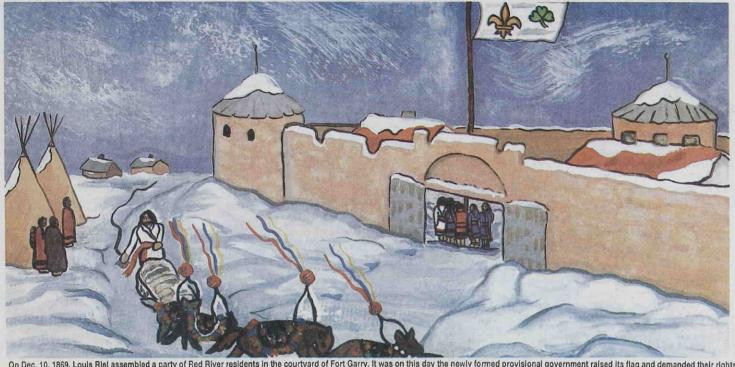
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On Dec. 10, 1869, Louis Riel assembled a party of Red River residents in the courtyard of Fort Garry. It was on this day the newly formed provisional government raised its flag and demanded their rights as loyal citizens of the Crown. These demands were made to the newly formed Dominion of Canada who had guaranteed the rights of Canadian citizens under the British North America Act.

## A TRAPPER'S CHRISTMAS

by Raymond Moskowec

The small log church and surrounding trees were covered with new snow. Every tree limb was etched withit as though some artist had laid a line of white with a brush. The pine trees showed only the tops of their green-covered boughs, appearing to be bundled like elderly ladies in white shawls. Swirls of drifting snow were filling in yesterday's tracks made by the

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old missionary as he had done his chores prior to the snowfall.

Dusk crept in slowly, the last rays of light crawling through the trees stretching their shapes into long shadows. Smoke curled like a wisp of thin chalk from the chimney.

At a distance, a long figure slowly trudged through the snow toward the tiny log church. The silhouette of a high pack carried upon the shoulders of a huge man could be distinguished. Fringes of buckskin whipped about in the wind. Furs of muskrat, beaver and mink dangled from every conceivable place about the pack and belt of the trapper.

As he neared the buildings, he paused, drinking in the scenery before him. "How long since I have seen buildings and humans?" he thought. "Five, maybe six months? I wonder who lives here?" Upon pondering these few thoughts, he continued toward the buildings.

Inside the small log church, an elderly man with a beard, white as snow to match his white hair and eyebrows, stooped to stir a huge pot of rabbit stew hanging in a stone fireplace. As he slowly stirred the stew, he thought of the up-coming Christmas Day and how lonesome it would be again this year. He recalled a few years back when the Indians had a small village alongside the creek about a quarter of a mile from the church and how he had brought the message of God and birth of Christ to them. How they used to love to come to the church, bringing with them wild meat and berries. He remembered the merry chatter of the Indian women and the laughter and squeals of the children. His mouth watered at the thought if the wild turkey and berry trimming he would share with the friendly plains Indians. But, alas! Disease and their nomadic ways had claimed them. Now he was alone.

The huge trapper stopped at the doorway to the church, removed his high shoulder pack and bent to remove his snowshoes. He straightened up and placed his snowshoes against the church wall. As he dusted away the snow clinging to his clothes, he surveyed the workmanship put into construction of the building. "A church," he

thought. He reached forward and knocked on the door.

The elderly man had just tasted his rabbit stew, when a heavy thumping sound came from the direction of the door. He hurriedly put down the wooden ladle and shuffled to the door, removing the cross-bar and opening the door. The trapper stepped inside.

The elderly man closed the door and replaced the crossbar. He turned to face the huge trapper who seemed to engulf the tiny church with his presence. The trapper continued forward into the church, ignoring the elderly man, removed his fur cap and shook his long curls of hair to clear away the clinging snow. His full black beard glistened in the light from the flames in the fireplace. He glanced around the small one room church, taking in the shabby pews, the alter and a large wooden cross hanging on the wall with a single lit candle beneath it. In another corner, small figures made from straw and clay were arranged in the nativity scene. The trapper's gaze wandered to a small side area which held a cot, a wooden table and

the fireplace. On the table, a huge black Bible lay open beside a small ink bottle and a feather pen. He began to warm his hands on the fire and then turned slowly to face the elderly man still standing by the doorway.

His face crinkled into a frown as a tinge of recognition slowly crossed his face. He seemed to reach far into the depths of his memory, searching for some sign to indicate why something was familiar about the elderly man. Then, like a bolt of lightening, it struck him! "Uncle Pierre!" he shouted, racing across the room to engulf the elderly man in a bone-crushing hug. Tears filled the old man's eyes, as he too, recognized the voice after so many years. Instant joy welled up in the heart of the elderly man. "Thank God," he thought, "this Christmas is not going to be spent in loneliness after all.'

So, as the snow continued to drift in the tracks of the trapper, the crisp, cold night's stillness was broken by the howling of a coyote in the distance. High in the sky, slightly to the east, a star shines brightly, reminding us that Christ came to take away all the loneliness of the world.

## Chairman's Message selves during Cristmas.



Christmas again already! For many conscientious parents it can be difficult to strike a balance between the commercial demands that we cannot ignore and to impart the true spiritual meaning of Christmas to our children amidst the commercial hustle and bustle that surrounds Christs birthday

in our modern society. Besides that dilemma, there is the added pressure of trying to hold on to traditional celebrations of Christmas within the family. What is difficult is carrying out the Metis-Indian element of the festivities within an urban setting where alot of aboriginal people find them-

One Christmas not long ago, which happened to have been my dads last Christmas, was celebrated in saskatoon. While our large family was celebrating late in the afternoon, round dancing and jigging, I happened to go out the back door to cool off. What I witnessed I will never forget because of how funny I found it. People walking by the house, would look at the house with genuine curiosity it seemed, would lift their eyebrows, chuckle or quicken their pace and walk away. I even noticed the neighbors curtains opening up frequently. How they were feeling I'll never know.

I walked around to the front, approaching from down the street,to try envision the scenario from these strangers perspective. When I was in front of our house I must have had the silliest grin. Music was blaring from the house. People were screaming and laughing. Figures in the window were jumping up and down and the whole house seemed to be shaking! What a sight!

Somehow I sensed that I was not the only one in my family who noticed the looks of curiosity and concern of the neighbors and passersby. We haven't spent Christmas in Saskatoon since but rather try to be out in the country around Christmas time. Of this, I haven't drawn any conclusions yet though I think about it occasionly, but for now we'll

just go with the flow.

On behalf of the SNCC (NEWBREED) Board of Directors and Staff, I'd like to thank those who advertised in the Newbreed and those who support us by subscribing, it is yourselves that ensure Newbreeds continued survival, and MERRY CRISTMAS to all!

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## Letters/Opinion

## What is the purpose of this letter?

by Janice Acoose

The Canadian Press (CP), as the institution that establishes guidelines for communications in Canada, continues to direct the newsprint media to not capitalize the words Native, Aboriginal, and Indigenous. I strongly disagree with literal conventions that encourage, either consciously or subconsciously, literal imperialism.

In the past, the words "Native", "Aboriginal", and "Indigenous" were used as adjectives to describe the original inhabitants of the Americas. However these words can no longer function as adjectives; politically, it is not correct to describe us as native Canadians, aboriginal Canadians, or indigenous Canadians. In keeping with the social, political, and economic realities of the Native, ened position with respect

Aboriginal, and Indigenous to this issue. peoples who reside in Canada, these words now refer to self-governing nations. Thus, as proper nouns, these words must be capitalized. Not capitalizing these words is a very subtle reminder of Native, Aboriginal, and/or Indigenous people's painful memories of colonial history and only serves to perpetuate literal imperialism.

WHAT CAN YOU DO TO HELP CHANGE THIS? Please take some time to fill out the attached form, or write your own letter, and mail it back to me as quickly as possible. You might also photocopy this information and pass it on to potential supporters. I intend to forward all the letters I receive to the CP; perhaps these letters will encourage the CP to adopt a more progressive and politically enlight-

Also, if you or your organization has been following this convention, please consider the implications od your actions! WHO AM I? I am an Indigenous woman whose roots stem from the Marival Metis community and the Sakimay Indian Reserve in Saskatchewan. Currently, I am the Native

Saskatoon Star Phoenix newspaper and an English graduate student at the University of Saskatchewan (my research entails examining "Images of Indigenous Women in Selected Works of Canadian Fiction").

As an Indigenous person I have always been very disturbed about the way that

Affairs Columnist with the "we" have been written about (thus my Native Affairs Column and graduate research). Granted, over the last few years, there have been some changes in the way that "we" are written about. However, we must reflect this political consciousness in our language.

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support the Native, Aboriginal, and Indigenous peoples rights to self-government and self-determination. I understand that their/our rights must be reflected in the English language therefore the words Native, Aboriginal, and Indigenous must be capitalized when they represent the self-governing nations who reside within the nation-state Canada.

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## NATIVE BUSINESS MORE VULNERABLE TO RECESSION, CCNB REPORTS

TORONTO - It is time for the private sector to reach out to Native business people through joint ventures or strategic alliances, the Canadian Council for Native Business (CCNB) says in a report in the role of Native

peoples in the business economy.

The report, "AGAINST THE ODDS", says some progress has been made in the number of business opportunities available for Native people, but small Native-owned family businesses may be hardest hit by the recession.

"Being positioned at the bottom of the economic ladder means being the first to be kicked off the ladder when difficult tomes arrive." the report states.

CCNB, a national, nonprofit private sector organization whose purpose is to assist Canada's First Peoples develop economic self-sufficiency through involvement in business, found the profile of Native business people is "remarkable similar to the average non-Native entrepreneur." Further, it discovered that the sense if entrepreneurship among Native people is "deeply ingrained, with distinctive values of respect for the community and the envi-

In support of those qualities, the report calls on the private sector to make a more determined effort to take part in the initiatives by Native people to become economically independent. It urges Canadian companies to develop a strategy to fullfil two major objectives:

Intensify affirmative employment policies to make more jobs and positions of increased responsibility available to qualified Native people in medium to large corporations.

- Establish strategic alliances with Native-owned businesses to provide advice with problems such as financing, accounting, marketing and long-range planning.

Bob Stanbury, President of CCNB, comments: greater economic self-sufficiency if they have better opportunities for education and training, more chances for stable employment, management opportunities and greater encouragement to establish their own businesses."

CCNB estimates there are 15,000 - 20,000 Nativeowned businesses in Canada, many of them situated on reserves. The report cites the Indian Act as a barrier for some Native businesses because the Act doesn't allow equipment or property on a reserve to be pledged as bank security for a loan. "Many Native people appear to favor the Indian Act be amended to allow movable equipment regardless of where it is situated, to be offered a security," the report states.

For further information "Native people will achieve contact: Julia Ewing - Executive Director, CCNB, P.O. Box 7626, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, S7K 4R4 or call (306) 665-7877.



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Throughout 1990 Minatco has had the pleasure to meet with Northerners. We would like to acknowledge the cooperation demonstrated and the interest shown in our project. Our Partnership with northerners is only beginning and we look forward to its growth and development. We would like to take this opportunity to wish the staff and readers of New Breed a very warm and happy Christmas and opportunities and prosperity in 1991.

> Minatco Ltd. Saskatoon

#### Local

## METIS STUDENTS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM ESTABLISHED BY LOCAL # 7

the Prince Albert Metis this time to recognize indi-Society Local #7 established a Scholarship Program for Metis students. Starting in more, it is critical that the July of 1991, the Metis Local local begins to address syswill be offering three types of scholarships: one set for University students, one set for Technical students, and one set for High School students.

In recognizing the importance of education, the Prince Albert Metis Local #7 has committed \$50,000 of its own money to this worthwhile initiative. Further, the local has submitted a proposal to the provincial government asking them to match our contribution.

The scholarship program is based firstly on academic achievement and, secondly on one's commitment to the Metis community and to Metis self-determination. The membership if the lo-

On September 19, 1990, cal believe it is crucial at vidual Metis achievement and determination. Furthertematically the severe under-representation and lack of Metis participation in Canada's educational institutions, including public schools, the technical institutions and the universities.

The Metis Scholarship Program will be administered and managed by the incorporation of a nonprofit, charitable corporation which will be owned solely by the Prince Albert Metis Local #7. The local has elected 5 Board of Directors and their sole responsibility shall be the management of the scholarship fund and program. What follows are the names of the board of directors: Garry Vermette - President, John

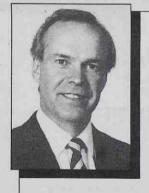


Dorion -May Henderson - Secretary/ only from interest earned Treasurer, Rick Parenteau -Board Member, Ron Bell -Board Member.

The scholarship fund will be invested in only those instruments that are fully guaranteed or secured by federal, provincial or municipal governments. The scholarship program and funds shall last in perpetuity

Vice-President, by granting scholarships on the capital amount.







On behalf of the Government of Saskatchewan, I wish readers of New Breed a very Merry Christmas, and a joyous New Year.

The happiness of the season is evident in the decorations and gifts that we see all around us. But the real message of the Yuletide season is the thoughtfulness we give to the less fortunate, and sharing our providence with those in need.

As we celebrate Christmas amid the warmth and companionship of family and friends, we must be determined to recognize the needs of the less fortunate, and remember that there is more delight in giving than in possessing

I wish you and your family the very best for this Christmas season, and for the year that lies ahead.

May the true meaning of the season remain with you always.

Grant Devine Premier

#### Local

## NATIVE POSTER CAMPAIGN LAUNCHED

Sask Sport Inc, in cooperation with the Department of Culture, Multiculturalism and Recreation and the Family Foundation, is proud to announce the launch of an innovative Native Role Model Poster Campaign.

The Initiative is designed to increase the number if Native people involved in sport. The posters will feature talented Native athletes with the hope of increasing participation in all levels of sport by Saskatchewan's Indigenous community.

"The leadership of our

Native achievers in the sporting world inspires hope and optimism among all who look upon them," says Beattie Martin, Minister of the Family and the Department of Culture, Multiculturalism and Recreation. "The pride spills over to become a motivating force in all aspects of life."

The posters will be distributed to schools and communities throughout Saskatchewan. There are currently two posters available: Fifteen-year-old Judo champion Tracy McNab, is

a very successful athlete to finishing in the top 50 at despite her young age. McNab has a long list of impressive accomplishments, including a silver medal at the Western Canada Summer Games. McNab is originally from Gordon's Reserve, Sk., and now resides in Regina.

Lionel McKenzie is an established runner, competing in short and long races, including marathons. McKenzie has won races at the Northern Saskatchewan Summer Games, the Batoche Metis Days, in addition

the Manitoba Marathon. Lionel lives and teaches in Cumberland House, Sk.

Lyle Daniels, the co-chairperson of Sask Sport Inc.'s Native Advisory Committee, believes the Native Role Model Poster Campaign is a large step in the right direction. "It is very important to me that young people like Tracy and Lionel are

honored because there are many young people who are lured into the life of alcohol and drug abuse," Daniels explains. "That lifestyle strips them of their future."

Other role model posters will be produced in the future, featuring other sports.

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Saskatchewan foster parents are selected by Saskatchewan Social Services according to very strict criteria, and given training and education. Although there is no way of assuring that all foster parents will make good parents, the vast majority are doing a good job.

Children usually come into foster because their natural homes are unavailable for

Saskatchewan children not suitable for raising children. Children are scrutinized for foster care by doctors or health care workers. The aim is to return them eventually to their natural parents after their parents have received counselling. Many Saskatchewan foster children cannot be returned to their parents and are not prime candidates for adoption, for a variety of reasons. This means that many are placed for long terms in foster care homes where special bonding between parent and child can develop.

Some foster homes are for children with special needs - those with severe physical or emotional problems. Parents receiving these children are allowed extra funding for special medical treatthem, and institutions are ments. Many severely inca-

pacitated children, considered by experts to be almost beyond help at birth, have grown to live normal lives through the care and love of long-term foster parents. Some Saskatchewan foster parents have made a career of their work - seeing their children through from infancy to adulthood.

At this time, Saskatchewan desperately needs more good foster parents. Since many children being placed in foster homes are of Native ancestry, there is also considerable need for more foster parents of this background. Unfortunately, many Native children being foster parented in white communities suffer from racial prejudice.

Some children need to be watched more closely to ensure that they are removed from, where they may receive horrendous physical, sexual and psychological abuse that can damage them for life.

Foster parents often become very attached to the children they care for, and many of them grieve when they see children returned to damaging homes. Saskatchewan residents should recognize the great good that is being done by this largely unrecognized group of people, and support them in any way they know how.

Adults who feel they are capable if the challenge of foster parenting and can supply the love and attention that this position requires, should contact their local branch of Saskatchewan Social Services.

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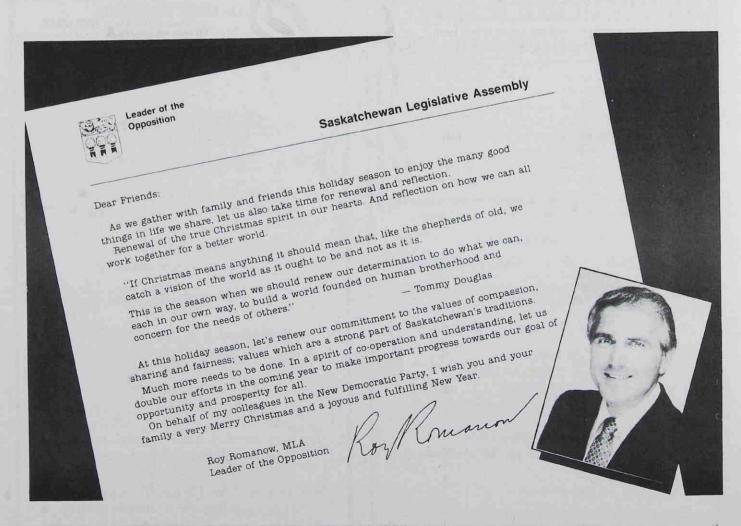
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## TIME TO SETTLE INDIAN LAND ENTITLEMENT

## **CLAIMS**

by Emil Korchinski, Office of the Treaty Commissioner

Saskatchewan Indians are owed a long-standing debt that should be resolved in the near future.

The settlement of treaty Indian land entitlement would significantly increase the size of Saskatchewan Indian reserves

The formula for reserve size was established over a century ago when the treaties were signed between the Indian nations and the Crown. Each family of five was to be granted a square mile (one section) of land. At that time, a section of land provided a sufficient land base for a productive farm.

The problem developed when the reserves were surveyed. For one reason or another, in many cases the acreage set aside was less than the amount entitled to, based on the population of than the amount entitled to, based on the population of the band.

Over the years, some of the bands were aware their reserves were much smaller than the treaty formula allowed. As a result, in the 1970's, the Federation of Saskatchewan Indians researched and negotiated recognition of treaty land entitlement. The agreement was known as the 1976 for-

The 1976 Formula determined a band's land entitument based on the band

population as of December 31, 1976. Following acceptance of the formula, additional research was done and eventually 30 bands were validated for treaty land entitlement. The final total land required exceeded 1.2 million acres.

Crown land, both federal and provincial, was put on the table for selection. Land in the north was readily available and both Black Lake and Fond du Lac bands settled their land requirements

PFRA and community pasture land represented large tracts of Crown land but it was land of poor quality and already utilized by farmers and ranchers. Only one band, the Lucky Man band, was able to access community pasture land when they received about half of the Mayfair pasture in the Hafford area.

Other pieces of Crown land were transferred including Other pieces of Crown land were transferred including Indian student residences and parcels of urban land located within North Battleford and Saskatoon. Bands had to select the least desirable land in the province and at the same time deal with groups of ranchers who had legitimate thirdparty interests in the land.

When a band selected pasture land, they immediately when up against a group of pasture patrons, resulting in bad feelings on all sides. As time elapsed, all parties to

the agreement began to wonder if the marginal lands were worth all the trouble and ill will.

Since 1976, when the formula was negotiated, only three bands received their entitlement: 69,000 acres of land were transferred of which 61,350 were in the north with no third-party interests.

Other problems became apparent was well. When land is transferred to reserve status, rural municipalities lose that tax base. Concerns were raised over jurisdiction and the provision of

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services for the band. The Saskatchewan Wildlife Federation was also concerned about Indian hunting rights. The 1976 Formula was dead-ended.

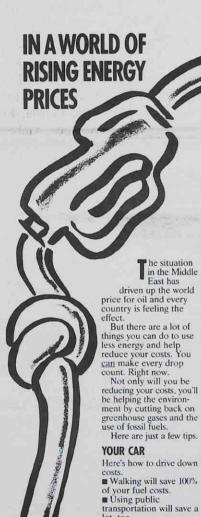
In 1976, the federal government changed its policy, saying the amount of land owed was the actual shortfall as of the date fo first survey. This reduced the total acreage to less than 160,000 acres for the whole province. As a result, the FSIN and five First Nations have taken the federal government to court arguing that the 1976 Formula was a binding agreement.

But neither side in this dispute wants to be in the courts. Court cases are long and costly and the result could be disastrous for either side so the FSIN searched for a negotiation settlement. The negotiations resulted in the establishment of the Office fo the Treaty Commissioner. The role of the treaty commissioner is to facilitate implementation of the treaties. Cliff Wright, former Mayor of Saskatoon, was appointed as the treaty commissioner and provided with staff and other resources to run the office. Education and treaty land entitlement were set as the immediate priorities.

A report and recommendations for the successful

Time to Settle Land Claims... Cont'd page 11

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The students and staff at Beauval Indian Education Centre would like to extend their Christmas Greetings not only to the parents and community members of the surrounding area but also to their native friends and neighbours wherever they maybe.

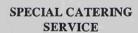
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## LET'S TALK TAXES

by Kevin Avram

Over the past several months, I've spent no small amount of time pondering the political problems Canadians face, trying to arrive at some kind of a conclusion as to their cause. Why does the whole thing seem to be coming apart? We're being buried by government debt, a lot of our so-called public servants are being better paid than the majority of people who work to support them, and by legislating themselves generous pensions our politicians have set themselves up for life at our expense. In fact, a recent news story documents that the political pension fund in Ottawa is short by about \$144 million. That's \$144 million you and I will have to make up so as to ensure that these pampered politico's can go first-class.

The Labour Unions is some parts of the country are openly attacking the business community claiming they don't pay their fair share of income tax when in fact the biggest corporate welfare bums the country has are the debt-ridden Crown Corporations that don't pay any income tax period.

It seems the bureaucracy is quickly becoming the new elite. Yes, they are hard working and sincere people in the bureaucracy who earn their money, but there is also a whole layer of bureaucratic fat in there which many argue needs to be cut out. After all it's no secret any more that governments waste people's money and that bureaucrats are being paid to implement policies and do work that doesn't need doing. Like passing our grants and giving away our money to fund special interest groups and prop up big

Nowadays almost everybody has an uncle, aunt, neighbor or cousin who works in the bureaucracy, and most of us have heard stories of idleness, bureaucratic blunders and government employees who get big pay, lots of benefits - yet don't do very much.

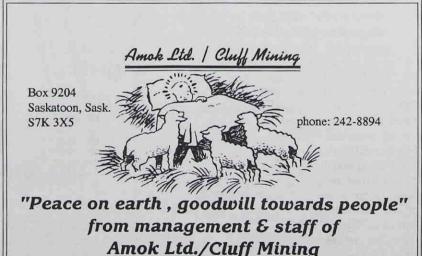
There are only two kinds

of people; those who create wealth and those who consume wealth. Traditionally there have been more wealth producers in Canada than there have been wealth consumers. But unfortunately, and you don't have to be a genius to figure this one out, there is more wealth consumption taking place than there is wealth production.

The biggest consumer of wealth in Canada is government. It's inefficient, overpriced, and unresponsive. Our government extracts money from private citizens, makes itself comfortable with generous wages, pensions, and severance packages, then they get the bureaucrats and policy makers to distribute what slim pickin's are left over back to those they originally took it from in the first place.

In George Orwell's book "Animal Farm", he tells a story of a farm taken over by animals. On that farm every animal was supposed to be equal and all were supposed to be working for the betterment of the farm. What really happened is that the pigs became the government and set up their own bureaucracy. Just like Canada "Animal Farm" had wealth producers and consumers. The chickens, sheep, ducks and others created the wealth while the pigs who ran the place consumed it.





## **National**

## HAUDENOSAUNEE

## MOHAWK\*ONEIDA\*ONONDAGA\*CAYUGA\*SENECA\*TUSCARORA

THE STRUGGLE CON-TINUES: THE WESTERN "THANK-YOU" TOUR OF THE OKA VETERANS This summer's events within the Mohawk Nation brought a groundswell of support for Native struggles all across Canada. Throughout Canada, Native and Non-Native people demonstrated their support in a number of ways. Through their prayers, demonstrations, petitions, donations, and other forms of support people across Canada let the world know of their commitment to the attainment of justice and the recognition of Native rights. munities of Akwesasne,

This support gave strength and solidarity to the Mohawk Defenders who were under seige at the Treatment Centre. For 80 days these valiant people resisted the armed might of the Canadian Army and the Quebec Police. The support that was expressed reinforced their belief in the rightness of their cause to defend The Pines and the burial site.

The struggle within the Mohawk Nation is not over! Hundreds of Surete du Ouebec, Ontario Provincial Police and RCMP continue to occupy the three comKahnawake, and Kanehsatake. The land that we fought for has not been returned to the Nation. More than 300 of our people and allies face charges and arrest.

The struggle throughout Canada is not over, as witnessed by the events in B.C. the continuing struggle of the Lone Fighters and the Innu, and the disclosure of systematic abuse that have been made by prominent Native leaders.

The tour has been organized for two purposes:

To express our personal "thank-you" to the people who supported us, and continue to support our struggle. We have been deeply touched by the outpouring of support and strength that was demonstrated this summer, and we are taking this opportunity to come out and thank people face to face.

We must all continue to stand together and organize ourselves in support of the long term struggles we are all facing. This is our opportunity to meet with the leaders and people to see how we can forge ahead together.

The tour will last 20 days and visit the provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, British Columbia, and, the Northwest Territories. It is expected that the tour will meet with hundreds of Native and Non-Native supporters, and provide the opportunity for many personal meetings, and renewals of friendships and commitment

## Time to Settle Land

Claims... Cont'd

ment has been prepared and presented to the chief of the FSIN and the minister if Indian Affairs. The report is still under review but a few general status. remarks can be made.

First, the 1976 Formula would be replaced by a new model based on the shortfall at the date of first survey combined with the present-day population. The total amount of land would be less than a million acres.

Second, funding would be available for land purchase for third-party interests. Each band would receive a credit, based on the number of acres due from its entitlement. This funding would be held in trust and applied to purchase of land or resolution of third-party interests. Bands which lose land as a result of the differ-

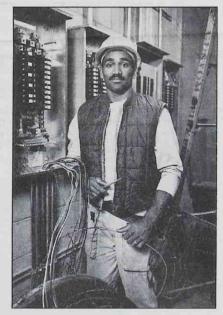
implementation of ence between the '76 Fortreaty land entitle- mula and the new formula would receive compensa-

> Third, municipalities would receive a lump-sum payment to cover future years' taxes, when the land is transferred to reserve

> It is anticipated this new model would settle the debt and address outstanding treaty land issues. Bands would be able to select quality land and third parties, including municipalities, would be satisfied. Farmers would be able to negotiate directly with a band if they wish to sell their land.

> The sooner the First Nations have their land base, the sooner they will be able to develop economic selfsufficiency. All Canadians will benefit when the process is complete and the debt is paid.

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#### Local

## **Archaelogists Have Responsibilities To Native People**

Saskatchewan archaeolo- Archaeologists gists say the Native comin deciding whether to excavate burials.

Association of Professional

(SAPA) adopted a Code of Ethics munity should be consulted which outlines members' responsibilities to Native Peoples and other groups. At their October business Since much of Saskatchemeeting, the Saskatchewan wan's archaeology deals with the ancestors of Native

that Indians and Metis have special concerns which must be respected by archaeolo-

"Archaeologists shouldn't excavate Native burials or appropriate consultation with the Native commu-

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people, SAPA recognizes nity," says Terry Gibson, SAPA President. "We're obliged to consider their objections to the scientific investigation of their ancestral sites."

"Moreover we should other sacred sites without support Native peoples' efforts to preserve sites important to their cultures,"

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Gibson added.

Under responsibilities to the public, SAPA's Code of Ethics calls upon archaeologists to make the results of their research available outside of the scientific community.

"Most archaeological research is funded by the public. We should tell people about our findings in everyday language, so they can appreciate our province's archaeological heritage," Gibson says.

SAPA also supports the UNESCO Convention regarding the illegal import and export of cultural properties.

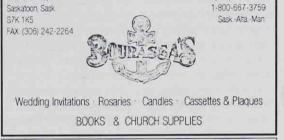
"The sale of artifacts has led to the destruction of archaeological sites both in Canada and abroad," Gibson says.

For more information: Terry Gibson, President, Saskatchewan Association of Professional Archaeologists, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, 933-8182.

Wishing everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year



From: The North Battleford Native Outreach Centre administration and staff. 691 - 109th Street, North Battleford, Saskatchewan.



#### SEASON'S GREETINGS

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#### Environment

## Study of Cleaner Way to Provide Electric Power From Coal Announced

The governments of Canada, Saskatchewan, Alberta and B.C., along with the Coal Association of Canada, announced today that they will jointly fund a \$1-million feasibility study to find a cleaner way to use coal for producing electricity. The study will be funded under the Western Coal to Ontario initiative, with B.C.'s funding provided separately.

The announcement was made by Government House Leader Harvie Andre, on behalf of Western Economic Diversification Minister Charles Mayer; Saskatchewan Energy and Mines Minister Rick Swenson; Alberta Energy Minister Rick Orman; Energy Minister Jack Davis; and Coal Association of Canada President Giacomo Capobianco.

"Canadian industry is showing leadership in developing new technology to improve and protect our environment," Andre said. "In addition to reducing acid rain gas emission of carbon dioxide will also be reduced through increased efficiency."

The feasibility study will examine the economic viability, costs, performance expectations and environmental benefits of a new clean-coal technology to reduce emissions when coal is burned to generate electricity. Called Integrated Gasification Combined Cycle (IGCC), the technology is expected to reduce carbon dioxide emissions and nearly eliminate the acid gas emissions normally produced by the burning of coal. A recommendation of the location of a demonstration project, as well as proposed design and con-

veloping new technology to struction timetables, will improve and protect our also be established in the environment," Andre said.

The feasibility study will be undertaken by the Coal Association of Canada, representing coal producers and coal-using utilities throughout Canada. The cost of the study will be \$1 million, with the federal government funding one-third of the total, the participating provinces funding one-third and the Coal Association funding one-third.

The project will also feature testing of a process that will recover 50 per cent of the carbon dioxide from the gas stream prior to combustion.

Saskatchewan's Energy Minister Rick Swenson strongly supports the development of the IGCC technology for Canada. "Gasification is a way of using our abundant supplies of low grade coal more effectively and with less environmental impact than many of the technologies in use today," Swenson added.

Coal Association President Capobianco said: "The Coal Association of Canada is excited about the prospect of implementing a technology that will minimize coal emissions. We are

e s p e c i a l l y pleased that governments in Canada are sharing in our vision of a more efficient use of coal while protecting the government." The feasibility study will begin immediately and is expected to be completed by mid-1991.

The project is the latest of a number of initiatives supported by the Action Committee on Western Canadian Low-Sulphur Coal to Ontario. The committee is chaired by Deputy Prime Minister Don Mazankowski and consists of the premiers of Ontario, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia.







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The Board of Directors, Management and staff would like to take this opportunity to wish each and everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and to fill your hearts with Christmas Cheer.

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> Merry Christmas to All! Ronald J. Camponi Manager, Sasknative Housing Corp.

## **Treaty Land Entitlement - FSIN Press Release**

The prospect for the entitlement of 27 Treaty Land Entitlement in Saskatchewan has been gaining momentum for at least two years. The establishment of the bilateral process and the creation of the Office of The Treaty Commissioner have been principle reasons for the positive development of Indian and Canadian relationships in the province. The impending negotiated settlement of Treaty Land Entitlement is a significant example of how negotiation, rather than confrontation, can produce beneficial results to Indians and non-Indians alike.

Land entitlement is one type of land claim which has been an outstanding Treaty debt owed to the First Nations in Saskatchewan. At least 27 Bands have been waiting for over one hundred years to receive their full land base as promised in the Treaties made with the Oueen. Now it would appear that these Bands will finally be able to acquire the lands they need for their

The Office of the Treaty Commissioner released a report in May of 1990 which made a number of recommendations on how this outstanding Treaty debt could be paid. Since then, the Indian, Provincial and Federal governments have been studying the report and all have agreed that the Treaty Commissioner has advanced a viable model for negotiation.

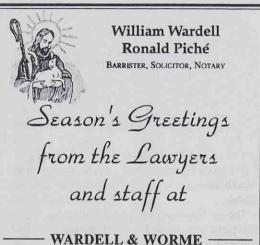
Earlier this fall, an Assembly of Entitlement Chief's passed a resolution accepting the Treaty Commissioner's report as the basis for negotiation. The Provincial government did the same. Now with the Federal Minister's announcement today, it would appear that the First Nations and Canada can begin laying the foundation for a settlement that benefits Indian and non-Indians in Saskatchewan.

The Federation hopes that, before Christmas, the principle parties involved in the land entitlement process i.e., the Indian, Federal and Provincial governments will have entered into a political protocol agreement. This agreement would clarify, for all parties, the nature of the negotiation process to be followed, thereby minimizing the possibility of problems occurring. Such an agreement should be viewed as a positive indication of the three governments' commitment to a quick and effective negotiation and implementation process.

The next step calls for the First Nations and the Fed-

eral government to begin active negotiations on a Framework, or "Umbrella", agreement. In these negotiations, items of common interest to the 27 Land Entitlement Bands would be negotiated with the Federal government. Once a settlement has been reached, this agreement would be utilized for the more detailed, specific negotiations on individual Band settlements. It is estimated by the Federation and the Federal government that the framework agreement would be completed by the end of March, with Band specific negotiations taking place immediately thereafter.

The Federation is convinced that this process will achieve the desired results. Moreover, it is confident that Federal and Provincial commitment to the quick and effective resolution of this outstanding debt will



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## PRINCE ALBERT TRIBAL COUNCIL

The Prince Albert Tribal Council (PATC) continued to develop its community services and business activities in coordination with its examination and implementation of new governing structures and institutions during the 1989-90 fiscal year.

The PATC provides and promotes individual, community and business services to the twelve member Bands of the Council through two major agent corporations in cooperation with several other specific Tribal Council institutions and agencies. The PADC Management Company is principle institution providing Indian Government services to member Bands, while the Prince Albert Development Corporation directly engages in business ventures and promotes business development with member Bands. Total permanent staff in all PATC corporations and agencies

is now approaching 300 employees.

The Prince Albert Tribal Council education program has three core components: a) provision of second level support services for the twenty-two (22) band schools and over 3,400 students; b) provision of direct services such as Boarding Home Program; c) provision of designated post-secondary programs.

- a) Support Services: provide a comprehensive range of services to assist Bands in offering a quality K to 12 education program. All components of the education program will be examined through a needs assessment including evaluation this year.
- b) Boarding Home Program: provides education, counselling and extra curricular services to over sixty students. Due to increased workload, staff in the Boarding Home Program has been increased from one to two

counsellors. The PATC program works in cooperation with six Band operated Boarding Home Programs, working with a total of 200 Boarding Home students in Prince Albert.

- c) Post Secondary and Adult Education:
- i) Business Administration: A two year diploma offered in cooperation with SIIT and certified by Palliser Campus S.I.A.S.T.
- ii) Indian Social Work Training Program: A two year certificate program offered in cooperation with SIFC and certified by the University of Regina.
- iii) Professional teacher Training: A four year B.Ed program offered in cooperation with P.A. SUNTEP and certified by the University of Saskatchewan.

Liaison, research and program development continues to be of high priority for the Health and Social Development program of the Tribal Council. A major focus of the program has been in the areas of pre-transfer, child and elder care, family violence, tuberculosis, NNADAP treatment and prevention, and promotion of health education and training.

In March of 1990, the final report on the Tribal Council's review of health services transfer was completed and submitted to M.S.B.. Included in the transfer review work were health needs assessments and community health development plans for Fond du Lac, Black Lake, Hatchet Lake, Cumberland House, Wahpeton and Red Earth, and a directional plan outlining the Tribal Council's proposal for establishing and operating a second level support health service to all twelve Bands

The six Bands who were full participants in the Tribal Council pre-transfer project have all made decisions to initially transfer their direct on-reserve services to the authority of the Tribal Council. This will allow sufficient time to develop their health management ability while having Indian control and direction for the health service. These Bands have authorized the Tribal COuncil management company to process with the planning and negotiating required to transfer these services from M.S.B. to the Tribal Council, on behalf of the Bands. The other six Bands intend to negotiate the independent delivery of on-Reserve health services.

On February 1, 1990, the Tribal Council assumed the responsibility to provide and operate a non-reserve based Prince Albert Tribal Council area medical transportation service. This service is being administered by Sprucelodge Boarding Home Inc. and provides

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## CAREER OPPORTUNITY

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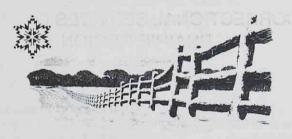
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Health, Prosperity and Hope

From the Management and staff of the Prince Albert Tribal Council

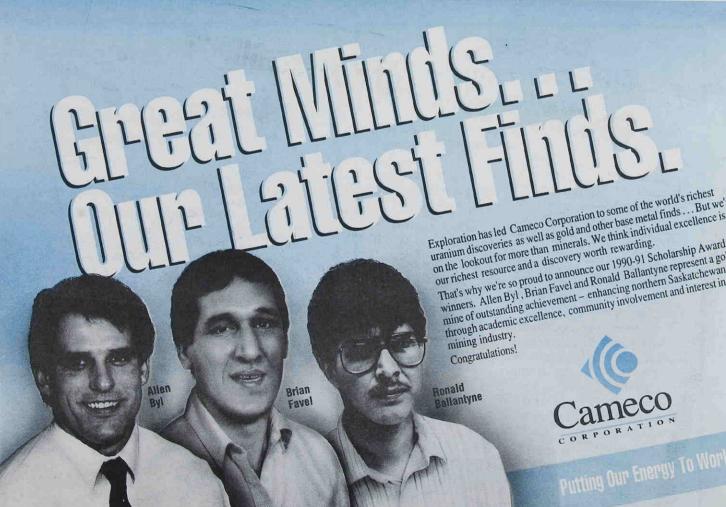


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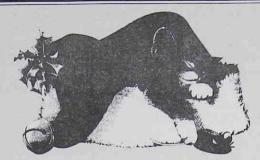
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> From the Management and staff of the North Battleford District No. 6 **Tribal Council**



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Ronald Ballantyne will complete his final year at NORTEP in 1991 - he's currently interning in Cumberland House, Employed by the Gabriel Dumont Institute in Ile a la Crosse, Brian Favel is pursuing his Bachelor of Arts from the University of Saskatchewan. And Allen Byl, a fourth year Aviation Administration student, recently assisted with fire suppression in western Canada.

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#### Prince Albert Tribal Council...Cont'd

transportation for Treaty Indians to and from medical facilities in Prince Albert and access to specialist services in Saskatoon and other locations upon referral.

Funding was received in 1989 from the joint MSB/ INAC Family Violence

Initiative to conduct two symposiums on family violence. Sprucelodge continues to provide meals and accommodation to Treaty Indians from the Prince Albert Tribal Council district and surrounding areas who are on medical travel status.

Season's Greetings from
Opawikoscikan School,
Peter Ballantyne Band,
Band Councillors and
members of the Education
Division

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The PATC Health and Engineering programs coordinated the construction of Athabasca out-patient counselling facilities in each of the Athabasca communities. This innovative program is the first of its kind in the area of alcohol and drug abuse treatment for isolated Indian communities.

In the 1989-90 fiscal year, the Economic Development Program moved toward a more focused, accountable delivery of economic development services and activities between the Bands, the tribal Council, and other Indian institutions. In recognition that PATC Bands had little or no resources to deliver services, funding was secured to hire at least one economic development worker for each Band.

Service was focused on strategic planning, a range of business development services for Bands and individual entrepreneurs, project mobilization and coordination and administration of Tribal Council allocation monies received from INAC. Under the self-government re-organization initiative, an Economic Council of five chiefs was established to coordinate the economic activity of the Tribal Council.

Activities included: 1) preparation of a request to INAC to provide capacity building monies to the Tribal Council to support the hiring of economic development staff at the Band level, 2) organization of a process with the Meadow Lake Tribal Council to develop and implement a mining training proposal, 3) initial organization and preparation work on the coordination and administration of training workshops for newly employed Band economic developers, 4) coordination of a Business Census Survey of PATC Bands in collaboration with the Saskatchewan Indian Federated College, 5) coordination and adminstration of the Black Lake ATV/winter freight project, 6) preliminary research into inquiries from businesses seeking PATC investment, 8) participation on the Joint Management Review process with INAC to approve plans and projects submitted by Bands for use of their ICHRS/IEDF shadow allocations.

Through a management agreement with the provincial S.I.A.P. Board, the PADC Management Company operates agricultural development services within the district. In addition, opportunities which are unique to the northern area, such as fish farming and wild rice development, are being investigated and developed through the Northern Saskatchewan Indian Agricultural Plan.



## SEASONS GREETINGS

From the Southeast Area Kapachee Training Center Bread Farm Land Foundation

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## First Nations Forum

## Lac La Ronge Indian Band Signs AFA Agreement

La Ronge, Saskatchewan (November 2, 1990) --An ALternative Funding Agreement (AFA) agreement was signed today in Saskatchewan by Harry Swain, Deputy Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development and Chief Harry Cook of the Lac La Ronge Indian Band. The approximately \$54 million agreement will be in effect until March 31, 1995.

"The agreement is one of the largest in Canada," Mr. Swain said. "It will serve as an example to other bands that have not yet taken this step to greater independence."

The agreement will give the band greater authority in managing the available funding. It provides the band with the flexibility to transfer operational funds between programs and to carry

La Ronge, Saskatchewan over funds from one year to November 2, 1990) --An the next.

"It's not a matter of receiving more money" the Deputy Minister said, "it's a matter of being able to direct the funding in a way that best meets the needs of the members of the Lac La Ronge Band."

Under the AFA agreement, the Band will direct programs including elementary and secondary education, social assistance and welfare, Indian pension plan funding and community capital facilities.

"For a big band, with many communities, there is never enough funding provided by funding formulas," Chief Cook said. "The Lac La Ronge Indian Band is happy to have the flexibility in allocating resources that the AFA provides so we can better meet the needs of our

people." Chief Cook added, "We will continue to work towards meeting the needs of our people."

The Lac La Ronge Indian Band is gaining a reputation for leadership in Canada. In the area of economic development, the Band administration has taken steps to create long-term businesses that will grow over time.

"Your council has shown solid leadership and planning over the years" Mr. Swain said, "through AFA, its ability to serve the community will be improved."

Ten individual Indian Bands and two tribal councils are operating through AFA agreements in Saskatchewan.

For further information contact: Dorothy Fleming, Saskatchewan Region, DIAND (306) 780-7517.

## Saskatoon District Tribal Council Report

Tribal Council and the Economic Development Program are proceeding through a very progressive and rewarding stage of development. After years of planning and much negotiation an AFA Agreement was signed on June 28, 1990, completing the transfer of the economic development program form the Department of Indian Affairs to the control of SDTC. This transfer, under an AFA Agreement, is a first for an Indian organization in Canada and provides a five year budget for the program.

SDTC's desire to provide an improved program has resulted in a great deal of activity directed at program development and promotion; community economic development capacity building; and initiation of business development projects.

Handbook of Grants and Subsidies - Federal and

The Saskatoon District Provincial has been reprinted for distribution to each of the Bands with a subscription for monthly undates.

> A resource manual has been developed for each Band which outlines Indian economic assistance programs.

> An STDC Equity Fund brochure has been developed for distribution to Indian entrepreneurs.

An annual STDC Indian entrepreneur of the Year Award will be established starting this year.

Workplan wise, everything is on target for this program. We recruited a total of 56 people for 20 seats. Deadline for application into the program was extended from August 15, 1990 to August 24, 1990. The Management Agreement with S.I.I.T. and S.T.D.C. hasn't been finalized as yet, as of the drafting of this report.

Initial screening of the applicant's was done on August 27, 1990 and a total of 15 people were chosen then. We will still have to select 5 from the overall list, often we've checked out references, grade levels, etc. We are trying to fill the extra seats with S.T.D.C. appli-

Existing facilities are not adequate for the program. We are now in the process of looking at different sites within the downtown core. Hopefully, in the next several weeks, something positive will develop that will enable us to house the Satellite College, post-school and Indian Urban Social Assistance. Tony Kupchapski of S.D.T.C. Development Corporation is on top of all this activity.

The highlights of the 1989-90 year for the educational program are as follows:

1. In capital school construction, Mistawasis has been promised a new school by 1994-95. One Arrow has had verbal support from the RDG that an addition will be made to their school and the Moosewoods new school request has been placed within the Regional 5-year Capital Plan.

2. The Post School Program has been taken over by the SDTC and we are providing a full range of services for Pst School students of the SDTC.

3. A Tribal Histories Project was completed this year in which all bands participated. Part of the project was attending a workshop in Ottawa which allowed the participation to access the Archives and INAC Libraries. It definitely has sparked an interest at the band level into land claims and the early history of each reserve.

4. The University Access Program has become a reality for the Yellow Quill Reserve and surrounding area. This is an excellent opportunity for Indian people in the area to become prepared and familiar with the requirements of attending classes at the university level. 37 students have been approved to attend from the list of 56 applicants. Classes in English, Math, and Indian Studies will be offered.

5. The Muskeg Lake Band has worked out an arrangement whereby they will be offering a High School program from within a Provincial School. This is definitely a "first of its kind" happening in Saskatchewan. 6. This summer the Muskeg Lake Band with the coordinating help of the SDTC offered a summer course in Cree Immersion for students on their reserve. This was partially funded by the Secretary of State and the Provincial Department for Community Education.

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## SENATE REPORT

Council, I would like to thank the Assembly for oberving two minutes silence in respect to the recent passing of our two Senate Members: Senator Hilliard McNabb and Senator Albert Carriere.

Regulations respecting the Senate Assembly went through First Reading, January, 1985 and Second Reading, January

On behalf of the Advisory 1987. The Regulations have since changed to read Terms of Reference for the Development of a Senate Act of the Federation of Saskatchewan Indian Nations. The terms of Reference should be reviewed by Tribal, Agency Councils, and submitted to F.S.I.N. Executive.

The Advisory Council of the Senate met on September 25th

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and 26th at the Relax Inn to discuss priority issues occurring over the past few weeks. Agenda items included pres-

entations by Executive Members reporting on their portfolios: George Peeace, gave a presentation on the 1989-90 Audit Statement and Saskatchewan Indian Housing Commission, Dan Bellegarde spoke on lands, Reserves & Trusts, Land Entitlement. Vice-Chief Bird on the Government Sales Tax. Norman Stevenson gave an over-view on Hunting, Fishing & Trapping proposed Indian Legislation. We thank the FSIN Executive Council members for seeking advice from the Sena-

The Treaty Commissioners report has been accepted in Principle by both levels of government. There is still a lot of work to be done. The understanding that Education is a Treaty Right, Senate do not think the Commissioner's report should suggest negotiations or compromise. Treaties cannot be negotiated.

Treaties are solid and we do not pay tax. Taxation is in the Treaties and we're exempt

We're blessed with tongue and wisdom. We should bring our concerns to the forefront without the use of arms or violence.

There was a lot of concern expressed by the Senate. The public should be made aware of the most serious environmental problems. We need to respect our Resources.

These problems lead us to fear for our health and that of our children. The environment inherited from the past and one that is held in trust for our future generations, a future in harmony with mother nature. Indian Nations have jurisdiction over their peoples, their lands, their water and resources. Elders could provide advice, leadership and wisdom on how to live in harmony with nature and wildlife habitat.

The realization that Education, has left out the true Indian philosophy of life. We were all taught the whitemans version, with the significant meaning of "Treaty" being left out. Our young people are not being taught about our Treaty or Special Rights for Indian people in the school curriculum. The attitude of society towards the government -"Indians are getting everything for nothing" should be changed

and gained through the education system. Indians have a right to Education, Health, Hunting, Fishing and Trapping; all these provided by government were prepaid by Treaty. Advise Chiefs to pursue curriculum development in the area of Treaty be taught in reserve schools and outside educational institutions, to learn the true meaning and understanding of Treaties.

Children on welfare are being discriminated against in integrated schools. So much could be done through the education process, through understanding and acceptance. Education would help to alleviate discrimination racism where both societies: Indian and the White society would benefit.

The Senate are very thankful that Indian Government, Tribal Councils, Commissions and Boards open and close meetings with prayers. Afterall, Treaty was entered into by our people in communication with the Creator. So much of our Indian ways have been lost through neglect of our spiritual practices and rituals of our culture.

It is only fitting that the younger generation live in harmony with the Creator, nature and the environment.

#### Saskatoon District... Cont'd

Muskeg Lake staff should be applauded for the volunteer help they were able to organ-

7. The Nursery/Kindergarten Handbook produced by the teachers of the SDTC has been well received and is available for purchase from the SDTC. INAC provided the cost of the initial printing.

8. The Operational Review of SMISR has had a positive outcome. The recommendations were followed and as a result the residence at Duck Lake has the potential for becoming an excellent institution for Indian youth.

9. The SDTC Advisory Board of Education has become nonfunctional during this year but new ways will be found to effectively communicate with each reserve.

10. Schools in the district had a successful year - some special education students were recognized for funding - provincial standards were met -CTBS testing was completed - staff and program evaluations were completed - new staff were hired and oriented to teaching on a reserve.

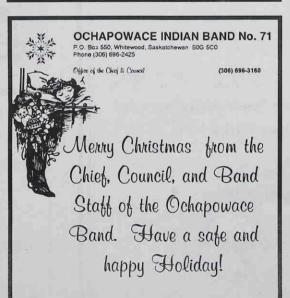
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Meadow Lake Fribat Council

## Meadow Lake Tribal Council - Developing Programs That Make a Difference

Ours is a dynamic and fast growing district in terms of development activities, programs, and corporate endeavors. And a large part of the credit lies with a progressive, hardworking group of Tribal Chiefs.

Over the 1989-90 period we've worked hard to restructure and streamline the Tribal Council. Much time has involved meeting with the Tribal Council Chiefs and Band staff to determine members' needs and how to improve services and programs to the social, spiritual, health and economic benefit of our people.

In line with those objectives, this year NORSASK Forest Products Inc. (an MLTC joint venture) signed a major agreement with Millar Western. NORSASK, which acquired a Forest Management Licence Agreement with the provincial government in 1987, will (through MISTIK - another joint venture) provide the new pulp mill with its annual hardwood requirements, creating many industry-related employment opportunities for now and well into the future.

In addition, MLTC Business Development Program has gone a long way to stimulating economic growth by Indians for Indians and to encourage an entrepreneurial spirit among members. Of the businesses funded this year, eight are owned and operated by individuals - the balance comprises Band projects.

These enterprises have included confectioneries, laundromats. logging operations, automotive services, movie rental outlets, reforestation, grading and construction.

Much progress was also made by the Health and Social Development Department in 1989-90. A two-year Health Study was completed which identified health care needs and determined the feasibility of taking control of health services currently delivered by Medical Services Branch (MSB). The result - the Tribal Council Health Development Plan - outlines an Indian health care system based on the needs and aspirations of our First Nations. It also provides a recommended approach to Band-controlled community health services supported by MLTC Health Unit

Meanwhile, a proposal for a three-year development program submitted to the Child Care Initiatives Fund (CCIF) in November 1989 was accepted and announced by the Minister of Health and Welfare as the Child Care Development Program in August 1990.

This program calls for 26 licenced, non-profit daycare homes and one district daycare and training centre at the Flying Dust Reserve. The move is to establish quality child care for members in a first in that no other existing program specifically addresses the needs and circumstances of Indian

children. And once the program is in place, parents will be able to pursue the educational, training and employment opportunities they've missed due to lack of suitable child care services.

Turning to education, MLTC believes our children are our greatest resource and we continue our efforts to provide the academic and human development skills they need for educational success.

For example, the Beauval Indian Education Centre (BIEC) - a residential high school - is one of MLTC's most comprehensive programs and has graduated a great number of Indian Grade 12 students over the years. One hundred and forty-six students are currently enrolled: 58 in Grade 20, 44 in grade 11, and 44 in Grade 12.

A Mobile Education Program has been established and is already opening the door to existing new opportunities for students. Delivered via fully equipped trailers which alternate among Bands, the program develops technical skills and exposes students to subject areas not offered in federal or Bank-controlled schools.

Meanwhile, the National Indian Forestry Institute - a joint venture between the Saskatchewan Indian Institute of Technologies and MLTC - offers extensive two and three year forest technology diplomas. Todate, 30 students have

successfully completed the program and this year's seven graduates have all found places in the industry - two locally. Next year, the Institute will replace its Forest Technology studies with a 62 week Integrated Forestry Worker Program.

The New Opportunities Project - a three year pilot program developed under the Canadian Jobs Strategy - reaches completion in March 1991. Responding to the rising need for community based adult education, the project resulted in five Learning Centres and two Mobile Learning Units which offer a wide variety of training from Basic Literacy to technical, to University level skills. To date, 931 individuals have completed their target training (or components thereof). Efforts are now geared to extending the program beyond the three year pilot

MLTC also provides Band

staff training to help members acquire the skills they need to efficiently operate their own Band affairs. Today, Band staff are sufficiently capable of the daily administrative functions required at the Band level. The next thrust is computerization to achieve better control of capital expenditures, project management, inventories, etc.

A brighter future for Indian people - that's what MLTC is all about. As the political, service and delivery arm of the nine First Nations in northwest Saskatchewan MLTC has made major steps forward - not all of which have been highlighted here - geared to improving the quality of life for our members.

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A Christmas message to all of our friends and family throughout the Meadow Lake District and Saskatchewan. May your Christmas be filled with warmth and the New Year brings you guidance from the Great Spirit...

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## TOUCHWOOD FILE HILLS QU'APPELLE TRIBAL COUNCIL

Administration and Finance have been joined into one Department effective August 20, 1990, with the appointment of a Director of Finance and Administration. The role has been amalgamated with only a few of the various responsibilities removed.

The role now includes budget preparation and analysis along with financial administration. Utilizing computer technology, the budget and financial statements will be combined to allow variance analysis and improved spending control.

Ensuring all available funding is accessed and programs implemented based on the financial criteria along with administration of the group benefits and pension plan are additional responsibilities.

The roles of the senior staff have become interdependent and co-operative with the implementation of a new organizational chart. Within this chart the role of Finance and Administration can assist other departments and individuals to balance budgets while providing substantial services.

Recent work has focused on developing support for the transfer of the Fort Qu'Appelle Indian Hospital among the non-Indian municipal governments involved and reporting to the Indian governments about progress that has been made. Some attention has been given to the revision of the role study to address some of the concerns raised by the Chiefs on the ne-

gotiating committee. A sticking point in this regard has been the fact that the roles study recommends a 35 bed facility instead of the current 51 beds.

MSB (Medical Services Branch) argues that the hospital is only being used by an average 28 people per day now and that Indian Treaty Rights to health care should not be defined in terms of numbers of beds but rather in relation to the quality and appropriateness of all health care services in meeting the health care needs of Indian people. MSB suggests that the hospital should expand its community and outpatient services and reduce its number of beds so that the facility meets the real needs of the people and does not become an expensive facility to run with lots of empty beds.

The position of the Touchwood File Hills Qu'Appelle Tribal Council is and always has been that the provision of health care to Indians is a Treaty Right. The Federal Government has a responsibility to continually provide this to Indian people. By taking over the administrative control of the Fort Qu'Appelle Indian Hospital it will in no way have an impact on the Federal Government's fiduciary trust responsibility to provide the health care to Indian people.

The Tribal Council's position has been that transfer should not be used to cut back services and that any reduction in acute care beds should be offset by better care which might include chronic care beds.

A recent meeting of the negotiating committee reviewed and ratified the final draft of the role study. It was also presented to and ratified by the Tribal Council Chiefs and now will be presented to interested parties. Work will soon begin on the functional plan for the capital redevelopment and renovations that are required.

In the meantime, Zach Douglas and Fred Starblanket, will continue to communicate with the Bands, and non-Indian governments at all levels (municipal, provincial, and federal) about the proposed transfer. We will be seeking an extension to our contribution agreement with MSB to carry on this work.

The sports/recreation unit is responsible for assisting bands in planning, organizing, and coordinating of sports and recreational activities. Monthly workshops are conducted to assist recreation personnel in areas such as leadership, finances, facilities and programs.

Involvements over the year included the following:

- North American Indigenous Games (Edmonton) - 112 participants
- Saskatchewan Indian Summer Games (Sturgeon Lake) 60 participants
- Saskatchewan Winter Games
   (Melville) 25 participants

Throughout the year various other events were carried out for volleyball, curling, and hockey tournaments to name a few. These events help maintain positive public relations with the non-Indian communities.

Each of the sixteen bands in the Tribal Council possess their own computerized accounting systems. Over the past year, the Financial Advisor has assisted Band staff in the development of budget processes, financial management systems, and computerized accounting systems unique to the special requirements of each Band. Assistance has also been provided in preparation of year end audits, negotiation of financing and the submission of financial reports to various public and private sector organizations

The development of computerized financial systems has brought new ideas in terms of financial management and data processing. Pilot projects are presently under way in the development of computerized social assistance program, as well as development of computerized data base for Band membership and housing lists.

The three Economic Development Advisor positions have been well received by Indian Bands, companies, and individuals within the Tribal Council. Requests for assistance in the preparation of market feasibility studies, business plans and training proposals and financing packages have exceeded expectations.

The introduction of the fed-

eral government's new Canadian Aboriginal Economic Development Strategy (CAEDS) has had a major impact on Indian business projects. Increased equity requirements and lack of assistance for working capital under the Aboriginal Business Development Program has severely limited the feasibility of undertaking major business projects. Consequently, most of the initiatives being undertaken are in the area of small business development.

Financial assistance provided by the Saskatchewan Indian and Native Affairs Secretariat and the Saskatchewan Indian Equity Foundation continue to play an important role in Indian Economic development.

The Education Complex has been in operation since June 1988. The Complex graduated its final class of the Recreation Technology program in July, 1989. It was replaced by the Indian Business Management Program which consists of the two year Business Administration Diploma Program through Palliser Campus of Moose Jaw. There are presently twenty-six (26) students in their second year, thirty (30) in the first year and one third year student.

The Director of Education office continues to work on the Federal Transfer of Post-Secondary funding, Education Tuition and Special Education funding to Band Authorities.

Some time was spent in the Provincial school system addressing a number of concerns for Bands. Their concerns are mainly in the areas of Tuition Agreements, Special Education funding and OST training dollars. There continues to be a great demand for ABE program dollars and the demand continues to build each day, as more students continue to leave the regular programs in non-Native institutions.

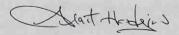
A First Annual Touchwood File Hills Qu'Appelle Tribal Education Conference, "Visions of Learning Through Unity" was held in April and proved to be a success. The Director of Education will continue to work with the INAC South District in regard to Federal Transfer of Education responsibilities to the Bands in the Tribal Council.

## Christmas Greetings

I am delighted to extend season's greetings to Indian and Metis people throughout Saskatchewan.

Christmas is a wonderful time of year to reflect upon the goodwill and cooperation we offer our neighbours. It is my sincere hope the spirit of working together and building partnerships with all Saskatchewan people will continue in the new year.

Merry Christmas and best wishes for a healthy and prosperous 1991.



Grant Hodgins Minister of Indian and Native Affairs Province of Saskatchewan



## BATTLEFORDS TREATY SIX TRIBAL COUNCIL

Over the course of the past two years, the Tribal Council Representatives have undertaken and pursued a variety of activities relating to the Indian political agenda and responding to the federal agenda. One main feature item was the downsizing, the devolution process, and the creation of Super Districts that was evident it would become a reality. This matter was carefully studies by the Chiefs and a decision was finally made in the fall of '89 for the green light with the understanding that Resource Centres will be created in the distant future for two locations at Lloydminster and North Battleford. The Resource Centres that are in planning stages will provide services to urban Indians such as Social Development, CEIC Native Outreach, LRT, Education and Economic Development Business Ventures.

The representatives are involved in all aspects of activities in terms of providing communication in the following areas: Treaty Land Entitlement, Land Claims, Treaty Conferences, Training, attending Commissions and Board meetings at FSIN level. Another topic of interest was on Self-Government Workshops that were held last year. As well, there were other seminars that were held out of province that were attended as well. In the latter part of last yea and into the new year, reorganizational workshops were held for the Tribal Council participants comprising of Chiefs, Councilors, Band staff and Tribal Council staff and representatives which were successful in terms of addressing the problem of the recommendations that came out from

the workshops are being implemented while others are being given priority consideration and to be in place in the near future.

The Battlefords Treaty Six Tribal Council began work in February of this year to establish an Economic Development Program for its 10 member Bands. Mr. J.R. Wallace was hired in April to organize a new economic development corporation and negotiate CEDO funding from Indian and Northern Affairs Canada. This work was completed in mid-June with the formation of the Treaty Six Development Corporation which has 10 Chiefs forming the Board of Directors

A large number of applications for business development assistance from Band members have been received and processed during the first three months of operation of the Treaty Six Development Corporation. Presently, staff of the Corporation are beginning to develop a five year Comprehensive Economic Development Plan for the Battlefords Treaty Six Tribal Council and its members. Initiatives are being taken to develop joint ventures between Bands and with major private sector corporations. The Treaty Six Development Corporation has placed a high priority on securing training resources from CEIC as an essential component of its economic develop-

The Battlefords Treaty Six Tribal Council have now initiated a development program which should result in major benefits for its member Bands in the next five years in all sectors including agriculture, energy, forestry, manufacturing, and all retail services.

The education program recently was reorganized and an Education Director was hired who will be responsible for the overall program and operations in the Second Level and Support Services. In the Support Unit, it will provide services to the Tribal Council and the member Bands in the area of advice, assistance and training to the School Committee/Boards. It will provide and assist in budget preparation and control. Evaluation and monitoring school programs and other related Education requirements. At the present time, there are planning meetings taking place at the Tribal Council level. The member Bands are actively involved and participating in these sessions. There are plans to hire additional support staff in the near future. There are also plans for the take over of the Post Secondary Education which will come into effect January 1991. At this writing, there are meetings taking place with INAC. Negotiations will also be another item that will be taking place for the set up of that program.

Since the inception of Financial Advisor in the tribal Council in February 1988, the Chief's created a dual-role position and hired an Executive Director/Financial Advisor who is responsible for administration and operation of the office of the Tribal Council. Throughout the past two years, he has also been involved with a number of Bands in their Band financial management at the Band level. As a result of his dual capacity as Executive Director, his duties in the internal operation of the office, and liaison that he is

responsible for with officials of various government departments, the work load became quite extensive so another position of Financial Advisor was created. A Financial Advisor was hired who commenced her duties August 1. 1990. She is a former employee of one of the audit firms in the city. She brings her wealth of experience and expertise to assist Bands in their financial planning and budgeting requirements. At the present time, there is plans for computerization of all the Bands in the District and training is being provided at this point to prepare for that concept.

Once again in 1990-91 Capital Housing Construction is approved mainly on new housing - not so much in renovations. Unfortunately, all of our district's capital housing got a late start with some Bands just getting started. Maybe the late starts can be avoided by having a priority three to five year

housing allocation list from the Capital Housing Needs Assessment being done in the new year 1991. This can be done both in capital new housing and new renovations for each Band. To date we are about 20% complete for the new Capital Housing, along with some houses still not finished from last year (1989-90) and the year before (1988-89).

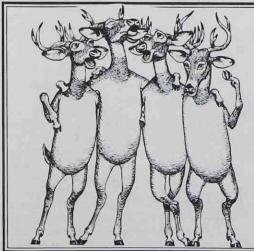
There have been a couple of meetings already on the updating of Capital Housing Needs Assessment Program. The meeting organizing team consists of Saskatchewan Indian Nations, Region/District INAC, Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation, and each District Tribal Council Representative (Building/Fire Inspectors). When the actual work starts at the Band level, each Band will be required to allocate one worker to do the actual work.



## Season's Greetings

From Chief & Council of the Battleford Treaty No. 6 Tribal Council

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The Board and Staff of the Sask Native Communications - Wehta Matowin Corporation would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

## Yorkton Tribal Council's Report

The Yorkton District Chief's COuncil has completed a year under new management. We have seen the department of Indian Affairs reduce their staff to a minimal. It has been a year of growth in which it has been necessary for the Tribal Council offices to move to a larger facility in order to accommodate the new staff members. However, with all those events we have also lost some people in the District who have been instrumental in the growth and development of the Tribal Council.

The loss of Henry Langan has been a severe blow to the Yorkton District. His vision, guidance, and patience enabled the Tribal Council to chart a course through the sea of quickly changing events that are facing us today. It will be difficult to find a replacement

The growth that has been occurring in the Yorkton District has necessitated the establishment if Commissions which are overseeing the directions of our strategies. The Commissions have become important in the light of the DIAND policies of decentralization and devolution.

The Yorkton District Chief's Council has always maintained that one of its prime functions is the protection and promotion of Treaties and Treaty Rights. The recent moves by the Federal Government has caused concern in the Tribal Council. The LRT Review and the new Funding Arrangements are examples of the new moves that have the potential to abrogate the Treaties and at the same time do not reflect any improvements in light of recent Supreme Court decisions. Band members from this District have also been subject to harassment from Revenue Canada over the past year. It is for these reasons that this Tribal Council is promoting the establishment of a Federal Law Review with the objective of amending legislation to reflect the decisions at the Supreme Court level.

With the increase in staff the office space in the old building became inadequate. The Yorkton office if the Yorkton Tribal Council and Yorkton Tribal Administration moved from 54 Smith Street to 44-1st Avenue North. This is the building where formerly the Department of Indian Affairs was located.

With a renewed interest shown on the parts of Bands, educational activities within the District have reached a fever pitch this last year.

A network of education contact across the District was established via the education commission and other education committees with the dis-

Many education issues were addresses and initiated by the Yorkton District Education Commission, including tuition agreements, special education funding, cultural appropriate activities within the schools, Department of Education role with band schools, residence review.

Activities included presentation of numerous workshops education committee members and the teaching staff. Personnel within the District Education Department has (2) full-time professionals. Plans are now in the works to further increase staff in the Education Department.

Education activities within the District over the past year included, University Entrance Preparation at Cowessess and Whitebear, upgrading through Retrieval and Pre-Tech Vocational Programs at Cote, Keeseekoose and Yorkton as well as Carpentry at Yorkton and Broadview. We have established a District Teacher Training Program at Cowessess that has seen outstanding interest from students across

Cote Reserve School over the past year has taken flight. The band has now completed a K-12 facility on the reserve and are now looking at plans of expanding the program and services offered to their school population.

Generally across the district enrollment in band schools has increased dramatically. This was especially true at the Keeseekoose Reserve, where Indian Affairs was prepared

increased from zero (0) to two to close the school a couple of years ago. St. Phillips School is now offering a K-8 program and enrollments are back up to the late 70's level.

Our goals for the upcoming year will be just as demanding on the education personnel across the District.

Brief summary of health initiatives pursued by the Yorkton District Chief's Council for the year 1990.

Recently a proposal was submitted to Medical Services Branch of Indian Affairs for a Health Co-ordinator to carry our special duties directly related to the Pre-Transfer initiative and a number of health initiatives in the Yorkton Dis-

One of the main issues under the Pre-Transfer is a comprehensive health study for the bands within the Yorkton District. The proposed study would investigate changes to the Health system, to meet specific community needs and devise a health plan with our

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More details to follow

"Celebrating 20 years 1971 - 1991"

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## Saskatchewan Treaty Indian Women's Council

FSIN/STIWC Safe Shel- utilities, board costs and ter in Regina opened its doors last October 1, 1989. Since then to June 30, 1990, a total of 112 women and 176 children have used the Shelter and the services it provides. The shelter staffs one (1) director, one (1) supervisor, five (5) counsellors, one (1) outreach worker and 1/2 time child counsellor. The total annual budget for the home is \$289,99.00. The operation of the Shelter has been running smoothly since it has opened.

Qu'Appelle Haven in Fort Qu'Appelle started its operations January 5th, 1990. The staff consists of one (1) director, one (1) supervisor, five (5) counsellors and 1/2 maintenance person. Indian and Northern Affairs Canada funds the operation of Qu'Appelle Haven at a fixed total of \$232,240.00, which includes salaries, benefits, transportation,

#### Yorkton Tribal Council's Report...Cont'd

own medical, social, and cultural priorities.

Keeping in mind that the Yorkton District Chief's Council is firmly committed to ensure that the rights accrued to indian Nations under the Treaties related to Health are under no circumstances interfered with, eroded, or jeopardized under the pretransfer initiative offered by Medical Services Branch

As the total organization has emerged in the past year, the Economic Development Lepartment has been an important component in the growth of the YDCC. During this time a number of significant activities have taken place. The YDCC have been able to assist a number of Band members in their business pursuits and have contributed substantively to the overall Management of the Tribal Council.

The individual Tribal Council Bands and the District Tribal Council office are now in control and managing the Economic Development funds which were previously under control of DIAND.

The Tribal Council Office has undertaken several specific

legal and audit costs. The variable costs such as food, clothing and other necessities are funded through a per diem basis of clientele billings to INAC at \$9.23/ day/client.

Both Shelters are governed by the same Board of Governors consisting of nonelected individuals from in and around Regina. The board meets regularly each month.

Some northern women have set up a committee to try and establish a Shelter for Battered Women in the north. The home is still under negotiations with the federal government but looks promising for the near fu-

A Child Crisis is in the process of development planning right now. The potential facility will be used for a children's shelter on a short term basis while parents are being rehabilitated

initiatives focusing on possible joint venture opportunities in the industrial and service industries. Discussions are presently underway for the District to host an Entrepreneur Training Program. A good working relationship has been established with the Education Program whereby the roles have been clearly determined for the various aspects of training that are being conducted. The two programs have worked in a co-operative fashion to ensure sufficient District input into the "Pathways to Success" project which has been under BAND ACTIVI-

Most of the Bands are looking at various projects which at institutions.

The video "No Laughing produced by Matter" STIWC has made quite an impact on the public. The production is based on Spousal/Child Abuse and Sheltered Homes. The STIWC is planning a series of videos on family violence. We have a submission to INAC on "No Laughing Matter - Part II".

As usual every year, STIWC receive the same inadequate total of \$125,000.00 for Policy Development and Consultation from INAC. This is supposed to accommodate travel for twelve (12) women annually. Our core funding comes from SINAS at \$91,600.00 to fund salaries for two (2) staff, benefits, rent, office supplies, telephone, travel and one (1) part-time clerk. We've tried budgeting for more staff every year as STIWC is expanding in terms of pro-

are in the early contemplation stage or for which the planning process has commenced. Some of these involve the expansion of existing businesses, joint venture opportunities with outside entrepreneurs or multi-band initiatives. The Economic Development Program is a member of the City of Yorkton - Economic Development Commission.

There is a close working relationship between the city's Economic Development Officer and the Tribal Council. Together they have participated in the Saskatchewan Economic Developers Association conference a sponsored representatives of the city.

gramming. Only two (2) staff handle the administration of the whole provincial organization.

The Saskatchewan Treaty Indian Women's Council will be holding their 1990 Annual Conference on November 21st - 23rd, 1990,

at the Bessborough Hotel in Saskatoon.

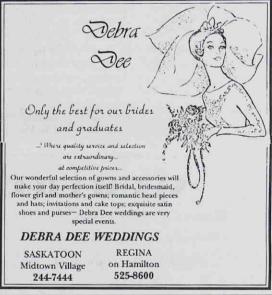
We want to thank the FSIN for all the assistance and support they have given us through the year and in turn we will continue to support

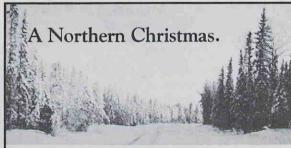


## Northern Village of Jans Bay

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The town council & Mayor of Jans Bay wishes everyone a safe and happy holiday. **MERRY CHRISTMAS!** 





hristmas in the north has an old fashioned feel to it. There's a strong sense of community, and a feeling of good things to come in the New Year.

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**Town of La Ronge** 

Greetings from Town Council and Mayors offices. Have a Safe and Happy Holiday

## Saskatchewa n Indian Agricultural Program

SIAP extended its funding for three years and began to implement a long term plan.

SIAP secured the company's administrative foundation through 1993 with a three year extension for funding SIAP also signed a three year renewal with Sask. Rural Development for the continuation of support services and office space totalling \$250,000 per year. These funding arrangements are for a specific period only. SIAP is working toward attaining its long term goal of increasing its resources and budget. As part of this long term plan, INPRO has been put in place to establish an independent capital base for SIAP's future.

INPRO is focused on two mandates, both compatible with SIAP objectives: agriculture development and supplementing the existing funding base for SIAP. Through agribusiness investments, INPRO

In the 1989/90 fiscal year, will generate an independent source of capital which will maintain and expand SIAP programs. As part of SIAP's mandate of increasing Indian participation in agriculture, INPRO encourages and supports Indian farmers in their plans for diversification. IN-PRO's strategy of joint venture investments in the emerging agribusiness industries (alfalfa processing, game farm ranching, fish farming) is pioneering a new era of Indian agriculture which will position the Indian community favorably to capitalize on the changing agricultural economy. INPRO is currently arranging funding through the Ag Development Fund for its overhead and CAEDS for its capital base.

In an independent evaluation commissioned by SIAP, DPA Consultants of Vancouver reinforced the concept of INPRO as a viable economic vehicle for creating wealth but they also advised INPRO should keep the community better informed about details of investment plans as they are developed. In view of this observation and similar feedback form community, the SIAP board is defining IN-PRO's specific role in agriculture development.

SIAP's demonstrated leadership in economic development was recognized by DPA who praised the company as a role model inspiring confidence in Indian institutions. The report commended SIAP for the company's commitment to high service standards balanced with an openness to new ideas and an innovative approach to economic development. A recent example is SIAP's collaboration with the Sask. Indian Equity Fund in the creation of the First Nations Immigrant Fund to qualify for the Federal Government's Immigrant Investment Fund Program.

The report also recommended that SIAP seek stability for the existing Indian farming community. SIAP has since been concentrating its efforts on improving the production and financial base of its existing clients rather than expanding the overall client base. This is being accomplished by ensuring farmers have access to capital and are able to prepare detailed business plans that show how the money will be used and repaid. Diversification workshops are being held to show clients alternative crops and agribusinesses that van increase net incomes.

In the past year, two SIAP institutions, SIAP Marketing Co. and SILCO became economically self-sustaining, The Sask. Indian Loan Company was approved for a \$3,000,000 addition to its capital base. The SIAP Marketing Co. experiences a dramatic turnaround. An infusion of capital, \$450,000 from the Native Economic Development Program and \$750,000 loan from Northern Revolving Fund, was instrumental in SIAP Marketing Co's financial reversal.

SIAP Marketing's success in the wild rice market has been an inspiring example of how Natives are taking control of their economic destiny. This year, SIAP Marketing extended its sales reach with the opening of a wild rice distribution plant in Grand Rapids, Minnesota. In partnership with the LaRonge Indian Band, SIAP Marketing also purchased two wildrice producers: La Ronge Industries and Mercer River Leases with an ownership breakdown of SIAP Marketing 49% and La Ronge Indian Band 51%. treaty Indian interests in wild rice have grown to 45% control of wild rice production, 75% of the processing and 90% of the Market-

The SIAP Board is well aware any future success is dependent on the recruitment of young people for agriculture development. In the fall of 1989, at Camp Rayner, SIAP hosted the Indian Youth in Business Conference as part of the company's commitment to involving youth in agribusiness. Educational and developmental initiatives like the Youth in Business Conference and the 4-H Program insure the next generation will make an important contribution to the future of SIAP.

SIAP's mandate is, and always has been, to increase the participation of Indian people in the agriculture industry. It accomplishes this in many ways, including assisting traditional and non-traditional farm units. Equally important is SIAP's continuing effort to increase net incomes of existing farms. The long term goal of self-sufficiency is top priority, and INPRO can help make that happen by increasing the resources SIAP has to work with, and by helping to diversify farm incomes, so they don't depend on one crop, or one product.

SIAP has worked hard at creating new farm units and now it is striving to increase their net income, to make them self-sufficient. The agrologists, the SIAP staff, the folks at INPRO, and the actual farmers are all partners. SIAP services help create more productive, efficient, and profitable farm operations. SIAP, in conjunction with all its subsidiaries, SILCO, SIAP Marketing and INPRO, continue to work with Indian farmers to become successful partners in agricul-

#### Northern Village of Pinehouse GEN. DEL. PINEHOUSE, SASK. Telephone 884-2030

Season's Greetings from Town Council and Mayor's office of the Northern Village of Pine House



## Season's Greetings

From:

Don Toth, M.L.A. **Moosomin Constituency** 

Have a safe & Happy Holiday

M.L.A. Don Toth Rm 105, 3085 Albert Str. Regina, Saskatchewan S4S 0B3

## Saskatchewan Indian **Equity Foundation**

S.I.E.F. is now entering our fifth year of operations. The 1989-90 operating year was a particularly trying year. For the first time, we experienced higher than usual loan losses. However, we feel this should be expected given the poor economy. All indications are we have weathered the storm and the demand for our loan services in returning to nor-

Our present loan portfolio consists of 315 loan accounts totalling approximately \$5,000,000,00.

During our first four years of operation the Foundation has

approved over eight hundred and fifty loans totalling over ten million dollars.

In our report last year we indicated we would have to look at different options which will ensure the long term viability of the company. Several thousands of dollars have been invested in an Immigrant Investment Fund. This investment coupled with assistance from the C.A.E.D. Program will hopefully give S.I.E.F. further revenue which can be used to develop long term programs which will benefit the Indian Business Community.

The Foundation is still con-

sidered to be one of the leading Aboriginal capital corporations in Canada.

This solid reputation is due to the excellent leadership provided by the Board of Directors and the hard work and dedication of our staff Arlene, Jenny, Terry, Darlene, and

All the uncertainty in the middle east will have a profound effect on the business climate in Canada. We expect this year to be full of new challenges.

We look forward to meeting these challenges.

#### Pow Wow

## WHEN THE EAGLE FEATHER DROPS

by Boye Ladd

Over two hundred years ago, there was a story about two tribes who were bitter enemies, always fighting over hunting territories, horses and women. At that time, most tribes were nomadic on the plains, following the buffalo and game.

There was a large war party, established in the hundreds whose dust from their horses could be seen for miles. The battle went for days, as war parties charged and then retreated. Many coup and scalps were taken. During one of the invading party's retreats, a feather had fallen and was left behind.

Only distinguished warriors had the right to wear eagle feathers. Each eagle feather represented life taken in battle. The notching and colouring of eagle feathers represented various brave deeds in the taking of the enemy.

One of the warriors who was in pursuit noticed the eagle feather and notified the war chief. The chief stopped the pursuit and told his warriors, "if these people are truly warriors and respect this feather, they will come back to retrieve it."

So they immediately set up an ambush and waited. Finally, that night a small group of the enemy returned, searching the ground and bushes. As they approached the feather, they were captured, tied and blindfolded.

The captured enemy began singing their death songs since fate was inevitable.

But when they were taken to the village, the chief gave a feast and gifts to the captives. He announced to his people, "Even though we are bitter enemies, the respect and meaning of the eagle feather is the same. We are all taught by the same Great Spirit and should respect his teachings." Their wounds were taken care of, they were given fresh horses and sent on their way with this message.

This message still remains among many of the traditional tribes of the plains who follow the powwow way of life. "If our ancestors could stop an entire war to retrieve an eagle feather, then it shouldn't be too hard to stop a powwow to do the same."

Historically and traditionally, it is right of any wounded warrior to retrieve a fallen eagle feather. The eagle feather is the spirit of a fallen warrior and can only be matched in power by the same. This practice still remains over the centuries and should not be altered because of the consequences. Recording and photographing such a ceremony isstrictly forbidden. The spirit will show itself in its own time, especially to the young and innocent.

One cannot emphasize enough the importance of maintaining a clean body and spirit free of any "bad medicine" at powwows, especially in the presence of many distinguished warriors.

Over the last thirty years, powwows have become more than just a profession, but a way of life. Ceremonies such as this have not changed because this is the foundation upon which the powwow was originated. It is the right of all veterans, dressed in costume or not, to dance in any powwow arena.

Those tribes that adhere to strict traditions and customs will allow only wounded veterans to dance and retrieve the spirit of the feather. four veterans, representing the four cardinal directions to dance around the feather. The first two verses are straight verses with no down beats, paying respect to the Creator and the spirit of the fallen warrior. The next four verses will have the dancers charge the feather on the downbeat The downbeat represents the cannon and gunfire in any song. so in the case of this ceremony, the veterans are charging the gunfire of the enemy. Each will charge with his right hand extended to "touch" or take coup. Those who have not taken coup will use an eagle fan, because they are not strong enough to touch the spirit. Again, this is very important to follow, because of the grave consequences to be paid if one insults the spirit. After the sixth verse, the honored veteran will pick the feather up with his left hand and give a war whoop to acknowledge the capture of the spirit of the feather.

When receiving or touching anything holy, one must always use the left hand. This tradition is respected by all traditional tribes. Once the feather is picked up, the warrior will face the east and acknowledge the spirit world in his own language. It is imperative not to lie during the whole ceremony because of the presence of the deceased warrior. The veteran is addressing both the spirit of the fallen warrior and the spirit world, and he must appease the spirit by telling an actual war story. This story should be humble, with a lesson or message for all to learn. Many times these stories have saved lives because of the lessons contained in them.

When the story is finished, the warrior will return the eagle feather to the person who dropped it. By bringing the spirit back from the spirit world, it will return to its owner. The owner will usually give whatever they can as payment for such a ceremony. It is usually determined by the amount of respect that the owner has for the spirit of the eagle feather.

It is a wise thing to ensure that all eagle feathers worn in the powwow arena be properly obtained and care for traditionally. The feathers should be respected for what they are - a life.

## Holiday Message From The Honourable Tom Siddon

The holiday season is traditionally a time for family and friends - a time to review the past 12 months and look ahead with anticipation.

The past year, my first as Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development, has been challenging. I have met withe Indians and Inuit across the country and have respected the words of wisdom and counsel that I have received. In 1991 my hope is that we will develop a new and better relationship and that grievances of the First Nations of Canada can be resolved with action.

Much progress has already been made by the government on the new native agenda announced by Prime Minister Mulroney this past september. For example, we are addressing comprehensive claims in British Columbia; the province, at our prompting, has finally agreed to participate in land claim negotiations after 119 years; in Saskatchewan we have signed an historic agreement on treaty land entitlement which will finally address unfulfilled treaty obligations. And we have signed a Framework Agreement wit the Inuit of Labrador on their oustanding land claim.

The new year sees long overdue reform of the *Indian Act* and specific initiatives aimed directly at improving the quality of life for Indian people.

More important avenues of dialogue will be open to allow First Nations to express their aspirations for the future of Canada. One such opportunity was the Prime Minister's announcement of a Citizen's Forum on Canada's Future.

I look forward to our next year of progress. I anticipate working closely with native leadership throughout the country to ensure that we move forward with speed and determination. I believe that through a spirit of cooperation and goodwill we will achieve these mutual goals.

May I take this opportunity to extend to you and your family my best wishes for the holiday season and my hopes for a prosperous new year.

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For Further Information, Contact: George Blondeau, Native Affairs Consultant (306)825-1136

leaders were distinguishable

by the paint they wore and

the number, colour and

markings on their feathers.

There was a mutual honor

and respect even for the

It is said that in taking the

life of an enemy or 'count-

ing coup', one captures his

spirit. It is still believed that

this spirit belongs to the

victor along with his power.

In the "physical world" the

victor gives and feeds the

spirit of the victim until he

enters the "spirit world".

Then the victim serves and

guides the victor together

in the spirit world of our

ancestors. This is the reason

why, even today, Elders

warn against arguing or

enemy in battle.

# Origin of the Powwow: A Brief Look at the Evolution and Meaning of the Powwow

by Boye Ladd

To clearly understand the true meaning of the powwow in the context of its spirit, one must start at the beginning...

It is believed by many of the tribes that still practice the traditional way of life, whose roots trace back to the beginning, "that nature and the Indian people spoke the same language." A common belief is that when the Creator, or God, made this world, he gave, as in nature, a uniqueness and power to each tribe. Geographically, each tribe enjoyed a very respectful and harmonious relationship with nature as a guide and provider. The relationship with the Creator was pure and its strength was at its peak, being both visible and heard through the voices of nature.

and sickness, the Indian prayed and gave by means of spiritual fast, sweats and sacrifice. Prayers were answered through the voices of nature, thus establishing the spirit of nature and man as one. This explains the reasoning of the creation of the clan system and its respect for the balance of nature. Each clan, like nature, has a function and responsibility within the tribe. Both tribal and clan affiliation can be seen in colour combinations, design and ornaments.

Numbers were also very important in respect to nature and the Indian way of life. The number 4 is held sacred by most tribes in respect to the four cardinal directions, as well as the cross. The cross has always been synonymous with the Great Spirit even before the

In times of need, guidance and sickness, the Indian orayed and gave by means of spiritual fast, sweats and sacrifice. Prayers were answered through the voices in the combination of certain colors, designs and numbers.

Eventually, songs and dancers evolved around the imitation of animals and the natural forces that were held sacred. Many of these sacred dances, because of their religious significance and spirituality are not performed in public. The sun, eagle, buffalo, scalp and medicine dances are just a few of the many sacred dances that are still practiced. Any religious object of ceremony of power should not be brought into the public or even discussed in open. War, medicine and protection can also be included here, with the consequences being grave if respect is not kept.

When early European

explorers first saw these sacred dances, they thought "Pau Wau" referred to the whole dance. Actually, its Algonkian definition refers to the medicine men and spiritual leaders. As more tribes learned the English language, they accepted the "powwow" definition.

As mentioned before, each tribe maintained a uniqueness and power geographically, which resulted in war over hunting territories. Indian wars were controlled by the medicine men and spiritual leaders and the essence of war, at that time, was spiritual power against another. One simply could not go out and fight an enemy on his terms. There were ceremonies of preparation to protect and guide the warrior. Brave inspiring songs, warrior speeches and war dances were performed. When going into war, the

fighting with a distinguished warrior.

Upon the return of the

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## Saskatchewan Amateur Hockey Association

Member of the Canadian Amateur Hockey Association

## Saskatchewan First (Female) Hockey Tournament



## January 4 - 6, 1991 Saskatoon, Saskatchewan Gemini-4 Arena

- The tournament will consist of 16 teams from Sask. Man. Alta. competing in both A & B division.
- Round Robin Games will start January 4 with Finals on Sun. January
   6.
- Tickets at the door of Gemini-4 Arena at \$5.00 for weekend pass or \$3.00 per day.
- Gemini-4 Arena is 9 klms south of highway 11 and west at Grasswood road.

For More information, contact: L. Cox, Director, Sask First Program (Female), 403 Charlebois Way, Saskatoon, Sk. S7K 5J8, (306) 242-0487 or (306) 975-4547

## SASK SPORT INC. - COMMUNIQUE

The Board of Directors of Sask Sport Inc. is pleased to announce the appointment of Greg Murdoch as Special Sports Advisor with the Program Division. Over the next six months, Greg will be assisting the Sask Sport Native Advisory Committee to develop and implement strategies which will encourage Native people to participate and stay involved in sport.

In April 1990, the Board of Directors of Sask Sport Inc. reviewed a report on Greater Participation of Native People in Mainstream Sporting Events prepared by Greg Murdoch. The underlying theme of the report was that there was a need top put additional emphasis on ensuring that opportunities exist for Native people to participate in sport. This emphasis is consistent with the objectives of the volunteer organizations involved in sport who as provincial sport governing bodies promote and develop amateur sport in Saskatchewan.

As a result of the report the Board appointed a committee to further review the report and proceed with the implementation of a role model poster campaign. The committee is also responsible for developing a long range strategy to assist in encouraging participation in sport. Sask Sport is committed to doing our part, and working with the Native community and the sport community at large.

Please call or write Greg Murdoch, Special Sports Advisor or John Lee, Program Manager at 1870 Lorne St., Regina, Sk., S4P2L7 or phone: 780-9300 if you have any questions or ideas.

Sask Sport Inc. is a volunteer, non-profit sport federation with a membership of seventy-six provincial sport governing bodies.

#### Origin of the Powwow... Con't

warriors, feasts for the captured and mourned spirits are held and victory dances were performed. In the dance, re-enactments of brave deeds during battle were performed in a stately manner reminiscent of the tracking of the enemy.

Men's warrior groups were formed, such as the Hethushka, Grass and Red Feather Societies.

From this early interpretation came the origin of war dance in its spiritual form of expression demonstrated through footwork, smoothness and agility. There are many beliefs and customs that are still practiced today that were and still are an integral part of the powwow world.

Many of the old war dance songs are still being sung, but are considered honor songs. In some traditional communities, new songs honoring the veterans and

their deeds of valour are still being composed. Through these songs, and the spirit of the drum, are communicated ancestral relationships for future generations.

It is safe to say that powwows are a demonstration of Indian patriotism and commemoration to the respect for flag and country. For over 100 years tribal

chiefs and war leaders signed and validated treaties under our nation's flags. In many ways these flags symbolize national unity. The various tribal flag songs, when translated, speak of special war deeds in defense of our country and acknowledge "as long as the flag shall fly, Indian people shall live".

#### ANTHOLOGY OF NATIVE ART AND LITERATURE

The "Anthology of Native Art and Literature" is a magazine formed by the staff and students of the Saskatchewan Urban Native Teacher Education Program, and is a totally nonprofit publication. The "Anthology" has been created to give Native students the opportunity to demonstrate and mature their artistic talents. Yet, simultaneously this publication will help to bring awareness and understanding of the Native culture to mainstream society by exhibiting Native culture to educational institutions throughout Saskatchewan.

#### Guidelines for Submission

- We encourage submissions from Native artists and/or writers. All submissions will be considered with preference given to those focused on Aboriginal content, or written in an Aboriginal language.
- Contents of magazine will be black and white, therefore, ensure artwork is contrasted accordingly.
- Package all materials properly to ensure
- All art submissions will be mailed back to return address. Please provide envelope and postage.
- To avoid smear and damage of pencil and charcoal artwork, ensure that it is sprayed with a fixative for protection.

- 6. We accept all forms of artwork, but materials that cannot be reproduced can be sent in photo form.
- 7. Only original work will be accepted. All writings must be typed and proof read. (Plagiarism is unacceptable.)
- Please keep a copy of writings, for we do not return them.
- With each submission please include (type written) on a separate plain white piece of paper the following; name, address and postal code, phone number, school/institute, grade level/program enrolled in, teacher/instructor, submission type and title, and a short paragraph that outlines your interests and future plans.



Season's Greetings from Town Council & Mayors Office of the Northern Village of Beanval. Have a safe & Happy Holiday.

## Season's Greetings

From:

Northern Village of Buffalo Narrows

Box 98 Telephone 235-4225 BUFFALO NARROWS, SASKATCHEWAN SOM OJO

Have a safe and Joyous Holiday Season

All submissions can be mailed to any of the S.U.N.T.E.P. centers listed below.

- SUNTEP, Prince Albert c/o Michael Relland Gabriel Dumont Institute 48 - 12th Street East Prince Albert, Sask. S6V 1B2
- SUNTEP, Regina c/o Karen Lind 121 Broadway Avenue East Regina, Sask. S4N 0Z6
- · SUNTEP, Saskatoon c/o Ken Kutz Room 7, McClean Hall University of Saskatchewan Saskatoon, Sask. **S7N 0W0**

## Profile

#### JOHNNY MARCELAND PROFILE PERSONAL OF

1955, he was raised and educated in that area. His interest in art began in 1982 in the city of Winnipeg.

After a marriage break-up

Johnny Marceland was and divorce, he had extra born in Buffalo Narrows in time on his hands and turned to art to express his feelings within himself.

> His art began as striking ink drawings and it had evolved over the years to



May Peace, Joy, Good Will, and Good Friends be yours everyday in the New Year.

From the Chief & Council & Staff.

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Best Wishes this holiday Season and may the New Year bring unity and happiness

> From the Northern Light School Division #113.

Season's Greetings

Ted Glein, M.L.A. **Shaunavon Constituency** 

Have a safe & Happy Holiday

M.L.A. Ted Glein Rm 105, 3085 Albert Str. Regina, Saskatchewan S4S 0B3



very bold, colorful bursts of leather, bone, fabric and acrylic, creating beautiful scenes of "Indian Symbol-

wood. He has developed a style of his own, which is ism" on canvas, paper, enjoyed by people from all

walks fo life and ethnic backgrounds.

Marceland's works have been purchased and now grace homes in Hawaii, Australia, Japan, Holland, Switzerland, Thailand, Mozambique, Ireland, England and Norway. His art has been displayed at: Folkfest, Gabriel Dumont Institute, Indigenous Games (Edmonton), First Peoples Art Exhibition (Saskatoon), Prairie West Art Works (Regina), Francis Morrison Public Library 1985 Group Show (Saskatoon), Gallery on the Roof 1989 "Sask Power Building" (Regina), Amigos Restaurant 1989 (Saskatoon), The Actual Gallery 1990 "Father and Son Show" (Saskatoon), St. Paul's Hospital Annual Art

Johnny's future plans are to facilitate Art Workshops. "This example of individual initiative and strength of will has created a sense of pride in Johnny Marceland, knowing that he has gone out and met the challenge."

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Apply with resume and references by January 10, 1990 to:

Chris Axworthy, M.P. 505-23rd Street East Saskatoon, Saskatchewan S7K 4K7 For more information telephone: (306) 244-7311

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## Bits and Pieces

## More Health Bits and Pieces

Gobble this up ... With Christmas almost upon us, turkey lovers should be aware that one of the major causes of food poisoning is a turkey partially cooked one day and put back in the oven the next. Food spoilage organisms quickly build up on semi-cooked food.

Never stuff a turkey the day before it's roasted.

Cook the turkey and stuffing separately. If you choose

to stuff the turkey, remove the stuffing immediately after cooking.

After carving, either put the turkey in the fridge or keep it hot in the oven.

Frozen turkeys should be thawed in the fridge or in cold water, still in its plastic wrapper.

Cooked turkey keeps for three or four days in the fridge and up to three months in the freezer.

## WATER - WATER

by Marion Pennings

- Water Water; Blood of the Earth, Protect it people; for all your worth. Creator gave it, A blessing true, For everyone including me and you.
- Water Water purifies each day,
   For it's balance, let all people pray.
   A living component; to protect and love
   Treasure it as a gift from above.
- 3. Water Water, all people need, Hear the warning; and take heed. Rivers crying; as they flow, People do not poison us; let us go.
- Water Water, in lakes and rivers, They are really people-givers.
   Spiritual beauty for the eyes, Whether on earth; or up on high.
- Water Water, in a water-fall,
   Tumbling from a mountain tall.
   Rains come to feed waters everywhere,
   To our Creator giver a thankful prayer.

#### **MOTHER**

by WTL Atonwa, July 06, 1990

My people have been with me for a long time.
They came to me. They sat on my lap
And we spoke with meaning
We learned to live together
They became my children
When they were hungry I fed them
They took no more than they needed
They wasted not. We shared
We became plentiful.

A short time ago
Another people came to me
They ignored me and called me a thing
They took more than they needed
And they left the rest to me
They pulled my hair
Never to grow again
They destroyed and changed my children
They poisened me and my life streams
Yet, still, they take
Soon, I shall give no more

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#### Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

#### House of Prayer : 1



General Delivery Broadview, Sask. SOG 0K0

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Christmas Greetings and Best wishes for a Happy New Year for all!

From the Metis National Council





#### **GREETINGS**

and a
Happy New Year
to all the Citizens of
Northern Saskatchewan

May the blessings of Christmas come to all the gentlefolk of the world! Happy Yuletide!

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To all readers of New Breed

We wish to take this opportunity to wish each and everyone of you a festive holiday sea-

This is the time of year to gather with our loved ones to celebrate, to reflect on years gone by and to look ahead to the future. It is our sincere wish that the Metis Nation and other peoples of the world will have the happiest Christmas and New Year possible.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

## PROVINCIAL METIS HOUSING CORPORATION



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