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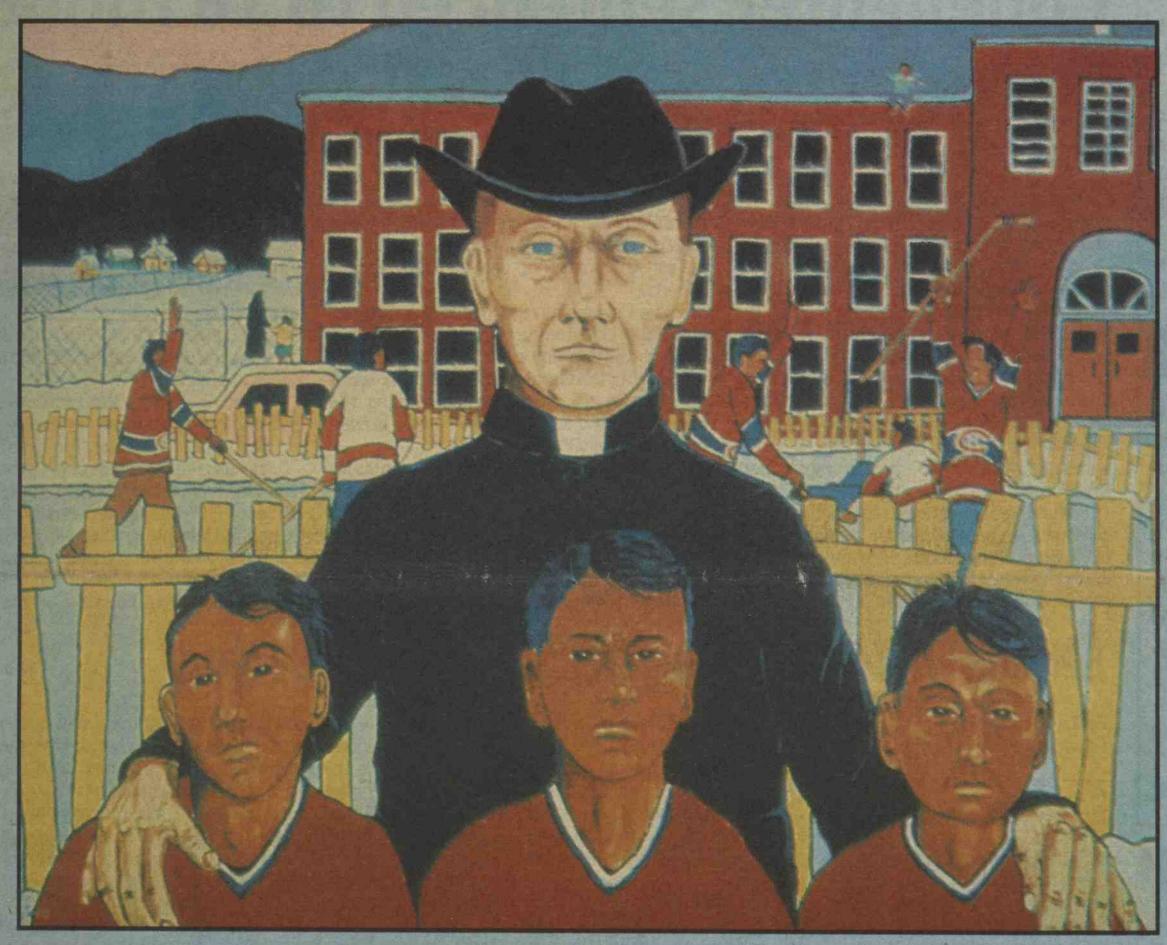
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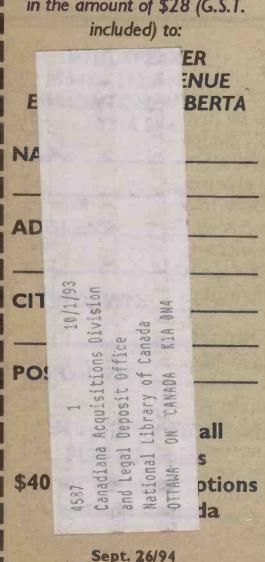
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This acrylic on canvas work by Jim Logan is part of the Indigena: Perspectives of Indigenous Peoples on 500 Years exhibition at the Glenbow in Calgary. The exhibition, organized and circulated by the **Canadian Museum of** Civilization, was created in response to the 1992 anniversary of Christopher Columbus' landfall in North America. It features 38 works by **Canadian 19 Native** contemporary artists and runs until Nov. 20.

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### First Nations wary of PQ's plans

By Alex Roslin
Windspeaker Contributor

MONTREAL

As Quebecers went to the polls to elect a near-record number of separatists to power, Cree Elder Robbie Matthew Sr. was getting ready for his yearly four-month stint on his trapline. Like the vast majority of Native peoplesin Quebec, he didn't vote.

"Myself, I was not really concerned about who won and who lost. Myself, I was more concerned about what are we going to do about the land issue," said Matthew, a trapper from Chisasibi, the community most affected by Hydro-Quebec's James Bay hydroelectric project.

"The Elders are telling us if we want to govern ourselves with self-government, what are you going to use if you run out of land? Without the land, you cannot govern yourself. You don't have anything to go by."

At the same time, Matthew was adamant that the Cree Territory which covers one-third of northern Quebec mustn't be taken out of Canada.

"Quebec cannot do this," Matthew said bluntly. "It cannot separate from Canada because it doesn't have the power. Maybe it thinks it's got the power. But there is one greater power than all the powers we know — the power from above."

Matthew's remarks foretell growing tension and a seemingly unavoidable standoff between the fledgling Parti Quebecois government and Quebec's 11 First Nations. On Sept. 12, Quebec voters elected 77 Parti Quebecois deputies to their National Assembly, and only 47 Liberals, who ran on a strong pro-federalist platform.

The vote was split along ethnic

and geographical lines, with rural Quebecers and francophones preferring the PQ, while the Liberals did well among anglophones, ethnic voters and residents of Montreal, the province's largest city.

Among those elected are notorious PQ politicians who have distinguished themselves with anti-Native remarks. The most controversial is Richard Le Hir, the outspoken former president of the Quebec Manufacturers' Association, who recently made head-lines across Canada with his statement that Quebecers have nothing to learn from Native cultures.

Le Hir, elected in a rural riding south of Montreal, was touted as Quebec's next Industry Minister.

The victorious PQ promises to hold a referendum on Quebec's sovereignty by next July. Despite the protests of Quebec Native leaders and federal Indian Affairs Minister Ron Irwin, the PQ insists that its present

borders will remain intact if it leaves Canada and that Native peoples and their lands will have to come with Quebec whether they like it or not.

But for Matthew, like most of the 17,000 Crees and Inuit who form the majority of the population in the northern two-thirds of this province, there is little feeling of attachment to Quebec.

Cree Grand Chief Matthew Coon Come sometimes speaks of how Quebec's presence in the North dates back only 30 years, when a young Rene Levesque travelled beyond the 49th parallel distributing frozen turkeys and Quebec flags. In a sign of the tensions to come, the Crees of Eastmain ran their Quebec flag upside down, much to the consternation of Levesque. It wasn't done out of disrespect, says Coon Come, but because they didn't know which side was up.

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#### **MOHAWKS TRIUMPH**

The Six Nations Chiefs battled their way through a national lacrosse tourney to capture the coveted Mann Cup in six games out of a best-of-seven series.

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#### LIFE AT THE TOP

Hattie Kauffman started life on the Nez Perce reservation in Idaho. Through hard work and thanks to a good education, she's now an Emmy-award-winning reporter of CBS This Morning. She shared her story and tips for those interested in following in her footsteps.

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#### AD DEADLINES

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### Fontaine wins third term as AMC chief

By Michael Smith Windspeaker Contributor

WINNIPEG

Manitoba chiefs gave their enthusiastic endorsement to Phil Fontaine by overwhelmingly electing him to a third term as Grand Chief of the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs.

Fontaine, 49, was re-elected on the second day of the AMC's sixth annual assembly held in Winnipeg on Sept. 14. He defeated challenger Rob Bushie by a margin of 41 to 17 votes cast by 58 of the 61 chiefs within the alliance.

With a clear mandate from its members, Fontaine said the AMC will now concentrate on the process of dismantling the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development and the implementation of self-government. The dismantling of DIAND in Manitoba is a pilot project that is intended to serve as a blueprint for the rest of the country.

In his concession speech, Bushie said the election process and the conduct of the candidates was a positive example of "what Native politics is all about." He observed that the issues were at the forefront of the race and no personal mud-slinging took place. He extended a hand of friendship and support to his opponent.

"Phil, if you need help from me you've got it. I'm your brother and I'm your friend."

Fontaine, who is from the Sagkeeng First Nation at Fort Alexander near Pine Falls, then received a standing ovation from the chiefs and the large crowd in attendance.

Although Fontaine was the clear winner in the election, he was compelled to address concerns put

forward by his opponent and a number of chiefs. These issues included the role and accountability of the grand chief and the AMC to the grassroots in political and financial matters. The chiefs also looked for assurances that the sanctity of their treaties was maintained above all other considerations.

Fontaine told the chiefs that the treaties are fundamental to the development of First Nations and that he was dedicated to their protection. He also said the AMC's actions in the dismantling process has not compromised the strength of the treaties.

### Lonefighter sentenced to 16 months

By Ron Devitt
Windspeaker Contributor

FORT MACLEOD, Alta.

Family and friends of activist Milton Born With A Tooth called it a moral victory as he was sentenced on weapons charges recently.

The leader of the Peigan Lonefighter Society was handed a 16-month term on five weapons charges related to the group's stand against RCMP at the Oldman River dam in September 1990.

"For us it's been a victory," said his sister Lorna Born With A Tooth, who fought back tears outside the courthouse.

"We've brought the eyes of the world watching what's happening to the Oldman River dam."

Wearing blue jeans and a sleeveless red Tshirt with an environmental message on the front, Born With A Tooth, 36, showed no emotion as he was led off by court guards after his sentence was passed by Justice Willis O'Leary in Court of Queen's Bench in Fort MacLeod, about 50 km west of Lethbridge.

A small group of friends and family showed their support and solidarity by extending their right arms, fists clenched.

The confrontation between the Lonefighters and RCMP erupted when Environment Department crews tried to repair a river diversion dug by the warriors to protest the construction of the dam in southwestern Alberta.

The Peigans have opposed the dam, arguing that the river is part of their spiritual heritage and should be left alone.

During the standoff, Born With A Tooth fired two shots into the air with a hunting rifle and RCMP and environmental crews backed off.

O'Leary sentenced him to four months for possession of a firearm, three months for pointing a firearm, three months each on two counts of obstructing an officer, all to run concurrently. He was also sentenced to one year for using a firearm to commit an indictable offence and handed a 10-year firearm prohibition.

Before being sentenced, Born With A Tooth spoke critically of the Alberta government.

"Why do I have to go to jail when Ralph Klein is the real criminal?" he asked, wearing a Resign Klein button.

"Who administers the policies like the ones that govern the Oldman River dam?

"The government of Alberta still has a onesided agenda and that's not just me saying that, that's society," he said. "I wasn't in it to win or lose. I've taken the responsibility and I have to take what comes with it."

Like his sister, Born With A Tooth believes the fight for Native rights and rights to selfjustice are not over.

"For Milton Born With A Tooth I'm going to jail today. I've been used as a scapegoat. Who are they going to use after I'm gone?"

He also felt the whole court process could have been avoided if things had been different Sept. 7, 1990 along the diversion ditch when he pointed a hunting rifle at an RCMP officer.

"They should have sent a couple RCMP officers down to the camp that day; instead they sent an army," he said.

### Davis Inlet negotiations suspended

By Debora Lockyer Windspeaker Staff Writer

DAVIS INLET, Lab.

Tripartite land claim negotiations for Davis Inlet have been suspended until the Innu allow the provincial court to operate in their community again.

This was the edict of Newfoundland Minister of Justice Edward Roberts when the military and RCMP-backed attempt to restore the court by force failed earlier this month.

Land claim, relocation and healing program negotiations

between the federal and provincial governments and the Innu would not continue as a result of the Innu's insistence that the court not operate in Davis Inlet, said Roberts. The federal government has agreed to the freeze on talks.

But Roberts has also written the Innu of Davis Inlet, asking to talk to them about the administration of justice. He suggested an interim police force be put in place and said he's willing to discuss the use of special constables or any other suggestions the Innu may have.

The community blockaded the lone airstrip into Davis Inlet

Sept. 6 when the provincial government threatened to fly in court officials despite Innu protests. Court has not operated in the community since December when former chief Katie Rich questioned the quality of the justice that was being dispensed and ousted the judge.

Meanwhile Davis Inlet residents are preparing for another winter in the remote Northern community, said current chief Simeon Tshakapesh. Houses are being repaired and five new houses have been built to shelter Elders over the coming year, he said.

He's worried about what the

government will do next to force the Innu hand. They may shut off the phones and electricity, Tshakapesh said.

He's disappointed in Newfoundland's response, but not surprised. He suspects the province had little heart for the negotiations in the first place.

There has been nothing done on the land claim, and the provincial government is opposed to the relocation of the Innu to Sango Bay, said Tshakapesh.

Promises for better housing, water and sewage lines have been made and broken, Tshakapesh lamented.

"Nothing has changed."

#### NATION IN BRIEF

Cheslatta gets royal ear

The Kemano power project has caught the royal attention of Prince Philip. He has asked for information about the Native village and graveyard that were flooded in the 1960s by the first stage of the Alcan project. The Cheslatta Carrier Nation, which is trying to stop the project, is pleased the Queen's consort has taken an interest in Kemano. Philip is the international president of the World Wildlife Fund.

Compensation proposal given the nod

The Grassy Narrows First Nation has voted to accept a compensation package in the amount of \$10 million from Ontario Hydro. Grassy Narrows is located 80 km north of Kenora. The payment is for damage caused by flooding from two hydroelectric dams. Approximately half of the band's 400 eligible voters cast ballots on the package.

No place for gays

Transvestite Allen Francis' bid for a seat on the Nova Scotian Shubenacadie band council fell short Sept. 15. His defeat, said his campaign manager, shows there is no place on a Micmac reserve for gays. The result at the polls and the verbal abuse Francis, 19, endured proves gays won't be tolerated on the reserve, said Robert Michael. Francis was one of 69 people vying for the 12 council seats. The results have made Francis more determined than ever to take another run at council in two years.

Housing substandard

A housing conference held in Edmonton heard that as many as half of Natives in some Western Canadian cities live in substandard housing. Spokesperson for Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporations said the housing often lacks even the most basic of amenities like toilets. Standards set by Ottawa have left a full 52 per cent of Native households in Saskatoon in inadequate housing, a figure which is alarming considering Canadians are considered to be the best housed in the world. Both Ottawa and urban planners have to share the blame because they don't understand the needs of Natives on or off reserves, said Patrick Stewart, a consultant for First Nations in British Columbia. The housing conference was attended by 800 delegates from 43 countries and was organized by the Canadian Institute of Planners.

Locals to have a say

The British Columbia provincial government will allow local governments to be involved in land claim negotiations with Natives. Aboriginal Affairs Minister John Cashore said an agreement made with the Union of B.C. Municipalities will give local governments and regional districts an advisory role in the land claims process. One of the first steps will be to identify how local governments will be affected by treaties with Natives, said Cashore. Some towns are located in areas that have been claimed by Native groups.

Royal Commission report shelved

The federal government is shelving the royal commission report that recommends an apology and compensation for those Inuit families who were relocated to the High Arctic in the 1950s. Indian Affairs Minister Ron Irwin said Sept. 19 he has not yet decided when he will bring the report to cabinet for a final decision. Irwin has had the report for three months. He wants to wait until at least the spring, when the final report of the \$60-million royal commission is expected, before making any decisions.

#### News

### Phantom fish confound counters

By Debora Lockyer
Windspeaker Staff Writer

**VANCOUVER** 

Where have all the fish gone? They may not have been there in the first place, said Ernie Crey, a spokesman for the Sto:lo Fisheries Authority.

The Department of Fisheries and Oceans have reported that of the fish it counted entering the Fraser River system, 1.3 million salmon have gone missing on their way to spawning grounds.

The department has launched an internal investigation to find out what or who caused the fish's disappearance in three of four traditional salmon runs. Crey believes DFO need only look to its sonar counting device and other technologies used to estimate runs to determine the problem. These

technologies have failed time and time again, he said.

The DFO may have overestimated the size of this year's run based on the data from the sonar device, said Crey. Fisheries management and the techniques employed to count the fish are not reliable. The salmon may never have escaped U.S. fleets that fish on the ocean at the mouth of the Fraser.

The sonar device, known as an echo sounder, is attached to the bottom of a boat that travels back and forth across the river at Mission, B.C. 24-hours a day determining the number of fish that have outwitted commercial and sport-fishermen. The Pacific Salmon Commission insists the sonar device is accurate to 10 per cent, but its 1993 estimations failed to detect 1.2 million sockeye and five million pink salmon in the run, said Crey.

This year fisheries officials say they cannot account for 115,000 of the 183,000

fish counted as part of the early Stuart run. The early summer run is missing 200,000 of 480,000 fish and one million of the 2.3 million fish in the main summer run seem to have gone astray. This leaves the three million fish expected up river in the Adams run, of which 117,000 fish are allotted to the Aboriginal fishery.

"If this run has collapsed, it will underscore the need for a broad-based inquiry," said Crey. Aboriginal fisheries support the internal investigation undertaken by DFO, Crey said, but a widespread probe into the entire management system of the Fraser is the only way to answer all the questions about this year's run.

Any unanswered questions will only fuel the accusations of groups like the B.C. Fisheries Survival Coalition, who are intent on blaming the Aboriginal fisheries for the demise of fish stocks, said Crey.

The survival coalition has been quick

to point the finger for the fish disappearance at Native poaching. Crey said though there are a small number of fishermen that do operate outside the regulations, they could in no way poach 1.3 million fish.

Other groups have speculated the fish were lost to unusually high water temperatures which reduced the fish's staying power to fight the currents on their way to spawn.

Native groups opposed to the Kemano 2 power project on the Nechako River believe reduced water levels on the river have led to higher water temperatures and increased the burden of the salmon in that part of the Fraser water system.

Dana Wagg, a researcher/writer for the Cheslatta Carrier Nation, said we shouldn't be surprised at the reductions of the fish stocks, adding that scientists have been predicting these results for a long time.

# Threat of PQ win debated by First Nations

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Quebec's 11 First Nations have been busy discussing the threat of Quebec's sovereignty at various meetings throughout the summer, and the discussions are just heating up.

For Crees, the topic was a big issue at the four-day Cree Nation Gathering that started the day after the election and at their annual general assembly in August.

The assembly made some waves in the Quebec media when it passed a resolution affirming the Crees' right to self-determination and calling for a Cree referendum on whether the James Bay Territory and its billions of dollars of hydro-installations should remain in an independent Quebec, stay in Canada or go it alone as a separate nation.

Other First Nations are also watching political developments in Quebec City with distrust and skepticism. Sylvestre Rock, an Innu opponent of the SM-3 hydro-project, says virtu-

ally no Innus voted in the election.

"It's not our affair," he said.

"It doesn't concern us. The
Innu are sovereign on our territory."

Rock added that he doesn't think it matters which party is in power; the Innu people seem to get it just as bad from politicians of all stripes. Just weeks before the Sept. 12 election, the thenruling Liberals launched construction of the Sainte-Marguerite hydro-project, which will drastically affect traditional activities in the Innu community of Maliotenam, where Rock lives.

But the PQ favors this project as well, Rock said. Indeed, Maliotenam is in the riding represented in Quebec City by Denis Perron, a PQ militant who is one of the hydroproject's biggest champions.

"All the parties are the same," Rock told Windspeaker.
"It's the same party that keeps coming back — the same policies, the same errors. No party recognizes our ancestral rights."

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KAHNAWAKE, Que.

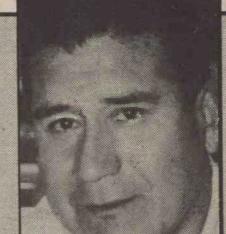
By Debora Lockyer Windspeaker Staff Writer

Chief Joe Norton of Kahnawake is calling upon all Native groups in Canada to support the Mohawks in their dealings with the new Quebec government. If the Parti Quebecois is successful in gaining control over Native people, then the rest of Canada's provinces will follow their example, he said.

Leaders and legislators across the country will be watching Quebec's dealings with Native issues, said Norton. There will be an attempt to obtain as much power as possible over every element of Quebec society. If the party is able to obtain that kind of power over Native people, the other provinces will move in the same direction.

Norton said Natives have got to light a fire under the federal government concerning protection of Native interests in Quebec.

The prevailing sentiment coming from the federal government is fear, but what is needed is a show of political courage to fulfill the Liberal inherent right



Mohawks calling for support

We've got to protect our best interests not only in Quebec, but in the rest of the country."

— Kahnawake Chief Joe Norton

policy.

"The call now is to remain calm, not to instigate, not to cause a ripple effect within the province of Quebec, so that Quebec will remain a part of Canada. We become victims of that. We've got to protect our best interests not only in Quebec, but in the rest of the country."

The Mohawks will attempt to develop a relationship with the new government and offer the Native position in a firm, clear, but non-threatening manner, Norton said. However, if the PQ thinks it's going to pick up where it left off with the Mohawks nine years ago, they are sadly mistaken.

Too much has happened in the interim for the Mohawks to look fondly on a government that

comes to the negotiation table with a superiority complex. If the PQ come in from a position of superiority and feel they have the strength to overwhelm the Mohawks, Quebec is headed for a very rough time, said Norton.

Norton hopes the PQ will move to their referendum on separation promptly. While Assembly of First Nations Chief Ovide Mercredi has advocated a separate referendum for Aboriginal people in Quebec to determine whether they want to stay in Canada or leave to join a new nation, Norton thinks it unnecessary.

"We've already established ourselves." Mohawks are neither Quebecois or Canadian citizens, said Norton. The titles have been forced on them.

### Labrador Innu to boycott flight hearings

By Debora Lockyer Windspeaker Staff Writer

SHESHATSHIU, Lab.

The Innu in Labrador and Quebec will boycott environmental assessment hearings on low-level flight training because they say the public process is unfair.

Hearings began Sept. 19 and will run to Oct. 29 to allow response to an environmental study done by the Department of National Defence. The department insists the training has little or no impact on the wildlife and plans to increase low-level flights by 100 per cent throughout the area.

Daniel Ashini, Director of Innu Rights and Environment, said the Innu will not participate in what has developed into a public relations ploy for the Department of National Defence. The Innu object to the timing of

the hearings and the rules under which they are governed.

"We cannot participate because the (Federal Environmental Assessment) panel is denying our right to cross-examine DND consultants on their evidence," Ashini said.

To add insult to injury, the hearings take place during a time when many Innu, especially Elders who know what is happening to the Caribou herds and wildlife as a result of the military training, are out on their traditional lands and not available to attend, he said.

The boycott will render the hearings meaningless, said Ashini. Without input from the Innu, the panel will not be able to gather the required information needed to make an informed decision.

The whole process should be done away with and replaced with one that is more objective and at arms-length from DND, he said.

"It should be revised and

made acceptable to the people it is supposed to answer to."

Ashini believes the department has interfered and meddled in the affairs of the panel.

The panel has been bullied into rushing to the hearing process in order to meet DND deadlines, he said. The allies are not going to sign any new flight training agreements with Canada until the hearing process is complete, so the rush is on to complete the process before year's end, Ashini said.

This interference calls into question the entire federal environmental review process, he said. The Innu are sending a warning that if it can happen here, it can happen anywhere in Canada.

The process is bogus and 'very much flawed,' said Ashini. The federal government and DND are lying to the Canadian public, feigning interest in the environment and the people of northern Quebec and Labrador.

### Protesters take over public flight hearings

SHESHATSHIU, Lab.

They came from seven communities in Quebec and Labrador. Over 150 Innu, protesting military low-level flight training, took control of the first day of public hearings of the Environmental Review Panel in Goose Bay.

"We are here to say that this is our land," said Conseil Atikamekw et des Montagnais member, Armand Mackenzie. "It is our intention to help you understand why we are here, and what the issues are for us. This is our land, and the survival of our people is at stake."

The Innu took control of both the microphone and the agenda Sept. 19. Supporting them was Assembly of First Nations vice-chief Gislan Picard.

"The Innu Nation is one. Our people are united in opposition to these military activities, and I have no reason to doubt the support of other First Nations across this land."

Instead of the scheduled presentations, they asked both the panel and the audience to hear the accounts of Innu Elders about their experiences with low-level flights in the country.

Elizabeth Penashue said the flights frighten the children and make it difficult for the people to hunt and survive.

Penote Michel, Innu spokesperson, told the panel the communities most affected by low-level flights have lost faith in the review process.

"We have tried repeatedly to get the panel to address our concerns about the hearing procedures and the deficiencies in the Department of National Defence's environmental impact statement. They chose not to listen to us. Today, they had no choice," said Michel.

### **Our Opinion**

### Aboriginal fishery easy scapegoat for missing fish

One fish, two fish, red fish, blue fish. If only it was so easy to keep an accurate count of British Columbia's salmon stocks. But counting salmon along the Fraser River is more than child's play. An entire industry, one worth \$250 million, relies on the systems and technologies employed by the Department of Fisheries and Oceans to calculate the year's catch and escapement. When these technologies fail, the entire resource is put at risk.

And fail they did, it seems, when more than one million of the valuable fish disappeared off the surface of the earth this year, leaving without a trace and without a clue as to their whereabouts. So when Ernie Crey, a spokesman from the Sto:lo Fisheries Authority is quoted as saying "This is not much shy of an environmental catastrophe," he ain't kidding. This could be the worst news for Pacific salmon to float to the surface in a good long while.

What happened to the fish is still a mystery, but speculation by the DFO is that either the fish died because of high water temperatures, or the salmon they thought they were counting have turned out to be mere spectres.

Not much the DFO can do about Mother Nature's hot flashes over the spring and summer months, but if the problem lay with the DFO's counting mechanism, Canada had better get off the stick and move quickly to rectifying the situa-

A sonar device, called an echo sounder, is said to be the culprit. The device is attached to the bottom of an aluminum boat and crisscrosses the river at a spot near Mission, B.C. It is supposed to count the fish that are making their way to spawning grounds and is a first check along the complex water system to ensure the numbers are sufficient to replenish the stock. Further upstream lies another counter, installed as a safety check in 1993. This too failed, reported the DFC.

If the numbers are wrong, as evidenced in the few fish that have actually made it up river to spawn, it could mean the allotment of salmon to the U.S. and Canadian commercial fishermen is also wrong. As Canadian commercial fishermen fight to protect their share of the catch, they've become adept at singling out Aboriginal Fisheries as the cause for every hiccup of fish management gone awry over the past three years. The B.C. Fisheries Survival Coalition has been blatant in their condemnation of the Aboriginal Fishing Strategy and claims in no uncertain terms that it is the cause of this year's salmon disaster.

"The primary factor responsible for this disaster is the Native-only commercial fishery and unregulated Native food fishing by certain Native groups in the lower Fraser River," reads a Sept. 15 press release from the coalition.

The coalition believes that Native groups, operating outside the limitations set out in the Aboriginal Fishing Strategy and the regulations of the DFO, have poached the fish. How Native fishermen managed to illegally take 1.3 million fish out of the Fraser River without raising the suspicion of authorities is left to the public's imagination.

An internal investigation into the fish mystery has been ordered by the DFO and answers should become available by January. But this limited probe is not enough. A broad-based analysis of the management of the Fraser should be called for. The Aboriginal Fishing Strategy has become an easy target. An investigation would put to rest the ugly accusations of the coalition, and perhaps ensure the harvest of salmon stocks for years to come.

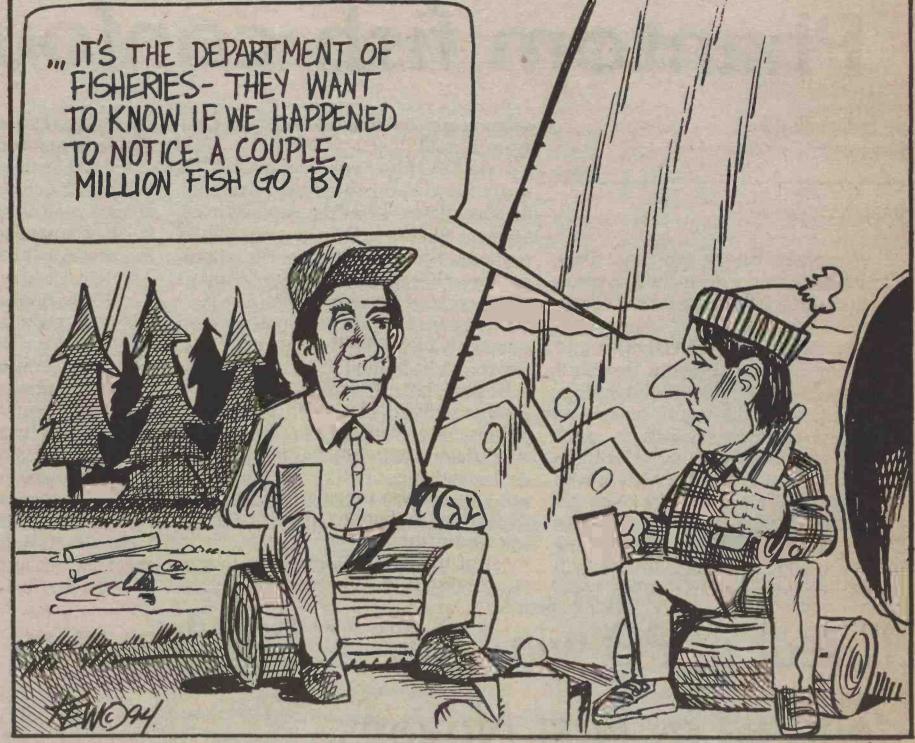


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### Women need equal voice

By Jack D. Forbes

(Continued from previous issue.)

In these areas I propose that constitutions be amended so that women have their own houses of parliament, separate from men, with equal power. In Islamic countries or other places where women are often discouraged from being politically exposed to unrelated males, I would propose that only women be able to vote for delegates to the women's parliament, so that female candidates are exposed only to female audiences and voters.

This is the way it might work: suppose that a country already has a parliament composed of two houses, a senate and a house of representatives. The constitution would be amended to change the two houses into a house of women and a house of men. Each would have equal power over all legis-

Another option would be to have a single parliament with half being women and half being men, each half being elected according to a plan suitable to the customs of the nation.

We can be sure that if we had women's parliaments in Mexico and Central and South America that a very high percentage of the delegates would be strong Indigenous figures like Rigoberta Menchu! Perhaps we need the same thing in the United States and Canada.

In some parts of the world, male dominance has reached such a level that women are virtually excluded from public activities (except under rigid rules of segregation or when accompanied by a husband or male relative). Male spokespersons in such societies often deny that women are inferior or disrespected. They claim it is simply customary to protect women from unwanted male contact.

If, indeed, it is true that women are not regarded as inferior in such societies, then my proposal for separate women's parliaments should be greeted with enthusiasm. My plan does not require unwanted contact with unrelated males. It does insure that women and children are empowered and protected by having female wisdom given a

formal, equal voice.

The rule of males has too often resulted in dictatorship, oppression, needless wars and horrible brutality. Without checks and balances, male rule has sometimes resulted in corrupt monarchies led by pampered and spoiled men and boys who possess unbelievable privileges to exploit servants and ordinary people, both male and female. I am thinking here of places like Kuwait and Saudi Arabia, but there are many others as well.

First Nations have provided key examples of how to develop democratic and caring societies. We can serve as examples again in terms of teaching about our First Nations traditions and how they can help empower women everywhere.

We should check to see if our own band or national councils adequately represent both sexes, so as to provide examples for the entire world.

[Professor lack D. Forbes, Powhatan-Delaware, is the author of Columbus and Other Cannibals, Africans and Native Americans and other books.]

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### Your Opinion

### Papaschase wants to re-establish land base

Dear Editor,

I am a direct descendant of Osowmansis (Yellow Calf) who was a member of the Papaschase band which was situated in present-day south Edmonton. This former band member was transferred into the Enoch band when the band was (in theory) amalgamated after 1888.

Osowmansis, whose name is spelled oo-sah-wee man-is-sees on the band's 1885 pay lists, is my grandmother Marguerite's father. Another former band member that I'm related to by blood is Susanne Bruneau who married into the Godin family by marrying Antoine Godin (Goodeye).

The Papaschase Descendants Group, composed mostly of Bill C-31 Indians and Metis, is interested in seeing the Papaschase band put back together with its own land base separate from any other Indian band. We hope to have this happen immediately; so, if you are a descendant or think you might be, contact us.

When Edmonton celebrates the 200th anniversary of the founding of Ft. Edmonton in 1995, the Papaschase band descendants want to celebrate as well. The only proper way to celebrate this historic event and be self-respecting is to start correcting a historic wrong as we have.

We claim that the people who we descended from, the Papaschase band members, were pressured, deceived and coerced into signing away and surrendering land which we should have rightfully inherited. Once we total our membership and re-establish our band we will demand appropriate compensation from Ottawa.

We will also propose support from Edmonton in their 200 year centennial by asking them to acknowledge that most of the South Side sits on former Papaschase land.

History has practically repeated itself. A century ago our ancestors

(Papastayo and his followers) consisting of Indians and Metis created by the fur trade asked Ottawa for a land base. Here we are in 1994, Indians and Metis that have been created as status Indians as a result of Ottawa's passing of Bill C-31, ready to ask the same.

The only difference between us and our ancestors is: we are now educated, can live as white men, are self-supporting and would put any fears to rest that our group is suggesting to the federal government to give us a land base that might become a tax-eating proposition.

Existing Indian bands that our ancestors were supposed to have been amalgamated into refuse to take us unless we do some heavy begging or go through the courts. Since our ancestors, the original Papaschase band members, were given a land base that should have been passed down to us, our group is refusing membership in other bands.

I know that Papaschase band de-

scendants are out there scattered all over Western Canada, so if we are going to appeal to Alberta and Edmonton citizens to help in asking Ottawa to correct a historic wrong, then let us band together and do our part.

I have a vast collection of research material relating to the surrender of the Papaschase Land: maps, treaty pay lists, and Metis land scrip applications. These documents might determine if you are or can be a descendant. I can pass these on to anyone willing to donate a fee to cover printing and mailing expenses. The Edmonton Indigenous Coalition whom I work with also can be contacted.

Hoping to hear from you soon.

In brotherhood, Roger Goodeye Edmonton Indigenous Coalition c/o Randy Lawrence 11436 77 Ave. Edmonton, AB T6G 0L8

### Treatment of Aboriginals both neglectful, shameful

Dear Editor,

I wish to thank the Canadian Association for Community Living for recognizing Little Mountain in their 6th annual media awards.

Little Mountain is a story about a Native woman with a disabled child. If ever the old baseball adage "three strikes and you're out" applied, it is in this case.

In the past, most North Americans have looked at South Africa's stand on apartheid with a sense of revulsion and with some sense of superiority.

But today the Indigenous peoples of that country are fully in charge of their own destiny.

That is clearly not the case in North America.

We can only surmise what the lives of Native people in North America might be like today if we had not herded

them onto reservations, where we tried to annihilate them using various ethnic LeDuc oil fields are cases in point. cleansing practices like smallpox-infected blankets, religion and alcohol.

of population control of Native peoples is should be done to help Native peoples. diabetes.

Native people living in North America have diabetes at levels unheard of in any other communities in the world — up to 50 per cent of the Indigenous population is affected.

With treaty after treaty broken, the familiar line "as long as the grass shall grow, and the waters flow" has been violated countless times.

Even the lands Native peoples were given as part of treaty settlements have been re-confiscated. This happens when speculators and governments found minerals or water rights they felt they needed or wanted.

The James Bay Project and the

Millions of dollars have been spent. A multitude of civil servants have Today one of the most effective means turned out endless reports on what

Multiculturalism has been pushed and publicized — all this without any concern for the actual peoples who are being edged closer to annihilation by contagious diseases and high suicide rates.

There are only two ways to describe how Native people have been treated in this country: at best with benign neglect, at worst, shamefully.

Phil Pendry The National Aboriginal Network on Disability Suite 60, 203 Catherine St. Ottawa, ON K2P 1C3

### Brotherhood seeks donations

Dear Editor,

We the Native Brotherhood at Calgary Correctional Centre are asking for your donations of any size. The Native Brotherhood is asking for donations for funding of the following things: Powwows, socials, sweat lodges, bannock, arts and crafts supplies, tobacco for our guests, etc.

Due to lack of present funding we are lacking certain essential elements, funding for our Elders and guests, who come into the institution and teach all the lost brothers more about their background, and also to continue learning more, in an environment of spiritual harmony.

We would greatly appreciate any assistance you might be able to offer. Our address is Box 3250, Station B, Calgary, AB T2M 4L9.

Thank you very much.

Don Blackwood

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### People must remember how to live with reverence

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— Tahirussawichi, on the Pawnee Ritual of the Hako

Dear Editor,

There was a time when the rivers ran clean, when the air was fresh and pure, and the people stepped lightly upon the Earth.

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On my holidays, I saw many things; the oddest one was in Calgary. I was walking down the street in Forest Lawn and from afar I saw a man swinging something. Because I was still far away I couldn't figure out what it was. Of course, trying to mind my own business I never even thought about it until I got closer. As I approached, I noticed it was a dog! Can you believe it, a dog?! I also noticed he was blind! Nosy as I am, I asked him, "Why are you swinging that dog around?" He told me, "Lady, I'm just looking around."

Did I psych you out? I thought it was funny!

An Aboriginal Eden?

Of course, me being a real fan of different papers, I was reading Tekawennake the other day and I came across this story on a small nursery called Sweetgrass Gardens. The nursery is based on the Six Nations reserve in southern Ontario. You know, those people from there are very inventive.

A guy named Ken Parker, who is a real green thumb, was the mastermind of the project. He and his wife Linda were getting back into their Native 'roots'. Ken thought up the idea for the nursery that deals with only plants that are sacred or used by Aboriginal people. He has about 50 varieties of plants in his nursery, which is open to the landscaper, the avid gardener and individuals that would like to see the plants which were originally grown in the area.

He received most of his plants from other nurseries around that area and from gathering seeds and specimens, but he believes in taking only what he needs and leaving the rest to grow freely. In his nursery already are Prairie Sage, the Anise Lyssop and the rare Ontario Cactus, which produces an edible kind of pear.

He is looking for people who know plants, medicinal or edible, to help with building a nursery



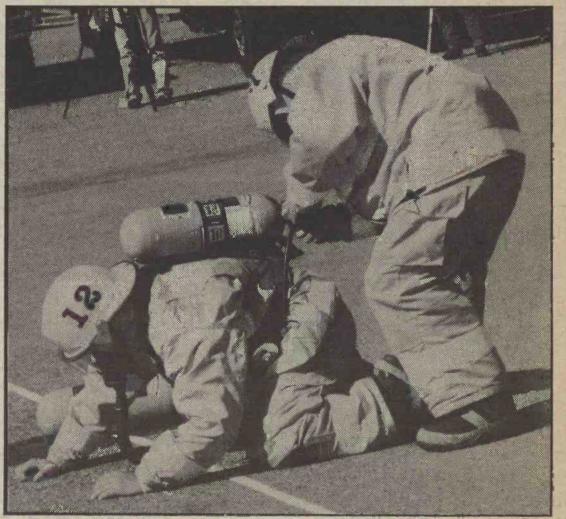
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with plants which would tell history and the plants' uses.

Moving on up

Kelly J. Lendsay has been helping the University of Saskatchewan/Saskatchewan Indian Federated College to get a First Nations MBA program off the ground. Kelly is a Metis from North Battleford and has an MBA, which he received at the U of S. With all the responsibility he has right now, he was named Saskatchewan head of the Canadian Council for Aboriginal Business.

Graduating restorers Actually this happened in the ripest time of summer but it's OK if I tell this now. The people of Golden Lake, Ont. have been putting on classes to get back their language of Algonquin. The first graduating class received their certificates a moon or two ago. The Elders responsible for their achievements and efforts in rejuvenating their language are Dorothy Commanda and Marie Amikons. Congratulations!



Terry Lusty

### A Fiery competition

These two firefighters are demonstrating their skills at the 5th Annual National Aboriginal Fire Fighters Competition in Hobbema, Alta. on Sept. 17. The team from Cross Lake, Man. won the contest. They won this title for the fourth time in five years.

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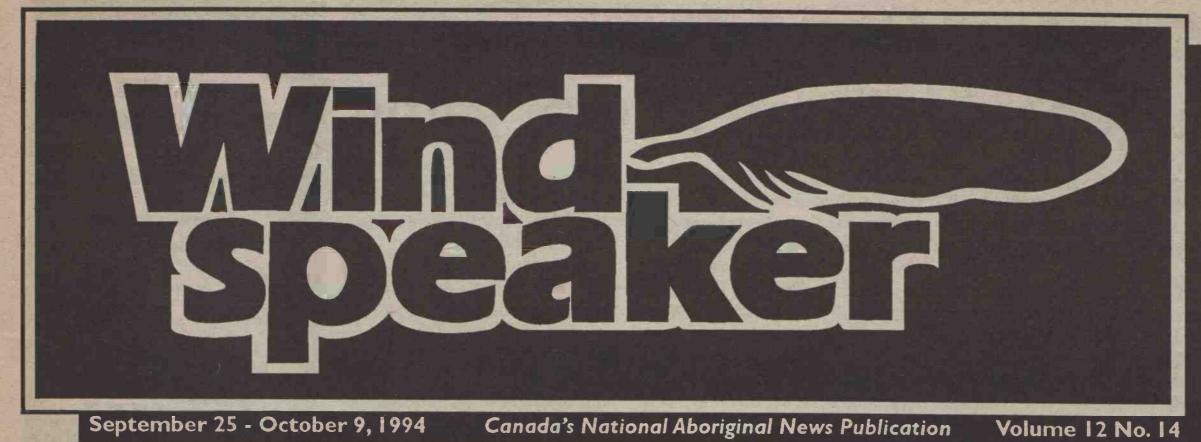
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### Micmac lobster wars heating up in P.E.I.

By Stephanie O'Hanley Windspeaker Contributor

LENNOX ISLAND, P.E.I.

The peaceful waters of Maopeque Bay, P.E.I. mask tension on the Lennox Island reserve. Since July Mi'kmaq fishers have found their traps smashed, and their lobster sales declared illegal by the Department of Fisheries and Oceans.

And their chief stands by the government.

The federal department has confiscated or destroyed more than 1,000 untagged lobster traps used by Mi'kmaq fishers since May. The department considers the traps illegal under agreements signed between DFO and Lennox Island chief Jack Sark.

Under a 1991 agreement negotiated between DFO and Chief Sark, Lennox Island band members are allowed 260 traps (three per household) to catch lobster year round for food and ceremonial purposes. DFO rules forbid band members from selling lobster caught in these traps.

This year the department granted the Lennox Island Band two commercial licenses for the first time. Under this

agreement 600 tagged lobster traps were divided among 25 Lennox Island band members. Lobster from these traps could be sold only during the May -June lobster season. Any traps found without DFO tags are confiscated or destroyed.

John Joe Sark, captain of the Grand Council of the Mi'kmaq, the traditional Mi'kmaq government, said Chief Sark should never have signed agreements with the DFO.

"We see our treaties as constitutional rights," said John Joe Sark, a Lennox Island band member who lives off-reserve. "Since they are constitutional rights no chief can take away our treaty rights."

1752," countered Chief Sark. "The reality is that the Canadian government controls these things."

Band members disagree. On Aug. 31, 72 Lennox Island band members filed a Federal court action stating the DFO has harassed Mi'kmaq fishers and prevented them from fishing lobster both commercially and for food, against their treaty rights and the Constitution. They're also asking for compensation for the loss of lobster traps seized by the DFO.

Howard Sark is one of

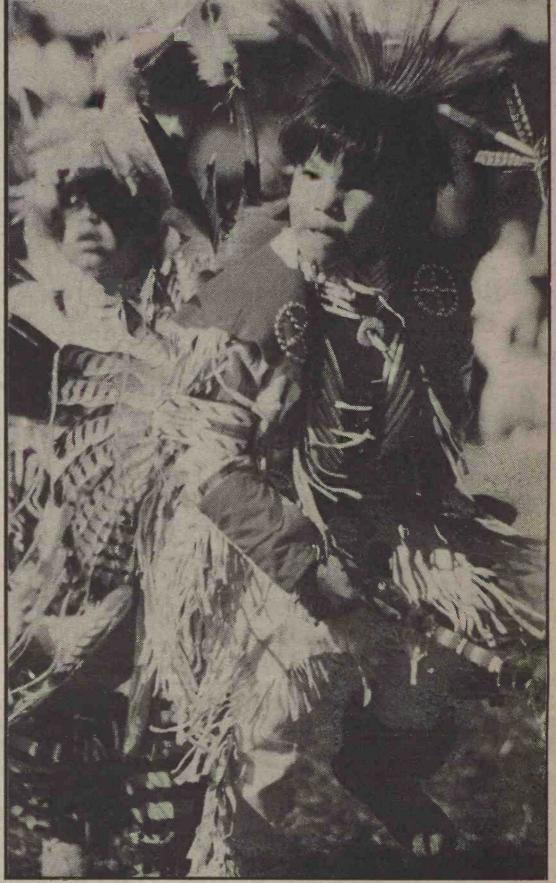
about 50 Mi'kmaq fishers at Lennox Island who have had traps taken or destroyed by DFO fisheries officers. He and other fishers have been clearly marking buoys with the word "Treaty" and their band numbers, to show they are fishing under the Treaty of 1752.

Sark fishes 10 traps out of a small boat with an outboard motor and said he hasn't made much money this year. DFO has taken 108 of his traps since mid-July, which will cost at least \$800 to replace.

A petition signed by 141 people was sent to federal fisheries officials and Chief Sark Sept. 19 protesting the combined seizures and the agreement which led to the destroy-"I respect the Treaty of ing of traps. Spokesperson Becky Sark said fishers are upholding their treaty rights and if the dispute is not resolved soon, they will take the matter into their own hands.

To date approximately \$40,000 worth of lobster has been sold by Mi'kmaqs to lobster processors from illegal traps. DFO officials say they are considering laying charges.

Of 603 registered Indians in the Lennox Island Band, 275 live at Lennox Island and 325 live off-reserve. About 120 people are eligible to vote in a band council election.



John Zalewski

### Fierce competition

Dancers know there's more to competing than a good outfit and rhythm. Scowling Chaz Brown from Hobbema demonstrates his fierce concentration during a recent powwow in Alexis Reserve, Alberta. The young dancer joined approximately 300 dancers at the sun-drenched event.

### Six Nations triumph at national lacrosse cup

By Sam Laskaris Windspeaker Contributor

BRANTFORD, Ont.

in six games.

It certainly didn't take the Six Nations Chiefs long to prove they belonged with the big boys of Canadian

The Chiefs, a second year franchise, captured the national senior title, the Mann Cup, on Sept. 14. Six Nations had earned the right to play host to the Canadian finals by winning the Ontario Lacrosse Association crown.

In the Mann Cup, Six Nations battled the Western Lacrosse Association champs, the New Westminster Salmonbellies. The Chiefs won the best of seven series

Winning the Mann Cup enabled the Chiefs to complete an amazing turn-around in their program. The senior club was formed after the Six Nations Arrows won the Minto cup, awarded annually to the top Junior A lacrosse club in Canada, in 1992.

During their inaugural season last year, the Chiefs, which included the nucleus of the Arrows' championship side, quickly discovered success in the junior ranks did not necessarily translate into success at the senior level. In fact, the Chiefs managed 11 former Brampton players ended up with Six Nations. ers and no bitchers."

to win only one game in their first season.

Six Nations' executive realized changes had to made. They began to make moves during the off-season by hiring coach Les Wakeling and manager Peter Grosse. This pair had led the Ontario-based Brampton Excelsiors to back-to-back Mann Cup championships in 1992-93.

Wakeling obviously didn't mind leaving a national champion to go work for a team which had posted only one victory the previous season.

"After winning a couple of Mann Cups, if nothing else I knew it would be a challenge," he said.

On their way to national glory, the Chiefs had to overcome plenty of obstacles, including a few in the Ontario Lacrosse Association's boardroom. Before leaving Brampton, Grosse released several of the club's top stars, who had said they were discontent with the Excelsiors' organization.

When Wakeling and Grosse signed with Six Nations, a number of unhappy Brampton players said they too wanted to join the Chiefs. As can be expected, plenty of bad blood arose - with accusations at a premium by officials from both Six Nations and

Brampton. Eventually the OLA approved the player transfers. But the Chiefs were forced to financially compensate

Brampton to the tune of \$5,000. Through these transfers and other trades, a total of

One of the ex-Excelsiors to join the Chiefs was John Tavares, who is one of, if not the top, box lacrosse players in the world.

After winning a third consecutive Mann Cup, Tavares said the latest one was the sweetest.

"This one feels greater because of all the things we had to go through to put this team together," said Tavares, who only played 13 regular season games but still won the OLA scoring title with 89 points (44 goals, 45 assists). "It feels great to bring a championship to Six Nations because of lacrosse's origins.'

Six Nations registered a 14-5-1 mark during the regular season, good for second spot in the OLA standing. The Brooklin Redmen, who played one less game, ended up in the top spot with a 16-3 record.

Despite losing the first two games of the Ontario championships against the Redmen, the Chiefs rebounded with four straight victories to win the best of seven series.

Six Nations also fought back in their opening playoff series against Brampton. The Excelsiors had won the first two contests before the Chiefs stormed back to win four in a row.

"We won, though, because of a lot of hard work and because of a lot of heart," he said. "Also, everyone made the decision that they were going to accept the role that was given to them. This was the most disciplined team I've ever coached. There were no complain-

### Central Canada

### Hunters charged with illegal sale of game

By Kim Anderson
Windspeaker Contributor

GORE BAY, Ont.

Undercover operations by Fish and Wildlife officials have netted almost two tons of illegally caught game and fish in southern Ontario.

Over a two-year period, an undercover police operation seized 1,800 kilograms of fish, deer and moose meat from Native and non-Native hunters and fishers. The catches were seized under the Ontario Game and Fish Act which prohibits buying, selling or trading

wild game.

More than 300 game and fish violation charges have been brought to trial in Gore Bay, Ontario, and the majority of the 23 people remaining in court are Ojibway and Odawa of Manitoulin Island.

The charges, mostly of illegally shooting and selling deer, date back to 1989.

Some of the other charges include night hunting and, according to Bob Broad of the Ministry of Natural Resources, mostly unsafe practices, such as shooting across roadways at night in the close proximity of buildings.

The onslaught of charges sig-

nal an escalation of conflict between provincial and First Nations government's understanding of treaty rights, said the United Chiefs and Councils of Manitoulin Island.

"...It is clear that these proceedings are just one more chapter in a conflict over resource use that has been going on for more than a century... But there has never been anything quite on this scale, and this is a reflection of the level of conflict that now seems to exist among us."

The provincial government concedes Natives in the Robinson-Huron treaty area have the right to hunt and fish for use within their own community under treaty

rights.

"(It is) the sale, primarily to non-Natives that gives us the concern," stated Broad.

But selling game isn't a treaty right, "therefore the law applies," he added.

The United Council of Manitoulin Chiefs backed their people, declaring "...the rights at issue are recognized and affirmed in Canada's constitution, and we have not been provided with an opportunity to negotiate our differences."

The trial started on Sept. 12, and is expected to last 4 to 6 weeks. The maximum, penalty under the Ontario Fish and Game Act is \$25,000.

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### Taking success one step at a time

No matter how a person measures success, Dave Tuccaro of Neegan Development Corporation in Fort McMurray lives up to the standards in full.

Tuccaro is owner of the heavy equipment company which services Syncrude Canada, the oil sands corporation located in Northeastern Alberta.

He was nominated as Canada's turn-around entrepreneur of the year, and is president of the Northeastern Alberta Aboriginal Business Association, a group committed to strengthening the ties that Aboriginal business has to corporate Canada.

Tuccaro is a role model to his people. His success is measured by counting the number of Native people he's put to work for Neegan, and the number of other Native businessmen he's encouraged over the years.

His story seems a simple one. Man manages business. Man buys business. Man makes business the success story of the

Yet, nothing is as simple as it sounds, and Tuccaro has endured the highs and lows, the twists and turns of all that business has to offer during the past four years.

Neegan started in 1980 as a company owned and operated by four Fort McMurray area First Nations, and Native Venture Capital Co., a group that offers both help in acquiring business

No matter how a person funds and advice in business asures success, Dave Tuccaro management.

After 10 years in operation, Neegan's bumpy course threatened to be the company's undoing. Tuccaro was brought on line as the general manager and was expected to steer Neegan through the storm.

Tucarro's background in business served him well, but it was the advice and support of Native Venture Capital Co., the Royal Bank of Canada and Syncrude, that really made the difference.

After two years of 14-hour days, seven-days-a-week work on Neegan's problems, Tuccaro could see the potential in the company. It was through the Royal Bank, a shareholder in Native Venture Capital, that Tuccaro's vision for owning the company took shape.

In 1993, Tuccaro bought out the four bands' shares in the company, then in 1994, Tuccaro completed the buy out with the purchase of shares from Native

Venture Capital Co.

As a businessman, Tuccaro was wise to take advantage of the network of experts Native Venture Capital Co. has cultivated over the years. When Tuccaro needed advice, whether it was advice on where to get the best deal on a good truck or which suppliers could Neegan trust to deliver the goods, Native Venture Capital Co. knew where to look and who to look for to

best meet Tuccaro's needs.

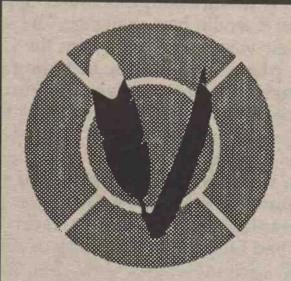
The obstacles were many for Neegan owner Dave Tuccaro. There were times when he wanted to give up.

"If they can do it, so can I," he told himself over and over again and the rewards of his persistence were great. Today he relies on the contracts he's been able to negotiate with Syncrude as a solid base for Neegan's success

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Dave Tuccaro, head of Neegan Development Corporation



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### Looking for Home - chapter six

By Beth Cuthand

It was Grandma Joe who Billy called the night before he hitched out of Toronto to realize his dream of returning home to the rez. And it really was Fluffy the cat, also known as "King Claws", who blew town stuffed in the kid's back pack. Not only that, Louis, Billy's single parent dad, frantic with mega worry, searched and is still searching for his only son.

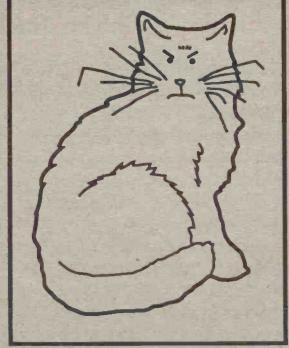
The old guy who may or may not have been a pedophile, did give Billy and Fluffy a ride in his van. And Constable Ralph, stalwart Plains Cree of the Indigenous Peacekeeping squad of the RCMP, is on the case of the missing kid and cat who are not really missing and dead Grandma Joe who is not really dead.

Amanda North Wind had done it all and seen it all. In her years of working with street kids, addicts, child moms, homeless grandmas, the oppressed and the oppressive, spat Eva. there wasn't nothing that surprised her any more. Amanda was not cynical even though she could have been. At the age of 37, Amanda North Wind was a woman who knew who she was and what she wanted from life. And what she really wanted was a secret she had never ever told a living soul until...

Amanda gracefully lowered her considerable bulk into the chair behind her desk behind the door marked 'counsellor' in the basement of the Star Quilt Friendship Centre. She checked her day book. "Billy, the kid," she had scrawled over the whole morning.

She had been up on the rez getting gas at Sid's when she saw the kid running head long through the bush followed by an old man in a shiny suit, followed by Eva Norton, Sid's feisty little wife screaming like a mad crow "Save the kid! Save the kid! It's a priest! It's a priest!"

Now Amanda knew that man probably wasn't a priest but there always was a chance that Eva was right so she plowed her way through the



bush like an ice breaker and neatly placed herself between boy and man.

The boy stopped and heaved in the bushes while the man caught between Eva and Amanda screamed and tripped into a patch of stinging nettles, thrashed about, recovered and ran off to the gas station. Seconds later, the trio heard the sound of screeching tires and the angry yells of Sid and the boys running down the road.

"I knew he was a priest,"

Amanda moved to place a protective arm around the boy. She felt his shoulder blades under his T-Shirt and guessed he had not eaten for days.

"What's your name son? Where are you from?" she asked gently.

Billy eyed the big woman warily. He liked the feel of her warm hand on his shoulder. But she was a stranger.

touch ya?" asked Eva, prodding him in the ribs.

Billy didn't know what the skinny lady was talking about so he turned to the big woman who stepped back and extended her hand.

"My name is Amanda North Wind and this is Eva Norton. This is the Star Quilt Reserve. This is where we're from. What about you?" He shook hands. And then he real-

"My back pack! Where's my back pack! I gotta find it. Please, I gotta find it!"

"The priest took it!" Eva "I'll cried. call the peacekeepers!" And she ran off to the gas station.

"Fluuuuufeeeeee!" the kid wailed, tears streamed down his face uncovering clean skin as they rolled, then dripped off his chin.

Amanda dug some tissue out of her bag and took to industriously scrubbing Billy's face while leading him back to

"We'll find Fluffy. Your dog will be O.K." she soothed.

"She's not a dooogggg!" "You ran away from home with that cat?" Amanda guessed.

"Grandma Joe said I could," wailed Billy between hiccups.

The man in the van with the Elvis hair roared down the road. All he had ever wanted from this solo trip up to Canada was a quiet cabin by a fish-filled lake and some ice-cold brewski to keep him company. God knew the insurance industry was a pressure cooker down stateside! And he needed a rest - a calm, quiet rest. Was it too much to ask?

He had tried. He had really tried to do a good deed and look where it got him. His skin was breaking out into fiery blisters and he itched all over.

Not only that but his van smelled like shit. Where was that smell coming from?

Damn! he thought as he spied the police roadblock. A "Hey kid, did the priest Mountie motioned him to stop and sauntered over to his open window.

"May I see your license and registration sir?" The cop eyed the inside of the van. He wrinkled his nose and stepped away.

"Will you step out of your vehicle, sir?"

"What's the matter? Is something wrong?" the man stammered.

"Are you now or have you ever been a priest?"

"I'm Southern Baptist! An broker insurance for Chrissakes!"

"Mr.....ummmm.... Thadious Brown, we'll need to search your van."

"What's going on? What do ing round and round.

you want?"

"Mr. Brown, we'll ask the questions if you don't mind." The cop eyed him sternly and motioned to a couple of men in suits and sunglasses who immediately stripped on gloves and moved toward the van.

The sun streamed through the basement window onto the counsellor's desk. Amanda North Wind sighed.

"Billy, if you'd just tell me your last name and where you're from I could phone your dad and tell him you're all right. He must be worried sick. Please Billy?"

'I want Fluffy. Dad wouldn't want me to leave Fluffy. And Grandma Joe wants to see Fluffy too."

"OK Billy, why don't you tell me Grandma Joe's telephone number and I'll phone her. Maybe she'll call your dad."

"Grandma Joe won't talk to Dad."

"Why not?" Amanda asked quietly.

"Cause D-ad believes Grandma Joe is dead and that makes her majorly p.o.ed. And besides, Fluffy says..."

"Fluffy says what?" Amanda tried to keep her voice

Billy studied his fingers. Amanda tried again.

"Fluffy sounds like an exceptional cat."

Billy studied Amanda's Anyone at all?" eyes. She gazed at him steadily. Brown eyes locked on brown. Billy really wanted to tell someone his secret. Dad would never believe him. Grandma loe didn't sound convinced though she did say that in the old days there were people who could talk to the animals but she didn't think they spoke English.

Amanda looked away, her profile silhouetted in the morning sun. For a fleeting moment Billy thought she had turned into an old, old lady but when he squinted he could still see the unwrinkled face of Amanda North Wind and the very real second hand of her watch tick-

Amanda brushed a strand of hair from her face and turned to face Billy once again. It was as if she had decided on something. Billy tensed. Was she going to try and convince him to call his dad again?

Thadious Brown, insurance broker, Southern Baptist, woke in the holding cell of the Round Lake detachment of the RCMP. His killer holiday from hell couldn't get any worse. How did he know the #&\$%!! cat had snuck back into his van? How was he to know the cat was stolen property? And what was the big argument about jurisdiction? Mounties, peacekeepers, weren't they all the same?

And if he ever caught up with the pervert priest that everyone was talking about, he would personally beat the living snot out of him. Imagine doing such terrible unspeakable things to a defenceless kid. Back home in Waco, a man could get hung for that!

Just as he was about to bite into his cold egg Mcmuffin, a yowl, a scream, an unexpurgated line of curses and a walloping great crash echoed through the holding cells. The sound of many booted feet running fast, more screams, a loud hiss, heavy breathing, then silence. Absolute silence.

Thadious Brown called out tentatively "Is anyone there?

#### About the author:

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She earned a bachelor of arts in sociology from the University of Saskatchewan, and a masters of fine arts in creative writing from the University of Arizona.

Cuthand now teaches at the En'owkin International School of Writing in Penticton, B.C..

'Cuthand is the mother of two grown sons and lives in a log house overlooking Lake Okanagan with her two cats, her dog, and an intriguing cast of house mates.

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### RCMP given pink slip

HOBBEMA, Alta.

An RCMP detachment on an Alberta reserve has been given notice to vacate the office by Sept. 30 and hand over duties to the all-Native tribal service Oct. 1.

Chief John Ermineskin, of the Ermineskin band in Hobbema, handed a notice of eviction to Staff Sgt. Ken McGilvary Sept. 15, saying the three bands serviced by the detachment are frustrated by the lack of cultural sensitivity shown by the 14-member post and want their own Native police to take over.

The Samson, Ermineskin and Montana bands are policed by the RCMP, with the fourth Hobbema band, Louis Bull, serviced by their own force. The bands have been working with the RCMP to train local officers and currently have seven members in the detachment. But a lack of support from the Alberta government to provide funding for further training has forced the bands' hands, said Ermineskin. During two years of negotiating between Hobbema, the federal and provincial government, the issue of provincial funding has yet to be resolved.

Local tribal police say the RCMP coverage is inadequate and that Native officers are treated differently than other officers. But residents have expressed concern that there won't be enough trained tribal police to cope with rising crime and fear increased violence on the reserves without the RCMP's presence.

Alberta Justice Minister Ken Rostad said the RCMP will not pull out of Hobbema but doesn't anticipate a confrontation. The minister said there is no money in provincial coffers to provide training now, and if Native leaders on the oil-rich reserves are impatient, they can fund the training themselves.

### Plant emissions studied

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Syncrude Canada, local Native groups, environmentalists and the Alberta government are joining forces to study the impact of oil sands plant emissions on human health.

The study is being done in response to concerns raised by the Energy Resources Conservation Board that was asked to approve an expansion of the company's plant. The project's co-ordinator said the study is still in the planning stages.

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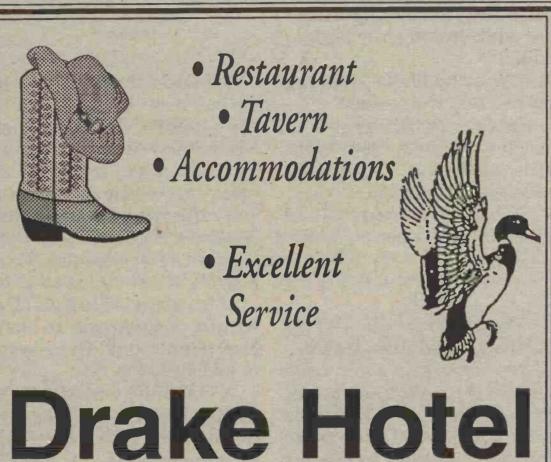
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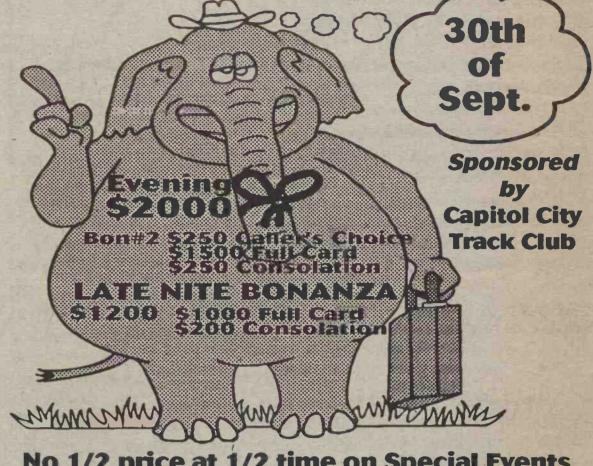


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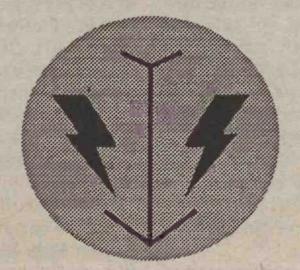
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### Service, sincerity propels Munchies on Wheels

By Heather Halpenny Windspeaker Contributor

Munchies on Wheels has a service motto hung behind the food order window for all customers to read: "If the service is satisfactory tell a friend. If not, tell us."

Viola Sweep runs her mobile concession business from Wetaskiwin, Alta. She has three units which she takes to powwows and rodeos all over Western Canada.

This winter her plans include taking Munchies on Wheels to Browning, Montana, Denver, Florida and Oklahoma. People call her to cater at powwows. She generally pays a fee to participate, but sometimes the fee is waived if she offers the use of her generator, for example.

After three years in the business she doesn't even hang up her sign before people start coming over.

She started running the business when she ran a food kiosk in Wetaskiwin shopping centre. She served the Indian Taco which no one else was making. After eating one of these delicious tacos you won't want to eat again that day, because they have a real stick-to-the-ribs feeling.

A friend, who was like a second father, told her to take her Indian Taco to a wider audience because it is such a good product, it should be out there for more people to eat.

and the midwife in high nity, delivered her.

Sweep is no second making bannock to raised on bannock by making it. She would be out the making it.

She said she didn't know if she could do this. This old man said she would be surprised at



Heather Halpenny

Viola Sweep's drive and dedication to delivering a good product with excellent service is what's made Munchies on Wheels a success.

what she could do.

Sweep was born in South Indian Lake, Manitoba. Her grandmother Matilda Clee, who was the medicine woman and the midwife in her community, delivered her.

Sweep is no stranger to making bannock. She was raised on bannock but she hated making it. She would cry every time she had to make it, she despised making it so much. After she was married she

would only make bannock once a year.

This memory makes her laugh because now she makes her living from making bannock. She says you need to watch what you say or you may end up eating your words like she is eating her words now.

She first got started in the business with a refund from her income tax. Her husband helped her pick out her first unit and he fixed it up for her.

The first year she got started late on the powwow circuit and her sales were \$29,000. The second year, after going to 10 events, her sales were \$55,000. The third year of business she went to Aboriginal Business Canada for some help.

With the assistance of ABC she purchased and outfitted a third unit. Her husband had to get this unit ready in six weeks. This is the third unit in three years he has outfitted for her.

Sweep has been the main pusher for the business. Her husband calls her the glue that holds it together. But she says if it hadn't been for her family and their support, she would not have made it this far. She runs the one concession stand and her four children operate the other two units. She is very proud that all her kids are in school. They have decided to complete their upgrading.

Sweep gets invited to places because people hear about Munchies on Wheels. She tries hard to give excellent service and have a good food product. She takes her commitment to service to her customers seriously.

She keeps her unit open for the people who are working or planning late at night. She keeps all of her supplies well stocked so she isn't running out of food half-way through the event.

If she is at a powwow, she will send a runner out to the performers to see if they want drinks or something to eat. The performers can't just leave their equipment and they need food and drinks because it is demanding work. She was re-

States but she felt she needed a better unit to compete for business in the States.

She was at a powwow around the Labour Day long weekend. All around her business was slow, except for her stand. When she was packing up, the other kiosks came to thank her for leaving early so they could get some business.

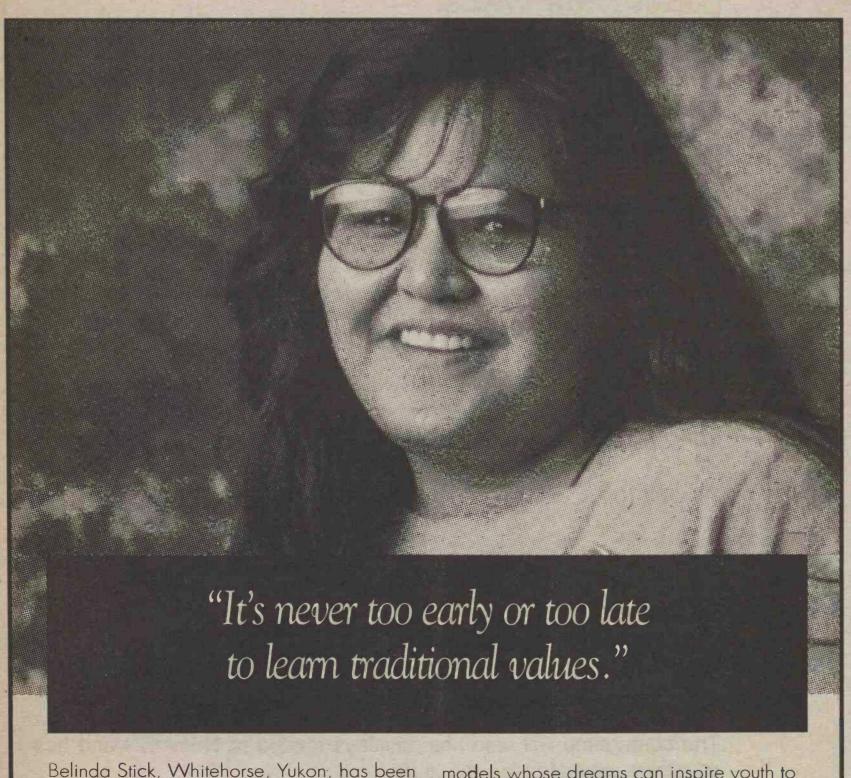
Sometimes kids come up to the stand who are just a little short of the money they need. She tells them to bring it to her when they see her again. These kids tell their parents. The parents come to see who treated their kids so well and buy an Indian taco and tell a friend and so the story goes.

The kids pay her back, too. They come up to her and say, "Hey, you helped me out that time." And the circle of generosity grows stronger.

Whatare the ingredients for an Indian Taco? Flour, baking powder, salt for the bannock. The topping is chili, lettuce, tomatoes and cheddar cheese served with a huge smile and a sincere love of people.

Sweep's words of advice to people getting started in business for themselves: "If you are good to people they always remember you. This will bring people to you. Word of mouth is the best advertising—if people are satisfied with what they get, they will tell a friend and they will tell a friend...."

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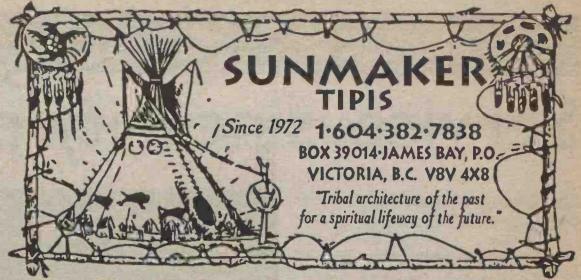
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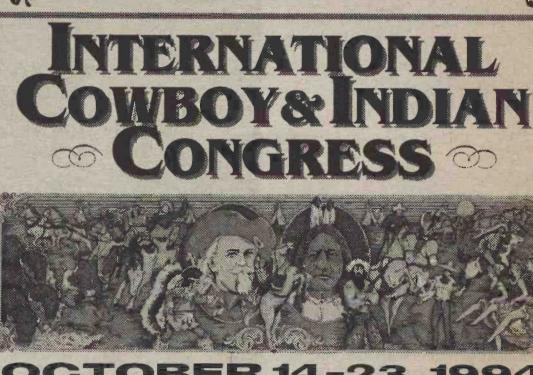
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### Success due to good education, hard work

By Arlene Hirschfelder The Runner

#### NEW YORK

"Stay in school. You only have people here who have a college degree. Study things beyond American Indian studies, and beyond communications and journalism school. It's notenough to know how to write a story. You have to have a broader knowledge of what theissues of the day are...." advises HattieKauffman, an Emmy-awardwinning reporter of CBS This Morn-

Kauffman, who grew up on the Nez Percereservation in Idaho, should know because she has been breaking down barriers since 1980 when she first began her career as a broadcast journalist in the highly



Hattie Kauffman

competitive U.S. television market.

As Consumer Affairs Correspondent for CBS This Morning since March 1990, Kauffman has investigated a sunken treasure

hunting firm and gone to a women's shooting range for a series on homesecurity. She's also taken part in a federal sting operation on an auto service station that did unnecessary repairs.

Besides her consumer advocacy work, she contributes to CBS News' 48 Hours and Street Stories. Inaddition to her weekly "consumer tip" on the CBS Radio Network, she is a frequent substitute for Paula Zahn, co-anchor of CBS This Morn-

She remembers growing up hungry on the Idaho reserve. She describes the poverty and the effects of alcoholism on the reservation, but also remembers "there was always a way to get food because we had a garden and people went hunting."

When her family moved to Seattle, Kauffman found a role

model in an Indian woman featured on a local television news program. Tanna Beebe made a terrific impact on Kauffman because "we knew she was Indian and it meant so much to me to see her there...."

At 17, while at the University of Minnesota on scholarship, Kauffman volunteered to a news program at the university radio station, providing Indian news five minutes a day.

During the 1970s with the emerging activism of the American Indian Movement, she found herselfinterviewing Dennis Banks and Russell Means while reporting on Indian issues to the campus community.

Graduating from the University of Minnesota as a qualified teacher, Kauffman taught in the Minneapolis public school system for three years and then called the CBS affiliate to inquire if a previously offered scholarship was still available. She reapplied and was accepted into the graduate school of journalism.

By 1980, Kauffman's first marriage had come to an end, and she found herself unable to finish her graduate degree. She moved to Seattle with her two children, a fiveyear-old son and a three-year-old daughter, and ended up hosting and producing a public affairs program on American Indians at an independent station in Tacoma, Washington.

After six months, the NBC affiliate in Seattle invited Kauffman to apply for a one-year apprenticeship program as a reporter, which turned into a full-time reporting job. She stayed at KING-TV in Seattle for six years, where she worked many extra hours to learn her craft.

"I volunteered to work weekends, nights, holidays. I was a single parent at the time. . . tough times. The salary was not a lot for an apprentice, trying to pay rent, buy oil, food and clothes for the kids. Working overtime had dual rewards, one was getting overtime pay and the other was getting on the air a lot and getting the stories."

Three years later she anchored a late afternoon news program, which led to the weekend anchor position, which she held for the next three years. After six years, she decided to "cast the line out into the big sea and see if anybody would bite." In April 1987, someone did, and she began her work at ABC Television on Good Morning America.

Kauffman was called a 'special correspondent' which meant that

shecovered "everything from Elizabeth Taylor and Malcolm Forbes to doing a feature on a leper colony in Kalaupapa, Hawaii. It was all around the globe. It was an incredible amount of travel."

During her time there, she brought Indian issues to the attention of the viewing public. It is these stories that hold personal meaning for her. Following a telephone conversation with her sister who was living on the Nez Perce reservation at the time, Kauffman learned that her hometown high school team had won 66 straight games despite the poor funding of their athletic program.

Soon after pitching the idea to the network bosses, Kauffman returned to the reservation to cover the story.

"Suddenly there we were back in my home town with a network crew. That would not have happened if you had not had an Indian person on staff to find that information out."

Another story she remembers from her days at KING-TV was her coverage of the death of a distinguished Elder named Bill Frank Sr. whom she describes as "one of the old-time fighters for Indian fishing rights.

"His activities helped lead to the Boldt decision which guaranteed Indians 50 per cent of the catch. I don't think that we would have gotten a camera in there if there had not been an Indian on staff who knew the significance of his death."

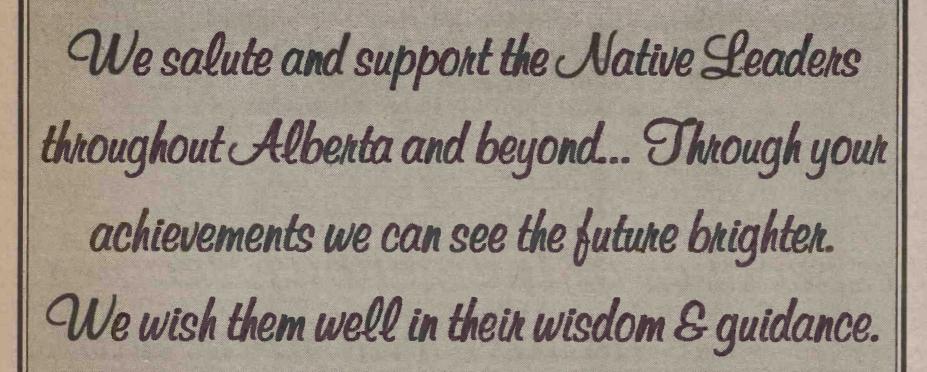
Kauffman is modest when asked about the four Emmys she has won in her career and admits "atfirstIhad alot of insecurity...the Emmys showed me I can do this! I had a lot of doubts about that when I started. I really was very scared."

When asked about the limited numbers of Indian people in broadcasting she says, "I would welcome more (Indian people), and I would like to do something to help people."

As part of her personal commitment to this end, she travels and speaks with Indian high school and college students.

"Because I know a lot of them have come out of the same tough childhood I did, and I know the intense despair and desire to escape. I want to show them you don't have to give up. There's a lot of temptation to give up and drop out of society. You really can have the things that you dream about, whatever they are. I did it and I'm just that little kid from Idaho. They can do it too."

(Arlene Hirschfelder is a faculty member of the New School for Social Research in New York City.)





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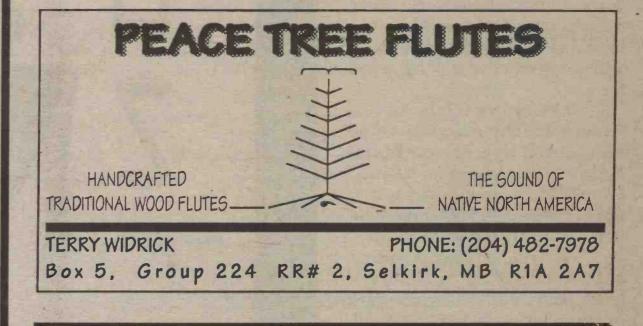
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# Author's rage creates alternative

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As the sun sets splendidly, Jewell Burritt relaxes on the front porch of her sister and brother-in-law's house. But the evening calm isn't reflected in the author and counsellor.

"Iseethe with anger," she says, speaking of her reaction to the physical and verbal abuse she received growing up Indian in an almost exclusively white city.

"I was the only Native in my whole school, and I was made to feel guilty about my background because of my skin."

Burritt was born in Edmonton to a Swampy Cree mother from Norway House, Manitoba. But her mother gave her up at birth, and she was adopted by a white family.

"Being Native is something I've known all my life," she says.

"The name-calling, the being maintaining beaten up; I knew about being Increaucracy. dian from the very beginning."

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Her experiences as a child and young adult made her the activist she is today, though she stresses that it wasn't altogether bad.

"There were some great times, and some great experiences," she says. But when things began to get tough on her daughter, she knew that she had to step in. The school didn't know how to deal with the taunts and threats.

"They wanted to help, but their reaction was to bring the kids in and discipline them, which only made the problem worse.

"It all starts with the textbooks. I went through the high school curriculum about Natives and I was livid." So Burritt began to work on an alternative.

"I worked with School District Number 68 and we saw the need for a different curriculum, bringing into focus Native history and issues as seen through Native eyes," Burritt says.

"The white histories are simply not true." She pauses. "No, that's not strong enough: they were, and still are, full of lies."

As a result, Burritt co-authored a series of lessons based on a more First Nations-oriented outlook, not to replace the curriculum now taught, but to be covered along with the other information. Students between Grade 8 and Grade 11 in school District 68 and many other areas of British Columbia now get a look at an alternative view. Upon completion, the new curriculum was sent to all school districts in and around Nanaimo, to all the different bands in B.C., and to any other school that asked for it.

"The way I see it," she says, "is through the inter-relatedness of all beings, of all areas of thought; it is not a hierarchical sort of system." So alternatives, as opposed to outright changes, are for her the solution to many of the problems.

"We have so many problems; alcohol and substance abuse, violence, poverty, spousal abuse, lack of education — in our communities there is this huge mountain of problems. We have to begin the healing process."

Burritt herself has undergone some healing to get to the point where she is able to help others.

"I am an alcoholic. The people at Tillicum Haus Native Friendship Centre in Nanaimo did a lot for me," she says.

And Burritt is now giving that help to others as a counselor, teach-



**Jewell Burritt** 

ing amongst other things life skills, which she taught at Tillicum Haus and in northern Vancouver Island Native communities.

What needs to be changed?
"In terms of the federal government, it's just criminal that of every \$13,000 spent on First Nations programs, the actual Natives will see only about \$2,000! The rest goes to maintaining white jobs in the bureaucracy.

"These are things that have to be changed."

### Career Section

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- •Provide a continuing support system during the post treatment phase including counselling and home visits.

Send resume to: Shirley LaMalice-Camsell, Band Administrator

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Hay River, NWT X0E 0R0

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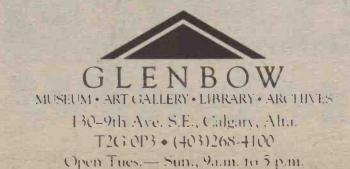
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Closing Date: September 30, 1994

If you are interested in this opportunity, please forward a resume or a statement of your related qualifications to:

Aboriginal Affairs
13th Floor, Commerce Place
10155 - 102 Street
Edmonton, Alberta T5J 4L4

For further information, contact Mr. Cameron Henry at 427-8407.

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Director of Operations, High Level Tribal Council Box 1889, High Level, Alberta T0H 1Z0 Telephone: (403) 926-3446 Fax: (403) 926-4076

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Executive Director
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11205 - 101 Street
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T5G 2A4
Facsimile# (403) 479-0043

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Veuillez présenter votre demande dûment remplie au bureau d'emploi de votre campus, à la Commission de la fonction publique du Canada ou à une mission diplomatique du Canada à l'étranger d'ici le vendredi 14 octobre 1994.

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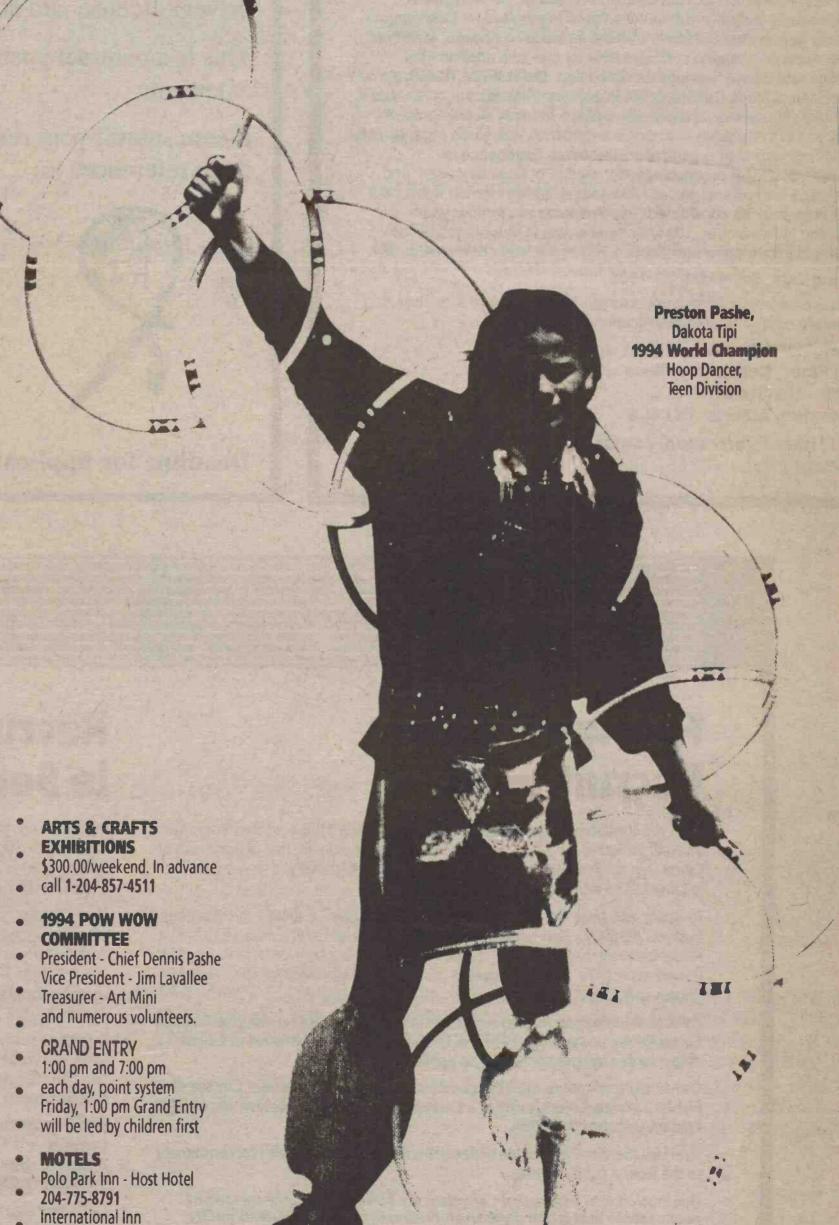
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