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TYENDINAGA MOHAWK COUNCIL
MEETINGS ARE

Wednesday, March 8
&
Wednesday, March 22
9:00 A.M.

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February 25, 2000

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 all in good health and good spirits

Richmond Landfill Site

The Council and I met with Alan Pratt, the band's lawyer, on Wednesday, February 23, 2000 and reviewed the band's legal position as it relates to the Richmond Landfill expansion

The Tyendinaga Township residence's lawyer, Richard Lindgren, will be filing a judicial review application by the end of February, 2000.

The Tyendinaga Mohawk Council has instructed the band solicitor, Alan Pratt, to file a separate judicial review application, which is expected to be completed by March 31, 2000

The judicial review application being prepared by our lawyer, Alan Pratt, will deal with the issue of failing to have meaningful consultation with the band and the failure of the Ontario Government to consider alternatives to the expansion.

The Tyendinaga Mohawk Council became aware of the Richmond Landfill expansion in the spring of 1998. On February 18, 1999, I sent a letter to Mr. David Griffin, the Environmental Bill of Rights Coordinator, with the Ontario Ministry of Environment, identifying Council's concerns with the proposed terms of reference outlined by Canadian Waste Services. The following concerns were identified:

- 1) the failure to consider reasonable alternative;
2) inadequate attention given to potential adverse impacts on the social and cultural environment and inadequate planning in the event that prehistoric resources are found to exist on the site, which fails to include Aboriginal participation;
3) the failure to consider the land claim of the Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte (MBQ);
4) the failure to explain how existing plume of leachate from phase one of the existing landfill will be cleaned up prior to the expansion and to identify the scope of inspection and monitoring of existing clay liners upon expansion;
5) the need to ensure effective containment of leachate in the daily operations and adequate end uses for the site;
6) the need to include clearly defined Storm Water Management plans and contingency plans including Fire Contingency Plans;
7) the need for a weekly monitoring program for Marysville Creek, Selby's Creek and Salmon River throughout the environmental assessment process to ensure the existing Richmond Landfill is not adversely affecting these areas; and
8) the failure to address the potential adverse impacts on the tributaries flowing through the Tyendinaga Mohawk Territory given the size of the expansion.

The Ontario Minister of Environment approved the terms of reference submitted by Canadian Waste Services on September 16, 1999, which provided for a very narrow or scoped environmental assessment. The terms of reference do not require Canadian Waste Services to undertake a full environmental assessment in accordance with Section 6.1(2) of the Ontario Environmental Assessment Act. This Section requires that alternatives to the dump expansion to be examined

On February 1, 2000, I wrote the Ontario Minister of the Environment, Tony Clement, expressing concern and protest about the deficient terms of reference, which the government approved.

Letters outlining the band's concerns have been sent to the Minister of Indian Affairs, the Minister of Environment of Ontario, the Department of Fisheries and Oceans and the Federal Minister of the Environment. I have sent a letter to the Department of Indian Affairs requesting financial contribution to offset the bands cost for lawyers and environmental experts.

The issue is a great concern of the council since our community is down stream from the Marysville headwaters where the proposed expansion is proposed to take place. In earlier reports, I have already indicated my concern about the impact on the ground water supply for the community and the harmful effect that the dump expansion could have on the fish habitat. I will provide another report as additional information emerges.

Drill Hall

The drill hall question remains unsettled. Council will consider an option to purchase and have yet to meet to determine a collective position.

Due to the dispute, the Council directed that the belongings of the tenants be removed by March 1, 2000.

Casino Rama Funds

In November, 1999 the First Nations Revenue Distributions Committee, including Rama representatives worked intensively on issues connected with approval and review rights for certain transactions at the casino. This was successful and a revised document was tabled with the province in early December, 1999.

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In late December, 1999, it was decided that additional negotiations were required to close the deal and get the money out to the First Nations as soon as possible.

In January, 2000, the closure committee met at the Delta Chelsea and was assisted by legal council, Bliss White.

The following issues were under discussion:

- 1) The Metis Litigation agreement;
2) Other First Nations Limited Partnership agreement;
3) The Rama Limited Partnership agreement;
4) The Shareholders agreement for the general partner corporation; and
5) The Protocol agreement between other First Nations and Rama

The Protocol agreement was drafted from scratch because it originated in the final couple of days in the closure committee process

The Chief of Ontario will consider the Rama Casino agreements at the Special Chiefs Conference in Thunder Bay on February 28 to March 2, 2000. The agreement must be signed by the Ontario Management Board, hopefully, in late February and early March, 2000.

If the Chiefs of Ontario and the province ratify the agreement by the first week of March, 2000, the funds should be available for distribution by the end of March, 2000

Depending on the final timing, First Nations will be given the option to accept the money in early April, in order to avoid triggering the 1999-2000 reporting and auditing obligations.

KPMG has been busy working with the Canadian Bank of Commerce to ensure that mechanisms are in place to distribute the funds as soon as they are available.

The initial distribution will be in excess of 350 million dollars. There after, there will be regular distributions of the net revenue as it becomes available

As at January 31, 2000, the Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte should receive \$4,529,695.00 according to the formula approved by the Chiefs of Ontario based on a population figure of 6,941

I include a schedule to provide our community with information on the amount each community will receive from the first distributions of funds.

At the February 23, 2000 Council meeting, I recommended that a plan be developed for the Casino Rama funds and that it be ratified by the membership before implementation. Council passed a motion accepting this recommendation.

Facilitated Fishing Discussions

On February 22, 2000, at the Ramada Inn in Belleville, the Ministry of Natural Resources officials announced that MNR were ending the fishing discussions with MBQ. The Ministry of Natural Resources indicated that the lawyers had different views on the interpretation of the Joan Holmes historical report and that the MNR needed a court affirmation concerning Mohawk rights.

The Ministry of Natural Resources made the following commitments:

- 1) MNR will develop a fishing management plan for the Bay of Quinte and invite a band representative to participate;
2) MNR is committed to participate in the joint monitoring of the harvested fish;
3) MNR will contribute \$10,000.00 to assist in offsetting the band's expenses for the facilitated discussions which occurred between April 1, 1999 to February 22, 2000;
4) MNR will continue to recognize the band's right to fish for personal, social or ceremonial use. MNR will not recognize that our members have a right to commercial fish;
5) MNR will proceed to court to get a court affirmation on the issue of commercial fishing; and
6) MNR will continue to use the interim enforcement policy

Over the last three years there have been several meetings. Out of the process, we gained the Joan Holmes' report, which is the first comprehensive research survey of historical documents related to fishing for the band. In addition, a biology study was completed for the bay indicating that the decline of the pickerel stock is related to ecological changes caused by zebra mussels and not the Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte.

Council is awaiting an estimated cost from our lawyer, Peggy Blair, for the future court costs of the 30 charges that are now before the courts.

Aboriginal Head Start (Nursery School)

At the February 10, 2000 meeting, Council signed an agreement with Medical Services Branch in the amount of \$831,030.00 for a three year period for the Aboriginal Head Start program, (Nursery School).

The following is the budget for this initiative:

- \$194,040.00 - Capital Renovation
\$105,633.00 - Operation & Maintenance Year 1
\$276,170.00 - Operation & Maintenance Year 2
\$255,187.00 - Operation & Maintenance Year 3

Year 1 funds in the amount of \$299,673.00 must be spent by March 31, 2000 and no extensions. It is expected that there will be a start date for construction in March with a completion date of June, 2000. Council is awaiting confirmation on whether the funds

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can be used to construct a new building so as to not interfere with the community centre operations.

I wish to thank Chris Maracle, Tina McDonald, Tracey Gazley, Ann Keith and Sue Maracle for completing the submission under tight deadlines

Economic Development

I wish to thank Donny C. Maracle for his eighteen and half years of service as the Economic Development Officer for the band. I wish him well in the new challenges at his new position with Ohwistha Capital Corporation

The Council has approved to draft a term contract for person to work under contract in the Economic Development position. Council is currently working on the draft.

Section 95 Rent Geared to Income Housing

Council received bids to build four Rent Geared to Income Housing units on Lots 16, 17, 19 and 20 in the Hutton Brant North Sub-division.

The bids opened on January 26, 2000 are as follows:

- Build-All \$406,320.15
- McMurters \$381,113.00
- K. C. Builders \$392,490.00

Council accepted the lowest bid and hopefully, construction will start in March, 2000.

The houses are 3 bedroom houses and are designed to accommodate the needs of physically challenged people.

North American Fur Trade Conference

From May 24 to 28, 2000, the Akwesasne community will be hosting a North American Fur Trade Conference. Council has agreed to sponsor \$3,000.00 towards the cost of one of the lunches for persons attending the conference. In addition the Council is willing to make a contribution towards the cost of a limited number of people to attend the conference with particular consideration of community members who are engaged in trapping activities

Council Chamber's Renovations

Council has approved to spend \$1,709.20 for a new carpet, from Sucker Creek Development and \$3,939.50 to purchase a new council table from CORCAN Kingston Sales Office, affiliated with Correctional Services Canada. I thank Councilor Winston Brant for obtaining the quote from CORCAN. The new carpet in the Council Chambers has been installed.

I would also like to thank Phil Kring of Kitchen Designs for donating a kitchen cabinet for the coffee area in the Council Chambers.

Administration

Council currently does not have a Chief Administrative Officer, an Economic Development Officer, or Directors for the Environment, Human Services, and Health and Social Services.

In Sam Maracle and Tom Vincent's absence, these work related responsibilities have been re-assigned to existing staff. Some staff are currently carrying two and three positions and your patience and understanding is greatly appreciated.

I am pleased to provide you with this updated report on the above topics and wish the school staff, parents and students a safe and happy holiday during the March break.

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Donald Maracle

R. Donald Maracle
Chief

Deadline Date
for the Newsletter
Friday, March. 24
396-3424

Casino Rama Distribution

First Nation	popn	distribution
160 Alderville First Nation	928	1,050,162
163 Algonquins of Golden Lake	1,716	1,506,153
141 Beausoleil First Nations	1,529	1,760,974
138 Chippawas of Georgina Island	624	1,237,279
171 Chippawas of Kettle and Stony Point	1,818	1,565,177
172 Chippawas of Samia	1,700	1,496,894
166 Chippawas of the Thames	2,068	1,709,844
161 Curve Lake First Nation	1,619	1,450,022
218 Dokis First Nation	897	1,032,223
187 Fort William First Nations	1,516	1,390,419
188 Gull Bay First Nation	873	1,018,335
231 Henvey Inlet First Nation	455	776,452
193 Red Rock (Lake Helen)	1,327	1,281,051
184 Long Lake No. 58 First Nation	1,100	1,149,693
174 Magnetawan	202	630,049
225 Michipicoten	665	897,972
200 Mississauga	943	1,058,842
140 Mississauga's of Scugog Island	154	602,273
135 Moose Deer Point	402	745,783
168 Munsee-Delaware Nation	475	788,025
Namaygoosisagun	108	938,686
220 Nippising First Nation	1,905	1,615,521
199 Garden River First Nation	1,944	1,638,089
192 Ojibways of Pic River	869	1,016,021
180 Ojibways of Sucker Creek	591	855,151
191 Pays Plat	173	613,268
195 Pic Mobert	715	926,906
Poplar Point	52	906,281
197 Rocky Bay	614	868,460
179 Sagamok Anishnawbek	2,047	1,697,692
196 Sandpoint	142	595,329
201 Serpent River	996	1,089,512
176 Sheguiandah	282	676,342
178 Sheshegwaning	358	720,321
202 Thessalon	501	803,071
232 Wahnapiatae	272	670,556
136 Wasauking First Nation	895	1,031,066
181 West Bay	2,007	1,674,545
224 Whitefish Lake	736	939,058
230 Whitefish River	993	1,087,776
175 Wikwemikong	6,049	4,013,523
173 Zhiibaahaasing First Nation	108	938,686
subtotal - UOI	43,368	48,463,481
165 Caldwell	240	652,038
Deleware of the Thames	560	837,212
162 Hiawatha First nation	431	762,564
120 Mississaugas of the Credit	1,458	1,356,856
164 Mohawk of the Bay of Quinte	6,941	4,529,695
198 Batchewana First Nation	2,032	1,689,012
169 Oneida Nation of the Thames	4,389	3,052,933
255 Wahta Mohawk	408	749,255
subtotal - AIAI	16,459	13,629,566
124 Big Grassy	537	823,903
First Nation	popn	distribution
125 Big Island	311	693,124
126 Couchiching First Nation	1,732	1,515,412
148 Eagle Lake	399	744,047
149 Grassy Narrows First Nation	1,096	1,147,378
189 Lac Des Milles Lac	478	789,761
127 Lac La Croix	355	1,081,617
205 Lac Seul	2,386	2,256,893
128 Naicatchewenin	300	686,758
158 Naotkamegwaning	901	1,397,570
129 Nicickousemenecaning	227	644,516
151 Northwest Angle No.33	356	1,082,196
152 Northwest Angle No. 37	273	671,134
147 Ochiichagwe'babigo'ining First Nation	295	683,865
131 Ojibways of Onegaming	605	863,252
130 Rainy River	737	939,636
132 Seine River First Nation	624	874,247
155 Shoal Lake No. 40	461	1,142,956
133 Stanjikoming First Nation	116	580,283
156 Wabauskang First Nation	200	628,892
157 Wabigoon Lake Ojibway Nation	460	779,345
235 Washagamis Bay	226	643,937
153 Anishinabe of Wauzushk Onigum	526	817,537
subtotal - GCT3	13,601	21,488,260

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Casino Rama Distribution

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Big Trout Lake First Nations	1,039	1,477,426
122 Chippewas of Nawash First Nation	1,928	1,628,831
123 Chippewas of Saugeen	1,374	1,308,248
154 Iskatewizaagegan #39 Independent FN	511	808,857
194 Lake Nipigon Ojibway First Nation	205	631,785
159 Mohawks of Akwesasne	9,281	5,883,779
170 Walpole Island	3,577	2,583,055
137 Shawanaga First Nation	449	772,980
121 Six Nations of the Grand River	20,038	12,108,515
222 Temagami First Nation	540	1,188,671
150 Wabaseemoong Independent Nations	1,561	1,416,459
190 Whitesand	906	1,037,431
subtotal INDEP	41,409	30,846,037
242 Aroland	432	763,143
143 Attawapiskat	2,613	2,388,250
207 Bearskin Lake	714	1,289,359
Beaverhouse	150	962,990
228 Brunswick House	565	840,106
216 Cat Lake	509	1,170,732
221 Chapleau Cree First Nation	317	696,596
229 Chapleau Ojibway	35	533,411
182 Constance Lake	1,341	1,289,152
237 Deer Lake	940	1,420,138
183 Eabametoong First Nation	1,915	1,984,340
227 Flying Post	139	593,593
142 Fort Albany	3,453	2,874,332
215 Fort Severn	535	1,185,777
185 Ginoogaming First Nation	689	911,860
Hornepayne	100	934,057
210 Kasabonika Lake	774	1,324,079

First Nation	popn	distribution
243 Kashechewan	99	933,478
325 Kee-Way-Win	560	1,200,244
212 Kingfisher	408	1,112,287
Koocheching	100	934,057
239 Lansdowne House	326	1,064,836
186 Martin Falls	526	1,180,569
219 Matachewan	442	768,929
226 Mattagami	417	754,463
326 McDowell Lake	32	894,707
203 Mishkeegogamang	1,271	1,248,645
223 Missanabie Cree	272	670,556
Mocreebec	200	991,923
144 Moose Cree First Nation	3,084	2,660,803
213 Muskrat Dam Lake	336	1,070,622
145 New Post	197	990,187
259 Slate Falls Nation	196	989,609
241 Nibinamik First Nation	379	1,095,505
204 North Caribou Lake	794	1,335,653
238 North Spirit Lake	390	1,101,870
208 Pikangikum	1,841	1,941,518
236 Poplar Hill	378	1,094,926
214 Sachigo Lake	630	1,240,751
211 Sandy Lake	2,013	2,041,049
258 Ojibway Nation of Saugeen	189	622,526
233 Wahgoshig	228	1,008,126
206 Wapekeka	320	1,061,364
234 Wawakapewin	32	894,707
240 Webequie	639	1,245,959
146 Weenusk	474	1,150,479
Whitewater Lake	100	571,025
217 Wunnumin	498	1,164,367
subtotal - NAN	32,592	56,197,656
	147,429	170,625,000



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RE: MINISTRY OF NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT PLAN

Dear Ms. Orsatti:

Further to your advice on February 22, 2000 to the effect that MNR will be preparing a management plan, we would appreciate receiving the following clarification.

1. What is the area in which the management plan is supposed to apply?
2. What is the role you anticipate the Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte playing in the development of this plan?
3. Is it the intention of the Ministry to ensure that the Aboriginal and Treaty rights of the Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte are fully accommodated within the development of this plan, and if so, how?

In light of past problems with enforcement, we would also appreciate receiving written confirmation from your offices that MNR conservation officers will not enter our territory for enforcement purposes without first notifying myself.

This will further confirm that joint monitoring will continue this year as in previous years, that is, on a cost-shared basis with all information exchanged.

Yours truly,

Donald Maracle

Chief R. Donald Maracle
Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte

February 21, 2000



Ministry of
Natural
Resources

Chief R. Donald Maracle
Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte
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Tyendinaga Mohawk Territory, Ontario
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Dear Chief Maracle:

As you know, we have been meeting since April 1997 as part of pre-trial discussions in relation to commercial fishing charges first laid in early 1996. Ministry officials have attended numerous meetings with you and members of your community as part of this process. Together, we developed terms of reference for a joint historical research project, which the Ministry jointly funded. In addition, the Ministry together with MBQ did a joint review of the status of Bay of Quinte walleye, and for several years have together implemented monitoring of the harvest from the spring spear fishery.

While the joint research and biological reports were being prepared, various options for fishing arrangements were explored with MBQ. However, what we understood from our discussions is that it would be difficult for the Council at MBQ to agree to measures that could be seen as limiting what MBQ believes to be their communal fishing rights.

We have met several times to review the historical report. It is the Ministry's view that the historical report does not support the existence of a commercial fishing right for the Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte. We believe that the MBQ take a different position.

We have seriously considered the discussions and work done through the pre-trial discussions. The Ministry does not feel that continuing discussions in a facilitated forum at this time will be productive and ultimately resolve the fundamental legal issue regarding rights. The Ministry believes that given the discussions to date the most expeditious and certain way to have the issue determined would be to proceed for a Court judgment.

We will continue to maintain our interim administrative position that MBQ may fish for food, social and ceremonial purposes in the area identified near the reserve. The Ministry takes the position that MBQ members have no right to commercially fish. MNR will continue to follow the protocol outlined in its interim enforcement policy as it relates to possible charges against aboriginal persons harvesting within the Bay of Quinte area.

Sandra Orsatti

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RE: MOHAWKS OF THE BAY OF QUINTE FISHING DISCUSSIONS

Dear Minister:

As you are aware, we have been meeting with representatives of the Ministry of Natural Resources since the spring of 1997. These discussions were initiated by Judge Stephen Hunter of the Ontario Court of Justice following a defence application to stay some 30 charges relating to commercial fishing by our members a year earlier. That application was predicated, in part, on extensive materials filed to demonstrate that the Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte does not receive funding for litigation from the federal or provincial governments. As a result, the Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte lacked the financial resources to either complete the necessary research for trial, or to retain counsel.

As a result of the discussions, referred to at times as "mediated talks," or as "pre-trial discussions," joint historical research and a joint biological report was commissioned and released through Judge Hunter's offices in the fall of 1999. In the meantime, we continued to meet with your representatives and representatives of the federal government and our respective lawyers to discuss substantive issues.

On February 22, 2000 we met in Belleville at a meeting hosted by the Ministry of Natural Resources with the expectation that we would be discussing interim arrangements to govern the conduct of the spring fishery. Senior representatives from the Department of Fisheries and Oceans and the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development were also in attendance.

At that time, we were informed by Sandra Orsatti, the Lake Manager of the Lake Ontario Management Unit, that the Ministry of Natural Resources had decided it would prefer to litigate outstanding issues rather than continue our discussions. Ms. Orsatti later clarified that this decision had been made at the senior levels of your Department, including the Minister of Natural Resources. Ms. Orsatti has provided me with a letter dated February 21, 2000 confirming the Ministry's decision in this regard. Despite the fact that the letter was prepared a day earlier, neither myself nor apparently Judge Hunter, were advised that MNR intended to walk away from the table the following day.

In reaching this decision, it is apparently the Ministry's perspective that the joint historical research does not "support the existence of a commercial fishing right for the Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte." As Ms. Orsatti notes in her letter, we take a different position as to the interpretation of the report, particularly in light of the fact that the report is based solely on documentary evidence and does not take into account the oral history of the Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte. This oral history, which we had discussed as part of the joint research to be undertaken, has yet to be commissioned. It is, however, identified by the joint researchers as a necessary step in completing the record.

The Ministry of Natural Resources has purported to act within Ontario on fisheries matters under a delegated authority from the federal government over fisheries. However, the federal representatives present at the meeting indicated that they had no advance notice that Ontario intended to unilaterally collapse these discussions in order to pursue litigation. Following the meeting, both federal representatives indicated their willingness and desire to continue facilitated discussions in an attempt to resolve these issues rather than see the matters litigated. Having agreed to enter into discussions three years ago, your unilateral decision to litigate rather than negotiate can only be described as inconsistent with the fiduciary obligations required of your government in dealing with Aboriginal hunting and fishing issues within Ontario.

Your decision, then, has been essentially to force the Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte to court on the basis of an incomplete historical record well knowing that the Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte lack the funding to proceed to complete an oral history and properly retain counsel. According to Ms. Orsatti's letter, the Ministry of Natural Resources is determined to litigate these issues in order to attain the certainty of a court judgment. A trial of unrepresented accuseds, unfunded as to counsel, and without complete information, will surely not achieve this result.

We therefore respectfully request that the Ministry of Natural Resources, which is forcing us to court, provide us with the necessary funds so that the Aboriginal perspective, and not merely that of the government, can be put before the court in a fair and proper manner.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours truly,

Donald Maracle

Chief R. Donald Maracle
 Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte

c.c. Tyendingaga Mohawk Council
 Ms. Peggy Blair, Lawyer
 Ms. Sandra Orsatti, MNR



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February 10, 2000

Honourable Robert D. Nault
 Minister of Indian and Northern Affairs
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Dear Minister Nault:

The Tyendingaga Mohawk Council seeking your co-operation to analyze the Lands and Estates Program and the funding criteria imposed upon First Nations by Indian and Northern Affairs Canada.

The Regional Lands Assistance Program (RLAP) has evolved over the past several years and it is certainly better than the old per capita funding which was in place. However, the funding which is determined by registered transactions is far from being adequate because now our Lands and Estates Program Managers are responsible for so many areas that are not being funded by the Department in the RLAP such as Estate work. This is a very important, sensitive and time consuming area to work in and there is nothing in the RLAP funding formula to address this area. There are several other aspects of the Lands Program that is not receiving any funding, but still the work has to be done.

Another area that requires a review is the component of financial resources for land surveys and the development of adequate survey fabric for the First Nations.

This lack of survey fabric places the First Nations in a serious dilemma when our people wish to sell their land to transfer a portion of their land to a relative or a friend. We assert it is the fiduciary responsibility of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada to be accountable for the land registration system by executing these surveys when deemed necessary by Natural Resources Canada. Our land transfer sketches are turned down because they have to follow the survey guidelines laid out in the Interdepartmental Agreement, citing lack of survey fabric. This responsibility has been watered down over the years due to the administrative implications of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada's Lands and Estates Policy and Procedures.

A thorough analysis of these programs would be appreciated.

Sincerely,

Donald Maracle

R. Donald Maracle
 Chief

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February 14, 2000

Chief R. Donald Maracle
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Dear Chief Maracle:

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself to the First Nations and representative organizations in Ontario and to outline some recent changes at Ontario Hydro Services Company (OHSC).

I joined OHSC last fall from the Provincial Government, having most recently served as Assistant Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Energy, Science and Technology. Now, as General Manager and Vice-President, of Ontario Hydro Remote Communities, my areas of responsibility cover both Remote Communities and Aboriginal Relations.

As you know, OHSC was formed on April 1, 1999 as one of the successor companies to Ontario Hydro. At that time the 93-year-old generation, transmission and distribution provincial utility monopoly was reorganized into several commercial successor companies, OHSC and Ontario Power Generation.

Ontario Power Generation received all the generation assets (e.g. hydroelectric, fossil and nuclear plants) from Ontario Hydro while OHSC received the vast majority of the "wires" electricity delivery assets. A portion of the "wires" electricity delivery assets remained in the Ontario Electricity Financial Corporation.

OHSC has been set up as a holding company with subsidiaries in electricity transmission and distribution, energy services and telecom businesses. Through its subsidiaries, it owns and operates Ontario's high voltage transmission system transporting electricity to large industrial customers and municipal utilities, owns and operates low voltage distribution facilities serving about 930,000 retail customers and smaller municipal utilities, including remote communities and owns and operates a province-wide telecom system. OHSC has approximately 3,600 full-time employees at its facilities and offices throughout Ontario.

OHSC has been established in preparation for the introduction of competition in the electricity market, which is expected in November of this year. At that time, all customers will be able to choose their electricity supplier. You will be hearing more about how these changes will affect you in the coming months.

Although the future will bring a number of changes, I am committed to continuing and strengthening the good working relationship we have established with First Nations and representative organizations in Ontario.

Should you have any additional questions about the above information, please contact Ms. Patricia Oakes at (416) 345-6341. I look forward to working with you.

Yours truly,

Les Horswill

Les Horswill
 General Manager and Vice-President
 Ontario Hydro Remote Communities Service Company

ADMINISTRATION

A MESSAGE FROM A MEMBER OF THE MOHAWKS OF THE BAY OF QUINTE BAND COUNCIL (MBQBC) FOR FEBRUARY 2000

Submitted by William J. Brant

The month of February has been an active one for MBQBC and included 2 trips away from our territory.

Our environmental committee held meetings on the 3rd and 24th of February and has elected Holly Brant-Butcher as the Chairperson. This committee has been discussing ways to manage our territory's garbage problems so that the pollution and contamination can be minimized. We will be making recommendations to MBQBC early in March for its consideration and action.

Councillor Roy Maracle, other members of staff, and I attended an environmental conference held on February 16 & 17th and hosted by Oneida First Nations near London, Ontario. The conference was entitled MOTHER EARTH, A First Nation's Responsibility For Our Children's Future.

Several presentations were made as to how other First Nations are managing their garbage and the difficulties arising from improper management of this element. I was pleased to hear that other First Nations are regarding garbage as a serious problem and are taking measures toward better management.

I was very impressed by a Mohawk Elder, Tom Porter from Akwesasne First Nation, who in his presentation entitled "First Nations' Responsibilities to the Environment" emphasized that the Creator had given us Mother Earth. He went on to say that we have neglected our responsibility because of our lack of understanding of the teachings passed to us by our elders.

He said the Great Thanksgiving in English (as he stated that few are fluent in our language) and elaborated as to our responsibility as caretakers of Mother Earth who was put here to sustain us. He indicated that our environment and its care have been given to us so that Mother Earth might continue to provide for the generations to come.

On the way to the conference Roy, Todd Kring and I had an opportunity to visit a company (ECO Waste Solutions) located in Burlington that manufactures incinerators for the disposal of garbage. The system we viewed will handle approximately two tonnes of garbage in an 8 to 10 hour cycle. It consisted of a large burning chamber, operated by natural gas, that could be front loaded by hand or by front-end loader, where the incineration took place. The smoke and gases travel to a second incineration chamber to be further disposed. After the second chamber the remaining product is released into the air. The company personnel told us the emissions contained fewer contaminants than those emissions permitted by Environment Canada. The disposing of garbage by this type of incineration costs approximately \$25.00 per tonne to operate (by the manufacturer's estimation).

This unit could also handle certain kinds of toxic wastes but would require the addition of a filtering system that ECO manufactures especially for the unit. The equipment was housed in a building and we could detect no odor.

We requested an estimated cost from the manufacturer (ECO Waste Solutions) for a unit to service the needs of our territory. ECO will provide this after MBQBC forwards an indication of the volume of garbage that our territory handles.

I am of the opinion that if our territory were to move to 100% recycling, and if this type of technology were to be used that a very minimal amount of waste would go to landfill.

We also viewed the landfill site at Six Nations Territory where the disposal site is approximately 37 acres of clay soil. They dig a large trench, filling and compacting on a daily basis. When the trench becomes full it is covered with clay and a new one is dug. As well they also have an optional system of recycling whereby the bins are located below a bank and the recyclers just drop the recyclables into the bins. This is not ideal as the recycled items become mixed and need to be sorted.

MBQBC is concerned with the lack of potable water and the need for pollution control as more and more homes and businesses are starting to emerge on our territory. With this in mind Todd Kring and councillors Roy, John, and I traveled to Christian Island First Nation (west of Midland) to view a water filtration plant which has been erected to serve this community of 600 people. It is computer monitored and controlled and staffed by two people. The total cost was approximately \$7.3 million. They told of difficulties encountered with the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development (DIAND).

MBQBC has been investigating the possibilities and the most economical way it can service the central and western portions of our territory with water and sewer. As a result of this meeting MBQBC found information which will be useful in its deliberations in arriving at a solution.

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MBQBC had asked for persons from our territory interested in representing our Band as a trustee on the Hastings and Prince Edward School Board. We had 5 worthy candidates who applied for this position. I'm sure that this was a difficult recommendation for the school committee to make. I congratulate Marlene Brant-Castellano, the successful candidate on her appointment. I think that our community will be well served by the committee's choice and thank also the other members of our territory that offered their names for this position.

I may be contacted at 967-9861 for your comments, suggestions or concerns.

NOTICE TO COMMUNITY MEMBERS

The Tyendinaga Mohawk Council has decided to financially sponsor the registration fee for the 9th North American Fur Trade Conference being held on May 24-28, 2000, in Akwesasne for a limited amount of community members interested in attending with particular consideration given to those involved in the fur trade.

If you are interested in attending the conference, please leave your name with the Receptionist at the Mohawk Administration Office, 396-3424.



THE 8TH NORTH AMERICAN FUR TRADE CONFERENCE

This conference is a prestigious forum for the presentation of new thought and research on the Fur Trade in North America. The Conference is convened about every 5 years, at different locations related to different facets of the trade. The Conference theme set for May 24 - 28, 2000 will be "Aboriginal People in the Fur Trade."

The first of these conferences was organized by the late Robert Wheeler, whose interest in the history of the Fur Trade caused him to seek out like minds. In 1965 the Minnesota Historical Society, of which Mr. Wheeler was a member, hosted the first gathering, welcoming scholars and history buffs alike.

In acknowledgment of the scope of the Trade, Conferences have alternated between Canada and the United States at relevant locations, thus promoting the geographical aspect of this segment of North American heritage. Following the death of Mr. Wheeler in 1986, Victoria M. Stewart was appointed by a special committee of patrons to take charge of future Conferences and to ensure that they continue in the spirit in which they began.

This year, Akwesasne has been selected as the location of the 8th North American Fur Trade Conference. Aboriginal Peoples across North America and most assuredly, the Mohawks and other members of the Haudenosaunee/Iroquois Confederacy played a significant role in all aspects of the Fur Trade and in the formation of Canada and the United States. We believe that it is appropriate that we ensure that the new millennium offer new light on the contribution of Aboriginal Peoples to the history of North America and the Fur Trade and its continuing influences.

Please register by March 14, 2000 to receive an Early Bird Special Rate of \$200.00 including meals for full conference. Banquet fee is extra for \$35.00, tickets will be sold at Registration Desk. Information on hotels and direction to conference site will be sent to you as soon as we receive registration or upon request of information.

ADMINISTRATION NOTICES

Traditional Walleye Harvest Managers

(Formerly referred to as Game Wardens)

The Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte are currently accepting applications for the position of Traditional Walleye Harvest Managers for the 2000 pickeral spawning season.

Applications are being accepted
UNTIL FRIDAY MARCH 24 AT 4:00 P.M.
 by the Employment Department.
 For duties and responsibilities please contact
 Karen Brant-Jones, Bev Hill or Todd
 Kring at the Administration Office
396-3424



Moura River, Napanee Region and Prince Edward Region Conservation Authorities

Quinte Conservation

Box 498, Belleville Ontario K8N 5B3 phone: 613-968-3434 fax: 613-968-8240
 e-mail: quinteca@belautocam.com web site: www.pac.on.ca/conservation/

February 25, 2000

To: Municipal Flood Coordinators

Watershed Conditions Bulletin

Quinte Conservation will continue to monitor watershed conditions closely throughout the weekend.

Water levels are presently below normal on the Moura, Black, Skootamatta and Salmon Rivers. The Napanee River has reached normal spring levels. Flows on all waterways are expected to continue to rise gradually throughout the weekend and until at least Tuesday. Mild temperatures and some precipitation is forecast until early next week.

While there are no major flooding concerns at this time, there will be ponding of water in low-lying areas. Residents should ensure their sump pumps are working. Blocked culverts may result in localized flooding on some roadways.

Warm temperatures, rain and increased flows all contribute to the deterioration of the ice cover. As the ice breaks up, the potential for ice jamming remains.

Quinte Conservation advises the public, especially children to stay well away from local waterways. Slippery banks, unstable ice, cold fast flowing water and the strong currents of a sudden thaw make these areas treacherous.

Quinte Conservation staff will continue to closely monitor water levels, and areas prone to ice jamming throughout the weekend. Conservation staff monitor water levels and ice conditions carefully at this time of year as part of Quinte Conservation's flood forecasting and flood warning program.

Contact: Terry Murphy - 391-4040
 Paul McCoy - 968-4906
 Andrew Schmidt - 354-6041

Announcement of Trustee for Hastings & Prince Edward School Board

The Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte would like to announce the recent appointment of Marlene Brant-Castellano to the position of Trustee for the Hastings and Prince Edward School Board, representing the Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte.

New Employee Introductions:

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My name is Tracey Gazley and I have been hired as the Tyendinaga Aboriginal Head Start Initiative Program Manager. I am very excited about this new program and am extremely happy to be a part of it. Many of you may know me, from my past experiences in children's programs, such as the Tyendinaga School Age Program, Aboriginal Head Start Developmental Phase, MBQ Summer Camps Programs, and as a Teacher's Assistant at Quinte Mohawk School.

Over the next few weeks look for information about the Aboriginal Head Start Program. I look forward to working with our Community on this most important initiative!

If you would like more information about the program or have any questions, please call me at the Thayendanega Health Centre, at 967-3603.

TYENDINAGA ABORIGINAL HEAD START INITIATIVE KEY ISSUES

The main goal of this program is to provide early-intervention programming for our children and their families. Programming will support children in their four growth areas with the six components of the AHS being key. These six components are: Education, Nutrition, Health Promotion, Mohawk Language & Culture, Parental & Family involvement and Social Support Services.

Programming will consist of running two half-day programs. The morning session will be for infants/toddlers and their family and the afternoon program will be for preschool children. More details will follow about age breakdowns and the enrollment process.

Goals for the next several weeks are:

- Setting up interviews and hiring staff for the program
- Setting up a building to run the program from
- Meeting with Ministry of Community and Social Services for Day Nurseries licensing
- Creating an advisory board
- Linking with Community Services
- Sharing information about the program with Community Members
- Purchasing of all start up supplies for the program
- Preparing policies and the enrollment process
- Further program development
- Program planning
- Training for staff & board members
- Completing reports for Medical Services Branch as required
- Logo contest
- Other projects as they arise

Thank you for your interest in the Tyendinaga Aboriginal Head Start Initiative. Please call Tracey Gazley at the Thayendanega Health Centre if you have any comments, questions or ideas.

ADMINISTRATION NOTICES

Ernie Parsons M.P.P.

will be available to discuss your concerns on **Monday March 20 at the Deseronto Municipal Office from 7 - 9 p.m.** For further information please call 962-1144

SMOKE ALARMS

On January 4, 2000, the W-5 program on CTV, broadcast a story on the reliability of smoke alarms. The tests that W-5 performed were all on ionization type smoke alarms. These tests showed that an ionization type smoke alarm did not respond to slow smoldering fires.

There are two types of smoke alarms, **ionization** and **photoelectric**:

An **ionization** type of alarm use a small amount of radioactive material to ionize the air in the sensory chamber. As a result, the air chamber becomes conductive permitting current to flow between two charged electrodes. When smoke particles enter the chamber the conductivity is reduced to a predetermined level the alarm is set off.

A **photoelectric** type consists of a light emitting diode and a light sensitive sensor in the sensing chamber. The presence of suspended smoke particles in the chamber scatters the light beam and sets off the alarm.

So what type is more effective?

The two types operate on different principles and therefore respond differently to various conditions. Some advantages to each are:

Ionization

- ❖ Fastest type to respond to flaming fires.
- ❖ Lowest cost and most commonly sold.
- ❖ Some models have a temporary silence feature that allows silencing without removing the battery.
- ❖ Some models have a life long battery.

Photoelectric

- ❖ Fastest type to respond to slow smoldering fire and white or gray smoke.
- ❖ Less prone to nuisance alarms from cooking.

Never the less it is proven that working smoke alarm's save lives. These are low cost life savers and if you are unsure of which type to buy or install put one of each on every level of your home.

Smoke alarms were designed to protect you while you sleep. **So be sure there are alarms near all sleeping area's in your home.**

If you have any questions about smoke alarms or fire safety please call Scott Maracle at 968-7985.

FROM THE HOUSING DEPARTMENT

NOTICE NOTICE NOTICE

COMMUNITY CENTRE RENOVATIONS

Renovations to the Community Centre will begin the week of February 28, 2000. Build-All Construction will be doing the renovations. A completion date of June 28, 2000 is anticipated.

The downstairs kitchen will not be available for the month of May. There will be some disruptions; in particular the main entrance will be inaccessible.

Build-All Construction has agreed to work around the bookings that have already been made.

If you have any questions, please contact the Housing Department.



Ne':e K'i:ken sananhtonnio':ko

Think about this!

by John E. Maracle Thohate

"Leadership is not a right - it's a responsibility."

A wise man shared this story with me. I would like to pass it on to you.

A lady had a bird, "otsitenha", named Chirpy. Chirpy loved to sing.

"Chirpy raon'we'skwani ahaterenno'ten". He sang during the day. He sang at night.

Chirpy loved to sing. "Chirpy raon'we'skwani ahaterenno'ten". One day the lady decided to clean out Chirpy's cage. She got out the vacuum cleaner and began to clean Chirpy's cage. The telephone rang and as she went to answer it, she sucked up Chirpy. Immediately she turned the vacuum off,

opened it up and tore into the dirt bag. There she found Chirpy.

He was stunned, dazed, covered with dirt-but still alive.

She quickly ran to the sink and power-washed Chirpy under the faucet nozzle.

There was Chirpy stunned, dazed, shivering, and dripping wet.

The lady proceeded to the bathroom; and using the blow drier, she dried Chirpy off.

He was alive!

She placed Chirpy back in his cage. Chirpy took his perch. Chirpy doesn't sing very much anymore.

Ne':e K'i:ken sananhtonnio':ko

Point of Pride

Expand the mind, Work the muscles,
Practice social graces and culture.

These great experiences happen daily
in this community.

Where?

Quinte Mohawk School

under the nurturing guidance of a
great team of educators.

Thanks!

*QMS administration, faculty,
staff and volunteers*

Before I went away to university my grandfather, Mark took me aside. He told me, "John, you can have all the education in the world, all the book knowledge. I want you to do well, but if you don't have the common sense, God gave a goose, you are useless.

Don't be useless!

I would like to share some lessons we can learn from the geese.

LESSON "ENSKA"

As each goose, "tewe'nna'ke", flaps its wings, it creates an uplift for the goose, "tewe'nna'ke", who follows.

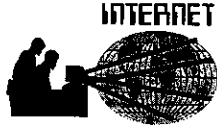
Flying in a "V" formation, the whole flock adds 70% greater flying range than if the goose, "tewe'nna'ke", flew alone.

People who share a common direction and sense of community can get where they're going more quickly and easily because they are traveling on the thrust of one another.

**LESSONS FROM THE
GEESE, "TEWE'NNIA'KE SBONA"**
to be continued . . .

FIRST NATIONS POLICE

INTERNET SAFETY What Are The Risks?



Important Note: With any discussion of risks, it's important to realize that the most horrendous (i.e. the child turning up missing or molested) is also the least likely. As with all aspects of life, the risk should be put into context. Statistically, probably the greatest risk is that a child will encounter people in chat areas and news groups who are mean or obnoxious. Another "risk" is that a child will spend a lot of wasted time in areas that aren't all that productive.

Exposure to Inappropriate Material

One risk that a child may be exposed to is inappropriate material that is sexual, hateful, violent in nature or encourages activities that are dangerous or illegal.

Physical Molestation

Although not very likely, there is a slight risk that, while online, a child might provide information or arrange an encounter that could risk his or her safety or the safety of other family members. In a few cases, pedophiles have used e-mail, bulletin boards and chat areas to gain a child's confidence and then arrange a face-to-face meeting.

Harassment

A child might encounter e-mail, chat or bulletin board messages that are harassing, demeaning, or belligerent. This risk may not be life threatening, but it could affect a child's self esteem and frankly, it's pretty likely to occur for any child who engages in chat rooms or exchanges messages on bulletin boards.

Legal and Financial

There is also the risk that a child could do something that has a negative, legal or financial consequences such as giving out a parent's credit card or doing something that violates another person's rights. Legal issues aside, children should be taught good "etiquette" and to behave online as they would in public and to avoid being rude, mean or inconsiderate.

Passwords

Children should also be cautioned to never give out their Internet or AOL password to anyone even if the person claims to work for AOL or an Internet service provider. When in doubt, children should ask their parents and parents should know their provider's policy regarding passwords. (AOL staff for example will never ask a member for their password).

Privacy

Children have the right to privacy. Everything about them: their name, age, what school they go to, is their business and the business of their families. No one, including reputable companies, have a right to extract this information from children without first checking with the child's parents.

Drugs, Alcohol, Tobacco and other Dangers

Some web sites and news groups contain information that advocates the use of drugs, tobacco or alcohol. It's even possible to find places on the internet where you can learn to make bombs or obtain weapons. We don't know of any cases where a child has committed an act of violence or used a substance as a result of going online. If that happens, it's most likely related to something else going on in the child's life. Yet, with a rescue as vast and as uncontrolled as the Internet, you're bound to find all sorts of information.

Gambling and Other Inappropriate Behaviours

There are sites that allow people to gamble with real money or just "for fun." In some cases these sites may be operating legally in the jurisdiction where they are physically located but it is generally illegal (and inappropriate) for minors to gamble regardless of where they are. Most online gambling sites require a person to use a credit card or write a check to transfer funds. Speaking of gambling, it's also possible to buy and sell stocks and securities over the Internet. If your child has access to your web browser or AOL account and your brokerage password, it is possible that he or she might be able to conduct such a transaction. Keep an eye on this. Either prevent you kid from doing it or watch closely so you can learn something.

WRECKS AND WRITE-OFFS: DO YOU KNOW WHERE YOUR CAR HAS BEEN? The Toronto Sun - 08 Jan 2000

A program launched in 1998 to protect Ontario motorists from buying written-off vehicles may have failed to red-flag more than 47,000 wrecks. Critics say the program is so flawed and rife with loopholes, it's endangering the safety of motorists and putting them at risk of unwittingly buying a stolen vehicle. "There are a significant number of severely damaged vehicles for which there is no history," notes John Norris of the Collision Industry Action Group. "For all we know, they were repaired unsafely with no inspection."

Ontario's Stolen and Salvage Program, which took effect on July 27, 1998, was supposed to red-flag and track all written-off and stolen vehicles by "branding" the registration after a vehicle was written off by an insurer or reported stolen. The aim of the program was to protect consumers from being victimized by shady sellers peddling re-built wrecks, stolen vehicles with the original vehicle identification number, or stolen vehicles disguised with VINs of write-offs.

But the Ministry of Transportation's latest figures show a significant number of cars falling through the cracks. According to industry estimates, about 80,000 vehicles are written off annually in Ontario and 200,000 across Canada. But in the first 16 months after the branding program took effect, only 7,150 Ontario vehicles were branded as salvage and 51,194 were branded "rebuilt," after being repaired and passing a detailed inspection. An estimated 106,000 should have been written off in the same period. That means about 47,000 write-offs could have been rebuilt without passing and inspection standards, or had the VIN removed and used to disguise a stolen vehicle.

Last month, a man charged with fraud over \$5,000 after a woman paid \$16,000 for a 1997 Honda. When she tried to insure the vehicle, she was told it had been written off and deemed irreparable. "This program is supposed to protect the public," notes Warren Barnard of the Used Car Dealers' Association. "But they're at risk of purchasing a vehicle that's damaged and rebuilt, perhaps improperly and unsafely."

Steve Fletcher of the Ontario Automotive Recyclers' Association believes there's no incentive for insurers to comply. "When you brand a car, you're making it worth less money to an insurance company," says Fletcher. "In effect you're asking the insurers to voluntarily make less money." About 2% or 3% of Ontario insurers haven't even agreed in principle to brand write-offs. Those that have agreed are not subject to any type of audit to confirm compliance. Fletcher would like to see the program made mandatory, the route every other province has taken. "There's no one policing the program," says Fletcher. "While a voluntary program is better is better than nothing, it may give people a false sense of security."

Ron Giblin of the insurance Crime Prevention Bureau attributes the low numbers of branded vehicles in part to start-up problems. By February 1999, only 3,093 vehicles had been branded as salvage and 643 as irreparable. Until last June, Giblin says, it took four to six weeks for branding registrations to be processed. Now it takes about three days. "I think as we go along, the numbers will increase," says Giblin. "It's not perfect, there's no two ways about it, but it gets better all the time." Ministry of Transportation spokesman Bob Nichols says the government intends to make the program mandatory, but couldn't give a time frame. "We are working in that direction," says Nichols. "It's a matter of finding time in the government's overall agenda." Even if the program is made mandatory, and 100% of write-offs are reported, it will still mean hundreds of thousands of Ontario cars written off before any program was in place could wind up in the hands of unsuspecting consumers. "It's a hidden problem," notes Fletcher. "I'm fairly knowledgeable, but I'm still very afraid when I'm buying."

Protect Yourself

Some tips to avoid buying a rebuilt wreck:

- Make any scale conditional on a through inspection by a skilled mechanic.
- Ask your insurer to check the VIN before purchase, or visit the Insurance Crime Prevention Bureau Web site (www.icpb.ca). Its records date back ten years.
- Get the Used Vehicle Information Package at the MTO office and contact as many past owners as possible.
- Consumers have more protection buying from a dealer than a private seller.



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FIRST NATIONS POLICE & EMPLOYMENT

Police News



The Good.....Community Partnerships

Tyendinaga Police were part of a three day "Healthy Lifestyles" Trade Show last month at the Quinte Mall, where officers set up a booth and demonstrated the Fatal Vision@ goggles designed to simulate the physical effects of alcohol and drug impairment. The show was a great success and we received many positive comments about this kind of public education. The show was made possible through a financial donation of the Tyendinaga Lions Club and the purchase of the equipment by the Tyendinaga Health Center.

Officers have also demonstrated Fatal Vision for the children and staff of the Quinte Mohawk School during the "Internet Safety" presentation last week.

Staff of the Health Centre were provided with a demonstration as well earlier in January.

For more information and to schedule a Fatal Vision presentation and seminar on drinking and driving please contact Brian Brant of the Tyendinaga Police-Driver Safety Program, by calling 967-3888 ext 108.

Community Justice Forums

One Forum was held last month for a 22 year old male charged with assault. The result was the reconciliation between the parties involved, a start towards the healing of the family and the courts' recognition of the process. The Committee is currently considering four more cases to be scheduled. If you require further information regarding this process please contact the following community members, Warren Maracle 967-3723, Ted Maracle 966-0009 Doug Brant 396-2211 or Larry Hay 967-3888.

Loyalist College-Law and Security Program

The Tyendinaga Police provided a First Nations Policing session to approximately 60 Loyalist students where discussions centered on the unique issues faced by Tyendinaga officers and the current state of territorial policing. The presentation was well received by the students and a future session is scheduled for April at Loyalist and the St. Lawrence College in Kingston as well.

Hunting Committee

Plans are underway to hold a community meeting in the very near future to continue discussions on the hunting issues currently being faced by our community members particularly in regards to "off-reserve" areas. The challenge we are faced with is to reach a resolution to this matter without involving the courts. This could develop into an agreed upon method that acknowledges hunting rights and at the same time offers protection to the residents and landowners against negligent and irresponsible hunter behaviour. There have been two inquiries from farmers this month as to how to go about partnering with our community in an effort to reduce deer numbers in a safe manner on their farms. These topics will require more discussion with the hunters on organizing a fall community harvest and honor feast for everyone involved.

The Bad..... Crime Beat.

The Tyendinaga Police investigated 58 occurrences this past month requiring police attendance and follow-up. We are requesting your assistance with the following investigations.

Stolen Snow Machines-Huron Brant Drive Area

During the evening of February 8th, a 1973 Ski-doo Olympic was taken from a backyard on Huron Brant Drive. This machine had a yellow hood, no tail-light and a refinished seat. It was recovered on February 11 abandoned near a fence on Sero's Road. The hood had been torn off and has not yet been recovered. (Incident # 180274-1)

On January 21, a 1978 Moto-Ski, green hood, plate 149371 was also stolen from the Huron Brant Drive area. The culprits lifted the rear of the machine and pushed it off the property. (Incident # 174889-4)

A 1988 Ski-doo Safari 377, plate 598370 was stolen from a trail west of Bell's Road on 22 February overnight, after breaking down. (Incident # 184417-4)

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Break-ins-Ferry Lane Cottages

On December 30th, 1999, break-ins to five cottages along the bay on Ferry Lane were discovered. They are believed to have occurred during the previous two nights. Taken from the residences and sheds were fishing poles and tackle, cameras, binoculars, tools and other small valuables. Some of this property has been recovered, however police are looking for further items and the identities of those responsible. (Investigator Mike Hill)

Gas-No Pay

Police are looking for the owner or driver of a grey jeep-type vehicle having a licence plate similar to 236 FDR driven by a blond male, slim, 30's who sped off Saturday night February 26th after failing to pay for gas at the Bayview Variety Plaza.

Expulsion Order

On February 18th, police served written notice to Lawrence Joseph Butler formerly of 1846 York Road to vacate the Territory as per the direction of council contained within B.C.R. 150. Butler's former involvement with police was considered to be a potential threat to the residents of Tyendinaga. If anyone has knowledge of Butler attempting to re-enter the territory, you are asked to notify police immediately.

Stolen Auto

Police are investigating the theft of a 1984 Pontiac Bonneville Ontario Licence ADJP 470 taken overnight from 2302 York Road.

Anyone having information regarding the above crimes please contact the Tyendinaga Police office (967-3888) or if you wish to remain anonymous contact Crimestoppers at 1-800-222-8477.

The Ugly.....??



ABORIGINAL CAREER FAIR

When?
Wednesday, March 22, 2000
10:00am to 7:00pm

Where?
At the M.A.S.K., Rama Road, MNJIKANING FIRST NATION
(The Mnjikaning Arena Sports Ki)

What will happen at the Career Fair?
Casino Rama is committed to the employment of Aboriginal people. Our Career Fair will provide an opportunity for us to share information about each department in the casino and about what each job entails. You can also find out what it is like to be an employee and how to apply for employment with Casino Rama.

Although we will not be recruiting for specific positions at the Career Fair, we will be accepting applications and conducting screening interviews for possible future employment opportunities.

**ANY COMMUNITY MEMBERS INTERESTED IN ATTENDING THE
RAMA ABORIGINAL CAREER FAIR
TO PURSUE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

Please contact:
Bev Hill or Karen Brant-Jones
Employment Department
Mohawk Administration office
(613) 396-3424

If we have enough people interested we will arrange transportation to Rama via Mohawk Bus Lines.

Please call as soon as possible so that arrangements can be made.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

ESKA O' KON:A CHILD CARE CENTRE

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM CO-ORDINATOR

Qualifications:

Education Requirements:

- Graduation from a post secondary program in Early Childhood Education, Social Service Worker, Developmental Service Worker, Recreation Leadership or Native Classroom Assistant.

Knowledge & Experience:

- Knowledge of current policies and procedures relative to the operation of child care programs
- Knowledge of theories and principles related to the provision of children services
- Knowledge of the Day Nurseries Act

Demonstrated Competencies:

- Excellent organizational skills
- Ability to work in a team
- Enjoy working with children
- Requires a good sense of humour and good health

Communication Skills:

- Excellent verbal and written communication skills
- Highly sensitive, close working relationship with parents, children and staff
- Involves considerable one on one contact with children in a larger group environment and is child centered.

Other Position Requirements:

- Current First Aid
- Current CPR
- Must be of Aboriginal Decent
- WILMS Certificate would be an asset
- Clear Criminal Reference Background Check
- Valid Driver's Licence and own transportation
- Must be willing to work split days (Mornings before school and at the end of the school day until parents pick children up) and additional hours as required.

Duties & Responsibilities: Work Procedures

1. Planning and providing learning activities and menus for children of various ages ensuring that policies and procedures of the program are followed
2. Ensuring a safe environment for children and staff
3. Ensuring that craft centres are stocked and in place for the program
4. May be required to attend meetings, workshops etc. for the betterment of services.

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: Friday March 17, 2000 @ 12:00 Noon

To apply, please submit resumes to:
 Bev Hill and/or Karen Brant-Jones
 Employment Department
 Mohawk Administration Office
 (613) 396-3424 or by fax (613) 396-3627

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

Deadline Date for the Newsletter
 Friday, March. 24
 396-3424

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

DAYCARE TEACHER

ESKA O' KON:A CHILD CARE CENTRE – 3 MONTH TERM POSITION

The Teacher is responsible for planning and providing learning activities, for supervising children on a one-on-one and group basis and assessing child progress. The Teacher is directly responsible to the Daycare Supervisor.

Qualifications:

Education Requirements:

- Graduation from a post secondary program in Early Childhood Education
- Valid First Aid and CPR
- Current health forms and up to date immunizations
- WHMIS Certification

Knowledge & Experience:

- Sensitivity to Native and community issues
- Policies and procedures relative to the operation of child care programs
- The Day Nurseries Act

Demonstrated Competencies:

- Strong appreciation of and empathy with the needs of children
- High degree of initiative and self direction
- Good organizational skills

Communication Skills:

- Excellent communication skills: written, verbal, listening & non-verbal
- Ability to work in a group setting and enjoys working and being with children
- Close working relations with parents, day care children, and members of the MBQ
- Considerable one-on-one contact with children in a larger group environment & is child centered

Other Position Requirements:

- Valid Ontario Driver's License
- Satisfactory Criminal background check

Duties and Responsibilities: Work Procedures:

1. Work collaboratively within a team at the Child Care Centre
2. Adhere to the policies and procedures of the Child Care Centre
3. Promote the development of an inclusive child care curriculum and environment
4. Assisting children with personal care needs
5. Provides encouragement and support to children and their parents
6. Providing parents with resources on child behaviour, discipline, health & nutrition

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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

EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING


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Two exits: 1 year - Certificate or 2 year - Diploma

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For additional information contact:

Paulette Aiabens, Aboriginal Programs, Services and First Nations
Liaison,
Canadore College - Main Campus
474-7601 extension 5482.

Courses of Study:

Semester 1
Traditional Methods of Healing
Teaching Circle
Cultural Activities
Teachings of the Medicine Wheel
Workshop Facilitation
Contemporary Issues in Remote Native Communities
Native and Non-Native Cultural Comparisons
Acts, Policies, and Procedures for Native People
Traditional Teaching Lodges
Personal and Career Development
Ethics and Professionalism
Casework
Semester 2
Introduction to Substance Abuse Issues
Interviewing
Community Resources for Drug and Alcohol Counsellors
Native Treatment Methods: Assessment, Intervention,
and Evaluation I
Stress Management for Drug and Alcohol Counsellors
Co-dependency in Family, Friends, and Workplace
Reporting Guidelines
Dual Diagnosis
Group Work
Drug and Alcohol Issues for Women in Native
Communities
College Communication I
Field Placement for Indigenous Wellness and
Addictions Prevention

* After successful completion of Semester 1 and
Semester 2 students receive a Certificate
and can choose to 1) exit the program or 2)
continue in their second year studies towards a Diploma.

* If you are a past graduate of the Native Drug and
Alcohol Counsellor Program,
contact our office to determine eligibility for
entry into the 3rd semester.

Semester 3
Basic Computer Literacy I
Understanding Technology
Substance Abuse II
Social Work and the Aboriginal Family
A Whole Systems Approach to Wellness
Social Work Methods: Abuse and Violence in the
Family
Suicide Assessment and Intervention
Building Community
Social Work Methods: Native Methods of Intervention
Semester 4
Report Writing I
Standard First Aid
Heart Saver
Treatment Methods: Assessment, Intervention, and
Evaluation II
Group Dynamics
Historical and Contemporary Issues in Native Culture
Field Placement II for Indigenous Wellness and
Addictions Prevention

* After successful completion of Semester 3 and
Semester 4 students receive a Diploma.

EMPLOYMENT & EDUCATION

Volunteer Income Tax Program

The volunteer income tax program will be running again this year for low income, single parent families. For further information contact:
 Bev Hill,
 Employment Department
 Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte
 613-396-3424

Are you looking to obtain your grade 12?

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P.O. Box 7, Caverns Road
 Howes Cave, NY 12092
 518 296-8949
 FAX 518 296-8955

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE -----FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

The Iroquois Indian Museum announces an internship opportunity for Iroquois people in the field of museum education, and is seeking applicants to its "Three Sisters Internship Program."

The Iroquois Indian Museum was established in 1980 to honor Iroquois creativity in the visual and performing arts. Located just 35 miles southwest of Albany in the small town of Howes Cave, NY, the Museum offers a supportive environment for learning and sharing ideas.

The Three Sisters Internship Program is designed to provide an opportunity for Iroquois people to gain experience in the world of museums. Selected interns will serve as cultural ambassadors -- introducing non-native museum visitors to Iroquois culture through a large collection of contemporary Iroquois art, interactive children's exhibits, and a 45 acre Nature Park. Under the guidance of native and non-native museum staff, interns will develop effective programming, communication, and public speaking skills.

This is a paid internship, scheduled to start in the early Autumn of 2000. Any Iroquois individual at least 18 years of age may apply. Applicants must be responsible and willing to work with the public. Craft skills, a sense of humor, and patience are a plus.

Application forms are available upon request from the Museum. The deadline for submitting completed applications is June 1, 2000.

Contact: Neal Keating, Curator of Education
 tel. (518) 296-8949
 fax. (518) 296-8955
 neal@iroquoismuseum.org
 www.iroquoismuseum.org

Aboriginal Media PROGRAM Fall 2000

Cover Native issues from a Native perspective at First Nations Technical Institute's Aboriginal Media Program

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS: 

Three-year college diploma in Print Journalism or Broadcast Production
 Aboriginal coverage of Aboriginal issues

Newspaper production training



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Beginning March 20, 2000

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For more information or registration please contact -

Pam Maracle at 396-2122



EMPLOYMENT & ANNOUNCEMENTS

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OFFICER
1 YEAR TERM POSITION
MOHAWKS OF THE BAY OF QUINTE

The Community Economic Development Officer is responsible for the development of renewable and non-renewable business development programs, tourism, incentive programs and retail and business evaluations in the community they represent. They must be sensitive to community needs, within the defined guidelines and policies of the Tyendinaga Mohawk Territory. They must be able to negotiate, promote, and analyze incentives and programs to acquire the best deal for the community.

Qualifications:

Recommended Educational Requirements:

- Bachelor of Commerce/Business Administration, or Business Administration Diploma and/or
- College Diploma related to Economic Development and Economics

Knowledge & Experience:

- Two to three years experience with financial assistance programs, commercial lending institutions, or general business background
- Two years experience in community economic development, including documentation of community strengths and weaknesses, role of interest groups, and facilitation in building support for economic development
- Sensitivity to Native and community issues
- Knowledge of business operational requirements and practices
- Knowledge of business and financial analysis

Demonstrated Competencies:

- High degree of initiative and self direction
- Good organizational skills
- Strong analytical skills

Skills:

- Excellent communication skills: written and verbal
- Excellent public relations skills
- Computer and word processing skills using Microsoft Office
- Excellent research skills

Duties and Responsibilities: Work Procedures:

1. Provide leadership and advisory assistance in all aspects of community economic development
2. Proposal development and management
3. Monitor business and assist management
4. Networking and liaising with other First Nations, Provincial Territorial Organizations, Government Ministries and Departments and other Economic Development Officers
5. Other duties as may reasonably be required

Salary Range: \$34,000.00 - \$38,000.00

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS:

Monday March 20, 2000 @ 4:00 p.m.

Please submit resume and cover letter detailing experience to:
Bev Hill or Karen Brant-Jones, Employment Department
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(613) 396-3424 or fax (613) 396-3627

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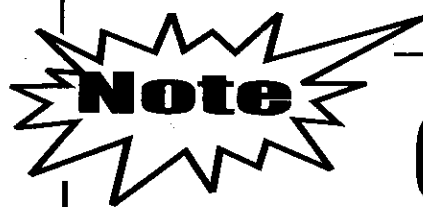
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 Assistant Deputy Minister Sous-ministre adjoint
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 Ottawa, Ontario
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Tel: 416 953-2222

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February 4, 2000

To: Chiefs of Ontario
 All Chiefs
 Tribal Councils

Effective February 7, 2000, Mae Katt will be leaving Ontario Region. Mae has been working as Regional Director in Ontario Region since June 1996 and has met many challenges, such as, the mounting pressures for resourcing community-based programs, the issues around nursing strategy and issues related to greater First Nations control of health services within Ontario. Mae has also been actively involved in national steering committees for the Aboriginal Diabetes Initiative and the Home and Community Care Program.

On behalf of the department I extend best wishes to Mae as she pursues her interests in health research and clinical nursing.

Donna Barnaby, currently Director of Transfer Initiatives and Program Support will assume the role of Acting Regional Director effective immediately.

Yours sincerely,

Paul F. Cochrane



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Application Deadline is May 15, 2000

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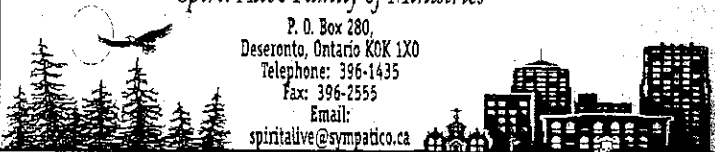


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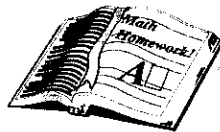


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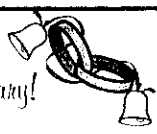




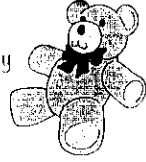

















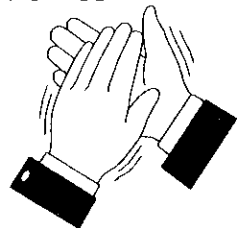

Please call 967-6264 by 2 p.m. on Wednesdays if you need help.



BIRTHDAYS

<p>Happy 15th Birthday!</p>  <p>Matthew March 15</p> <p>Love from Gram Martin Jules, Ashley & Dave</p>	<p>Happy Belated Birthday!</p>  <p>Bakota Feb. 25th</p> <p>Love Reagan</p>	<p>Happy 22nd Birthday!</p>  <p>Matt Feb. 20</p> <p>Love always Sarah</p>	<p>Happy Birthday</p>  <p>Mom (Beano) March 27</p> <p>Love Brad, Ruby & Kids</p>	<p>Happy Anniversary!</p>  <p>Mom & Dad (Beano & Randy)</p> <p>Love Brad, Ruby & Kids</p>
<p>Happy Belated Birthday!</p>  <p>Gram Feb. 27</p> <p>Love Jackson</p>	<p>Happy Birthday!</p>  <p>Daddy</p> <p>Love Jackson</p>	<p>Happy Belated Birthday!</p>  <p>Mom Feb. 27</p> <p>Love Matt & Sarah</p>	<p>Happy Birthday!</p>  <p>Aunt Lisa March 24</p> <p>Love Jackson</p>	<p>Happy Birthday!</p>  <p>Aunt Ang March 30</p> <p>Love Jackson</p>
<p>Happy Birthday!</p>  <p>Marcy March 3</p> <p>Love from the Family</p>	<p>Happy Birthday!</p>  <p>Cindy Feb. 21</p> <p>Love from the Family</p>	<p>Happy #9 Birthday!</p>  <p>Marcy March 3</p> <p>Love Dad, Mom Vince & Georgia</p>	<p>Happy 14th Birthday!</p>  <p>Tyrone Saunders March 5</p> <p>Love Mom</p>	<p>Happy Birthday!</p>  <p>Mom (Mary Ann) March 7</p> <p>Lots of love from all the Girls!</p>
<p>Happy Birthday!</p>  <p>Reggie March 1</p> <p>Love & God Bless Shelby & Family</p>	<p>Happy Birthday!</p>  <p>Florence March 13</p> <p>Love & God Bless Shelby & Family</p>	<p>Happy Birthday!</p>  <p>Norman March 21</p> <p>Love & God Bless Shelby & Family</p>	<p>Happy Birthday!</p>  <p>Lester March 25</p> <p>Love & God Bless Shelby & Family</p>	<p>Happy Birthday Grandma Sero March 7</p> <p>Love from all Your Grandkids & Great Grandkid!</p> 
<p>Happy Birthday!</p>  <p>Douglas March 17</p> <p>Love & God Bless Grandma, Aunts & Uncles</p>	<p>Happy Birthday!</p>  <p>Steve March 26</p> <p>Love & God Bless Shelby & Family</p>	<p>Happy Birthday!</p>  <p>Shawn March 4</p> <p>Love & God Bless Shelby & Family</p>	<p>Happy Birthday!</p>  <p>Irene March 26</p> <p>Love & God Bless Shelby & Family</p>	<p>Happy Birthday!</p>  <p>Cheryle March 15</p> <p>Love Fax, Ainsley & Reagan</p>
<p>Birthday advertisements are FREE! If you wish to say Happy Birthday to someone special call 396-3424</p>		<p>Happy Birthday!</p>  <p>Trevon March 17</p> <p>Love & God Bless Grandma Aunts & Uncles</p>	<p>Happy Birthday! Great Granddaughter</p>  <p>Samantha March 9</p> <p>Love & God Bless Great Grandma, Aunts & Uncles</p>	<p>Happy Birthday! Great Granddaughter</p>  <p>MacKenzie March 22</p> <p>Love & God Bless Great Grandma, Aunts & Uncles</p>

BIRTHDAYS

<p>Happy 41th Birthday!</p>  <p>Steve March 27</p> <p>Love Shawn, Sharon Amy & Douglas</p>	<p>Happy Birthday! Londy, Londy Look Who's??</p>  <p>Shawn March 5</p> <p>Love Sharon, Douglas & Amy</p>	<p>Happy 15th Birthday!</p>  <p>Douglas March 17</p> <p>Love Mom, Dad & Amy</p>	<p>Happy 6th Birthday!!</p>  <p>Samantha March 9</p> <p>Love Grandpa, Grandma Aunt Amy & Uncle Douglas</p>	<p>Happy Anniversary!</p>  <p>Wayne & Joanne Maracle</p> <p>Love Mom & Dad</p>
<p>Happy Birthday!</p>  <p>Gail March 9</p> <p>Love Wendy & Glenn</p>	<p>Happy Birthday!</p>  <p>Mommy</p> <p>Lots of love and Eskimo Kisses Kirsten</p>	<p>Happy Birthday!</p>  <p>Auntie March 9</p> <p>Love Doody</p>	<p>Happy 2nd Birthday!</p>  <p>Trevor March 26</p> <p>Love Aunt Sharon & Uncle Shawn, Amy & Douglas</p>	<p>Happy 2nd Birthday</p>  <p>Mackenzie March 22</p> <p>Love Grandma & Grandpa, Uncle Douglas & Aunt Amy</p>
<p>Happy Birthday!</p>  <p>Lonnie You old Ball!</p> <p>Love Lynda & Dean</p>	<p>Happy Birthday!</p>  <p>Aunt Lonnie March 5</p> <p>Love Mindy & Nathan</p>	<p>Happy Birthday!</p>  <p>"Blusher" March 18th</p> <p>from the Kids who are always late in the morning</p>	<p>Happy Belated Terrible two's Birthday!</p>  <p>Kirsten "Pretty" Feb. 21st</p> <p>Love the neighbours!</p>	<p>Happy Birthday!</p> <p>Rick E. Maracle March 2</p>  <p>Love Mom & Dad</p>
<p>Happy Birthday!</p>  <p>Dad April 4th</p> <p>Love the Cook!</p>	<p>Happy Birthday!</p>  <p>Wayne S. Maracle April 2nd</p> <p>Love Mom & Dad</p>	<p>Happy Birthday!</p>  <p>Joanne Maracle March 26th</p> <p>Love the in laws!</p>	<p>Happy Birthday!</p>  <p>Jackie Maracle March 24th</p> <p>Love the in laws!</p>	<p>Happy Birthday</p>  <p>Mikey Maracle March 9th</p> <p>Love Nana & Papa</p>
<p>Happy Belated Birthday!</p>  <p>Kevin Brant Jr. Jan 25th</p> <p>Love Nana & Papa</p>	<p>Happy Belated Birthday!</p>  <p>Kyle Maracle Feb. 10</p> <p>Love Nana & Papa</p>	<p>Happy Belated Birthday!</p>  <p>Susanna Bandy Feb. 25th</p> <p>Love Nana & Papa</p>	<p>Happy Belated Birthday!</p>  <p>Cyndie L. Maracle Feb. 22</p> <p>Love Mom & Dad</p>	<p>Happy Birthday</p>  <p>Chancellor & Harold March 21</p> <p>Love Sandy, Paul Rick, Diane & Kids</p>
<p>Happy Belated Birthday!</p>  <p>Katie Maracle Feb. 25th</p> <p>Love Nana & Papa</p>	<p>Happy Belated Birthday!</p>  <p>Jamie Maracle Feb. 25th</p> <p>Love Nana & Papa</p>	<p>Congratulations! Cyndie L. Maracle on your new job.</p>  <p>Love Mom & Dad</p>	<p>Happy Birthday</p>  <p>to all celebrating this month!</p>	

HEALTH CENTRE



Breast Screening

It's that time again, ladies!

The Community Health Representatives (CHRs) and the Ontario Breast Screening Program (BGH) are gearing up for Tyendinaga's annual breast screening program.

The CHRs will be coordinating appointments and transportation for those ladies who are 50+ years and wish to have a mammogram and a breast examination.

The CHRs will be contacting those ladies who participated in the April 1998 program.

You are eligible to participate if:

- you are 50+ years
- have never had breast cancer
- have not had a breast reduction or implant
- have not had a mammogram within the past two years

If you would like to participate or have questions please call 967-3616, leave your name or telephone number and one of the CHRs (Bev, Kathy, Crystal or Lesley) will get back to you.

Breast Self-Examination

If you examine your breasts every month, you will get to know how they look and feel, making it easier to notice any changes. If you notice any of the following, contact your doctor:

- * changes in the size or shape of your breasts, compare one to the other
- * area of your breasts that become red, feel hot or looks like an orange peel
- * lumps on your breasts that were not present before
- * dimples, creases or folds of your breast skin that are new
- * changes to your nipples or nipple area such as an itchy red rash
- * fluid leaking from your nipples

Check your breasts at the same time each month; about seven days after the first day of your period. After menopause or a hysterectomy, check your breasts on the same day of the month, ie) the first day of every month

The most important things to remember about breast self-examination are:

- ~ do it regularly
- ~ show any unusual changes to your doctor
- ~ do a complete check each time
- ~ have your breasts checked by your doctor at least once a year

Early detection is your Breast Protection

OBSP - Belleville and Trenton Centres
Belleville General Hospital
265 Dundas Street East
Belleville, Ontario K8N 5A9
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THAYENDANEGA HEALTH CENTRE "SPRING 2000" PRENATAL CLASSES



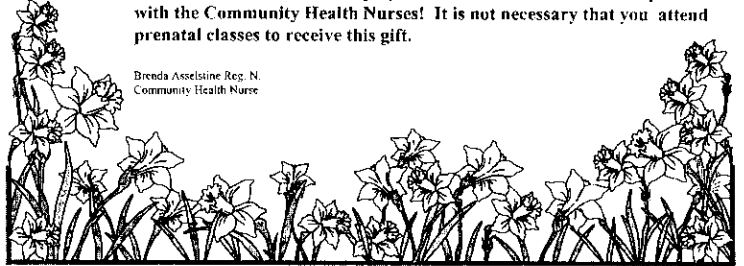
The Thayendanega Health Centre is offering **FREE Prenatal Education** Classes. The 6 week course starts **WED. APRIL 12th, 2000 @ 7:00 P.M.** Each class will be about 2 hours. The program is 6 weeks in length. Learn about fetal development, labour & delivery (breathing techniques), breast feeding and the characteristics of a newborn, only to mention a few of the topics. There are lots of freebies as well!

Bring your partner or a friend with you!

Please call the Thayendanega Health Centre @ 967-3603 to register.

The Health Centre is offering a **FREE GIFT** for all mothers - to - be who have babies. Please drop by or call the Health Centre and speak with the Community Health Nurses! It is not necessary that you attend prenatal classes to receive this gift.

Brenda Asselstine Reg. N.
Community Health Nurse



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HEALTH CENTRE



What is Stress?

Stress is a very common word in today's vocabulary. We all face stress in our daily lives, from infancy to adulthood. According to one report, stress is "the wear and tear" our bodies experience as we continually adjust to our changing environment and life circumstances. There are both physical and emotional effects on us that create positive or negative feelings.

As a positive influence, stress compels us to action, creating a new awareness and an exciting new perspective which adds depth and enrichment to our lives.

As a negative influence, it can begin with a personal feeling of being "tied up in knots" which leads to emotional feelings of distrust, rejection, anger, and depression which can, in turn, result in health problems.

What we need to do, is find the optimum level of stress which can individually motivate, but not overwhelm, each of us. This is a very fine line, so it is important for us to know the warning signs of stress.

WARNING SIGNS

- ◆ frantic activity but not getting anything done
- ◆ inability to concentrate, forgetfulness
- ◆ general irritability, inappropriate anger, outbursts of temper
- ◆ fatigue, restlessness
- ◆ increased anxiety & worry over small things
- ◆ accident prone
- ◆ not looking after oneself (personal appearance, health)
- ◆ withdrawal from others, decreased socialization
- ◆ neck and low back pain (without injury or strain)
- ◆ change in appetite, digestion, bowel patterns
- ◆ constantly belittling yourself or others
- ◆ using increased amounts of alcohol or cigarettes
- ◆ changes in sleep patterns, insomnia

WHAT YOU CAN DO ABOUT EXCESSIVE STRESS

- ◆ be realistic about the things that you can do. (Re-evaluate the situation, set priorities, delegate, don't worry about what other people will think, ask for help)
- ◆ when feeling stressed, take the time to deal with it. (Deep breathing, stretching muscles, go for a walk or take a warm bath at the end of a hectic day)
- ◆ treat yourself because you deserve it!
- ◆ keep up friendships & activities that you enjoy
- ◆ make your needs known (You are important!)
- ◆ make time to read a good book, particularly a funny one
- ◆ exercise regularly (Walking, swimming, cycling, gardening, etc.)
- ◆ rent a comedy, or 2 or 3, from the video store
- ◆ seek professional help

**TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF BECAUSE YOU ARE IMPORTANT!
NO ONE ELSE CAN DO IT FOR YOU!**

Submitted by
Brenda Asselstine
Community Health Nurse

DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP

MONTHLY MEETING

HELD THE 2nd THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH

next meeting to be held

**Thursday March 9th, 2000 @
Thayendanega Health Centre
7:00 - 8:30 p.m.**

**We look forward to having community
members join us!**

**Learn more about diabetes and share you're
stories about what works for you!**

Brenda Asselstine Reg.N.
Thayendanega Health Centre
967-3603

*The Community Health Representatives
are presently coordinating with
Mora File, Suzanne Brant and Lynn Brant*

Massages

to take away your winter blues.

Tentative Dates are March 27 & 28, 2000

*Mora File will also be holding a two evening instruction workshop
for those couples who wish to learn
relaxing massage techniques.*

Tentative Dates are March 27 & 28, 2000

*For more information for either a massage
or the instructional evenings, please call:
the CHR Program at 967 - 3616*

Both these services will be free of charge!

HEALTH CENTRE

The Community Health Representatives invite you to attend

TYENDINAGA'S ACCESS AWARENESS DAY

March 7, 2000
Mohawk Orange Lodge
10 am - 2 pm

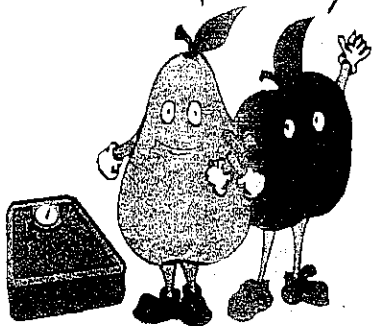
Info Booths will be set up
&

Special Guest: Martin Rowlands - BGH's Pharmacist -
will be on hand from 10:15 until 11:15
to talk about prescription medicines, possible side effects
when combined with herbal medicines and to answer any questions.

Please mark your calendars and come on out!

Need some help to reach your weight loss goals?
Join others who are making efforts to lose weight and live healthier
at the

Lifestyle Drop-In



The Community Dietitian will lead discussions on effective weight loss strategies including low-fat eating, healthy menu planning, label reading, and getting active.

When?: Monday's starting in March
5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

FREE!

Where?: Thayendanega Health Centre

It's a drop-in so come for as long as you'd like, as often as you'd like. Bring a friend or meet new friends.

Call 967-3603 for more information

RECIPES



CARROT WHEAT MUFFINS

Preparation Time: 35 minutes	1 cup all-purpose flour 250 mL
	1/2 cup whole wheat flour 125 mL
	2 tsp baking powder 10 mL
	1/2 tsp salt 0.5 mL
Makes: 12 muffins	1/2 cup brown sugar 60 mL
	1/2 tsp cinnamon 2.5 mL
	1/4 tsp allspice 0.6 mL
	1 cup carrots, coarsely grated 250 mL
	1 tsp grated orange rind 5 mL
	1 egg 1
	1 cup milk 250 mL
	1/2 cup molasses 60 mL
	1/2 cup melted margarine 60 mL
	1/2 cup raisins 125 mL
Nutrition Information (for 1 muffin)	
170 calories	1. Measure dry ingredients in large bowl.
4.7 grams fat	2. Stir in carrots and orange rind.
29 grams carbohydrate	3. In a small bowl, beat egg with milk, molasses and melted butter.
3.4 grams protein	4. Add to dry ingredients all at once, stirring just to moisten. Fold in raisins.
1.9 grams fibre	5. Fill greased muffin cups 3/4 full. Bake 375°F for 20 minutes.
Excellent source of Vitamin A	

Nicola Smith, Dietitian
Thayendanega Health Centre
967-3603



QUICK CHICKEN STEW AND DUMPLINGS

Preparation Time: 30 Minutes	2 chicken breasts (or 2 cups cooked chicken) 2
	1 Tbsp. vegetable oil 15 mL
Makes: 4 servings	1 small onion, chopped 1
	1 celery stalk, sliced 1
	10 oz can low fat cream soup 296 mL
	1/2 cup skim (or 1%) milk 125 mL
	2 Tbsp fresh parsley, chopped (or 2 tsp. dried parsley) 30 mL
Tip For additional seasoning try 1/2 tsp Worcestershire sauce, 1 tsp of curry or 2 tsp dry sherry.	2 cups frozen mixed vegetables (or favourite cubed/chopped cooked vegetables) 500 mL
	1/2 tsp pepper 1/2 tsp
	1 cup biscuit mix 250 mL
	1/2 cup skim (or 1%) milk 125 mL
Nutrition Information (for 1/4 of recipe)	1. Cook chicken breasts. Remove cooked chicken from bones.
370 calories	1. Heat oil in a saucepan. Add onion and celery. Saute until tender.
10.0 grams fat	2. Add cream soup dried parsley, vegetables, chicken and pepper. Heat to boiling.
43.1 grams carbohydrate	3. Prepare biscuit mix with milk according to package directions. Drop dough by spoonfuls onto chicken mixture to make equal-size dumplings.
27.0 grams protein	4. Cover saucepan and cook over low heat for 15 minutes or until dumplings puff and are no longer doughy inside. Do not remove cover until cooking is done.
3.3 grams fibre	
Excellent source of Phosphorous Vitamin A	

Nicola Smith, Dietitian
Thayendanega Health Centre
967-3603

S.O.A.D.I.

working together within the Aboriginal community promoting awareness and education to prevent diabetes & its complications



Southern Ontario Aboriginal Diabetes Initiative

EASTERN REGION



it's important to all of us

Southern Ontario Aboriginal Diabetes Initiative (SOADI), is funded by the Ontario Ministry of Health, to develop and promote effective and culturally specific, education and prevention strategies based upon the needs of the community.

Through our efforts we will lessen the incidence of diabetes and its complications

cause for concern...

The incidence of diabetes in the Aboriginal community is estimated at 3 to 5 times higher than among the general population.

Though its exact causes are unknown, both heredity and lifestyle are major contributing factors in its onset.

Diabetes is one of the leading chronic conditions affecting Our People.

SOADI, through education and prevention programs is working to lessen the devastating effects of this condition on Our People.

Through our outreach efforts we endeavour to reach the more than 185,000 Aboriginal people living in Southern Ontario.

REGIONAL DIABETES WORKER
Carol Loft

EASTERN REGION
P.O. Box 310
Tyendinaga Mohawk Territory, ON K0K 3A0
TEL: 613.396.3900 • FAX: 613.396.3007
E-MAIL: soadie@sucker creek.on.ca

dietary knowledge



First Nations peoples (with diabetes or not!) are more likely to have high blood pressure and heart disease than their non-aboriginal counterparts. This puts our people at more risk of developing diabetes and its complications.

Lifestyle decisions further raise the risk of developing complications

- lack of physical exercise
- obesity
- smoking



exercise



origins of our logo

The mantis Flower represents man and woman, balance within oneself. Persons living with diabetes have to find and maintain balance with food intake and exercise. The Four Directions are made up of glucometers. The red is blood and the strength of all Our People. The Sweetgrass, the unity of Mind, Body and Spirit, reminds us to support one another. The Seven Feathers, represent the seventh generation and seven fires to assist us with growing awareness of diabetes and its management. The Pipes, our Prayers and healing Our People with diabetes.

SOADI logo design by Gary Allen

Through information and participation in SOADI awareness seminars and activities you can find out how to make the informed decisions that can increase your quality of life now, and for the future.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT

Tel: 613-396-3900 Carol Loft
Fax: 613-396-3007
e-mail: soadie@sucker creek.on.ca

testing



RED CEDARS & COMMUNITY INTEREST

MOON CEREMONY



All Women Welcome!

Where: Red Cedars

When: March 19 @ 7:00 p.m.

Please wear a dress and bring water.

Bring tobacco and cloth with you

(if you have it).

Any questions call: 967-2003

Potluck After the Ceremony.

RED CEDARS SHELTER

would like to say

NIA:WEN NIA:WEN NIA:WEN NIA:WEN

FOR ALL THOSE PEOPLE AND ORGANIZATIONS THAT MADE

"HONOURING OUR WOMEN" A SUCCESS

On February 12, 2000 a day for "Honouring Our Women" was held at the Community Centre from 10 - 6 for the women of our Community. Approximately 125 women came out to socialize and be pampered. This was a first time venture and I would like to thank all who came out and participated on this day. I received 87 evaluations for the day and will be able to use them as valuable feedback for organizing another Women's day in our Community if this should become an annual event.

We would like to thank the following people and businesses for their donations.

- Aboriginal Expressions
- Alloette - Dorothy Lazore
- Bayshore Flowers
- Culligan Water Supply
- Dewe's Grocery Store
- Jumbo Video
- Kagita Mikam
- Karen Lewis
- Linda S. Maracle
- Millside Ceramics - Marleen Murphy
- Mohawk Family Services
- Okwaho Crafts - Tracey and John Gazley
- S.O.A.D.I. Regional Diabetes Worker - Carol Loft
- Tim Hortons (near Belleville Plaza)
- Tyendingaga Hides Depot
- Ward and Diane's Gas Bar

Thanks to all the Helpers who came out to pamper the ladies as their hard work and patience made the day a success.

Thanks to the ladies from the Health Centre who set up information booths on Women's Health Concerns and for SOADI.

Thanks to the ladies who came out and set up display tables.

Thanks to Mrs. Herbs for providing a delicious lunch and snacks.

Thanks to KWE radio for advertising our event.

Thanks to John Gazley for donating his time to cut out medicine pouches

Thanks to Alvin (Skin) Maracle for all of his help and wonderful ideas.

Thanks to Greg General and Steve Maracle for their help.

Once more nia:wen to the community members who were so gracious. We had a few wrinkles for our first time, but according to our evaluations, 96% of the people enjoyed themselves.

In healing.....

M. J. Loft
Community Outreach Worker

WHAT YOU CAN DO AS AN OFFENDER TO HELP YOURSELF

(Although the term "men" is used here, we recognize that women also hurt their partners, spouses or children)

If you have hurt your wife, common-law wife or girlfriend when you are angry...you should know that:

1. **You are not the only one.**
Men from all social, economic and ethnic backgrounds commit this crime.
2. **You are accountable for your actions.**
No person makes you hit. Hitting is a choice you make to express anger or frustration.
3. **Admit that you abuse.**
Denial and blame are major obstacles in the subject of abuse. Admit to your actions. In doing so, you are taking your first step towards healing and getting help for yourself.
4. **You are not sick but...**
Using force or intimidation to get your own way is wrong and self-defeating.
5. **Ignoring an outburst is dangerous.**
The violence is likely to increase. Your outbursts may lead to physical injury. Your violence leaves a lasting psychological scar on the victim you hurt.
6. **Feeling sorry and apologizing is not enough.**
Your family members or any person you hurt will remember the fear for a long time.
7. **You are driving your partner and children away.**
Violence may be used as grounds for separation or divorce. "Til death do us part" does not mean until one partner kills or injures the other. If you have been violent, it is very likely that your partner will get custody of the children.
8. **You do not have to behave this way.**
Yes, you may have witnessed and experienced violence in your own upbringing. Therefore your violence as an expression of anger, is a learned behaviour. However, there are other ways of expressing frustration that can be less frightening and dangerous
9. **Blaming your violence on drugs or alcohol is no solution.**
Many men and women try to excuse their violence by saying they were drunk or high at the time. Drugs or alcohol do not cause you to hit or in any other way abuse your partner. The responsibility for the violence belongs to you. It is up to you to end it.
10. **Accept help.**
Your community, family and friends do not want to see you or your partner hurt. They want you to get along, to communicate and to resolve your problems. If someone in your community calls the police - do not resist them. The special constables are in your community to help and ensure that everyone is "safe". The police may arrest you. Arrest may be the first step in getting you the help you need.

WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF A MEN'S GROUP?

The purpose of a men's group is to help it's members...

- take responsibility for their behaviour.
- stop abusive and violent behaviour.
- gain new skills in problem-solving.
- learn new ways to express feelings
- learn to "fight fairly" (i.e. conflicts resolution).
- understand the traditional and changing roles of men and women, and broaden his attitude about male and female roles.
- learn to control aggressive impulses.
- increase self-esteem.
- learn to be separate and independent from his partner as opposed to completely dependent on and have power over her.

WHEN SHOULD I CALL A MEN'S GROUP

WHEN...

- you have frightened your family
- you have broken things around the house
- you have become violent with your partner
- your partner is afraid of you
- your wife has left because you beat her
- you are afraid of becoming violent
- you want to change your behaviour

Remember... Self help groups have been found to be successful in helping men stop their abusive behaviour.

If you are a male looking for help you can call Blaine Loft at Mohawk Family and Children Services at 967-0122

Information excerpted from NAN

COMMUNITY INTEREST

Nia:wen Kowa

I would like to send my upmost appreciation to M.J. Loft and the entire Red Cedars Shelter Staff for the wonderful day they coordinated in "Honouring the Women". While I enjoyed being pampered, the best part of the day was that I spent it with family and friends.
Hats off to all of you!

Kathy Brant, CHR

Niawen!

We would like to express our thanks to Red Cedars for allowing the women of the community to relax and take a day to ourselves. *Niawen.*

We would like to give a big *niawen kowa* to M.J. Loft for making this day happen and for all your hard work. the day was GREAT and we are looking forward to another day of pampering.

Nia:wen kowa
Shari, Denise, Gail & Nancy

Thank You!

Thousands of words could never express our sincere gratitude toward our many friends and families for their thoughtful kindness and caring support in our great loss of our precious son Brandon on January 17, 2000. Thank-you for all the beautiful cards, flowers, donations, to everyone who brought and prepared food, and most of all prayers. Special thank-you to Tyendinaga Mohawk Fire and Rescue, Chief Larry Hays, Constable Sam Maracle, Dr. Olsen and the Staff of Lennox & Addington General Hospital, Rev. Cheryl Watson, McGlades Funeral Home, Pallbearers, Barb Brant and Q.M.S Native Dancers, Kathleen Manderville, Brenda Sager, Daniel Brant, and Barry Robinson. Very special thank-you to my brother Kenny and his wife Colleen and our parents, who without them by our side and continuing support, we would have not been able to get through this difficult tragedy. We will forever be grateful for the support and friendships from our community. I ask God to let me watch my children grow before I go. GOD please take care of my Angel.

Sincerely, Alfred, Cheryl & Shannon Claus

In Memory of Louise Graves

who passed away peacefully at home on February 14/2000. Louise was born a teacher. She always had very warm memories of the school and all the children (and their children's children!) at Quinte Mohawk School. Each one was special to her, as were the friends she made on staff and outside the school. The family especially remembers how much fun she had doing the Christmas pageants with the kindergarten kids each year.

If anyone who like to get in touch with the family our address is

*Lorne Graves
1151 Riverside Drive, Unit # 21
London Ontario
N6H 2T7
Phone: 519-471-2462*



Louise

MAY 25, 1928 - FEBRUARY 14, 2000

Feb. 14/00

On Friday, January 28/00 Quinte Mohawk School participated in the annual Mid-Winter Festival. The students learned of their cultural heritage and identity by being involved in a vast array of legends, crafts, dance, food and story telling. These workshops were all voluntarily led by our own community members, and good friends who generously gave us their time as they came to our school to enrich our children's lives. The students and staff of Quinte Mohawk School would like to say *Nia:wen* to the following community members and friends. Mary Ann Spencer Patti General, Bill Brant, Joanne Maracle, Della Brant Ron Green, Ruby & Melissa Maracle, Kathy Brant, Sherry Loft, Blaine Loft, Marie Loft, Tracey & John Gazley, Paul Latchford, Janice Brant, Bill Green, Betty Maracle, Esther Brant, Kevin (Bill) and Lesley Forrester and a special *Niawen* to Glenna Brant and Maryanne Scero for the delicious lunch. Thanks also to the "big" students return and be positive role models for our students. Our day at school was a special, fun, learning experience thanks to these people.

Sincerely,
Quinte Mohawk School Cultural Committee

COMMUNITY INTEREST

Thank You!

I would like to take this time to thank the companies that sponsored me to be on Team Ontario at the Ontario Special Olympics National Winter Games, that were held in Ottawa in January. I won three silver medals and one bronze medal in speed skating.

*A big thank you goes out to:
The Work Gear Company
Mohawk Family Services
Build All Construction
Marks Custom Collision
Thank you again for your support.*

Tim F. Maracle

Thank You!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our Mohawk Fire Dept. for responding so very quickly to my fire call on Jan. 30/2000. It was a very frightening time and they were so very considerate and worked so very quickly..

*Thank you also to my family and friends for your many acts of kindness. I am also grateful for my temporary home at the Elders Lodge.
Again many thanks to all!*

Sandra John

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Thank You
From The

Mohawk Millennium Christmas Celebration Committee

The Christmas Celebration Committee would like to thank the Tyendinaga Community and area Churches for their excellent support and attendance at our recent Christmas Turkey Dinner and Program, held on Dec. 12th, 1999.

In particular, we would like to thank the Council for the use of the Community Center, Alvin for his patience and set-up, George Smart and his family for excellent media coverage and assistance, Committee members who dedicated a great deal of time and effort in planning and following through on the many details, all those involved in food preparation, serving, clean-up, and especially those who spent numerous hours directing and taking part in the excellent Children and Adult programs.

The proceeds from this event were first applied to expenses incurred for food and Community Centre Rental. The balance of funds were donated to the Tyendinaga Library, Community Museum, Honorariums, and the New Life Girls Home. The event was a combined effort on the part of so many not mentioned above and the Committee would like to thank you for your dedication in making this celebration a success. A very special thank you to our Lord who desires that we exhibit our love for Him through a Spirit of Unity, Gratitude and Love for all.

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The Tyendinaga Territory Food Bank wishes to recognize the following contributors for the 1999 - 2000 year:

Munzel Family
McMurter Home Centre
Women's Guild, Parish of Tyendinaga
McGlade Funeral Home
Mohawk Singers
Housing Department
Lois Brant
Peter / Margaret Lewis
Union Gas
Engineer Programme
Kraszewski Sheet Metal
Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte Band Staff
Elder's Lodge
Mohawk Community Bingo
McCauley Family
Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte Council
Mohawk Firemen's Wives
Mr. Ron Green
James / Patricia Green
Wards Gas Bar
Mohawk Fire Department
Bernice Maracle
Tyenakwe Tours / Wanda Fuller
Contributors to the Food Bank Jars

We thank all of you for your help.

" Congratulations "

DorothyAnn Brant

On your graduation from the Personal Support Worker Program at Loyalist College
We, at the Thayendanega Health Centre
are proud to have you as our co-worker and team member

**The Deadline date for the
Newsletter is Friday, March 24
at noon 396-3424**

COMMUNITY INTEREST

**It's
a Girl!**



Congratulations are in order for Christopher Wayne Brant & Joyce Marie Brant who are the proud parents of a beautiful little girl.

"Destiny Marie"

Born: Feb. 1/ 2000, at 5:29 p.m.

Weight: 9 lbs. 1 1/2 oz., 21 3/4 inches tall.

Many thanks and much gratitude goes to the staff at the Belleville General Hospital as well as to the many friends and relatives who gave their help and support through this precious time.

Proud Grandparents are Ken & Barbara Gail Brant of Tyendingaga Territory and Delbert & Brenda Lewis from Pembroke Ontario.

**It's
Another Boy!**



Camden and Strafford welcome their new brother!

"Benjamin Alfred Maracle "

Born: February 16, 2000

Weight: 9 lbs. 14 1/2 oz.

Proud Parents are Kevin & Jennifer Maracle.

Proud Grandparents are:

Marilyn Brant of Belleville

Jack & Betty of Tyendingaga

Grannie Annie of Belleville and looking down from heaven, Papa Bob.





**Tyendingaga Lions Club
50-50 DRAW**

The Tyendingaga Lions Club would like to announce our 50-50 Draw winner.

Norean Claus won \$147.00
Congratulations

Thanks to all who support the Lions Club draws by purchasing tickets.

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| ADMINISTRATION OFFICE | : 396-3424 |
| HEALTH CENTRE | : 967-3603 |
| FAMILY SERVICES | : 967-0122 |
| RED CEDARS SHELTER | : 967-2003 |
| QUINTE MOHAWK SCHOOL | : 966-6984 |
| CHILDCARE CENTRE | : 967-4401 |
| LIBRARY | : 967-6264 |


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**COMMUNITY
ACCESS PROGRAM**



Kanhiote
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Canada

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Kanhiote

Your Local C.A.P CENTRE

Announces

Extended Hours

" Mon., Tues., Wed.: 5 - 7 "

in addition to regular hours.

*Come to the Library
for "FREE" internet
use and training.*

*This public community access
site is a program of Kanhiote
library provided by the support
of Industry Canada and FNTI.*

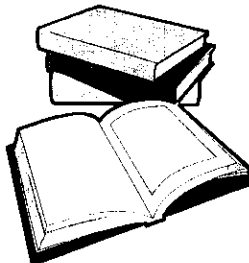


**CORN SOUP SUPPER
& BOOK FAIR**

Coming Soon!

DATE TO BE ANNOUNCED

Quinte Mohawk School



UPCOMING EVENTS



Youth Dance

(13 & under - 12 & 13 yr olds require I.D.)

Theme



Country & Western

Time
March 24
7-10p.m.

Prizes for the best
Linedancer, stepdancer,
& Slow dance couple,
also best western outfit

Place
O.M.S. gym

Ma & Pa are welcome to
come out and show the
younguns how to shake
a leg.



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

SPRING FLING



**Mohawk Fair
Fundraising
Dance**

FRIDAY, April 14, 2000

8:00 P.M. - 1:00 A.M.

Mohawk Community Centre

*Come and Dance the Night
Away and Help support the Fair!*

100TH

The Mohawk Agricultural Society will be holding the 100th Annual Mohawk Fair September 8, 9 & 10/2000. This is not just an Agricultural Society event but a community event. Without the communities help and support we would not be celebrating our 100th fair.

We are interested in putting together a possible commemorative book of the fair. Can you please look in your old shoe boxes or closets to see if you have any old pictures, minute books, treasurers books or prize lists of the fair in the early 1900's.

If you do we would greatly appreciate a copy and we can make arrangements to pick them up.

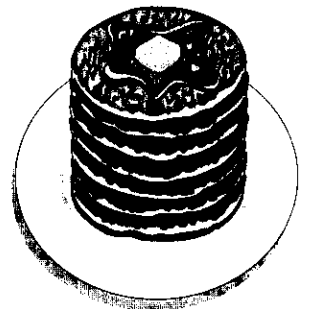
Please call Dennis Lewis at 962-1053 in the evenings.
Thanks.

PANCAKE SUPPER

Tues. March 7

5 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Queen Ann Parish



\$5.00 - Adults

\$3.00 - Under 12 and 5 & Under " Free "

UPCOMING EVENTS







COMPETITION

SUNBURST CANADA Annual Star Search & Small World Contest

Saturday, April 8 at 1:15 p.m.

STAR SEARCH:
Photogenic/Beauty/Modelling/Talent
5 Age Groups 4 to 20 Years

SMALL WORLD CONTEST:
Beauty/Photogenic
Under One to Four Years

Enter Now!
Pick up entry brochure at:

- ★ Belleville Pro Bowl
- ★ Fashion Max
- ★ Dr. Patel Pediatrician
- ★ Administration Office of the Bay View Mall

You could win! 

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Mall Hours:
Mon. - Fri. 9:30 am - 9 pm,
Sat. 9:30 am - 5:30 pm, Sun. noon - 5 pm



BELLEVILLE WATERFRONT FESTIVAL AND FOLKLORAMA



Press Release

For Immediate Use
January 22nd, 2000

“Under The Big Tops!”

The Belleville Rotary Club is sponsoring the “Arts and Crafts Show” at Belleville Waterfront Festival & Folklorama happening July 7-8-9, 2000.

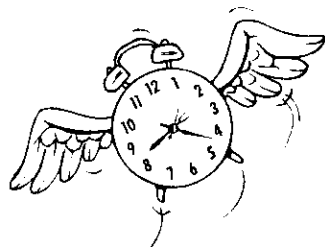
The “Arts and Crafts Show” will be feature over 70 artists from all over Canada. This is a juried; one-of-kind show now entering its fourth year.

Hand crafted jewellery, sculptures, designer clothing for children, pottery and much more will be on display in three large tents at Meyer’s Pier.

For this Juried Show, submitted applications must be returned on or before the deadline date of March 17th, 2000

Space is available for vendors. Please contact Bob Langeland prior to March 17th, 2000 at (613) 967-8384.

Applications available at the Administration Office.
Ask for Sandy Green 396-3424.

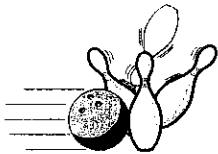


It's Time!

How will your children be spending March Break ?

The Mohawk Recreation Committee will be organizing day trips at a cost of \$5.00 per child for the following activities

**Bowling
Swimming
Fun City**



We need volunteers
for the success of the event.

IF YOUR CHILD WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND OR IF YOU HAVE ANY IDEAS FOR AN EXCITING ACTIVITY, PLEASE CALL

For more information contact
Ike Brant or 396 - 396 - 1676 or Darlene Loft 396 - 3424



St. Patrick's



Spring Fling Dance

Date: Saturday March 18/2000

Time: 8 P.M. to 1 A.M.

Place: Tyendinaga Community Centre

Cost: \$10.00 a couple, \$5.00 single

Prizes !



D. J Music 

For more information contact Darlene Loft 396 - 3424
Sponsored by Mohawk Recreation Committee

CLASSIFIED

FOR SALE

CEILING TILES
- 1 ft. square
- white but paintable
- large quantity

Best Offer call: 966-1829 ask for Matt

Tickets FOR SALE

"Go See Norm Maracle Play in Ottawa"
Six tickets are for sale,
Ottawa vs. Atlanta
Tuesday, March 21/2000
7:00 p.m. game
- Gate price \$85.00

Call Dan Brant at Loyalist Lanes
354-2695

FOR SALE

BUILDING LOTS
- 100' X 150' lots
- located on the south side
of Hwy #2 west of Deseronto
and just east of church lane
- lots are fully serviced with
water and sewer and natural gas

For more information
call: 613-396-2097

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Responsible, mature married
couple seek to rent a furnished 2
bedroom (or larger) waterfront
house or cottage (furnished) for
the summer months.
Please reply to Jim or
Joann Reading at 416-955-1460
or write to
17 Pembroke St
TH #34
Toronto, Ontario
M5A 2N6

or email to gymread@aol.com

FOR SALE

LAND
- measuring 286 frontage X200 depth
- 1.3 acres on Church Lane South
- lot is on water & sewer
- Asking price \$9500.00 but open to
offers

Call Bruce Joyce toll free:
1-877-755-0475 (daytime)
1-705-374-4848 (evening)

FOR RENT

ROOM FOR RENT
- Use of kitchen & laundry
facilities

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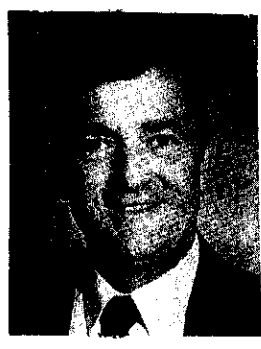
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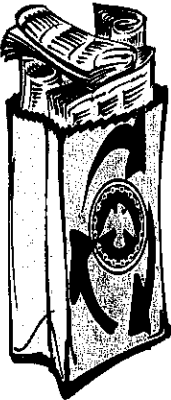
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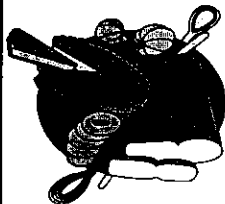
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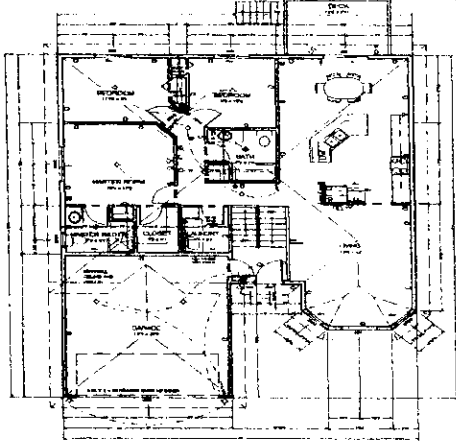
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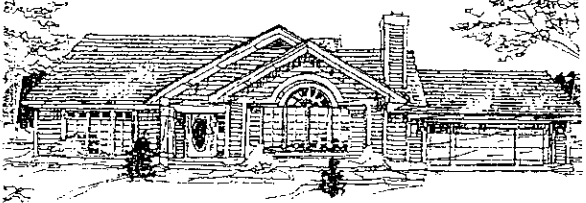
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