



Tyendinaga  
Territory  
Newsletter

May 1987



MOHAWKS OF THE BAY OF QUINTE

TYENDINAGA ADMINISTRATION OFFICE

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FROM THE OFFICE OF THE EMPLOYMENT CO-ORDINATOR

Summer Student Employment Programs

Confirmation has been received in this office that funding for summer students employment for the Tyendinaga Mohawk Community will be granted through Challenge 87, Employment & Immigration Canada for the following positions:

- Two (2) Day Care Teacher Aides
- Two (2) Day Care Counsellors
- One (1) Administrative Clerk

Also confirmed by Ministry of Tourism and Recreation that funding will be made available for two students, over age eighteen (18) years for a Recreation Sport & Facilities Research project on the Tyendinaga Mohawk Community.

Students having interest in these positions must be registered with Manpower, Belleville or Napanee Office and this office.

If you are interested and not registered, please do so before May 22, 1987.

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FROM THE OFFICE OF THE EMPLOYMENT CO-ORDINATOR

The Native Internship Program:

There is one (1) clerical type position open at the Kingston Office of Canada Employment & Immigration.

Native students who are entering or re-entering post-graduate education are encouraged to apply.

Please contact Velma at the Administration Office, Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte at 396-3424 or Ed Wood, CEIC, Summer Student Programs, Napanee at 354-3367.

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Recruitment is being done by the ONTARIO PROVINCIAL POLICE for Constables.

For applications or more information please contact Velma at 396-3424.

Transport Canada has informed me of their desire to increase the representation of Native people in Air Traffic Control. If there is sufficient interest, a member of the AI Recruitment Team would visit our Reserve to make a formal presentation.

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FROM THE OFFICE OF THE EMPLOYMENT CO-ORDINATOR

Kemptville Agriculture College, Kemptville, Ontario

There are programs at the Kemptville Agriculture College in which you may have an interest. These courses are arranged between Kemptville Agriculture College and the CEIC. Programs could include Agriculture Welder, etc. Mr. Dan Kane, Co-Ordinator at Kemptville College would be willing to address interested persons. Please contact Velma at 396-3424.

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FROM THE OFFICE OF THE EMPLOYMENT CO-ORDINATOR

Bay of Quinte Tourist Region ... Yours to Discover

The Bay of Quinte Tourist Council (BQTC), in 1987, will represent Prince Edward County, Belleville, Trenton, Deseronto, Frankford, Stirling, the Townships of Sidney, Thurlow, Tyendinaga, and THE QUINTE MOHAWKS! And this year they are working even harder to promote our area for tourism. Annually, 28 million dollars is spent by tourists in this region. These millions affect businesses whether directly or indirectly linked to tourism, from hotels, stores, restaurants to wholesalers, tradesmen, suppliers. We can all benefit, the BQTC sees a good opportunity for further development. The BQTC has already made a presentation at the Sportsman's Show and they have produced a new 1987 Guide Book. This book is available at the Mohawk Administration Office and will also be distributed by various businesses around the area.

For further information contact Velma Dracup, Employment Co-Ordinator at the Mohawk Administration Office at 396-3424.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The MOHAWK INN RESTAURANT will be opening under the new management of Mrs. Amber Hart, on June 1, 1987.

The restaurant will be opened from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. The menu will be varied along with home baking. As well as the regular dining room, they offer a room for business meetings plus banquet facilities.

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The Tyendinaga Mohawk Community welcomes the addition of WARD'S GAS BAR to businesses in the Community! The owners, Ward & Diana Maracle have the Gas Bar open seven days a week from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Services offered are oil & tire changes. They also offer residents the opportunity to Rent-a-Bay at \$4.50 an hour. Pop and cigarettes are being sold at present and they will be selling convenience foods such as bread, hamburg buns, milk.

MUCH SUCCESS!

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FROM THE OFFICE OF THE EMPLOYMENT CO-ORDINATOR

Business / Service Directory

Please be advised that we are endeavouring to compile an up-to-date directory of BUSINESS/SERVICES in the Tyendinaga Mohawk Community.

Your assistance is requested if you have an established business, a new business or perhaps imagining a business/service in the future.

Please contact Velma at the Administration Office at 396-3424 either by a phone call or a note with the following information:

name and address of business/service  
the type of business  
and owner's name

Your co-operation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

URGENT NOTICE  
FROM THE  
TYENDINAGA DAYCARE

Due to a training session for the Daycare staff on June 23, 24 and 25, 1987  
the Daycare will be closed.

Please make alternate arrangements for your children.

Please accept our apologies for any inconvenience this may cause.

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MOHAWK SINGERS GROCERY DRAW

1st Draw of a  
\$150.00 Grocery Basket  
won by

Mrs. Jennifer Holland  
Lyle Street  
Grafton, Ontario

2nd Draw of a  
\$25.00 Grocery Basket  
won by

William Hill  
R.R. #1  
Deseronto, Ontario

## Introducing the AIDS Education and Awareness Program

The Canadian Public Health Association (CPHA) has established an AIDS Education and Awareness Program to enhance public knowledge of this fatal disease and thereby encourage its prevention.

Funded by Health and Welfare Canada's Health Promotion Contribution Program, the project will receive \$3.7 million during the next five years.

Headed by four full-time staff and a 10-member advisory committee, the national program has three main objectives:

- to prevent or eliminate the spread of HIV (Human Immunodeficiency Virus) infection, through education, awareness and behaviour modification;
- to educate and make the public more aware of accurate and up-to-date information on AIDS and HIV infection by promoting positive, healthy lifestyles to reduce risk behaviour; and
- to improve the quality of life of the HIV infected individual through education and awareness.

While a prime focus is on educating the general public, the program also targets specific priority groups, such as sexually active men and women at risk, the school system (students, teachers, boards) unions and service workers (police, fire, personal service providers, managers). The problem of special high-risk groups, such as prostitutes and intravenous drug users, will also be addressed.

The program will also work with the many AIDS support groups already in place at the commu-

nity level providing assistance and information when necessary.

To reach its objectives, the Education and Awareness Program is attacking AIDS on five major fronts.

By working as an information "clearing house" the program can support the attack on AIDS by referencing, and in some case circulating, important resources. At the same time, this resource base encourages the development of new information sources.

As part of this process, the program is working with educators and health professionals to develop age appropriate AIDS material for use in the Canadian educational system. The group also provides and supports knowledge development through conferences, workshops and seminars for the public, community groups and professionals.

With resource development underway, the group has also launched a comprehensive media program to heighten public awareness. This includes information placement in both the print and electronic media and the production of special, updated publications as required.

Finally, the program works with various agencies concerned with AIDS education and awareness, and serves as a focal point for networking the variety of AIDS-related efforts that are either in place or under development.

For more information about the AIDS Education and Awareness Program, contact:

**AIDS Education and Awareness  
Program  
Canadian Public Health  
Association  
1335 Carling Avenue  
Ottawa, Ontario  
K1Z 8N8 (613) 725-3769**

## Why an Aids Newsletter? ... A Word About Us...

A recent Gallup survey showed that 65 per cent of Canadians want more information about the disease. An overwhelming 82 per cent of the survey's respondents believed an important way to combat AIDS is more education.

The publication of this first issue of *The New Facts of Life* reflects the public's growing concern about the deadly AIDS epidemic. The number of Canadians afflicted with AIDS has jumped dramatically since April 1986. And the number is growing every day.

Our goal is simple: to provide a forum for the effective exchange of up-to-date AIDS information.

We will be providing professionals and the general public with information about AIDS-related resources, community groups, future events, programs and other issues of concern. Our focus is on education, not on the epidemiological or clinical aspects of the disease.

As part of the Canadian Public Health Association's (CPHA) AIDS Education and Awareness Program, we welcome your full participation in all of our activities. We also invite readers' comments and suggestions. Your input will help us to promote, what we call, the **NEW FACTS OF LIFE**.

ABORIGINAL RIGHTS SUPPORT GROUP  
1755 Wyandotte Street East WINDSOR, Ont N8Y 1C9

April 7, 1987

Dear *Tyatenayk Baird*:

On behalf of the Aboriginal Rights Support Group, I wish to extend my sincere thanks for your financial support toward the Relay Run from Windsor to Ottawa March 16, 1987.

Attached is a brief report of the Relay Run and a list of participants and/or donors.

Respectfully,

*Virginia Soney*

Virginia Soney  
Secretary, A.R.S.G.

*Also, thank you all for the delicious meal you prepared for the runners. I hear it was a very nice reception!*

TO COMMUNITY MEMBERS:

IF YOU WISH TO REVIEW THE ATTACHED REPORT PLEASE  
CONTACT THE ADMINISTRATION OFFICE AND A COPY WILL  
BE SENT TO YOU. PHONE 396-3424.



# CHIEFS OF ONTARIO



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TO COMMUNITY MEMBERS:

FOR YOUR INFORMATION, ATTACHED IS A NEWSLETTER  
FROM THE CHIEFS OF ONTARIO ON THE  
FIRST MINISTER'S CONFERENCE  
1987

## FMC '87

# CONSTITUTION UPDATE

The First Ministers' Conference of March 26 and 27, 1987 clearly showed First Nations and the Canadian public two things: the strength of Aboriginal unity and the inability of the federal and provincial governments to reach beyond the status quo in order to recognize our inherent and unqualified right to self-government.

First Nations challenged the federal and provincial governments to participate in an historic undertaking:

- recognizing Aboriginal peoples as full and equal partners in Confederation. The Prime Minister and the Premiers could not meet that challenge.

We were unable to get enough support for the amendment proposed by the AFN and the other Aboriginal Groups, but we were successful in preventing the Prime Minister and the Premiers from passing any amendment that would have diminished our rights.

Section 35 still stands intact in the Constitution; it is still a full box; and it still protects our Aboriginal and Treaty rights, including our inherent right to self-government.

The pressure on Aboriginal leaders was intense. Both New Brunswick and Ontario put forward amendment proposals in the

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week before the FMC. These proposals, along with the previously tabled proposals from Nova Scotia, continued to move closer to the AFN position on recognition of an inherent right to self-government. But these proposals still contained clauses which made the right contingent upon negotiated agreements and subject to provincial and federal override.

The entire first day of the conference was taken up in opening statements and it became clear very quickly that British Columbia, Alberta and Saskatchewan had formed a hard line "provincial wall" in response to the solid "Aboriginal wall".

Rather than attempt negotiations Prime Minister Mulroney instructed his federal drafting team to come up with a compromise proposal. What they put to our negotiators at 7:00 a.m. Friday was less than the Ontario proposal.

On the surface it looked like they were offering us everything we wanted: an explicit recognition of the right to self-government; a commitment to negotiate jurisdiction, land and resources; and a non-derogation clause to protect our rights in s.35. But what they said they were giving with one hand they were taking away with the other hand. All the federal and provincial proposals still contained a clause making the implementation of our rights contingent upon negotiated agreements and they all provided for federal and provincial overrides before self-government agreements would be constitutionally protected.

When Georges Erasmus, Gary Potts and Joe Mathias went into the closed negotiating session with the Prime Minister, the Premiers and the other Aboriginal spokespersons the big battle was over the federal and provincial insistence on a contingent right. But the Aboriginal wall held firm and they were unable to force their proposals on us. When Mulroney called the meeting back into session on Friday afternoon he announced his disappointment that an agreement could not be reached and called for closing statements.

Throughout their opening statements the Prime Minister and the Premiers spoke of the need for political will if an acceptable amendment was to receive the required support. Yet, when it came to translating that will into a written amendment there was no honest commitment to recognize our inherent and historic rights.

In their closing remarks the Prime Minister and the Premiers spoke of their disappointment and the failure of the Conference.

Georges Erasmus and the other Aboriginal leaders, however, spoke passionately of our success. The success of protecting our rights in section 35 and the success of achieving Aboriginal unity. Most importantly of all, Georges made it clear to everyone that First Nations have their inherent right to self-government still intact and that First Nations will meet the challenge of exercising and defending that right.

..... NEWS FLASH .....

WATCH FOR OUR FIRST MINISTERS' CONFERENCE NEWS LETTER WHICH WILL BE COMING OUT SOON.

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## MOHAWK LANDING WEEKEND

MAY 22, 23 & 24, 1987

Friday May 22, 1987

Fiddlers Night at Quinte Mohawk School - 7 p.m.

Featuring: The Trenton District Fiddlers Association  
&  
The Bay of Quinte Cloggers

Craft tables will also be open. Refreshments.

Saturday May 23, 1987

Craft Show at Quinte Mohawk School 12:00 noon - 5 p.m.

Crafts. Food. Entertainment.

Featuring: Harrigan  
St. Regis Dancers & Drummers  
Quinte Mohawk Dancers

Dance at Mohawk Community Centre 8 p.m. - 1:00 a.m.

Featuring: Bushwack

Sunday May 24, 1987

Re-enactment of Landing 9:00 a.m.

Lunch at Mohawk Community Centre 12:00 noon

Craft Show at Quinte Mohawk School 1:00 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Crafts. Food. Entertainment.

Featuring: Native Dancers  
Mohawk Singers  
Country Gospel Singers

EVERYONE INVITED. Come and be part of the festivities. If you have a canoe, come and take part in the landing. Everyone is encouraged to wear Native dress. SEE YOU THERE!