week residential program
- "Total Person" Concept utilized
- 24 hour in-patient care
- Continuous intake
- *Patients referred to the centre must have:
 - Minimum 72 hours sobriety
 - Personal grooming items such as comb, toothbrush and toothpaste
 - Extra clothing with one set suitable for outdoor wear
 - Two pairs of footwear, one suitable for indoor use and for outdoor wear
 - Valid Health Care Card or equivalent
 - Completed admission form which include referral and medical report. This form can be brought in by either the patient or mailed prior to patient's admission date.
 - Prearranged and completed transportation arrangements to and from Kapown Centre
 - Adequate tobacco supplies if patient uses these items.
- * No perspective client is refused treatment due to lack of resources



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UP WHERE YOU BELONG
Facilitated by Blair
Thomas &
Sharon Hladun

Feb. 22, 23 & 24

To know the self is to know all of who we are, all of which are worthy to be shared with one another. This workshop is a personal growth experience that includes intuitive counselling, body work, gestalt, breathing techniques, ceremony and symbols. Participants can deal with issues and the ways that they may be interpreting their lives.

**NATIVE CULTURAL
AWARENESS WORKSHOP**
Facilitated by Lee Brown
Feb. 28, Mar. 1, 2 & 3

In this workshop you will learn about the Indian histories, teachings and prophecies that were told long before the Europeans came to North America. You will discover how the numerous Indian Nations are interconnected by language and beliefs. This workshop will also focus on the building of a national community and the importance the four races of man have in this national community.

**DREAM
WORKSHOP**
Facilitated by
Lee Brown

Feb. 18, 19 & 20

The focus of this workshop is to teach participants an effective approach to counselling and personal growth through the interpretation of our dreams. There will be ample opportunity for each one to practice new skills in the use of our dreams and their meanings.

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