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## ANWA elects new pres

By Albert Crier

The priority for the Alberta Native Womens Association (ANWA) is to get back to their original mandate of developing leadership among Native women, said Donna Weaselchild, elected as the new president for the association. Weaselchild was elected at the 19th annual general conference, held at the Continental Inn, in Edmonton on June 21 and 22. She previously served as the ANWA treasurer for 85/86 and has been active with Native women's issues for several years, as a volunteer and representative. Weaselchild aims to reorganize ANWA, by the revival of a working relationship with association chapters, located throughout the province. ANWA priorities under

Weaselchild's leadership will focus on encouraging the involvement of Native youth in ANWA, reviving the use of Native Elders as advisors to ANWA and creating further awareness to ANWA and Native womens concerns to the Native and general public. Work will continue by ANWA, on alleviating domestic violence in Native communities and on updating the ANWA constitution, said Weaselchild. The political advocacy role ANWA has taken on in the last few years will continue to be filled by ANWA, according to Weaselchild. "I encourage Native women to contact our office for support and advice on their concerns," said Weaselchild. Weaselchild pointed out that there are very few women directly involved in decision-making bodies on

Native concerns and issues. This lack of participation by women was one of the reasons for establishing a provincial Native women organization, according to Weaselchild. "We have come full circle, ANWA still has the role to fill in developing leadership among Native women," said Weaselchild. Weaselchild also indicated that this activity will extend to promoting and assisting leadership potential of Native youth, during her 1 year term of office. Weaselchild reported that the six regions that make up ANWA will soon be having their own annual meeting. She urged the ANWA regional bodies to incorporate in preparation for more active role in their respective regions. ANWA will continue to

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**ROBERTA ANNE LA FRANCE**  
 ...recently crowned 1986 Alberta Native Princess

## Lubicon gains support

By Albert Crier

A Dutch parliamentarian said he will urge European support action for the Lubicon Lake Band, after investigating claims of human rights violations by the Alberta government against the band, in an interview with "Wind-speaker" on June 17. "I was really shocked. I had thought it was bad, but it's worse than I thought," said the parliamentarian, a member of the European Parliament. He said he had learned about the Lubicon Lake problems a year ago, and had met with Indian representatives at the second convention of North American Indian support groups, at Lultzhausen, Luxembourg, last April. The European visitor said he saw the damage done to the Lubicon Lake area, from a plane taking him to meet the chief, Bernard Ominayak and band members. "They (Lubicon Lake people) told me the story of their history and how the government created the present situation, making it impossible to live the way they had before. They only want their rights and are only asking for what is

his findings to the Human Rights Committee of the European Parliament on his return, said there would be riots in Europe, if a similar situation occurred there. He said, he had learned about the Lubicon Lake problems a year ago, and had met with Indian representatives at the second convention of North American Indian support groups, at Lultzhausen, Luxembourg, last April. The European visitor said he saw the damage done to the Lubicon Lake area, from a plane taking him to meet the chief, Bernard Ominayak and band members. "They (Lubicon Lake people) told me the story of their history and how the government created the present situation, making it impossible to live the way they had before. They only want their rights and are only asking for what is

theirs," said Tilborg. "I will make known what is happening here (in Alberta)" promised Tilborg. He proposes to introduce a resolution at the European Parliament, to ask Canada and Alberta to stop the human rights violations in regards to the Lubicon Lake land claim. There was already a resolution brought forth at the European Parliament on the enforce relocation of the Hopi Indian nation in Arizona, reported Tilborg. The Lubicon Lake Band was overlooked by Treaty 8 commissioners and has yet to receive a reserve it was promised in 1940. The government handling of the Lubicon Lake land claim to 91.4 square miles of land and the activity of the oil companies in the area are evidence of human rights violations,

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## New princess crowned

By Ivan Morin

"This is the biggest thrill of my life. I am honored that I was chosen to represent our people," said an emotional Roberta Anne La France, from Gleichen Alberta after being crowned the 1986 Alberta Native Princess. The Miss Alberta Princess Pageant was held on June 20 and 21, at the Canadian Native Friendship Centre in Edmonton. The pageant was sponsored by

the CNFC and the Aboriginal Multi-Media Society of Alberta (AMMSA). Seven beautiful Native women vied for the right to wear the crown and the prestige that comes with it. During the fun-filled two days of activities, the contestants danced, gave speeches about themselves, read poetry, did traditional dances, and gave brief speeches on Native topics to show the judges individually why they were deserving of the crown.

Aboriginal Radio and Television Society director, Ray Fox and announcer/operator Doris Bill co-emceed the event. Fox was at his best as he kept the audience and contestants laughing through the nervousness and excitement. The contestants were from as far north as Slave Lake and as far south as Fort McLeod. In the two-day competition, the girls were required to perform in

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## INSIDE THIS WEEK

AMONG THE YOUTH is especially vibrant at this time of the year. The Charles School held their annual Awasis Day celebrations. Ben Call Robe School got into the act with their end of the year festivities. Frog Lake and Fishing Lake residents graduate and Elizabeth Settlement students visit Ben Call Robe. All this and more youth coverage on **Pages 20 to 23.**

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# NEDP assists crafts industry

OTTAWA — A \$50,000 contribution under the Native Economic Development Program (NEDP) to assist the Indian arts and crafts industry in Saskatchewan was announced June 3, 1986, Honourable Bill McKnight, Minister of Labour and Member of Parliament for Kindersley-Lloydminster.

Mr. McKnight made the announcement on behalf of the Honourable Andre Bissinette, Minister of State (Small Businesses) and Minister responsible for the Program.

The contribution enables the Saskatchewan Indian Arts and Crafts Corporation (SIACC) to develop a comprehensive business

plan aimed at expanding the arts and crafts market and upgrading production facilities to ensure supply for the increased market demand.

The study, expected to be completed by July of 1986, will assess all aspects of the SIACC operation since its inception in 1976, develop a market plan for the next 10 years, explore viable parameters for retail outlet expansion and assess current production facilities.

The project will assist SIACC to become a self-sustaining operation with increased revenue generating capacity, assured profitability, and improvement in income potential for the

artists and craftspeople associated with the organization.

"I applaud the initiative and vision being shown by the leadership in SIACC toward expansion of an important industry in the Indian community and in the province generally," Mr. McKnight said.

SIACC is located in Regina and has a membership of 700 Indian artists and craftspeople. SIACC's mandate is to develop all aspects of the Indian arts and crafts industry in the

province.

The contribution, which represents 71 per cent of the cost of the six-month study, was approved under NEDP Element III (d) which provides assistance to special studies on Native issues having significant and direct benefit for Native economic development. The NEDP is a five-year, special initiative administered by the Department of Regional Industrial Expansion to assist development of Aboriginal economic self-reliance.

## National

### NEDP contributes \$932,000 to Native owned company

WINNIPEG — A \$932,000 contribution under the Native Economic Development Program (NEDP) to a Native-owned clay products manufacturing firm in British Columbia was announced June 6, 1986, Ross Belsher, Member of Parliament for Fraser Valley East.

The contribution will assist Sumas Clay Products Ltd., of Abbotsford in carrying out an extensive modernization and expansion project that will result in reducing operation costs and doubling production capacity.

The project is to include rebuilding the old kiln and adding a new kiln with triple the capacity of the old one, improvement to the grinding and screening process, a new extruder machine for shaping and forming the product, a product stacking machine and upgrading capacity. A new business office and lab are also included.

The business was established in 1911 and last modernized in 1949. Sumas Clay Products Ltd. was established when the Upper Sumas Indian Band purchased the business in 1980.

Located on Reserve

land, the business is the only manufacturer of clay specialty products in British Columbia, producing bricks, pavers and drainage tiles. Increased production capacity will allow the firm to pursue market expansion in British Columbia, Alberta and the United States.

A modernized and expanded plant assures the retention of 27 permanent and 28 part-time jobs, and the creation of nine new permanent jobs.

"Assisting Native Canadians to become masters of their own economic destiny through establishing their own business enterprises is a vital necessary government role," Mr. Belsher said. "It is the surest route Aboriginal economic self-reliance."

Representing 57 per cent of the improvement project cost, the contribution was approved under NEDP Element III (e) which may assist in the expansion and modernization of a Native-owned enterprise.

The NEDP is a five-year, special initiative administered by the Department of Regional Industrial Expansion to assist development of Aboriginal economic self-reliance.

## NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

### Fatal flood angers chief

A Cree chief in the Hudson Bay area is angry that a flood swept away his village, killing at least one person, after his respected requests to have the village moved.

Chief George Hunter says he has been trying to have his Winisk band's community relocated upstream for the past 30 years, but "we always ran into funding problems."

### Indian band gets NEDP funding

Funding has been granted to a newly-established economic development corporation owned by the Rat Portage Indian Band in Northwestern Ontario.

The \$204,900 contribution from the Native Economic Development Program (NEDP) will assist Oshushk-Onegaming Corporation to develop a comprehensive community economic development plan to identify business opportunities for potential band enterprises.

Priority consideration in the study will involve the examination of tourism-related business opportunities such as cottage construction and rental, trailer park and campground development, sailboat moorage, a gas station and a motor repair and service garage.

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## CORRECTION

On Page 17 of the June 20, 1986 issue of "Windspeaker," in the Calendar of Events, it was stated that the Alexis Band Rodeo to be held on June 26 and 27. The actual date should have read July 26 and 27, 1986. "Windspeaker" would like to apologize for this error and any inconvenience this may have caused.

## Native Business Summit speakers listed

TORONTO — The Native Business Summit has announced that the following names have been added to the list of confirmed speakers and panelists for the five-day Summit which began June 23 at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre:

- The Honourable David Crombie, federal minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development;
- The Honourable Bill McKnight, federal minister of Urban Affairs and Housing;
- The Honourable Barbara McDougall, federal minister of State (Finance);
- The Honourable David Peterson, Premier of Ontario;
- The Honourable Nick Sibbeston, Government Leader, Northwest Territories;
- Ross Swimmer, assistant secretary for Indian Affairs, U.S. Department of the Interior;
- Bob Blair, chairman, NOVA Corporation;
- Les Cossman, president, GenStar Development Corporation;
- Clare Brant, president, Wigamen Corporation (Ontario);
- The Honourable Donald MacDonald, McCarthy and McCarthy (Toronto);
- Philip Martin, Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians;
- Lachlan McLachlan, vice-president, Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce;
- Ron Jamieson, Imperial Securities;
- Ed John, president, Tanzibul Timber Co. (Manitoba);
- Bob Pasco, past president, Western Indian Agriculture Corp. (British Columbia);
- Peter Rice, president, Seneca Communications Inc.;
- Wellington Staats, chairman, Ontario Regional Liaison Committee;
- Norma Carrier, Consumers Association of Canada;
- Billy Diamond, president, WEDCO (Quebec);
- Joe Dion, Degem Development Corp., Fort McMurray (Alberta);
- Chief Clarence Jules, Kamloops (British Columbia);
- Dr. Marvin Lipman, Central Mortgage and Housing Corp.;
- Chief Joe Mathias, Squamish Indian Band (Vancouver);
- Mark Gordon, president, Makivik Corporation (Quebec);
- Neil Greig, Makivik Corporation (Quebec);
- Chockie Cottier, chief executive officer, Corp. for American Indian Development (California);
- Frank Hughes, chairman, Pannell Kerr Forster;
- Bill Lyall, chairman, Arctic Co-operatives;
- Joe Regan, senior vice-president, Royal Bank of Canada;
- Ray Anderson, president, Asia Pacific Foundation;
- Orval Belcourt, president, Canative Housing (Edmonton);
- Mike Bice, president, Canada North Geophysics;
- Frank Boal, president, Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce Mortgage Corp.;
- Lorne Braithwaite, president, Cambridge Shopping Center;
- Smokey Bruyere, president, Native Council of Canada;
- Bruce Buchanan, vice-chairman, B.C. Packers;
- Peter Clarkson, chief executive officer, Dakota Ventures Ltd.;
- Martin Connell, chairman, Conwest Explorations Ltd.;
- Graham Farquarson, president, Nani-sivik Mines Ltd.;
- Bob Furukawa, president, Faur Development Consultants;
- Doug Gray, president, Canadian Institute for Entrepreneurial Development;
- John Hickes, president, Nunasi Corp. (Quebec);
- Ron Hikel, principal, Thorne, Stevenson & Kellogg;

# Economic development group gets active

By Donna Rea Murphy

GRAND CENTRE — The newly-formed Cold Lake Native Economic Development Society has moved quickly into action by sponsoring its first information seminar June 18 and 19 in Grand Centre.

Registered as a society in April, its specific goals are to gather and provide funding to start up local Native businesses, provide assistance in managerial capacities and provide a liaison between government, local agencies and potential employers. The seminar was funded by the Native Secretariat and organized to offer local Native entrepreneurs and interested individuals the opportunity to get first-hand information on the availability of programs, services and opportunities to develop businesses.

Resource people who responded to the invitation to speak at the seminar included representatives of the federal Native Economic Development Program (NEDP), the Northern Development Subsidiary Agreement, Native Secretariat, the Business Development Systems (IBDS). In attendance as observers were representatives of local Oil Sands Advisory Committee. Chairman Garth Leask is also a staff member of the Esso Resources plant near Cold Lake.

A major issue raised by the participants was the lack of money to post a bond. Small contractors voiced the opinion that unless a means was made available to them to obtain bonding, they would not be able to bid on contracts and thereby miss out on opportunities available in the marketplace. The second

dary problem of proper bidding procedures was also raised. Without a working knowledge of correct bidding form, contractors automatically were not considered when major jobs were put out on tender. Chairman Leask responded to this by suggesting Esso Resources, as well as the other oil companies represented, had recognized this problem and would be open to the possibility of providing resource personnel to train Native contractors in bidding and bonding procedures. "This idea would be looked into," he said.

Adding to the question of bonding, Bill Sorbey of the Indian Affairs Economic Development branch informed the meeting a system of bonding for Native contractors had been recently designed and should be in place by the end of June.

By far the presentation given by Frank Syms of the NEDP elicited the most interest. Describing the program, Syms explained the federal government had designated \$345 million for the program whose mandate is to use the money to develop economic self-reliance among Canada's Native people. A Native-controlled advisory board has been appointed to oversee the operation of the four-year program and to advise the minister, Andre Bissonnette, on which specific proposals merit assistance. The programs basic objectives, Syms said, are to increase the number of Native enterprises and access to existing economic development resources in the private and public sector and to increase and strengthen projects at the community level which have

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potential to be commercially successful.

A recurrent problem that was voiced was the lack of knowledge of the basic format of developing a proposal that would qualify for funding from the various groups in attendance. While it was pointed out there were many services in place to assist potential

business people it was also recognized most of these services were located in Edmonton and an individual just starting out did not have the financial means to either telephone long distance or travel the miles involved in seeking assistance on a regular, on-going basis.

Society president Ray

Desjardin, pointed out this was one of the prime reasons the society had been formed and had hoped to establish an office in the area but in all the presentations, there were no guidelines open where funding for such an office would be available. A proposal had been submitted earlier in the month to the Northern Development Subsidiary Agreement but it had failed to meet their criteria for funding eligibility.

On the strength of the new information received at the seminar, Mr. Desjardin said he would re-vamp the proposal and re-submit it in the near future.

Although the number of participants during the two-day seminar was small, the

information they received was excellent. Mr. Desjardin explained that a lot of interested people could not attend as the seminar had to be held during work hours on a week-day in order to have the resource people available.

Of all the invited speakers, only the Regional Development Council out of Lac La Biche failed to attend.

During the seminar, a wealth of brochures, pamphlets and application forms and procedures explaining business opportunities and management assistance were available including the in-depth Native Business Directory of Alberta published by BANAC.

## Young offenders get wild

By Terry Lusty

In an effort to curb the negative influence one acquires by living in urban centres, the Native Counselling Services of Alberta (NCSA) has begun a Young Offender Wilderness Camp.

It has long been acknowledged that urban centres breed criminal activities and in order to deter offenders from repeating past mistakes, the new project of NCSA will place young offenders into a wilderness setting.

The NCSA hopes it will prove to be a more conducive atmosphere than that of city life.

The camp, situated at Alford Lake, just west of Caroline, Alberta is an isolated area which will help to remove the outside attractions and interferences that abound in the cities, such as alcohol and drugs, which the NCSA says, "serve as a catalyst of the crimes committed by many of our Native youth."

Most of the participants

at the camp will be young offenders from the Edmonton Youth Development Centre, Muskwa Group Home, those on probation, and child welfare individuals.

Small groups of about a dozen at a time will spend 10 days consecutively at the camp. There will be a total of four different groups attending between July and August. The first three will be for males and the last one, it is hoped, for female participants.

The youths range in age from 12 to 18 and will receive individual and group counselling says Don Chalifoux. Chalifoux has previous experience with camp programs and is a former student of holistic strategies, a program that pertains to Native culture.

"Mind development, spirituality, guidance, and self-determination are some of the teachings I will apply," said Chalifoux.

Raised at Kinuso, Chalifoux's training was received through the Four Worlds Development Project based

out of Lethbridge University. In addition, he has many years of military experience behind him and instructed Cree language at Medicine Hat College. His role will be to foster "Native pride, self-esteem, and the meaning of being Indian."

Darren Proulx of Edmonton will administer drug and alcohol counselling. Proulx has hands-on experience with AADAC and Alcoholics Anonymous, as well as survival camp skills, which he will offer to the groups.

A third camp councillor, 16 year-old Robin Whisk, will help to set the tone for the youth so they can feel more at ease with their peers.

No camp or counselling program, that deals with Native, can be complete without the input of an Elder.

Norman Abraham from the Stoney Big Horn Reserve at Nordegg will function as the resident Elder. Abraham, his many years of knowledge and experience regarding the

spiritual well-being of youth.

The camp will not be all labor-intensive, in terms of counselling and education, but will also incorporate recreational activities such as hiking, sports, survival techniques and hunter training.

The concept of the Young Offender Wilderness Camp originated with Randy Sloan, the program director for special projects of NCSA.

The program was planned in cooperation with Alberta Fish and Wildlife, through Tom Bateman.

The location for the project was chosen because Alford Lake site is a wilderness training base for Alberta Fish and Wildlife staff and seemed an appropriate environment in which to operate a project that would be secluded and detached from urbanism and its influences.

The first camp is scheduled to commence operations on June 28.

## Provincial

# Lubicon gains more European support

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said Tilborg.

"It's really unbelievable. They have ruined the land," said Tilborg, alluding to the resource development activity.

He sees the Alberta government proposal for settlement of 25 square miles, as not a serious offer.

He also supported Lubicon Lake charges that blame the Alberta government for scaring moose and other game from the area. "What I saw will damage

Canada's good reputation on human rights," said Tilborg, adding "It's really a violation of human rights agreements that Canada signed with the United Nations, the Helsinki accord and other documents."

Tilborg sees the Canadian government action on the Lubicon Lake claim, as being minimal.

"The Alberta government has been delaying and blocking all possible solutions and the federal governments is not doing very much," said Tilborg.

He is not impressed with the federal handling of the report completed by Davie Fulton, who did a study of the Lubicon Lake issue.

"It's really ridiculous that they made the report confidential, if you don't have anything to hide why keep it a secret," saked Tilborg.

The Fulton report suggested that the band is entitled to at least 80 square miles of reserve land.

Tilborg was scheduled to meet Roger Tasse, the federally appointed negotiator for the 46 year old land claim of the Lubicon Lake,

in Ottawa, before he returns to Europe. He will also meet with Keith Penner of the Liberal party and Jim Manly of the NDP, both Indian Affairs critics for their parties.

He was refused a meeting with Jim Horsman, Alberta's Inter-governmental affairs minister, who said he had other commitments. Horsman is also in charge of dealing with legal matters related to Native people of Alberta.

"If I can take the time to come over here from Europe, I can't believe they

(Alberta Government) would not want to meet," said a surprised Tilborg.

Horsman said during question period (June 16), in the Alberta legislature that the lands in question are crown lands, therefore the property of all Albertans. He also indicated that he was not aware that Alberta's image was tarnished in Europe, in answering a question by Leo Piquette (NDP).

Tilborg reported that European people are very much interested in North American Indians and that

numerous groups have formed to support the rights of Canadian and American Indians.

"I support Indians who say they are independent nations, and as independent nations they should have the right to go to the International Court at the Hague, to receive an independent hearing on their concerns," said Tilborg.

Tilborg reiterated the European parliament's support for a boycott of the 1988 Olympics to be held at Calgary, if the Lubicon Lake issue is not resolved.

# ANWA conference action-packed

By Albert Crier

The 19th annual general conference of the Alberta Native Womens Association focussed on "Native Unity," with about 100 provincial delegates gathered at the Continental Inn at Edmonton on June 21 — 22, to hear annual reports, hold informational workshops and elect a new president of ANWA.

Donna Weaselchild of the Blood Band, now residing at Calgary was chosen 1986 ANWA president

over fellow candidate Doris Calliou, of Edmonton.

The delivery of social services in Native communities of Alberta received considerable concern by the delegates to the conference. It was decided that work would begin with the Mental Health Association toward increasing the delivery of suicide prevention programs and educational and preventive programs on substance abuse, including alcohol and drug abuse.

Increase communica-

tions internally between ANWA chapters and with the general public, is another area targeted for ANWA action.

ANWA delegated participated in a workshop on social services, with presentations being made by Garry Benson from the Ministry of the Solicitor General of Canada and Maggie Hodgson of the working group on Native Child Welfare, Native Advisory Committee.

Information on the eligibility and re-instatement procedures for people wish-

ing to apply for re-instatement of Treaty Indian status was presented in a workshop on Bill C-31.

Native Women's Association of Canada, Lynne Chabot, gave an overview of the provisions of Bill C-31 and presented a guide book explaining steps to follow to gain re-instatement.

Presentations by ANWA staff on Bill C-31, Brenda Eastman and Brenda Bylan, on ANWA information services were heard.

Delegated expressed the need for smaller communi-

ties to receive information on the re-instatement process.

ANWA executive indicated that ANWA will hold information workshops on Bill C-31, when requested by either smaller or larger community centres.

Awards recognizing individual Elder and youth accomplishments and contributions made to the Native women cause were given out by all chapters of ANWA, during the conference.

A number of resolutions

were passed at the close of the meeting including; establishing a working relationship with the Mental Health Association on domestic violence, rejecting Bill 7, the provincial Women's Secretariat Act, as unacceptable because it had not real involvement by Alberta women and resolutions toward increasing communications on social services programs, youth opportunities, Treaty status re-instatement and on how to have more involvement by Elders and youth with ANWA.



**BRENDA BLYAN**  
...talks on Bill C-31

## Weaselchild elected

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promote awareness of implications of Bill C-31 (changes to the Indian Act) and to provide information related to the reinstatement process of those who had lost their Indian status, under former government policies.

This is according to an agreement reached among ANWA members, three years ago, that the association would only provide information, rather than taking a stand on the issue, said Weaselchild.

ANWA membership includes Metis, Treaty Indian and non-status Indian women, and the Bill C-31 issue was seen as being potentially divisive for the organization.

ANWA presently has two staff employed to deliver information on Bill C-31 and the re-instatement process. ANWA has a current contract with the National Native Womens Association of Canada, which allotted \$100,000 dollars to ANWA to do this work. The two Bill C-31 workers are Brenda Eastman, co-ordinator and covering southern Alberta and Brenda Bylan, covering northern Alberta.

Although ANWA is not recognized by the provincial government as a program agency, Weaselchild said ANWA members want the organization to get involved in programming.

Weaselchild could not



**ANWA PRESIDENT DONNA WEASELCHILD**  
... "The door is definitely open."

comment at this time, what impact, the division of the provincial Native Affairs into two ministerial portfolios will have on Alberta Native organizations.

ANWA will contact other Native organizations to see if there is areas of common concerns, that could use cooperation with ANWA.

"The door is definitely open," said Weaselchild.

As part of ANWA new initiatives in public awareness, news releases will be issued on a regular basis, according to Weaselchild.

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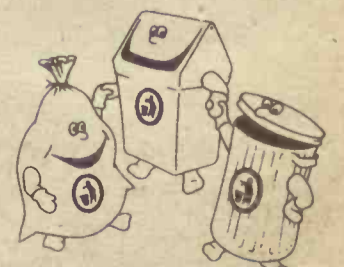
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# Speakers highlight ANWA conference

By Albert Crier

A highlight of the Alberta Native Womens Association annual conference was the evening banquet, held on June 21, at the Canadian Native Friendship Centre, in Edmonton.

The banquet featured guest speakers Adele Arcand, from the Education board of Alexander Band, Sam Sinclair, president of the Metis Association of Alberta and Margaret Waterchief, a Native leader from the Blackfoot Nation.

Arcand encourage the Native women of Alberta to start "trusting one another" in order to work for the Native communities to work together.

"I look at the communities and see that we are not unified, we really don't trust one another," said Arcand.

Causes of dis-unity in the Native community may have come from external influences by the church and the values of the dominant society, said Arcand.

Arcand believes that individual interest in gaining money, power and material possessions have corrupted the Native community. Native people are neglecting the traditional values, such as kindness, sharing, caring about others and working together on solving community problems, commented Arcand.

Arcand urged listeners to look within themselves and within their communi-

ties to find the strength to build unity.

"I'm not saying it should not be political, but we have to start with ourselves, we have to start at home," concluded Arcand.

Sinclair blamed the lack of resources and the government "piecemealing funds" to Native communities as a major cause of dis-unity and other problems in the Native community.

"It's come to the point, where we are fighting just to survive," said Sinclair.

He urged unity on political action to pressure Canadian governments to deal fairly with Native people.

"Some people talk of life after death, I wonder if they will allow us life after birth," pondered Sinclair.

He expressed confidence in united Aboriginal stand at the next First Ministers Conference on Aboriginal rights, slated for April 1987.

"We should be together as one voice," said Sinclair.

The keynote speaker for the evening banquet was Margaret Waterchief, of the Blackfoot Band, who has been active in Native politics for 8 years.

Women are the backbone of the community. They, as mothers, will bring Native people together to fight for a common cause, counselled Waterchief.

"Women have more feeling for their people, we actually go through a life and death situation, in giving birth to a new life," said



**MARGARET WATERCHIEF**  
...Women backbone of community

Waterchief.

Unity can be achieved in the Native community when Natives begin to turn to the creator for guidance.

"Unless you find the cre-

ator, you will not go very far, you will not find unity," said Waterchief.

She urged Natives not to pursue money and power, which are prime causes for



**SAM SINCLAIR**  
... "together as one voice"

dis-unity.

"We as Native women, have the responsibility and have power within us to lead our communities. Why can we not bring the Native

nation together? asked Waterchief as she concluded her message leaving it to her audience to contemplate their own individual answers.



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—Margaret Waterchief



*"It's coming to the point, where we are fighting just to survive." ... "Some people talk of life after death, I wonder if they will allow us life after birth." ... "We should be together as one voice."*

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# Editorial

## Alberta Native Affairs minister's indifference is international concern

The indifference shown recently by Jim Horsman, Alberta's Intergovernmental Affairs minister, toward European concern for the treatment of the Lubicon Lake Band, raises serious doubts about the provincial government's sincerity in dealing fairly with Native issues.

Horsman is responsible for legal matters concerning Native people of Alberta.

Horsman said in the provincial legislature on June 16, that he was not aware that Alberta's image was tarnished in Europe. Meanwhile he refused to talk with John van Tilborg, a member of the European parliament, sent to do an investigative study regarding the way the Lubicon Lake land claim is being handled by Canadian governments.

Tilborg, was in Canada to do an in-person study of the Lubicon Lake issue June 16, and held meetings with the Lubicon Lake Band and the Indian Association of Alberta IAA, to hear their side of the issue.

He also met with Roger Tasse, the recently appointed federal negotiator on the Lubicon Lake land claim and with opposition party members, at both levels of government.

Horsman said he had other things to do and missed his chance to give the Alberta government perspective on the prolonged debate on how to resolve the small band's 46-year-old land claim.

If Horsman hopes that European concern regarding government treatment of Indian issues will die out before the planned 1988 world Olympic Games in Calgary, he is sadly mistaken.

Tilborg left him a reminder that European support groups for Lubicon Lake boycott of the games will continue if a just land settlement is not reached by 1988.

When answering opposition questions in the Alberta legislature, Horsman sounded like he was setting a precondition to the provincial involvement in the Lubicon Lake land claims negotiation.

The land in question belong to all Albertans, Horsman said, neglecting the fact that Treaties were made with Indian nations 100 years ago, so the west could be opened for settlement.

The Lubicon Lake Band was recognized years ago, as falling within Treaty 8 boundaries and therefore entitled to have land set aside as their own.

Maybe the Alberta government is feeling left out, since they are not directly involved in the negotiations soon to be underway between the band and the federal government.

Horsman's statement indicates that the provincial government will drive a hard bargain in the land claims negotiations, if and when the Lubicon Lake Band's claim to their hereditary lands.

Will the Alberta government keep its ears closed to opinions that do not agree with their version of the issue?



## Reader extends heartfelt gratitude

Dear Editor:

Please allow me to use your newspaper to extend my heartfelt gratitude, appreciation and a "BOUQUET" to: Rocky and Gail Woodward, Rosi Cameron, Bob Woodcock and Jim Wong.

Their conscientious, positive attitudes and willingness to do something extra, helped me to accomplish tasks set out for me to run smoothly while filming "BEYOND THE BEND OF THE RIVER." These precious people consistently demonstrated personal character and integrity above reproach. They are completely reliable, and conscientious and therefore, of utmost asset to any company.

I am extremely thrilled that Rocky prayed during our air trips! This reminds me of what the Bible tells us in the book of II Timothy, chapter 1, verse 7; "God hath not given us the spirit of fear, but of power." And Rocky showed how we can plug into God, and when we plug into God, suddenly everything He has available to us, we can receive!

I'm so thankful to the good Lord, to have had the opportunity to meet these outstanding, well matured professional people. I firmly believe in telling them "while they're still alive," and also that, our words reach right into people's lives ... for good or for bad! That's why it's so important that our conversation be always full of grace. A word fitly spoken, is like apples of gold in pictures of silver!

So, to each of you and those associated with you in any way we are "certainly laughing," as I count it another great blessing from the Lord Jesus to know you great people. It's my utmost prayer and will be each day for as long as I shall live that; "God will always bless you richly, and keep each of you and your loved ones, free from all harm in the time to come." You are loved.

In Christ's love and service,  
Harry Rusk

## Letter applauded

Dear Editor:

Please send me a copy of your May 30 issue of Windspeaker. I'm particularly interested in the letter to the editor of the Bonnyville Advocate and in the

accompanying column.

I applaud Cora Voyaguer's responses (June 20/86). I wish to read the anonymous letter before offering any reactions.

Sincerely  
Kurt Klingbeil

## Best wishes expressed

Dear Editor:

We at Native Outreach would like to express our best wishes for another great year to a friend and co-worker, Normajean Mc

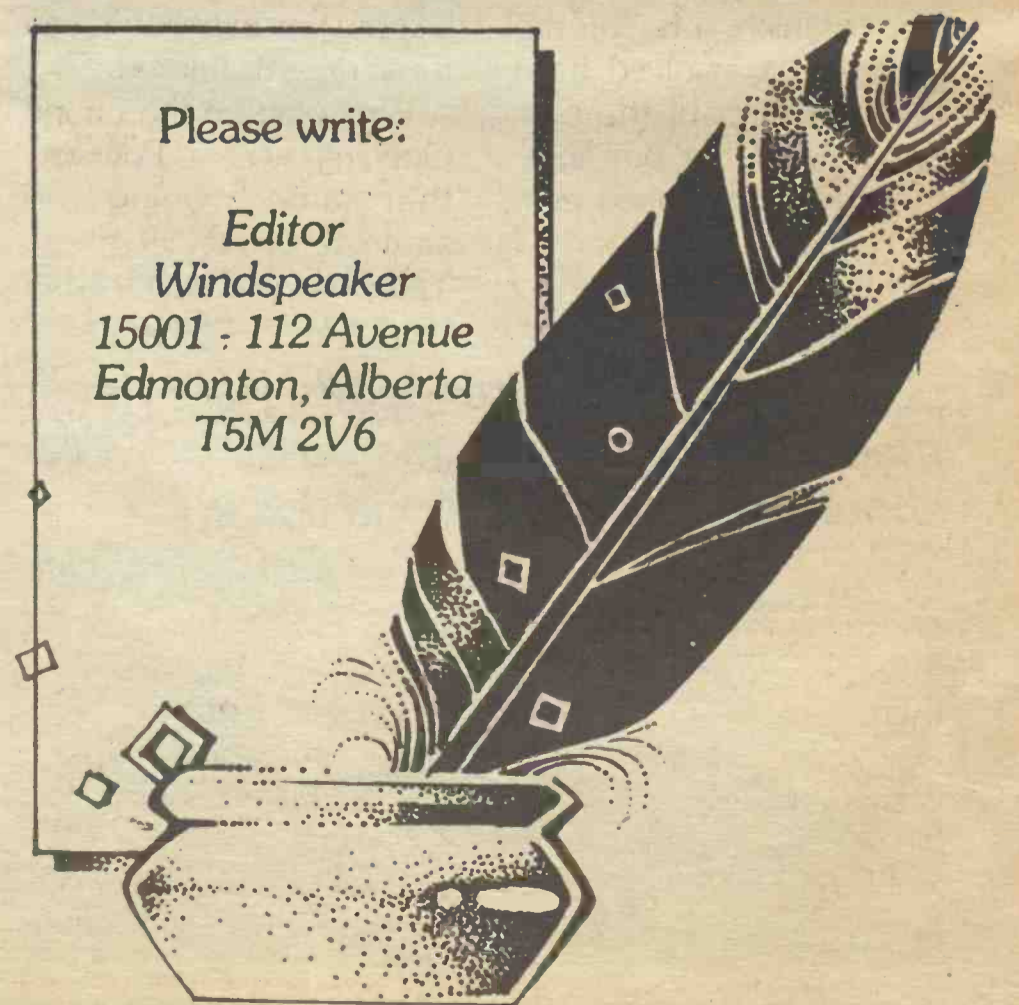
Guire, who celebrated her birthday on June 22.

Many more, and we wish her the best in the years to come.

From the staff at  
Native Outreach

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# Louis Bull Band holds opening

By Adele Minde

Friday, June 13th, 1986, at 2:00 p.m., the Louis Bull Band held their Grand Opening for their new Administration building and the newly opened Chief Peter Bull Memorial Centre.

A beautiful day made this grand opening even more of a success as the sun shined during the ribbon cutting ceremonies. Officially opening the buildings was Mr. Jim Moonias, the oldest member of the Louis Bull Band. Mr. Moonias, is also the Elder who performed the sod turning ceremonies for both of the buildings. Invocation for ribbon cutting ceremony was Elder Jim Louis, Elder of Samson Band.

Mr. Harrison Bull, M.C. for the ribbon cutting ceremonies, thanked everyone who came to share with them in the Grand Opening. He mentioned that they are the last band, of the Four Bands to have their very own administration and recreation buildings. Immediately following was the ribbon cutting ceremonies for the Chief Peter Bull Memorial Centre.

The banquet was held at the Chief Peter Bull Memorial centre. Master of Ceremonies, was Mr. Vern Spence. The invocation was done by Mr. Fred Bull as he welcomed everyone he thanked God for the good weather. He also prayed for the late Chief Peter Bull who was always thinking about the well being of his people. That he worked very hard and would be very proud of the accomplishments of the band. Also, that the buildings be well kept and respected by all who use the facilities. For the children who will use the buildings. The importance of education and how the late Chief worked hard towards the educational needs of his people.

Mr. Simon Threefingers, Chief of Louis Bull gave special recognition to the following people: Mr. Tony Calara, who made the architectural designs for both buildings. Also to Mr. Bob Stanich, one of the contractors involved from the very start of the construction of the buildings. Mr. Stanich thanked everyone and was very honored to make a presentation to the Louis Bull Band. He was very happy to find an arrowhead during the excavation of the Chief Peter Bull Band Centre. He mentioned that he feels very strongly about tradition and the importance of it to the Native people. He then presented the arrowhead to the Chief and wished the Louis Bull Band all the success in the future.

The Chief was very happy to see the Mayor of

Wetaskiwin, Mr. Frank Dyck, and the mayor of Ponoka, Norman Nelson. Chief Threefingers introduced Mr. Robert Bull, who painted the beautiful picture which is on the back wall of the stage, at the new recreation centre. Also at the banquet were the family of the late Scotty Murray, who worked for the band for a number of years. The Chief then thanked everyone who helped in the process of the buildings.

Mr. Lester Bull, son of the late Chief Peter Bull, spoke on the history of his late father for the work he did for the Louis Bull Band.

Following was another presentation from the mayor of Wetaskiwin, Frank Dyck. On behalf of the city he presented the band with a plaque and wished them all the success in the future.

Chief of the Samson Band, Jim Omeasoo, was very happy to have been invited to such a special occasion. He felt strongly about honoring invitations such as this. He felt very privileged to make the first break on one of the pool tables at the recreation centre. It will be something he will remember. He remembers the late Chief Peter Bull being a very wise man and that he would be very proud of the accomplishments the Band have made.

Eileen Nepoose was there on behalf of the Montana Band. She stated that she had the pleasure of working with the Late Peter Bull. Eileen then congratulated the band on behalf of the Montana Band.

Theresa Bull, councillor for the Louis Bull Band, thanked the staff from the Louis Bull Administration. She mentioned that they used their own ideas and creativity for the decorating of both buildings. It was a job very well done.

Mr. Vern Spence related the Late Chief Peter Bull being like Martin Luther King. They both had dreams for their people and both were always concerned about the well being of their people. He stated that the Late Chief would be very proud to have seen these dreams fulfilled.

Wrapping up the Grand Opening was a Powwow that same evening and again Saturday evening. The Powwow was held at the new recreation building. Saturday evening the guests were honored to a give-away. Hosting this give-away were the Louis Bull Band Chief & Council, Staff from the Louis Bull Band and the family of the Late Chief Peter Bull. A good turn-out for this Powwow made the Grand Opening even more of a success.

The Louis Bull Band certainly have two very beautiful



ELDER JIM MOONIAS  
...cuts ribbon

ful buildings that they can be proud of. They have come a long way but I'm sure it's only the beginning.



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sure that all that attended this memorable event will remember it for years to come!

(Thanks to the Bear Hills Native Voice Newspapers.)

From One  
Raven's Eye  
wagamese....



Hi, howdy, hello and yo. So how are things? Don't mean to rush you but we do have this bus to catch. If you remember from last week Robert the Indian, and Frank, the farmer were doing a little travelling through the darkness of each other's minds on this grey dog type bus.

Robert slid back into his seat right next to Frank. Frank had his hands cupped around his face peering out the bus window like a person would look into a pool of water. As he pulled back, Robert caught him with a smile and a small wave in that window reflection.

"You know Frank," he said, "I was thinking about what you said sitting in the little moving outhouse back there. About us all drinking, collecting welfare and all of that. What kept coming into my mind was this cousin of a cousin who I hear never drank a day in his life. He's had the same job for, oh, maybe nine or ten years now."

Frank just sniffed like he's smelled a rabbit flattened on the highway since yesterday. "I'll believe that when I see it," he said.

"You mean you'd like to meet him eh?" Robert replied. "Oh sure," Frank replied, flaring his little nostrils again.

"Well put it here Frank," Robert said shoving his hand out suddenly. "Me and my cousin been cousin's for years." Frank's hand went out involuntarily but he pulled it back twice as fast before Robert could reach it.

Frank's eyes went small and hard like tacks. "Maybe there are some good ones among you but what I say is still mostly true. Besides that I know one Indian too many already. Why don't you go sit someplace else?" Robert shrugged. "Hey I was here first remember, I gave up that window seat to let you wave good bye to your people at the station. And besides, there's no place else to sit!"

For the next hour or so they sat quiet. Just as the sky turned pale, the bus rolled to a stop in the shadow of a huge grain elevator. As it pulled itself across the rough planking of the railway crossing Frank shook his head and sort of growled and sighed at the same time.

"I hate that," he said, jerking his head back over his shoulder.

"What?" Robert asked, "you got something against bus companies too? They have to stop at crossings, sign on the back says so."

"No, those damn things," Frank answered poking his finger in the direction of the grain elevator.

"Because of those they're closing down the smaller elevators in town after town. More efficient to have farmers haul their grain to just one big elevator in each area they say. No need for those towns anymore either. Pretty soon those big companies will run everything. In no time at all there'll be no family farms left. We'll all end up living in the city like rats."

"So, sounds like you got people tryin' to tell you how to live your life to eh?"

Frank turned and answered in an angry whisper. "I'm not the same as you at all. I at least pay my own way. That gives me a say in how things should be."

Robert's voice went a little hard but his words rolled calmly off his lips and tongue when he said, "We pay our own way to Frank. Maybe we should start charging you half of everything you make from all this land we're suppose to be sharing. Maybe then we'd see who owes who in the long run."

"Well I don't happen to agree with you. You can talk all day but you'll never change my mind on it. You got no claim to any rights different than mine, treaty or no treaty."

"Guess you'll never change my mind either," Robert replied. "How I see it is we got a deal to hold you to. Just because you're always trying to find ways to get out of it doesn't mean the deals over until we say so. Then you can have back what you put in and we'll take back what we put in. Simple as that."

Frank's mouth opened but no words came out. Into that silence those two lapsed once again. After a while Robert said, "I'm gonna be getting off just a little ways from here. Hope things work out alright for your grandson there. Pretty sad thing when a kid gets sick like that."

Frank's voice went soft. "How do you know about that?" he said.

"Oh from what you said in your sleep. Figured you were just on your way back from visiting him." Frank didn't say anything.

Robert stood up and pulled a small blue suitcase down from overhead then sat down again. Frank reached for his cigarette package. He looked Robert up and down with one eye then offered him one. Robert took it and slid it into his shirt pocket.

Frank said in a voice that sounded like wind travelling over stone. "You been after me for one of those all night. I give you one and you turn around and don't even smoke it!"

Robert smiled. "Oh I maybe have one or two of those in one day. Don't get the urge that much. I must have used up most of that urge trying to talk you into one. Tell you what my friend. Later on, I'll take this cigarette, light it up in a nice quiet place and think about you and that grandson of yours."

"Don't see what good that'll do," the other man answered.

Just then the bus began to wheeze to a stop. Robert got to his feet. Oh, you never know. The more good we think about each other the more it'll all add up someday so they say."

Frank's face wrinkled up like he was trying his best to understand but then it went blank again. He answered Robert's parting wave with the kind you'd use to brush away a fly.

You know one time I rode the bus from Saskatoon to Toronto. When I finally got off my body resembled the shape of a beat up old couch. Still sometimes when I see one of those things rolling by me I get the urge to get going. Moving is really just an illusion though. Even standing still we are a journey to somewhere or other. Hope the next part of your travels go good and I also hope our wandering trails cross again next week as well.

# Chief comments on his people and land



**GEORGE BANE**  
...a need for unity

**By Rocky Woodward**

FORT NELSON — The chief of the Fort Nelson Indian Band in British Columbia, George Bane, describes his Band as moving ahead with times, but also stresses that there is a need for unity among his people.

Transfers of people into the band had caused some friction and Bane says to fight this, "our people must work together. If they did this every day, life would be alright. We need to support one another."

The Fort Nelson Band has a membership of 364 people, with 250 residing on the reserve that totals 24,444 acres of land, approximately 5 km from the town of Fort Nelson.

Bane has lived in the area

most of his life and in the earlier years trapped and fished for his living.

Today he is known as one of the leading guides and fur buyers in Fort Nelson.

Bane has served his band as chief for 16 years, but it was not until 1954 that he was first elected.

"Before 1952, I was working for the Band under the Department of Indian Affairs. I was recognized as a leader and for a period of four years I acted as headman."

Non-Native people who have lived their lives in and around Fort Nelson, and those who have moved there for work, respect the Slavey Band.

Former Justice of the Peace, Jim Thompson, now retired, says that non-Native people were always

treated with respect.

"When you live in an isolated area such as Fort Nelson and still is somewhat, people learn to get along together. It is not like the city," said Thompson.

The Slavey Band has people living on other reserves in the area at Fontage, Kantha, Snake River, McKlanic Lake and Moose Lake. These reserves comprise 40 acres of land.

The Fort Nelson Band now has a construction firm (Eh-Cho Dene) that does business both locally and outside of the reserve.

Approximately 400 acres of land are at the moment under cultivation and many of the people are farming.

Over 1,100 acres of land is being developed as rangeland and, "it will be broke

and seeded this year," said Bane.

Because there is no school on the reserve, the children are bused into Fort Nelson for their education, but Bane does not see this as a hinderance.

"The schools in Fort Nelson are good and we have no complaints."

Working in the position as chief for 16 years, George Bane does believe that the problems they have regarding factions on the reserve can be solved in time.

"For the Slavey people, it is a lifetime of moving ahead. We cannot set aside five years for fighting for 10 years of enjoyment. Problems must be dealt with so we can have a life that is good for everyone."

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## Dropping In

### Rocky Woodward

Hi! Everyone ready to hit this summer's powwow trail. I just returned from the North Country Fair, held at Spruce Point Park, near High Prairie, and received a little taste of traditional powwow's that will take place across the country.

Below are some photo's of the traditional dancing and song that took place at the Native Village portion of the festival.

**LUBICON LAKE:** A car accident last week, involving Chief Bernard Ominayak and passenger Fred Lenarson, raised a lot of concern for the outspoken Chief of the Lubicon Lake Band.

Windspeaker's Albert Crier, followed up on what actually happened.

Apparently Chief Ominayak's truck collided with a farm plow and tractor that turned onto the road Ominayak was driving on.

According to Lenarson, the accident took place on secondary road 686, between Peace River and the hamlet of Little Buffalo. Both were taken to the Peace River hospital following the accident.

Ominayak is in stable condition and is under doctor's orders to take it easy for two weeks. Ominayak received injuries to the sternum (backbone) and other minor injuries, says Lenarson.

Lenarson himself received no serious injury.

Specific details cannot be revealed at this time, due to the legal implications involving the drivers of both vehicles.

**GIFT LAKE:** Two baseball teams entered into a double-knockout tournament saw the Gift Lake Falcon's go down to the Peavine Flames (16-9,20-7). The action packed games were held June 23.

On June 28-29, the Falcons again fell victim's to the Driftpile Swingers men's baseball team at Grouard, Alberta.



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The Driftpile Swingers won the tournament over the Grouard Wolves who finished second. Loon Lake came in third while the Falcons captured fourth spot position.

Leonard the Settler, says two teams from the Settlement of Gift Lake have left, this weekend for Prince George in British Columbia for a baseball tournament.

Leonard, along with myself, wish the Laker's and the Sluggers, all the luck in the world, as they will be representing Northern Alberta, and Settlement baseball teams.

No, I am not trying to put extra pressure on the teams.

**COCHIN:** From our Brother's and Sister's to the east, comès this message sent by way of smoke signal.

Cochin, saskatchewan will be hosting the Saulteaux Western Days on July 5 and 6.

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For more info, call Dennis Knight at 386-2424 or 386-2067.

**JANVIER:** For those interested the grand opening of the Father Perron School for Janvier, which was to be held last week, is now cancelled until further notice.

**CALGARY:** A spokesman for the Calgary Olympics says they plan to hire a Native person to coordinate the involvement of Indians and Metis for the 1988 winter games.

Harold Millican, chairman of the Native Committee, says a Native liaison co-ordinator will be hired within a month.

Millican commented that the individual hired must be on good working terms with local Indian chiefs and be able to bring their concerns and needs back to the committee.

The committee was criticized by Native leaders last year, after a meeting, that lead some Native leaders with the impression that they would be used as a tourist attraction during the games.

I wonder what Big John Fletcher is doing?

**SADDLE LAKE:** The Treaty Six meeting, hosted by the Saddle Lake Band will be held on July 3 and 4. Take notice that the last two Treaty Six forums were cancelled, one reason why Saddle Lake is committing to these dates. Put them on your calendar. They are important.

Have a nice weekend everyone. And if you have nothing to do, are bored, or it's raining and you feel down, give DROPPING IN a call. We talk to anyone, about anything.

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# New Native princess crowned

**From Page 1**

a number of areas such as traditional, modern, and speaking abilities.

The following, highlights some of the girls talents shown over the weekend.



**1st RUNNER—UP**

Carolyn Buffalo — Carolyn, 20-year-old Native of the Montana Band of the Hobbema First Nations, gave a talk on Bill C-31, and how it affects her people. Carolyn is a second year University of Alberta.

She is enrolled in the Bachelor of Arts program, and is majoring in political science.

Carolyn was the 1980-81 Hobbema Indian Princess; 1982-83 Ponoka Stampede Pow-wow Princess; and has done traditional dancing. Her entry into the pageant was sponsored by the Hobbema Four Bands Administration.



Doreen Cardinal — Doreen was sponsored by the Edmonton Canadian Native Friendship Centre. Doreen is 21-years-old

and is originally from the Saddle Lake Reserve. She now makes her home in Edmonton. A dancer with the White Braid Society, Doreen has travelled to a number of places to dance at exhibitions, and other community events.

Doreen says her most treasured memories is when she travelled to Japan to dance at a world fair held there in 1985. She represented Saddle Lake during the "Year of the Youth," in 1985. Doreen's modern talent performance brought a round of applause from the audience when she sang a beautiful rendition of "The Greatest Love Of All," a recent hit for upcoming star, Whitney Houston.

After the pageant, Doreen will travel to Toronto for the Native Business Conference. Doreen also plans on entering university to work on a Bachelor of Social Work degree.



**2nd RUNNER—UP**

Sandra Eaglechild — Sandra Eaglechild is 18-years-old and from Fort McLeod. She was sponsored by the Fort McLeod Native Cultural Centre. Sandra has just completed

high school on the Blood reserve near Standoff, Alberta. She says that she learned about herself while attending school on the reserve, and that she is happy she could learn Native values from her people.

Sandra is active in the Indian rodeo circuit as a barrel racer, pole bending, and bread-away rope artist. She is the president of the Eagle Feather Society, and the Cardston High School Native Club, and belongs to a number of other clubs and committees. Sandra's performance "Abba Father," a gospel hymn, without the accompaniment of music, was well received by the listeners.

Sandra is a volunteer with the Youth Catholic club and likes to sing gospel hymns. Sandra has won two princess pageants. She was the Cardston High School Princess from 1982 to 1984, and is presently the Fort McLeod Native Cultural Centre Princess. Sandra plans to enter university to obtain a Bachelor of Social Work degree she was chosen the second runner-up in the pageant.



Debbie Youngman — Eighteen-year-old Debbie Youngman, was sponsored by the Calgary Canadian Native Friendship. Debbie is a part-time worker at the Blackfoot Elder Centre and belongs to the A-1 Club, a Blackfoot traditional dancing troupe of high regard.

Debbie has travelled to Holland with the dance club, as well as other places across Canada and the United States.

She was the Blackfoot Indian Princess in 1983-84,



**1986 ALBERTA PRINCESS PAGEANT CONTESTANTS**  
 ...**(left to right) Debbie Youngman, Lisa McLeod, Roberta Anne LaFrance, Ruby Metchewais, Carolyn Buffalo, Doreen Cardinal and Sandra Eaglechild**

and the Kamloops Indian Princess in 1984. She now holds the title as the Calgary Canadian Native Friendship Centre Princess. In this years Alberta Native Princess Pageant, Debbie performed a fancy dance, and displayed her traditional costume making talents for the judges and the audience. Both talents were well applauded by those present.



Lisa McLeod — Lisa McLeod, 16, was sponsored by the Slave Lake Friendship Centre. She attends the Ronald Michner High School in Slave Lake. Lisa plans a career in dentistry and hopes to attend NAIT or SAIT, to accomplish this. McLeod said that being in the pageant has been one of the best learning experiences in life. She likes to listen to music and do sketches of people. In

the modern talent portion of the pageant Lisa did her version of "The Rose," a song made popular by Bette Midler in the early 1980's. Lisa received full marks for her performance.

Roberta La France — (see full profile)



Ruby Metchewais — Ruby Metchewais is 17-years-old, and is from the Cold Lake First Nations Reserve. Ruby makes her home in Grande Centre, and has just completed her Grade 12 at the Grande Centre High School. Ruby was the vice-president of the Sarcee Youth Club; 1986 president of the Cold Lake Eager Eagles Club, and is an active softball player for the Cold Lake First Nations baseball team. Ruby is known for being a very good traditional dancer and has won a

number of awards for her dancing abilities. At the pageant she showed the judges her dancing ability when she performed the Crow Hop and the ladies fancy dance.

Ruby plans on taking a course in early childhood development, and her goal is to become a counsellor in the future. She feels it is important that our children receive the best counselling they can get. Ruby dedicated her participation in the pageant to the memory of her brother Clifford who passed away on June 1, 1986.

Ray Fox, may have said it all when he commented, "It's been a thrill being up here with all these beautiful girls and seeing beauty the way it should be. Not only did the seven participants show off their beauty, but they all showed the beauty of the many talents each girl possesses."

## La France veteran of Princess pageants

**By Ivan Morin**

"My mother always used to ask me if I wanted to be an Indian princess, but I never dreamed that it would happen," said Roberta Anne La France, 19, of Gleichen, Alberta. La France was crowned the 1986 Miss Alberta Native Princess at the Canadian Native Friendship Centre in Edmonton, June 22.

Having just completed her Grade 12, La France is hoping to attend Mount Royal College in Calgary. If her studies at Mount Royal College go well, she will enroll in the law program at the University of Calgary.

Princess pageants are not new to La France who has been involved in five

pageants, having been in the running for 1985 Miss Siksika (1st runner-up); 1985 Miss Calgary Canadian Native Friendship Centre (1st runner-up); 1986 Miss Kamloops B.C. (1st runner-up); 1986 Miss Siksika (winner), and the 1986 Miss Alberta Native Princess (winner).

La France says that she likes pageants because of the excitement involved in them and she enjoys meeting other girls with the same interests as she has.

An outgoing person since her youth, La France was also chosen as Miss Congeniality of the Miss Alberta Native Princess Pageant. La France also held this distinction in the 1985 Miss Calgary Cana-

dian Native Friendship Centre pageant and the 1986 Miss Siksika pageant.

La France was confident in answers to the judges and in the speeches that she presented. She says that there were more personal feelings at this pageant than at some others that she has entered. La France says she found all the girls to be friendly and easy to get along with, and maybe this was the reason why the pageant went so well. La France said that this was the first pageant that she has entered where she didn't know all the girls running. In the two day competition, La France did very well in the recital of her speeches, and never seemed to stumble. One of the judges described her as

being very much in control at all times. From the very beginning you could see that La France was going to do very well. She very seldom had notes to read from and everything seemed to be natural as it flowed from her. In the traditional competition, La France did the Crow Hop, a Native dance which La France says originated with the Crow tribe of the Northern United States, and eventually was taken up by the Natives of Canada. La France also did a fancy dance.

When her turn came to give a brief speech, La France chose to speak on the traditional costume that she was wearing, telling the judges how she had made it and where she gained the

knowledge to make such a costume.

In the modern talent, La France was well received as she pantomimed the story of the "Old Man," a Blackfoot legend. She explained to the judges that she had taken drama in school and she learned that she possessed a talent in the area of mime.

Finally, the pageant organizers asked the girls the final questions which the girls answered with an impromptu speech. The question asked of La France was, "how do you feel about drinking and driving and are there ways to limit the deaths caused by alcohol?" La France answered that she was definitely against drinking and driving because it hurts too

many people. Not only those involved in the accidents drinking and driving often causes, but also their families. La France feels that deaths might be reduced by raising the drinking age, having the government cut back on the spending for alcohol, and finally, La France feels that the police should step-up their patrols in this area.

La France says that she plans on doing all she can do to promote the positive side of the Native culture and to wear her crown proudly wherever she goes. Although she is not employed for the summer, La France says that she will do a lot of travelling to powwows and other Native gatherings.

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Big Valley Jamboree '86 promises the most exciting weekend yet, with an incredible group of extraordinary entertainers. The festivities begin Friday, July 18th at 5:00 p.m. when Father Larre will be joined by Williams and Ree, back for another year as host of the extravaganza. The comedy-singing team has added greatly to the continuity of past Big Valley Jamborees, and their popularity is undoubted. Friday's performances will include Winston Wuttonee, Canadian songwriter, humorist and storyteller; Marie Bottrell, a musical jewel; the revved-up, straight ahead Charlie Daniels Band; the "One and Only" Johnny Cash, a dynamic eagle figure concluding Friday's line-up.

Saturday is a blockbuster—beginning at 10:30 with Canada's ACME Finalists, followed by the award winning Midnight Rodeo Band; the pure energy explosion of Doug Kershaw; Deborah Lauren, the energetic and dynamic host of CBC TV's Country West; Moe Bandy, a favorite of country music lovin' crowds; Louise Mandrell, sexy, vibrant, mischievous, angelic, Vegas slick and country charming; the magic of Eddie Rabbitt, dark and handsome; and to end the evening, the spirited eye-high kicks and rockabilly pop music of Juice Newton.

Terry Carisse, a most likeable country gentleman leads the way for Sunday's great lineup, followed by the music of the Whites; The C-Weed Band, a brother combination with their own kind of energy and vitality; the much admired B.J. Thomas, America's hottest young country comedy act—Williams and Ree; the chart topping, dynamic sounds of Tanya Tucker and for the grand finale, the incomparable, much loved Willie Nelson, a most fitting conclusion for a fantastic weekend.

The Big Valley Jamboree has been designed for the entire family at bargain prices the family can afford. Big Valley has 200 acres of free camping and parking which are included with the weekend ticket. On site there are grandstands and bleachers to seat 8,500 people, and at a minimal additional charge, the famous beer gardens which can accommodate 10,000 people, offering live bands and a huge dance floor. A string of concession booths will supply hamburgers, hotdogs, french fries, popcorn and pop. Hayrides, pancake breakfasts, barbecue suppers, a cartoon theatre, and mini ferris wheel, roller coaster and merry-go-round all add to the weekend's fun.

All proceeds will help give a kid a chance through Bosco society, a specialized treatment centre for emotionally disturbed adolescents.

This year, much effort has been given by the volunteer executive group to enter into partnership agreements with large and small business organizations. As well, tremendous support has been received from the Tourism Departments of both our Provincial and Federal Governments. In an effort to keep individual and family ticket costs as low as possible, Big Valley Developments is proud to announce major sponsors such as Labatt's Saskatchewan Brewery, The House of Canada Limited, Canada Safeway Limited, Western Canada Lottery Foundation and Pepsi-Cola Authorized Bottlers (Mel Hill Beverage Co. Ltd.). Other friends of Big Valley will be announced soon.



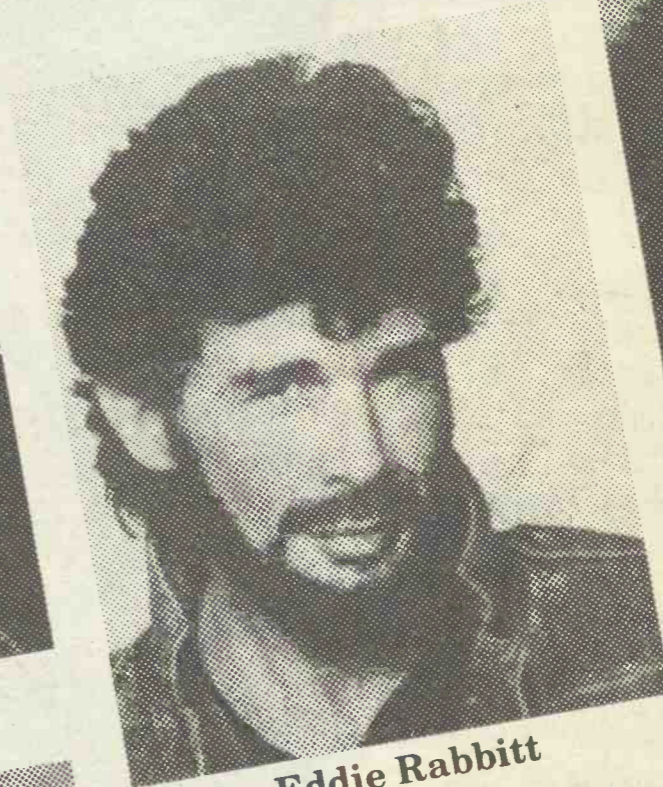
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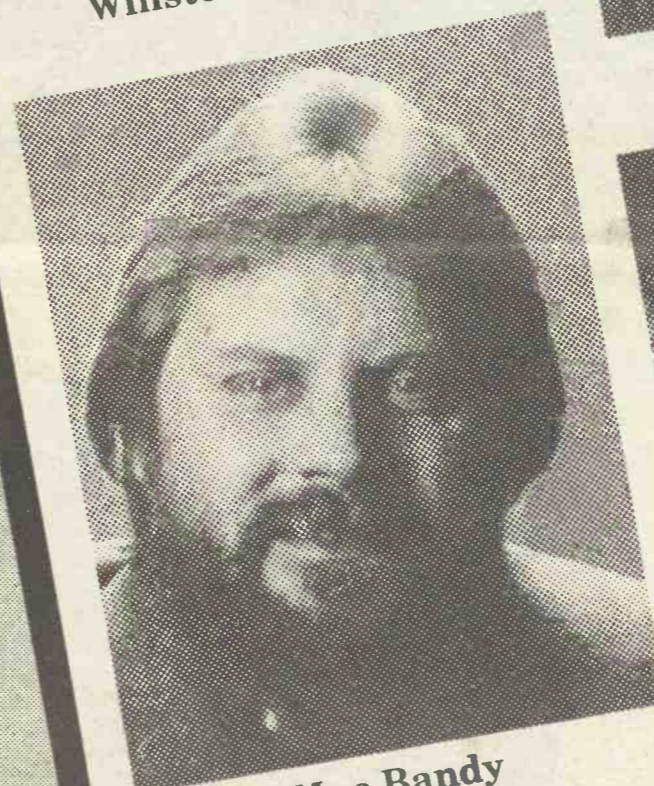
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# BIG VALLEY JAMBOREE '86

## JULY 18, 19 & 20

### BIG VALLEY JAMBOREE ARTISTS LINEUP AND PERFORMING TIMES

#### FRIDAY, JULY 18, 1986

Winston Wuitunnee	5:30 to 6:30
Marie Bottrell	7:00 to 8:00
Charlie Daniels Band	8:30 to 9:30
Johnny Cash	10:05 to 11:35

#### SATURDAY, JULY 19, 1986

Acme Finalists	10:30 to 11:30
Midnite Rodeo Band	12:00 to 1:00
Doug Kershaw	1:30 to 2:30
Deborah Lauren	3:00 to 4:00
Moe Bandy	4:30 to 5:30
Louise Mandrell	7:00 to 8:00
Eddie Rabbitt	8:30 to 9:30
Juice Newton	10:00 to 11:30

#### SUNDAY, JULY 20, 1986

Old Time Fiddlers	10:30 to 11:00
Terry Carisse	11:30 to 12:30
The Whites	1:00 to 2:00
C-Weed Band	2:30 to 3:30
B.J. Thomas	4:00 to 5:00
Williams & Ree	5:30 to 6:30
Tanya Tucker	7:00 to 8:00
Willie Nelson	8:35 to 10:00



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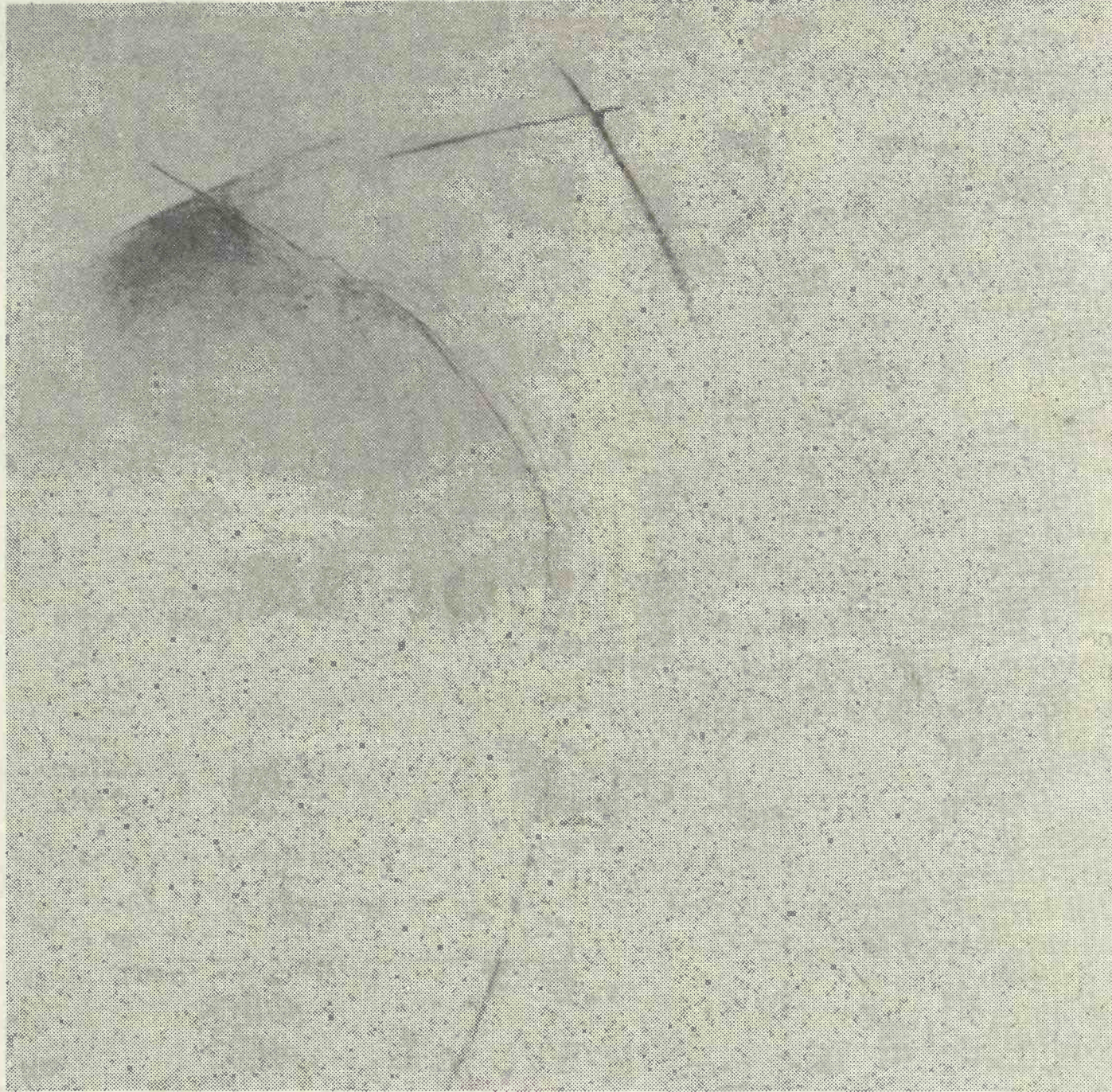
How does one choose a first place diamond from a bed of rare gems, to be appreciated, praised and placed above the rest. That was the mission the jury was faced with in choosing the winning artwork for "ASUM MENA," the Third Annual Alberta Native Art Festival sponsored by the Alberta Indian Arts and Crafts Society.

After 5 hours of difficult deliberation, the jury awarded Faye Heavysield of the Blood Reserve the \$5,000 Art Scholarship for two of her entries entitled 'Window's Peak' and 'Drying'.

Both works are abstract mixed media reliefs which are experiments in texture and consist of cloth and canvas on wooden frames painted in solid earthy hue monotonous. The primary focus of attention is on the texture rather than the object itself.

A total of 294 works of art were submitted by 54 artists from which 122 pieces were chosen by the jury for exhibition and sale. Thirty-seven artists were eligible for the prizes.

The jury was comprised of: Alex Janvier, well known Canadian Artist; Phlis Matousek, Edmonton



## WINNING PIECE

...Faye Heavysield's 'Window's Peak'

Journal writer; and Lynn Fahlman, owner of the Front Gallery, Edmonton.

Kim McLain's 'Face Dance #2' received first runner up award of \$1,000 while George Littlechild

and Sam Warrior tied for 2nd runner up awards of \$500 each.

The jurors were impressed with the calibre of these reaching the scholarship finals. Honourable mention was given to Ken Swan, Glen Nypshank, Henry Standing Alone, Donald Grassie, Eugene Alexis, Derek Fisher, and Marilyn Fraser King.

The winning art pieces may be viewed at the Third Annual Alberta Native Art Festival from August 7-30, 1986 at the Front Gallery, 12302 Jasper Avenue, Edmonton.

Works by former winners Roy Jack Salopree and Jane Ash Poitras will be featured along with works by Alex Janvier and Joan Cardinal-Schubert.

A jury from the Indian Art Centre in Ottawa is coming to Asum Mena, the Festival to purchase works for the new National Art Gallery in Ottawa, scheduled to open in 1988.

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## Native language must be shared

"Speak Cree," she would say, "It is our beautiful language. I love it and I'm proud of it! Proud of being Indian! I want you to love it and be proud of it, too. How can you stay close to my heart if you do not speak my language?"

Dr. Anne Anderson of Edmonton, who continues to reap the fruits of her efforts begun 16 years ago at launching Cree as a written language, says that her mother, baptized Betsy Anne Callioux by Father Lacombe in 1877, continues to be the strongest influence in her life.

"Because of her I came to love the Cree language also, and all the Indian cultural values. Although, I have Scotch ancestry and I am very proud of my father's side, my heart is Indian. The concerns of the Native people, the great concern I have to do what I can to keep the Cree language from dying out, these come from my mother.

"Before I tell you what has come about so far in teaching and writing the Cree language, let me tell you more about my mother and some of our early days in St. Albert.

"Betsy Callioux, a Cree Indian girl, married Jean Felix Callioux, one of the

French Iroquois who came west from Caghnawagha, near Montreal. Betsy and her sister Anne were orphaned at 5 and 3 years. Their mother passed away. They stayed with their grandmother, a tiny Cree woman called Much Woman, living at Lac Ste. Anne.

"Father Lacombe took the children to the Grey Nuns in St. Albert, where they were raised in the French language, taught to cook and sew and do Indian craft work. They were allowed to visit little Much Woman at Lac Ste. Anne on holidays and weekends. She gave them great love and devotion, told them stories of their mother and how Betsy had been born in a mountain pass and had been called Little Mountain Child because of this.

"Mother never forgot her grandmother, Much Woman. Years later when Betsy was married to William Gardner, with 10 children of her own to feed and living on a farm along the Sturgeon River, she would often go in the buggy to fetch Grandmother.

"It's our turn to keep Little Granny for awhile, children," she'd say. We children would fight over the pleasure of waiting on Little Much Woman. Who

would take her to the table? (Awena tato mechiso tahew?) Who would help to feed her? (Awena ta asumew ahkome?) Who would sit and talk with her? (Awena ta wetapimew to pekiskwatat?) Who will sit close and hold her hand? (Awena ta wetapimew ta sakichechnat?)

"This is how we were taught to love and respect our old folks, to share our meager living with them, to make them feel loved and wanted," says Dr. Anderson.

"Mother always grew a big garden. She was sturdy and energetic and loved her life. I was the oldest girl and worked along with her. We dressed chickens, printed butter, prepared vegetables to be sold at her stall in the Market Square in Edmonton. With the money she bought the other groceries we needed.

"Mother also worked along with father, making hay and looking after the cattle. They had many friends who came to visit. The Indian people would bring tanned hides to trade for fresh vegetables. They liked to eat them raw. Mother and father never turned anyone away from our home and were ready to help them no matter what their circumstances were.

## INDIAN TRANSPORTATION

A serial about Indian methods of transportation

## On the cart and wagon

By Terry Lusty  
(continued from last week)

So widely associated with the Metis, although other groups also used them, carts were pulled by a single horse or oxen. They proved invaluable in transporting, especially the heavy loads of the colossal buffalo hunts.

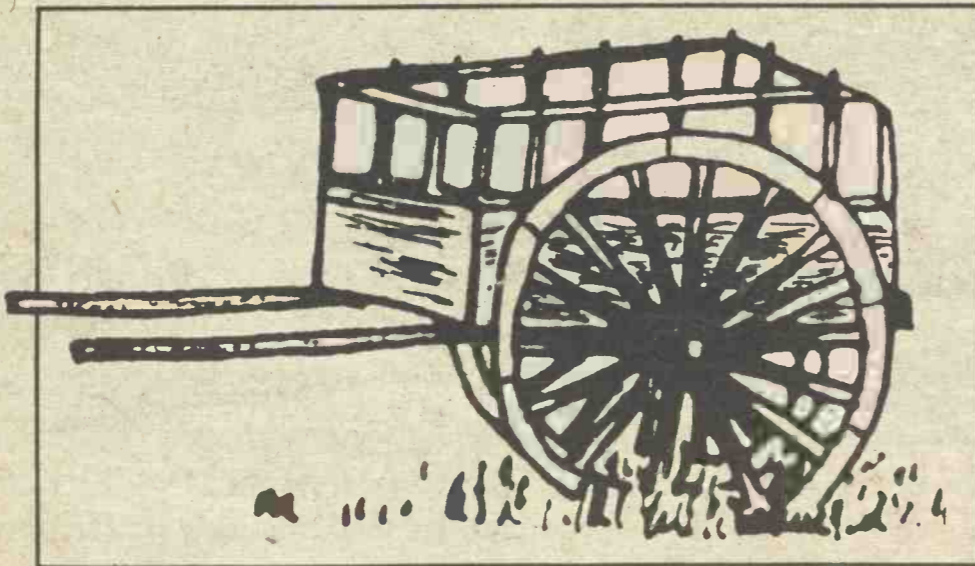
When rivers had to be crossed, the procedure was quite simple ... the disc-shaped wheels were removed and strapped to the bottom of the cart. This made it a bouyant and somewhat navigable cart very much like a raft with a box-like top.

The only two other crafts which were easily made for use on the frequented waterways were the log raft and the hide-bull boat.

Both of these will be dealt with in a future article on "Indian Transportation."

As a vehicle of transportation, carts were eventually replaced by steamboats and later, the locomotive. For many years, they provided not only a means by which to transport one's own goods but also those of the trading posts.

Craft drivers were greatly in demand throughout the 1800s and many Metis



**RED RIVER CART**  
...still used for various purposes

derived on income by hiring themselves out to various groups such as fur trade companies and businesses.

With the introduction of the steamship and the locomotive, the fate of the carts was sealed and they slipped into obscurity.

Their use was lessened through the advancement of technology. Such a transition was imminent given the changing culture of the western prairies of Canada.

As a successor of the Red River cart, these vehicles became a very common sight. They too were made of wood but utilized metal as well for the wheels and bolts.

Basically, the Bennett wagon was a long, rectangular box supported by a frame and wheels and

pulled by two horses. They were used for virtually everything and anything imaginable ... hauling feed for livestock, hauling wood or stones or transporting people.

Even today, they remain in use in some of the remote communities, as school buses such as at Fox Lake.

As well, a number of farmers continue to use the wagon for various purposes.

(In succeeding issues of Windspeaker historian Terry Lusty will focus on a number of inventions which were utilized for travel along the natural water routes that led to virtually every inhabited area of the country.)

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# North Country Fair has Native input

By Rocky Woodward

The North Country Fair held at Spruce Point Park, a short distance from the town of Kinuso, near Driftpile, Alberta, was a huge success, even though rain and strong winds were present on opening day, June 20.

This year the country-folk festival, had Native participation, co-ordinated by Dale Auger. It was the second year that the Folk Festival had Native participation.

Guests who performed at the Native Village were impressive.

Winston Wuttunee, although hired by the Folk Festival co-ordinating end of it, was not to be stopped as he performed at almost every entertainment tent, including the Native Village.

At the big tent, Winston Wuttunee brought down the roof with a great performance that saw a crowd of 500 people give him a standing ovation and scream for more.

The Native Village hosted

a variety of Native shows.

Entertainment was supplied by Native artists, Art Napoleon from British Columbia, dynamic Chuckie Beaver from Wabasca, Alberta, Terry Lusty of Edmonton, Winston Wuttunee and Harry Davis along with Native Nashville North prospect, Clarence Auger.

Martha Campiou Zarutsky co-ordinated a Native Fashion Design show. Her models, some of them for the first time had the opportunity to act while Fred

Campiou told an Indian legend.

Many people watched the young models go through a well prepared skit about a Chief who is approached by a young warrior bringing gifts of Indian blankets and other items to win one of the Chief's daughters.

All the girls modeled Indian designed garments. The skit ended with Marty Wakefield dressed in beautiful Native costume and telling the young warrior that she is not ready to marry.

Martha, along with the co-ordinating team of Fred Campiou and Dale Auger must be congratulated for a well organized show, which was appreciated by everyone.

Fred Campiou also brought with him to the festival, the Wsheesh Dance Group from Driftpile.

The traditional dances that took place were the most appreciated part of the Native Village's events and many people, even while other activities were going on, made their way to the tent to watch Native dancers perform and at one point, joined in.

Arts and crafts were available to purchase and one of the ladies taking care of the Native items was Rose Auger, who was celebrating a birthday.



MARK SCANIE  
...traditionally dressed

"Rose has just turned 25-years-old," said Winston Wuttunee and then he had everyone join in "Happy Birthday" for the Elder of the Driftpile area.

The Country Fair had people in their line-up such as Diamond Joe White, Colin James, Baby Gramps and Crooked Creek.

"We've had bad weather for awhile but it has turned out nice. I think the Native Village and the North country fair as a whole, will become bigger and better," commented Dale Auger.

The fair co-ordinator was Lynette Shultz.

One other group who produced powwow music for the traditional dancers was the Five Nations Drum Group of Edmonton.

Led by Jim Tobias they were a hit with the non-Native people who sat around to listen, even though no dances had taken place. Fred Campiou supplied the narration for the various dancers held, so people would understand more about Indian culture.

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	3rd Place	300.00	300.00
TEEN BOYS'	1st Place	\$250.00	\$250.00
	2nd Place	150.00	150.00
	3rd Place	75.00	75.00
TEEN GIRLS'	1st Place	\$250.00	\$250.00
	2nd Place	150.00	150.00
	3rd Place	75.00	75.00
8-12 BOYS'	1st Place	\$75.00	\$75.00
	2nd Place	50.00	50.00
	3rd Place	25.00	25.00
8-12 GIRLS'	1st Place	\$75.00	\$75.00
	2nd Place	50.00	50.00
	3rd Place	25.00	25.00
MENS' GRASS	1st Place	\$500.00	
	2nd Place	400.00	
	3rd Place	300.00	
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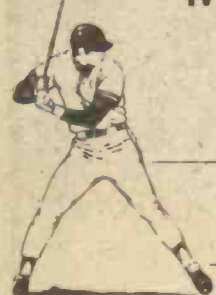
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# Many campfire stories

By Rocky Woodward

"Did you hear the one about the Indian telephone?" said Winston Wuttunee.

"When the voice comes over on the recorder that all lines are busy and please hold, you get to listen to Indian powwow music," he laughed.

At the North Country Fair, held on the weekend on June 20, co-ordinator Dale Auger, had two teepee's supplied for the use of his guests and entertainers that arrived for the annual celebration.

Right next to the teepee's was where we sat around a campfire, sometimes until early morning light over Lesser Slave Lake, gave a hint of another day beginning.

The North Country Fair was held at Spruce Point Park, near Kinuso, Alberta, and this year, the country and folk festival had Native participation.

It was the campfire talk that I appreciated. Especially, after a full day of walking throughout the entertainment grounds, eating great foods and enjoying the different artists as they performed.

Most people know Jim Tobais. When you look at Jim at first glance, you would possibly think he is very quiet, but when you get him around a campfire, his Native way shines and Jim becomes full of humor and great stories.

He told us of his trip to Los Angeles and how when you first see the city of stars, it is from six lane highway on a mountain top.

"It's straight down from there but you can see L.A. spread out for miles."

Jim had a humorous side also. While we jammed with our guitar's around the fire and after each ending of a song Jim would heckle.

Then he would say, "You know that I was going to be a professional heckler at one time?"

The next day when I was performing at the Native Village tent, there was Jim, with a big smile on his face. My audience consisted of three people, one sat there silently, Jim heckled and the other person applauded him.

That's not to say Jim did this out of spite. It was all in jest, at least he told me so.

Even Diamond Joe White sat with us and told a story about a pirate who had lost a leg, arm and one eye. A small boy asked the pirate how it all came about and it seems the pirate lost his leg from a cannon shell, his hand from a sword fight and his eye when he looked up at a seagull and you know what, hit him square in the eye.

"But how can you lose an eye from a seagull's droppings?" inquired the boy.

"Well," said the pirate, "It

was right after I lost my hand!"

The pirate's name must have been Captian Hook?? Then it was my turn.

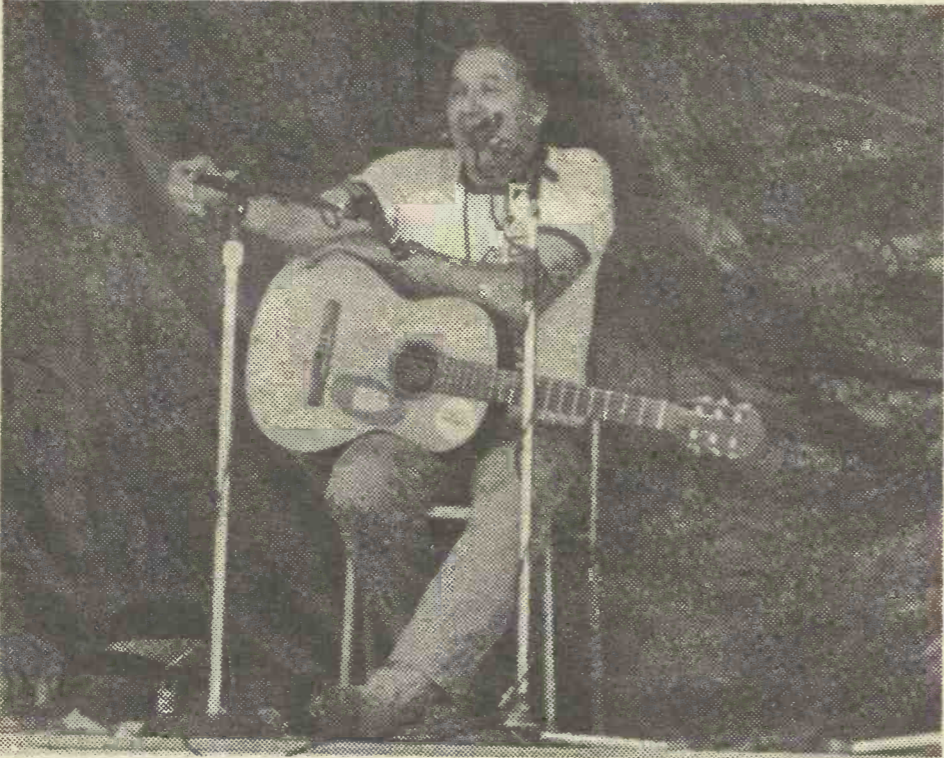
What do you hear when you receive a busy signal from the home of a Metis? Nitch...nitch...nitch.

And Winston Wuttunee's humorous tale of a small Metis dog that kept barking at his heels. Winston said he turned around

to scare the small dog and when he did, the dog backed up on its haunches and said ...Nitch!

Fred Campiou, Jim and Winston, Terry Lusty and everybody else that joined us at our fire, it was a pleasure laughing with you.

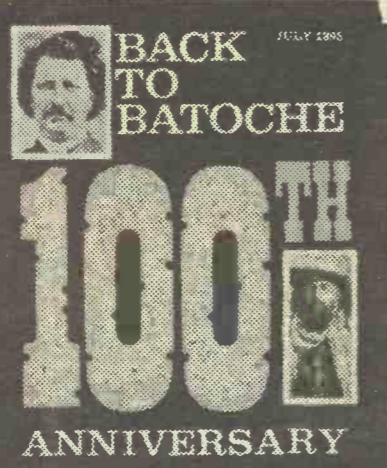
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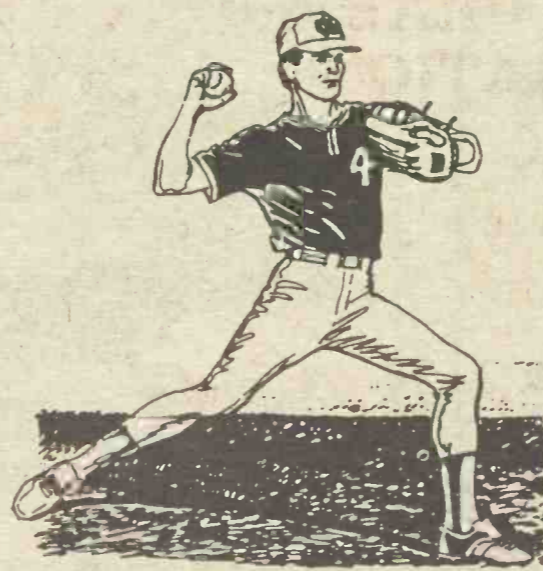
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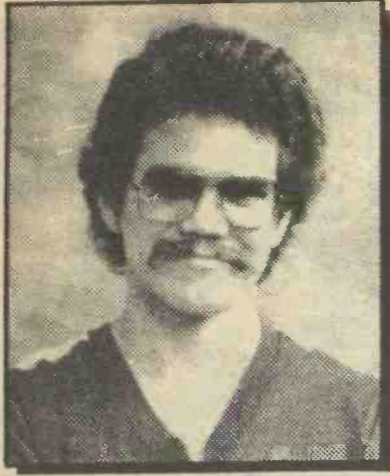
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**Sports Roundup**

**By Ivan Morin**

Hi! there. I have a new editor this week. Actually, we have two new editors this week. Rocky Woodward, and George Poitras are trying their hand at editing while Clint is off in Toronto attending the Native Business Conference. So far they seem to be doing a great job, if you can edit my writing you can edit anything.

I didn't attend anything to do with sports this weekend, because I went to the Alberta Native Princess Pageant. Talk about some good looking girls involved, and they were all pretty smart too. Not that I didn't expect them to be, because I already knew two of the girls and I knew they were both intelligent.

Congratulations to Roberta (Robbi) La France for winning the ageant, and to Carolyn Buffalo, and Sandra Eaglechild for being the runners-up. I'd like to say to all the girls, that you all did a great job.

Now onto the sports in your community.

**HEART LAKE** — Heart Lake held a softball tournament, June 21-22, managed to get some of the scores

from Simon Sparklingeyes. The Lasso Golden Eagles of Beaver Lake, took home the first place prize of \$1200, and the first place trophy at the tournament. They beat the Heart Lake Bombers 9-1, in a game which was said to be closer than what the score indicates.

Apparently the Bombers lost control in the last three innings.

They were only one run behind going into the sixth inning and all hell broke lose from there on in, as the Golden Eagles managed to score seven unanswered runs. "A few errors were made and nobody could seem to get a handle on the ball," says Simon.

On the "B" side, the Lac La Biche 36 Raiders won the finals over the Heart Lake Trappers, the score was 11-7. Balls were flying every which way but loose in this game. Over the fences, under the fences, around the fielders, over the fielders, and into parked cars. So, you know they had fun in that game.

The women played some good baseball too.

The Kikino Spartans came out on top in women's play, as they beat the Goodfish Lake Bravettes. Only four womens teams were there to play, although, a lot more registered, but due to weather conditions they didn't play.

Because of the shortage of teams they play a round robin series.

Individual trophy winners in the tournament were: Randy Erasmus, Laso Golden Eagles, Most Valuable Player, and Eugene Monias, of the Heart Lake Bombers, Most Sportsman Like Players.

In women's play it was Ella White of the Kikino Spartans winning the Most Valuable Player award, while Linda Jackson of Goodfish Lake picked up the

Most Sportsman Like Player award.

Heart Lake also had a horseshoe tournament on the weekend and Eugene and Willie Monias took home the top prize of \$150. Dennis and Freddy Gregoire took second place and \$100. Last place went to Peter Francis and Al Gregoire and they received \$50 and a trophy for their troubles.

Finally from Heart Lake, 12 year old, Terry Fossen, caught a whale of a pike to win the jackfish category in a fish derby which was held there. The fish weighed in at 11¼ pounds. If nothing else Terry will have one big fish story to tell.

**WINDSPEAKER/NATIVE PERSPECTIVE** — I just ran all over the office trying to find what everybody's kids are doing and it turns out most of them are involved in sports so here's a summary of what "our" kids are up to, or down to.

The first guy I checked on was John Copley who coaches the Beverly Bears of the city's Northeast Zone. John tells me his team has just won the zone playoffs and managed to take first place in their division. John has also been bragging to me about this kid he has pitching for him.

Clint Sinclair is 14 years old and is from the Goodfish Lake reserve. Clint has pitched in 15 games and won 12. He has an average of 14 strike outs per game and has a mean fastball. I'll try to get more on this kid in the future.

John's son Nick also plays for the Bears. He's their short stop, and John tells me the reason he has his kid playing short stop, is the same reason I used to play short stop. I'm short and I can stop a ball now and again. Actually, Nick plays a pretty good ball game. The most important person on the ball team is also one of John's son's and that's the Bat boy, Erich. Without Erich no one could hit the ball.

Shane Fayant, the son of "Windspeaker" Secretary, Barb Fayant, likes to play soccer. Shane plays for the Edmonton Dover Mini Mites.

Shane just suffered a heart breaker of a loss. They were playing for the right to play in the provincial finals and came up short on the score.

T.J. Woodward is a Lacrosse player with the West-end Lacrosse team. He has something to look forward to T.J. and his team mates left for Calgary, to take part in the provincial Lacrosse finals there, June 29 July 1.

Sirina Calahasen, daughter of Windspeaker Salesman, Dave Calahasen, plays for the Mayfield Community Ball team and they've just won the Northwest Zone Championships in the city. Sirina and her team will be playing in the city finals next weekend.

Sounds like the Windspeaker staff have a bunch of winner kids, eh?

**LETHBRIDGE** — The Friends In Sports games will be getting off the ground in Lethbridge on July 2. Windspeaker hopes to be there to give you a full report. Kids of all ages will be involved in Track and Field, baseball, softball, and a host of other activities. For more information you might want to call the Friendship Centre nearest to you, or you call me at 455-2700. You can even call collect!

Well that about does it for another Sports Roundup. And remember to KEEP SMILING, and show your friendly face.

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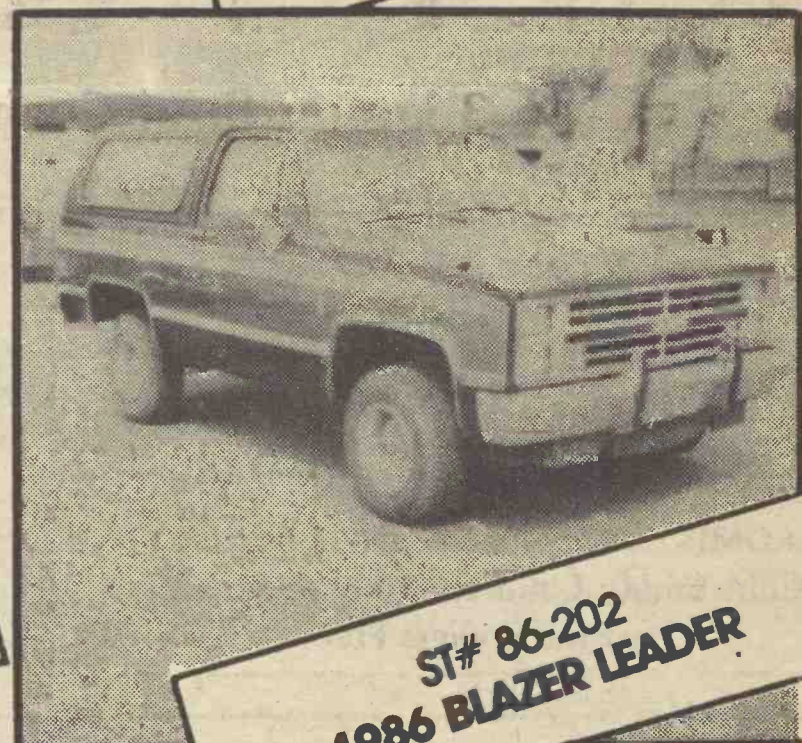
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# Students make Awasis Day happen



**DANCERS AND STUDENTS AT AWASIS SCHOOL**  
 ...Lionel Yellowbird leads children in traditional dance

**By Ivan Morin**

The Awasis Program at Prince Charles School in Edmonton held their Awasis Day on June 20.

Laura Okemaw, consultant with the program, says the day is held to give recognition to the Native students in the school, as well as other children involved in the Awasis program.

The Awasis Program was started in 1978 to develop an awareness of the Native Culture in Edmonton schools. The idea for Awasis Day began in 1981, and the event has been held annually since then.

Most of the work for this year's Awasis Day was done by the students themselves. The students set up the agenda, sent out invita-

tions and participated in various programs such as Native dancing, and making costumes, in preparation for Awasis Day.

Okemaw commented that the students in the Awasis Program participate in other Native programs and activities in Edmonton schools, such as the Ben Calf Robe School and the Sacred Circle Program.

Traditional dancer, Lionel Yellowbird, offered his expertise and spent a number of hours teaching the kids how to do traditional Native dances. The traditional dance lessons are a part of the normal curriculum at the Awasis Program.

Help came from other sources as well.

Mrs. Delphine Agecoutay has been teaching the

students how to make Native dance costumes and how to do various Native arts and crafts.

Teachers and parents made the bannock that was served during lunch, as well as providing other foods served for lunch.

Pearl Ducharme, cultural co-ordinator for the Awasis Program, says that more parents are becoming involved in the program, and they are trying to reach

as many Native organizations as they can to become involved.

The day ended with a round dance involving students, teachers, parents, and invited guests.

The Awasis Program is accepting registration for kindergarten in next year's program. For more information you can call the Prince Charles School at 455-5533.

## Seven more Natives graduate

**By Diane Parenteau**

HEINSBURG — On Friday, June 6th, the class of '86 graduated from the Heinsburg community school. The Heinsburg School is an integrated school for students from smaller outlying communities such as the Fishing Lake Settlement and Frog Lake Reserve.

The group of seven graduates included Kelly Car-

dinal from Fishing Lake; Faluan Faithful, Marlene Waskahat, and Randy Faithful from Frog Lake, and Tracy Betcher, Craig Horness and Duncan Osenchuk from Heinsburg.

The Community Hall in Heinsburg was the setting for the graduation ceremonies. Burgandy and pink flowers and streamers flowed down from the ceiling and bordered one wall displaying the theme "On The Road To Experience."

Immediately following supper, a toast to the teachers was given by grad Craig Horness. On behalf of the other grads, he thanked the teachers for their "effort and hard work." Heinsburg teacher Miss Carter replied, saying the experience was "always interesting with never a boring moment, "and with a chuckle declined to comment further.

Kelly Cardinal of Fishing Lake presented a toast to the parents.

"I'd like to extend my thanks and appreciation for their love and understanding...they have made the

day possible."

With the supper and toasts aside, all in attendance moved into the next room for the graduation exercises. Master of Ceremonies Laverne Tuilson introduced each grad as they in turn, took their places in front of the crowd.

Graduand Duncan Osinchuk recited a well known poem written by Robert Frost entitled "The Road Not Taken." Following the singing of the theme song by Grade 9 student Lisa Labine, R.W. Henduks, school vice-principal, was called up to remark on the year's grads. He reminded them of their intelligence, adding, "It's in your hands to improve things."

As in previous year's a presentation was made to Northland School Division students completing Grade 12. This year Northland representative Viola Dumont presented Fishing Lake student Kelly Cardinal with an award for her graduation accomplishment.

Validictorian Tracy

Betcher gave a moving address citing the parent, teachers and friends as instruments of their success. She spoke fondly of each grad, asking for "no farewell tonight" as she wiped away a tear.

Graduation scrolls were presented to each grad by super-intendent of schools C. Haydn-Jones.

Guest speaker Adrian Kiss complimented the students, adding some advice and congratulations. He was presented with a token of appreciation by grad Randy Faithful.

At the close of the exercises, grads were again individually named and applauded.

The grand march took place an hour later with grads and their escorts entering and taking part in the first dance. A night of dancing followed, with music supplied by past graduates of Heinsburg School, the Wildwood Band.

Congratulations and Best of Luck to the class of '86.

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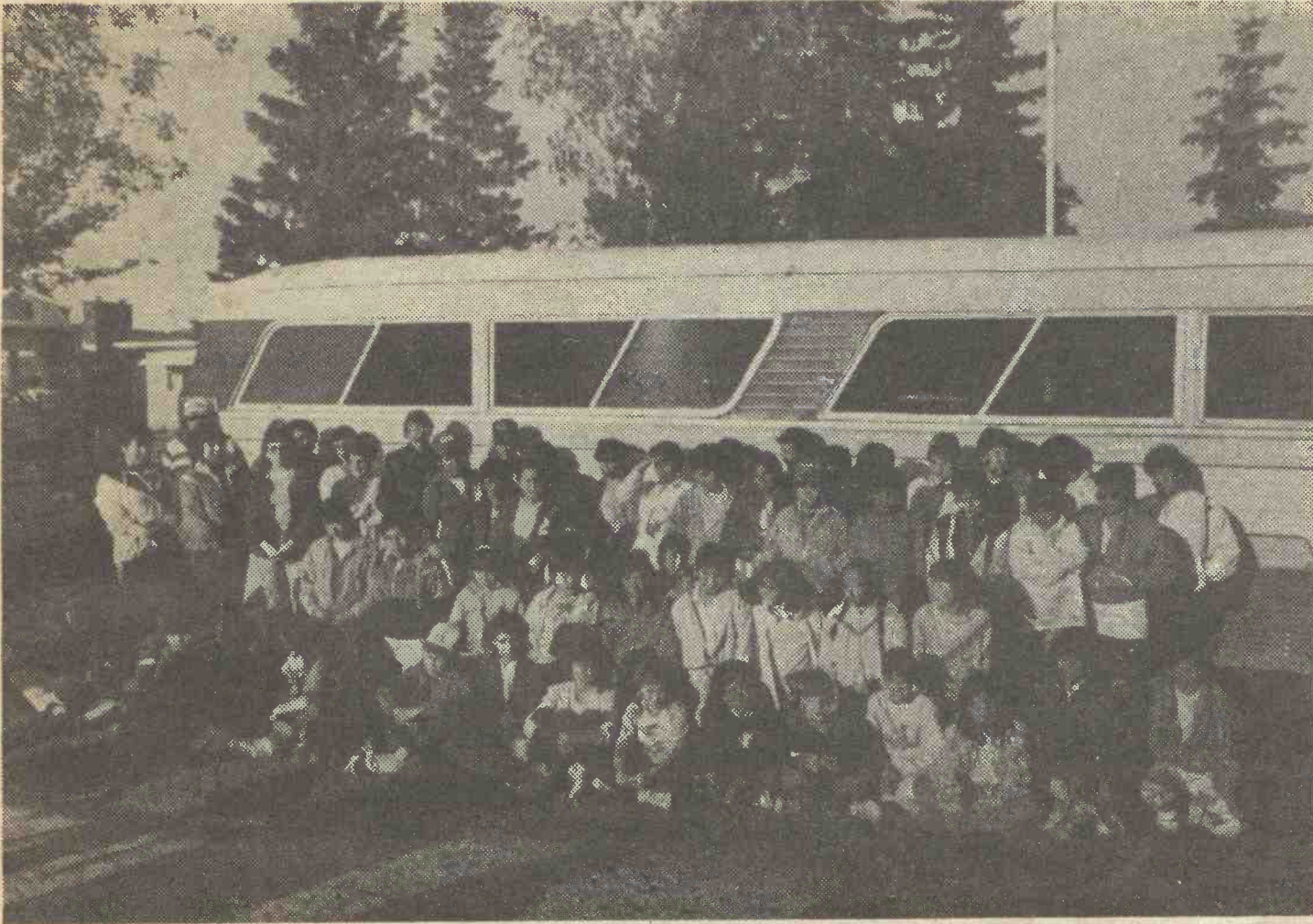
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**VISITING STUDENTS FROM ELIZABETH SETTLEMENT  
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## Metis students visit city

By Terry Lusty

An annual field trip for students from the Elizabeth Metis Settlement School on June 12 and 13 saw 57 students, 11 parents, and 5 teachers converge on the city of Edmonton in two large charter buses.

During its first day, the group visited the Provincial Museum where a touring Metis display from Calgary's Glenbow Museum is the featured attraction. Also visited was the Strathcona Science Park with its Archeological Centre and the Natural Resources Science Centre.

The youngsters were able to slot into a more comfortable atmosphere with their arrival at St. Pius X School where the Ben Calf Robe School Program played host to the visitors.

The program's coordinator, Garry Neault, started the evening with a sweet-grass smudge which was followed by a welcome dance. After everyone had formed a huge circle that took up the entire gym, everybody made the rounds, shaking hands with everyone else.

The school principal for St. Pius, Michael Moschulski, greeted the crowd, saying he was "thankful that everyone arrived safely."

Neault had words for the

group, too. Providing a background on the Ben Calf Robe Program, he called it a "special school" which was needed to avoid discrimination and to assist Natives by whatever support were required.

Further to this, Neault told of how the program "began in '81 to answer the needs of Native people, to correct the dropout rate, and to provide identity." He reminded the students of how tough it is to find jobs and that this is even truer for those without an education or a skill. "Don't be that percentage and drop out 'cause there's nothing out there for you" if you do, he continued.

To add weight to his message, Neault informed the group that parents are returning to school for an education today because there just isn't any work for them with what little education they have.

Some of the visiting students were members of the settlement's two square dance groups. The Petite Dancers, aged seven to 10, performed fine dances including the ever-traditional and popular "Red River Jig." Last summer, at Batoche, they captured second place in competition and that was their first try in competition.

The more senior group, the Junior Settler Dancers,

aged 10-13 demonstrated "Drops of Brandy" and the "Reel of Eight." The caller was Pat Swan who, along with Dorothy Collins, instructs the young dancers.

In return, the Ben Calf Robe powwow group provided some exhibition dancing including the girls' fancy dance.

To round out the evening, many joined in the owl dance. The host drum was a combination of the Five Nations and the Ben Calf Robe Singers.

The visitors spent the night at St. Gabriel's School.

Next morning, they were up and about to tour the Edmonton Space Sciences Centre. After that, they only had time to eat lunch before returning home. They stopped for a smorgasborg at the Londonderry Hotel.

School principal Gerald Letal was impressed with his students' behavior. He said that the costs for the trip were covered by funds raised by the parents, Soars Lakes Cattleman's Association, Pimee, Was-kaheyigan, and the Settlement Council.

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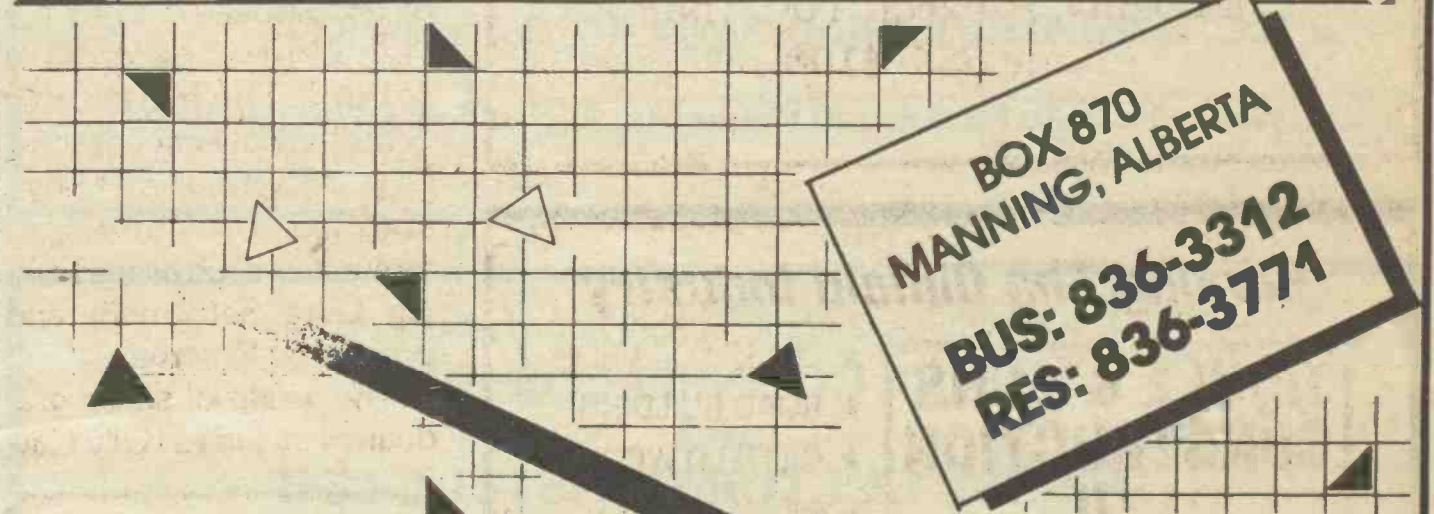
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● **Alexis Band Rodeo,** July 26 & 27. For information call 967-2225, Alexis Reserve.

● **Ponoka Stampede,** June 27 - July 2. For information call 783-5561 or 783-6050, Ponoka.

● **Canadian Professional Baseball School,** June 28 & 29. For information call Reggie or Robert at 585-3793, Samson Band, Hobbema.

● **Saddle Lake Annual Powwow,** June 27, 28 & 29, Saddle Lake.

● **Alexis Baseball Tournament,** June 28 & 29, Alexis Reserve.

● **1986 Rose McGilvery Road Race,** June 29 at 9:00 a.m., Saddle Lake Reserve.

● **United Native Nations (UNN) 10th Annual Assembly,** July 2-6, Smithers, B.C., at the Civic Centre. For information call 604-732-3726.

● **Poundmakers/Nechi Powwow,** July 4, 5 & 6, Poundmakers/Nechi Lodge, Edmonton.

● **8th Annual Assiniboine Sports and Cultural Celebrations,** July 11, 12 & 13, Alexis Reserve.

● **Cold Lake First Nations Treaty Celebrations,** July 18, 19 & 20, Cold Lake First Nations Reserve.

● **Alexis Full Gospel Outdoor Camp Meeting,** July 18-27. Everyone welcome, Alexis Reserve.

● **Big Horn Appaloosa Horse Show,** July 19 & 20 at the Panee Memorial Centre, Hobbema. For information call Vern Spence at 585-3884.

● **River Boat Daze & Annual Trade Show,** July 25-27, Slave Lake.

● **Kehewin Annual Pilgrimage,** August 1, 2 & 3, Kehewin.

● **Cold Lake First Nations Baseball Tournament,** August 1, 2 & 3. August 1, there will be a bingo; August 2 & 3 the baseball tournament will be underway, and a dance on August 2 from 9:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m. For more information call Armond Martial at 594-7183.

● **Saanich Powwow,** August 2. Call 604-753-8291, Tillicum Haus Native Friendship Centre, Victoria, B.C.

● **Grouard Metis Heritage Days,** August 2, 3 & 4. For information call Jenny Goulet at 751-3938.

● **North American Indian Classic Rodeo,** August 7, 8, 9 & 10 at the Panee Memorial Centre, Hobbema. For information call 585-3884.

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## Program creates positive image

By Terry Lusty

An education program for Native youth in the city which was designed to create "a positive self-image and a knowledge of their past" is alive and well.

The AWASIS Programs Society of the Edmonton Public School Board had its origins in 1978 when parents and grandparents in the city became increasingly concerned and set about to better the education of their children.

At the time, Native people felt that the continuing failure of their children in the school system was "not due to a lack of their ability" but a lack of curriculum and programming which could meet their needs. AWASIS claims that about "91 per cent of Native children quit school before completion of Grade 12."

Since 1978, the program has moved through several phases beginning at the Kindergarten level, then moving on up to include Grade 1, and onward so that it now encompasses all grades right up to Grade 6.

Operating out of Prince Charles Elementary School, the program boasts an enrollment of approximately 153 Natives and 51 non-Natives. It provides an environment that "touches at the roof of the problem ... student's identity and self-esteem."

The school's principal, Dave Forster, credits much of the program's progress to George Van Horne, the associate superintendent of the school division, for the vitality he has injected and for moving toward the development of curricular materials.

Today, AWASIS has on staff a cultural co-ordinator in the person of Pearl Ducharme from Goodfish Lake, and Laura Okemaw of Grouard who is their curriculum developer. Ducharme has been with AWASIS for about five years and Okemaw, for about four. The establishment, however, of someone to specifically address the area of curriculum is quite recent and Okemaw has been filling that role as of February of this year.

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Other fulltime Native staff are Carol Bunning from Hinton, Trudy Thiele of Edmonton, and Thelma Murphy from Gleichen. Ducharme was hired on as the cultural co-ordinator last fall with the duty of incorporating Native culture into the curriculum. Beadwork has become part of the art program and Native dance is part of the physical education program.

The principal thinks that "cultural kinds of things should be happening in all schools" because it is part of our history. In his view, "every AWASIS student should receive language instruction" and, "there should be a clear understanding of culture throughout the curriculum" for the whole school.

In speaking with Forster, it becomes abundantly clear that he wholeheartedly supports Native culture and curriculum in the system. He points out that "the ultimate goal, as I see it, is to develop kids who are capable and comfortable to fit into both societies" — Native and non-Native.

In order to help effect this environment, Okemaw, through the Languages Branch, was assigned the task of developing some Cree language materials and will have those ready for this fall at the Kindergarten and Grade 1 levels. Eventually, it is hoped that language instruction will include all grades up to and including grade six. The principal says they are shooting for this goal to be in place by 1991.

Forster elaborated on the use of Cree in the school. He offers a positive perspective of language inclusion saying, "a lot of kids will demonstrate a lower ability in the English language but, once they are at the Grade 4 to 6 level, this shifts" and the students have the capacity to handle both Cree and English. It can be equated with the French immersion language program in which

students become fluent in two languages.

As for the cultural component, co-ordinator Ducharme states that she would like to get names of different groups and people — singers, drummers, bead and dance instructors, etc. — who may be willing to assist AWASIS as volunteer resource people, "We depend on these people" and we also need "Elders willing to assist in any way with children," she said. Although some parents are helping out, there is always the need for more.

While the language focus is on Cree, Ducharme does not want the public to be misled into thinking that the AWASIS cultural component is strictly Cree oriented. She admits that there is, perhaps, more emphasis on Cree because of the dominance of this group in the Edmonton area, but it does not preclude some direction towards other tribes.

It was noted that the students population of AWASIS includes, apart from the Cree, such cultures as Sioux, Blackfoot, Stoney, Chipewyan, Ojibwa, Mohawk, and Carrier.

Okemaw agrees that "you have to have the input of the Elders. We have so much influence from the (dominant) society, we need Elders to bring in the traditional values."

AWASIS does, occasionally, have Elders come in to teach the meanings of symbolism," explained Okemaw, "such as the use of sweetgrass." She says that her job has proven to be "challenging and a learning process" for her.

The AWASIS program is funded by the Edmonton Public School Board and special events, such as last Friday's "AWASIS Days," received financial assistance from Native Affairs Secretariat as do some of their student field trips. AWASIS may be contacted by phoning 455-5533.

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# Students dance and feast

By Albert Crier

With the month of June marking the end of another school year for thousands of students and parents, a group of individuals organized and held special events to recognize the efforts of those students enrolled in schools in Edmonton.

A ceremonial feast and traditional round dance was held in honor of all students enrolled in the education system in Edmonton, from pre-school to post-secondary, at the Ben Calf Robe School on June 19.

"We wanted to do something to encourage Native students attending schools in the urban area," said Ernie Cardinal, who along with Lloyd Auger and Eric Cardinal organized the event.

By all signs, the 1986 school year shows the largest number of students graduating at all levels of the school system, throughout

the province.

One speaker congratulating students, said, "recognition is needed for those students in the urban area, who may not have a Native community to identify with."

Also honored were teachers, counsellors and other support staff.

As part of the evening program, students from each level of learning were asked to stand before an Elder. Different individual Elders then gave encouraging advice, praised the students efforts and led a special prayer on behalf of the students. The Elder then led a traditional honorary round dance, followed by students from each particular level of learning, who were in turn joined by relatives and friends from the crowd in attendance.

The special round dance was held for; pre-school and elementary; junior high school; high school; post-



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secondary (college, vocational and trade schools, and universities) and educators and support staff.

Prominent guests who came to give their support to urban Native students included: Percy Potts, Treaty 6 vice president of the IAA; Dr. Anne Anderson; Father Gauthier and

Mattie McNeil, president of the U of A Native Students Club.

"We hope to make this an annual event, with awards of recognition to be included in future honor round dances for students," said Eric Cardinal. Cardinal as master of ceremonies for the evening.

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