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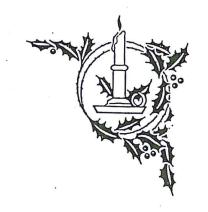
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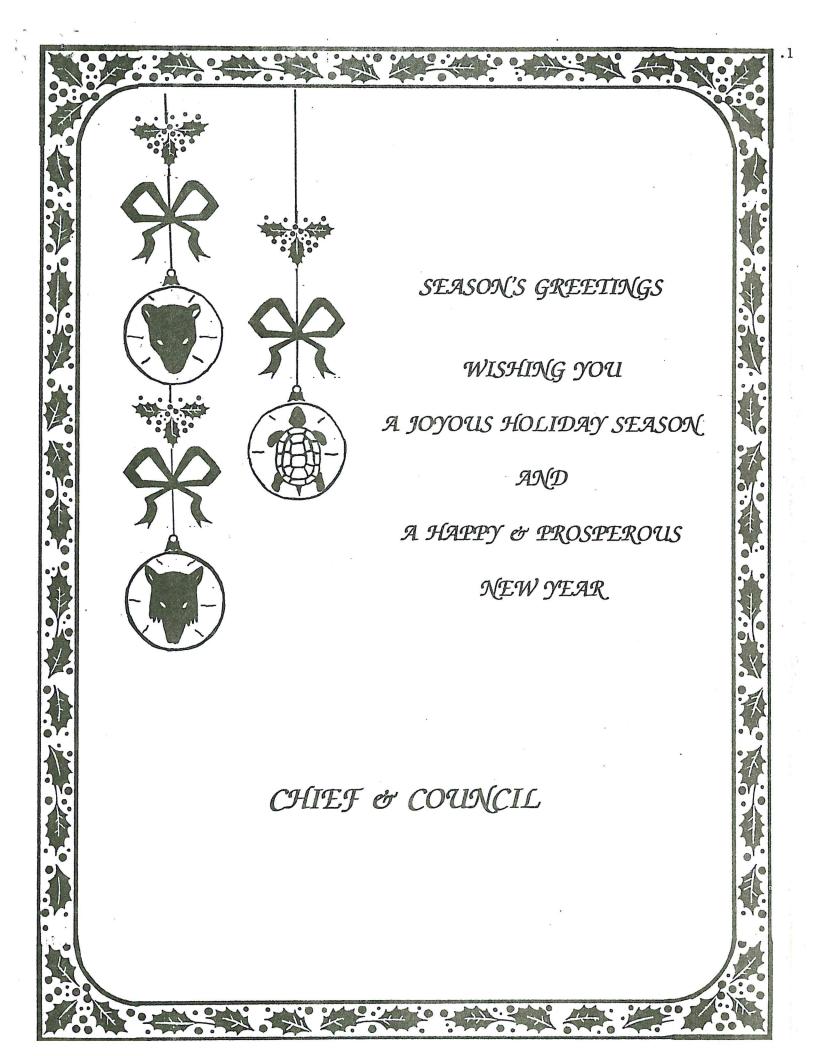
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UPCOMING MEETINGS

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Part I: The Indian Exemption to Income Tax

BY ROBERT A. REITER, LEGAL COUNSEL, F.N.R.C.

Introduction:

No Aboriginal or treaty right to an Indian tax exemption is recognized by the courts at this point in time. However, a statute based exemption found in the Indian Act, s.87 in combination with Income Tax Act s.81(1), relieves Indians of income tax in certain instances. This article will attempt to provide rules for determining when the exemption applies to various forms of Indian income. These rules will be taken from three basic sources: Interpretation Bulletin IT-62, the case law, and the Remission Orders.

Interpretation Bulletin IT-62:

IT-62 stood as the Minister of National Revenue's (M.N.R.'s) interpretation and policy with respect to s.87. It should be emphasized that it is not law, but the opinions and recommendations of the M.N.R.

Several rules with respect to Indian exemption from income tax are found in ss 5 and 6(g) and (h) which emphasize that the physical location of the work is considered central to acquiring the exemption and that the place of the employer (debtor) is irrelevant.

The Case Law:

There is a trilogy of Canadian income tax cases, the Native Indian Brotherhood

(N.I.B.), Snow and Nowegijick cases, which cumulatively provide the definitive rules on the Indian income tax exemption.

Nowegijick widens the principle found in IT-62. Whereas pre-Nowegijick cases emphasize the physical situs of the work of the employee as the determining factor for the use for the exemption, Nowegijick turns this principle around by emphasizing that the place of the employer (debtor) is the determining factor in the application for the exemption if there is no other evidence to indicate that the situs should be elsewhere. The latter is more consistent with the rationale for the exemption, which is the development of reserve economies.

Nowegijick v. R. (S.C.C.) involved the following facts: An Indian resident on a reserve worked for an Indian-owned company situated on a reserve; however, the actual work of logging was done off the reserve. Issue: whether the wages were earned on or off the reserve. Nowegijick held that wages were earned on the reserve, allowing the s.87 exemption. The status of the wages is determined by where the debt occurred. In this case, the debt occurred where the wages were owed, which was the head office of the corporation on the reserve. A summary is useful:

a) Wages are personal property situated

on the reserve if the employer (debtor) is resident there; this rule applies in the absence of any other factor, i.e., where the work is done, where the employee is paid,

- b) The case considered s.87 broadly, giving a very liberal interpretation to the Indian tax exemption.
- c) The s.87 tax exemption applies to both personal property and persons.
- d) "Situated on the reserve" applies to intangible property (e.g., income).
- e) The rule of interpretation for the Indian tax exemption is to construct liberally, resolving any doubt in favour of the Indian. Canada has adopted the U.S. position found in Jones v. Meehan.

The Indian Remission Order SI 91-25, 27 Feb. 1991:

As a result of Nowegijick, the application of IT-62 became problematic in certain situations. Furthermore, the strict application of Nowegijick presented problems for Indian people working on the reserve, but paid by the government and other off-reserve employers, as these Indians became liable to pay income tax. As a result, the revision of IT-62 became necessary, and in the interim a Remission Order was passed

Indian Exemption to Income Tax

with the effect of temporarily exempting Indians in particular situations (those working on the reserve) from paying taxes. The Remission Order puts a freeze on the Indian income taxation situation until a more permanent amendment can be made (there have been several Remission Orders). This permanent amendment should consider four principles in order to rationalize the treatment of Indian income on reserves:

- (i) Preservation of the traditional Indian tax exemption on reserves in light of Nowegijick.
- (ii) Substantial clarification of the law so as to reduce further conflict and the need for court action.
- (iii) Support for Indian economic development.
- (iv) Consistency with the principle of Indian self-government which recognizes the link between taxation, economic development and self-government.

Examples of How The Section 87 Exemption Applies to Distinct Types of Income:

Personal income Tax:

(a) Wages and Salaries

IT-62(6)(h)(i), which emphasized where the work was done, has been modified by the ruling in Nowegijick to the extent that absent other evidence of situs, the employer's residence on the reserve and the debt being paid on the reserve will determine if there is an exemption. However, if a resident Indian is employed on the reserve by a non-reserve company or the government, the Remission Order clearly states that the IT-62 rule (place of work) is to govern in this situation, exempting the income from taxation.

(b) Unemployment Insurance Benefits

IT-62(6)(h)(vi) provides that for the purpose of determining whether or not income is on the reserve (exempt income), one must look to the location of the payer's principle place of business. Since unemployment insurance is derived from a source off the reserve, it is taxable (R. v. Iroquois).

R. v. Williams has held that only enhanced unemployment insurance (U.I.) benefits were exempt as s.90(1) deemed such U.I. benefits to be on the reserve. This would occur if the beneficiary was employed as a result of an agreement between the Crown and the band as the overriding aim is to develop reserve economics.

(c) Pension Plan Benefits and Old Age Security Payments

IT-62(6)(h)(vi) states that these forms of income are considered to have an off-reserve source and are, therefore, taxable. However, the case of Henry v. M.N.R. could be used to avoid this effect by arguing that the pension plan benefits or old age security payments were generated from work done on the reserve and that the contributions are exempt as they are directly related to work on the reserve. Williams v. R. used a similar argument for the exemption of U.I. benefits.

(d) Scholarships

IT-62(6)(h)(vi) refers to scholarships and bursaries as a form of income which is located at the payer's principle place of business for determining whether or not they are on the reserve. Greyeyes v. The Queen can be used to avoid this effect if the scholarship is paid pursuant to an agreement under a treaty. Section 90(1) deems this income to be personal property of an Indian situated on the reserve.

(e) Interest

IT-62(6)(h)(iv) provides that interest in a bank account is earned at the location at which the funds are deposited (e.g., the bank). Since the majority of bands do not have banks on the reserve, this application of the exemption is under used.

(f) Dividends

IT-62(6)(h)(v) provides that, if the company is situated on the reserve, the dividends paid on the reserve to Indians should be exempt.

THE STRAY

He came one day, this mangy stray A flea-infested mutt, The kids all happily agreed We've got ourselves a pup.

"That true" he seemed to say As he starred me up and down, With his sorry-looking blue eye The other one was brown.

Well, when he was finally cleaned up Even his stubby tail, didn't look too bad, As he hopped around on all three legs For three was all he had.

Still, he did his best to impress When a bird, he'd try to snare, End by rolling on the ground Much to our despair.

He really didn't arrive on his own As I later found. He was dropped off by my brother, Will Who just loved to joke around.

However, he was here to stay
He strove for that, with all his wit.
When he died, our children buried him
Complete with funeral and obit.

Jaqueline E. Brant

BANK COMMITTEE REPORT

A Public Meeting was held in late October to air Community concerns about the closure of the Deseronto Branch of the C.I.B.C.. As a result of that meeting, a Committee was set up to negotitate with the C.I.B.C', and the decision regarding closure will be delayed until June 1, 1992.

The Committee met to establish our position and strategy. We subsequently met with representatives of the C.I.B.C. on December 5, and the results of this meeting follows:

The Committee's position was that the community needs a full-time, full-service Branch. We feel it is our duty to find comprehensive financial services for the area citizens. The C.I.B.C. has obvious advantages in that they are already in place. However, the Committee wants to make it clear that we are not prejudiced in favour of the C.I.B.C. over any other Financial Institution.

The Bank has a new Manager in the Branch with authority to approve personal loans and mortgages. Physical and personnel changes are planned. The Committee is convinced that a new and positive attitude is now in the Branch.

If the Community is to have a Financial Institution here, it must support it.

The Committee recommends that area residents disregard past short-comings and consider supporting this Branch with an open mind. If rates and services are competitive we suggest you seriously consider doing business at the C.I.B.C. Deseronto Branch.

Mr. Len Baker, Regional Manager has promised the Committee that, with positive growth, the Branch will be a stand-alone full service Bank on June 1, 1992.

D.A. Meredith

Bank Committee Chairman



CANADIAN VIETNAM VETERANS • TORONTO BRANCH P.O. Box 274, St. D, Etobicoke, Ont. M9X 4X2 Tel: (416) 457-6212

(416) 231-8327 (416) 695-2166

Dear Sir:

This past summer Canadian Vietnam Veterans joined with some of their brothers from the United States in paying tribute to a fallen warrior. Austin Corbiere was a citizen of North America. He belonged to the Mohawk Tribe at Sucker Creek, Ontario.

Austin had gone to the United States during the 1960's to enlist in the United States Marine Corps. After training he was sent into combat against insurgent Communist forces in the Republic of South Vietnam. He died in combat.

Upon the return of his body he was buried at Sucker Creek with no ceremony and no headstone. When other Canadian Veterans of the United States military learned of this, a proper tribute was arranged and a new headstone now stands proudly to mark the grave of this warrior. It was installed on June 22, 1991, at an official ceremony that included a Marine Corps Colour Guard and Rifle Party who fired a salute.

How many other Austin Corbieres are there? How many brave warriors died in combat only to be coldly buried and forgotten?

We ask your help to find out how many others fell in battle or were captured, never to be heard of again. Help us right the wrongs that were done to so many of the military men during that terrible time. Did you know a man killed in Vietnam or do you know of a family that might have lost a father, brother or son? Does anyone know of a native warrior who became a prisoner of war? If so, we would like to help.

Please contact us at the following address as soon as possible.

Canadian Vietnam Veterans (Toronto) c/o Mrs. Barbara Robb 2230 Upper Middle Road Unit #3 Burlington, Ontario L7P 279

With Regards and Gratitude,

CANADIAN VIETNAM VETERANS - TORONTO BRANCH

Best Wiches Seasons ALL THE BEST NEW YEAR Tyendinaga Mohawk From the Administration Staff Lyles Brendman Merry Christmas Happy New Year DEC. 20 AT 4:00 AND WILL

** PLEASE NOTE **

** PRIVATE DRIVEWAY SNOW REMOVAL **

<u>PLEASE DO NOT</u> PUSH THE SNOW FROM YOUR DRIVEWAY ACROSS THE ROAD.

YOUR CO-OPERATION IN THIS MATTER IS APPRECIATED.

TYENDINAGA ADMINISTRATION OFFICE



TO ALL TERRITORY RESIDENTS



I would like to take this opportunity to let everyone on our Territory know that it has been a pleasure to serve you in my capacity as the Lands & Estates Administrator this past year and would like to wish each and everyone a beautiful Joyous Christmas and a happy healthy New Year.

Ken Brant



** NOTICE **

Thayendinaga Health Centre Staff will be available for

BLOOD PRESSURE AND BLOOD SUGAR TESTING

AT THE NEW FACILITY ON THE FOLLOWING DAY:

TUESDAYS 10:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

PLEASE FEEL FREE to come in and visit the Centre and learn about the various programs available.

HEALTH PERSONNEL will be available to answer your questions!

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT **BEV HILL** OR **HELEN BREADMAN** AT THE HEALTH CENTRE.

SENIORS NEEDING TRANSPORTATION TO THE HEALTH CENTRE PLEASE CONTACT:

CINDY MARACLE 396-3424

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REYE'S SYNDROME

What is Reye's Syndrome?

Reye's Syndrome (RS) is a rare but potentially fatal disease which can occur in children or teenagers during a viral illness (e.g. chicken pox or influenza). Often, the victim contracts RS just as he or she appears to be recovering from the initial infection. The use of ASA (Acetylsalicylic Acid) in treating the symptoms of viral or respitory infections, has been strongly associated with the development of RS, although the syndrome does occur spontaneously in rare instances. However, it is still not known exactly how ASA use is associated with RS, nor why it appears to affect predominantly children, teenagers and young adults.

What are the symptoms of Reye's Syndrome?

The symptoms of RS may include:

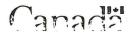
- persistence or resurgence of symptoms of the original illness;
- personality changes in the affected child or teenager, such as hyperactivity, aggression, disorientation, and anxiety;
- frequent or persistent vomiting and/or dry-heaving, convulsions, and delirium, possibly leading into a coma state.

If any of these symptoms appear, a doctor should be called immediately or emergency medical treatment should be sought. RS is fatal in 20 to 30 per cent of all cases, and can cause permanent brain damage in victims who survive.

What is being done about Reye's Syndrome?

Both the government and manufacturers are taking steps to educate the public about RS:

Currently, manufacturers of all products containing ASA are voluntarily labelling their products with a warning to consult a doctor before giving the product to a child or teenager.



The Health Protection Branch of Health and Welfare Canada has initiated a regulatory proposal to make mandatory the following warning:

"Acetylsalicylic acid for internal use shall carry a cautionary statement to the effect that the drug should not be administered to or used by a child or a teenager before a physician or a pharmacist is consulted about Reye's syndrome."

This will ensure that ASA products are administered to children only for relief of pain and not for fever.

- In addition, Health and Welfare Canada has published two information pamphlets, "Reye's Syndrome" and "Reye's Syndrome All Parents and Teenagers be Informed". These publications were distributed in 1983 and 1987, respectively, with family allowance cheques.
- Finally, the Health Protection Branch is working with the provinces on a proposal to restrict the sale of children's non-prescription medications which contain ASA to pharmacies.

What can individuals do?

If your child has a fever, there are other measures that can be taken to bring down the child's temperature in addition to, or instead of, medication:

- Give the child plenty of liquids to drink, preferably water, flat ginger ale, diluted apple juice, or other sugared drinks. Avoid milk, carbonated drinks, and tart drinks (orange, cranberry, grapefruit etc.) as they might upset the child's stomach.
- Remove excess covers and clothing, and keep the room temperature around 18 degrees Celsius (about 64 degrees Fahrenheit). Bathe or sponge the child with lukewarm water.
- If the fever does not respond to these measures, consult your family doctor.

Never attempt to treat a feverish child under 12 months of age without the advice of a doctor. Never give any drug containing ASA to a child, particularly if he or she has the flu or chicken pox, before consulting a physician. Make sure that teenagers are also aware of the dangers of RS and how to prevent it.

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Conclusion

In addition to the non-drug remedies mentioned previously, there are other drugs to relieve fever, such as acetaminophen. It is important to remember that some common symptoms are signs of more serious illnesses; if the symptoms persist for more than two days or become worse, a physician should be consulted.

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September 25, 1991

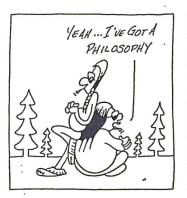
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SOUPBONE and SKAWNDAWG







by Ken Syrette



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AIDS CAN MAPPEN TO ANYONE, IF THEY DO NOT MAKE

THE RIGHT CHOICE.

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PEOPLES ARE NOT IMMUNE TO AIDS.

they can make healthy decisions to keep the Communities must inform themselves so that you can get professional advice and AIDS no one will know about it. I For more testing for free. This is a confidential process, circle strong. 🔳 If you think you are at risk, information call or write:

Acknowledgments:

Curve Lake First Nation Oneida Nation of the Thames Parry Island First Nation Tyendinaga Mohawk Nation

Association of Iroquois and Allied Indians

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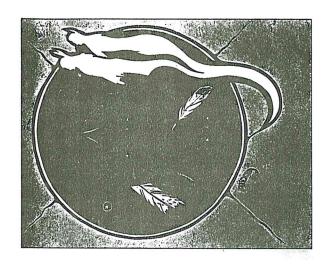
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AIDS



STRONG IRCLE

THAT WILL KILL YOU AIDS IS A DISEASE IF YOU GET IT.

TO FIGHT OFF OTHER DISEASES MAKES YOUR BODY WEAKER UNTIL YOU ARE TOO WEAK THE AIDS VIRUS SLOWLY AND YOU DIE.

> WHAT IS AIDS? AIDS is a disease that is caused by a virus found in blood, men's sexual fluid (semen) and women's sexual fluid (vaginal fluid). know it because some people have the virus but don't actually get

This is dangerous others before you sick for a long time. because you could pass the virus to know you are a the virus for as long as 10 years before you get sick with carrier. 🔳 Remember, you can carry

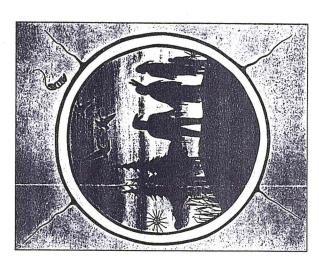
can get AIDS from someone who HOW DO YOU GET AIDS? It does you do that is important. not matter who you are. It is what is carrying the AIDS virus by:





- Sharing needles for tattoos or piercing ears.
 - 4. Blood contact

And, a pregnant mother who has AIDS can give it to her baby, and the baby could die.



PEOPLE WHO HAVE AIDS ALL OVER THE WORLD PEOPLE HAVE IT TOO. AND FIRST NATIONS THERE ARE MANY

TECT YOURSELF? If has sex with more you or your partner than one person, you HOW DO YOU PROshould use condoms.

Only use latex condoms. Do not use oil have sex. lubricants. Use a new condom every time you Condoms are also called rubbers or safes. that go through the skin.

THERE MAY BE SOMEONE AIDS OR YOU MAY NOT KNOW YET THAT THEY YOU KNOW WHO HAS THESE PEOPLE NEED **OUR LOVE, SUPPORT** HAVE IT.

AND UNDERSTANDING.



FROM THE OFFICE OF THE EMPLOYMENT CO-ORDINATOR

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- Proficiency in English and French an asset.

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JANUARY 2, 1992

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

FIRST NATIONS TECHNICAL INSTITUTE

CARETAKER

Full-Time Position

Duties:

Under the supervision of the Vice President of Finance and Administration, the successful candidate will be responsible for cleaning, caretaking, security and light maintenance duties.

Essential Qualifications:

- * Valid driver's licence
- * Demonstrated ability to learn
- * Demonstrated technical/mechanical aptitude and ability
- * Ability to work well with others
- * Experience with industrial/office cleaning procedures

Desirable Qualifications:

* Grade ten or higher academic standing

Salary:

* The salary for this position is \$8.93 per hour.

Application Submissions:

Please forward a letter of application and a resume, including a minimum of three (3) references to:

Mr. Terry Bernhardt VP Finance & Administration First Nations Technical Institute R. R. #1 Deseronto, Ontario KOK 1X0

Due to the office being closed, for the Holiday Season, December 20, opening January 2, 1992, applications should be mailed and received at FNTI no later than 4:00 p.m., January 3, 1992.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

PEACE TREE TECHNOLOGIES INC.

PRINTING ASSISTANT

Full-Time Position

Duties:

Under the supervision of the Manager of Peace Tree Printing, the successful candidate will be responsible for bindry work, telephone duties, and document preparation.

Essential Qualifications:

- * Valid driver's licence
- * Demonstrated ability to learn
- * Demonstrated technical aptitude and ability
- * Ability to work well with others
- * Knowledge of Word Perfect

Desirable Qualifications:

- * Grade ten or higher academic standing
- * Knowledge of Ventura
- * Experience in printing operations

Salary:

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NOTICE

First Nations Technical Institute, Peace Tree Technologies, Peace Tree Printing, First Nations Aviation, will be closed for Christmas Holidays from Friday, December 20, 1991 until Thursday, January 2, 1992.

We wish each and everyone a Happy Holiday Season, and the very best for the New Year.

Board of Directors & Staff



Hello!

My name is Terry Maracle. Many of you may know me by my nick name (Mohawk). I am trying to put together a native disability network, as I fall into this category, because of my recent automobile accident. First starting with our reserve and eventually connecting with other participating reserves. I know the term disability comes in all shapes and forms and if we stick and pull together we can make coping with every day life easier and more self gratifying. There are many people with disabilities on this reserve so if you have any input on this matter I would be more than happy to hear from you. Together we will do our best. Take care all.

TERRY MARACLE 962-6712

Tyendinaga Mohawk Family and Children Services

RR #1, Deseronto, Ontario Telephone 967-0122

December 16, 1991

THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS

December 24, 10:15 p.m.

My four-year-old and seven-year-old sons were finally in bed - asleep.

I sat in the living room, tears streaming down my face - alone.

A puny spruce tree leaned in the corner as if it had just had one too many gin and tonics. I gazed at the two carefully wrapped packages, heavily bowed to make their five-dollar contents seem more appealing, the boys' names each printed on a card twice as big as the package itself. I sniffed twice, muttered something obscene about him not even bothering to send his sons so much as a card, blew my nose and went to the kitchen to make tea.

10:50 p.m.

Back staring at the glittery garlands carelessly caught up on picture hooks and chair backs, I wondered whether the boys' idea of dressing the tree was to stand back and try out their best softball pitches.

I imagined their small faces in the morning. Who would blame them for

their disappointment? I was the only family they had.

Well, him too, I suppose, but he'd walked out a while back. Maybe I could blame Santa, Hey, why not? Maybe they were pals. Maybe they'd planned it this way. (Boy, was I scraping bottom.)

11:05 p.m.

The strangest thing happened. One of those ratty silk string balls flipped off the tree and rolled across the floor right between my feet. The thread had pulled away, exposing the white plastic ball in the middle. I hated waste. I grabbed a marker, drew a face and, for a hat, slapped a miniature stocking off the tree on top. Say, it wasn't half bad. I rummaged in the junk drawer and threaded a thin spring at the base of the face and stapled the other end to an old building block. Voilà! An original spring-back Christmas elf.

December 25, 12:20 a.m.

I sat cross-legged on the floor, surrounded by shoe boxes, dented Ping-Pong balls, markers, glue wooden alphabet blocks, etc.

5:15 a.m.

I straightened the tree, making a mental note to smell it for freshness before allowing the boys to pick out the next one. I moved the two wrapped packages up onto one of the lower branches. Then, tired and contented, I pulled up a blanket and slept on the couch.

7:10 a.m.

I picked my way from the kitchen between two eager boys happily playing with their shoe-box village filled with Ping-Pong people. I pushed to one side the glued-together alphabet block bowling pins and a strung-together Ping-Pong caterpillar with curly pipe-cleaner antenna. Then I sat back, slid my hands around a hot mug of tea and smiled at the two carefully wrapped packages still waiting to be discovered.



He believed in an all-powerful Great Spirit, in the immortality of the soul, in a life everlasting and in the fraternity of all life.

With an Iroquois, a thankful heart was prayer. He did not seek to instruct the Great Creator what to do on earth or in the sky world, for he had faith in God's wisdom. The Creator knows what is right and best.

He believed it is natural to be honourable and truthful, and cowardly to lie.

His promise was absolutely binding.

His promise was absolutely binding. He hated and despised a liar and held all falsehood to be a weakness.

He believed in reverence for his parents, and in their old age he supported them, just as he expected his children to support him. He honoured his father and his mother and their fathers before them.

He believed in a forgiving spirit, preferring atonement to revenge, in converting enemies to friends.

He believed in peace.
The sentiment of universal brotherhood was always his policy.
Hospitality was a prime virtue.
No people were more generous.

He did not believe in tyranny, and he treated his wards with justice, tolerance, and restraint.

He had no caste system, believing in democracy, equality, and brotherhood; and he practiced it.

He coveted no titles, but believed all men are equal.

He did not covet property, either, and theft among Iroquois was unknown.

He believed in cleanliness of body and purity of morals.

Chastity was an established principle with him.

He believed that a truly great man was one who had done something for his people, not one who had accumulated much wealth.

He believed the earth is the mother of all things, and therefore no one owned the soil and no one has more title than another.

His whole civil policy was averse to the concentration of power in the hands of any individual, but inclined to the opposite principle of division among a number of equals.

He believed in the equality of women, and Iroquois women have rights European women never had.

Tehanetorens

The foundation of Iroquois society was a family bond that was based on the women whereby relationships were traced matrilineally. Each individual received family identity from his, or her, mother and this did not change throughout the person's lifetime. The small nuclear or fireside family was made up of the mother, father and their children. They were part of an extended longhouse family that also had membership in a larger clan. The different clans made up the nation.

NOTICE TO COMMUNITY

Dear Community,

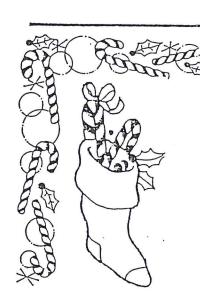
The Tyendinga Mohawk Family and Children Services Advisory Committee has an opening.

We are presently continuing work on the development of our own Family and Children Services program for Tyendinaga Territory.

We are looking for an individual who has a genuine interest in the welfare of our children and our families.

For further information please contact Linda LeFort, Family and Children Services Co-ordinator during business hours at 967-0122.

We look forward to hearing from you!



Willard, Eleanor Hill and Family

would like to extend a

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR

to all our friends, neighbours and customers.

Sekon;

I wish to take this opportunity to introduce myself. My name is Evelyn Sparks and I have recently joined the staff of the Family & Children Services as your Community Support Worker. I will be maintaining services co-operatively and co-jointly with Shirley Brant while the Co-ordinator, Linda LeFort is away on maternity leave. I am looking forward to meeting everyone and assisting to meet the goals and objectives of this valuable service. I send my personal wishes and good luck to Linda.

Gullyn Sparks

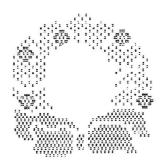
RESOURCE LIBRARY

A reminder that Community members are invited to utilize the Family & Children Services Resource Library.

COMING SOON:

Growing Up.... A Family Video

This video was advertised with the last Family Allowance cheque. An excellent video, done in a classroom setting, accompanied by animated characters, and focuses on feelings, puberty, relationships, sexuality and childbirth.



In the spirit of our ancestors, the staff of the Family and Children Services wish everyone Peace and a sense of goodwill during this festive season.

HAVE A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A SAFE AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!

FROM THE QUINTE MOHAWK SCHOOL COMMITTEE

> CHAIRMAN....TERRY BERNHARDT COUNCIL REP....DOUG MARACLE

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

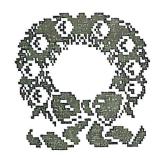
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CAROL JOHN

BLAINE LOFT

DAVE BRANT

CAROL ANN MARACLE



HOLIDAY SAFETY

Every year, the Christmas Festivities for some are marred by fire tragedy.

Often the cause is related to the Christmas tree or its decorations, overloaded circuits, improper use of the fireplace, and holiday cooking and entertaining.

IT COULD HAPPEN TO YOU!

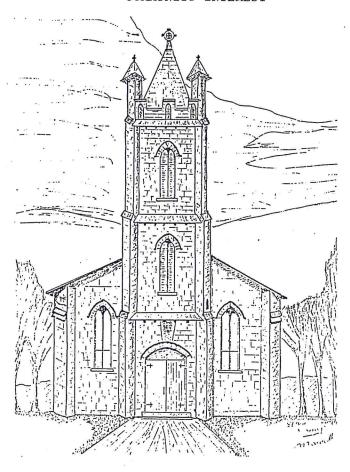
- * Add water daily to keep moisture in the tree
- * Keep it in a cool place away from heat register, fire place or radiator
- * Tie or otherwise secure tree so it can't be knocked over by pets or small children
- * Do not smoke near tree
- * Before using lights on the tree make sure they are C.S.A. or U.L. listed
- * Never use more than three strings of lights on 1 circuit
- * Be able to turn off the tree lights without reaching or crawling under the tree
- * Do not leave the lights on if you leave the house or when going to bed
- * If you have an artificial tree, be sure it is flame resistant
- * Don't burn paper and boxes in the fireplace

If you follow these suggestions you will reduce the chance of Fire in your home over the holidays.

Have a Safe and Happy Holidays!



THE MOHAWK FIRE DEPARTMENT



RAWENNI': IO ONONHSATOKENHTI: KE

1843 shiiohserahse':tas nikaha':wi nikanonhsi'son ne Ononhsatokenhti:ke Tekaienta'sero'nnion rona'tston tsi ronatenonh so'n:ni.

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Rawenni':io roterennaientahtsheri'son ta'non ne Oie':ri Nikawe'n:nake kawennahnira':ton Kanien'ke'ha tsi kahia'"tonh.

Ki'ken lonterennaienta'hkhwa Ononhsatok,e'nhti tsi iohata'kie kanonhsote. Othore':ke ta'non e'nekie nonkwa':ti nieiothahi':non. la'tekahia':ton iohahowane'ne a'kta tsi kaniataraka'kie ne Bayshore Oha'ha.

CHRIST CHURCH

Christ Church was originally built with logs in 1843 and tragically on May 12, 1906 the church burned down. Later that year construction began on a new stone church. It was completed the following year.

It is one of only two Royal Chapels that exists outside of Great Britain and contains presents from British Royality. For example a Tryptic written that contained the Lord's Prayer and the Ten Commandments written in the Mohawk Language.

Christ Church is located on the Church Lane Road which runs North and South connecting Highway #2 with the Bayshore Road.



Niawenhko':wa

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Niawenhko':wa Karahkwi'ne

Audrey Scero

Thank You

I would like to express many, many thanks to my family and friends for the surprise birthday party on November 9. Special thanks to Rose Turcotte and Ruby J. Maracle, who planned and prepared a superb buffet and to the good friends for the lovely gifts and cards. I will never forget this birthday.

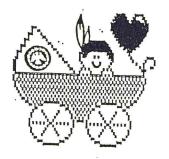
Audrey Scero



IT'S

A

GIRL!



Birth Announcement

Cathy, Marlin, Lindsey and Brittany Brant are excited to announce the Birth of Emily Anne. Her Birthday is November 29, 1991 and she weighed 9 lbs. 1/2 oz. Thanks to all those who gave us flowers and gifts. A very, very special thanks to Daddy. For his love, patience and the roses.



Thank You

A special Thank You is going out to my daughter Brenda who organised a 50th SURPRISE BIRTHDAY PARTY for me. Thanks to my children Mike and Sharon, Steve and Brenda Brant, Sheryl, Frank and Tracey, Grandchildren and to the rest of my Family who helped her and made the party a success. And to my brother Brian, it truly was a surprise and one I won't ever forget. There was months of planning that went into this and they managed to keep it a secret.

A special Thanks to the Seniors for being there it was a wonderful surprise. So to the people who helped me celebrate, I say Thank You from the bottom of my heart.

Gloria Brant

Thank You

We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who attended the Native Craft Sale at the Community Sale. A total of \$263.00 was collected at the door which was donated to the Community Food Bank.

We also would like to thank the Tyendinaga Daycare for the Halls Decorations.

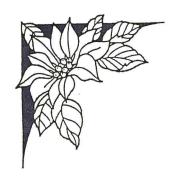
Thank you and Merry Christmas to all.

Native Craft Vendors.

** A Very Special Thank You **

A special Thank You and Merry Christmas to Dick and Gail for the idea of having our own Craft Sale.

From the Native Crafts People



Happy 52nd Anniversary

Helen & Cameron Brant Sr.

Trevor, Sherry & Donovan would like to wish their Mother/Father, Granny & Pa a Happy 52nd Wedding Anniversary. **Dec. 23/91.**

* Have a Good Day! *

Lots of Love.

Thank You!

At this time we would like to say a very special Thank You to our daughter **Stacia**, who planned, schemed and worried about, making our **25th Anniversary** such a memorable occasion......

To my mother **Audrie A. Maracle** and our sister-in-law **Linda (Terry) Bernhardt** for all the help and support they gave to Stacia to make everything turn out so perfect.......

To our Son **Stephen** for the terrific speech he made to us.......

To our children **Stacy-Kevin**, **Stephanie**, **Starlette and Robert** (**Jr.**) for being there with their support......

To our families who donated food for the lovely lunch......

To Gloria and Danny Thompson for tending the bar all evening......

To **George & Tony** for being their usual great D.J's.......

To all who came and celebrated with us, you are wonderful friends

To our families and friends We Love you and Thank You all from the bottom of our hearts for everything..... We will NEVER forget your kindness or how you made OUR evening so unforgettable.....

With Love and Thanks

Bob & Joyce Bernhardt

THANK YOU!

A **SPECIAL THANKS** to all the People and organizations that helped to support the Tyendinaga Mohawk Singing Society for their first year in 1991!

First of all, would like to give special thanks to **Paul Green and Council** for their continued interest in helping the singing society to promote and represent Tyendinaga and it's unique culture. We also thank **Sam Maracle and Council** for their generous donation, and we give special thanks to **Clell Maracle** for driving us on those long trips, we couldn't have done it without his time and patience.

We thank **Council** for the buses that were made available and we thank **Art Brant** for driving us to Arden where we had a successful presentation and trip, **THANKS**.

We would also like to give special thanks to **Jack and Dorothy Green and the Lacrosse team** for their continued support and donation, Nia-wen!

We would like to give special thanks to **Donny Brant**, **D.& S. Groceries** for their donation and support, The Yard Sale was a success, Nia-wen!

We would like to thank the **Native Women's Association** for their loan, It helped us to dress up in fine looking buckskins, Nia-wen.

We would like to give special thanks to **Ray Fadden**, for his generous donation and commitment to keep Indian Culture Alive for all aboriginal Indian People, you gave us hope and make us proud of who we are as Mohawk People, Nia-wen!

We would like to give special thanks to the **Elders Lodge** for donating their time and space for the Corn Soup Dinner, It was a success and it is greatly appreciated by the Peacemakers Drum. We apologize for the pies, we will make it up to you at your next Bizarre whenever you need them, Nia-wen!

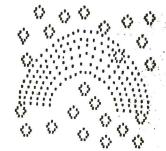
We would like to thank **Johnathan Maracle** for taking the time to record our songs on tape, it is greatly appreciated, Nia-wen!

We also thank **Curtis Nelson** from Kanesestake (Oka) for his support and donation of a framed painting that will be raffled off in the new year. Nia-wen!

We give special thanks to **John Auten** for his generous donations and support, and thank all other people of the community for their contributions, support and help for successful Dinners and Socials for the year of 1991.

Nia-wen-kowa! Thank You Very Much!

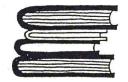
Peacemakers Drum.



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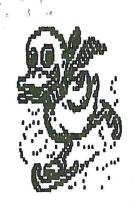
3RD PRIZE

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GERALD MARACLE

** DURING THE HOLIDAYS YOUR BOOKS CAN BE DROPPED OFF USING THE SLOT IN THE BACK DOOR. **

Have a Safe and Happy Holiday!



MOHAWK PENTECOSTAL CHURCH



WISHES TO SEND EVERYONE BLESSED CHRISTMAS WISHES FOR ALL YOUR FAMILIES!

AND JUST A REMINDER, OF ALL THE EVENTS TAKING PLACE OVER THE NEXT FEW WEEKS.

DECEMBER 15th - Sunday School Concert

DECEMBER 22nd - Special Music Night "Come & join us in song" at 6:30 P.M.

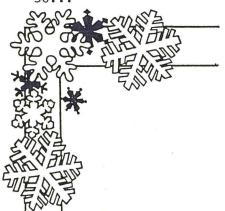
DECEMBER 24th - "Christmas Eve Service" All Welcome...Kids its O.K. to come in your P.J.'s...Starts at 7:00 P.M.

DECEMBER 27th - "Radical Youth" progressive supper beginning at 5:00 P.M.

DECEMBER 31st - "WATCH NIGHT SERVICE" COME & join us as we praise in the new year.... Starts at 10:30 P.M...

YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS ANY OF THESE EVENTS!

MOHAWK PENTECOSTAL CHURCH



EXTERIOR HOME DECORATION CONTEST



The Mohawk Recreation Committee is once again sponsoring an Exterior Home Decoration Contest.

PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED AS FOLLOWS:

1ST PRIZE - \$75.00

2ND PRIZE - \$50.00

3RD PRIZE - \$25.00

PLEASE CALL The Administration Office, and leave your Name if you would like your home judged.

Judging will take place <u>DEC. 23,</u> and winners will be announced in the first Newsletter of the New Year.

GOOD LUCK!



New Years Eve Bash!



December 31, 1991

8:00 P.M. - 2:00 A.M.

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D.J.

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YOU'RE INVITED

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I am pleased to announce INORD's third annual conference:

"Rebirth: Social, Economic, and Political Development in First Nations"

to take place at Laurentian University on January 24 and 25, 1992. The material that we have enclosed provides you with information about the program and accommodations.

We hope that you will be able to attend our conference. Please circulate the information to any of your colleagues and friends who may be interested in First Nations issues. We urge you to register early.

Should you need more information, please feel free to call us (705-675-1151, ext. 3212).

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Anne-Marie Mawhiney

Queen's Theological College Queen's University & Faculty of Law,

A Sesquicentennial Colloquium

21, 22, 23 January 1992



21 January 1992

8.00pm in Room 202, Dunning Hall Auditorium, Queen's University:

Billy Diamond, founding member of the

Grand Council of the

Crees of Quebec,

Council from 1974 to 1984, chief negotiator Grand Chief of that

for the James Bay and Northern Quebec subject of the 1989 Agreement, the

unfolding over the "Great Whale Project," will gamish Band of James Bay Crees, and one of Vision of Billy Diamond, Chief of the Waskabest-selling biography, Chief. The Fearless speak on Law, Justice, and James Bay II. the key players in the drama presently

22 January 1992

Room of Theological Hall, Queen's 1.00pm-2.30pm in the Reading University:

Sheehan, General Counsel, and Sara Nelson, Executive Director, of the Christic Institute, a A brown-bag lunch and informal discussion on the personal motivations of those whose common commitment to social justice and lives are dedicated to social justice issues. Washington, D.C.-based organization of lawyers and other activists united by a Leading the discussion will be Daniel

activist and Professor of Law at the Univerreligious values; and Jennie Abell, a social sity of Ottawa.

Common Room of Macdonald 3.30pm-5.00pm in the Faculty Hall:

Abell, Faculty of Law, University of Ottawa, Afternoon tea and a presentation by Jennie Law: The Fundamentals that are at Stake on Women, Violence, and the Criminal

8.00pm in Room 202 of the Policy Studies Building, Queen's University:

in the United States, including the Silkwood number of celebrated public-interest cases Freedom. Their presentation will draw on case and the Greensboro, North Carolina Christic Institute will speak on Human their personal experience in litigating a Daniel Sheehan and Sara Nelson of the Rights, Social Justice, and Personal



23 January 1992

3.30pm-5.00pm in Theatres D & E of Macdonald Hall:

Emily Carasco, Professor of Law, University speak on Choosing our Judges: The Social Appointments Advisory Committee, will Justice Issues. Co-sponsored by the Law of Ottawa and member of the Judicial

8.00pm in Room 202 of the Policy Studies Building

Queen's University:



Patricia Baird, Chair of the and Susan McCutcheon, a Royal Commission on New Reproductive Technologies,

member of that Commis-Technologies. This event is being co-sponsion, will speak on New Reproductive sored by the Ban Righ Foundation.

Summerhill and Kingston Hall, just north of the known as the "Old Arts Building") lies between from Alfred Street. The Theological Hall (also Do note that there are no admission fees for Avenue at Union. Macdonald Hall and the Street, west of University Avenue and across Kingston General Hospital on Stuart Street. During the evenings parking is permitted in discussions. Dunning Hall is on University Policy Studies Building are both on Union these sessions. We hope to see you there. Everyone is invited to these speeches and Queen's University surface lots.

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December 5, 1991

Dear Friends,

The Iroquois Indian Museum is proud to announce that we have completed a videotape entitled "Faces of the Iroquois". The video celebrates Iroquois artists and their creativity through contemporary art and craft. There are interviews with Stan Hill, Pete Jones, Neville Spring, and Tammy Tarbell. Tom Porter explains the Iroquois relationship to the earth and the function of the clan system.

"Faces", a 17-minute video, was professionally filmed and edited and is available through our Museum Shop for \$15.00 plus \$1.50 postage and handling.

Background music is by Joanne Shenandoah. We hope you enjoy "Faces of the Iroquois".

Sincerely,

Christina B. Johannsen

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Director

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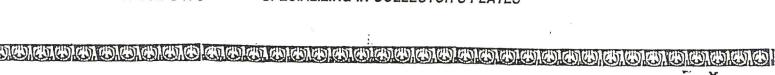
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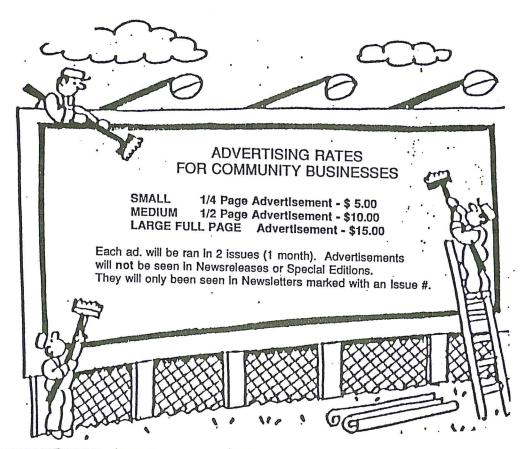
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