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The CONNECTION needs your help! Suggestions? Articles? Editorial Board? The verbal response from people seems to be good, but this will be the last issue until we have more contributors.

ANNUAL ASSEMBLY

The Annual Assembly/Cultural Conference is scheduled to take place in Saskatoon at the Sheraton Cavalier on March 21, 22, 1985. Registration will be held the evening of the 20th. The first day will feature opening statements, guest speakers, small group discussions, a talent show followed by a banquet and dance.

Friday's activities will begin with a Business Discussion which will include financial statements, annual reports, constitution and bylaws. The summary reports will be given by the facilitators to the general assembly. A farewell address will conclude our two day conference.

Joanne Pelletier joins the Institute as a Curriculum Officer from Indian Head. She is a 1984 Regina SUNTEP where she graduated with a B.Ed. with Distinction.

Tara Shular joined the Institute as a Library Technician in February. She is a native from North Battleford who was raised in B.C. and Sintaluta, Saskatchewan.

Dorothy Hanson also is a new Library Technician who joins the Institute after 10 years at the Provincial Library. She is originally from Sintaluta.

Marilyn Belhumeur re-joins the Institute as a Librarian after a 1 year absence. She is a Metis who was born in Esterhazy and now calls Regina Beach home.

George Raymond is native of Ile-a-la-Crosse where he works as a Field person responsible for the N.W. side of the province.

Nancy Buck also joins the Field program from P.A. where she studied two years at Natonum College. Nancy works out of the Nonsask Native Outreach Office in La Ronge. She is originally from The Pas, Manitoba.

TIDBITS

Linda Finlayson a native of Ile-a-la-Crosse has joined the Institute as a Research Officer. She comes to us from the Department of Education, Community Education Branch. She has a B.A. in Economics and Political Science and is a graduate program in Sociology and Social Studies.

Winnie Malbeuf joined the field staff in January 1985. She is a grade XII graduate from Indian Head with two complete years at the U of R. Winnie's main interest is volleyball and sports in general.

On February 9th the top ten curling teams in Regina clashed at the Junior Ice arena in a brutal battle for the coveted Rec. Tech Fun-Spiel trophies. At least, the ten best we could put together from staff, students, families and friends.

The tough four game grind began with the 10:00 AM throwing of rocks and the final house cleaning took place at 5:15 PM.

Winning teams were:

- 1st - Linda Goulet
Pierre Poitras
Janette Heath
- 2nd - Ed Lucier
Marilyn Belhumeur
Gerald Flett
Annette Gerard
- 3rd - Ray Hamilton
Dawn Trask
Tamara Trask &
Rhyse Cardinal
Bev Cardinal

Crying towels went to:

Maggie Dubois
Wayne Dubois
Jonas Thunderchild
Wanda Belhumeur

Most Senior Curler:

Don McLean
(now isn't that
better than old-
est Don)

The stiff muscles on Monday morning proved how hard everyone worked but a great time was had by all.

Thanks to Rick Cardinal and his helper Gerald Flett for the organization of the spiel. Also to Arlene Gariepy, Deena Lawson-Brown for their work in the concession; Bev Cardinal and Pierre Poitras for food preparation; Glen Taylor for running the bar and Barry Amyotte for helping in the kitchen.

We should also thank all our participants for making it such a fun time. Remember we have some video tape folks, it should be worth (\$) something.

Next we try bowling.

Mr. T. Rech Tech.

POETRY

A Smile

A smile will capture
a stranger
A smile will gain
a friend
A smile will mend
a tear
A smile will fill
your heart
A smile could be contagious
not outrageous
A smile is of great value
so pass it on

Marlene Brisebois

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A Native Ex-foster Child

Dare you white man!

To rob us from our
cradles
And to segregate us into
your world
To feel hate, anger, and
pain
While denying us a past
A past that does not
exist
In your continuous span
of homes.
You! who have torn
Our hearts from us
While denying us our
feelings
That are echoed against
the wind.

Dare you native!

To turn your backs from
us
As we return to you
Feeling sorrow despair
and defeat
While you spit in our
faces
And call us your burdens
Who have no where else to
turn.
You! who have driven
The arrows into our
hearts

While leaving us behind
In your programs to bleed

And of us!

The nightmares of the
past.
The nightmares of death
And the curse
The curse of life
That bares no meantime
In the two worlds that
shun us.

And while the few that do
make it
Are left alone to do
battle
For the safety of these
children
As the cycles continues.

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