

## Hobbema cops seek 'millions'

By Susan Enge  
Windspeaker Staff Writer

HOBBEWA, Alta.

The Hobbema Tribal Police director wants the provincial and federal governments to reimburse operations and maintenance funds - in the "millions."

Marvin Littlechild says the debt accumulated over ten years and he plans to push both Indian Affairs and the province's Solicitor General's department to clear their bill in full.

"All I can say is that it amounts to millions," said Littlechild, reluctant to disclose a run down of policing costs incurred on the Samson, Montana, Ermineskin and Pigeon Lake reserves.

Excluded from their service is the Louis Bull reserve, a member of the Four Bands, which already operates a fully-fledged and autonomous Native-run police force.

Littlechild says federal subsidization funds were discontinued in 1978 when the Four Bands administrative body began collecting substantial oil and gas revenues from the collectively owned Pigeon Lake property. He says they have been picking up policing costs ever since.

Meanwhile, the crime rate on this reserve has esca-

lated 43 percent in 1987. Liquor offenses, suicide, solvent abuse, mischief, assault, theft and domestic disputes offenses have all increased, said Littlechild.

Last year, he said, 5,032 complaints alone were lodged and registered in their office.

"The need for our police force is definitely there. The statistics prove it," explained Littlechild. So, he finds it mystifying why Indian Affairs officials want a needs assessment study done before they resume any kind of financial assistance.

Littlechild estimates costs of their police program, equivalent to the authority of the municipal police, falls just short of \$1 million each year.

There are 13 employees on staff, four patrol cars and one main office, expenses which the Four Bands pay for each year.

Littlechild says continuous limited cash flow coming from his discussions with Indian Affairs is unacceptable.

"Indian and Northern Affairs Canada are always dangling carrots, only contributing pennies hoping that we will go away smiling. You know that has to stop now," said Littlechild.

As far as Littlechild is concerned, Indian Affairs "breached their judiciary obligation" defined in Treaty 6, but was unable to elaborate.

**Funds committed:** Littlechild's requests are not being ignored, however.

An Indian Affairs official advised Windspeaker Hobbema's tribal police will get \$26,000 for the 1988-89 fiscal year plus \$39,000 for 1989-90. If needed, an additional \$26,000 will be provided, said Clemente Laframboise, Indian Affairs manager of band support.

"When you're looking at half a million dollars that you're trying to divide with 20 bands, the resources are simply inadequate," said Laframboise.

Littlechild remains unimpressed.

"They think we're rich,

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Home from Ottawa: Lubicon negotiators at Edmonton's International Airport

## No deal, talks stop

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EDMONTON

Lubicon negotiators stormed out of the tenth solid week of land claims negotiations Jan. 25 in Ottawa, after deciding their proposals were not being "taken seriously" by federal negotiators.

According to band advisor Fred Lennarson, federal negotiators countered their request for a comprehensive socio-economic development package and \$150 million in compensation with an offer far short of their expectations. The federal government offered a \$45 million economic development package, no financial compensation and the option of seeking court action to challenge the compensation issue.

Lennarson said the band found the federal counter proposal "completely inadequate" and "unacceptable."

"We told them we had experience with the Canadian courts and we thought it was a joke to talk about going to the Canadian courts to achieve fairness," said Lennarson.

**Salt on old wound:** "That's like pouring salt on an old wound," he said.

The Lubicon unsuccessfully tried last November to assert Lubicon jurisdiction in a Canadian court of Queen's Bench in Edmonton.

Instead, Lennarson said, they may invite the federal team to their "Lubicon court, established by Lubicon people, before judges appointed by the Lubicon people."

The dispute over Aboriginal title to land could be presented "within the framework of law passed by the Lubicon people," said Lennarson. He said when they suggested the idea to

federal negotiators "they didn't seem interested in doing that."

"That's real cute," laughed Ken Colby, federal spokesperson in a telephone conversation from Calgary.

**'Keep the change':** Colby confirmed the \$45 million offer made to and rejected by the Lubicon. The amount is divided in two separate areas: \$34 million is to be spent constructing a new reserve and \$10.4 million is designated for developing new economic enterprises.

"Colloquially, we called it the 'keep the change' reserve, we all had jokes about that," said Colby.

The Lubicon team, said Colby, requested an indoor hockey rink, indoor swimming pool, free cable-television, a daycare centre and senior citizens' home. All these items contained on their "wish list," said Colby, were rejected because it was not government policy to provide such items in a land settlement.

"We added up the stuff that they wanted, that we could provide...and that came to \$23 million," he said. That figure, added Colby, is earmarked for the construction of individual family homes (133), a school, roads, sewer, band office, community hall, and fire hall - all services required in a new community. The additional \$11.5 million would cover unforeseen costs and inflation.

A minimum of \$10.4 million for the development of economic enterprises plus vocational training was offered by the federal negotiating team, said Colby. This includes a seed capital budget of \$5 million for proved "viable projects," an additional \$5 million for the construction of a community farm and \$400,000 for voca-

## Lubicon members may block oil and gas activity

The chief of the Lubicon band may consider blocking oil and gas activity on their "4,000 square miles of traditional land" forcing dozens of companies to start "dealing with the real owners of the resources."

The final decision, however, on whether or not they block access to their land, rests with the community elders and membership. In the meantime, however, Ominayak says they are looking at a number of options.

Bernard Ominayak told Windspeaker this option is a result of negotiations that broke down with federal officials last week in Ottawa. He says the final federal offer of \$45 million and no provision for cash compensation for natural resource expropriation provides "no guarantees" his community will eliminate welfare dependency, a primary objective of the band.

Ominayak says the Lubicon are left with "no choice" but to resort back to their original claim that they never ceded or surrendered any lands.

He said talks would never have broken down if the "feds really wanted to settle."

tional training.

### No compensation:

The final aspect of the federal offer denies the Lubicon Aboriginal title to the land.

"The best legal advice we have is that you have no such claim. We can't offer anything there," said Colby.

But, he added, the federal government offered the Lubicon band the option to sue for their alleged claim to land title.

The Lubicon band previously rejected legal recourse because their claim of never surrendering or ceding any land was "a weak case," added Colby.

And, until a decision is rendered in a Canadian court the Lubicon would not receive the \$100 million in cash compensation they seek, he said.

**Final offer:** The Lubicon negotiating team drove back to Little Buffalo Jan. 24 to strategize their next move. Lennarson did not rule out another road block.

Federal representative Colby said their "final offer" was made and will not change.

Negotiations between the federal government and the Lubicon band have been underway for almost 50 years.

Negotiations with the province, however, was more successful.

The Cree reached agreement with the province Oct. 22 in Grimshaw, with Premier Getty, who agreed to transfer a 95 square mile reserve to the band. Only 16 sq. miles of this area would not contain sub-surface rights.

The province was obligated under the 1930 Natural Resources Transfer Act to provide land to Indian bands negotiating reserve lands with the federal government.

The Cree from Little Buffalo were absent when the 1899 Treaty was signed with other northern Indian communities.

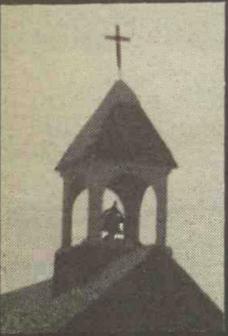
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and am sure if you  
contact me, I would  
be able to convince  
others to help."

- William McLean, in a  
small town newspaper  
commentary.

## On the Treaty Indian agenda

## Louis looks ahead

By Everett Lambert  
Nehiyaw News Service

## PROVINCIAL

The president of the Indian Association of Alberta (IAA) is rolling up his sleeves to tackle everything from the association's \$213,000 deficit to reviving culture and spirituality.

Roy Louis, president-elect, since last July, has a list of eleven major tasks on his 1989 agenda.

The Hobbema business man and rancher talked about the job ahead in a recent interview at his Edmonton office.

**The deficit:** Job one is the associations \$238,000 deficit. "We are making every effort to reduce the deficit," says Louis. "I think when the audit comes, the assembly will be pleased."

The association now has 15 staff members. This includes Larry Hill of Edmonton who has done work and will be working with the financial package and recovery plan.

**Environment:** This year the association is the setting up of an environment secretariat.

"As you know there's a lot of concerns regarding the environment, in terms of major developments," says Louis. Two major projects have been given approval. The Daishowa pulp mill near Peace River will cost \$500 million. The second is to be the largest in the world. The mammoth mill near Athabasca will be owned by Crestbrook Forest Industries of British Columbia and will cost \$1.3 billion dollars. Two other pulp mills are under expansion in Hinton and Grande Prairie. Smaller projects are also planned for Manning and Slave Lake, both in northern Alberta. All projects are located near significant Native communities or populations.

Louis says that leaders from those areas have shown concerns about the pollution and chemicals to be dumped into the rivers, and the killing of wildlife. He says his goal is to create an awareness with the general public that Native people are "good environmentalists." It is hoped the environment secretariat can be announced soon.

**The law system:** "I'd like to see a part of the association in dealing with the whole justice review, right

from young offenders to incarceration of Native people," says Louis. "We're still doing some ground-work" but, what is being looked for is "meaningful" resolutions and recommendations that can be used by the justice system.

**Spirituality:** Lawrence Mackinaw, elders coordinator, is setting up of an "ecumenical council." The Paul Band, west of Edmonton, has agreed to host an ecumenical conference around the end of May. Louis feels the purpose is to bring "our self-identity into focus" as people in a fast moving world.

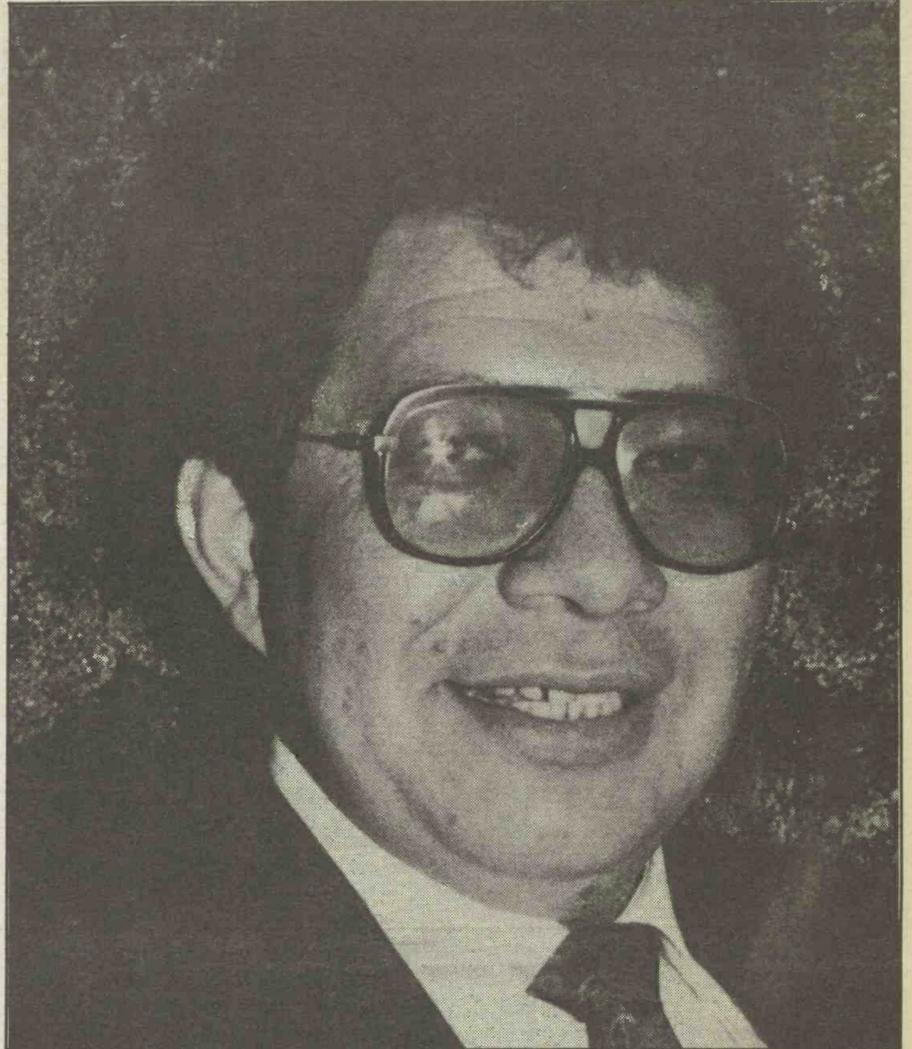
"It's so important for people to know who they are, what they are, where they came from."

There are also misconceptions about Native people, he says. The Crees, for instance, have different traditions amongst the different tribes. He says "we should be very proud of the fact we still have our traditions. We still have our culture intact." However, "the traditions that are there, are rapidly being eroded."

**Language:** The whole question of language retention in the area of education is an area of concern.

"As you know education has been attacked by the departmental officials (from the federal Department of Indian Affairs) and I think that's something that needs to be worked upon by Native leaderships across Canada." He says that studies show that by the year 2000 there is only going to be few Native languages left in Canada "and I think there should be monies allocated through the Government of Canada to give that right, that is rightfully ours, to know your language." He finds it disturbing that millions of dollars has been spent on new Canadians for language development. "Once we lose our language, well then our culture goes.... That's why it's crucially important that we deal with our elders."

**Policy:** Louis points out that there is a big difference between federal or provincial government policy and departmental policy (for example the Department of Indian Affairs, Canada) and that the two should not be confused. He says that "it's hard to influence government policy" due to the lack of Native decision-makers within the government.



Eleven priorities identified: Roy Louis, IAA president

"Now we have an example that we can use in terms of Willie Littlechild being a Treaty Indian, (who) knows Native issues, Native concerns."

"If we want something done we (have) to start utilizing the appropriate people." It is important to have influence with local Members of Parliament, he says. The president would also like to see more activity by Native people in Alberta as far as exercising their rights as the first peoples, "because we are the first citizens."

**Elders:** Working with the elders is important to Mr. Louis, since he believes that since elders are so knowledgeable and provide "continuity." He comments that Frank Cardinal, father of Harold Cardinal, a former IAA president, has been with the association since its beginning. Cardinal sits on the Elders Senate. The Elders Senate also includes Caroline Janvier of Cold Lake, who is the first woman to sit on the senate.

**War veterans:** War veterans, Louis feels, do not get enough recognition. He mentions the late Bunny Grier who passed away recently. Grier was a decorated soldier both in the

Second World War and the Korean conflict. Louis says that the only time vets are remembered is when they pass away. "Basically, they're just given a headstone and that's it." "If the Government of Canada can give monies to something terrible that happened to the Japanese during the Second World War, why can't they properly recognize our Treaty Indians who went there voluntarily.... I think that recognition deserves a lot more than a tombstone."

**Chiefs meetings:** The association is working on having chiefs meetings in the different treaty areas. Planned for Feb. 7 - 10 is a Treaty 8 chiefs meeting at the Sawridge Hotel in Fort McMurray, Alta. Included on the agenda is Georges Erasmus, the Grand Chief of the Assembly of First Nations, and younger brother Bill Erasmus, president of the Dene Nation. Louis also hopes to have chiefs meetings in the treaty 6 and 7 areas, before moving on to an Alberta all-chiefs meeting he hopes to have before May. The Louis Bull Band of Hobbema may host the Treaty 6 meeting. Louis says he prefers to have meetings on the reserves. The annual assembly will be

held at Hobbema.

**Police relations:** Better relations with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) is also on the agenda. He says he would like to see RCMP services to the communities improved. He's also glad to see that the RCMP's K Division in Edmonton has taken an interest in attempting to improve their relationship with Native communities.

Louis also feels that people like Constable Arrol Crier, and other Native people with the force should be recognized.

**T.A.R.R.:** The last area is that of Treaty and Aboriginal Rights Research (TARR) who have expressed a wish to be on their own. The chiefs however asked for more clarity and T.A.R.R. was asked to come up with further recommendations.

Louis says the whole land claims process needs revamping at the Ottawa level. He says T.A.R.R. has some four to five employees, which includes lawyers and research staff.

In closing Mr. Louis says "we'll continue struggling for our rights." "We're accomplishing our task," he concludes.

## CLOSE TO HOME

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that's not fair," he replied.

Laframboise explained there are three bands in Alberta currently running a Native municipal law enforcement department. And, there are an additional 17 bands operating a lesser form of policing service.

With a four percent increase from last year's budget, Laframboise said the figure is still not enough. Despite the serious lack of finances, Laframboise said, there are no plans to upgrade their band support budget to accommodate more comprehensive policing services on reserves.

**Jurisdiction and training:**

Two major issues are yet to be resolved, said Laframboise, which include the question of jurisdiction and training on staff. He said, Indian Affairs does not want to "get into policing." In fact,

said Laframboise, sponsoring Native legal enforcement departments on reserves is a provincial responsibility.

"It's a question of jurisdiction. If a community...wish(es) to make their presentation to the provincial government and describe how they would like to operate policing service(s) and what level of jurisdiction they wish to be responsible for, the province is prepared to accept that," said Laframboise.

"The issue of policing training has been a long-standing issue. The department here seems to be responsible for policing services and unfortunately, we provide limited financial resources. But the province intends to implement a training program for all special constables that receives authority from the province," said Laframboise.

"We don't have the

resources to do that. So, as a result, we are as limited as, and may become, in that sense, trapped in the same situation of being limited in the development that can occur," added Laframboise.

**Province quiet:**

Response from the provincial government has been limited. Bill Whetstone, manager of policing for the Solicitor General's department would not comment on his negotiations with Littlechild, following a meeting Jan. 20 in Edmonton.

But Littlechild is hopeful.

"They've always been cooperative. I'm sorta leaning towards them," he said.

**Collecting fines:** Not only do the Four Bands want financial reimbursement for their policing services, they want the monies collected from fines, which were levied on their reserve, credited back to their account.

To date, the Solicitor General's department has been forwarding all reserve

related fines to Indian Affairs headquarters in Ottawa. According to Jack Hughes, manager of membership, statutory requirements and band resources in Alberta, those fine monies are then put into a "trust account" of the band.

But, Hughes admits there has been a "gap" between monies received and forwarded to a reserve's bank account. However, he expects to have the problem resolved in "two months time."

In the meantime, the Hobbema Tribal Police is forced to change its name. Under revisions to the province's Police Act, any reference to the word 'police' is restricted unless their Native policing service is fully licensed and recognized by the Solicitor General's office. Instead, they will be calling themselves the Hobbema Four Nation's Law Enforcement Department.

## NEWS BRIEFS

**Okeymow escapes death**

Wilson Okeymow, dean of cultural studies at a Hobbema college, is in stable condition and is recovering from a highway accident where three teenagers were killed and two others were critically injured.

The collision occurred 11 p.m. Jan. 20 two kilometres west of Camrose while an RCMP cruiser was pursuing the teens' car.

Police believe alcohol was a factor in the crash.

Okeymow, a non-drinker, thought he was going to die, he told Windspeaker in a telephone interview. "I thought, well, here I go, this is it. There was no time to get scared."

Okeymow said his brush with death taught him how much he was cared for and not to take life for granted.

The Hobbema man is home with his family. He has small fractures, internal injuries, lacerations and bruises. The only permanent injury, said Okeymow, was his right eye. Doctors say he may never regain complete vision.

**Southern teachers strike**

Southern Alberta teachers voted 88 per cent in favor of taking strike action Jan. 19. Of the 804 teachers voting, 709 voted to take strike action, while 95 voted against.

"The teachers have sent a clear message to the Southern Alberta School Authorities Association school boards with today's vote. They are unhappy with the boards' contract offer in terms of both salaries and benefits," said Ralph Klintberg, Alberta Teachers' Association negotiator.

The teachers affected are those in the Cardston School District, the Picture Butte Catholic district, Taber Catholic district, Barons district, Bow Island Catholic district, Coaldale Catholic district, Crownsnest Pass, Pincher Creek, Pincher Creek Catholic district, County of Forty Mile, the County of Newell, the County of Vulcan and the County of Warner.

**Marshall's sentence suspended**

Donald Marshall, the Micmac who spent 11 years in prison for a murder he did not commit, was given a suspended sentence Jan. 16 for a charge of break and enter and intent to commit theft.

Marshall, 35, was given two year's probation and ordered to do 50 hours of community work.

The Nova Scotia judge also urged Marshall to seek counselling for emotional, alcohol and drug problems.

**Calahasen crashes, totals car**

Pearl Calahasen, candidate for the PC nomination in the Slave Lake region, escaped injury after she was involved in a car crash on the Wabasca road Jan. 18.

The car fishtailed and rolled three times on an sharp, icy turn.

"After the accident we asked if the vehicle could be put back on the road, we have another meeting," joked Jeanette Calahasen, the only other passenger.

## EXPRESSIONS

**Pow-wow tyke**

This little tyke was the life of the party Jan. 24 at the Native Pastoral Centre's honorary elders' feast in Edmonton.

Evan Cardinal "has been dancing since he was 10 months old," said his mother, Bobbi, with a proud smile.

The youngster's spontaneous powwow performances during the ceremonies depicted his knowledge of traditional styles.

His desire for play-time activities though was almost stronger than his concentration on his dance routine.

The small gathering applauded the tyke more than once. Little Evan is definitely on his merry way to fame and glory.

—Photo by Bea Lawrence

**Janvier to vote**

JANVIER RESERVE, Alta. - There are a number of residents in this tiny reserve who are interested in the chief and councillor positions this year as preparations for its election on Feb. 6 begin.

Nominations closed Jan. 19 in this tiny Chipewyan reserve located sixty miles south of Fort McMurray, with three candidates running for chief and ten for three councillor positions.

Chief candidates include: Jane Cardinal, David Janvier and incumbent Walter Janvier. Ten councillor candidates include: Stuart Janvier, Fred Cardinal, Jack Black, Archie Janvier, Donald Janvier, Thomas Janvier, Fred Black, Jean B. Janvier, Gloria Janvier and Elsie Lemaigre.

It will be the first time the band will implement its own electoral bylaws, eliminating reference to former Indian Act

election rules.

This reserve is one of the smallest in the province with a population of 300 Chipewyan.

The Indian band is currently negotiating the sale of oil and gas exploration and drilling rights on traditional Chipewyan land with a number of Calgary based companies.

Economic opportunities stemming from the construction of a massive pulp mill in Athabasca - slated as the largest in the world - are currently being assessed by the band, a member of the Athabasca Native Development Corporation.

Negotiations with Crestbrook officials, the successful proponent of the mega-forest development project are underway to develop a Native preference hiring and training agreement similar to Syn-clude's.



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**YOUR WORDS**

**Hunting rights are 'legalized poaching'**

By William McLean and Dave Powell  
As printed in four Alberta town newspapers

I honestly wonder about the fate of sporthunting in Alberta. Indeed even about the ability of our game herds to hold their own in the upcoming years. Our government has set goals to manage wildlife to attain approximately double the number of moose and elk in Alberta than we presently have. I do not believe for one minute that they have the will or resources to be able to accomplish this.

There are two main problems which are controllable. The first which is predation from other animals, especially wolves, and is a natural problem which with sound management and controls can be brought under control. It is apparent by the amount and frequency that one finds wolves' tracks in the west country that they are doing well and survive in large numbers; too large a number to be healthy for themselves or the game they prey upon.

The second problem which I will deal with at greater length is that of sustenance hunting. You can't have any kind of game management when any segment of the population is above reproach. The best definition of this that I have heard is the right of Native groups to hunt in order to sustain life. At that point I have no qualms about that right. I do however take exception to that right when it merely masquerades as the right to sport hunt.

True sustenance hunting is a very serious game. If you fail in your quest then you will starve to death. At the time those treaties were written that was the consequence of failure. I look at the changes of the past one hundred years or so after those treaties were signed and look at our society's changes. We now have social programs which will look after all Canadians when they are down and out. I look at the millions of dollars distributed by Native bands to their people via the oil and gas revenues.

Hunting to sustain life in these circumstances is also a thing of the past.

Methods available for use when those treaties were signed were also drastically different. Weaponry was the bow, muzzle loaders, and a limited number of repeating rifles that had trouble hitting a barrel from across the street. Transportation was limited to horses, dog teams, walking and in some cases the Iron Horse. Technology today has made man so efficient, what was something of insignificance then, is critical today. If sustenance hunting methods were to return to the methods used at the time the treaties were signed impact on wildlife would remain the insignificant factor our forefathers, both Native and white expected it to be.

The tremendous sudden wealth in some reserves allow for the purchase of expensive trucks, ATVs, motorhomes, etc. When you see these things out chasing up and down the west's backroads you really have to wonder if it's sustenance or sporthunting. When the heads are taken to the neighborhood taxidermy shop and they are, there can be no question about the motive for that particular hunt.

It is extremely disturbing that under the guise of sustenance hunting all rules are suspended. Entire ewe and lamb herds can be legally slaughtered. Night hunting is not taboo. Party hunting is utilized giving the capability to push large areas to a common slaughtering ground. Hunting in late winter when the cows are heavy in calf and fighting heavy snow is okay. Many reports come each year about portions of carcasses wasted rather than be carried out. The Native community should have to seriously look at these type atrocities and begin policing on their own. Failing this someone may have to do it for them, or are we already at that point. My own opinion is that we are.

Our politicians are going to have to wake up one of these days and stop passing the buck. The feds say it is up to the provinces. The provinces say its the old sacred cow and nothing can be done. If they keep this up the problem will disappear. I am also curious to know how the Charter of Rights would look at a segment of the population given certain rights but not all of the population. Why can't whites hunt for the purpose of sustaining life. If anybody out there gets charged for something a Native can legally do, I would promise financial help to fight a test case and am sure if you contact me, I would be able to convince others to help. My phone number is (403) 782-3893.

**Indian hunters don't threaten nature**

By Francis Alexis, Alexis band  
Letter to the editor about hunting rights

This letter is in response to an article that appeared in the Jan. 3, 1989 editions of the Athabasca Advocate, Barrhead Leader, Swan Hills Grizzly Gazette, and the Barrhead News. It stereotypes Natives.

The journalists responsible, have little or no knowledge of Indian history or treaties.

I am a Treaty Indian. I believe it is time to educate the non-Native people because we have been misunderstood for too long.

In the Native way of life, wildlife and resource management was always a top priority. Even today, it is important to live in harmony with nature and maintain its balance. Life, as we know it, depends on environmental conditions.

Today, where we once gathered berries, herbs and vegetation, there are farms, ranches, oil wells - the natural environment has been destroyed.

The politicians put billions of dollars toward development of our natural resources. The balance of nature is being threatened.

I agree with the quote from the article: "You can't have any kind of game management when any segment of society is above reproach." But, how do we stop oil companies, big business, and sawmills from destroying the environment and wildlife? They create jobs for people while destroying the natural forests which are critical in wildlife management.

The article said "the changes of the past one hundred years or so after the treaties were signed and look at our society's changes." Natives have also changed and adapted in so many ways. We have learned to live with broken promises and broken treaties. We have learned to borrow money from banks to buy. It is sad

when our people get together and discuss the changes of little over a hundred years.

Our elders say there was a time when you walked along the rivers and lakes without finding a dead fish. Moose and elk were more alert from drinking pure water and eating clean vegetation - hardly any abortions. Today, many Native hunters and trappers have noticed animals running wild, disturbed by the noises of power saw, bulldozers, sawmills, drilling rigs and dynamiting on seismic lines and beaver dams. Just recently, a poisonous gas well explosion killed squirrels and whiskeyjacks. That spring, many cows, moose, elk, and deer were killed with their calves dead at birth or were aborted.

It was during this year that our people did not hunt or trap. We talked about conservation. How sad children of today will not see how beautiful our country is. It will be sad when wildlife is confined to game reserves and zoos, and forests marred with roads and seismic lines. How awful it seems when children cannot swim in earth's waters because of pollution.

Unlike some hunters and poachers that leave carcasses behind to make a fast getaway, a Native hunter leaves nothing behind. The hides are used to make drums, moccasins, coats, gloves, and ceremonial regalia for tribal dignitaries. The hair is used for tufting. The head and insides are cleaned for Thanksgiving, New Year's and other cultural occasions. Various parts are used for non-addictive medicines.

Moose, elk, and deer are changing their diets. When cleaning the insides, there is evidence of plants eaten not natural to their diet.

In the Native community, we have unwritten laws that govern our survival as a distinct society. Natives will not threaten or destroy what God has created.

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# Elders honored

By Bea Lawrence  
Windspeaker Staff Writer

EDMONTON

Edmonton's inner-city Native Pastoral Centre honored the community's elders with a mass, special feast, slide tape presentation and powwow dancing entertainment Jan. 24.

Though the turnout for the occasion was but a handful, the faithful gatherers were delighted with the evening's time of sharing and thanksgiving.

After Rev. Brian Jayawardhana officiated mass, the group ate a hearty meal of Native delicacies cooked on the premises by community members. "Some I prepared and cooked at home," offered Lucien Meek, the centre's administrator and hostess for the evening.

Native food delicacies included items like: moose nose, caribou stew, rabbit soup, duck, wild rice, blueberries, saskatoon and blueberry flour mixture (like a custard), bannock and much

more.

Beverages consisted of grape juice, coffee and muskeg-tea. Muskeg-tea leaves are gathered from muskeg terrain then boiled and simmered to brew. The flavor is very similar to Chinese tea.

Afterwards, missionary Sister Shirley showed the small group a slide tape presentation of her work in Argentina.

Sister Shirley is back in Canada on her holiday leave. She will resume her missionary duties in Argentina after Easter.

Sister Shirley used to work on the Enoch and Alexander reserves before transferring to Argentina's dry, hot country.

"I've been working over there for four years. Over the past year and half I moved to the northern part of the country. Argentina's poorest parishes can be found there," said the sister.

This parish covers 80-100 villages on 5,560 square kilometres of land according to Shirley. Two priests and two sisters offer their mis-

sionary services for the entire population of this area. Lay people from local communities offer their assistance voluntarily. "Argentinian people are very religious," she said.

Those people who are interested in viewing the slides may contact the centre's parish secretary Jack Bell. "If enough people request to see the slide presentation, I'm sure Sister Shirley would be happy to oblige," said the centre's administrator.

After the slide show, the small audience went back downstairs for some powwow drumming, singing, dancing and a giveaway.

Francis Bad Eagle headed up the drum group and Elmer Cardinal escorted his family dance group for the powwow performances. The lively group received cheerful applause.

Soon after the customary round dance, which included the entire audience, the dance group proceeded with their giveaway ceremony. Everyone in attendance received a gift blanket.

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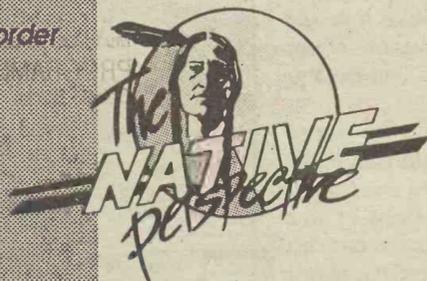
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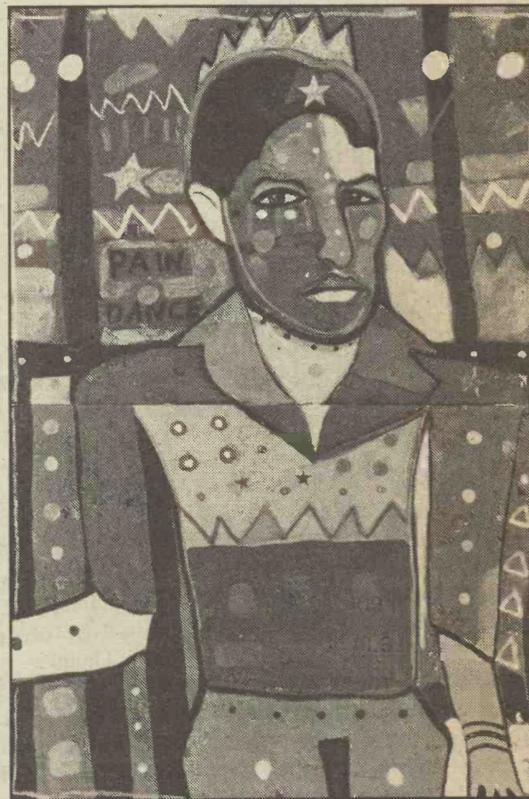
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# 'Getting personal' with northerners

Gla Ne Tlou? Tansi?

Hello everyone, and welcome to your favorite column (according to Windspeaker's recent survey).

As pointed out in last week's issue (About the new editor ... written by yours truly), Windspeaker's newspaper will undergo some changes. In the future, this column will do stories about people and their communities in a personal manner rather than to alert the public about upcoming events.

Upcoming event notices will be published in our special Calendar of events page. Sound reasonable? I think so. And, anyway, we want your stories. You're most important. So, let's get on with servicing your interests with stories about our people.

By the way, all the best to the young gal who 'quit smoking' in the new year. "Twenty-two days so far," she said proudly.

**Paddle Prairie:** Former CFRN TV hostess and Native Communications Program (NCP) instructor Kim Kapola Ghostkeeper is enjoying life in her northern community.

"The nice thing about it is, we get to see a lot of our friends," said the Ghostkeeper Store owner. "Friends drop in to see us more frequently than they ever did when we lived in Edmonton. They're usually enroute to northern communities when they stop by to visit."

Elmer Ghostkeeper and his wife relocated to this northern community (pop. 600) two and a half years ago to start their own business venture. The store owners say business is "pretty good, but it's a bit more demanding in terms of the hours spent inside the store."

Six months ago, Winter arrived. Winter is the couple's first baby girl. And, Winter has six-year-old twin brothers to look up to (or look out for).

The proprietors also operate "the most northern (geographical) Husky" self-serve gas station and the Dirt Buster laundromat at the Ghostkeeper Store location. "We have two full-time girls on staff," said Kapola-Ghostkeeper.



## DROPPIN' IN By Bea Lawrence

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Aside from store front operations Kapola-Ghostkeeper is an active member on the Northern Development Council committee. Members travel around northern communities to hear the issues and concerns of Native development and employment. "We work

closely with various provincial ministers regarding these matters," said Kapola-Ghostkeeper. "This work is a real eye-opener. And, it keeps me in touch with what's going on up north." This is her second year with the advisory council. "We meet twice a month."

Asked whether she would consider a move back to the city she replied, "We may relocate in time, but not in the immediate future." The couple share an interest in education. "I think of going back to university and Elmer has his political ambitions and, I really miss doing the TV shows."

The former TV hostess's show was aired Sundays at 8 a.m. on CFRN's program called Between Two Worlds. In conjunction with her live interview shows, Kapola-Ghostkeeper was one of three instructors with the Native journalism program at Grant MacEwan Community College in Edmonton.

Meanwhile, the family is content with their northern community lifestyle, and business permitting, the couple "hope to build a house in the next year or so."

**Cold Lake to Yellowknife:** John Piche (the older twin ... 30 plus), a former Cold Lake First Nations' Chipewyan resident, is a celebrity radio announcer in the NWT today. Piche broadcasts his own English radio program called, "Bush Radio" from the CBC Yellowknife studio offices.

Piche's listening audience covers the western arctic from Fort Chipewyan to Copper Mine and the northern Yukon. His 6-8 a.m. weekend radio show can also be picked up in Inuvik and across the Yukon.

"Most of my listeners are usually out in the bush working or checking their traplines," said Piche. "The best thing about this job is being able to share my time

with the Dene people in the area. I love living among the Dene of the north." (Dene and Chipewyan language dialects are very similar).

Bush Radio provides it's listeners with "lots of country, folk and mostly easy-listening music, along with the current news stories and dedication requests," said Piche.

Asked about his fan club, Piche replied, "Yes, I have lots of fans. I receive lots of calls and letters. One elder called me up one day to say he really enjoyed the program and to by all means continue playing 'the down-hoe country music.'"

Piche started as a trainee with CBC radio last June and was promoted and given his own radio show in September. "CBC required a person at the time who was fluent in Chipewyan," added Piche.

He moved to Yellowknife from the Edmonton area a year and a half ago. His employment during that period included a few odd jobs, carpentry, teaching, and most recently, with CBC.

Piche admits, "I do miss Cold Lake a lot, but in order to get ahead some do have to fly away from home. Anyway, the family and friends you leave behind are only as far as your memory."

Employment opportunities are unlimited in Yellowknife according to Piche. "No scarcity of jobs here," confirms Piche. "The north is ripe and growing. Those interested in developmental type work wouldn't have to look far to find employment."

Piche has no immediate plans to relocate. "Not in the near fore-seeable future."

Even the freezing temperatures of the north have no bearing on his love for the NWT and Yukon. "We dress for the weather."

**Special Note:** Tom Piche (John's younger twin) has also made his claim to fame as Clerk of the Court in Yellowknife's Northwestern Territorial Court. "He is the first Chipewyan to work as Clerk of the Court in the northern judicial system," said the older twin.

Congratulations, Tom!

Well folks, howz that? We want your story too. Don't be shy. Remember, all story angles are different. Pick your most embarrassing moments, your travels, your habits, your groups, etc., etc. You know.

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Storekeepers: Kim and Elmer



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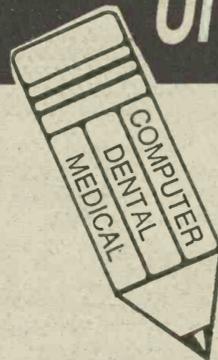
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High profile: Executive director Judy Norstrom

## Friendship Centre gains town respect

By Keith Matthew  
Windspeaker Staff Writer

PEACE RIVER, Alta.

Executive Director Judy Norstrom says the Sagitawa Friendship Centre is gaining a high profile in Peace River as their programs gain wide recognition and respect.

"My background is education and social work, so you can see what we have today. We have a real strong referral program and we have a very strong educational program," says Norstrom.

Norstrom recognized a need for telling the non-Native population about the nuances of Native cultures and uses the centre to explain that not all Natives are the same.

"I started with Sagitawa in November 1984 and my

background is in community development. When I came here I knew enough that I didn't know a lot about tribes of this area. But I had some general information from having majored in anthropology in university," she says.

One of her initiatives was to have the centre start a drop-in program for the school children — called Integration through Interaction — aimed at educating young children about Native cultures.

Through the program the school children visiting the centre get to smell, touch, and feel different animal furs. They get a tour of the handicraft display and watch a 15-minute video on Dances of the Northern Plains. They listen to traditional Metis music and participate in a round dance and do some jigging. They are also fed bannock and juice.

"Our school program from Feb. 1, 1988 to June 30, 1988 had 748 children come through the centre and that is a planned, organized program where we have also developed and printed resource material that goes along with the presentation that is handed out to each of these children," she explains.

She says the role of the centre "is an education resource centre. The other is very much a referral centre and information gathering."

Norstrom goes on to explain that information gathering means "what is told to us in confidence is kept in confidence. For many of the people, what they have in their family structure and family network is all that they have left that separates them from the invasion of the dominant society. We're very careful not to overstep our bound-

aries.

"If that information is not being given from that person to the agency worker we do not give it on their behalf and I cannot stress that strongly enough," she emphasized.

The centre provides people with essentials such as clothing and an invaluable service called the soups-on program.

"We are not a direct link to the food bank but we have soups-on on Tuesdays and Fridays. We also have a clothing exchange program," says Norstrom.

Through a lot of hard work and dedication by the staff the centre is viewed by the town of Peace River as an asset. "I think another area that we have in the community is that we have respect. We're seen as a working agency. We have regular hours and we keep them," she explains.

The centre has initiated a unique program for people wishing to sell arts and crafts through the centre. "It started with our little handicraft shop and I had spent a year in tourism so I was aware of some of the areas that we could expand into in marketing our products."

"When we have someone come into our handicraft sales area we not only try to sell a pair of slippers or a pair of mukluks but we try to educate those people at the same time. All the staff are aware of what we are doing and therefore it really continues on and there is some sense of pride in wanting to have crafts sold to Sagitawa for resale to the public," she explains.

However, Norstrom will be leaving the friendship centre at the end of January to start her own consulting firm.



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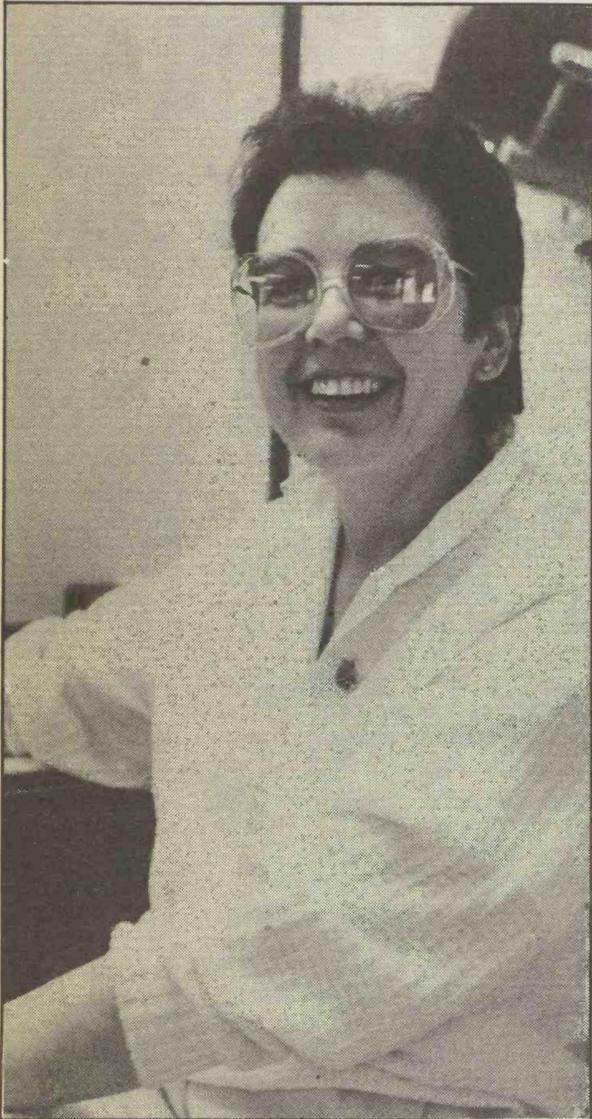


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Breaking stereotypes: Bernice McKee

## Peace River Friendship Centre

# McKee bridges gaps, helps instill pride

By Keith Matthew  
Windspeaker Staff Writer

PEACE RIVER, Alta.

A Peace River friendship centre employee is helping Native students in local schools feel proud about themselves.

Many Native students come from outlying areas and must room and board to go to school and Sagitawa Friendship Centre counsellor Bernice McKee gives them encouragement.

"Boarding students are feeling insecure here and they have someone who can say 'hey you can do it, hang in there. You're smart, you're good looking' — all those positives that they need," says McKee

She says the job is similar to that of a home-school coordinator "but it is more than that because I am also setting up in-service for the teachers to give them some idea of where the Native children and parents are coming from because they (teachers) don't understand."

McKee's job also includes "bringing role models into the schools so that children can see" Natives in jobs that are influential and break down typical stereotypes. "For example, we had Corporal Yellowknee (of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police) here in Peace River and I had him come into the schools and talk about something to do with the

police."

She tries to avoid blatant examples of Indian pride. "I want someone to come in and talk about something and the kids can relate to that person. I think that is the most positive way of doing it."

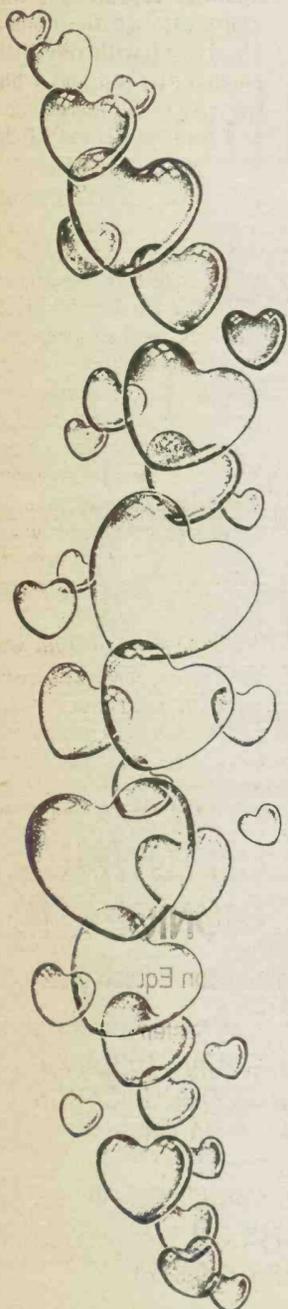
Two of the schools had multicultural days and each grade took a culture to work with and "the grade nines took the Cree culture and the whole school participated — it was fantastic. The parents brought in any articles that they had for each culture."

McKee also worked with a vice-principal of one of the schools to involve Native parents in their children's education. "Myself and one of the vice-princi-

pals did some home visits...he would ask the parents if they wanted to come in to the school and tutor or help any way that they could."

The Native parents responded by becoming involved with the schools. "He has five parents who come in regularly and tutor once a month. The teachers are saying these kids are getting the concepts — they couldn't get them from the teacher but they could get them from their parents — I think it is because they are being taught traditionally," says McKee.

"I would like to see Native kids finish their high school and to work in the white world but remain traditional," concludes McKee.



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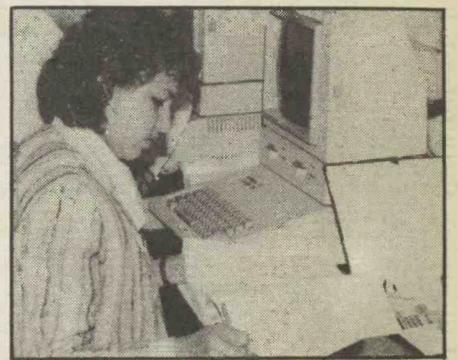
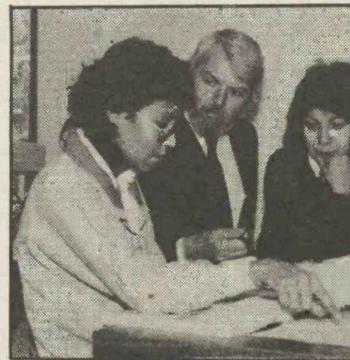
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## Cree Class

Martha Bezanson of the Cadotte Lake school was caught in mid-sentence as she teaches her Grade 1 class the finer points of the Cree language.

Cadotte Lake principal Mark Bezanson says the language class is just one of the efforts by the school administration in offering more community oriented programs.

"Cadotte Lake School is providing a full Grade 10 high school program during the 1988-89 school year. The program will expand next year to include a Grade 11 as well and will hopefully include an industrial arts program," he says.

He concludes, "I am hoping that the school will continue on the road to be a community school. Currently, the community utilizes the school Monday to Friday evenings for gym events."

-Photo by Keith Matthew



## Duncan's seeks oil riches

By Keith Matthew  
Windspeaker Staff Writer

BROWNSVALE, Alta.

Duncan's band has started work on finding out whether or not they have any oil or gas underneath their 3 x 4 square mile reserve.

"We've signed two band council resolutions" to begin the process of finding out if we have any resources, said band manager Don Testawich.

The band council resolutions indicate that the band is willing to let oil companies onto their land to begin explorations. The band has hired a company to tender bids and it will also be responsible for deciding which of the bids is best for the band.

"We've got no other income or resources except the budget from Indian Affairs. We've got a lot of gravel here," says Testawich. "There's about 100 acres of it, but there is so much gravel in this area — there is gravel from here to Peace River — there is no market for it."

The company handling the bids "were supposed to put out the bids to 400 oil companies. So hopefully this month we will find out" if drilling will be going ahead.

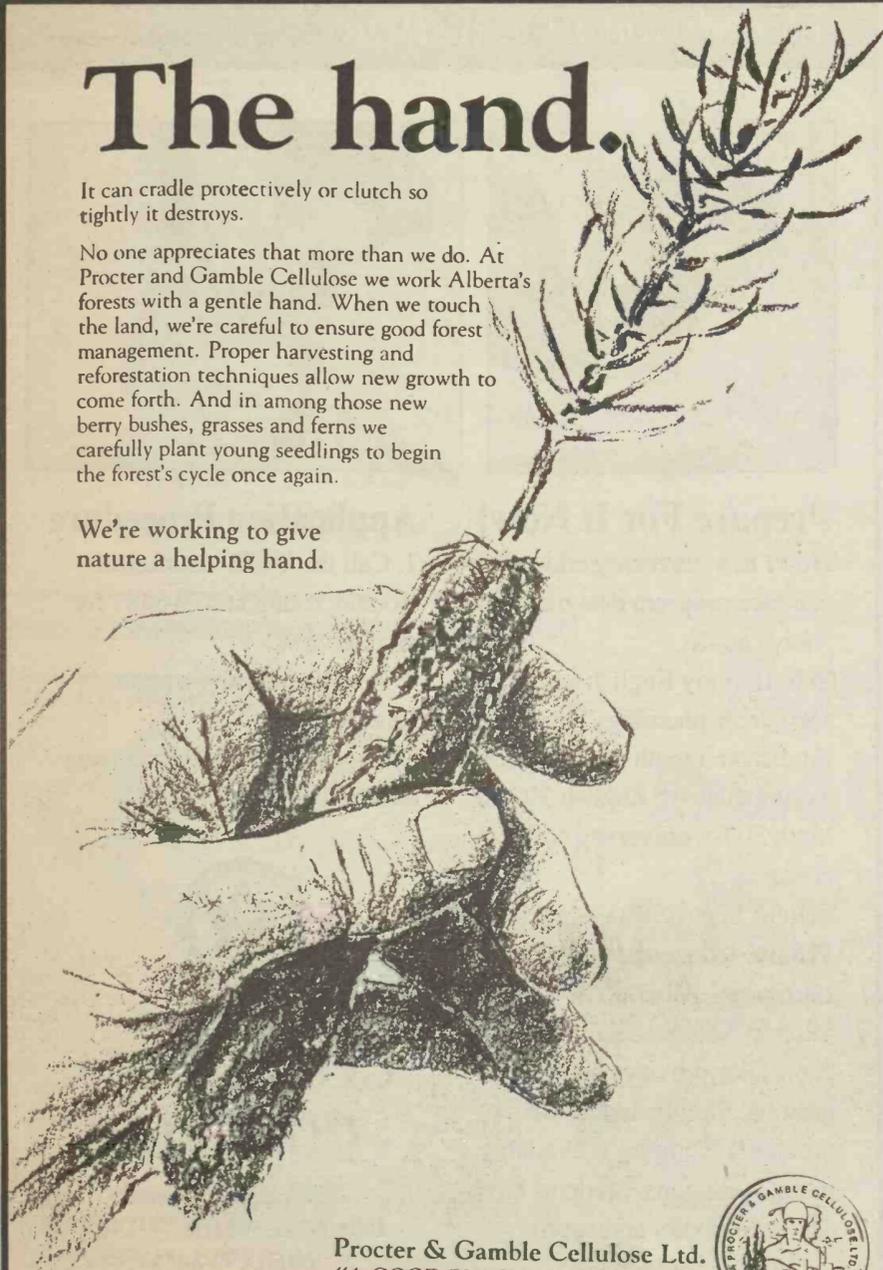
Testawich says he is optimistic that drilling will be going ahead because there is a gas field "about two miles" south of band land and band officials are hoping they find either gas or oil on their land.

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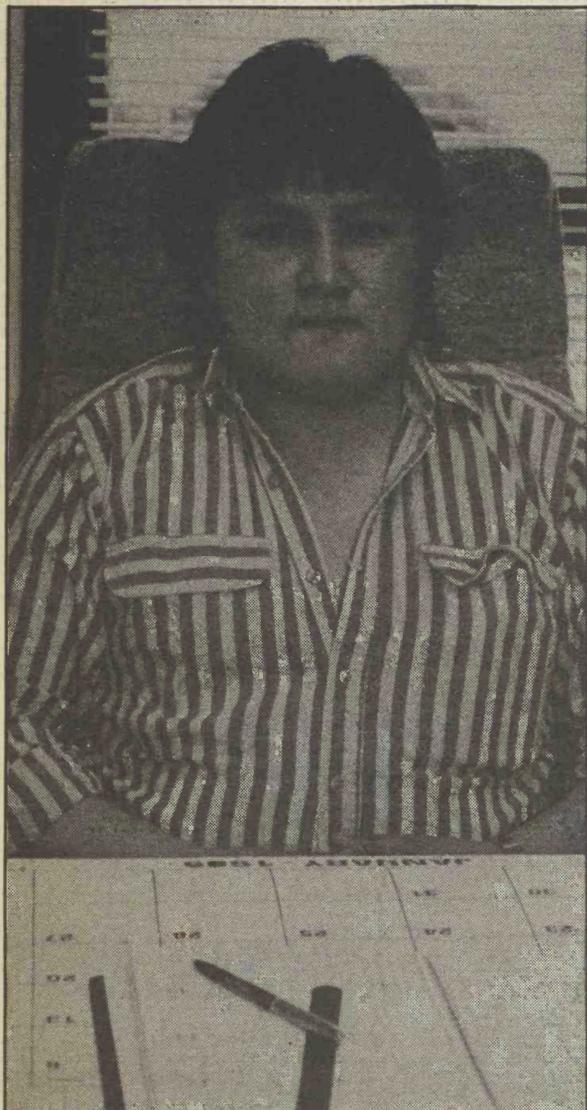
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Big plans for a small band: Manager Testawich

## Duncan's, pop. 55, moves to state-of-the-art offices

By Keith Matthew  
Windspeaker Staff Writer

BROWNVALE, Alta.

Duncan's band office just went from not having indoor plumbing to owning computers and fax machines in the space of a year.

The band opened a

\$125,000 band office in December 1988.

"The old band office didn't have washroom facilities. The heating system was just a propane heater in the middle of the living room. There was no duct work, no washroom, no running water," explained band manager Don Testawich.

The offices were located in what had originally been designed as a house and "had only two rooms."

The new office features "rooms for education, child welfare, band manager, social assistance, conference rooms, file and computer rooms and two washrooms."

The basement of the

building "is sort of like a recreation centre. It has a pool table down there" but plans are in the works for a \$250,000 band hall which will act as the recreation centre once it is built in the near future.

According to Testawich, the band office serves 89 band members with about 55 living on reserve.

## Small band submit land claim

By Keith Matthew  
Windspeaker Staff Writer

BROWNVALE, Alta.

Duncan's band are pursuing a land claim against the federal government. Band manager Don Testawich claims the band once owned land all the way from the present location of the band right to the boundaries of

the town of Peace River which is about 30 miles away.

"This is Duncan's band #151 A, then the other reserves would be #151 B,C,D and so on up to K," Testawich explains.

The Treaty and Aboriginal Rights Research arm of the Indian Association of Alberta are handling the

research end of the land claim for the band.

"They started work on this two years ago," he says. "We're just negotiating out of court right now and see what happens. I think it looks pretty good" as far as a settlement is concerned.

Testawich says they are taking a low key approach to the negotiations, then if

they are not successful they will consider other options.

"We aren't making a big stink out of it. We're into negotiating out of court. If we meet our needs and if they meet theirs then we will probably settle.

"We submitted our land claim to them in October. It takes about a year for things to get rolling," says Testawich.

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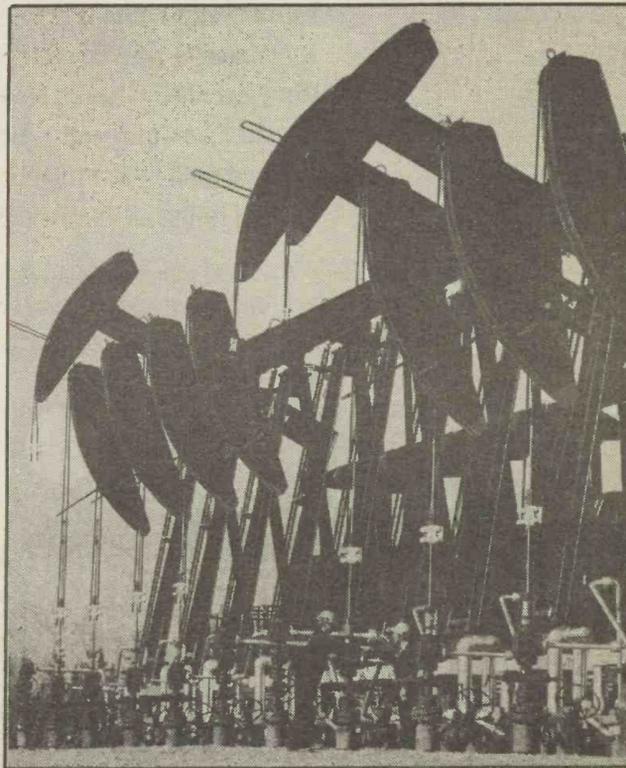
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## Metis Zone office helps jobless

By Keith Matthew  
Windspeaker Staff Writer

PEACE RIVER, Alta.

The Zone 6 Metis Association of Alberta office in Peace River can be described as a cross between an employment centre and a social services office in the rapidly expanding town.

Zone administrator Dianne Ireland says the office "gives better awareness" of social and employment programs "to the Metis people" living in the Peace River area.

But the office does not only service Peace River. There are sub-offices in

High Level and Grande Prairie.

Some of the workers in the office are Pheb Goulet, community employment officer; Joyce Fortier, housing officer; and George Amato, Zone 6 vice-president.

Goulet keeps the job board updated. "She also helps anyone with application forms right from senior citizens to anyone wanting information on filling out an application for going back to school for their funding," explains Ireland.

"She works closely with the Canada Employment Centre and has located a person in each of the communities to be responsible

for the bulletin board where the employment information is put on."

Fortier does a complete housing program by helping Metis people just moving into the area or people living in Zone 6 who are having problems finding adequate living quarters.

Another important function is to implement the Framework Agreement which ensures that Metis people are aware of provincial programs and that they have access to them.

The office has also "developed a zone corporation, it is to access various contracts in the business world. Basically the zone corporation looks to gain

contracts through various areas such as forestry, transportation and we've even looked at Alberta Government Telephone contracts," explained Ireland.

The jobs they are seeking are "basically labor intensive contracts. Our goal is to take the unemployable and educate and train them."

The new corporation roles and objectives are not yet fully defined and the roles of the board members are still unclear as to how they will carry out their functions.

The corporation was incorporated in October 1988. "We have things on paper and in the works at this but nothing is con-



Educating the jobless: Dianne Ireland

firmed. It is another entity to the association and it would be on its own. It has its own board who are members of the zone," she explained.

Ireland says that they have an excellent working relationship with other Native organizations in the area and that their mandate was under review and they try not to overlap service areas that organizations like

the Sagitawa Friendship Centre carries out.

"What we're doing right now is we are in the process of analyzing what we've done in 1988 and preparing our budget for 1989 and where we can access funding to support the programs.

"1989 will be more of an intensive year than 1988 because we will be going through a growth period," she says.

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# THE PEACE COUNTRY PROFILE

## Centre finds niche in northern city

By Keith Matthew  
Windspeaker Staff Writer

GRANDE PRAIRIE, Alta.

The Grande Prairie Friendship Centre plays an important role in this western Alberta city's economy, social and recreational activities, says Irene Loutitt, the centre's executive director since two months.

"We sit on various committees" within the city and the centre employs up to 40 people during peak periods during the year.

The centre operates out of two buildings. The main building houses the administrative office, bingo hall, gym, elders lounge, drop-in centre, and cultural library.

The downtown office houses the Native Counselling Training Program, the urban referral program, the Lesser Slave Lake Regional council sub-office, the Zone 6 Regional Council sub-office, and the recreational drop-in centre.

The centre plans to buy the downtown location. "Our other centre will be paid off shortly which will free up some more money," explains Loutitt.

Plans are also being made to upgrade the administration building. "In this building here, we will one day have a beautiful gym with everything in it," she says.

With cutbacks in all of the federal and provincially funded programs, the centre is "coping and always seeking more funds," she says. "We lobby for more funds.

Our main source of funding is Secretary of State which provides our core funding. The provincial government provides our program dollars."

The centre runs a bingo hall which subsidizes some of the programs and centre operations. The centre has also purchased the entire block that the administration building and bingo hall are situated on. "That is our first step towards self-sufficiency which is a really big thing these days in the friendship centre movement.

"One day we hope that we won't have to depend on the government for dollars. One day we hope that we can design our own centre and have our own funding, provide more services with

our own money," she says.

"I really firmly believe this will happen," she exclaimed.

The centre has also initiated a training program for counselling. "We have the Native Counsellor Training Program with nine trainees who" just recently graduated from the program on Jan. 13.

"It is a 46 week course and it provides training to Native people and they will be employed one day as para-professional counsellors."

The students each received training in "general education, life skills, Nechi training, first aid, counsellor training, field trips, work practicum and job search strategies," she says.

The centre employs an urban referral worker who "provides assistance to people in need of housing or emergency transportation.

The program is designed to help Native people moving into the city "and she helps them adjust to city living so that they will become familiar with the schools and what agencies they should be looking at for help."

The urban referral worker also helps people who have problems with English. "We provide translation services because there are still some people who come to the city who can't speak English," explains Loutitt.

She says the people who volunteer their time to the operation are greatly appreciated. "Because I believe the volunteers in an organization such as this are very important — you need their help, their commitment and their dedication."

The centre annually hosts an appreciation dinner and dance to honor all volunteers.

Loutitt says she would like to have cross-cultural exchanges between the centre and the non-Native community.

"I think one very important area that we have not really gone into is cultural training and development. I hope to be able to do something within a couple of years — that is one of my goals — more cultural training and cross cultural exchanges," she says.

"We have to try and get more non-Native people to understand our people," she concludes.

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- **New Residents** are invited to contact High Prairie Area Community Welcome by phoning 523-4441.
- **Metis Cultural Dance Classes**, Sunday afternoons, 2 - 4 p.m., 11035-127 St., St. Peters Church Hall, Edmonton. Contact Georgina Donald 452-7811 for more.
- **Curling Clinic**, Six sessions starting Feb. 1, Glen Allan Recreation Complex, Sherwood Park (hosted by CNFC). Contact Ralph G. Richard at 452-7811.
- **10th Anniversary Powwow**, Feb. 1, Pains Indians Cultural School, 1723-33 St. S.W. Calgary. Tel. 246-5378.
- **Commercial Hockey Tournament**, Feb. 3-4, Saddle Lake.
- **Valentine's Day Dance**, Feb. 11, 7910-36 Ave., Edmonton. Hosted by Metis Local 1888.
- **Family Funspiel**, Feb. 12, 2 p.m. Peace River Curling Rink. To pre-register call 624-2443.
- **National Aboriginal Youth Conference**, Feb. 10-13, Skyline Hotel, Ottawa. Call (613) 238-3511 for more information.
- **Senior Hockey Tournament**, Feb. 10-12, Alexander Arena. For more info contact: Wyatt Arcand 939-5887.
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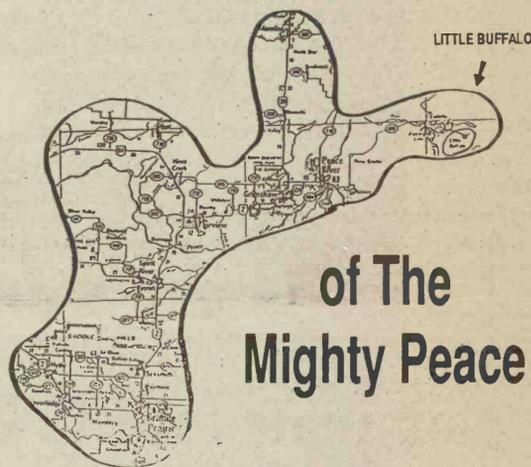
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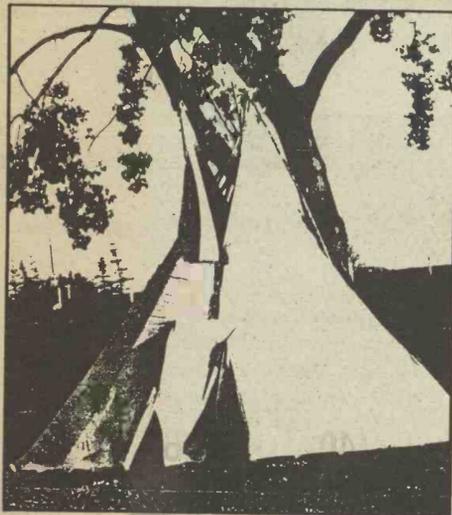


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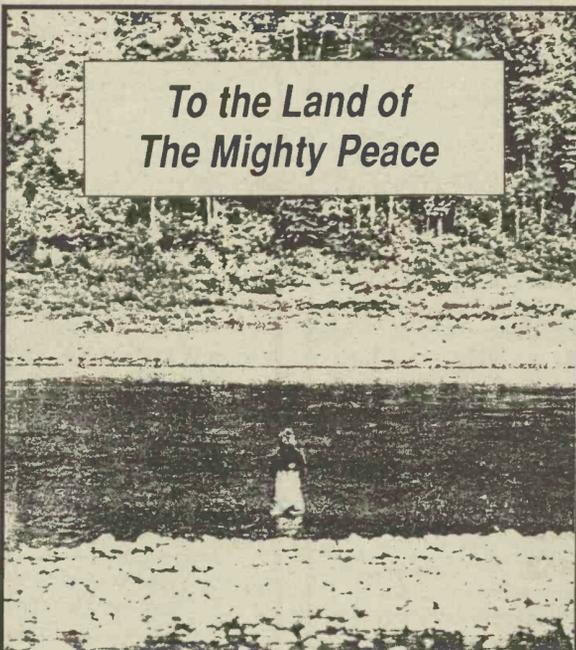
The Grande Prairie Friendship Centre exists to administer and implement programmes to meet the needs of Native people either migrating to cities or living in them. At the same time the centre fills the cultural gap between Native and non-Native society.

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## Introducing Rick McCotter Lesser Slave Lake Progressive Conservative Nomination Candidate

RICK McCOTTER, born in 1947 in Bowsman, Manitoba moved with his family in 1960 to Steen River, Alberta and then to Manning where he met his wife Joanne and married in 1967. He then moved his family to Edmonton in 1970 where he was involved in the oilfield until 1977 when he moved to Kinuso and purchased Strawberry Service. His reason for leaving the oilfield was that he wanted to spend more time with his family and become more community involved. This began shortly after when he became: President of the Central Slave Lake Agricultural Society; Councillor of the Village of Kinuso 1982-83; High Prairie School Board Trustee 1982-88; Councillor on Improvement District 17 Central 1986 to present; Agricultural Service Board.



RICK also began farming in 1986 (his boyhood dream) and continues to run his business.

RICK, Joanne and their two sons Wade and Randy have been involved in curling and in various community organizations and activities since arriving in the area over 12 years ago.

**AGRICULTURE:** Pursue avenues to make available current land to existing and especially young farmers at manageable rates.

**TOURISM:** Pursue all aspects towards leisure and recreation activities includes: expansion of facilities, promotion of their ability, accessibility to our parks. Develop a tourism brochure focusing on this area.

**SMALL BUSINESS:** Initiate programs to develop entrepreneurship for both urban and rural, and a follow-up program to ensure "hands-on" training is successful. Encourage small business ventures (financial). Support diversification and expansion of existing business.

**EDUCATION:** Require more localized vocational training programs. Co-ordinate work between advanced education, vocational education and local school boards.

**TRANSPORTATION:** Bring road program in entire constituency up to date. Push for reliable and permanent air service for entire area. Better communication between environment and transportation regarding construction and flood control.

**SENIORS:** Expand funding for operation and maintenance of senior citizen facilities. Expand availability of transportation and its systems for the elderly. Explore feasibility of alternate accommodations.

## GRASSROOTS

# Coloring books illustrate culture

By Keith Matthew  
Windspeaker Staff Writer

PEACE RIVER, Alta.

Sagitawa Friendship Centre staff are making coloring books about Native culture and hope to have the books published.

Referral counsellor Sylvia Johnson says the centre is responding to a high demand for the books that are currently given out as a part of their school tour program.

The book's names are Astum and Teach Your Children and both include hand-drawn cultural activities of the local Native people.

"I am working on publishing them," explains Johnson. "They are in such high demand we have people who drop in for a visit — they want them. The school children that come through here get a copy. Parents want a copy, whoever comes in here and sees our display they want a

copy of Astum and Teach Your Children."

The books will be published and copyrighted by the centre and will be available locally.

Johnson explained that the publishing process is not as hard to do as she anticipated. "You take your copies and take them to a printer and work with the printer on how you want them done and how you want them set up. You keep two original copies in a safe place and from there you have to register it with the National Library of Canada."

She admits, "there is really a lot less to it than I thought."

The intent of publishing the books was part of the mandate of the centre to educate the local people about the different Native people living in the area. "We are hoping to do the same thing to add to our resource library on the Woodland Cree, the Slavey and the Beaver people.



Counsellor: Johnson

"It is very hard to find information on these people," she explained. "This is something new for the centre and we are really excited about it and we are hoping it is going to be an ongoing thing where every year we publish new books."

Johnson's other job is in the outreach area where she is a link from Peace River to the outlying areas such as Little Buffalo and Cadotte Lake.

## Nominate for P.C. Candidate GARFIELD COX

Aside from having valid concerns about issues such as employment, alcohol and drug abuse and welfare services, the following are some issues Garfield Cox would like to see dealt with in the Lesser Slave Lake region: *more local autonomy for Native communities; Native land claims to be settled so the Native communities can plan their future as soon as possible; Native communities administering their own social services programs; encourage and promote Native crafts and other artistic works.*

Garfield is the oldest son of Maryon Cox raised in the Peace River country. To him it is a place that is hard to leave and always makes you feel good when you return.

Garfield, who is married with eight children, has raised his family based on strong Christian principles. The family bond is of great importance and something he takes great pride in.

Garfield Cox, an innovative and highly competitive individual, has three and a half years at Brigham Young University in Business Administration. He majored in finance and minored in marketing.

For the last eight years, he has been a Sales Representative for MacLachlan & Mitchell Homes. Aside from being an Administration Officer with the Royal Bank, Garfield was a senior instructor with NAIT in the Business Administration department for 15 years. While in this capacity, he co-authored a Marketing Mathematics text.

Working in these different positions has enhanced Garfield's ability to relate well with people and understands their personal needs and desires. His personal character is based on trust, honesty and openness.

### To Residents of the Lesser Slave Lake Area:

To my grandparents and other pioneers of the Peace River area I owe a debt of gratitude. To those of you who have remained and developed the farms, the roads, the town, the industry and the schools, you are appreciated.

Now I feel it is my turn to contribute and I am prepared to offer my time, energy and whatever abilities I possess toward further enhancing social and economic welfare in the area. In this regard, I am pleased to inform you of my intention to seek the nomination and represent you as the Progressive Conservative candidate in the next provincial election.

I look forward to meeting with you soon to discuss my plans and to personally invite you to support me in this endeavor.

*Garfield Cox*

Nominate Garfield Cox  
P.C. Candidate - Lesser Slave Lake Region

## Sinclair Speaks On:

\* **EDUCATION** is priority with all people in the North and we must work on making the curriculum more relevant for our children.

Practical experience is an important form of education and we must not underestimate the strength and knowledge of those lacking in formal education.

Local training initiatives must be encouraged to ensure long-term employment needs for residents are met.

\* **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** is a necessary aspect of life and our natural resources have always taken care of us. We must also take care of our environment to ensure the needs of our future and our children's future are met.

Forestry covers timber operations, reforestation, fire fighting, pulpmill developments, clearing, etc., and I have extensive experience in all these areas.

\* **ECONOMIC DIVERSIFICATION** requires the full participation of all residents to determine all factors in future growth potential.

### EXPERIENCE

\* Community Development \* Forestry \* Proven Leadership \* Negotiating Skills \* Motivator \* Economic Advisor \* Athletic Organizer

### BACKGROUND

Sam was born in Slave Lake in 1926 and lived there until 1967 when he was promoted and sent to Hinton. Sam is a WWII veteran and served overseas for one year. While in the army, Sinclair's interests in sports resulted in his winning the Canadian Army Championship in Holland in 1945. This earned respect for his coaching skills with youth in boxing and baseball.

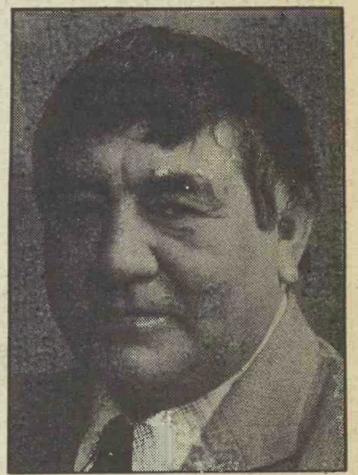
Sinclair was involved in politics since 1967 and has negotiated from a local to international level. Sam is known for his integrity and has a proven track record for resolving difficult issues.

Sam and his wife Edna have six children and 10 grandchildren and presently reside in Edmonton. He believes that the strength and unity in his family has given him the support needed to strive for his goals.

Sinclair has always supported local initiatives and has the necessary experience to represent all constituents and their concerns.

On February 5, 1989

VOTE X  
SAM SINCLAIR



## GRASSROOTS

# Bissell Centre gets \$250,000

By Keith Matthew  
Windspeaker Staff Writer

EDMONTON

A social service organization, which many downtown urban Natives use, recently received a grant which will enable them to put their services under one roof.

Bissell Centre was presented a cheque for \$250,000 by Ken Kowalski, minister of career development and employment, on Jan. 17 to assist with the cost of renovating an old warehouse which will become the new Bissell Centre.

The centre is currently located on 9560-103A Avenue, which is called "the strip," and contains many low-income families, of which many are Native.

Public relations coordinator Kathy McCurrach says, "we don't keep statistics on

who uses the programs but at least half of the people using some of our programs are Native."

She points out that about 90 per cent of the people using the child care program are "Native or Metis."

The new location is a warehouse formerly owned by the city which was obtained in a trade for the Bissell Centre and Bissell Annex buildings. It will provide about 1,900 square metres of floor space for Bissell's programs.

Renovation of the warehouse has already begun with occupancy of the new building anticipated for July 1989.

McCurrach says the move was precipitated by the poor condition of the present centre which eventually would cost more to upkeep than the centre could afford.

Another consideration

was that there was not enough office space in the present centre to accommodate some of the programs.

Bissell Centre has been providing services since 1910 when it began as the All People's Mission of the Methodist Church. The expansion of services finds Bissell now occupying four premises in the area. These will be consolidated in the new structure.

Currently, Bissell Centre handles the services for emergency aid for food and clothing, counselling, drop-in, child care, recreation and social skill building activities for children.

The total cost of the Bissell project is \$1.35 million. Besides the \$250,000 from the provincial government other major sources of funding are the United Church of Canada, the Nickle Foundation, the Muttart Foundation and generous individuals.

## Nominate Stan Jenkins

for Progressive Conservative Candidate

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### STAN JENKIN'S BACKGROUND

**FAMILY:** Married to Tina (nee Evanoff) from Fort Smith. They are the proud parents of three children and one grandchild. The Jenkins have fostered six other children. Seven students have also found a home with the Jenkins.

**COMMUNITY:** Served as Town Council member, Municipal Planning member, Past President of Alberta Native Friendship Centres, V-P of Wabasca-Desmarais Business Men's Association, Sec. Treas. Wabasca-Desmarais Land Tenure committee, Board member of Slave Lake Education North Committee, Community Education, Native Friendship Centre, Rec. Board, High Prairie Detox Centre and National Task Force for Urban Reception Centres.

**EMPLOYMENT:** Worked as Hudson Bay Manager in seven Northern Communities: Indian Regional council as Finance Administrator with a \$7.7 budget; Director, Native Friendship Centre, Slave Lake; Sturgeon Lake Indian Band as Band Administrator; Driftpile River Indian Band in same capacity; General Manager of Kakeeyaw Forest Industries (logging, construction and oilfield contracting).

**POLITICAL:** Many years of dedication to PC party; second V-P of Slave Lake PC Association; Chairman, Zone 3 Athabasca Federal PC Association; organized riding activities for Jack Shields and Larry Shaben.

**YOUTH INTERESTS:** Founder and chief instructor of five Karate Martial Arts Clubs in riding; active in curling, hockey, racquetball and football.

**OBJECTIVE:** Listen to the people and then represent the people!

## Nominate PEARL CALAHASEN

Lesser Slave Lake Constituency  
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Throughout her working career, Pearl Calahasen has promoted better conditions for the Lesser Slave Lake region. She has valuable knowledge of government procedures gained through her past and present involvement with committees and Boards at a municipal, provincial and federal level.

Pearl has a Bachelor of Education from the University of Alberta. She has also submitted her master thesis for a Masters in Education from the University of Oregon.

Pearl is a member of a variety of organizations. She is a member of the Northern Alberta Development Council Bursary Selection Committee, a Board member for the Native Economic Development Program and a Commissioner for the Alberta Human Rights Commission. Pearl is also a co-founder of the Native Cultural Centre, a province-wide community initiative in Devon.

Pearl Calahasen's work experience has taken her throughout the Province of Alberta. She has developed an edge in understanding the issues affecting people while working with them at a community level.

Presently, Pearl resides in Edmonton but the only place she likes to call home is her father's residence in Grouard.

Pearl will be meeting personally with all of her constituents in the Lesser Slave Lake region through the duration of her campaign. This will give her a chance to get to know you and your needs better.

NOMINATE PEARL CALAHASEN



## "Elect a Winner" VOTE Dena Jones-Short

February 5, 1989 in Kinuso

**Dena Jones-Short is Qualified to be your next MLA:**

Born and raised in the North (McLennan); now resides in Slave Lake; involved with the Progressive Party since 1971, as Director, Secretary Treasurer and presently fourth vice-president; studied at the University of Alberta, received a degree in Humanities, further studies in economics, political science and law; Currently holds position of District Manager, Alberta Social Services. Dena is also Managerial Consultant to North Country Investments Ltd. Dena is married to Darcy Short, of Alpine Pumpjacks Ltd. Darcy is in full support of Dena's candidacy - a family commitment.



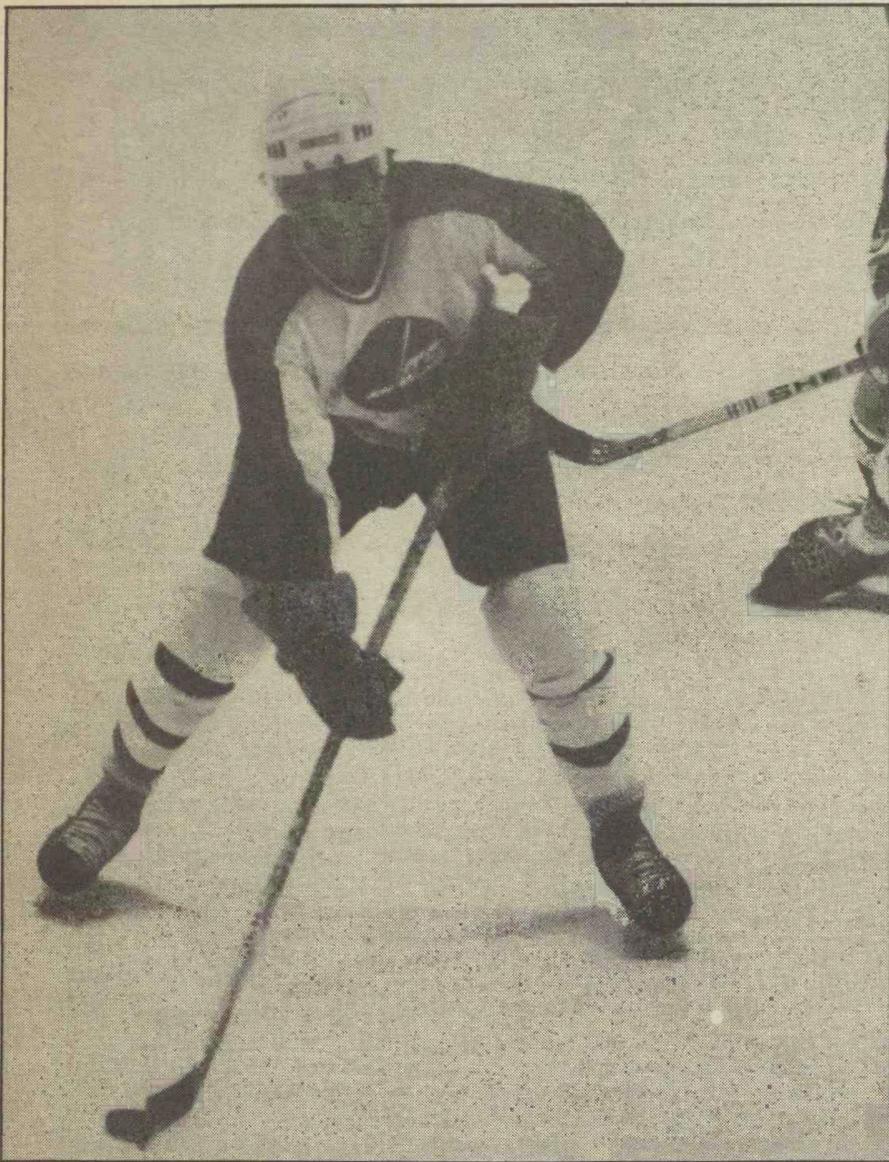
**Dena Stands for Commitment:** To economic and community development; to the NORTH and to the people, to work with individuals, communities, small business and industry to improve the lifestyle for all constituents. The constituency creates huge revenues through the oil and gas, forestry and other industries. We must have a strong voice, in the Legislature to ensure these contributions are recognized and that a fair share of these revenues are generated back to the constituency. To being a strong voice for the Native people and is willing to work hard to address the issues that face them.

Dena is sincere, hard working, willing to listen and is committed to the Constituency.

Vote Dena Jones-Short

SPORTS & LEISURE

KEITH MATTHEW, Windspeaker



Outlaw dream spoiler: Puck handler Dino Letendre

Enoch tournament

# Jets beat Outlaws with power plays

By Lyle Donald  
Windspeaker Correspondent

ENOCH, Alta.

Penalties proved to be costly for the Stony Plain Outlaws in the final game of a three day tournament, as the host team Alexis Jets scored three power play goals on route to a 6-5 victory.

The Jan. 20-22 tournament drew six local teams, and two from Kinuso Red Wings and Sturgeon Lake Blues.

The event was suppose to be all-Native said organizer Dennis Cardinal, but because they fell one team short, they added the Stony Plain club.

Both final games were exciting, the B final was decided in overtime and the A final was won with 17 seconds left in the game.

In the A final, the Stony Plain Outlaws opened up the scoring five minutes into the game. The Alexis Jets got into it as Chris Alexis got his first of three goals on a tip from defenseman Terry Mustus. With 1:27 left in the first period, Jets Fabian Cardinal slipped one by the Outlaw goaltender, and 59 seconds later Chris Alexis scored his second of the night.

Alexis opened up the scoring in the second period with Chris Alexis beating the Outlaw goalie for the third time. The outlaws Greg Wurz got his team back in the game with five minutes left in the second.

The Jets started the third period with Fabian Cardinal scoring his second, goal, which, at the time, looked like icing on the cake as Alexis took a 5-2 lead. But, with the Jets slacking off

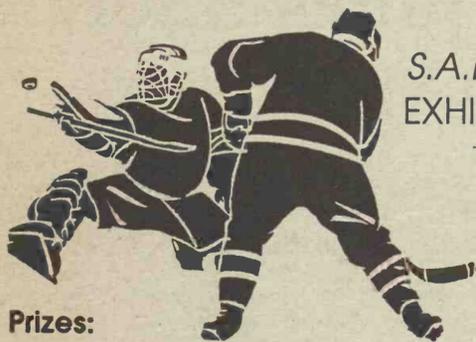
with lead, the Stony Plain club mounted their come back scoring three goals in the five minute span.

The game looked like it was going into overtime. The Outlaws were on a comeback high, but defenseman Shane Weran tripped Jets Fabian Cardinal and got two minutes in the sun bin. With five seconds left in the penalty, and 17 seconds left on the clock, the Jets Jason Potts beat a down and out Outlaw goalie, ending the Outlaw dreams of spoiling the Jets victory.

On the B side, Clyde Goodswimmer and his line mate Brent led the Sturgeon Lake Blues to victory in overtime over the Alexis Crusaders. Clyde Goodswimmer tallied a hat trick, and Cooper scored two, including the winning goal in overtime.

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SPORTS & LEISURE

# Hobbema Hawk trio help win all-star game

JORDAN HARDY, Special to Windspeaker

By Jordan Hardy  
Windspeaker Correspondent

HOBHEMA, Alta.

The stars were shining mid-afternoon in Hobbema Jan. 21, as Hobbema hosted the Alberta Junior Hockey League all-star game and banquet. The all-star game, which was held at the Four-Bands' arena, began at 2 p.m.

From the opening face-off, to the last whistle, it proved to be an exciting and highly entertaining game. The score was tied 3-3 going into the third period, and it looked like the game could go either way. But then, the South all-stars began filling the net and when it was all over, the

scoreboard read 8-4 for the South all-stars.

Representing the Hobbema Hawks, of the South division, were all-stars Kevin Ned, Stu Jackson, and Terry Virtue. Terry was named as player of the game for the South, and Cory Hanna from the St. Albert Saints was selected as player of the game for the North. Keven Ned and Terry Virtue also got into the scoring with Ned getting a goal, and Terry picking up an assist when his shot from the point was tipped in.

At the banquet later that evening, Windspeaker had a chance to talk to Ned, Virtue, and Jackson. Both Ned and Jackson played for Merritt Centennials in British Columbia, while

Virtue played for Spruce Grove Midgets before joining the Hawks.

Playing in the all-star game was a personal highlight for all three players. They also expressed their gratitude and satisfaction with the way the Hawks organization has treated them and helped them to get where they are now.

The head table at the banquet featured many notables, among them MP Willie Littlechild. Littlechild also dropped the puck for the ceremonial face-off before the hockey game.

Banquet guests were entertained with fine food, hoop dancing, and powwow dancing.



Hawks played strong: Represented by Kevin Ned, Stu Jackson and Terry Virtue

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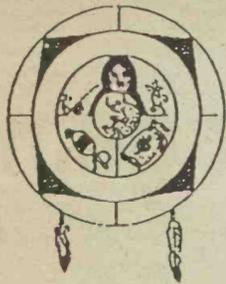
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## NNADAP Worker Recreational-Cultural Co-ordinator

The Chief and Council of Fort McMurray Indian Band located at Gregoire Lake, Alberta are seeking an individual for the above position.

Salary: Negotiable - depending on qualifications. Starting date: Immediately.

#### Successful candidate must have:

- lifelong experience with Indian culture as well as previous recreational involvement
- a good understanding of alcohol and drug abuse problems
- good organizational skills in dealing with recreation and cultural activities

#### Duties will include:

- participation in one on one and group counselling
- co-ordinate and organize workshops and meetings
- co-ordinate, organize and operate recreation and cultural functions
- must be able to communicate well with both young and old people
- must show good leadership skills
- must have own transportation and be prepared to attend training workshops out of town.
- good understanding of Indian culture and recreation
- good understanding of the ways of life of Indian people would be a definite asset

Please submit written resume to:  
Fort McMurray Indian Band  
P.O. Box 8217 Clearwater Station  
Fort McMurray, Alberta T9H 4J1

Or apply in person to Bernice Cree - Band office - Telephone (403) 334-2293.

## SPORTS & LEISURE

# Goodfish gears up for winter carnival

By Lyle Donald  
Windspeaker Correspondent

GOODFISH LAKE, Alta.

Goodfish Lake will be hosting their second annual winter carnival Feb. 17-19. Carnival co-ordinator Darlene Jackson said it is going to be bigger and better than

last year and with more family-oriented events.

Events like a men's recreation hockey tournament, cross-country ski race, fishing derby and arm wrestling competitions are on the agenda.

For those who are not interested in sports, there is a talent show on Saturday

afternoon and a dance that evening with a basket social.

Also for the kids, there will be dog sled rides and special competitions with prizes for the winners.

There will be a free pancake breakfast on Sunday.

# Enoch takes tourney

By Lyle Donald  
Windspeaker Correspondent

HOBBEMA, Alta.

The Enoch Tomahawks senior hockey club went undefeated throughout the three-day hockey tournament hosted by the Hobbema Oilers Jan. 20-22 at the Four Bands arena.

It was set to be a eight-team tourney but Saddle Lake and Alexander pulled out at the last moment leaving Hobbema to do a last minute rescheduling.

Enoch coach Robert Morin said his team played good all weekend, taking Sarcee in the first game by a 5-2 score and Kainai Chiefs by a 9-3 in their second game. They met the home

team Oilers in the finals and just squeezed by them in a close one 3-2 game.

Tournament results: First: Enoch Tomahawks, second: Hobbema Oilers.

All-stars: goalie, Harvey (Bingo) Morin, Enoch; left

defense, Ralph Ghostkeeper, Enoch; right defense, Greg Crooke, Hobbema; centre, (Whitney) Whitebear, Hobbema; left wing, Cam Twinn, Enoch; right wing, Don Jones, Enoch, top scorer and MVP.

## TAKING CARE OF OUR OWN

### This week's foster child: Marie

Intelligent with top marks, loves music, shy and reserved are words used to describe 16-year-old Marie.

Marie is physically handicapped because she is blind, but this in no way affects her comings and goings. She can get back and forth from school using the Edmonton bus system. She is in a regular school classroom and her special interests are typing and computers.

No problems when it comes to drugs or alcohol.

Marie needs a home that is in the Edmonton area. She loves school and it would be very hard on her to be switched to another school.

Marie would love to be placed in a home where there are other teenagers. She is quite shy says her social worker but once she warms up to you she is as friendly and loving by nature.

Marie visits her mother on a regular basis. She has a youth worker who plays a big sister role with her and will have weekly visits with her counsellor.

If you feel you can foster Marie please call 427-KIDS.

## Corrections

In the Jan. 20 Expressions feature it was erroneously stated that thousands of buffalo roamed the plains during the 1920's and 30's. In fact, most roaming herds were slaughtered long before then.

In the Jan. 6 issue, Wilton Goodstriker was incorrectly identified as Walter, and Donny Montour should have read Danny.

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## LEARNING

# Two spots saved for Native med students

By Everett Lambert  
Nehiyaw News Service

The University of Alberta wants more Native students to enter the faculty of medicine and it's making it easier for those wanting to enter the medical profession.

A medical school publication states "a link has been documented, by three government commissions, between the excessive diseased and death rates for Native Canadians and the lack of primary-care providers from their own culture." The federal government, as a result, is attempting to transfer control to Native people.

The school of medicine at the university, like the law school, is one of the more difficult to get into and requires very good marks. Also, like many of the other faculties or schools within the U of A, the medicine faculty has a low rate of Natives applying for admission.

Under a new policy two spots out of 120 will be saved especially for Indian, Inuit or Metis students wanting to enter the competitive faculty. If suitable candidates cannot be found, these positions will be filled.

Applicants will be considered separately from the other 118, and must have at least two years university

training in science. The end of November is the deadline for entrance for the following fall semester.

Native applicants will have to meet the requirements all other applicants must meet. On a grade scale of one to nine medical students must achieve at least a seven to gain entrance to the program.

The university has hired a coordinator to oversee the new policy. Anne-Marie Hodes is the coordinator for the Native Health Care Careers Program which helps to put the policy in place. The position is paid for by Health and Welfare Canada.

Hodes is responsible for

advising in the areas of admissions, course selections, funding, tutoring, employment, and referrals.

Native Students Services (NSS) at the U of A commended the Faculty of

Medicine for their new policy addition. Marilyn Dumont feels the policy can actually increase the number of practicing Native doctors. "If the faculty is interested and they actually open their

mind to it, yes" However, she says the number of doctors won't increase over night.

Dumont says the NSS has 90 Native students registered in their office.

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## Instructor — Native Centre

The Native Centre at The University of Calgary invites applications for an instructor in Learning Strategies, a key course in the Transition Year Program. Learning Strategies stresses improvement in students' skills of analysis, argumentation, evaluation and English, both oral and written. The initial appointment is for one year, effective July 1, 1989, and may be renewed contingent upon funding.

Qualifications Desired: MA in education psychology or foundations; experience in teaching adults; knowledge of Native culture and community; knowledge of computer programs and their applications in learning.

This term position is funded from external sources and is not a University appointment. In accordance with Canadian immigration requirements, priority will be given to Canadian citizens and permanent residents of Canada. The University of Calgary is committed to employment equity.

Please send a curriculum vitae, transcripts and three letters of reference before May 15, 1989 to:

Dr. Jean-Guy Goulet  
Director, Native Centre  
The University of Calgary  
2500 University Drive N.W.  
Calgary, Alberta T2N 1N4



## Athabasca Health Unit

### COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKER

The Athabasca Health Unit requires a part-time Community Health Worker for the Peerless Lake area to deliver preventive community health programs in conjunction with a Community Health Nurse.

**Qualifications and experience:** Community Health Worker certificate. An individual with a Grade 10 diploma who is willing to obtain further education will be considered. This person must be well motivated and capable of working with limited direction and supervision.

Salary: \$17,328 - \$22,140 with a

Community Health Worker Certificate

For further information call Gail Robertson, Area Co-ordinator, Community Health Nursing at 849-3947.

Position will remain vacant until a suitable candidate is selected.

Please submit resumes, quoting Competition #89-009, to:  
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The Alberta Indian Wildlands Resources Council  
is accepting applications for the position of

## Co-ordinator

The Alberta Indian Wildlands Resources Council is a non-profit Treaty Indian organization dealing with hunting, fishing and trapping issues.

The co-ordinator's position involves office management, public relations, project management, research and writing.

Individuals with proven skills in these areas are invited to apply.

Knowledge and experience in trapping and prior work experience

in Native organizations are both definite assets. Travelling is involved.

Please forward resumes to:  
**Alberta Indian Wildlands  
Resources Council  
11630 Kingsway Ave.  
Edmonton, Alberta  
T5G 0X5  
ATTN: Morag Humble**

Telephone: 452-4330

Deadline for applications: February 3, 1989

## Employment Opportunity **BAND MANAGER** CREE INDIAN BAND

### QUALIFICATIONS:

- Previous work experience with Native organizations, preferably in a management capacity would be an asset.
- Effective verbal and writing skills, prefer proposal writing training.
- Knowledge of the various funding sources and skills in being able to apply for funding effectively.
- Sound knowledge in organizational skills. Ability to initiate and coordinate short and long range planning. Public relations skills.
- Ability to speak the Cree language would be an asset.

**SALARY:** Negotiable, depending on qualifications.

**COMPETITION CLOSING DATE:** Closing date for applying is 4 p.m., February 7, 1989.

Resumes sent to:

**Chief & Council  
Cree Indian Band  
P.O. Box 90  
Fort Chipewyan, Alberta  
TOP 1B0**

## **FINANCIAL MANAGER**

My client, a Native organization with head office in Edmonton plus other offices located throughout Alberta, is currently seeking a financial manager. The successful candidate will report to the Executive Director and be responsible for co-ordinating and overseeing all accounting related functions including budgeting and financial planning. This encompasses the areas of expenditures, accounts payable, payroll and benefits, revenues, accounts receivable, cash management, appropriate reconciliations and providing guidance on accounting and financial administrative matters to all staff. The incumbent will also be responsible for liaising with all funding agencies regarding finance related information. He/she will supervise a small group of head office staff and will be responsible for ensuring that financial statements, reports and reconciliations are provided on an accurate and timely basis.

A recognized professional accounting designation (CA, CGA or CMA) is preferred along with several years experience in a general accounting and financial planning environment with computerized accounting systems.

My client offers an attractive salary and competitive benefits package.

If you possess the required qualifications, please forward your resume in confidence by February 6, 1989 to:

**Ron Reinhart, CA  
#110, Springwood Court  
4220 - 98 Street  
Edmonton, Alberta  
T6E 6A1**

## **Band Manager**

The Chief and Council of Fort McMurray Indian Band located at Gregoire Lake, Alberta are seeking an experienced administrator for the term position of Band Manager.

Successful candidate will be a self-motivated well-organized individual possessing strong supervisory skills and a good working knowledge of band administrative policies.

A post secondary education supplemented with several years progressive experience in financial management, public relations and program funding including municipal planning is essential. The ability to work in cross-cultural setting is a prerequisite.

**Term - two years**

**Salary - Negotiable within \$30,000 plus range and housing.**

**Submission Deadline - Jan. 31, 1989.**

Please forward resume to:

**Chief and Council  
Fort McMurray Band  
P.O. Box 8217  
Clearwater Station  
Fort McMurray, Alberta T9H 4J1**

### Employment Opportunity

The Athabasca Native Development Corporation (ANDC) is accepting applications for the position of:

## **Native Employment Coordinator**

The Corporation was formed to assist local Native persons in obtaining and increasing employment and business opportunities in the local regions.

ANDC is seeking an individual skilled in effective communications and interpersonal skills, and has a good understanding of the socio-economic issues affecting Native people in and around the Indian and Metis communities within the Fort McMurray/Fort Chipewyan region.

The position of the NATIVE EMPLOYMENT COORDINATOR will report to the Executive Director of ANDC. His/her primary responsibility will be to ensure greater access to employment opportunities for Native people. The successful applicant will also be working closely with regional employers and employment agencies; responsible for developing and supporting training and educational programs leading to employment opportunities; and developing a support system for existing and potential Native employees in the region.

Applicants should be self-starters; motivated; able to write proposals; knowledgeable in data collection; retrieval and analysis; possess research skills; and have experience in recruiting, placement, counselling and conducting workshops.

Ability to speak Cree or Chipewyan and a very good cultural and traditional understanding of the various Native groups within the Fort McMurray/Fort Chipewyan area would be a definite asset.

This is a permanent full-time position. Salary is commensurate with experience and qualifications.

Please send your application/resume to:

**ATHABASCA NATIVE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION  
#209, 9714 Main Street  
Fort McMurray, Alberta  
T9H 1T6**

All applications/resumes must be in to ANDC office no later than closing date of Friday, February 3, 1989.

For further information contact: George D. Calliou, Executive Director, ANDC (403) 791-6541