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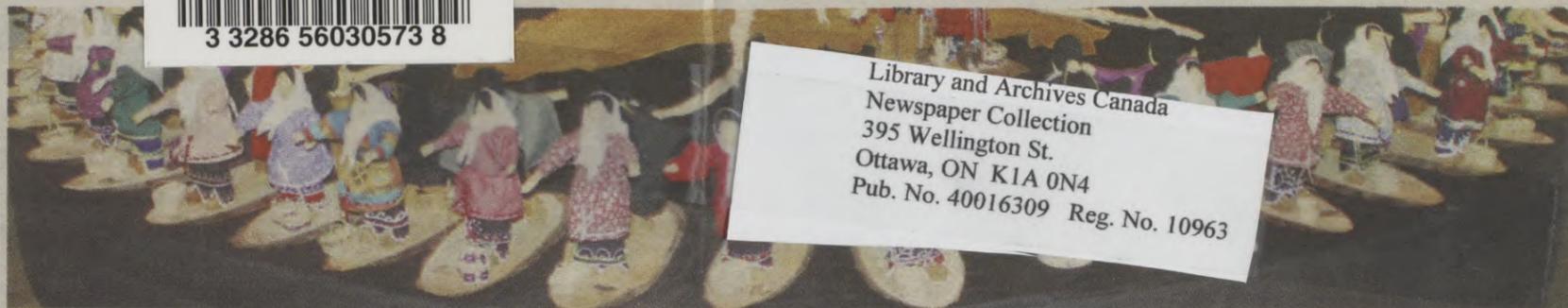
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Pageant committee depicts the life of the Peacemaker in forest theatre

By Donna Duric
Writer

It was a magical night; a journey back in time, as the legendary tale of the Peacemaker was told through a charming and enchanting play put on by the Six Nations Forest Theatre Pageant last weekend. It is perhaps one of the most important and significant stories in the annals

of First Nations history, as it chronicles how the Haudenosaunee people came to unite as one Confederacy of Five Nations, banding together as allies to strengthen itself against enemies both domestic and

messages of righteousness, health, power and peace. The Tree of Peace is a beautiful white pine strategically located on the grassy stage and spiky wooden posts encircle the outdoor space throughout the performance, adding to the already hypnotic sense of



Pageant theatre actors dance to the traditional music provided by the Old Mush Singers at the Forest Grounds Friday evening. (Photos by Donna Duric)

and the tranquil setting made for historically-authentic and serene cinematography.

The opening narration instructs the audience that the play intends to convey a factually correct, historical depiction of Haudenosaunee people, who were not the primitive, "savage" people portrayed by mainstream European settlers. Playwright Wilma Green also intends to use her story, the Journey of the Peacemaker, as a way to remind Six Nations people of the importance of keeping the high standards of Haudenosaunee culture alive.

Clever lighting and movements show characters morphing from one form to the next, as Tadodaho receives the Peacemaker's message and his heart and

mind are renewed after spending years as the embodiment of evil, a hindrance to the peace of the nations, before transforming and becoming the first Grand Chief of the Five Nations.

At long last, peace comes to the people. Viewers are left swept up in a tide of emotions as they ponder the tale of immense transformation, from war to peace, the rainbow after the storm, the view from the mountain after wandering in the darkness of the valley.

Brett Miller played the role of the Peacemaker. An experienced actor, who has performed on stage in Brantford, he executes his role with ease, confidence and authenticity. Miller is perfectly cast to play the role of Peacemaker, with his

impressive stature, range of emotion, and full immersion in the character, he helps viewers understand the Journey of the Peacemaker by becoming a modern-day embodiment of a character that exists only in our minds.

It was the first year for the pageant's new board of directors, made up of Edward "Bernie" Garlow, James Hill, Judy Henhawk-Sault, and Kateri Honoyust. Viewers would never know with the perfect execution of the play that this was a novice team of directors.

Next year will mark the pageant's 65th year and will focus on the story of Emily C. General, the founder of the Six Nations pageant.

Performances continue this weekend at the pageant grounds on Seneca Road.



Actors do a traditional dance in front of a house depicting the times of when the Peacemaker came to bring his message.

costumes, actors of all ages young and old put on convincing performances as villagers going about their daily lives, sometimes peacefully, sometimes suffering, before the Peacemaker arrives with his

time travel for audience members.

With the sky as the ceiling, the forest as the walls, and the grass as the floor, the play transports viewers back in time to when nature was everyone's home,

McHale to pay

Turtle Island News has won a small claims court suit dismissed by protester Gary McHale. A Cayuga court has ordered

McHale to pay costs after dismissing a suit against Turtle Island News. McHale had launched a \$25,000 defamation suit against Turtle Island

News in small claims court. A settlement hearing was held last Thursday. McHale failed to show and the court withdrew the suit. Costs

were assessed against McHale. Turtle Island News Editor Lynda Powless said she was pleased the court awarded

the costs, it is unusual for costs to be assessed. "We were prepared to defend the newspaper," she said.

Confederacy to get lease moneys for secret solar farm approval

By Donna Duric
Writer

Construction started three weeks ago on a 345-acre solar farm on unceded Six Nations lands west of Hagersville, after the Haudenosaunee Development Institute (HDI) gave the green light to go ahead.

The project went forward with the company, First Solar, following HDI policies and procedures, including payment of the HDI's \$7,000 application fee.

But the company has also consulted with band council, says Peter Carrie, vice-president of Sarnia-based First Solar Development Canada Inc.

Six Nations Band Council has not publically announced what agreement it has come to.

The 20-megawatt solar farm is located in the eastern portion of the former City of Nanticoke on Concession Road 12.

It is expected to go on line

in December and will power 2,800 homes.

First Solar Development Canada constructs solar panels, puts them in place, and then sells them. General Electric and Alterra Power Corporation will assume ownership of the solar farm once the project is complete.

Carrie says it followed the HDI's procedures since the beginning stages of the project four years ago and did an archeological assessment on the land, which was also overseen by the HDI.

"There's been quite a bit of ongoing dialogue," said Carrie. "We have good relationships with Aaron (Dellor lawyer) and Hazel (Hill HDI executive director) and the crew at the HDI. The HDI supports the project."

The HDI reviewed the project, provided comments and participated in the archeological review, as well, he said.

First Solar has also made an effort to employ Six Nations people during the construction phase, he said.

"First Solar has a policy to try to maximize the employment opportunities for First Nations people with our contractors and subcontractors," said Carrie.

The company did not negotiate any profit-sharing avenues with the HDI, he said. The land where the solar panels will be located was a private farm land that they purchased, said Carrie. During the archeological studies on the site, scatterings of stone tools and arrowheads were found.

"There were some areas of the site where the scatters were quite extensive and we changed the layout of the solar (panels) on the site to avoid areas of significance," said Carrie. "There were some smaller sites where they decided to excavate the artifacts and protect them. That was all



First Solar already has frames in place. (Photo by Chase Jarrett)

done with the First Nations archeological monitors on the site at all times."

Currently, workers are in the process of putting up perimeter fencing, construction access roads and posts where the solar frames will be mounted.

Carrie says the electricity would go into the provincial grid and because of the location of the project the power could end up in some Six Nations homes.

Hill confirmed First Solar paid the application fee and the two have been working

cooperatively for the past two years.

"They have provided funding to the Haudenosaunee Confederacy Council Chiefs (HCCC) through an agreement with HDI to support our archaeology study and training centre that we have been operating for over a year now," said Hill.

Hill provided an update on First Solar to Confederacy Chiefs Saturday.

She asked the chiefs for approval to use a portion of \$90,000 in lease money generated from the project

towards restoration of the lands at Kanonhstaton (the former Douglas Creek Estates housing development in Caledonia).

"The HDI has followed through with the original instructions of the people that was mandated through our council that there will be no surrender of lands and that there will be financial compensation through a lease," she said. "We (will) take a portion of those lease dollars and direct them at ecological restoration and protection of the lands at Kanonhstaton."

She said remediation measures include restoring the land to its "original state" before the subdivision was built and removing the burnt out trailer that sits at the front of the property on Highway Six. Chiefs accepted her report and will discuss the next steps at next month's Confederacy meeting.

Enbridge pipeline to cut through Six Nations unceded lands

By Donna Duric
Writer

A representative of Enbridge says it has consulted with Six Nations on its proposed Line 9 reversal, which cuts through the Haldimand Tract, but the Haudenosaunee Development Institute (HDI) says it has been left out of those consultations.

The National Energy Board recently approved the reversal of a crude oil pipeline that cuts through the Haldimand Tract near Cambridge and runs from Sarnia to Montreal. Hazel Hill, interim director of the HDI, says they received notice of the project last fall and sent the company information on its policies and procedures but never heard back from them.

An Enbridge spokesperson says the company is aware the proposed Line 9 pipeline cuts through unceded Six

Nations territory and that is has consulted extensively with Six Nations political leaders.

"That's an important part of the project planning and development for any project along the right of way," said Graham White during a telephone interview last Tuesday. "We did engage (with Six Nations). We have to, but we also want to. We consulted with the (HDI) on behalf of the Confederacy Chiefs Council. The consultation, as far as we're concerned, will continue."

He said Enbridge has also been consulting with the Chippewas of the Thames and Oneida First Nations near London, Ont.

Hill says the HDI was never consulted on the project. "There's been nothing. We sent them correspondence and we sent them the required application. We sent them correspondence to ad-

vice that they were infringing on our treaty rights and we haven't had anything from Enbridge. He's a liar. There's been no engagement with them."

The NEB has said they are satisfied that Enbridge has engaged aboriginal communities along the route, says White, but Enbridge wants to take it a step further and continue with the consultation process.

"We are committed to ongoing communications throughout the life of the project and after as requested and as appropriate."

To Enbridge, proper consultation entails doing what the regulator tells them and having face-to-face dialogue.

"To us, it's very much about having face-to-face meetings with aboriginal representatives in their communities. Also, we

have open houses and encourage them to attend those as much as possible.

It's really as much engagement is required and appropriate for the regulators and the aboriginal communities."

If Six Nations says no to the project, Enbridge says it will encourage the community to approach regulators with its concerns so, "we can address those concerns through the proper channels."

He roughly estimates pipeline reversal construction will begin in late 2013 if the project goes forward as planned.

White insists the pipeline is safe.

"They're very safe. We transport 2.5 million barrels of oil and hydrocarbon products on a daily basis across North America with a more than 99.99 per cent success rate. Certainly we

do have events and they've received a tremendous amount of attention."

One of those events was a highly-publicized pipe rupture in 2010. The rupture, which went undetected for 17 hours, spilled more than 20,000 barrels of heavy crude into Michigan's Kalamazoo River. Enbridge was subsequently heavily criticized for its handling of the spill by the National Transportation Safety Board.

"Since then we have made tremendous improvement in all areas of our operations, including pipeline integrity, leak detection, monitoring, a new, upgraded control centre to monitor lines and our emergency response (system) has been greatly enhanced", says White.

But, just two weeks ago, Enbridge's Line 14 ruptured in Wisconsin, leaking more than 1,000 barrels of crude

oil into nearby fields. The line has since been shut-down and denied approval to restart by U.S. regulators.

Hill says the HDI and Confederacy will be reviewing the project in the near future and will follow up with Enbridge on the consultation issue, too.

The company's track record of spills is a concern to Hill. "That is a very big concern. Big corporations continue to draw the resources and take from the earth but they don't think about the impacts on the rest of the environment."

Turtle Island News attempted to reach Enbridge again to get clarification on its assertion it consulted with the HDI, but calls were not returned.

Band Council has not responded to requests from The Turtle Island News asking if Enbridge has consulted with them.

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Feather in courts

Brantford Courts have officially adopted the use of an eagle feather in proceedings where Onkwehonwe people are involved. The decision came after a Brantford Justice of the Peace and Brantford Native Housing started pushing for the idea to be accepted at the courts as an example of exercising cultural sensitivity toward native people in the justice system. Haudenosaunee people can now use the eagle feather while testifying instead of swearing on a Bible or simply making an affirmation of telling the truth. Onondaga Chief Arnie General said at Saturday's Confederacy meeting that he supports the move. "I think in a sense it's more of a sense of respectability towards our culture. They are starting to realize we are not the same as European people. We have a different concept on the honesty we put out there."

Six Nations Police warn public stray dog bites increasing

By Donna Duric
Writer

Six Nations Police are tackling the issue of stray dogs in the village after one too many bites were reported to them this summer.

Since June, police have received 13 dog-related calls and four of them involved actual bites to people walking in the village. Those statistics just include calls to Six Nations police, and don't include the number of calls reported to the animal control officer.

To Six Nations Police Chief Glenn Lickers, that's "four dog bites too many."

The incidents have prompted him to initiate a public education campaign aimed at ensuring dog owners do not let their pets run loose in the village. In a letter distributed to village residents last Thursday, Lickers warns pet owners that police are

cracking down on stray dogs or dogs running loose in the public.

"Because of the number of incidents and the risk posed to the general public, the Six Nations Police Service will be working with the Animal Control Officer to manage this risk," reads the letter. "Most dog owners tend to be responsible, ensuring their pets are loved, vaccinated and kept under control. There are, however, some that are negligent in their responsibilities. These individuals need to be aware that they can be held civilly and even criminally responsible for the actions of their dogs."

If the incidents continue, Lickers says police may start laying charges on owners whose dogs cause injuries to innocent people as a result of an attack.

"Police will now have to consider laying charges in

relation to dog bites/attacks," reads the letter.

"We don't want to but if have to, we will," says Lickers.

The local dog by-law states that owners could be on the hook for a \$500 fine should they be charged.

In a recent safety survey put out to residents of the village, stray dogs or dogs running at large were identified as the number one safety concern, say police. "Stray or ownerless dogs pose a threat to people and other dogs," says the letter. "The chance of attack and spread of disease are increased with strays."

About a month ago, a child was bitten by a dog while walking through the village and one of the four recent bites reported to police required stitches. With the risk of contracting rabies from stray dogs, that

makes the situation even more unacceptable to Lickers.

"The victims of the bites tend to be children," he said.

The education campaign is just the beginning of a long-term effort the police will undertake jointly with band council and the Six Nations Animal Control Officer.

"We can't just dump this on the animal control guy," says Lickers.

Last Thursday, police went to homes where people had issues with dogs, whether they were bitten or were the owners of a dog that was responsible for a bite. Police didn't intend to charge anyone but wanted to give them a heads up on the new education campaign, says Lickers.

And the problem isn't just confined to the village, he says. It extends to the

whole territory but the police and animal control officer don't have the resources to deal with stray dogs throughout the reserve.

"We're not downplaying the issue of stray dogs outside the village. But the people living outside the village do have the opportunity...if (they) feel it's a risk, (they) can shoot that dog. People outside the village have some recourse."

Lickers says people are within their rights to shoot a threatening dog if they live in rural areas of the territory without fear of being charged with animal cruelty. Civil suits, however,

may be a risk if the owner of the dog that was killed decides to pursue them. He doesn't recommend shooting dogs in the village because of how built up it is and the potential for a stray bullet hurting a

human being in the area is high. Police mostly deal with after-hours calls regarding dogs because the animal control officer usually works days.

Lickers says three of the four dogs involved in the recent bites have been accounted for, but they haven't tracked down the fourth dog. That concerns him, he says, because nobody knows where the dog is or if it carries any diseases, such as rabies.

Lickers recommends seeking medical attention immediately after receiving a dog bite.

For information on rabies and what to do if bitten visit www.cdc.gov/rabies.

The Six Nations Animal Control Officer was not able to speak to the Turtle Island News about stray dogs citing restrictions issued by council to not speak with the media.

Six Nations Police Briefs



MAN CHARGED WITH CARELESS DRIVING

A two vehicle accident last Wednesday on Fourth Line Road at about 1 p.m. saw a driver charged with careless driving when, police said, a grey Ford Taurus sedan rear-ended a dark green Chevy Tracker.

Police said five people were involved in the accident. There were no injuries, but police said some of the occupants were sent to hospital as a precaution. The driver of the Ford Taurus, whose name was not released by police, has been charged with Careless Driving.



Arson suspected in old school burning

Six Nations Police say arson is suspected in a fire set at the old School 11 on Cayuga Road last Thursday that caused minimal damage to the empty structure.

The investigation is still on going. No one was hurt in the fire; the windows were boarded.

Men's Fire may seek Lystek injunction

By Donna Duric
Writer

Members of the Six Nations Men's Fire paid a visit to Southgate Council last week in protest of a proposed sludge plant development at the head of the Grand River.

Men's Fire member Bill Monture says they went to inform the council that Six Nations owns the land where the sludge plant is located and that they are against the conversion of sludge into fertilizer on property where they fear it could leach into the Grand River.

"They're doing all these dealings, yet nobody's coming and talking to Six Nations. That land title still remains with us."

Monture also says Southgate Council was aware the land is unceded Six Nations land but did not consult with Six Nations before giving sludge plant operator Lystek International permits to conduct operations there.

"He (Southgate Mayor Brian Milne) got caught with his foot in his mouth," says Monture. "When we asked him about knowing if this was Six Nations land...you should have seen the look on his face, he swallowed really hard and his face got red."

Lystek is at the centre of a protest initiated by Southgate residents who appealed to Six Nations residents Ruby and Floyd Montour for help this past March. Protesters believe the project is harmful to human and environmental health. They blocked entrance to construction of the plant in March but a permanent injunction issued two weeks ago has kept them off since.

Monture says the Men's Fire will be "keeping an eye" on the project and is considering getting an injunction against Lystek to prevent them from continuing with construction. Construction on the centre



Six Nations people and friends attend a Southgate Council meeting. (Submitted photo)

has resumed in accordance with the court order but the company is still waiting for final approval from the Ministry of the Environment before it can proceed with converting sludge to fertilizer. Kevin Litwiller, manager of business development for Lystek, says he expects construction to be complete before the end of the year.

Meanwhile, the Men's Fire submitted a laundry list of written questions to South-

gate Township asking why they did not consult with Six Nations before approving the project. They also declared that Six Nations will not accept the development of the project until its claim to the land near Dundalk, Ont., where the plant is located, is finalized.

Turtle Island News attempted to reach Southgate Mayor Brian Milne but calls were not returned by press time.

Draft letter to band council

The Confederacy is drafting a letter reminding band council about the eight points of jurisdiction as a response to a letter band council sent in May about the Samsung green energy project. Band council made a deal with Samsung to build the green energy park without Confederacy input or approval. Band Council is asking for the Confederacy's support in the agreement it made with Samsung. Hazel Hill, Haudenosaunee Development Institute (HDI) Interim Director, said the Confederacy is still trying to draft an appropriate response but the letter will include mention of the eight points of jurisdiction. The Confederacy Council outlined what it said were its eight issues it maintained jurisdiction over, including land and treaty rights, ceremonies, resources, justice and others to band councils in the 1990s.

Cornhusk Confederacy debuts at Woodland Culture Centre

By Chase Jarrett
Writer

Elizabeth "Betts" Doxtator has created what Naomi Johnson calls a "perfect fit" for Woodland's Planet IndigenUS exhibition.

The exhibit is called "Encircles Everything." In Mohawk it is called "Teiotiokwaonhaston" and in Cayuga it is called "Deyodyogwaohahs:doh."

The confederacy council and the Peacemaker are rendered completely in corn-



Betts has been working to hand craft all of the dolls for over a year. (Photos by Chase Jarrett)

husk.

The piece will premiere this Saturday at Planet IndigenUS, a festival showing aboriginal artwork from all around the world put on in conjunction with Harbourfront Centre in Toronto.

The cornhusk dolls were all made by Betts, who phoned Woodland about the exhibit last fall.

Even in the initial stages of development it was obvious it would be a spectacular



piece, says Johnson. Johnson said Betts originally wanted to enter the work into First Nations Art, an annual open call art show to native artists. Johnson and Monture decided the piece was too special after visiting Betts in her home.

"As soon as we saw it we knew it was something special", says artistic associate Naomi Johnson. Janice Monture, art director for the Planet IndigenUS festival

was also on hand when the decision to show the exhibit was made. They decided it would be one of four works in the Planet IndigenUS exhibition.

Johnson, Woodland's artistic associate, says she's received strong positive reactions from everyone at Woodland who has previewed the exhibit so far. "It spread like wildfire," she said. Staff members spread the word, telling each other

"you gotta see this," Johnson says. Part of what Johnson thinks makes the piece so powerful is that it is humbling and approachable at the same time. "It's a delicate balance to be in awe of it but not overwhelmed," she said. Johnson also called the piece "welcoming."

"Encircles Everything" sits in its own room, on a custom made table. Johnson says all the preparations for

the room have been made, and that when the finishing touches to the piece itself are complete, the exhibition will be ready.

An opening reception for the festival starts at 2:30 p.m. Saturday. Three other exhibits will include a retrospective of Greg Staats, which includes 25 years of his best work, an art show curated by Shelley Niro, and a sculptural garden called "Earthly Connections."

Band council to build youth and elders centre

By Donna Duric
Writer

Six Nations Band Council may be moving forward with plans to build a youth and elder's centre but they're about \$5 million short of reaching that goal.

Council's human services committee passed a motion to build the centre even though council has no operational funds for it.

Council has \$5.2 million set aside for construction, but the original plans call for \$10 million

The motion will go to general council on Aug. 14.

The building of a youth and senior's complex has been a hot-button issue in the community for the last five years.

According to council's project master plan, it was supposed to be built by 2009 as an addition to the existing arena and community hall.

Councillor Helen Miller says

the plan fell to the wayside because council simply did not have the money to move forward with the project.

"We have the money to build the basic building, but we don't have money to run the building. That's why we haven't done it yet."

Miller said council has been saving money.

"It's not that we haven't been doing anything. People keep saying we're not doing anything for the youth. We've been saving money for five years but we don't have the money to run it."

She said council could probably scrounge up the money to operate the centre for one year but not after that. "We need a yearly budget," she said. "We don't have a solution; otherwise we'd be doing it."

The \$5.2 million has been committed through putting

aside \$750,000 yearly for the past few years from council's gaming funds, formerly known as Casino Rama funds.

Miller says council should start asking the Six Nations Community Development Trust to pitch in the other half of the building costs.

"I'd be willing to hold their feet to the fire. They're the only ones that have money. The Trust should be standing up and offering to do that. The youth centre's been such a big issue the last couple of years and they've got the money to do it. It's time to start holding their feet to the fire for a lot of stuff."

When asked if the Trust would consider funding the other half of the centre, the Six Nations Community Development Trust provided this statement "Currently, the Trust makes allocations based on community submissions

through an established application process. Before committing to projects outside of the regular application process, the Trust would endeavour to seek feedback from the Six Nations community members as to what they see as funding priorities are for our community. The Trust also plans to meet with council in the near future (August 28 General Council meeting

is the proposed date) to discuss what the Six Nations Council sees as funding priorities within council and throughout the Six Nations community."

Miller says a basic complex can be built with the \$5.2 million already set aside but it wouldn't have any of the amenities of the previously planned centre, proposed in 2007. The youth portion of the previously planned cen-

tre would have included a gym, NBA-sized basketball court, an indoor walking track, a computer room, a general lounge, and 300 spectator seats, while the senior's centre would serve as a permanent facility for the community's senior clubs and programs. The centre's size ranges from 23,000 and 39,000 sq. feet, depending on the building plans.

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Harper move frightening

Prime Minister Stephen Harper's Conservative government plans to introduce legislation this year that will allow first nation members living on reserve to privatize their lands.

Only a handful of first nations are in favour of the move, most, including AFN leader Shawn Atleo fear the move will allow non-natives to end up buying reserve lands encroaching on first nations communal way of life.

Along with it Harper plans to introduce new legislation on matrimonial rights, financial transparency and education and first nation leaders across the country are crying foul, no consultation was undertaken.

In northern Ontario 15 first nation bands opposed annual water system inspection by Aboriginal and Northern Affairs Canada (AANAC) bureaucrats suspicious the information would be used against them to impose third party management as they had in Attawapiskat when the chief declared an emergency, spurring what has become known as the Attawapiskat Syndrome (The courts struck down the government move last month blasting the government for the takeover).

For more than a decade now the AANAC department has been demanding first nations with any kind of own source revenues turn over that information to AANAC or face loss of funding.

The results: all revenues generated by a first nation, anything the band owns from cars to trucks to buildings are now being collected in massive new auditing procedures to make sure AANAC knows what the first nations revenues are, what it can sell off in its own garage sale if necessary and what it can cut.

Six Nations has experienced a massive cut in program funding forcing the band council to use gaming funds to offset budget overruns, take out a bank loan to fund its own water plant and using its gaming funds to pay the loan (even though the Harper conservatives had promised to pay for it in a much heralded press conference with Brant MP Phil McColeman) is being told to pay for fire emergency costs, public works and more.

The Conservative government is on the brink of "Re-forming" its relationship with first nations by bringing in property privatization, matrimonial rights, what it calls financial transparency and education but it is doing so at its whim.

First Nations are not being consulted simply because the feds think they have found a loophole around treaty and



Column: Politically Speaking



Lynda Powless
Editor

There have been times when it becomes difficult to see the trees for the political forest that has been erupting around Six Nations issues especially since 2006.

Particularly when the roles of local politicians and chiefs begin to blur.

For the past several months Six Nations community members have been chastising the band council over its handling of the Samsung Green Energy Park and refusal to keep the community informed.

It appears they aren't alone.

We learned this week both the Confederacy Council and Band Council have not only been negotiating with another solar farm but already given the owners the go ahead to construct a solar farm on unceded Six Nations lands without any community consultation what so ever.

It appears the Haudenosaunee Development Institute (HDI) the Confederacy's planning department has taken a page from the band council by keeping its negotiations and what appears to be an agreement for lease monies secret from the community.

And not only is it secret but the estimated \$90,000 it collected is being used to keep HDI running and of that \$40,000 may be used to clean up Kanonhstaton (former DCE).

All without the community even getting a say in whether they approve of the

lease agreement or have input into what they want to see at Kanonhstaton.

Add the band council who has yet to say what they got out of the same deal but we can assume its money to pay for another bill they have run up to help pay of what we expect will be a monstrous operational deficit no doubt higher than last year's \$5 million deficit after all they also have a \$4 million gaming fund deficit to answer for.

But at what point in all of this secret deal making from both so called governments are the people of Six Nations going to have a say and frankly get a piece of the pie. New Credit settled a land deal and a portion of the funds was split among the band members.

At Six Nations that isn't even considered nor it appears is any other idea community members may have for what the money should be used for.

Instead monies are being used to fund government programs at both governments and that just isn't good enough.

Both the Confederacy, its HDI department and the band council owe the community an apology for its actions and an explanation for why they both think they can lease off Six Nations lands without the approval of Six Nations.

Is it any wonder why Stephen Harper's lands privatization legislation is such a frightening proposition.

Either one of these governments could bring it in, sell off lands and the people here won't know til their new non Six Nations member/citizen moves in next door and asks to borrow a cup of sugar.

Of course as a Six Nations member you won't be able to lend it to them, because the band and confederacy have your money and you can't afford the sugar.

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Samsung donation turned down

By Donna Duric
Writer

Confederacy Chiefs have decided not to support the upcoming Great Law Recital because organizers did not follow Confederacy protocol by coming to them first before planning the huge event.

Chiefs made the decision at Saturday's Confederacy council meeting after hearing members of the Six Nations Men's Fire say they had tried to follow protocol as best they knew.

The recital is going forward as planned despite the lack of support from the Confederacy.

Confederacy Chiefs told the men they lacked "respect" by not coming to the Confederacy before planning the recital.

"We can't officially support your event," Mohawk Chief Howard Thompson

Samsung C&T Corporation attempted to give organizers of this week's Great Law Recital a monetary donation but it was flatly refused,

told the men after Chiefs discussed the issue for a large part of the day's meeting.

"The organizers went all over the place to other communities, invited other nations and yet they didn't have respect to come to the council first or talk to the Clanmothers and Chiefs first," says Confederacy supporter Hazel Hill, who attended Saturday's meeting.

Thousands of people from nations across North America are expected to attend the 10-day recital here from Aug. 10-19.

One of the event's organizers, Chris Sandy (Jagwedeth) told Chiefs he and the Men's Fire were trying the best they could to unify the people. He said they have been travelling across North America since February inviting people from

many nations, including the Seminole, Navajo, Peruvian, Algonquin, Miqmaq and numerous Haudenosaunee nations, to the event.

He asked that Chiefs and Clanmothers accept his apologies.

"I thought it was sanctioned," he said. "We're only human beings. We are here to learn how to unify. All we're doing is trying to unite the people. It's been a long time coming."

Jagwedeth had said it's been at least five to 10 years since a Great Law Recital has been held on Six Nations, yet Chiefs told him one had just been held a week prior to Saturday's Confederacy meeting.

"Every year we do that," said Onondaga Chief Pete Skye. "We've been doing that for many years. How many of you come to

ceded Six Nations lands but Monture has filed an appeal of the project before Ontario's Environmental Review Tribunal. He said the

that?" Cayuga Sub-Chief and Confederacy Secretary Leroy "Jock" Hill told Chiefs he has been receiving a lot of calls from people from many different territories asking if the event was legitimate.

"It seems there is a lot of interest in it," said Hill. "I think every territory has contacted our office but they want to know if it's legitimate and I don't know what to tell them."

He said he received a call from the Onondaga Council saying a poster had circulated there stating that the event was sanctioned by Confederacy Chiefs. Hill said he told them, "I don't recall it being sanctioned."

Jagwedeth's clanmother also said that he did not come to her to discuss his intentions of holding the event beforehand and

donation seemed like an attempt to "buy" him off. "It (the Great Law Recital) will continue with or without their help," said Monture.

Seneca Longhouse faithkeepers asked that certain ceremonies not be performed, namely the Feather Dance.

"They view it as misrepresenting something sacred," said Hill.

Jagwedeth presented a wampum to Confederacy Chief Allen MacNaughton in his quest for his apology to be accepted, but Clanmothers told him to take it back, saying it was not the proper time or place to present the wampum.

Jagwedeth and Men's Fire member Joe Sharrow did not want to speak about the outcome of the meeting.

Hazel Hill said the Confederacy agreed a few years ago that this event should be done, but Hill said Jagwedeth did not come back to council in time to ask speakers to prepare and for

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the longhouses to be prepared.

"Basically, the council reminded them that the reason they couldn't sanction it is because they didn't follow protocol and that how are our children and future suppose to learn to do things the proper way if we just go ahead and let people do what they want?"

She said organizers were treating the event "more as a social event."

Organizers have already received \$70,000 in funding from band council to buy food for the event, which is set to take place at the Gaylord Powless Arena and Community Hall.

Off reserve woman doesn't want to pay taxes

By Donna Duric
Writer

A Six Nations woman who

lives in Brantford says Haudenosaunee people living on unceded lands in

the city should not have to pay municipal taxes.

Lisa VanEvery asked Confederacy Chiefs Saturday if they would meet with Brantford city officials to assert Six Nations' lands and taxation rights after telling them she is refusing to pay property taxes on her newly-purchased home in the Johnson Tract.

The Johnson Tract is a parcel of unceded Six Nations lands in the northern part of Brantford. She said if she refuses to pay property taxes, she will eventually be evicted from her home.

"Nothing can really force me to pay the money; they'd have to evict me," she told the Chiefs. "There is a procedure that they have to do that after three years. They can't make me pay but if I don't pay they can try to evict me from my house."

VanEvery has met with both band council and Brantford city council.

She said band council passed a resolution at a February meeting that they would look into the issue and talk directly to Brantford city council about it.

Since then, three band councillors met with three city councillors and a date has been set for Brantford council to discuss the issue at a city council meeting this month, said VanEvery, but she wasn't sure of the date of the meeting.

"I don't have the date of that meeting but I know it's been scheduled and I would very much think you would want to be there as well," she told the Chiefs.

"That land deserves us all. I've talked to people that live in Brantford that are faced with the same dilemma I'm faced with." She said statistics show about 2,500 Haudenosaunee people live in Brantford who face the

same dilemma: to pay or not to pay.

"It's not only me fighting this issue. It's for all of us and all of us that live on this reserve."

VanEvery has discussed the issue with Onondaga Chief Arnie General, the Mohawk Workers, the Men's Fire and she says the community at large.

"I've talked to lots of people in the community about this and the feeling is that, yes, that is our land and no, we should not be paying taxes to the city of Brantford for living on our land," she said.

Generations of her family have lived on the Johnson tract, she claims.

"There is a strong tie there with our family on that specific land."

She said now is the time to start addressing the issue of Haudenosaunee people paying municipal property taxes on unceded lands with the Haldimand Tract. "I guess there's never re-

ally been talks with the City about this issue but now is the time that it is coming to their agenda," she said. "They are going to sit down they are going to talk about it. And I think this is the time that we can probably get something settled."

She said people have told her to just pay her taxes and get reimbursed at a later date. But she said she wouldn't do that because, "as soon as you pay your taxes you've lost your case. You have to stand up for what's right and stand up now and get this settled. That's what I'm hoping you'll agree with and that we'll all go there (to Brantford) together," she told chiefs.

Confederacy Chiefs advised VanEvery to meet with the Haudenosaunee Development Institute to update them on the issue. The Chiefs said they would then meet with the HDI on the issue.



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With heavy hearts the Six Nation Arrows earned a pivotal Game 3 win vs. Orangeville.

(Photo By Neil Becker)

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Arrows bounce back with emotional playoff win



Tootoo

By CP News
NHL forward Jordin Tootoo

has lent his star power to a national aboriginal youth suicide prevention program by endorsing it in Whitehorse.

Tootoo, who signed with the Detroit Red Wings last month, lost a brother to suicide a decade ago.

The league's first Inuk player says he's hoping the Aboriginal Youth Council of Canada project will allow

people to reach out and get the help they need.

Twenty-nine-year-old Tootoo has struggled with

his own demons, and says he's now content after voluntarily entering an N-H-L program to help combat alcohol abuse.

Rebels on brink of repeating as Junior 'B' Champions

By Neil Becker
Sports Writer

A thunderous ovation rang down from the loyal ILA fans who saluted their Six Nations Rebels who are now only one win away from repeating as Ontario Junior 'B' champions.

After needing five full Western Conference games, fatigue doesn't seem to be an issue for the four time Founders Cup champions who have won the first two games of their Ontario Junior 'B' championship finals against Akwesasne by scores of 15-6 and 8-7.

"They offered us the chance to play the first two at home and we wanted to make sure that we won both," Rebels GM Cam Bomberly said. "We didn't play our best today (Game 2) but we were fortunate to come out on top and we just want to keep the momentum going."

Less than 24 hours after opening the series with that 15-6 win at the GPA there was a change of venues as the two teams took to the ILA floor where on August 5th they battled shot for shot in Game 2.

In what turned out to be a real run and gun game the

Rebels grabbed the early momentum as veteran Ian Martin scored his second of the series just shy of two minutes into regulation. Akwesasne who finished first overall in the OJBLL Standings was facing a red hot goalie in Donovan Flieschler but still managed to momentarily quiet the crowd with two early first period goals scored only 18 seconds apart.

Throughout the first Six Nations continuously generated several quality scoring opportunities and despite facing a red hot goalie themselves still managed two more goals from Brine Rice with his first of two and a late tally from Daniel Henhawk which gave Six Nations a 3-2 lead after one.

"There transition is really good and we had to play like we did that first game," Rebels rookie Brier Jonathan said. "Everyone was doing their job. We left in on the floor and they are not a team to be taken lightly."

Before everyone could find their seats for the second Akwesasne made a loud statement that they weren't going to go away

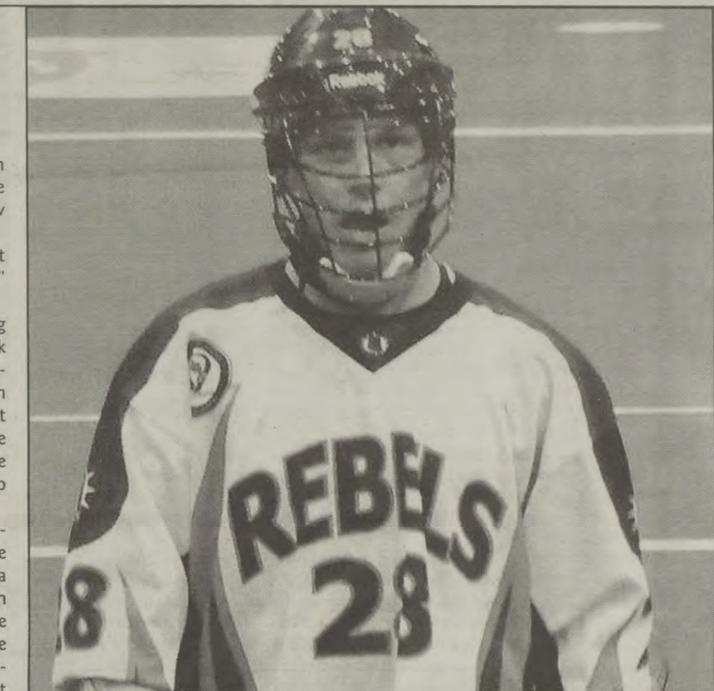
when they scored within the first minute to once again make it a brand new game.

"We were confident heading to the third," Bomberly said. Still content at trading chances both teams took turns getting on the scoreboard as Carney Johnson restored the Rebels lead at 4-3 four minutes into the second before Akwesasne once again tied things up four minutes later.

The scoring pattern continued in the second as Joe Haodias Maracle who had a two goal performance in Game 1 scored late in the second which was once again answered by Akwesasne who tied things up at five with only 24 seconds left in the period.

Two minutes into the third Akwesasne once again took what turned into a short lived lead as Six Nations came back with two quick goals to take a 7-6 lead with just over 12 minutes still remaining to play. Urged on by the home crowd it seemed like only a matter of time before Six Nations who were pressuring were finally rewarded.

At approximately the five



Rebels suffer tragic loss

It is with great sadness that the Six Nations Rebels announced that on August 6th Carney Johnson passed away. Johnson was an important part of last year's Rebels Founder Cup Championship team. Johnson who was only 19 years of age never hesitated to stand up for his teammates on the lacrosse floor. (Submitted Photo)

minute park Rebels' Tugo Goodleaf tied things up which was followed three minutes later by the go ahead marker by Jacob Crans.

Overtime was looking like

a possibility as Akwesasne came back to tied things up before Brice who had 12 goals in the regular season scored his second which came on the power play and turned out to be the

game winner which came with just under seven minutes left in regulation.

"We can't be overconfident," Jonathan said. "For sure they'll (Akwesasne) be desperate."

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Arrows squad dedicate playoff win to fallen friend

By Neil Becker
Sports Writer
Tragedy struck the Six Nations lacrosse family hours before the Arrows played Peterborough in Game 3 of their Junior A semi final series. Already trailing 2-0 in their best of seven series against Orangeville the Arrows showed plenty of character and emotion as they dug down deep and pulled off an 11-4 Game 3 win after learning that close friend and current Rebels enforcer Carney Johnson had earlier passed away.

"I heard about it about half an hour before warm-ups," Arrows goalie Don Alton who stopped 23 of 25 shots in a relief performance said. "We were motivated to win for Carney." Alton who came off the bench during this August 6th game at the ILA to replace an injured Warren Hill was with Johnson on last year's Founder Cup Rebels championship winning team.

"Whenever a good friend passes away it hurts," Martin said.

showcased his quickness and flexibility in making some timely saves which proved to be a big reason for the Arrows leading 5-1

after a period. "Goalies are the best line of defence and both Warren and Don played amazing and were a big part of the win," Martin said. Martin who was also part of last year's Rebels winning team and knew Carney very well also had a lot of great memories when it comes to his friend. "He was a funny guy," Martin said. "A real good guy and I can't believe that he's gone." Once again strong goaltending continued to be the theme for Six Nations as both Hill and Alton continuously denied Orangeville's attack. Playing some strong defence the Arrows who beat Peterborough in the previous round yielded only two Or-

angeville second period goals while exploding for another five from Staats with his third, Shayne Adams, Shane Simpson, Johnny Powless



Kyle Isaacs has more to worry about than a fallen opponent as he helped his team get back into their Junior 'A' series with an August 6th win at the ILA.

angeville couldn't get any closer on the scoreboard or build some momentum for Game 4 as they managed with his second followed seconds later by Montour on a breakaway. "We couldn't go back (to Orangeville) down 3-0," Martin said. "Everyone played well tonight." In what was a rough close checking third period Or-

angeville couldn't get any closer on the scoreboard or build some momentum for Game 4 as they managed only one third period goal. The Arrows got their 11th and final goal from Joel Matthews. Without questions during

and after the game thoughts on the players were on Johnson who just a day earlier was helping his Rebels take a 2-0 lead against Akwesasne in Junior B lacrosse finals. "Whenever a good friend passes away it hurts," Martin said.

First round bye doesn't effect Chiefs who were raring to go against Brampton

By Neil Becker
Sports Writer
Any slight concerns that Rich Kilgour might have had about his Six Nations Chiefs being rusty were quickly resolved after the first period. Kilgour who coaches the Six Nations Chiefs enjoyed a first round playoff bye which meant having approximately 14 days off from game action when they faced off on August 4th in playoff action against Brampton. Though the Chiefs have gone through a series of grueling practices the bottom line is that they were playing for the first time since July 21st when they completed their season with a

win against Ajax.

"I knew that sometimes two weeks off can make you rusty," Kilgour said.

"The guys were chomping at the bit and I knew they were ready. Still I didn't see a nine goal victory."

Starting their second round playoff series at home the Chiefs who posted a 2-2 record against Brampton in the regular season got off to a fast start and never looked back.

Brampton who looked fatigued after their win against



The Six Nations Chief came out raring to go as they scored early and often in opening up their second round series with a win against Brampton. (Photo By Neil Becker)

Kitchener were never in this game as Six Nations scored early and often in building a 6-0 lead after one.

The Chiefs who applied continuous offensive pressure got those first period goals from Alex Hill with two, Steve Keough with his first of three, Rhys Duch with his first of two, Craig Point and Casey Biernes.

"It's obviously a good way to start," Chiefs Colin Doyle who had a 4 point night said. "I think we were the better team. We had a great first period and we just struck to the game plan." Once again the Chiefs were getting the better scoring chances as they were continuously peppering the Brampton goalie

with shots. While Brampton managed to get two goals they couldn't match the Chiefs offence as Tom Montour, Colin Doyle and Keough with his second scored for the Chiefs. "They will be a different team on Wednesday," Doyle said. "We just have to make sure that we're not

outworked." Brampton got a goal closer at the five minute mark but couldn't get any closer as the Chiefs put an explanation mark on things by turning a 9-3 lead into a 12-3 Game 1 playoff win courtesy of goals from Leblanc, Keough with his third and Duch with his second.

Boxing coach Jack Blasdale believes that Karl Hess can go places

By Neil Becker
Sports Writer
Approximately two years ago boxing coach Jack Blasdale saw his life take a dramatic turn when Karl Hess walked into Brantford's Black Eye Boxing Club. Hess, whose parents Kevin Sr and Mindy are from Six Nations has according to Blasdale a special talent that can one day see him perhaps go to the Olympics. "Right away we started doing hand pads and he was catching on so quickly," Blasdale said about both Karl and his older brother Kevin. "Usually with a fighter I wait about six months before their first fight but I saw how good he was and knew after three that he was ready." Blasdale who used to be

a fighter raved about the work ethic of both brothers who are always pushing each other in the gym. "They are always pushing themselves and giving 110%," Blasdale said. "They also like to run on their own time." Curiosity got Hess into boxing as one day he wanted to try his buddy's hand pads at school. Right away he fell in love with boxing and decided to work out and learn the skills at Black Eye club which conveniently is only about 10 minutes away from his house. "I like working out and pushing myself," Blasdale said. "I come about 3 or 4 days per week and work on cardio and technical things." So far Hess who is now 21 years-old has won two

of his first two fights. In his first fight Hess who admitted to feeling a little anxious prior to his first fight in Brantford earned a three round decision. "I felt pretty good," Hess said. "My strength is speed, and my will. I never like to quit." He also gave a lot of credit to his parents and brother Kevin for his undefeated record. "We first came here (gym) at the same time," Kevin said. "We really enjoy doing this and I'm really proud of him. He's my brother." In late July Hess earned his second win at The Stockyards boxing club in Toronto where he knocked out Matt Burden in only 45 seconds of the first round. "It was from an upper cut," Blasdale said.



Brothers Kevin (blue shirt) and Karl (red shirt) are best friends and help push each other in the Black Eye Boxing Gym. Karl has already made headlines for winning his first two fights. (Photo By Neil Becker)

According to Blasdale the long terms goal for Karl is the World Amateurs in

Kansas City which happens in a couple of years. Blasdale believes that one

day Karl can compete in the Olympics.

Clutch hits and timely pitching key to Mustangs tie against Thunder

By Neil Becker
Sports Writer
With bragging rights on the line nothing could be decided in what was an exciting display of baseball played between two highly skilled Six Nations female teams. Spectators at the main Ohsweken baseball diamond were treated on August 2nd to a mixture of stellar pitching, clutch hitting and solid defence in what was a 4-4 draw between the Mustangs and Thunder.

"It was our first time playing them and we were pretty excited," Thunder slugger Leah Hill said. "We've lost only one game this season. This was a fun game."

Hill whose mother Cheryl Bomberry Hill helps coach the team gave a lot of credit to Mustangs pitcher Jheri Jamieson who racked up a lot of ground ball outs. "She is a fast pitcher," Hill said. "It wasn't easy hitting the ball."

Also throwing strikes and getting some quick outs were Thunder pitchers Emily and in the later inning Andie.

After a scoreless inning and a half the Thunder drew first blood on the scoreboard as Nichole Davey led off with



The rivalry between the Six Nations Mustangs and Thunder added another chapter this week as the two teams played to a thrilling draw. (Photo By Neil Becker)

a walk before making things happen by stealing second and taking third on a wild pitch.

Davey who would go on to have a multi hit game scampered home with the game's first run courtesy of an infield chopper hit by Hill. Later on Hill would eventually score the Thunder's second run on an RBI hit from Andie.

"We were working as a team," Hill said. When asked what their most potent strengths are Hill didn't even hesitate before replying "hit-

ting the ball." An illustration of just how dominant the pitching was is that the Mustangs only had one hit to the Thunders five after four and a half innings. Showing lots of resiliency the Mustangs who found

"It feels good to come back like this," Mikenzie

themselves trailing 3-0 in the sixth refused to go down quietly as they thrilled the crowd with some clutch hitting in their comeback. Getting the rally started was

Mikenzie who led off the sixth with a clean single. Eventually she came home to score the Mustangs first run on an RBI hit from Joely Martin. A couple of batters later Mikenzie who is in her first year of pee wee ball was

driven in by a hit from Kayla. "It feels good to come back like this," Mikenzie who has friends and cousins on the Thunder said. "The pitching (in pee-wee) is a lot faster

but it's fun." The Mustangs came all the way back courtesy of a screaming RBI double from Jamieson which cashed in Kayla with the third and tying run. Heading into the seventh and final inning the Mustangs who are also having a strong season surged into the lead courtesy of a two out single from Tia which scored that all important fourth run.

That lead proved to be short lived however as Hill showcased her speed by beating out a single before taking second on a wild pitch and eventually going to third on a groundout. Eventually she was driven in by a single from Jennifer as both sides settled for a draw. "We have strong pitching and can catch the ball," Mikenzie said about her team's strengths.

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(NC)—Are you dreaming of a new car while looking out at your driveway each day? A new car, whether it's new off the showroom floor or just new to you, is one of the largest purchases you will make, and insurance experts recommend shoppers also consider the cost of insurance before buying. Insurance rates are partly determined by the type of car you own. "When you have a few cars in mind,



you should call your insurance agent to see how much it would be for each model you're considering," says Kevin Wilson at Allstate Insurance Company of

Canada. If a car is difficult to steal or has lower repair costs than other models, this can help to lower your annual insurance rates. "And de-

spite what you've heard, red cars are not more expensive to insure than other colours," Wilson said.

Here are a few more factors that help to determine car insurance rates:

- Cars with higher safety ratings will save you money because they keep occupants safer if you are in an accident;
- Older models cost less to replace or repair them is lower;
- A higher deductible on your policy (your share of the cost of a claim) will lower your monthly insurance rate, though you will have to pay more out of pocket if you are in an accident;
- A consistent accident-

free and conviction-free driving record will help to keep your rates lower;

• If the car is only used on weekends and not for driving to work, this can help to reduce rates.

Wilson says that most insurance companies, like Allstate Canada, will reduce insurance rates for customers who have both auto and home insurance policies with the same insurance provider or have multiple vehicles on their policy.

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CarQuest Caledonia happy to donate



CarQuest Caledonia was happy to donate a surplus of tools to the Onkwehonwe Skills and Trades Training Centre. CarQuest gave them close to \$3,000 worth of tools after the car parts company switched to a new line of products. Blake Bomberry, the automotive instructor at OSTTC, welcomed the donation. "We always need tools," he said. Darcy Dwornick, store manager for CarQuest in Caledonia, said the training centre is a valued customer of the store. "It was a no-brainer to give back to the community," he said.

Another reason to keep your eyes on the road

(NC)—If hefty fines, possible demerit points and the fact that you are three times more likely to be involved in a collision if you are texting aren't enough to make you think twice about driving distracted, perhaps this will. Apparently police are not the only ones watching for you to take your attention away from the road. Insurance fraudsters are known to pounce at the opportunity to convert your inattention into their windfall by purposely causing a collision at the exact moment you are distracted.

Here's one example of how this crime is orchestrated: A vehicle loaded with numerous occupants pulls in front of a target vehicle. A passenger in the front vehicle watches behind for the target driver to be distracted. A diversion like answering a phone, texting or reaching back to return a child's toy can provide the opportune moment for the fraudster to slam on the brakes, leaving the target driver little time to react. In some cases, a second vehicle — part of the fraud — pulls alongside the target vehicle, boxing it in, so there's no room to swerve and avoid rear-ending the lead vehicle when it suddenly stops.

In either scenario, the innocent driver rear-ends the fraudster's vehicle and could end up being seriously hurt. At the very least, the innocent driver will be handed a traffic ticket and deemed at fault, according to the com-



mon traffic rules. Depending on the person's previous driving record, this could mean higher insurance rates when the policy is renewed. Meanwhile, the fraudster and his or her passengers — and there's usually three or four in the vehicle — all claim for unnecessary and expensive health treatments.

According to Ken Lindhardsen, vice-president of Claims for Desjardins General Insurance Group, staged collisions like the scenarios described above are a large component of this type of

the financial interests of our clients. Now that staged collisions are so widespread we feel we also have a responsibility to raise awareness about the physical harm this activity can cause."

According to Lindhardsen, the more people know about these types of frauds, the more alert they'll be and hopefully avoid distractions that can make them a target. For more information about staged collisions and how you can avoid being a victim, visit Desjardins General Insurance at www.dgdirect.ca.

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Justin Bieber wrong about free gas

OTTAWA - Having some First Nations heritage won't let Justin Bieber fill up his car for free, but it will get the Canadian pop star some help tracing his family tree. The Congress of Aboriginal Peoples is offering to help the 18-year-old singing sensation find out more about his native ancestry, while giving him the benefit of the doubt over his comments to Rolling Stone magazine. August edition that quotes Bieber saying "I'm actually part Indian. I think Inuit or something? I'm enough per cent that in Canada I can get free gas. But the Congress, says it's not true and promotes misconceptions. The singer's comment sparked an online backlash; but the Congress is urging people to go easy on Bieber.

NATIONAL

'Attawapiskat syndrome' blamed for Ontario First Nations' mistrust of inspections: documents

OTTAWA - At least 15 northern Ontario First Nations were suspicious as to how the inspections will be used." He called the fear "Attawapiskat Syndrome" (sic). The northern Ontario community of Attawapiskat had just lost control of its finances to an outside manager. Attawapiskat Chief Theresa Spence had previously declared a state-of-emergency due to a housing crisis that saw more than two dozen families living in mouldy homes and temporary shelters without insulation or running water. In a letter dated Dec. 1, 2011, Spence asserted the government was using the housing crisis as a rationale for "silencing us when we brought these conditions to the attention of Canadian society."

The federal government appointed the third-party manager to take over control of the band's finances amid suggestions from Prime Minister Stephen Harper that money the federal government had given the reserve was not being effectively used. But, last week, a Federal Court judge ruled that it was "unreasonable in all circumstances" to appoint an outside financial manager and that the focus instead should have been on helping the community to address the housing crisis.

In the Dec. 7 email, Mauro writes to three of his superiors in Aboriginal Affairs' engineering department: "Normally such (water-system) assessments are done to identify where assistance and perhaps capital is required with the overall objective to ensure clean water in the communities, however in this case, the Tribal

Councils feel that the information may be used against them and perhaps an excuse to put them under third party (Attawapiskat Syndrome)." (sic) Mauro declined to comment when reached by Postmedia News.

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'Unreasonable' to send manager to Attawapiskat, says Federal Court

OTTAWA - It was "unreasonable in all circumstances" for the federal government to appoint a third-party manager in response to an unfolding humanitarian crisis in the troubled First Nations community of Attawapiskat, the Federal Court ruled Wednesday. But there was no political malice at play in the decision, on the part of either Prime Minister Stephen Harper or members of his cabinet, nor any intent to embarrass the northern Ontario reserve or its members, the court concluded.

Sending in Jacques Marion last November to take over the band's finances was the wrong way to address what was a critical housing shortage and worsening crisis on the northern Ontario reserve, the court said in its written ruling.

"The decision to appoint (Marion) did not respond in a reasonable way to the root of the problems at Attawapiskat nor to the remedies available," wrote Federal Court Judge Michael Phelan. "The (government) invoked a financial management remedy without considering more reasonable, more responsive or less invasive remedies available."

The decision to appoint someone to take over the band's books was made without any indication that there was a problem with the way the band was being managed, Phelan pointed out. Indeed, it was Prime Minister Stephen Harper himself who pointed out in the House of Commons that the government had invested more than \$90 million in the community, he continued.

"The reference by the prime minister as to the \$90 million could not have related exclusively to the funds made available for housing repair or reconstruction," Phelan wrote.

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First Nations University of Canada settles

REGINA -Two former senior officials with the First Nations University of Canada have settled their differences with the university. The employment contracts of former president Charles Pratt and administration vice-president Allan Ducharme were terminated in March 2010. The university says the two parties have now successfully resolved wrongful dismissal claims originating from that action. Terms of the settlement were not disclosed although the university makes it clear in a news release neither Pratt nor Ducharme were found to be in dereliction of their respective duties nor guilty of any financial impropriety. The termination came as the university struggled with financial and other pressures.

NATIONAL

Harper government to introduce law to allow private property on reserves

By Lynda Powless
Editor

The Harper Conservatives plans to privatize First Nations on reserve lands is building fear among First Nations of loss of communal lands.

The Harper Conservatives plan to introduce changes this year that would privatize First Nations reserve lands allowing owners to sell the lands to anyone they chose including non-natives.

That has some communities fearing a loss of an already shrinking land base.

Six Nations Elected Chief Bill Montour has called the move "the biggest land grab in history."

Assembly of First Nations leader Shawn Atleo says it puts First Nations lands at

risk.

B.C regional Chief Jody Wilson-Raybould says the Harper land plan isn't new, it's been in the works for a while.

Wilson-Raybould who sits on the AFN lands advisory board says there is a lack of understanding of the issue of land tenure in First Nations communities.

And she said the AFN has already rejected the Prime Ministers proposed act.

"The media or government is putting this out as if it is a new idea which it is not."

Instead she said there are already several options on First Nation land tenure that are in place in communities and that are federal recognized including the framework agreement on the First Nations Land

Management where some communities have established land codes which are registerable. "and creates both a mortgagable interest and marketable interest in lands."

She said "What the federal government and mainstream media are talking about is somewhat misleading because it already exists."

She said she hasn't seen the federal governments proposed property rights legislation, instead the federal government, she says, is working in isolation from First Nations to create a land tenure system that has "the potential to create fee simple land on reserve that could be sold to non-first nation people."

She said First Nations

have been considering that issue for a number of years. "First Nations have considered the reality of fee simple, but over the past 30 years have decided that's not the way to go."

Instead she said First Nations are creating land tenure systems that protect the collectivity of lands. "B.C. First Nations under land management decided they wanted to create security of tenure for individuals on reserves and we have done that so we can get mortgages and also want to maintain or not alienate lands to non members."

She said some B.C. First Nations have signed modern treaties under the B.C. treaty process, that protects communally held lands.

"What they have done with it is put a reservation on the title so it can't be alienated to non-Indians."



Jody Wilson-Raybould
AFN BC regional Chief

will disappear."

She said Prime Minister Harper and the Conservatives have been speaking about unlocking economic potential on reserve lands, for the last two years, but the question is why.

"The big push is around land, and why they are doing this and doing it in isolation of First Nations."

and individual opportunities and sustainable economies into the future."

She said "To look at land tenure is way to simplistic in this transitional time our nations are in."

She said the federal privatization has sparked fear because there has been no discussion with First Nations.

"It is particularly disquieting when any discussion has not explored all of the options available right now and the focus is on this in isolation of outright support from First Nations when fact there has been outright rejection."

She said First Nations do fear, the government claims to making land privatization optional won't happen. Instead "there is a fear it will be imposed. I support the First Nations' right to chose for themselves and their communities. It is disingenuous to bring this discussion forward as new or as unleashing economic potential when it is already being done."

The Harper government sees the move as economic salvation for First Nations, spurring economic development by changing the status of the land to private property from being communally held.

The privatization is part of the Conservatives plan to bring about change to its relationship with First Nations by virtually side stepping treaty and land rights and tip toeing around the Supreme Court consultation ruling.

The privatization would affect more than 366,000 First Nation people living in more than 600 first nations communities, comprising some 2.7 million hectares of land.

Press Release

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
CONTACT: Cheryl M. Henhawk, Director
Six Nations Parks & Recreation

DATE: July 25, 2012

HEADLINE: UPDATE - Six Nations Running Track & Sports Fields Facility

BODY:
On June 20, 2012, representatives from Dol Turf Restoration, MMM Group Limited and Six Nations Parks and Recreation reviewed the condition of the new synthetic running track. Based on the site review, it was concluded that the synthetic track will not be accepted by MMM Group Limited and Six Nations Parks & Recreation until corrective actions have been completed and the work has been reviewed by MMM Group Limited and Six Nations Parks & Recreation. Specifically, it was noted that the entire Synthetic track must be resurfaced by Dol Turf Restoration Ltd. no later than September 30, 2012.

On July 6, 2012, Dol Turf Restoration notified Six Nations Parks and Recreation of a new construction schedule to resurface the entire synthetic track and it is as follows:

- Commence Track Grinding August 20th. Duration 15 days or 3 weeks.
- Commence Re-surfacing September 10th. Duration 5 days.
- Commence Clean-up and Wash down September 17th. Duration 3 days.
- Commence Track line painting September 19th. Duration 5 days.
- Completion Wednesday September 26th

As a result, the running track and sports fields facility will be closed to the General Public from Monday August 20, 2012 to Wednesday September 26, 2012.

In the meantime, a new pedestrian gate was installed to the facility on July 25, 2012. This will now mean that the facility will not be closed at dusk during the evenings. Persons will be able to access the facility anytime during daylight hours from July 25 to August 19, 2012.

Your cooperation in continuing to abide by the facility rules will be appreciated. If you have any questions, please contact Cheryl M. Henhawk, Director of Recreation at 519-445-4311.

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Project Location: North Middlesex, Middlesex County, Ontario

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Bornish Wind, LP (a wholly owned subsidiary of NextEra Energy Canada) is planning to engage in a renewable energy project in respect of which the issuance of a renewable energy approval is required. The proposal to engage in the project and the project itself is subject to the provisions of the Environmental Protection Act (Act) Part V.0.1 and Ontario Regulation 359/09 (Regulation). This notice must be distributed in accordance with section 15 of the Regulation prior to an application being submitted and assessed for completeness by the Ministry of the Environment. **The purpose of the meeting is to provide residents an opportunity to review and discuss the draft documentation related to the Project's Renewable Energy Approval.**

Project Description: Pursuant to the Act and Regulation, the facility, in respect of which this project is to be engaged in, is a Class 4 Wind Facility. If approved, this facility would have a total maximum name plate capacity of 72.9-megawatts (MW). The Project Location is described in **Figure 1**.

Documents for Public Inspection:

The Draft Project Description Report titled "Project Description Report – Bornish Wind Energy Centre" describes the project as consisting of 45 GE 1.62 MW turbines (although the Renewable Energy Approval application will include 48 turbine locations), a pad mounted transformer at each turbine, transformer substations, underground electrical collection lines and an overhead transmission line, turbine access roads, an operations building, meteorological tower(s) and construction staging areas.

Bornish Wind, LP has prepared the following draft supporting documents in order to comply with the requirements of the Act and Regulation: Project Description Report; Construction Plan Report; Design and Operations Report; Decommissioning Plan Report; Wind Turbine Specifications Report; Natural Heritage Assessment Report; Water Assessment and Water Body Report; Stage 1 and 2 Archaeological Assessment Reports; Heritage Assessment Report; and Noise Study Report.

A public meeting will be held for the project on the following date:

DATE: July 10, 2012
TIME: 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
PLACE: Ailsa Craig Community Centre
 155 Annie Ada Shipley Street
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Please note that the meeting will be in an Open House format allowing attendees to visit any time during the event.

Written copies of these draft supporting documents will be available for public inspection on May 9, 2012 at www.NextEraEnergyCanada.com and at the North Middlesex Municipal Office and the Middlesex County office:

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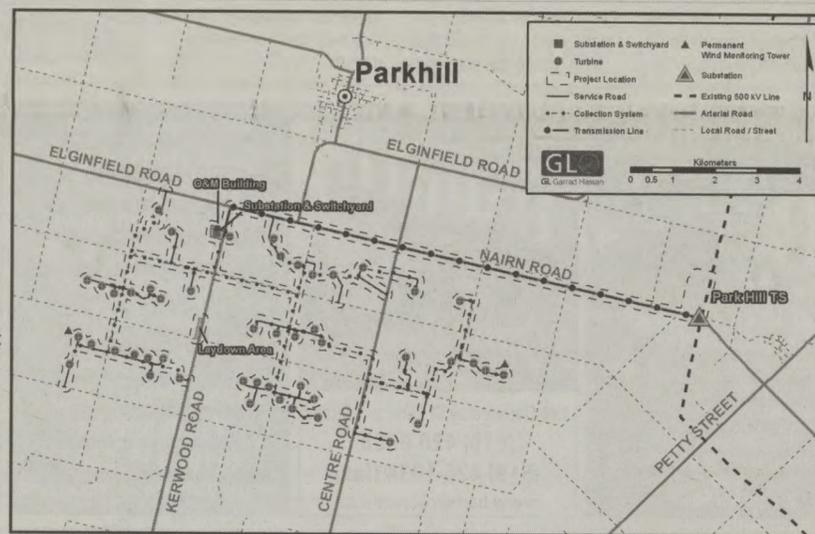
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Comments received on or before July 17, 2012 will be included in our Public Consultation report to the Ministry of the Environment. Should you wish to provide comments after this date, they can be forwarded directly to the Ministry of the Environment.

Project Contact and Information: To learn more about the project proposal, public meetings, or to communicate concerns please contact:

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No Hope For Gold

By Neil Becker
Sports Writer

The dream for gold has come to a crashing halt for 27-year-old Mary Spencer. Spencer who is from Chippewas of Nawash

(Cape Croker Ojibwe) First Nation lost on August 6th to China's Li Jinzi during quarterfinal action at the London Olympics.

Prior to losing by a 17-14 decision Spencer who lives

and boxes out of Windsor Ontario has enjoyed a fantastic run which saw her win gold at the Pan Am Games.

These two fighters are quite familiar with each

other as Spencer who admitted to being nervous easily defeated Li for gold at the 2010 world championships. Spencer who is a

middleweight and is a three time world champion was obviously devastated in not being able to compete for gold.



Slash eliminated by Onondaga in Can Am playoff action

By Neil Becker
Sports Writer

Despite being eliminated at the hands of Onondaga Jeremy Jamieson expressed quite a bit of optimism about this past season. Jamieson who owns the Six Nations Slash of the Can/Am lacrosse league saw his team finish third in the regular season before dropping their semi final series by a 15-8 score in four games against Onondaga.

"We went younger this year and there is a lot of positives to build on," Jamieson said. "We'll watch the tapes. There is a lot to work on over the winter. We win as a team and we lose as a team." Coming off a 15-6 Game 3 loss the Slash who defeated Pinewoods in the first round found themselves trailing 2-0 five minutes into play.

At the halfway mark

Brent Longboat grabbed some momentum for Six Nations as his goal temporarily made it a one goal game.

Late in the first penalties were haunting the Slash as Onondaga who defeated Niagara scored a couple of power play goals and quickly paced themselves to a comfortable 5-1 lead.

"We'll go back to the drawing board," Jamieson said. "They (Onondaga) are a high pressured disciplined team who shoot from anywhere."

Six Nations who made it to the Can Am finals a year ago managed to get a second first period goal from Jeremy Johns as they trailed 6-2 after a period. Only 40 minutes away from possible elimination the Slash showed desperation after yielding an early second period goal. With time becoming a factor in their season the Slash got

back into the game with two straight goals from Brad Mazzocato and Torrey Van Every with his first of two.

The Slash had some quality scoring opportunities but couldn't get any closer on the scoreboard as they quickly surrendered four straight goals in falling behind 10-4 half way through the game.

Refusing to quit Six Nations continued to generate opportunities and were rewarded twice more in the second as Kraig Maracle scored followed shortly after by Van Every who scored his second to make it 10-6 with six minutes remaining in the period. From that point Onondaga took over as they more or less put the game away with a three goal run.

Onondaga continued their scoring in the third as they scored two early goals to make it 15-6 before the



Slash owner Jeremy Jamieson is optimistic about the future of his Six Nations Slash who recently saw their season come to an end. (Photo By Neil Becker)

Slash countered with goals from Lucas Firmin and Dustin Thomas who would get Six Nations final goal of

the 2012 Can Am playoffs. Note- The Slash didn't get a lot of fans at the game due to the Six Nations Rebels

who were playing at the same time over at the Gaylord Powless Arena.

Cody Jamieson gives kids a thrill to remember at lacrosse camp

By Neil Becker
Sports Writer

Approximately 21 aspiring young lacrosse players got

to experience the ultimate thrill of rubbing shoulders and learning from current Rochester Knighthawks star

Cody Jamieson.

Looking to give kids a positive experience Jamieson recently held the first ever Jammer Lax two day camp at the ILA which included scrimmages along with drills to work on passing, shooting and catching.

"It's the first year doing this and it was a lot of fun," Jamieson said. "I just knew that provincials are coming up and thought they (players) might need a little extra practice."

These all day July 25/26th

clinics also included such NLL stars as Syd Smith, Alex Hill and Mike Accursi to name only a few helping out.

"All the kids were extremely well behaved and willing to learn," Jamieson said.

"We focused a lot on shooting, passing and catching along with cradling the ball."

On the second and last final day of camp the kids didn't exactly go home empty handed as there was



There was no slacking at Jammers lacrosse camp which was held at the ILA. (Photo By Neil Becker)

an organized draw where each camper who ranged from pee wee level players to bantam got to chose a certain coloured armour lacrosse head.

"I know they were happy to get one and everyone got better and had fun which is the main thing," Jamieson

said. One of those who had fun was 13 year-old Owen Hill who referred to Jamieson, and the others who came in as being 'good role models.' "I really liked it (clinics) and I learned a lot about the basics," Hill said.



NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING #2 To be held by Kerwood Wind, Inc. regarding a Proposal to Engage in a Renewable Energy Project

Project Name: Adelaide Wind Energy Centre

Project Location: Adelaide-Metcalf and North Middlesex, Middlesex County, Ontario

Dated at the Municipalities of Adelaide-Metcalf and North Middlesex, Middlesex County this the 9th of May, 2012

Kerwood Wind, Inc., (a wholly owned subsidiary of NextEra Energy Canada, ULC) is planning to engage in a renewable energy project in respect of which the issuance of a renewable energy approval is required. The proposal to engage in the project and the project itself is subject to the provisions of the Environmental Protection Act (Act) Part V.0.1 and Ontario Regulation 359/09 (Regulation). This notice must be distributed in accordance with section 15 of the Regulation prior to an application being submitted and assessed for completeness by the Ministry of the Environment. **The purpose of the meeting is to provide residents an opportunity to review and discuss the draft documentation related to the Project's Renewable Energy Approval (REA).**

Project Description: Pursuant to the Act and Regulation, the facility, in respect of which this project is to be engaged in, is a Class 4 Wind Facility. If approved, this facility would have a total maximum name plate capacity of 59.9-megawatts (MW). The proposed Project Location is described in **Figures 1 and 2.**

Documents for Public Inspection:

The Draft Project Description Report titled "Project Description Report - Adelaide Wind Energy Centre" describes the project as consisting of a maximum of 37 GE 1.62 MW turbines (although the REA is seeking approval for 38 turbine locations), a pad mounted transformer at each turbine, 2 transformer substations, a switchyard, underground electrical collection lines and an overhead transmission line, turbine access roads, an operations building, meteorological towers and construction staging areas.

Kerwood Wind, Inc. has prepared the following draft supporting documents in order to comply with the requirements of the Act and Regulation: Project Description Report; Construction Plan Report; Design and Operations Report; Decommissioning Plan Report; Wind Turbine Specifications Report; Natural Heritage Assessment Report; Water Assessment and Water Body Report; Stage 1 and 2 Archaeological Assessment Reports; Heritage Assessment Report; and Noise Study Report.

Public meetings will be held for the project on the following dates:

DATE: July 11, 2012	DATE: July 12, 2012
TIME: 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.	TIME: 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
PLACE: Ailsa Craig Community Centre 155 Annie Ada Shipley Street Ailsa Craig	PLACE: Adelaide W.G. MacDonald Public School 29059 School Rd, RR 5 Strathroy

Please note that the meetings will be in an Open House format allowing attendees to visit any time during the event.

Written copies of these draft supporting documents will be available for public inspection on May 9, 2012 at www.NextEraEnergyCanada.com and at the Adelaide-Metcalf, North Middlesex Municipal offices and Middlesex County office:

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Written copies will also be available for review at the public open houses.

Comments received on or before **July 19, 2012** will be included in our Public Consultation report to the Ministry of the Environment. Should you wish to provide comments after this date, they can be forwarded directly to the Ministry of the Environment.

Project Contact and Information: To learn more about the project proposal, public meetings, or to communicate concerns please contact:
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Figure 1: Proposed Turbine Locations

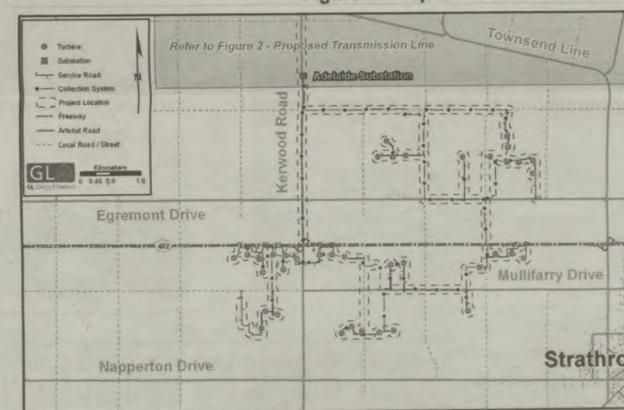


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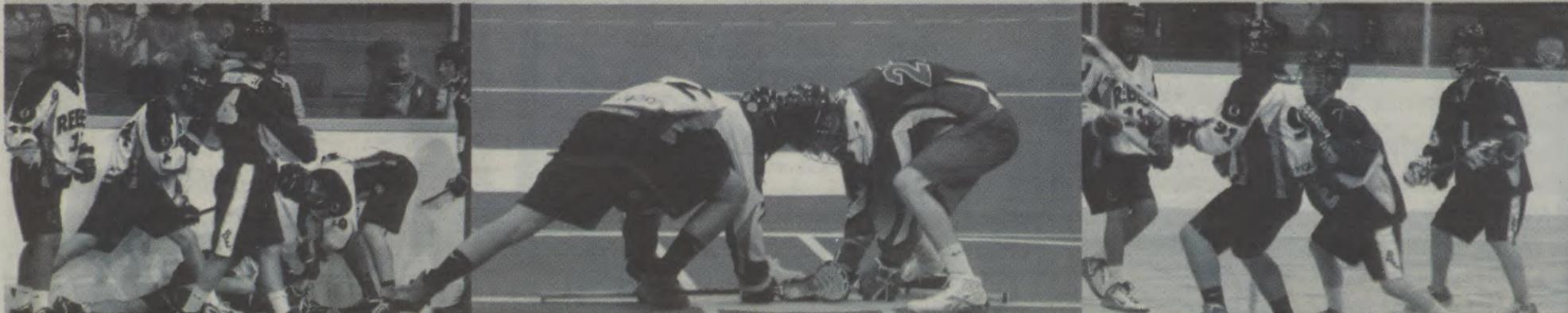
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