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Wednesday, February 14*

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WEDNESDAY FEB. 7

Due to other commitments the next meeting is
WEDNESDAY FEB. 28

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January 29, 2001

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE MOHAWKS OF THE BAY OF QUINTE FROM THE CHIEF

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I hope that this report finds you in good health. I know that many are looking forward to the springtime and nicer weather.

AFN Confederacy December 13-14, 2000

I attended the AFN Confederacy Meeting and give the following report.

AFN Confederacy meeting was held on December 13, 2000 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Ottawa. National Chief Matthew Coon Come addressed the assembly highlighting Prime Minister Chretien's commitment to pursue a social justice agenda with a focus on Aboriginal Peoples.

The National Chief talked about the 50 million dollar Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples Report (RCAP) and the far reaching work plan and fundamental changes that were anticipated. RCAP called for an end to the federal policy of termination and extinguishment of aboriginal rights and for the respect of the treaties. RCAP recommended a redistribution of lands and resource to the aboriginal peoples. RCAP called for the government to act to assure the economic, cultural and political survival of aboriginal nations in Canada.

The United Nations Human Rights Committee noted that RCAP's inspiration and recommendations have become a distant memory to Canadians. The National Chief touched on the Burnt Church issue and a need for a First Nations People's agenda and action plan. The National Chief's speech is reproduced for your reference.

Other agenda items included a discussion on Alternative Dispute Resolutions (ADR), gun control, residential school issues, veteran issues, land rights and fisheries, housing, the Corbiere Decision, Gathering Strength, fetal alcohol syndrome, special education, racism and a number of resolutions.

The conference highlighted the following statistics:

1. \$7.8 billion dollars of new monies are needed for aboriginal communities in Canada for housing needs;
2. 77 First Nations communities did not participate in the Canada Census;
3. The implementation of the Corbiere decision is bungled by Indian Affairs;

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4. First Nations Transitional Governance Centre bids close on March 31, 2001 for the location of the head office;
5. Gathering Strength initiative of Indian Affairs sunsets in 2003;
6. AFN will continue discussions with Henry Scultz of the Department of Justice on the gun control issue;
7. Education: 50% of the aboriginal population attend provincial schools. The AFN has requested that Cabinet provide 359 million new dollars for special education for Reserve schools; and
8. The budget for post secondary education is 288 million dollars nationally for the year 2000-2001. There were 9,462 students not funded for post secondary education. AFN is asking Cabinet to provide 880 million dollars for the post secondary education program.

At the conference, I seconded resolution #11 accepting the First Nations Education Policy, which requested Indian Affairs to provide 359 million dollars of new federal money for special education. It is expected that the Federal Government will make an announcement on January 30, 2001 in the Senate on federal initiatives for aboriginal youth.

Long Term Care

On January 25, 2001, I wrote a letter to the Hon. Elizabeth Witmer, Ontario Minister of Health, voicing my dissatisfaction that First Nations communities were left out of the 20,000 Long Term Care bed allocations further to the governments 1.2 billion dollar reinvestment in Long Term Care. I am enclosing a copy of my letter for your perusal.

Federal Claims Policy

There are several problems with the Federal Government's Claims policy. Some of the issues are the policy of extinguishment and the federal claims policy has a 5 million dollars ceiling on claims settlement.

There is also a need for a long overdue Indian Claims Commission to be established that is truly independent.

Treaties

Many First Nations have urged the government leaders and the courts to respect the spirit and intent of our Treaties. In the past the government has used the treaties to attempt to terminate, minimize and limit the rights of our people.

The AFN will be taking all steps at a national and international level to ensure that the Crown does not continue this practice.

The United Nations Human Rights Committee declared the termination of Treaty rights a violation of our peoples basic human rights. There is much poverty, racism and discrimination when fundamental human rights are denied.

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DIAND Education Policy

Education is a necessary tool to participate in the knowledge economy of the 21st century. The education policy and budgets of Indian Affairs has not kept pace with the rising costs of education. It is estimated that there are 9,462 post secondary students on a waiting list for post secondary education in Canada.

Compounding the problem is that many special education services are not provided to First Nations schools but are provided elsewhere in the provinces.

Hastings County – Gary Jewel Engineer

At the meeting of December 20, 2000, Council received a letter from Gary Jewel, dated December 8, 2000, informing that Hastings County has no concerns with a new access highway entrance for a gas station development on Old Hwy No 2, west of Shannonville.

Governance By-Law

On December 20, 2000, Council passed a motion to develop a Governance by-law.

On January 4, 2001, Council approved to meet with Charles Docherty to discuss band policy on governance and administration.

Provincial Offence Notices – Fines Revenue

On January 4, 2001, Council approved to sign an administrative agreement with Hastings County to collect provincial offence fines and to share fine proceeds with the Band. Court administrative costs will be deducted for offences that have occurred on the Reserve.

MBQ Plumber Position

On December 20, 2000, Council deferred the posting of the plumber's position until Council receives a financial report on plumbing costs, including mark-up on materials for a two-year period, to determine if the position can be justified.

Drill Hall Environmental Assessment

On December 20, 2000, Council approved to contract XCG Environmental Consultants to conduct phase 2 of the environmental assessment on the Drill Hall and adjacent properties at the Airport. Indian Affairs provided the Band with \$51,000.00 for the environmental assessment with an additional \$7,700.00 for administrative fees.

Water and Sewer Connection Policy

On December 20, 2000, Council signed Council Resolution #112 approving a water and sewer connection policy, which is reproduced in the Newsletter for your information.

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Water Test Results

The Health Centre has been conducting water testing on community wells. The following are the results:

- 1) 701 wells have been tested to date;
- 2) 286 wells are polluted;
- 3) 124 wells have E-Coli;
- 4) There are 921 residents and 220 are connected to municipal water and sewer services.

Contaminated Well Water Assessment Program and Bottled Water Initiative

On December 20, 2000, Council passed a motion to proceed with the Contaminated Well Water Assessment Program and the Bottled Water Initiative offered by Indian Affairs.

The well assessment will determine which wells need to be remediated and the assessment will begin as soon as the weather permits.

The bottled water initiative is intended to provide a subsidy for 2 liters of water per person per day who have contaminated wells. Eligible persons are children ages 0 to 5 years, the elderly, and for persons with depressed immune systems.

Fire Hall

On December 20, 2000, Council reviewed an estimate and site plan for the construction of a new fire hall. The total project cost estimate is \$1,439,500.00. It is proposed that the fire hall will be built east of Quinte Mohawk School. The Fire Department is to ensure that there is water on the site.

Council will be arranging a meeting with Linda Chisholm of Indian Affairs to determine if any federal funding can be provided for this project.

Roads Garage

On December 20, 2000, Council approved to proceed with the next step of ensuring that there is water on the former Dan Leween property on the Slash Road for the construction of the new road garage. It is reported there is a flow rate of 85 gallons of water per minute on the property.

The construction estimate is \$862,000.00 for the new road garage and sand/salt dome. First Peoples Consultants has designed the facility.

York Road Bridges

On December 20, 2000, Council approved to tender out the York Road bridges pending the availability of funding.

G.D. Jewel, Engineering Inc. has providing the following estimates:

1. Mud Creek Bridge - \$144,905.75
2. Sucker Creek Bridge - \$179,250.00

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York Road Speed Limits Reduced

Effective February 15, 2001 take notice that Council has approved to reduce the 60 km speed limit to 40 km on the York Road from the Ball Park to west of Quinte Mohawk School.

Income Security Reform Workshop

On January 18 - 19, 2001, I attended a workshop in Niagara Falls on Income Security Reform. This initiative is designed to provide support services for clients on social assistance to overcome barriers to employment.

Barriers can be a range of issues such as lack of education and training, daycare, transportation, housing, low self-esteem, addictions, spousal abuse, custody battles, poor work references, and criminal records.

The workshop reviewed strategies that are currently being used to overcome these problems. Tyendinaga's Program "Back in Business" is intended to address some of these issues. The band will receive \$ 91,300.00 over a 2 year period, January 2001 - March 31, 2002. The funds will be used for the position of an economic development assistant, to serve the specific needs of social assistance recipients and link economic and employment development activities with these clients.

This initiative will require coordination between Social Services, education, employment and training and economic development.

Indian Affairs will invest 30 million dollars nationally into this initiative over a 2 year period, from 2000 - 2003.

Huron Brant Subdivision Storm Sewers

On December 20, 2000, Council approved to obtain engineering cost to design storm sewers for the Huron Brant Subdivision. Quotes will be obtained from First Peoples Consultants and J.L. Richards Engineers.

Super Build Program

On December 20, 2000, Council approved to apply to the Super Build Program from the provincial government.

The Ontario Government is investing 10 billion dollars over a five-year period for new and improved infrastructure projects. This will build a strong foundation for sustained economic growth and improved quality of life for Ontario's people.

Eligible projects for the 2 billion five-year initiatives are proposals for colleges and universities, roads and highways, hospitals, cultural and recreation centres and high technology infrastructure.

The deadline for proposals is February 2, 2001. Council will be submitting a proposal to build a multi-use centre, a library, cultural centre and community pool.

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Seniors 59's Club Hall Addition

On January 10, 2001, Council approved to identify funds for an addition for the Seniors 59's Hall and to proceed when funds are available. The addition will include a new kitchen and washroom facilities.

Policing

On January 10, 2001, Council passed a motion requesting that the Tyendinaga Police check the doors on all public buildings on their regular rounds.

This request is due to a high number of repeat break-ins and thefts occurring at All Saints Church.

Equity Loan Policy Development

On January 10, 2001, Council approved to have all MBQ loan policies reviewed by BDO Dunwoody.

At the same meeting, Council approved to have Charles Docherty review the possibility of an equity loan policy where band members secure the loan with real property.

Diocese of Ontario Section 28(2) Permit

The Diocese of Ontario sold Holy Trinity Church to the Federal Government for the sum of \$235,000.00. After the sale, Indian Affairs transferred the property to the band, pursuant to the 1990 Memorandum of Understanding for the Turton Penn properties. The Diocese of Ontario invested the sale proceeds and from the interest earned, agreed to pay \$2400.00 annually to the Band for the continued use of the church. These funds assist the band with capital maintenance expenses and insurance premiums.

At the request of the Diocese of Ontario and the church wardens, Council's consented to Indian Affairs approving a Section 28(2) permit to the Diocese of Ontario. The permit was issued to the Diocese of Ontario on September 16, 1997. The Diocese of Ontario requested a legal agreement. Since title was transferred to the Band, the lawful instrument for this type of agreement is a Section 28(2) of the Indian Act permit.

On January 10, 2001, Council approved to revisit the Section 28(2) permit at the request of the church wardens. Council is continuing discussions concerning the sharing of the operating expenses for the new hall at Holy Trinity Church.

Pet Policy - MBQ Housing Rentals

On January 10, 2001, Council approved that responsible pet owners be allowed to keep their pets in the rental units. In regards to new tenants, the No Pet policy will be enforced.

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Council Donations

1. On December 24, 2000, Council approved to donate the Community Centre for February 17, 2001 for the First Nations Library Week February 12 – 17, 2001.
2. On January 24, 2001, Council approved to donate the use of the Recreation Complex for the First Nations Agri-Food Program March 15-16, 2001.

Housing

On November 27, 2000, Council approved to recommendation on value to build.

At the same meeting, Council approved to have DBO Dunwoody Chartered Accountant to provide costs for the development of a MBQ housing policy and a comprehensive audit on the Housing and the Economic Development programs.

Council has also voiced dissatisfaction with time delays in the legal services of a Belleville law firm on foreclosures on defaulted mortgages.

Shannonville Fairground

On December 6, 2000, Council approved that the request for the construction of a ball field be identified on the Minor capital list for the year 2001/02.

Firearms Control Legislation

On December 4, 2000, Council passed a motion that the Tyendinaga Mohawk Territory will not comply with the Canadian Firearms Legislation.

On December 8, 2000, Council approved to forward a letter to Minister of Justice Canada Anne McLellan to advise the Federal Government that MBQ will not comply with the following;

1. The requirement for resident to possess a valid "Possession – Only Licence (POL)", a "Possession and Acquisition Licence (PAL)", or a Firearms Acquisition licence (FAC)", by January 1, 2001 in order to possess non restricted firearms;
2. The resident band members register non restricted firearms with the Canadian Firearms Centre and possess a valid licence to do so by January 1, 2003; and
3. The requirement of ammunition transfer for non restricted firearms be limited to those members who possess a valid PAL, POL or FAC as of January 1, 2001, in lieu of criminal penalty.

The gun registration was discussed intensively at the AFN meeting in December 2000. The AFN is currently working with the Department of Justice to exempt natives from this legislation. On going discussions will continue between the AFN and the Department of Justice Canada to bring about a resolution to this issue. The matter is still not settled permanently.

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Casino Rama Investment

The following represents the Casino Rama Investment:

Funds Received to date	\$ 6,806,745.00
Interest Earned	189,863.21
Value of Bank of Montreal – Nesbitt Burns	6,996,561.00
Value of Bank of Montreal Bank Account	47.21
Total Casino Rama Funds	\$ 6,996,608.21

Note: The above figures do not include accrued in the Bond Portfolio portion of the Rama Casino investment funds, since the interest is accrued quarterly.

Casino Funds Investment Policy

On January 4, 2001, Council met with Jeff Curtis from Nesbitt Burns and Brian Hogan from BDO Dunwoody Accountants to seek advice on an investment policy for the casino funds.

At the same meeting Council agreed to invest \$4,200,000.00 in a Bank of Montreal Nesbitt Burns Blueprint Trustee Bond Portfolio. The balance will be invested in money market investments that comply with the Casino Rama Agreement approved investment list. The Casino Agreement that Council signed controls where Council can invest the money and the purposes for which the interest earned can be utilized.

Throne Speech January 30, 2001

The Governor General read the Throne Speech from the Senate Chamber on Parliament Hill in Ottawa today.

The Government will focus its efforts on:

- 1) building a world leading economy driven by innovation, ideas and talent;
- 2) creating a more inclusive society where children get the right start in life, where quality health services are available to all, and where Canadians enjoy strong and safe communities;
- 3) ensuring a clean, healthy environment for Canadians and the preservation of natural spaces; and
- 4) enhancing the Canadian voice in the world and Canada's shared sense of citizenship.

The government is committed to balanced budgets and will have a public service distinguished by excellence and equipped with the skills for a knowledge economy in society.

The government recognized that an innovative economy is driven by research and development. On January 1, 2001, 100 billion dollars in tax relief takes effect.

Canada is striving to become one of the top countries in the world for research and development by the year 2010.

The government is committed to working with its partners to ensure support for youth to stay in school or to get their first job.

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The government is committed to strengthening its relationship with aboriginal people since too many are living in poverty, without the tools needed to build a better future for themselves and their communities. The government is committed to strengthening governance, which will include more effective and transparent administrative practices. The government will work to ensure that basic needs of aboriginal communities are met for jobs, health, education, housing and infrastructure.

The Throne Speech indicated that Canadians must now undertake another national project to ensure that no Canadian child suffers the debilitating effects of poverty. The National Child Benefit will continue to rise over the next four years. The Throne Speech indicated the government's intention to improve and expand the Aboriginal Head Start program and to help those with special needs. The Government of Canada is committed to measures required to reduce the number of aboriginal newborns affected by Fetal Alcohol Syndrome.

Recently the Government of Canada launched the Early Childhood Development Initiative to improve access to services for all families and children. The Government of Canada will invest 2 billion dollars in this initiative over 5 years. The government is committed to working with its partners on modernizing the laws for child support, custody and access.

More than 21 billion dollars of new funding will be provided to provinces and territories over 5 years through the Canada Health and Social Transfer to purchase needed diagnostic and medical equipment and modernize health information technologies.

Canada will taking measures to reduce the number of aboriginal people entering the criminal justice system.

Canada will work to strengthen Canada's cultural infrastructure by helping communities develop arts and heritage programs that are sustainable and relevant to diverse circumstances and aspirations.

Shortage of Professionals

The January 17, 2001 report in the Toronto Star provided some interesting statistics on the shortages of professors, teachers, doctors and nurses in Ontario which has been created because of poor policy decisions made by government.

- 1) **Professors** – In 1996 the Harris government cut university budgets by 288 million dollars a year. Since then we have lost 2,000 professors to cost cutting.

This has resulted in 30% more students for each professor then 10 years ago. Ontario now has the worst student faculty ratio in Canada. It is expected 90,000 students will enter university this decade. We need 15,000 new faculty but we have 900 fewer Ph.D students.

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- 2) **Teachers** - More then 46,000 teachers must retire by 2005-9,000 a year. The Harris government is only funding 6,000 spaces a year in the education faculties – at least 3,000 too few. The Teachers Federation Union is warning teachers to stay clear of Ontario's anti-teachers laws and school turmoil.
- 3) **Doctors** – In 1993 the NDP cut the number of places in the provinces medical schools. In 1998, after 2 years of warning about doctor shortages, Health Minister, Elizabeth Witmer, launched a study of the issue. The study said Ontario was already short 1,000 doctors and needed another medical school. Minister Witmer appointed a committee to study the study, losing a year. Its report is due shortly.

Meanwhile 100 communities are short of doctors and Ontario's ratio of family doctors to population is the worst in Canada. It is the only province that has more specialists then family doctors.

- 4) **Nurses** – Two years ago the Harris government promised to hire 10,000 nurses by the end of the year 1999 to take Ontario back to the national average. It didn't happen.

Hospital are having little luck recruiting 2,000 nurses. The nurses want permanent jobs. Hospitals without multi-year budgets cannot provide them. Homecare has growing problems. The government has refused most requests for capital to expand nursing schools. Fewer nurses will actually graduate in 3 years then this year.

New funds have gone to buildings but not to people to teach in them.

The competition for professors, doctors, teachers and nurses continues to heat up.

Bank of Montreal Housing Loan Guarantees

As of December 30, 2000 report all loans are up-to-date. The Council has guaranteed 12 loans at the Bank of Montreal totaling \$ 950,140.81.

Electoral Officer

On January 10, 2001, Council approved to appoint Kelly Maracle as the Electoral Officer.

Election, Residency and Citizenship Codes

On November 20, 2000, Council approved to obtain estimates from Vuc Kovinich to develop three separate codes for elections, residency and citizenship for the Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte.

On December 6, 2000, approved for Vuc Kovinich to proceed with the Law enactment for elections, residency and membership process. The lawyer is to provide Council with a list of question on these issues and the work is on going.

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Christ Church, Her Majesty's Royal Chapel

Revenue

Raised to date	\$222,236.82
TMC Contribution	35,000.00
Heritage Canada Cost Share Agreement	259,622.97
Trillium Foundation	75,000.00
Total	\$591,859.79

Grants Receivable

Ontario Heritage Challenge Fund Grant 2000/01	\$100,000.00
Heritage Canada Cost Share Agmt. 2000/01	140,377.03
Heritage Canada Cost Share Agmt. 2001/02	100,000.00

Total Revenues \$932,236.82

Expenses

Past Perfect Heritage	7,670.00
MBQ Photocopying	53.50
Fundraising Expenses – Draw and Supper	726.49
First Peoples Consultants – Engineering	169,986.94
Reitzel Brothers – Sterilize Tower	2,885.00
Switzer Fuels – 2 Funaces & Tanks	8,540.00
Barb Green – Use of Road Right-of-way	300.00
A. Santin Masonry (Contractor)	439,634.69
10% Holdback A. Santin	49,093.97
Skip Whitmarsh (Wooden Labels)	17,400.00
Purolator:	154.72

Preconstruction

Linda McGregor – Foundations	500.00
Postage – Advertising	600.00
Anglican Journal – Advertising	1,100.00
FPC Sign – Advertising	1,500.00
Orland French – Advertising	1,000.00

Total Expenses \$701,145.31

Total Funds Available for Phase 2 & 3 \$231,091.51

The work is progressing well. The committee will need to raise additional funds to address the electrical deficiencies, repair and paint damaged plaster, and rebuild the foundation wall in the cellar and the steps. Your generous contributions are greatly appreciated as we work together to restore and preserve this important part of our heritage.

Conflict of Interest Guidelines

On December 20, 2000, Council approved the changes to the draft Mohawk Council Conflict of Interest Guidelines and sent it to lawyer Vuc Kovicich for revisions.

I hope you and your families are enjoying the winter season and you find this report informative.

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Donald Maracle

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January 25, 2001

The Honorable Elizabeth Witmer
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Re: Long Term Care First Nations

Dear Minister Witmer:

I am writing this letter to inquire about the process for Ontario First Nations to apply for the 2001 Long Term Care allocations.

In April of 1998, the Government of Ontario announced its intention to invest 1.2 billion dollars in Long Term Care. This investment included the addition of 20,000 new Long Term Care beds by the year 2006. These beds include both additions to existing facilities and new construction. In 1998 and 1999 Long Term Care beds were awarded to eligible operators across the province. The remaining 5,500 beds will be available in the 2001 allocation process and the construction completion date for the new beds by March, 2004.

The 2001 Long Term Care bed allocation did not provide any additional or new beds for Hastings County, where the Tyendinaga Mohawk Territory is located.

Under Ontario's policy, the Ontario Ministry of Health will provide, upon completion of the construction of a new facility, a \$10.35 per bed/per day subsidy over a 20 year period, to support payment of loans secured by operators to pay for the building of the beds.

The application process for the 5,500 beds began on November 10, 2000 and the deadline for submitting an application is January 31, 2001 at 5 p.m..

I understand that the Ontario Ministry of Health relied on major Canadian newspapers and the internet as the communications instrument for the 2001 Long Term Care Redevelopment Project.

The Chiefs Office of Ontario and First Nations in Ontario were not aware of this initiative. The First Nations communities have not received any information from the Ontario Ministry of Health regarding the Government's commitment and process for First Nations to access badly needed Long Term Care facilities and Long Term Care beds.

In 1996, the Ontario Minister of Health, Jim Wilson, announced an allocation of 11.5 million dollars for a range of community based services based on the submission of proposals. This was part of the 170 million dollar announcement for community based Long Term Care services on March 28, 1996.

The Chiefs of Ontario Office were advised that in 1998 the Ontario Ministry of Health announced a "policy change" advising that the Ministry of Health would only consider proposals if they were eligible for federal cost sharing under the 1965 Indian Welfare Agreement. By this time, the Ministry of Health had released 5.5 million dollars of the 11.5 million dollar commitment for First Nations Long Term Care proposals. A meeting was held with the Chiefs of Ontario Office, Indian Affairs and the Ministry of Health on November 30, 1998. At this meeting, Indian Affairs did not agree to cost sharing any services under the Ontario Long Term Care Act with the exception of homemakers. Since that time, the Ontario Ministry of Health withheld the remaining 6 million dollars for Long Term Care services.

In July, 1999, the Chiefs of Ontario Office and the Ontario Ministry of Health officials developed a joint discussion paper. A meeting was held between the Chiefs of Ontario Office and the Assistant Deputy Minister, Daniel Burns, on November 6, 2000. The primary purpose of that meeting was to discuss Long Term Care for First Nations. Mr. Burns advised that the issue would be presented to the Ontario Minister of Health with two options. The Minister could respond immediately or the Minister could decide to resource Long Term Care through the provincial budget cycle which was prepared in December, 2000.

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Mr. Burns advised that First Nations Long Term Care was recommended to be included in the December budget cycle. The Ontario Ministry of Health committed to communicate their decision to the Ontario First Nations.

The need for the construction of Long Term Care facilities, Long Term Care beds and the development of community based services continues to mount. Younger residents are moving off the reserves to seek employment and to improve their economic circumstances while at the same time many seniors are moving back to the reserve upon retirement after spending numerous years living and working off reserve.

There is higher incidences of chronic ailments and disabilities and low social economic conditions. As a result, the need for Long Term Care facilities for First Nations is a very pressing issue. The Assembly of First Nations 1991 Report on First Nations Disability Issue Paper indicated that 31.4% of Aboriginal people live with some form of disability compared to the 12.6% Canadian average. In the population over 55 years old, 66.5% live with a disability compared to the 35.7% Canadian average.

There are 333 nursing homes and 180 homes for the aged in Ontario. Only three Aboriginal communities have a Long Term Care facility on reserve and there are no Aboriginal Specific Long Term Care facilities off reserve. Aboriginal facilities account for just 0.58% of the existing nursing and homes for the aged in Ontario.

The Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte is the fourth largest Aboriginal community in Ontario with membership of 6,970. There are 2,200 members living on reserve. There are 22 band members residing in Long Term Care facilities in southeastern Ontario. There are 8 others who would benefit from such a facility. There are 3 band members with substantial physical disabilities who are required to live off reserve because of lack of suitable facilities. There are 3 band members who live in a residential setting outside of the community to receive care. There are 4 band members who access short stay services off the territory to receive respite, palliative and convalescent care.

In 1995, my Council hired Enviro-Med Incorporated to complete a functional study and to conduct a needs assessment for our Elders and disabled members. In December, 1997 Enviro-Med completed a Long Term Care proposal which was submitted to the Ministry of Health.

In July, 1998, the Ontario Government started releasing the Casino Rama funds to First Nations communities. An agreement with the Ontario Lottery Corporation permits Casino Rama funds to be used for health and capital construction requirements. The Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte currently have municipal service land for the construction of a Long Term Care facility. A license is required from the Minister of Health to access the \$10.35 per day/per bed capital construction subsidy as well as other operating subsidies that are available.

Since 1992, there has been much discussion between the Indian leadership and the Ontario Ministry of Health officials on the needs of First Nations communities in addressing long neglected needs for Long Term Care facilities and community based programming. It is the fiduciary responsibility of Government in its planning process to exercise reasonable care to ensure that the needs of all its residents are given fair, equal consideration and access to services that are controlled by Government. To do otherwise, would be to practice favouritism towards certain sectors of the population and discrimination to others.

I therefore ask you to respect Aboriginal communities and to open avenues of opportunities for the development of Long Term Care requirements. I request that you designate a portion of the 2001 Long Term Care beds for First Nation communities and to extend the January 31, 2001 deadline in order that the Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte may submit their application for a 35 bed new facility.

I look forward to your reply.

Sincerely,

Donald Maracle

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Dear Chief Maracle:

Thank you for your letter of January 25, 2001, addressed to the Honourable Elizabeth Witmer, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care, regarding the process for Ontario First Nations to apply for the 2001 long-term care (LTC) bed allocations. The Minister has also received a letter from Ernie Parsons, MPP, on the same issue and has asked me to respond to you.

The Ontario government is committed to ensuring that Ontario's aging population has access to quality long-term care in their communities. In April 1998, the government announced \$1.2 billion reinvestment in long-term care that includes the development of 20,000 new LTC beds in the province by 2004 and the rebuilding of approximately 16,000 beds in older facilities by 2006.

In August 2000, the Ministry issued a series of bulletins that were intended to provide information to long-term care operators, interested parties and associations on how our government was proceeding with the development of 20,000 new LTC beds. We created a segment dedicated to the allocations process on the Ministry's website and we notified interested parties by direct mailings and faxes.

In September 2000, the Minister announced the new requirements for the streamlined application process and on November 10, 2000, the Minister announced the launch of the process.

In addition, the Ministry held 11 widely-advertised outreach sessions across the province in advance of the application process to start people thinking about applying. Once the application process was under way, the ministry held information sessions to assist applicants to meet the deadline.

For your information, through the intent to apply process, the ministry received two notices of intent to apply from First Nations groups. The Ministry is looking forward to reviewing all the applications received by the deadline of January 31, 2001.

At the start of the 2001 Bed Allocations process in November 2000, we set a firm deadline and all applicants across the province have been working diligently to meet that deadline. As I am sure you can appreciate, it would be unfair to these other applicants if we changed the deadline now.

The government has made a commitment to have 20,000 new long-term care beds in place by 2004. The 2001 process is the last call and the timelines to 2004 are very tight. Further delays to the application process could compromise this commitment.

Your letter also refers to the process that has been underway between the Office of the Chiefs of Ontario and the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care regarding community-based long-term care services. Please be assured that this matter is, as was previously outlined in my meeting with the Office of the Chiefs, still under active consideration. As was previously stated, First Nation long-term care services are being considered as part of the overall funding process for the Ministry. Upon completion of this process, more information will be provided directly to the Office of the Chiefs of Ontario.

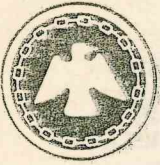
I hope this clarifies the Ministry's position on this matter. Thank you again for writing.

Yours truly,

Daniel Burns
Daniel Burns
Deputy Minister

cc: Ernie Parsons, MPP

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MOHAWKS OF THE BAY OF QUINTE

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January 30, 2001

The Honorable Elizabeth Witmer
Minister Health & Long Term Care
10th Floor, Hepburn Block
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Toronto, ON M7A 2C4

RE: 2001 BED ALLOCATIONS

Dear Minister Witmer:

The Ontario Deputy Minister of Health, Daniel Burns, faxed a letter to me on January 30, 2001 in response to my letter to you dated January 25, 2001. Mr. Burns' reply indicated that interested parties were notified by direct mailings and faxes in August 2000 on how the Government was proceeding with the development of 20,000 Long-Term Care beds. The Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte as an interested party, did not receive any direct mailings or faxes from the Ministry of Health as indicated in Deputy Minister Burns' fax.

This letter will registered that the Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte's (MBQ) request consideration to build a Long Term Care facility in our community to serve the urgent needs of our members.

MBQ is the fourth largest First Nation in Ontario, with a membership of 7,046 and on-reserve population of 2,200 members. There are 22 band members residing in Long Term Care facilities in southeastern Ontario and an additional 8 others who would benefit from such a facility.

I must protest the fact that the application guideline prevent my community from making application. Schedule 4 (page 9) of the application guidelines indicates that the Ministry will not consider applications to develop Long Term Care facilities outside identified service areas as identified in Appendix 4.1. There are no beds identified for Hastings County where our community is located.

There is an option to make a case to the Ministry of Health by completing an in-depth market analysis justifying that locating outside the preferred service area is superior in terms of meeting the needs of the residents in that location.

The problem is that our application would be intended to service residents within our own community, which is not identified as a preferred location in Schedule 4.1.

For many years we have communicated our urgent need for a Long Term Care facility to the Ontario Minister of Health and staff officials. As an interested party we expected that we would be kept fully informed of all new developmental opportunities. This was not the case.

Grand Chief Larry Sault of the Chiefs of Ontario office met with Deputy Minister Daniel Burns on November 6, 2000 to discuss Long Term Care. The Chiefs of Ontario office and Grand Chief Larry Sault inform that they did not receive any information regarding the 2001 Bed Allocations.

An employee of Indian and Northern Affairs informed me of the 2001 Bed Allocations on January 18, 2001.

The deadline of January 31, 2001 makes it impossible to assemble all of the information components identified in your application guidelines. It is most unfortunate since the Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte have conducted a functional study and numerous needs assessments for our elders and disabled members.

Our previous Long Term Care proposal still remains in abeyance due to the Provincial Government's sudden 1998 policy change which required a financial commitment from the Federal Government. The Ontario Ministry of Health decided to freeze the remaining 6 million dollars to address Long Term Care requirements for First Nations communities. The Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte currently own municipal serviced land for the construction of a Long Term Care facility. The receipt of Casino Rama funds enables the Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte to finance a substantial portion of the capital construction costs.

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The Ontario Health Ministry's flawed communication with the Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte placed our community at a grave disadvantage. In fact, the restricted application guidelines and preferred location criteria preclude us from making application for the 2001 Bed Allocations to address our urgent needs.

The purpose of this letter is to inform your Ministry that we request an allocation of Long Term Care beds from the 2001 Allocation.

Sincerely,

Donald Maracle

R. Donald Maracle
Chief, Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte

- c. Charles Fox, Ontario Reg. Chief
- Larry Sault, Grand Chief AIAI
- Matthew Coon Come, National Chief
- Rt. Hon. Jean Chretien, Prime Minister
- Hon. Paul Martin, Minister of Finance
- Hon. Alan Rock, Minister of Health
- Ernie Parsons, MPP
- Hon. Lyle Vancilief, MPP
- Hon. Robert Nault, Minister of Indian Affairs
- John Donnelly, Reg. Dir. Gen. DIAND
- Shirley Sarafini, Deputy Minister DIAND
- Tracey Antone, Chiefs of Ontario
- Cathy George, AIAI
- Kim Martin, AIAI
- Tyendinaga Mohawk Council
- Tyendinaga Mohawk Newsletter
- William J. Brant, Health Portfolio Holder
- Roy Maracle, Health Portfolio Holder
- Cindy Thompson, Health Centre



* Please Note *

The finance department
located at the Administration
office is now able to accept interact
for all payments.
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NEW CONSTRUCTION NOTICE

We are accepting housing applications for the 2001 building season. Completed applications must be returned to the Housing Department before **March 1, 2001**. Applications received after March 1 2001 will not be considered.

Scoring is based primarily on credit and employment history.

Please call the Housing Department for further information or to set up an appointment.

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A MESSAGE FROM A MEMBER OF THE MOHAWKS
OF THE BAY OF QUINTE BAND COUNCIL (MBQBC)
FOR JANUARY 2001
Submitted by William J. Brant

This month MBQBC has worked on a number of issues. I will attempt to give insight on some topics under discussion.

For many years there have been talks in Tyendinaga Territory about the possibility of building a museum, a cultural centre, a swimming pool, a recreation facility, and a new improved library. The committees involved with the areas named as well as MBQBC visited a facility in Amherstview, which was similar to the structure that is in mind to house the proposed items and activities.

There is a provincial program called Super Build that could make this dream become a reality. This program involves criteria whereby the province will partner with other sponsors matching dollar for dollar for approved projects. This planned structure falls within the province's guidelines and the result is, that the various MBQBC committees have been working in an effort to meet the March 31,2001 deadline for applications so that MBQ may be considered for approval for our multifacilitated project.

In an effort to obtain a more effective working relationship between staff and Band Council, MBQBC had approved the commissioning of the First Nations Technical Institute (FNTI) to conduct interviews with staff in a confidential atmosphere. FNTI produced a report entitled Analysis of Employee Interviews and this was presented to MBQBC this month. This report is being made available to MBQ Band staff. As we implement these recommendations we trust that relations should improve significantly between the staff and Council.

MBQBC has also requested that the FNTI board of directors consider an agreement whereby its senior managers would provide consulting services to MBQBC in a Chief Executive Officer (CAO) capacity on an interim basis for up to three months or until this position could be staffed. The FNTI board has not yet (as of this newsletter) confirmed such an agreement.

MBQBC has tentatively engaged the firm of BDO Dunwoody & Associates Ltd. (management consultants) to assist MBQBC with a management plan that would allow MBQ Band staff to administer day to day operation, thereby leaving MBQBC freedom to work in a leadership role rather than management. BDO Dunwoody Ltd. would assess our housing and rental units program in terms of policy and financial viability. This assessment should give us some insight as to whether or nor not MBQBC should be in the rental business, other than to supply "geared - to - income" facilities. This firm has also indicated that they may be able to supply MBQBC with an interim CAO / controller to work with staff while they assist us in finding suitable professionals to staff these positions.

In my message to you in the November newsletter I indicated that our recycling tonnage had increased significantly but lacked the tonnage for the final quarter of year 2000. These are included in the following chart:

RECYCLING TONNAGE DATA		
1999 - 2000		
Quarter	1999 Tonnage	2000 Tonnage
1	N/A	6.70
2	5.25	4.97
3	6.04	9.78
4	6.79	12.79

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Again I congratulate all who recycle, ask you to continue the good work, and ask also that you encourage others to recycle. MBQBC received a complaint from one of our recyclers that our recycling facility was overflowing. In my opinion this overflow was positive (not the mess but the quantity). The situation is being addressed by negotiating with the suppliers of service to ensure that the increase in tonnage will be dealt with adequately.

I welcome your comments and suggestions either by mail, in person, or at my office at 1298 UPPER SLASH ROAD on Tuesdays. The phone number is 967-9861 to make an appointment.

*** PLEASE NOTE ***

The next scheduled Council meeting will be Wednesday February 28.

For community members wishing to be on the Tyendinaga Mohawk Council agenda, please notify Angela Maracle before Thursday February 22..

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Tyendinaga Mohawk Council
Meeting Nov. 27/2000 MOTION # 62

MOTION #62: To put a notice in the Newsletter that the Tyendinaga Mohawk Council supports Band Businesses.
Carried.



MOHAWK FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Mohawk Firefighters in January responded to 8 calls:

- 2 Motor Vehicle Accidents
- 1 Structure Fire
- 1 False Alarm
- 1 Vehicle Fire
- 1 Furnace Fire
- 1 Medical Assist
- 1 Chimney Fire

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REMARKS OF NATIONAL CHIEF MATTHEW COON COME
AFN CONFEDERACY ASSEMBLY
Ottawa, December 13, 2000

Acknowledge Special Guests – past decisions & directions were made and will continue. Thank you to Chief Lisa Eshkagogan & thank you for the reading material you gave to me.

Acknowledgement and congratulations to recently elected Vice Chiefs, and, introducing all Vice Chiefs.

Wachiya!

It is an honour for me to address you at this Confederacy as the National Chief. I am thankful for the support you have given me.

When I outlined my vision for the future in the First Nations Peoples' agenda, I had promised to do my utmost to bring about positive change to the lives of our people. That was a serious commitment in the face of an awesome responsibility.

Today I am restating my commitment to the First Nations Peoples' agenda, your agenda, our peoples' agenda.

Like many of you, I am a hunter. Like many of you, I am also the product of residential school internment. Like many of you, I have pursued other skills, in post-secondary studies, in sport, and in music, and maybe in my 3 years I may sing a song for you. Like many of you, I have learned many strategies, skills and historical lessons in these areas.

I am also married and I am a parent to 5 children, I have a wife. This has been the most challenging pursuit of all, involving the use of all of my skills as a learner, teacher, hunter / provider, role model, friend and beneficiary.

But let me explain for minute why am I mentioning these things.

Just few days ago, Prime Minister Chrétien announced that he now intends to pursue a social justice agenda, with a focus on aboriginal peoples. On the face of it, this is good news and perhaps even historic. I publicly welcomed the Prime Minister's words, and offered immediately to work with him and his government for the betterment of our peoples' lives, communities and futures.

In this context, let us remind ourselves that our issues are now life and death for many of our peoples, individually and collectively. If we are to finally succeed at this crossroad of history, this is the time that we must carefully apply the skills and lessons we have all learned as hunters; as trappers and bush people as carriers of traditions and customs; as sportsmen and musicians; as students of history, law and politics; as parents; as residential school internees; and as leaders.

Thirty years ago, the infamous 1969 White Paper put forward the assimilation of our peoples as a solution to the "Indian problem" and a noble goal for this country. The paper itself was apparently abandoned. But for the thirty years since then, federal policy has continued down the White Paper path, through the deliberate maintenance of non-viable conditions in over 600 federal towns that are called Indian reserves across this land.

Four years ago, the Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples released its final report after 5 years of work in conjunction with our peoples across the land. The RCAP provided the country with a far reaching work plan for necessary fundamental change in this country.

The RCAP called for an end to the application of discredited policies of termination and extinguishment of our aboriginal rights, and for full and honour and respect for our treaties. The RCAP recommended a meaningful redistribution of lands and resources to the original owners, we as aboriginal peoples. In short, the RCAP report called on the federal government to act, "forcefully, generously, swiftly to assure the economic, cultural and political survival of aboriginal nations in Canada."

Four years later, as noted by the United Nations Human Rights Committee, which is the highest human rights entity in the United Nations machinery, the Royal Commission's inspiration and many recommendations have become a distant memory to Canadians, and a fading memory even for aboriginal peoples.

Just this summer, only weeks ago, we all witnessed in disbelief, and then anger, as federal troops and police in federal boats raided, rammed and terrorized First Nations fishermen on the seas at Burnt Church. For weeks this continued, and why? Because the Supreme Court of Canada had upheld our treaties and the rights they contain, and because this was too much for the government of Canada to stomach or explain to non-native fishermen whom it had licensed to exclude the First Nations fishery.

And I ask, where was the Prime Minister during this time? Why did the Prime Minister do nothing to call off the troops as our peoples' lives were endangered and their livelihood was denied? Who was in a clear position to declare that the 1779 Miramichi Mi'qmaq treaty would be honoured, to call off Her Majesty's troops, to safeguard our indigenous fishers' lives and livelihood, and to uphold the law?

We can only guess why this was not done by Mr Chretien or anyone under his command ... most likely it was because there was an election coming, the government had done its electoral arithmetic, and it needed to demonstrate to the non-aboriginal vote and to the Alliance / Reform party support base that it too can be tough on the Indians.

Mr Chretien has just spoken some very important words regarding our peoples' situation and his new-found desire to address the injustice. It is my intention to take Mr Chretien up on his declaration. I would like to believe he is sincere, and we have to work with him to ensure that all levels of government follow this new direction from the Prime Minister.

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To this end, in the past few months, I have worked with you, with the expert structures within the AFN, with our regional affiliation, and with our many constituent First Nations, to forge an effective long-term strategy to ensure that Mr Chretien's words are not just words.

I know it is very significant that the Prime Minister has now seen fit to talk about fundamental change in Canada for our people. The fact that he did so is the direct result of the work we all us here have begun over the last few months.

Working together, we have carefully and deliberately examined the various areas in which fundamental change, the change you have told me that is so urgently required, must be brought about through a First Nations Peoples' Agenda.

I will continue working with you to develop a coordinated approach to address each of the many issue that concern us, in a clearly articulated long-range strategy. Nothing less will do, because history shows that anything less will not produce the necessary results. Our efforts in these fundamental areas will thus of course continue.

However, the everyday needs of our people must also be met, and we have ensured the continuity of the work that must be done by the AFN in support of your communities and day-to-day issues. The work of the national organization in this regard must and will continue, and be effective.

While I have only mentioned 18 points in my agenda – we with the Vice Chiefs will ensure the mandate are followed up.

But I am here to speak with you today, and I believe that we are meeting here this week, to confirm and affirm the approach of a fundamental First Nations Peoples' Agenda First Nations People Action Plan, First Nation People Issues while ensuring continuity and delivery such as it is of our peoples' existing basic needs.

Most fundamentally, we must now resolve to move courageously and boldly beyond reacting to the federal and provincial governments' agendas, to the basic issue of our right to self determination. Our people are clear on this question, and we must ensure that everything we do as leaders is consistent with this fundamental human right.

Every day we are losing more of the resources of our land, more of our languages, more of our children to self destructive behaviours. The images of our children that fill Canadians' TV screens are not isolated incidents they are commonplace where we live right across this land. Those are our houses and our children. That is what we see when we look out of the window, right across this country.

Our relationship to Canada is oppressive and exploitive of our people and our lives.

Our relationship to Canada must now be reshaped, redefined and rebuilt. Present and future generations are now relying on our prowess, our ability, and our skill at ensuring that we are successful on their behalf.

In the area of lands and resources, the federal government's comprehensive claims process is an injustice and a travesty. The old policy of extinguishment is continuously having its name changed. But it remains in effect just the same. Whether it is now called "certainty", "full and final settlement", "conversion", or (most recently) "Non-Assertion / Fall-Back Release", it is still extinguishment, extinguishment and extinguishment.

Last April the U.N. Human Rights Committee declared that extinguishment in all of its forms is inconsistent with indigenous peoples' fundamental right of self-determination. Yet we know that Cabinet was not informed of this ruling when the latest exotic mutation of the extinguishment policy, "Non Assertion / Fallback Release", was placed in front of it for approval. Will the Prime Minister now instruct his Ministers and officials not to draft any further policy contortions to try to keep extinguishment alive by another name, and to proceed down a path of mutual recognition, sharing, and respectful nation-to-nation economic relations?

The federal specific claims policy is no less unjust, with its arbitrary \$5 million ceiling. This is a five million dollar ceiling against hundreds or millions or billions that was stolen from our people. This is absurd and another injustice. A fully independent claims commission is long overdue, and we must not be distracted from this goal until it is achieved.

Our treaties -- both historic and modern -- were recently declared by the federal government to be building blocks of Confederation. This has been an entirely one-sided structure; in which others took and our peoples gave. Right across this country where treaties exist or are being entered into, their spirit and intent as understood by us is very clear, and we must now implement mechanisms to give them full force and effect and prevent them from being terminated, minimised, redefined or eliminated comprehensively.

You will have a report from the Vice Chiefs;

The AFN must work respectfully and sensitively with the First Nations that are the sole custodians of their own treaty relationships. Only they have authority in regard to their treaty status and rights. On the other hand, the AFN must take all necessary steps at a national level to ensure that the huge imbalance of power between the federal Crown and all individual treaty nations is not exploited by the Crown. In past decades and to the present day, the Crown has exploited this imbalance of power and the terrible conditions facing our peoples, to bring about the surrender, termination and extinguishment of the treaty relationships between our peoples and the Crown.

The AFN must become a political force, a First Nations "force field", to neutralize this imbalance and ensure that the treaties can be protected and effectively asserted by each of

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the treaty nations. Again, the U.N. Human Rights Committee has declared that extinguishment of treaty rights is a violation of international human rights. We must now join together to ensure that the Crown's idea of a "good deal" does not include the surrender, termination or abrogation of our treaty rights.

Our economic and social conditions are, as recently noted by the United Nations Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, a violation of our peoples' fundamental human rights. In housing, sanitation, employment, education, social services, and access to lands and resources, our peoples are forced under duress to accept "frameworks" and "templates" that are inadequate to support human life and community. They are certainly inadequate to enhance self-reliant nationhood.

These conditions are forcing 50% of our people in some cases to leave their communities and people, to go to places that are often harsh and unwelcoming. Our citizens that are already away from their peoples need special representation and assistance, because they are part of us. But the Crown continues to abdicate its responsibilities to our peoples and accelerate the dispersal of our nations. This is the assimilationist design of the 1969 White Paper being implemented through the back door.

Again, the antidote to assimilation of our peoples and the extinction of our nations and cultures has been identified by the United Nations Human Rights Committee. It is that our nations and peoples must be afforded adequate lands and resources and the recognition of our right of self-determination, including with respect to our natural wealth and resources.

In this regard, the position of First Nations peoples with respect to lands and resources have been maintained under numerous resolutions of the Chiefs-in-Assembly and the Confederacy. Many of our long-standing positions have been upheld by decisions from the highest courts of this land including the United Nations. These positions include:

- Aboriginal title cannot be unilaterally extinguished, and its surrender should not be sought;
- Treaty rights secure access to resources for economic activity;
- Such rights cannot be infringed upon without justification and consultation, which under many circumstances means consent;
- International human rights standards with respect to self-determination apply in Canada, to natural wealth and resources and peoples' own means of subsistence;
- The existing poverty and the deplorable social conditions in First Nation communities are directly linked to the denial of these human rights; current federal policies and processes are not intended to address these fundamental issues, and are actually inconsistent with fundamental human rights.

In this Confederacy – you will see in the agenda and the work that is being carried out, that it covers a range of issues.

As National Chief I insist that Canada respect these decisions of its own Supreme Court and those of the international human rights entities to which Canada has adhered.

The fact is that we are nations and peoples, and we have a unique status and rights that inhere in us and that pre-date Euro-Canadian law. Further, as peoples we have certain inalienable and indivisible fundamental human rights.

We must continue to engage all available international forums to ensure that the notion of "human rights" is recognized by States as always including the our right of self-determination, and to achieve equitable access to natural wealth and resources.

Within two weeks of the election for National Chief, I was asked to act as spokesperson on behalf of the indigenous caucus representing the world's indigenous peoples, to argue for the creation of a Permanent Forum for Indigenous Peoples within the United Nations. This is a significant step forward towards international recognition of our status and rights. And while we are involved in the International Forum we are aware of the community & the bread and butter issues that our people face. We will have a report on the International Issues from Vice Chief Ghislain Picard.

Just last week, I attended in Santiago in Chile at the regional consultations that will lead to the U.N. Global Conference on Racism next year. These forums are places for the exercise of our fundamental rights. Our voice is being heard, and with your commitment, will continue to be heard. In Chile, various governments continued their ongoing assault on our status as peoples. This status is fundamental: all governments now know beyond any doubt that this status is connected to our right of self-determination, and that this right is connected to our right to natural wealth and resources. We will be hosting a Hemispheric Summit where we will announce the AFN Economic Development Strategy.

I saw in Santiago that racism and discrimination continues, even within the United Nations machinery.

In April of next year, we will together be hosting an indigenous leaders' Hemispheric Summit in Quebec City as a preview to the Summit of the Americas. The conference will focus on our own definition of self-determination and we will also launch our AFN economic development strategy.

It is imperative that we now take all necessary steps in the short, medium and long term to ensure that we become self-sustaining, self-reliant nations once again. Economic self-sufficiency is the foundation of the right of self-determination, from which all other human rights flow. As chiefs and as leaders, I believe we must take the lead to create the most vibrant indigenous economy in the world – one that is fully integrated in not only local, regional and national economies, but in global economic activity as well. We must utilize our own leadership, institutions, skills and economic expertise of our people to

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remove impediments and to forge thriving economic relationships with governments, the private sector and international investors.

And beyond this, we must begin to look past the resource-based economy to the new knowledge economy of the 21st century. Our economies based on trees, minerals, animals and fish are the cornerstones of our cultures, and for many, are the continuing foundation of our own economic activity. Yet we must also take steps to move to an economy based on trade in ideas, we must develop in our youth the skills and knowledge that will allow them to sustain themselves and their families in the coming years in the economies of their choice.

Education is the great weapon of the new century. However, the Department of Indian Affairs has not changed its policies or programs or kept current with the increasing costs of higher education for many years. This has resulted in fewer numbers of First Nations students being funded, students facing undue financial hardships, and increasing numbers of applicants being placed on waiting lists. There is a double standard when the federal government fails to provide First Nations with equitable and comparable funding for educational services that are provided to non-aboriginal Canadians. At this time, provinces have Special Education policies and receive funding for students with special education needs while First Nations do not. It has been estimated that over 9,000 First Nations Post Secondary applicants were unable to access funding this fiscal period. And we will see the Vice Chief give a report on this as well.

We have been of beneficial access to much of our lands and resources. The fundamental reality is that our social, political and economic survival depends on regaining benefit, jurisdiction and control over those lands and resources. Without this, we cannot survive as nations. We must regain control over our lands and resources as a means of regaining control over our present and future lives. We must now develop and commit ourselves in unity to effect, long-term strategies, to regain our human rights.

Without an adequate land and a resource base to guarantee a degree of autonomy and self-determination, our nations cannot grow and prosper, and in the words of RCAP, are being taken to the edge of political and cultural extinction.

I have articulated an Agenda for Change based on the vision you have supported last summer, based on mandates & resolutions of the Confederacy and with your endorsement will now proceed to its elaboration and full implementation. These are urgent times in most First Nations communities, and if we are to survive and thrive as peoples, we must now commit ourselves without hesitation to bringing about social justice in this country.

But, is this the "social justice" envisioned by Prime Minister Chretien? Actually, this is in our control. Prime Minister Chretien has uttered these words. However, our experience tells us that others will interfere to try to stop him. In the end, the power is ours, it will require First Nations to show courage, unity of purpose, focus and spiritual strength to bring this change about until our essential goals are achieved.

We will have to be very proactive in our thinking and our actions and Chiefs, our political movement, I still see it, it is young. For many years, it has mirrored the structures and assumptions of the dominant society. Where this has been useful, it should be maintained and strengthened. But where it has caused our peoples to be divided, unrepresented, and forced to stand isolated and alone opposite the federal Crown, this is unacceptable.

As a former Grand Chief of the Grand Council of the Crees in Eeyou Istchee, I was elected directly by Eenouch, the James Bay Cree People. Governments knew that the voice of Eenouch was legitimate, accountable, representative and true.

Our national political movement must be consistent with the full exercise of the fundamental right of self-determination. We did not design the system of the micromanagement of our peoples, it was imposed to disaggregate and conquer us.

We can no longer avoid this debate and continue avoid taking the necessary courageous steps to put aside the harmful legacies of British and French colonial designs. These legacies keep us divided, isolated, weakened and dependent.

We had political structure, we must strengthen them.

Our political movement must also now move away from the politics of blame -- blame of other governments, blame of other First Nations peoples, blame on circumstances beyond our reach. We have no time to repeat the old AFN pattern of internal bickering and disunity. We cannot afford to fight each other while fighting for our fundamental human rights. We can disagree, but we disagree in order to improve the role of the National Chief.

When I became National Chief, I pledged to do my utmost to return the voice of First Nations Peoples to the national political, economic and constitutional stage. The time is come: the voice that must now be heard above all other political noise in the land is the voice of First Nations peoples themselves. I know I cannot do it alone, I need your help and the Vice Chiefs have secured their support.

No other voice will be able to ensure that Prime Minister Chretien's words concerning social justice are urgently heeded by all Canadians, all political parties, all provincial governments, and all corporations and multinationals.

The Assembly of First Nations is at a crossroads. It can remain a talented, resourceful, but ultimately less-than-powerful policy and resource organization and clearing-house. Or, it can become a powerful, effective political voice for the future, an urgent and irresistible voice for a meaningful livelihood and a place in the sun for every First Nation people in this land.

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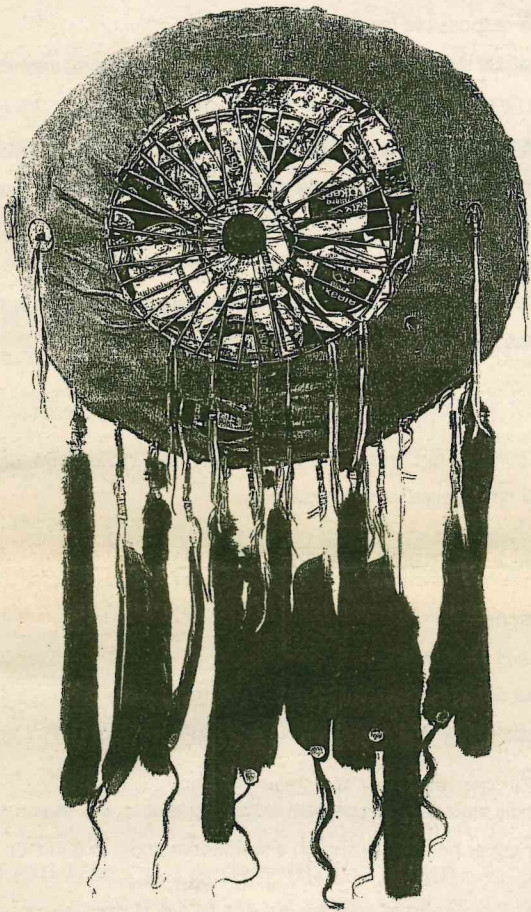
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Without exception, everywhere I have been in the last few months, you have asked me to intervene urgently to ensure that your critically needed local agenda items for change are attended to. I agree with you, I've raised these issues with my Chiefs Committees. This is what is required. We, and the people we represent, need an National Organization that is constituted so that it is can do begin to do what you are all asking me, and the AFN, to do.

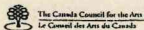
I look forward to change. Let the change begin. Meegwetch. Thank you.

RON NOGANOSH: It Takes Time



JANUARY 14 – MARCH 2, 2001

WOODLAND CULTURAL CENTRE
184 MOHAWK ST. BRANTFORD, ON



LANDFILL HOURS

Monday - CLOSED
Tuesday - 1:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.
Wednesday - CLOSED
Thursday - 1:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.
Friday - CLOSED
Saturday - 8:30 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.
Sunday - 9:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

NOTICE TO COMMUNITY MEMBERS

RE: Woodland Cultural Board of Directors
Representative for the Tyendinaga Mohawk Territory

The Representative would be responsible for the duties and the added duty of professionally representing the needs of our Community.

Interested individuals should submit their resume to the:

Tyendinaga Mohawk Council
Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte
R.R. # 1
Tyendinaga Territory, On.
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Niawen your cop-operation is appreciated.

Tyendinaga Mohawk Council

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Creativity is what every individual brings to an organization. Therefore, it is important to help people to learn and use their creativity in a collective way. Working as a collective means that people come together and share ideas and thoughts while sitting in a circle. These thoughts and ideas are combined in a collective force.

If you can create, you can empower and give direction to the organization on program development and delivery, and any other issues which need to be addressed.

The magic of organization is simply the ability to integrate your individual thinking with the collective thinking of others in the organization. This ability to think at a level which is greater than any personal scripts or negative baggage that we may also carry and bring to the organization is called creativity. When a person is operating from their creativity, they are operating from a spiritual ability to solve any problem.

One of the keys to working in an organization is the ability to facilitate the thinking and feelings that people have around certain issues. Facilitating thinking and feeling means that you are encouraging people to speak and to share their ideas and feelings which may cloud the creativity they need to overcome issues, invent solutions and create new plans, options and directions. When facilitating thinking, you simply listen to what everyone is saying, show them on a flip chart the ideas that they have expressed and then look for the common threads and ideas on which to build.

The following statements are provided as descriptions of what is expected of individuals who volunteer as a Director on the Board of the Woodland Cultural Centre.

1. The ability to portray the needs and aspirations of your community in a clear and concise fashion;
2. To be able to identify community cultural needs through dialogue with councillors, teachers, elders and children;
3. The capabilities of leadership and communication;
4. Ability to operate both technically and administratively;
5. Ability to make good business decisions;
6. Ability to work towards common goals as part of a team;
7. Having some experience in fundraising;
8. Must have a commitment to leadership and active participation, and promote culture and language within your community;
9. Liaise with other first nations and governments to promote our mission and goals, seek and encourage participation of communities and the general public;
10. Able to take risks in the advocacy of positive affirmation of First Nation cultures;
11. Be able to promote knowledge and self-confidence in their work with the Woodland Cultural Centre;
12. It is also recommended that individuals take turns chairing meetings where they can practise facilitating the thinking (thoughts and ideas) and feelings of people who make-up the organization.

ADMINISTRATION

WATER & SEWER CONNECTION POLICY

AUTHORITY PREAMBLE MCR #

Whereas, the Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte have signed an agreement with the Town of Deseronto for water and sewer servicing; and

Whereas, the agreement has defined allocations for both water and sewer services; and

Whereas, it is desirous to monitor development to ensure conformance to the defined allocations; and

Whereas, it is desirous to maintain conformity throughout the water and sewer system

Therefore Let it be resolved that Tyendinaga Mohawk Council hereby formally accepts the Water and Sewer Connection Policy dated December 7, 2000

BCR # 348, DATED DECEMBER 7, 1983

As per request of Regional Office, Department of Indian Affairs, this Band Council hereby amends B.C.R. #60, dated June 24, 1980 to read as follows:

We also establish the underlisted user rates to operate and maintain the system:

Water	-	flat rate \$85.00 per year
Sewage	-	flat rate \$65.00 per year

All other statements are to remain the same.

Carried.

Earl R. Hill
Chief

Willard Brant
Councillor

Charles Maracle
Councillor

Donald Maracle
Councillor

2.

INTRODUCTION

The following outlines the procedures and materials for our community members to utilize for connection to to water and sewer services on the Tyendinaga Mohawk Territory.

3.

APPLICANT REQUIREMENTS

- Applicant must be a status member of the Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte.
- Applicant must be holder of a certificate of possession for the property requiring servicing.
- The lot identified must be a minimum 6500 sq ft (600sq m) with a minimum road frontage of 65 ft (13m) in accordance to the Guidelines Established by the Tyendinaga Mohawk Council for the Construction of New Homes.

4.

MAKING APPLICATION

Before authorization from Council for connection to proceed the following is required for approval:

- The applicant must notify the Technical Department of their intent to connect to services.
- The applicant must obtain and complete the Lateral Sewer Connection Permit for Tyendinaga Mohawk Council. The applicant shall remit the \$25.00 administration fee.
- The applicant must provide a sketch outlining the proposed connection, including materials.(eg, size and type of pipe for both water and sewer)
- Construction should not proceed before approval.

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UPON APPLICANT APPROVAL

- The applicant may proceed with installing services.
- The installation must be inspected by a Council representative before backfilling.
- The applicant shall give 48 hours inspection notification to the Technical Department to properly facilitate inspection.

6.

WATER SERVICE SPECIFICATIONS

Serviced Lot:

- Pipe sizes to be confirmed with Technical Department
- 160 psi poly water service pipe approved for potable municipal water supplies.
- Polyethylene services must have stainless steel inserts to compression fittings
- Services must be a minimum 5'6" below grade or in the event of shallow installation 2" rigid insulation may be utilized.

Water Meters:

- Applicant will be provided with water meter and remote head
- Applicant shall be responsible for the installation costs
- Remote head shall be installed in location easily accessible for maintenance

Non-serviced Lots:

- Applicant shall utilize Muller roto-Seal type or equivalent curb stops c/w compression fittings and curb valve box installed to allow access above grade.
- Piping material shall conform to specifications identified for serviced lots
- Main stops are required for all non-serviced lots requiring connection to the existing main.
- Main saddles shall be utilized for connection to all water mains.

Water Main:

- Watermain shall conform to Class 150 PVC, SDR 18-C900 Class 150, Blue Brute
- Tracing wire shall be installed where necessary.

7.0

SEWER SERVICE SPECIFICATIONS

- All sewer installations shall utilize PVC DR35 or 28 only.
 - No 90 degree bends only sweeps shall be utilized.
- Note: Sweeps are the only fittings that will take sewer rod
- All sewer connections shall have a clean out at the property line with Y and 45 degree sweep and threaded cap.
 - Bedding and backfill material shall be compacted stonedust, 5/8 crush or sand. A minimum one foot thickness for cover before utilizing on site material and 6 to 8 inches for bedding.

8.0

INSPECTION REPORTS

The following inspection report sheet shall be utilized to document all installations:

WATER & SEWER CONNECTION INSPECTION REPORT
(Please Print)

Date _____
Location _____
(Lot No. / House No. / Street Name)
Home Owner _____
Contractor _____
Inspector _____
Signature _____
Permits, Road Cut, Etc. _____

Materials:
☐ Serviced Vacant Lot OR ☐ New Service Hook Up

1. Type of Pipe Used _____ # of Couplings _____
Size _____
2. Type of Watermain _____ Saddle ☐ Yes ☐ No
Size _____
3. Main Stop _____ Curb Stop _____
4. Anode Type _____ Weight _____
5. Depth of Service _____ Length of Service _____
6. Backfill Material _____ Ft of Cover _____
Insulated ☐ Yes ☐ No Type _____
7. Test for Leaks ☐ Yes ☐ No
Sewer Connections
Size of Pipe _____
Type of Pipe Used _____
90° Sweep Bend Clean Out ☐ Yes ☐ No
Adequate Slop on Service ☐ Yes ☐ No
Test existing Service ☐ Yes ☐ No

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ADMINISTRATION

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Tyendinaga Mohawk Council Policy for the Water & Sewer Connection

MOHAWKS OF THE BAY OF QUINTE

R.R. #1, Tyendinaga Mohawk Territory, Ontario K0K 1X0
Phone: (613) 396-3424 Fax: (613) 396-3627

LATERAL SEWER CONNECTION PERMIT

Date _____
Last Name _____
First Name _____
Middle Name _____
Contractor _____
Lot, Concession, Parcel _____
DESCRIBE PRESENT STRUCTURE WATER & SEWER TO BE CONNECTED TO:
Office/Business _____ # of Employees _____
Private Residence _____ Cottage _____
Square Footage _____
Describe the condition of this dwelling
Excellent Condition _____ Slab on Grade _____
Fair Condition _____ Crawl Space _____
Poor Condition _____ Basement _____
DATE CONSTRUCTION TO BE DONE _____
NAME OF CONTRACTOR _____
ADDRESS OF CONTRACTOR _____
DESCRIBE TYPE OF WASTE
Private _____ Chemical _____
Water _____ Other _____
Describe Other _____
OFFICE USE ONLY
Fee of \$25.00 is to be collected at time of issuing permit.
Cash _____ Cheque _____
Name _____
Signature _____
Date of Inspection & Approval _____
Name of Authorizing Personnel _____
Signature of Authorizing Personnel _____

Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte

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9.0

NON CONFORMANCE

- a. All installations must pass final inspection according to the specifications identified in this policy.
b. Water will not be activated until the materials and workmanship conforms to standards.
c. The applicant shall be responsible for all re-mediation costs.

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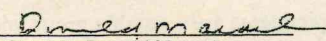
ANNUAL FEES


- a. The annual rate for water consumption \$85.00 per year
b. The annual rate for sewer usage \$65.00 per year
c. The commercial rate shall be based upon actual consumption as read from the water meter multiplied by the rate per cu. m levied by the Town of Deseronto for water in the current month.


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ACCEPTANCE

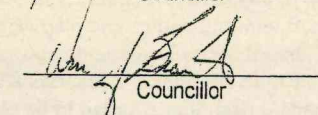
Duly accepted by a quorum of the Tyendinaga Mohawk Council this 20th day of December, 2000.


Chief R. Donald Maracle


Councillor


Councillor


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Councillor

Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte

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115 Green, Phyllis
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132 Hill, Bev
123 Kohoko, Molly
118 Kring, Todd
122 Lewis, Mike
107 Loft, Darlene
120 Scero, Carole
121 Maracle, Angela
105 Maracle, Chris
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PRESS RELEASE

NATIONAL ABORIGINAL ACHIEVEMENT FOUNDATION



For Immediate Release
Toronto
January 24, 2001

WINNERS ANNOUNCED 2001 NATIONAL ABORIGINAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

This year's National Aboriginal Achievement Award winners include award winning playwright and author Tomson Highway, Inuit filmmaker Zacharias Kunuk, the first status Indian to be elected to the House of Commons the Hon. Leonard Marchand, Alberta guitar playing physician Dr. Lindsay Crowshoe, and political leader Harold Cardinal.

The National Aboriginal Achievement Foundation is pleased to announce the winners of the 2001 National Aboriginal Achievement Awards. The winners will be honoured at a gala evening on Friday, March 16th, 2001 in Edmonton at the Northern Alberta Jubilee Auditorium and later televised by the CBC as a national network special.

The awards were created by Mohawk conductor and composer John Kim Bell in 1994 to provide recognition for the outstanding career achievements by professionals of First Nations, Métis and Inuit ancestry.

"These awards generate tremendous pride all across Canada for all Aboriginal people and express the tremendous talent and skill which resides in the Aboriginal community. The awards are also Canada's most positive and significant effort to dispel stereotypes, provide role models to Aboriginal youth, and promote greater harmony between Aboriginal people and Canadians," said John Kim Bell, the Founder, President, and Executive Producer of the National Aboriginal Achievement Awards.

The 2001 National Aboriginal Achievement Award recipients are a notable group and include:

- Saskatchewan based educator and curriculum developer Dr. Freda Ahenakew (Hon.);
- Nunavut elder and carver Mariano Aupilardjuk;
- Toronto based independent film and television producer Roman Bittman;
- This year's lifetime achievement award recipient, Alberta Cree political leader and activist Dr. Harold Cardinal (Hon.);
- Alberta physician Dr. Lindsay Crowshoe;
- Award winning author and playwright Tomson Highway;
- B.C. based Métis leader and negotiator Fred House;
- Noted Inuit filmmaker Zacharias Kunuk;
- Canada's first Status Indian to be elected to the House of Commons, the Honourable Leonard Marchand;
- The Northwest Territories' first Aboriginal to serve as Government Leader and Speaker of the House, Richard Nerysoo;
- Alberta born, University of California medical school student and this year's youth recipient Lance Relland;
- Former Northwest Territories Government Leader and current Canadian Senator Nicholas Sibbeston;
- British Columbia based environmentalist Mary Thomas;
- Vancouver based entrepreneur Dolly Watts.

This year's gala awards evening will be co-hosted by two of Canada's finest athletes – Ted Nolan and Waneek Horn-Miller, both previous NAAA recipients. Waneek is best known for appearing naked on the cover of Time Magazine and for co-captaining the Canadian Women's National Water Polo Team at the Sydney Olympics. Ted Nolan is known to hockey enthusiasts for his on the ice and behind the bench achievements – a player with the Pittsburgh Penguins and the Detroit Red Wings, he was later named NHL Coach of the Year for his work with the Buffalo Sabres.

The evening will feature performances by Canada's top Aboriginal performing artists including, singing sensations Krystle Pederson and Lorre Church who will perform against a colossal cosmic set designed by John Kim Bell. Interspersed between the performances, the glittering evening will feature video vignettes of the lives and accomplishments of this year's fourteen achievers.

The National Aboriginal Achievement Awards are generously supported by: Indian and Northern Affairs Canada; CIBC; CBC, Air Canada; BP Amoco Canada Petroleum Company; Cancom; Placer Dome; Suncor Energy Foundation; Shell Canada Limited; TransCanada Transmission; and Weyerhaeuser. Public sector supporters include: Canadian Heritage; Health Canada; Human Resources Development Canada; Industry Canada through Aboriginal Business Canada; Agriculture and Agri-food Canada; Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation; Canadian Armed Forces; Canadian Museum of Civilization; Department of Justice Canada; Environment Canada; Fisheries and Oceans, Foreign Affairs; Natural Resources Canada; Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada; Solicitor General Canada; Western Economic Diversification Canada; the City of Edmonton and the Province of Alberta.

The National Aboriginal Achievement Awards are produced by the National Aboriginal Achievement Foundation, Canada's leading Aboriginal charity dedicated to providing financial assistance to Aboriginal students for post-secondary education. Since 1985 the Foundation has awarded over \$10 million in scholarships to deserving students across the country.

Photos and biographies of the award recipients are available at our website: naaf.ca

For further information, contact Judy Tobe, Director of Public Affairs at 416-926-0775.

Fernwood Books Ltd

We Were Not the Savages

*A Mi'kmaq Perspective on the Collision between
European and Native American Civilizations
New Twenty-First-Century Edition*

by Daniel N. Paul

For immediate release
January 22, 2001

"Brother...listen to what we say. There was a time when our forefathers owned this great island. Their seats extended from the rising to the setting sun. The Great Spirit had made it for the use of Indians.... But an evil day came upon us. Your forefathers crossed the great water and landed on this island... We gave them corn and meat; they gave us poison in return." (Chief Red Jacket, quoted in *We Were Not the Savages*)

In his 21st Century update of *We Were Not the Savages*, Daniel N. Paul re-examines historical records to expose shocking new information about the confrontations between Amerindian and European civilizations, and casts serious doubts on early military and political figures whom society has honoured as heroes. This book brings us face to face with the question of who the savages really were when Europeans invaded the Americas. Paul's exposure of continuing injustices challenges the image most of us hold of Canada as a fair and compassionate country.

From his perspective as a Mi'kmaq, Paul provides a narrative of how his democratic and peaceful people were brought to the edge of extinction by a greedy, brutal and arrogant enemy. It also chronicles the many abuses the First Nations people have suffered under the misadministration of Canada's Indian Act, and explores the complex challenges they now face in their relationships with non-Native Society.

One of the few books on the subject by a First Nation person, *We Were Not the Savages* bares the truth about idolized historical figures, and questions the civility of a society that would honour individuals who promoted the extermination of an entire race of people.

Finally, Paul details how a people can persevere and manage to survive in the face of a four-hundred-year effort by another civilization to exterminate them.

When will Canada and the United States begin paying reparations to the Mi'kmaqs and other Tribes for what we have done to them over the centuries? Daniel Paul makes a convincing case that the time has come!

We Were Not the Savages is a fact-filled read that will make many [North] Americans of European descent very uncomfortable. I recommend it with enthusiasm.

Thomas H. Naylor
Duke University



ASSEMBLY OF FIRST NATIONS BULLETIN

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January 26, 2001

NATIONAL CHIEF MATTHEW COON COME DISAPPOINTED WITH FINAL TEXT OF PRESIDENTIAL MEMORANDUM

National Chief Matthew Coon Come expressed disappointment today with the text of a "presidential memorandum" on the aboriginal right of self-determination issued in the last hours of the Clinton presidency.

The memorandum, which was being promoted by American officials as a "breakthrough" by the United States in the recognition of the international human rights of aboriginal peoples, was in fact a reiteration of old US positions which do not fully recognize the internationally recognized rights of aboriginal peoples.

"I am extremely disappointed with the US position. It discriminates against the internationally recognized rights of the world's indigenous peoples. It fails to respect the universality and indivisibility of all human rights, including the rights of indigenous peoples", said the National Chief. "The US is applying a discriminatory double-standard based on race to deny the full recognition of the right of self-determination to indigenous peoples".

The presidential memorandum approves the recognition of the aboriginal peoples as "peoples", but denies that they may benefit from recognition of the rights that apply to all other peoples. The US position is inconsistent with recent decisions of the UN Human Rights Committee, which recognized that indigenous peoples are entitled to all of the rights contained in the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, including the right of self-determination.

"The US portrays itself internationally as a defender of human rights. Yet its discriminatory application of human rights standards raises serious questions about US human rights policy. I certainly hope that the new administration of President Bush will carefully re-examine and revise US policy on the rights of indigenous peoples to make it consistent with existing international law," said the National Chief.

The AFN will be working with the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI), its counterpart in the US, and with other aboriginal organizations and leaders to effect change in the US position. US policy on aboriginal rights has held up UN approval of new human rights standards to protect the world's aboriginal peoples from human rights abuses.

For more information, contact Jean LaRose at (613) 241-6789, ext. 251 (jlarose@afn.ca) or by cell at (613) 795-9664 or Cara Currie at (613) 241-6789, ext. 253.

EDUCATION



EDUCATION
Report January 2001

The January meeting of Hastings and Prince Edward District School Board (HPEDSB) highlighted cooperation between schools and the community. Trustees heard a presentation on the Food for Learning Program and passed a policy implementing new guidelines for reporting child abuse.

The Food for Learning is a nutrition program that operates in 31 schools in HPEDSB. The Board sponsors the program because it recognizes that good nutrition is necessary for successful learning. In elementary schools the program offers breakfast programs combined with reading or homework groups and recess snack baskets available to any student. In secondary schools where Beaver foods operates cafeterias, the nutrition program supplies "Beaver Bucks" which students with an identified need can use to purchase a muffin and juice or milk. The program is run with voluntary help from school staff and students, parents, school volunteers, church groups and senior citizen groups. In recognition of the community partnerships that have been established the Canadian Living Foundation awarded a grant to HPEDSB to support the costs of a program coordinator for a two year period.

The new policy on reporting child abuse updates existing policies in response to changes in the Child and Family Services Act. The new policy was drawn up with the cooperation of HPEDSB, the Catholic District School Board and other educational bodies including Quinte Mohawk School, and local Children's Aid Societies.

The changes in the Child and Family Services Act (CFSA) expand the types of situations which must be reported, makes the teacher or other staff member directly responsible for reporting, and establishes regulations for the follow-up required by law.

A child, for purposes of CFSA, is someone under the age of 16 years. For over a decade, all members of the community, including teachers, have had a responsibility to report to child welfare authorities any evidence they see of physical or sexual abuse. Now, any professional or official who *suspects* that a child is neglected or abused, and fails to report it, if convicted faces a fine of up to \$1000. Emotional abuse has now been added to physical and sexual aspects of abuse. There is a checklist of behaviours that may indicate that the emotional or physical health of a child is being neglected or violated.

Teachers will be trained to recognize what the CFSA means when it requires professionals to report "what an average person, given his or her training, exercising normal and honest judgement, would suspect". The teacher is directly responsible. He or she cannot just refer a concern to the principal.

The Children's Aid Society is likewise required to follow procedures. CAS has a checklist to place the report in one of three categories: 1) Inquiry where consultation with the school does not require follow-up; 2) Report Received, Not Investigated, where the concerns fall below the level requiring investigation; and 3) Report Received; Investigation Required. Follow-up will be done by CAS within time frames required by law and rules of confidentiality will apply.

Families who have questions about the implementation of these new procedures should contact Mohawk Child and Family Services for clarification. An information guide was released at the January 22 Board meeting. The role of our own agency in these situations was not addressed in HPEDSB discussions.

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Both the nutrition program and the child abuse reporting protocol require awareness, participation, and shared responsibility throughout the community to secure the best interests of our children.

Skennen kowa, Great Peace to you,

Marlene Brant Castellano
HPEDSB Trustee for the Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte



You're
Invited to
attend



Tyendinaga
Post Secondary Education
and
Career Fair

Wednesday, February 21/01
10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Tyendinaga Mohawk
Community Centre

For more information contact:

Patti General/ Sandy Maracle:

Post Secondary Administration Office - 396-3424

Paul Latchford:

Loyalist College Aboriginal Resource Centre - 969-1913 ext 2250

Matt Sager:

F.N.A.S. Aboriginal Counsellor - 396-3100

Mike Brant/Bill Maracle:

Moir Secondary School Counsellors - 962-2149

Post Secondary Institutions invited:

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Trent University
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University of Toronto
University of Ottawa
Queen's University:
Aboriginal Teacher
Education Program
Queens University:
Four Directions
Aboriginal Student Centre

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Ryerson Polytechnic
Georgian College
St. Lawrence College
St. Clair College
Sault College
Algonquin College
F.N.T.I - Aviation
Loyalist College
University of Western Ontario
Brock University

EDUCATION & POLICE

Ohahase Literacy Program

Start Date: February 12, 2001

Ohahase & FNTI will be hiring a Literacy Coordinator to develop Personalized Education Plans for people who may have trouble or would like to sharpen their skills with reading, writing or math.

If you have any questions please feel free to call Jan Hill or Cheryle Maracle @ 396-2122

Ohahase Adult Education

If you or someone you know would like to achieve an Ontario Secondary School Diploma, give Jan Hill or Cheryle Maracle a call at FNTI at 396-2122. To date we have 172 registered students and offer a variety of courses at basic, general, advanced and O.A.C. levels.

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POLICE PAGE UNSOLVED CRIMES!

Tyendinaga Police Crime Report

Sometime in the past month a residence on Lower Slash Road has been entered on at least two occasions and items have been taken. The most recent incident occurred on the 19th January. The first occasion, believed to have occurred sometime around the 16th of December, 2000, was discovered when the resident returned home after being away for the day and finding a jewelry box on the floor of the bedroom and six rings missing. One of the rings is valued at approximately \$1,500. This past Friday, it was discovered that a Nintendo 64 game console was missing from one of the bedrooms, and a couple of days later a computer hard-drive was noticed to be missing. Approximate total value of the thefts is \$2,610.

At approximately 10:45 p.m., on January 22, 2001, the Village Gas Bar in Shannonville was held up by a lone male. The male, who was armed with a knife, entered the kiosk, struck the gas bar attendant, and left with an unknown amount of money. The only description of suspect is that he was wearing black. It is believed a motor vehicle was involved, however there was no description or direction of travel.

On January 18th 2001, approximately 6:06 a.m., a 2001 Suzuki 300 King Quad 4X4 all terrain vehicle was reported stolen from a residence on Cedar Glenn road, Tyendinaga Territory. It is believed a lone person pushed the A.T.V. from the rear of his residence, out his driveway, onto the road, where there was a second person.

The Tyendinaga Police are asking for the publics assistance in solving the above mentioned crimes. Anyone with information is asked to call the Tyendinaga Police at 967-3888, or Crimestoppers at 1-800-222-8477.

Deadline date for the next newsletter is
February 26 at
noon
396-3424

RED CEDARS

The Problem of Physical Abuse in Pregnancy

Abuse Is Common in Pregnancy

Numerous studies report from 15% to 25% of pregnant women are physically and sexually abused. At least one woman in six is abused during pregnancy.

As unbelievable as it seems, physical abuse is one of the most common causes of complications during pregnancy.

Some of the pregnancy complications from abuse include:

- Miscarriages
- Stillbirths
- Fetal fractures
- Low birthweight
- Early deliveries

In April of 1997 experts with the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists told doctors that up to one-quarter of pregnant women are physically abused. They also said the abuse harms not only the women but often the babies as well.

Abuse affects women of all ages and from all socio-economic backgrounds. The group of women who are most at risk, however, are those who have been physically abused before.

The fact that the woman is pregnant is a risk factor for abuse in itself. In fact, Judith McFarlane, a professor in the department of nursing of Texas Woman's University says that abuse is one of the most common problems in pregnancy.

Even when help is available, however, many abused women never seek help because:

- They are rarely allowed to leave the house and then usually only in a controlled situation.
- They may not have the money, the means of transportation, or both.
- They may be too frightened or ashamed to confront this situation

According to Eli Newberger in the Journal of the American Medical Association, physical and sexual abuse of pregnant women can cause several adverse birth outcomes such as fetal fracture, infection, and rupture of the mother's uterus. Intensifying chronic illnesses of the mother may have adverse effects on the fetus as well. Intermediate risks from abuse are elevated stress, isolation leading to inadequate nutrition. Maternal psychological stress has been associated with depression, and stress and/or depression may have direct or indirect effects on the fetus.

Elizabeth Sussman of Penn State University said "Biology responds to the environment," she said. "A child will experience stress in a bad situation, and these stressors will affect the child's hormones. An abused pregnant woman's stressors will influence hormones present during pregnancy, affecting the woman and the unborn child. If we can intervene to prevent these stressors, we could reduce the changes in the individuals as well as their children."

Dr. Ronald Chez of the University of South Florida, Tampa, said some women may get inadequate prenatal care because the men who abuse them forbid them to go to appointments.

Dr. M. Allen of NYU Medical Center reported the stress of abuse may hinder women's efforts to eat right or give up cigarettes, alcohol or drugs.

Help for Abuse During Pregnancy

Abuse of a woman by her husband or boyfriend is a widespread health problem. Physical attacks occur in all types of families. Pregnancy often increases emotional stress for both parents. Violence often begins or increases during pregnancy.

The results of physical abuse are serious. Over one third of women who are murdered are killed by their husbands or boyfriends. Physical abuse during pregnancy also puts the unborn baby in danger. The fear of harm to her unborn child will often motivate a woman to get out of an abusive relationship.

What is abuse?

Abuse may be mental, physical, or sexual. Mental abuse includes:

- promising or threatening to hit you
- forcing you to perform degrading or humiliating acts
- threatening to harm your other children, a baby sitter, or companion of your children
- attacking or destroying your pets or valued things
- controlling your life so much that you are uncomfortable.

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Physical abuse includes:

- grabbing you so hard that it leaves red marks or bruises on your body
- throwing things at you
- pushing or shoving, especially if the abuser says he pushes or shoves you to "protect himself" from your attacks or to make you "shut up"
- hitting, slapping, kicking, choking, punching, or slamming you against things, or beating you up
- attacking you with a knife, gun, rope, or electrical cord.

Sexual abuse includes:

- forcing you to have vaginal, oral, or anal intercourse against your will
- biting you on the breasts or in the genital area
- shoving things into your vagina
- making you do sexual acts with other people or animals.

During pregnancy, your abusive partner may direct his blows at your breasts and belly. Dangers to the unborn baby include:

- poor prenatal care if you avoid seeing your health care provider because you are afraid he or she will find out about your abuse
- miscarriage
- low birth weight
- premature birth
- stillbirth (death of the baby before it is born)
- bleeding from the vagina.

How can I protect myself and my baby?

Are you in danger of being abused? Ask yourself the following questions:

- Within the last year, have you been hit, slapped, kicked, or physically hurt by your partner?
- Within the last year, has your partner forced you to have sexual activities or intercourse against your will?

If you answer "yes" to either of these questions, it is highly likely that you are being abused and also likely that it will occur again.

Admit being abused. If you are in an abusive relationship, it is important to admit that you are being abused. Remember that you have the right to feel safe from harm, especially in your own home. Tell someone about your abuse so you can call the person if you need to leave a dangerous situation quickly. You could tell a doctor, nurse, counsellor, social worker, a close friend, family member, or contact a shelter for abused women.

Learn the warning signs. Learn to spot signs of impending anger so you can get out of a violent incident before it occurs. Warning signs often include:

- an increase in your partner's ability to get (or an increase in threats to use) a weapon, especially a gun
- violent threats or acts to children, other family members, or household pets
- forced sexual acts
- a decrease in your partner's sense of guilt after he abuses you.

Plan an emergency exit. Know the numbers you can call and the places you can go in your community for help if you are abused, such as:

- police department
- crisis hotlines (Red Cedars 967-8212 or 1-800-672-9515)
- shelters for battered women and children
- rape crisis centers
- legal aid services
- hospital emergency rooms

More than half of the men who abuse their wives or female partners also abuse their children. If you feel you or your children are in danger from your male partner, pack a suitcase to store with a friend or neighbour. Your suitcase should include:

- a change of clothing for you and your children
- toilet articles
- an extra set of keys to the house and car.

Keep the following things in an easy-to-find but safe place so you can take them with you if you need to leave suddenly:

- prescription medicine needed by you or your children
- ID's such as birth certificates, Social Insurance Numbers, and driver's license
- extra cash, your checkbook, savings account book, and credit cards
- medical and financial records, such as mortgage or rent receipts and the title to the car
- a toy or book for each child.

Plan exactly where you will go and how to get there at any time of day. Explain to the person you have confided in that you may have to show up suddenly in case of an emergency.

During an emergency, call the police or 911. Keep calling if no police officer or other official respond immediately. During an attack, leave the house immediately and take your children with you. As soon as possible, report the attack to the police.

Call your doctor or go to the emergency room if you are hurt. Give your doctor or emergency room staff complete information about how you were injured. Ask for a copy of your medical record. You may wish to file charges.

If you are experiencing abuse please call Red Cedars Shelter at 967-8212

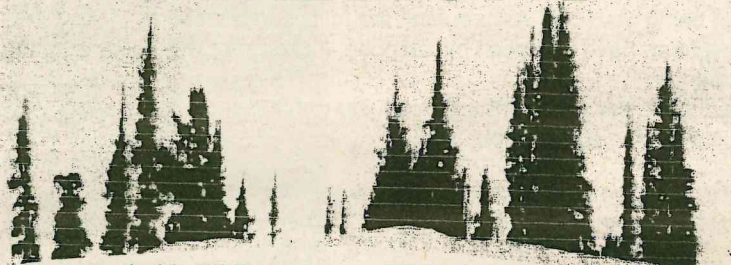
RED CEDARS & EMPLOYMENT

Shekon:

I have been given a new opportunity to grow and learn. As of January 3, 2001, I am working as the Traditional Practitioner's Helper. I want to say *nia:wen* for the chance to again contribute to my community in a different capacity. I have grown and learned so much in the last four and half years as the Assistant Manager at Red Cedars Shelter and I am very grateful to have been a part of this worthwhile program. I look forward to this new challenge and to working with the Traditional Practitioners, Banakonda Bell and Diane Hill.

Nia:wen,
Betty Carr-Braint

MOON CEREMONY



All Women Welcome!

WHERE: RED CEDARS
WHEN: Feb. 8, 2001 @ 7:00
Please wear a dress/skirt and
bring tobacco and water if possible.
Call for more information: 967-2003
POTLUCK MEAL SHARING

News Release Communiqué

NATIONAL ROUND TABLE EXAMINING FIRST NATIONS VETERANS ISSUES

OTTAWA, ONTARIO (January 25, 2001) – Representatives of First Nations veterans and the Government of Canada met in Montreal last week to continue their fact-finding work to address issues raised by First Nations Veterans about the way they and their dependants were treated during and after the Second World War and the Korean War. This working group meeting was part of the ongoing Treaty and Status First Nations Veterans National Round Table, which was officially launched on November 10, 2000.

First Nations people, Treaty and Status Indians, whose participation rates in both World Wars was very high, continue to question whether they received equal benefits to other Canadian Veterans after the wars. The National Round Table is a collaborative effort of First Nations Veterans and the federal government to gather information about the treatment of First Nations Veterans after the wars and subsequently make recommendations on appropriate action.

Information is now being gathered to determine, to the extent possible, the number of living First Nations Veterans, surviving spouses and widows. Preliminary research indicates that there were approximately 4,000 First Nations Veterans who participated in the Second World War and Korean War. Research is also being conducted on the demobilization and Dependents Allowance benefits received by First Nations Veterans. Part of this research will include personal testimony of First Nations veterans regarding their situations and concerns over how they were treated upon their return from service.

National Chief Matthew Coon Come of the Assembly of First Nations (AFN), Chief Perry Bellegarde of the Federation of Saskatchewan Indian Nations (FSIN), Grand Chief Howard Anderson of the Saskatchewan Indian Veterans Association, and the federal government have expressed willingness to seek a resolution to outstanding issues.

"It is my hope that the Round Table will have the wisdom to accomplish what it has set out to do in the best interests of First Nations Veterans and their families," said Round Table Chair, Grand Chief Anderson. "The Veterans greatly need this process to be swift and fruitful."

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"First Nations Veterans have long wished for this opportunity to have their concerns addressed," said National Chief Coon Come. "For their sake and for the sake of their spouses and dependants, I hope these sessions help shed new light and lead to the timely resolution of outstanding issues. Our Veterans have waited long enough."

"The National Round Table is an opportunity for First Nations Veterans and their representative and the Government of Canada to conduct research and is a forum to examine a number of areas of concern to Veterans," said the Honourable Robert Nault, Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development. "I am pleased that my department is involved in the process."

"It is the mandate of Veterans Affairs to recognize and pay tribute to the significant contribution of Canadians who have answered the call to duty in times of war, as many First Nations people have done so willingly time and again," said the Honourable Ronald J. Duhamel, Minister of Veterans Affairs. "These discussions are focussing attention on the unique situation of many First Nations Veterans on their return from war."

"First Nations people have a long and proud history of serving Canada in times of war and deserve recognition for the sacrifices they have made when called upon," said the Honourable Art Eggleton, Minister of National Defence. "I am happy to offer my department's participation during this opportunity to examine the role and subsequent treatment of First Nations Veterans in Canada."

"Two years of intense lobbying and hard work by the Federation of Saskatchewan Indian Nations is paying off as these First Nations Veterans issues are now being elevated to a national level," said Chief Perry Bellegarde of the FSIN. "It is my sincere hope as the AFN Vice Chief responsible for the Veterans Portfolio that this process results in the recognition and restitution our Veterans richly deserve for the many sacrifices they made to Canada and the Crown."

The National Round Table will produce and submit a report in the spring of 2001 to the National Chief of the Assembly of First Nations, the Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development, the Minister of Veterans Affairs and the Minister of National Defence. The report will be based on consensus and will reflect the views of First Nations Veterans and the government participants of the National Round Table.

This news release is also available through the Internet at <http://www.inac.gc.ca> and <http://www.afn.ca>

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MOHAWK FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Chief: Kurtis Brant

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

MOHAWK FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Mohawk Fire Department is seeking applications for the position of Volunteer Firefighter.

Knowledge & Experience:

- Current First Aid & CPR would be an asset
- Valid DZ License would be an asset

Demonstrated Competencies:

- Ability to work under stressful situations

Communication Skills:

- Excellent verbal communication skills

Duties & Responsibilities:

1. Respond to fire calls and other calls of assistance such as, automobile accidents, ice rescues, etc.
2. Attend weekly training sessions
3. To provide community service.

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: Friday February 23, 2001 @ 4:00 p.m.

To apply, please contact:
Karen Brant-Jones, Employment Counsellor
Mohawk Administration Office
(613) 396-3424 or by fax (613) 396-3627.

We wish to thank all applicants, however only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

EMPLOYMENT

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Social Services **Secretary Receptionist – ONE YEAR TERM POSITION**

The Assistant is responsible and accountable directly to the Social Services Manager to ensure that programs and services are administered effectively and efficiently. To work and communicate with members of the Community, Service Providers and staff.

Qualifications:

Education Requirements:

- ◆ Graduate of a post secondary program Social Services **OR**
- ◆ Office Administration **OR**
- ◆ Knowledge of various reporting and monitoring procedures; must possess leadership ability and strong communication skills; must be capable of performing the noted duties and responsibilities.

Knowledge & Experience:

- ◆ Counselling experience an asset
- ◆ Knowledge of Community & Social Services Guidelines an asset
- ◆ High degree of knowledge of computer programs, such as: MS Office, Outlook Express
- ◆ Excellent knowledge of office equipment

Demonstrated Competencies:

- ◆ High degree of initiative and excellent self direction
- ◆ Must be able to function well within a team setting
- ◆ Strong interest and sensitivity to Native culture and issues

Communication Skills:

- ◆ Excellent interpersonal skills and an ability to work within a team environment
- ◆ Excellent verbal & written communication skills
- ◆ Courteous, positive and helpful attitude, excellent public relations skills

Other Position Requirements:

- ◆ High level of sensitivity to Native issues and community concerns
- ◆ High level of confidentiality, tact and discretionary capabilities
- ◆ Successful applicant will be required to provide a clear Criminal Reference Check

Duties & Responsibilities: Work Procedures

1. Assist in the general operation of the Tyenendingaga Social Services Program
2. Assist in the delivery of services
3. Provide administrative services to the Program Manager
4. Provide reception services for other staff of the Thayendanega Health Centre
5. Maintenance of program and client records

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS:

February 28th, 2001 @ 12:00 NOON

To apply, please contact:

Bev Hill, Personnel Administration
Mohawk Administration Office
(613) 396-3424 or by fax (613) 396-3627
e-mail to: bev.hill@mbq.tyenendinga.net

Note: We thank all applicants for their interest in this position but only those qualified will be contacted for an interview.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Thayendanega Health Centre

Community Health Representative Trainee

The Community Health Representative Trainee is directly responsible and accountable to the IHS Manager to assist the CHR's to provide health services and educational workshops, seminars, etc. to the community. The Trainee will be required to complete and graduate from the Native Community Care distance education program through Mohawk College

The Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte would like to thank the Kagita Mikam LDM for their contribution to this position.

Essential Qualifications:

- ◆ Grade 12 or equivalent

OR

- ◆ Relevant and meaningful experience in a health related field

Demonstrated Competencies/Knowledge:

- ◆ knowledge of the Tyenidinga Mohawk Community
- ◆ knowledge of health issues that pertain to Aboriginal Peoples

Skills & Abilities:

- ◆ Excellent interpersonal skills
- ◆ excellent communication skill (verbal & written)
- ◆ ability to travel
- ◆ ability to work flexible hours

Other Position Requirements:

- ◆ must be willing to complete all training, education as outlined in the position description (CPR, First Aid, N.C.C.P.)
- ◆ successful applicant will be required to provide a clear criminal reference check
- ◆ Preference will be given to Native applicants
- ◆ Applicants must currently be unemployed
- ◆ All applicants must provide a letter stating why they are applying for this position and outline their goals for the program

Duties & Responsibilities: Work Procedures

1. Assist the CHR's in preparing and providing health education information to the community in a variety of media.
2. Learn how to provide education and awareness workshops in a Native Perspective
3. Assist the CHR's with dispensing flouride, performing pediculosis checks at the school, daycare, day camps, etc.
4. Learn to properly document client and agency information
5. Liaise with various health staff within the community as well as other Native communities, non-native agencies, etc.
6. Other duties as may reasonably be deemed necessary by the immediate supervisor

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS:

February 28th, 2001 at NOON

For a detailed position description or to apply, please contact:
Bev Hill, Personnel Administration
Mohawk Administration Office

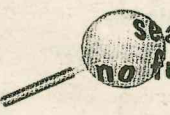
LOOKING FOR WORK, A CAREER OR TRAINING

One-to-one assistance is available for resume, cover letter and all your job search and training needs! Also come in to access the Internet, Word-processing and explore some Community College Online Distance Education courses.

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EMPLOYMENT



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Upcoming Training Notice

Casino Careers will be starting the next professional Table Games Dealer Course, from February 26, to May 4, 2001, in Tyendinaga.

A new casino is in the works for the Thousand Islands area. Don't miss your chance at a prosperous career in the gaming industry.

Call now and book your spot! Enrollment is limited to 15 students.

In only ten weeks you could learn the skills needed to be a professional casino dealer.

Many jobs are waiting to be filled by qualified table games dealers.

Are you willing to make an average starting wage of \$30,000 to \$40,00

All successful graduates will be certified by First Nations Technical Institute.

Must be 18 years or older.

Financial assistance may be available to those who qualify.

Call Pat Maracle at 613-396-6019 or 1-800-390-4103 for more information.

BUILD-ALL CONTRACTORS

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY FOR A EXCAVATION FOREMAN

We are looking for a highly motivated individual to be part of our excavation team.

Duties to include but not limited to:

- Supervise & co-ordinate activities of workers
- Organization of job sites
- Budget & Time frame control
- Lay out & set grades
- Operation of equipment when required
- Requisition of material & supplies
- Prepare updated reports of job site activities

The candidate must demonstrate:

- Ability to read blueprints
- Previous experience in the excavation field
- Leadership skills
- Ability to prioritize
- Strong communication skills
- Excellent organizational skills
- Positive attitude and a team player

Desired Qualifications:

- A-Z License
- Equipment experience
- Septic system license
- Well contractors license

Preference will be given to native applicants.

If you require any further information or would like to speak to someone regarding this position please call or fax your information to the attention of Tom or Annette at:

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY FOR AZ DUMP TRUCK DRIVER

We are looking for a highly motivated individual to be part of our team.

Duties to include but not limited to:

- Operation of triaxel & tandem dump trucks with float
- Floating equipment
- Hauling materials such as aggregates & earth
- Oversee all functions of vehicles such as loading & unloading of equipment to various job locations
- Maintaining the safety & security of load
- Maintain daily circle checks on vehicle and load

The candidate must demonstrate:

- Previous driving experience
- Ability to load & unload equipment and other materials required
- Strong communication skills
- Excellent organizational skills
- Positive attitude and a team player

Desired Qualifications:

- AZ license
- Experience with air brakes
- Experience as a floater & with hauling equipment
- Some maintenance knowledge

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY FOR A HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATOR

We are looking for a highly motivated individual to be part of our team.

Duties to include but not limited to:

- Operation of heavy equipment such as excavator, backhoe & bull dozer to excavate, move, load & grade earth, rock, gravel or other materials
- Conduct checks on equipment and report any necessary problems
- Clean, maintain & lubricate machinery as needed

The candidate must demonstrate:

- Previous experience operating equipment in the excavation field
- Strong communication skills
- Excellent organizational skills
- Positive attitude and a team player

Desired Qualifications:

- Some previous courses or licenses in heavy equipment operation & maintenance

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HEALTH CENTRE

HOME AND COMMUNITY CARE – ORIENTATION

What is Home and Community Care?

A Home and Community Care Program is "a coordinated system of home and community health services which enables people to live in their home environment and to achieve their optimal functional ability and includes both health and social based services that are holistic in nature" (National Framework on Continuing Care Phase 1 – First Nations and Inuit Home Care). Home and Community Care is what we do that helps elders, persons with disabilities and/or chronic diseases, and persons just discharged from the hospital to feel better and remain independent and in their own community.

The philosophy of care is to help people maintain their independence in the home. Home and Community Care is designed to support and enhance the care provided by family and community, but not to replace it. The Home and Community Care Program will be delivered primarily by trained and certified Personal Care Workers at the community level, supported and supervised by home care nurses.

Overview:

Home and Community Care Program is a national program funded through Medical Services Branch – Health Canada. First Nations are required to complete a needs assessment and report on their continuing care needs and/or service requirements. Through the needs assessment, First Nations will formulate what is needed to provide culturally sensitive and holistic continuing care services to their on-reserve membership. Following the identification of needs, each First Nation is to determine the required services to meet all the essential elements of the Home Care Program and develop a plan that encompasses service delivery, training and capital enhancement. Note, it is a requirement that programs are structured to meet the essential needs first, then as funding permits or is acquired, the programming for supportive needs can be implemented (see attached for definition of essential and supportive elements). It is expected that all community programs and/or service linkages that relate to the continuing care needs and required services will be incorporated into the plan (thus, the reason for developing a resource manual). The budget portion of the service delivery plan will include costs to implement all services and shall also depict the existing related program dollars (INAC Adult Care/Provincial Long term care and Building Healthy Communities – In-home nursing 13.52%) that can be applied towards these costs.

MSB Funding Levels – National

Year #1 1999/2000 = \$17m (Program Planning)

Year #2 2000/2001 = \$45m (Continuation of program development, training, capital, and some service delivery)

Year #3 2001/2002 = \$90m (Implementation and continuation of some development)

Year #4 2002/2003 = \$90m (Full program implementation)

Eligible Recipients:

- First Nations of any age group
- Who live on a First Nation Reserve
- Who have undergone a formal assessment of their continuing care service needs
- Who have been assessed to require one or more of the essential services
- Who have access to services which can be provided with reasonable safety to the client and caregiver
- Established standards
- Established policies, and
- Established regulations for service practice (Service practice refers to Licensing or Membership to a regulatory body, i.e. College of Nurses for RN's)

Note: Above list determines requirements for eligibility of individual service and First Nation eligibility for program funding.

WOMEN DID YOU KNOW....

A Regular PAP Test could save YOUR LIFE !

- * Cancer of the cervix is almost completely preventable; regular Pap tests are the key.
- * A regular PAP TEST can detect changes in the cells of the cervix before they become cancer.
- * All women who are now, or have ever been sexually active need a regular PAP TEST, even women who are over age 50.
- * A woman who has had her uterus removed may still need a regular PAP TEST; she should talk with her doctor or health care provider.

REMEMBER

The only way we know of preventing cancer of the cervix is by regular PAP TESTING!

WOMEN TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF!

Brenda Asselstine
Community Health Nurse



Today's News

Lesley and I had the opportunity to attend the HIV/AIDS Sensitivity Training held in Toronto on December 5, 6, 7, 2000 offered by Irene Peters, Aids Educator from AIAI.

We found it to be very interesting and informative. We assisted in the street patrol vans and seen how they help the people who are living on the street. We participated in the needle exchange and provided condoms to individuals.

They also offer these people blankets, clothing, food, counselling regarding preventive awareness against HIV/AIDS and shelter if needed.

If we can be of any support to anyone dealing with these issues, please feel free to contact us at the Thayendanege Health Centre, 967-3603

HEALTH CENTRE

NURSING MOTHERS' GROUP

of

Tyendinaga

invites

BREASTFEEDING MOTHERS & BABIES

to their ongoing series of meetings

on the 2nd & 4th Friday mornings

from 10a.m. to 12a.m.

Small Children Welcome

Interested Women or young girls welcome

Friendly mother - to - mother support . Lending library

Nutritional Assistance for Moms.

Baby's weight check & Help with breastfeeding problems available

Information & discussions on breastfeeding related topics such as:

avoiding problems, nursing discreetly, nighttime needs, expressing

or pumping milk, introducing solid foods, understanding your baby,

fertility awareness . . .

Feb. 9: Getting Started..The Advantages of Breastfeeding.

Feb. 23: As Baby Grows... Why Stop Now!

For more info, or if you you would like to attend but have an obstacle

we could help with (i.e.transportation, child care etc.)

please call 967-3603



THE BREASTFEEDING CIRCLE

What is so special about human milk?

Each species of mammal produces milk to support the optimal growth of that species. Since no two have the same needs, each species' milk differs.

- Cow milk suits the needs of a calf to grow quickly and to walk immediately after birth. Human milk contains three times less protein than cow milk because of the human infants longer period of development. Humans do not reach their full physical size for at least 12 years, while most cows do so in their first year.
- Studies show that specific constituents in human milk play an important role in brain development.

The immunological protection passed to the infant via human milk is unique to the needs of a human baby. The substances which offer this protection are present in colostrum, the first milk baby gets after birth, and continue to be present in the mother's milk as long as the baby nurses.

Can breastfeeding be continued if the mother chooses to return to work or school?

Yes. More and more women continue to breastfeed and return to work or school. Planning ahead is essential. Breast milk can be expressed once the milk supply is established. The milk can be refrigerated or frozen and given to the baby at a later date. The mother can also express her milk manually or with a pump at work or school when she has a break, preferably at the baby's usual feeding time. This expressed milk can be used for the baby the following day.

An alternate feeding method needs to be introduced before mother returns to work or school so the baby can adjust to it. Ideally, someone other than the mother should give the supplemental feedings. If using a bottle, mothers must be aware that this may cause the baby to refuse to nurse. Using a spoon or cup to feed the baby in the mother's absence is likely to be more helpful in maintaining a successful nursing relationship.

Jytte Cooper and Gale Hayward for the Breastfeeding Support Group
Brenda Asselstine Community Health Nurse

Anorexia Nervosa and Bulimia

These are illnesses caused by not eating in a safe manner. Some young people get these illnesses because they try to lose weight by eating and then making themselves "throw up" what they have eaten. This means that their bodies do not get the goodness from the food and cannot work properly to keep the person healthy.

You should NEVER eat and then try to get rid of the food by making yourself bring it up again. This is a VERY DANGEROUS!

*For more information and resources on this disease, please contact the
Thayendanega Health Centre at 967-3603*

HEALTH CENTRE

FIRST NATIONS AND INUIT HOME AND COMMUNITY CARE

What is Home and Community Care?

- Home and Community Care are services to people that are provided mainly in the home.
- Home and Community Care services are provided to people based on needs identified through a client assessment.
- The belief of care is to help people keep their independence in their own home and allow them to be close to their loved ones as long as possible.
- Services should be provided in a holistic manner that looks at the person's physical, social, spiritual and emotional need because each person is different and unique.
- Home and Community Care will support and improve the care provided by the family and community but should not replace it.

How are people referred?

You may refer yourself or you may be referred by others, such as family members, friends, your doctor, neighbours, or hospitals.

Who provides these services?

Home and Community Care services are provided mainly by registered nurses, licensed practical nurses and certified home health aides/personal care workers at the community level. Home health aides/personal care workers should be supported and supervised by registered nurses.

What services are part of Home and Community Care?

The services that make up home and community care are:

Client Assessment

This is carried out by:

- talking with you and your family
- talking with your doctor and other people who have cared for you
- reviewing your health history
- a physical check up

The information gathered from these talks is written down and used to plan your care and the services you need.

This plan will be discussed with you.

Who benefits from home and community care services?

Persons of any age who have an assessed need who:

- have been discharged from hospital
- have an illness or disease needing follow up care
- are unable to live alone while waiting for care in a long term care facility
- have a disability requiring assistance to live on their own
- need nursing care in the home
- choose to live at home instead of in a long term care facility as long as it is safe, affordable and services are available.

Case Management

This is the next step after your assessment to make sure that the plan for your care is right and is provided by the right care giver at the right time.

Home Care Nursing

This is:

- nursing care that is provided in your home or community setting
- teaching you and your family to help you care for yourself
- supervising the workers who provide you with the personal care

Personal Care

Help with activities like bathing, foot care, helping you get dressed.

Home Support

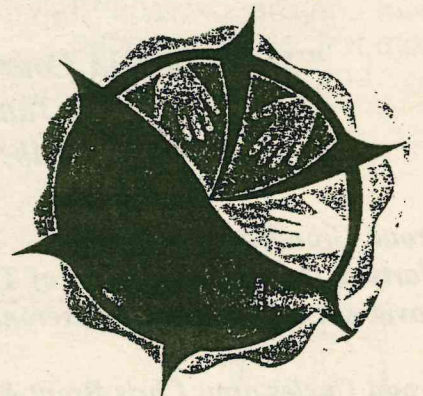
Help with light housekeeping, laundry, meal preparation.

In-Home Respite Services

Caring for you when it is not safe for you to be left alone while your family, who usually cares for you, has a rest.

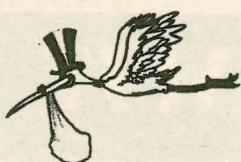
Others who may benefit from Home and Community Care are:

- * family and friends who need support to continue to care for people in the home.



COMMUNITY INTEREST

**It's
a Girl!**



Christa & Garnet Brant are proud to announce the birth of their second child. A little sister for proud big sister Amber-Lee.

" Brooke Sarah Marie Brant "
Born: Jan. 2/ 01
Weight: 7 lbs. 4 oz.
Kingston General Hospital

**It's
a Girl!**



Troy and Shoo-Shoo Maracle are pleased to announce the birth of their first child.

" B'Elanna Mae Maracle "
Born: Dec. 4
Weight: 10 lbs. 1 1/2 oz.

Proud Grandparents are:
Bill & Wilma Maracle of Tyendinaga
Virginia & Cecil King of Wikwemikong



**It's
a Girl!**



Krista Brant & Doug Foster are proud to announce the arrival of their daughter. A baby sister for Gaven.

" Makayla Ann Courtney Brant-Foster "
Born: Jan. 12/ 01
Weight: 7 lbs. 9 3/4 oz.

Proud Grandparents are:
Marty & Dorothy Ann Brant of Tyendinaga Mohawk Territory
David & Cathy Foster of Deseronto

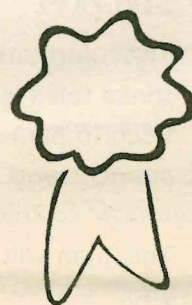
Proud Uncles are: Chris Brant & Dave Foster

Proud Great Grandmothers:
Phyllis Green of Tyendinaga Mohawk Territory
Vivian Brant of Tyendinaga Mohawk Territory

**In Memory of
Percy A. Maracle
who passed away Feb. 2, 1999**

*He had a nature you could not help loving,
and a heart that was purer than gold.
And to those who knew him and loved him
His memory will never grow cold.*

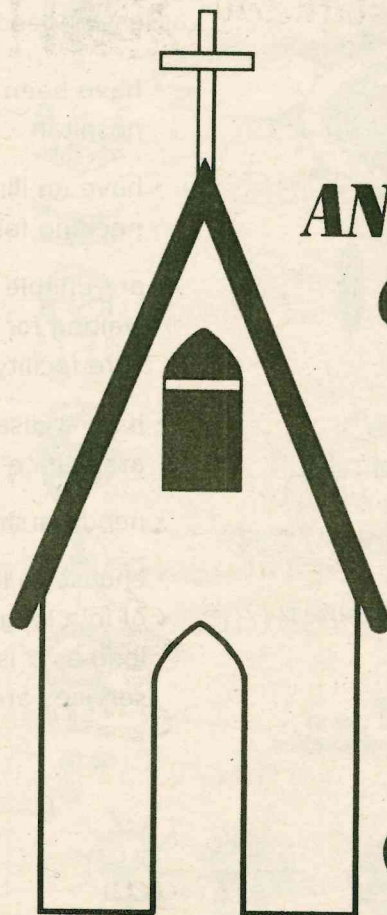
*In loving memory,
Jean & Bob*



Congratulations!

*To Sam Brant (Dolly)
on getting 100%
on your spelling test.*

*From Mom, Mackenzie, Nana, Poppy
Uncle John, Sarah, Aunt Gloria
Belle, Gord & Marlene*



**ANGLICAN PARISH
OF TYENDINAGA**

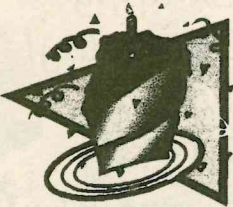

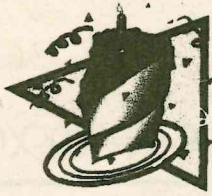

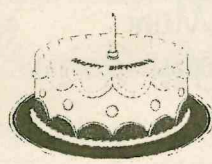




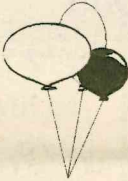
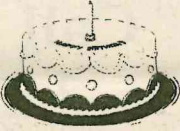
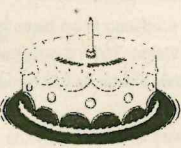



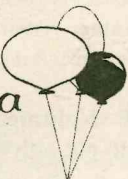



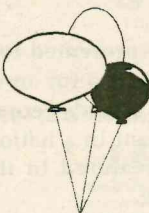

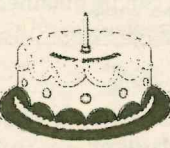
Weekly Services

All Saints Church: 8:45 a.m.






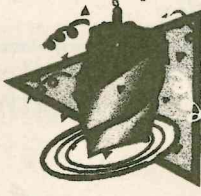
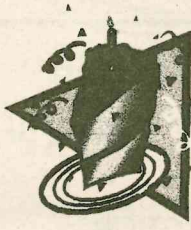


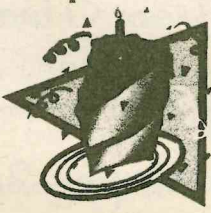

Holy Trinity: 10:00 a.m.

Christ Church: 11:15 a.m.
(2nd & 4th Sundays Fr. Glendon)

BIRTHDAYS

<p>Happy Birthday!</p>  <p>Aunt Bev Feb. 8</p> <p>Love Sandy & Paul, Rick & Diane & Kids!</p>	<p>Happy Birthday!</p>  <p>Lee Feb. 25</p> <p>Love Mom, Tori, Jake Nan & Auntie Ang</p>	<p>Happy Belated Birthday!</p>  <p>Brenda Jan. 24</p> <p>from Brad, Ruby & Tribe</p>	<p>Happy Birthday!</p>  <p>Zack Idzenga Feb. 9</p> <p>Uncle Brad & Aunt Ruby</p>
<p>Happy Birthday!</p>  <p>Jehapkathos (Jake) Feb. 2</p> <p>Love Dad & Family</p>	<p>Happy Birthday!</p>  <p>Jason Feb. 17</p> <p>from Uncle Brad & Aunt Ruby.</p>	<p>Happy Birthday!</p>  <p>Amanda Feb. 10</p> <p>from Dad & Ruby (Mom)</p>	<p>Happy Birthday!</p>  <p>Skye Feb. 5</p> <p>from Grandma & Grandpa</p>
<p>Happy 11th Birthday</p>  <p>Josh Feb. 12</p> <p>Love Mom & Gram</p>	<p>Happy 3rd Birthday!</p>  <p>Puddin Face Feb. 21</p> <p>Luv Uncle Deana</p>	<p>Happy Birthday to all celebrating this month!</p>	<p>Happy 3rd Birthday!</p>  <p>Dukie Feb. 21</p> <p>Love Aunt Ninda, Min & Na</p>
<p>Happy Birthday!</p>  <p>Scunnie Feb. 27</p> <p>Happy Birthday!</p>  <p>Shuggie Feb. 22</p>	<p>Happy Birthday!</p>  <p>Dakota Feb 25</p> <p>Love Cheryle, Mike, Seaira & Austin Xx00</p>	<p>Happy Birthday!</p>  <p>Cris Feb. 25th</p> <p>Your chum Lynda</p>	<p>Happy 3rd Birthday!</p>  <p>Sweet Pea Feb. 21</p> <p>Love Mommy</p>
<p>Happy 5th Birthday</p>  <p>Jonah Lewis</p>  <p>Love Mom, Dad and Donovan January 16</p>	<p>Happy Birthday</p>  <p>Daddy Feb. 3</p> <p>Love Reagan</p>	<p>Happy Birthday!</p>  <p>Farley Feb. 3</p> <p>Luv Your # 1 Table Dancer</p>	<p>Happy 1st Belated Birthday!</p>  <p>Destiny Marie Feb. 1</p> <p>Love from Mommy, Daddy & the hounds</p>
	<p>Happy Birthday</p>  <p>Uncle Dee Feb. 10</p> <p>Love Reagan</p>		

BIRTHDAYS & COMMUNITY INTEREST

<p>Happy Birthday!</p> <p>Cindy Feb. 21</p>  <p>Love Cheryle, Mike Seaira & Austin</p>	<p>Happy Birthday!</p> <p>Aunt Nee Nee Feb. 14</p>  <p>Love Fishy XOXO</p>	<p>Happy 39th Birthday</p> <p>Nita Feb. 14</p>  <p>love Wendy & Glenn</p>	<p>Happy Birthday!</p> <p>Wendy Rogalsky Feb. 12th</p> 
<p>Happy Birthday!</p> <p>Natalie Feb. 16</p>  <p>Love Mom, Dad & Jamie</p>	<p>Happy Belated 5th Birthday!</p> <p>Cassie Jan. 4</p>  <p>Love Mom & Dad</p>	<p>Happy Birthday!</p> <p>Nanny Feb. 8</p>  <p>Love Ernie</p>	<p>Happy Birthday!</p> <p>Mom Feb. 8</p>  <p>Love Elizabeth, Doris Donald & Shirley</p>
<p>Birthday ads are free Call 396-3424</p>	<p>Happy Belated Birthday!</p> <p>Dad Feb. 2</p>  <p>Love Reegan</p>	<p>Happy Birthday!</p> <p>Dad Feb. 9</p>  <p>Love Lori, Alanna Mary & Families</p>	<p>Happy 1st Birthday!</p> <p>Baby Brown Feb. 25</p>  <p>Love Cheryle, Mike Seaira & Austin Xx00</p>

Call For Nominations

5th Annual FLARE VOLUNTEER AWARDS

FLARE Magazine is pleased to announce the Call For Nominations for the 5th annual **FLARE Volunteer Awards**. The awards honour Canadian women aged 18 and up who have made a significant contribution to the lives of people in their communities.

"The **FLARE Volunteer Awards** have become an integral part of FLARE's commitment to not only reach out to Canadian women but highlight their outstanding contributions in communities across the country", says David Hamilton, FLARE's publisher. Reflecting on the inspiring fact that 2001 has been declared **International Year of Volunteers** by the United Nations, Hamilton reconfirms that FLARE Magazine will continue to acknowledge, celebrate and publicize the importance of volunteerism.

This year the **FLARE Volunteer Awards** will be presented to six Canadian women. The six recipients will be invited to Toronto for an overnight stay in the spring of 2001; they will participate in an awards ceremony and will be featured in a subsequent awards announcement in a national edition of **FLARE**. The 2001 "Call For Nominations" is featured in the November, December 2000 and January 2001 issues of **FLARE**.

Deadline for nominations is February 28, 2001.

Individuals, corporate, volunteer and philanthropic organizations across Canada are encouraged to submit nominations.

Additional brochures (which include award criteria), can be obtained by contacting:

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RESIDENTIAL SCHOOLS: MOVING BEYOND SURVIVAL



WINNIPEG, MB February 2, 2001 – Separated by geography and isolated from all outside contact, a horrifying pattern nevertheless emerged among Aboriginal people forcibly removed from their families as children and thrust into an abusive residential school system. The term "Residential School Syndrome" was coined to describe the devastating legacy of abuse, addiction and dysfunction resulting in individuals raised in these institutional settings.

Residential Schools: Moving Beyond Survival is a two-part special produced in an historic collaboration between the Aboriginal Peoples Television Network (APT), Newsworld and Vision TV. Co-hosted by APT's Rick Harp, Newsworld's Anne Petrie, and Vision TV's Rita Deverell, this special closely examines this issue in all of its complexity.

When asked to describe his experience as co-host, Rick Harp said he was struck most by the similarities of the survivors' experiences: "It was kind of bizarre to see how you could travel from one remote area to another and hear an almost duplicate story," he said. "This seems to reinforce the belief that this was no accident: it was part of the residential schools' deliberate program to undermine Aboriginal peoples' connection to one another. There are individuals who say, 'you weren't beaten, you weren't molested, so you weren't abused.' They are wrong – the abuse began with the removal of the children. The system itself was a violent act."

"I was impressed by the strength of the people who willingly came forward to tell their story, and by their determination to be heard," Harp continued. "It doesn't come up easily. They must have known they would be sharing their story with thousands of viewers – now they are in a real position to help others. They may not forgive, and none will ever forget, but they are ready to take real steps towards healing and moving forward. If anyone's demonstrated true faith, it's these people."

The church-run residential school system, operated as a matter of federal policy between 1879 and 1996, tore apart thousands of Aboriginal families and communities. More than 6,000 individual lawsuits and four class action suits involving more than 1,000 claimants have been filed by former students against the government and the churches involved in operating the schools, seeking damages for physical and sexual abuse and cultural loss. The roundtable sessions include four mini-documentaries produced by APT and Vision TV, in which survivors of the residential school system share their healing journey, which remains an ongoing story.

Part One airs on APT on Thursday, Feb. 8 at 2:00 pm and at 7:00 pm, repeating on Sunday, Feb. 11 at 7:00 pm EST. Part Two airs Thursday, Feb. 15, repeating on Sunday, Feb. 18. Initial broadcasts will be followed by a special presentation of "Contact," APT's national call-in program, which will be devoted to continuing the discussion surrounding this issue. "Contact" is simulcast on Native Communications Incorporated (NCI-FM), Manitoba's First and Only Aboriginal Radio Network.

Residential Schools: Moving Beyond Survival airs on Newsworld Sundays, Feb. 4 and 11, 4pm ET and on Vision TV Saturdays, Feb. 10 and 17, 8 p.m. ET/PT. Additional resources are available on Vision TV's interactive website at www.visiontv.ca.

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For more information, contact:
Cindy Chatwell, Acting Director of Communications (204) 947-9331 ext 226

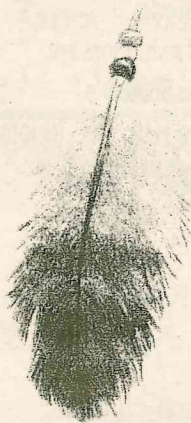
COMMUNITY INTEREST



The Superbuild Project 2001

On Friday, January 26, 2001
Mr. Lou O'Hara a Consultant came to Tyendinaga
To answer our questions about the Superbuild funding and to
review some project ideas. The proposed ideas for this project
consist of a building containing a library, cultural center,
museum, pool and fitness rooms.
Council attended the meeting along with M.B.Q staff and
Council Committee's involved with the project.

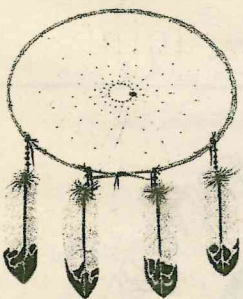
The Intent Letter for funding for a new building was sent out
February 2nd, 2001 and in a couple of weeks we will know if
our application was accepted. At this time a proposal will be
drafted and mailed before March 31st, 2001.
Community members are welcome to share their ideas before
the proposal is done.
For more information call 396-3424 ex.107 or ex.118



The winner's of the Walking Contest that took place in September 2001 was Helen Brant and Kathy Brant. These winners were walking too fast to stop for a picture, and it took a couple of months to catch up to them. They walk daily at least 10 times or more around the Quinte Mohawk School and Health Centre and they have no idea how many times they have walked the School track during the summer.

Great work ladies you look terrific!

The prize was 2 cookbooks, 2 t-shirts, 2 water bottles,
Donated by the Recreation Department
Body for Life Bag and video that was donated by
Good Health Mart in Belleville

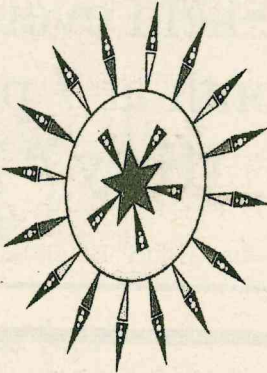


Winter Fun
Share your ideas & Volunteer

February 2001

Nia:wen for your Support

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Rent the Canteen for a Birthday Party !	Mohawk Language Classes Every Mon. & Tues. 7 to 9		Every Wed. Soup Day at Q.M.S Volunteers Are needed	1 Every Thur. Basketball Clinic Q.M.S	2 Teen Night YMCA 7 pm to 10:30 pm	3
4 Family Swim YMCA 2pm to 4pm	5	6	7 T.M.C Meeting	8 Moon Ceremony 7pm	9	10 Snowball Tournament 396-3424 ***** Valentines Dance Community Centre
11 Snowball Tournament	12 Public Library Week	13	14 Mohawk Language Classes Wed. & Thur. 10 weeks	15	16	17 Community Skating & Tobogganing Party ***** Reptile Zoo Community Centre
18	19	20	21 Career Fair 10 to 5 Community Centre	22	23 Dinner & Theatre Community Center	24
25	26	27 Pancake Dinner 5 to 7 Queen Anne Parish	28 T.M.C Meeting	Tyendinaga Has spaces for NEW Recreation Committee Members		Be a part Of the Recreation Participation



COMMUNITY INTEREST

Mohawk Fair

To All Community Members:

Last year saw the celebration of the 100th Anniversary of the Mohawk Fair. It is mainly due to the dedication and commitment of community volunteers that enables this event to take place year after year and I would like to thank those volunteers for their time and efforts. Unfortunately, we are seeing a steady decline in the number of volunteers, and exhibitors are needed. I would like to encourage anyone who may be interested to attend the Society's meetings that are held on the first Monday of every month at the Mohawk Fire Hall. Let us join together to keep this a community event going strong. See you at the meeting!!

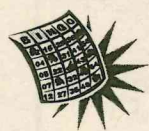
Dennis Lewis
President, Mohawk Agriculture Society

UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE ORANGE LODGE



EUCHRE NIGHTS

Every other Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.



BINGO NIGHTS

Every Friday at 7:00 p.m.

MONTHLY DANCES

8:00 p.m. - 12:00 p.m.

\$7.00 per person includes lunch.

1st, 2nd and 3rd Saturday of every month.

MUSEUM MEETINGS

are held every 2nd Monday of the month at 7 p.m. at the 59ers Hall (Hwy # 2) All Welcome!

396-3424

RENTAL OF 59'ERS HALL

The 59'ers Hall is available for small functions located at Hwy's # 2 & # 49.

For more rental information please call:

Mary Donovan at 967-4708

We can do anything if we work together!



Save - A - Tape for a Pool

The Recreation Department has been accepted to take part in the Save - A - Tape Program, so start saving your tapes now from any of the A & P, Dominion and Ultra Food & Drug Stores.

As a Community we have **ONE YEAR** to save our tapes. If we can save up to \$450,000.00 worth of tapes our Tyendinaga Pool project will receive the maximum of a cheque worth \$ 1,000.00. It's that easy you can mail me the receipts or drop them off at the Administration Office. Quinte Mohawk School has a box, so please send in with your child/ren.

We have \$2,999.66 of tapes

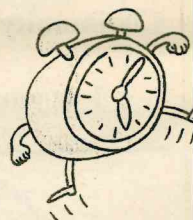
Nia:wen to the M.B.Q Staff, Tyendinaga Daycare parents and Community members for your tapes. Keep them coming.

Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte
Recreation Department
(613) 396-3424
R. R. # 1 Tyendinaga Territ
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**Tyendinaga
Pool Fundraise**

Just something you throw
away we can make a
\$1,000.00 with it.

Contact person: Darlene J. L.
Recreation Coordinator



INKWEHON:WE NATIVE PEOPLE

Good News

Donations of food may now be made in the T.M.T. Food Bank BARRELS located in both Dewe's Independent Grocery and at Scott's Food and Drug Basics. (Plaza/ Bayview Mall) The Food Bank Committee hopes you are able to use them!

M.M.B.E.S.C.G.RG

INKWEHON:WE NATIVE PEOPLE

HELPPING

MOHAWKS OF THE BAY OF QUINTE
FOOD BANK

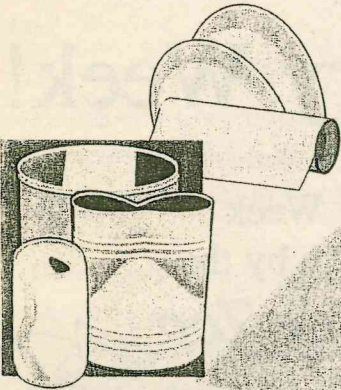
RECYCLING



A Recycling Reminder

Hang this on your wall!

Bring these items to your depot



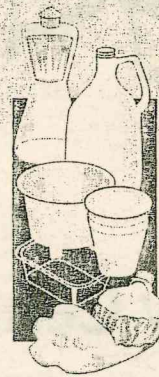
Metal Cans & Foil

Rinse cans. Place lids in a can, pinch closed and put loose in blue bin. Do not put aluminum cans inside tin ones. Include clean aluminum foil and pie plates. *Flattened cans save space!* **No** pots, cigarette or butter wrappers or scrap metal. Avoid putting pop cans inside other cans.



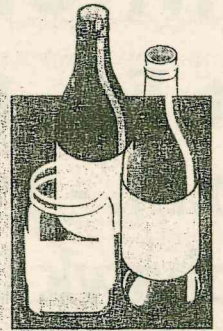
Empty Aerosol and Paint Cans

Make sure metal containers are empty. Take lids off the paint cans to let them dry, and place in the blue bin — *don't bag them.* **No** containers with product, paint cans larger than 4 litres (1 gallon), plastic paint cans, propane cylinders or other hazardous waste.



Plastic Containers

Discard tops and rinse containers for soft drinks, detergents, juice, bleach, shampoo, dairy products as well as clear and foam plastic cups, trays and packaging. Flatten soft drink containers and replace lids. All plastics with the numbers 1 to 6 on the bottom are OK. **No** blister or bubblepacks, prescription bottles or toys.



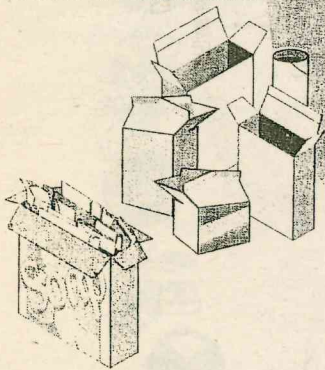
Bottles & Jars

Remove and rinse caps and lids. Metal lids can be recycled with cans. Leave loose in the blue bin. *Don't bag them.* **No** other types of glass such as kitchenware, ceramics, dishes, drinking glasses, window glass, light bulbs or mirrors.

Place in appropriately labelled bins.

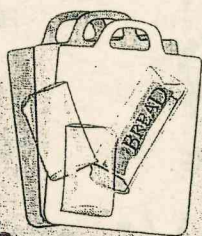
Boxboard and Mixed Paper

Bundle junk mail and office paper separately from Boxboard. Flatten and stuff **boxboard** into a large box. **Boxboard** includes cereal, shoe and detergent boxes as well as rinsed milk and juice cartons, paper bags, sugar & flour bags, cardboard tubes, books (hard-cover & paperback), egg cartons and other clean paper packaging. **No** drink boxes, tissue, paper towel or laminated paper. Do not put paper loose in blue bin.



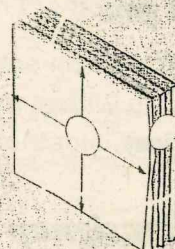
Plastic Bags

Stuff clean, dry plastic bags into a plastic bag and tie handles. Include rinsed milk pouches, grocery, bread, dry cleaning, frozen vegetable and blue newspaper bags as well as outer wrapper from toilet and hand tissues. Remove food residue, stickers and receipts. **No** meat, cheese or stretch wrap, cereal box liners or chip bags.



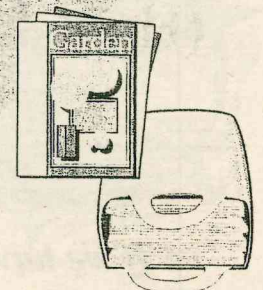
Corrugated Cardboard

Flatten and bundle corrugated cardboard boxes into a maximum size of 30" x 30" x 8" bundles. Only broken down and bundled boxes will be collected. **No** waxed boxes, soiled pizza boxes.



Newspapers & Magazines

Place newspapers, inserts, phone books, magazines and catalogues in a plastic bag next to your blue bin. **No** soiled newspapers. Keep boxboard and mixed paper separate, not mixed with newspaper and magazines.



Bring these items to your depot



QUINTE WASTE SOLUTIONS

UPCOMING EVENTS

VALENTINES DANCE

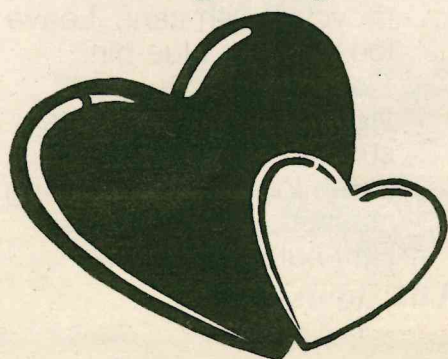


Sat. Feb. 10

8 p.m. - 1 a.m.

Mohawk Community Centre

\$5.00 per person



D.J.
Light Lunch
Door prizes

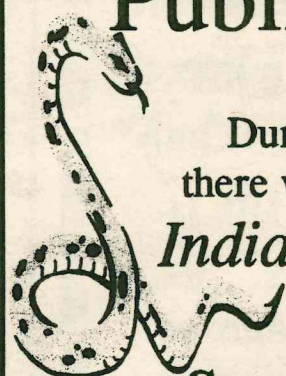


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KANHIOTE LIBRARY

Tyendinaga Territory Public Library

Public Library Week!



During Public Library Week
there will be a presentation by the
Indian River Reptile Zoo
****FREE****



Saturday, February 17
2:00 p.m.

Mohawk Community Centre

See Real Snakes & Reptiles of all kinds!

Do you have a desire to keep the Mohawk language alive – are you already working to promote and preserve onkwawenna?

There is strength in numbers.

Come to the language circle @ Kanhiote Library Feb. 6th @ 9 a.m.

Friday Teen Night **NEW**

Friday evening is a great time to go to the YMCA
And participate in leisure & active programs with your
group of friends.

Some of the events include: Gym Sports, volleyball,
basketball and European handball.

Also board games, music, swimming and Special events.
If we have at least 20 teens from Tyendinaga sign up, a bus
could be arranged for this Friday's Teen Night.

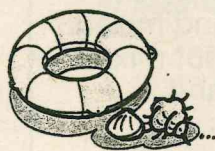
The Cost is \$3.00

7:00 pm to 10:30 pm

To sign up call Darlene Loft
(613) 396-3424 ex.107

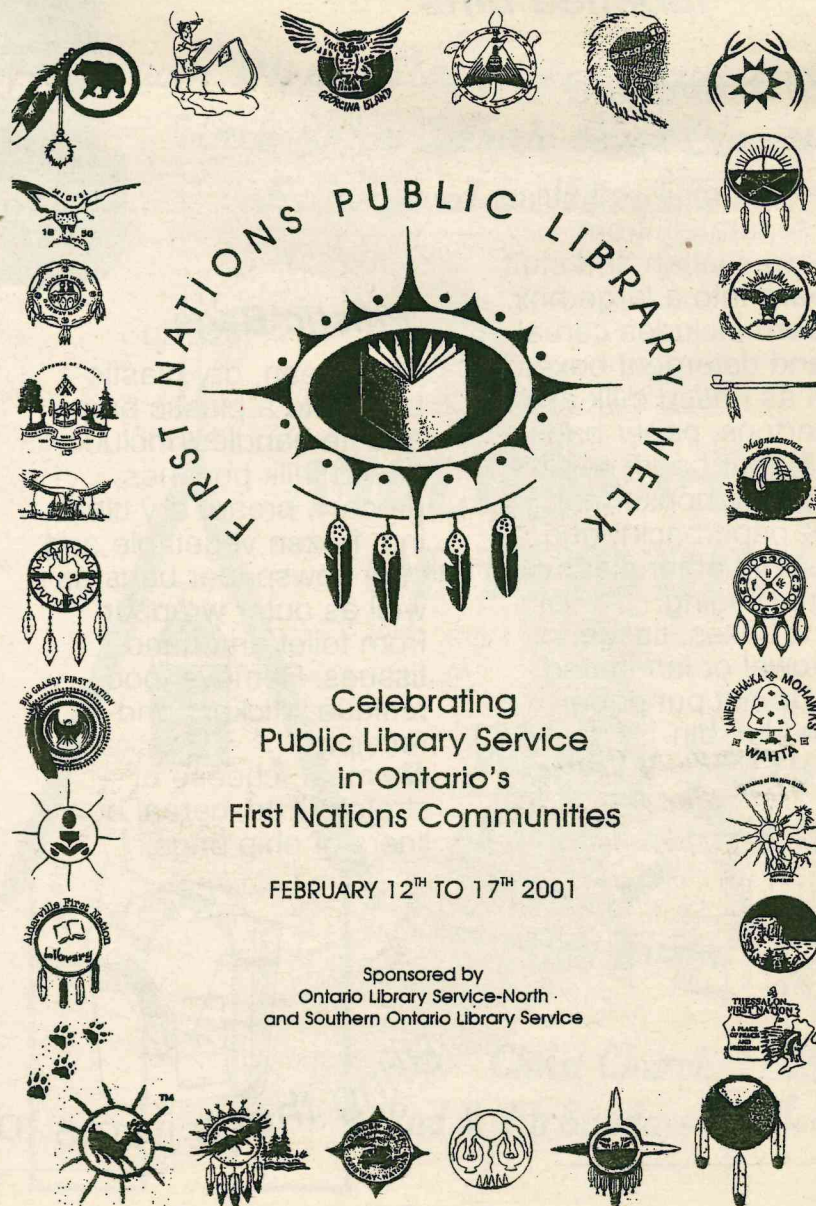


The programs are already
Available at the YMCA



Family Swim Day
At the YMCA
Sunday's 2:00 – 4:00 pm
Cost for the family
\$10.00
(\$7.00 with own transportation)

If we have at least 10 families signup
A bus will be arranged to go to
The YMCA on Sunday's
To sign up call Darlene Loft
396-3424



UPCOMING EVENTS



Basketball Clinic
Every Thursday
For 6 weeks
Starting February 1st, 2001
 (Late sign up is allowed)
6:30 pm to 8:00 pm

Cost - \$5.00 to cover price of T-Shirt
Instructors - Rob Maracle, Dan Chase
Erik Anderson

Grades 5,6,7,8
Registration with Darlene Loft 396-3424
Forms also at the Q.M.S Office



Dinner & Theatre *Special Family Event*

Family Event for \$40.00 (for 4)

(Special child's Menu)

Turkey Dinner

Under 5 free - single \$12

Break the Winter Blues !

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Winter Fun

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Weather Permitting

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Winter Fun for the Community !

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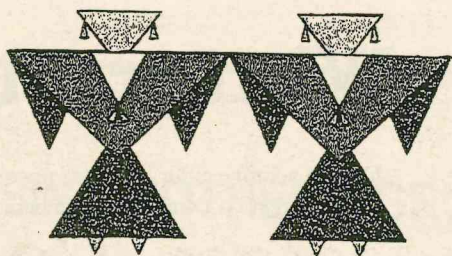
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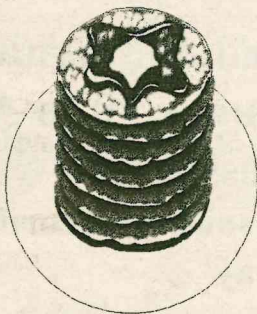
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Monday, Feb. 26
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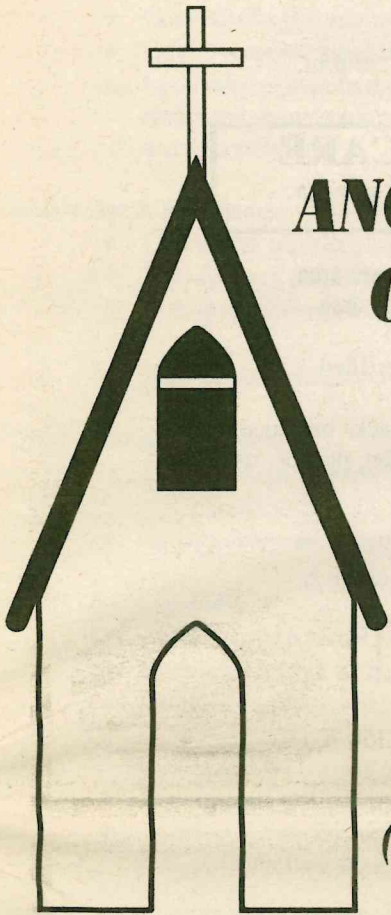


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Holy Trinity: 10:00 a.m.

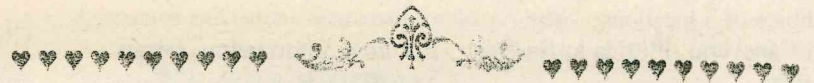
*Christ Church: 11:15 a.m.
(2nd & 4th Sundays Fr. Glendon)*



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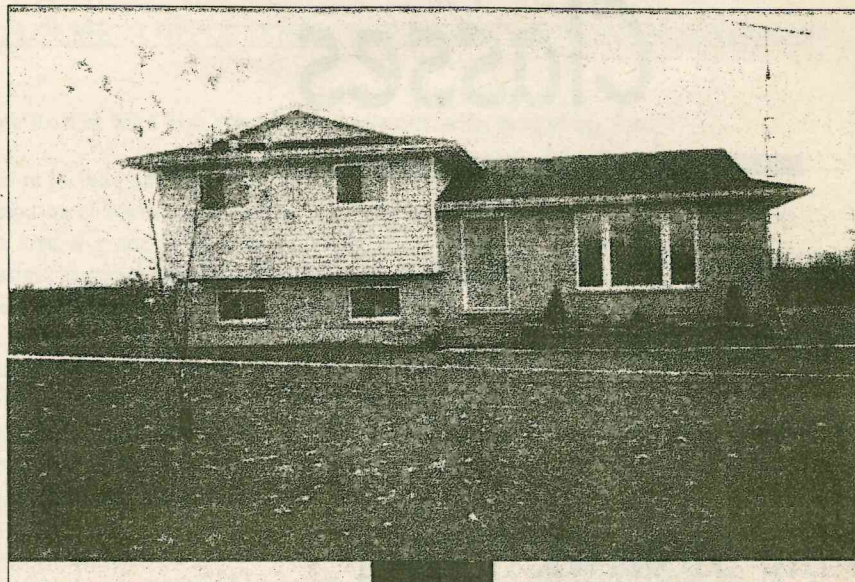
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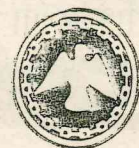
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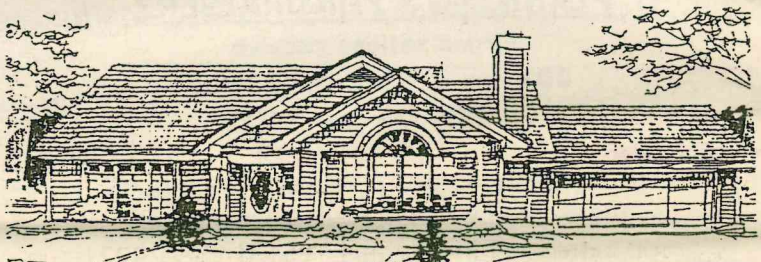
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