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B.C. reps say up to Six Nations

Kids win with Tiger Woods and Notah Begay

Six Nations Men's Council says "NO" Olympic Torch relay here

By Lynda Powless
Editor

Six Nations Band Council is planning more community meetings on whether to allow the Olympic Torch to pass through here after people lined up to say no to the torch run last Thursday night.

The meeting, at the Six Nations Community hall saw a crowd of 65 people turn out to voice their opinion on whether or not the Olympic Torch should be allowed to run through Six Nations along Highway 54.

Pete Isaac, a local resident was one of many who lined up to say no to the torch run.

He told the meeting, "that decision and responsibility has already been made...there will be no torch coming through here."

Six Nations Band Council took the brunt of the criticism when local people questioned why they approved the torch run without talking to the community first.

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Tiger Woods chats with our editor

Notah Begay, first Native American on PGA

Tiger Woods was a happy man Monday when he walked away with \$230,000 after capturing the Notah Begay III Foundation championship at the Turning Stone Resort's Atunyote Golf Club in Verona, N.Y. Tiger told Turtle Island News he was happy to help out "his buddy Notah." Oh and "yes mam...I'm coming to Canada." See sports on page 8 (Photos by Lynda Powless)

'Busted'

Turtle Island News catches OPP busting cig buyers

By Jamie Lewis and Lynda Powless
Writers

Buyers of tax free cigarettes at Six Nations are being targeted in a Ministry of Finance blitz that began last week on Highway 6.

A number of cigarette customers have complained (Continued page 3)

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'Native American' protesters to US: Give us back Manhattan

TEL AVIV, ISRAEL.-AP-: Some 20 people protested last Wednesday outside the American Embassy in Tel Aviv against US pressure on Israel to freeze settlement building. Some of the protesters were dressed as Native Americans in a reminder to the US authorities that their country did not exactly ask the natives where they could live or build.

After meeting Egyptian counterpart Mubarak, US Barack Obama president said a freeze on construction starts in settlement blocs, east Jerusalem 'movement in the

right direction' The protesters carried signs emblazoned with slogans like "America, we understand you - understand us, too" and "Freeze building west of the Atlantic Ocean. Red-skinned American within 1492 border."

Their feathered headdresses and colorfully painted faces attracted the attention of passersby on the beachfront promenade. As a finishing touch, the protesters released balloons decorated with portraits of President Barack Obama and Secretary of State Hillary Clinton.

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Olympic games, "the world's biggest potlash" set for First Nation lands

(Continued from front)

Doreen Silversmith told the meeting, "I have a problem with this issue. There has been no consultation with the community. Did anyone ask you if it (Olympic torch) could come through," she asked the audience to a resounding "No".

"They (band council) are making decisions without us. Councillor Levi White, told me, when I questioned this, he said to me 'clean up our own backyard'. He doesn't understand, we have been dealing with oppression here. No one asked us about this."

White, who chairs the recreation committee did not attend the meeting despite a seat on the panel being designated for him.

Silversmith said there is an ugly side to the Olympics Six Nations is not being told about, a side that sees aboriginal women and children exploited. "Morally, what happens to our people during this and the Mother Earth, the destruction of her. Our people know that we are suppose to be taking care of her, or she won't be able to take care of us."

She said, "I believe it is a reason-

Thursday's meeting.

Ritchie told the meeting the Winter Olympics are being held on unceded territory within their nations. He said their Chief was approached during B.C.'s bidding process. "He told them if the Olympics are going to happen on our lands, it will not just be feathers and drums from the First Nations. We will be full partners. We looked at it, as the Olympics are going to happen and we will have no say over what is going on."

He said the international Olympics committee "came to our chiefs and asked if we were just window dressing or if this is the real thing. We said we would not be on the outside looking in."

He said Canada won the Olympic bid by two votes. "The games were won by two votes and we were told had it not been for the First people, Canada would not have won the bid. That came from the games bid committee."

He said Lil'wat held a referendum and had a 70% approval from their people to support the bid.

"This is going to be the world's biggest potlash," said Tawanee Joseph, CEO Four Host First Nations. "Our chiefs have invited the world to come to Vancouver."

He said the four First Nations (Lil'wat, Musqueam, Squamish Tsleil-Waututh) who's territories will be hosting the games have signed a protocol agreement.

"It is historic that our four First Nations have been able to come together like this," he said.

He told the crowd the torch may be coming through Six Nations territory, "but we cannot speak for you. That is your decision to make."

He said the international media will be descending on B.C., seeking out First Nations stories. They will see a First Nations Pavilion, our chiefs involved in the opening ceremonies, Olympic merchandise that represents First Nations art."

He said contracts have been awarded to First Nations businesses. He said the torch run could pass through 152 first nations. He said the Olympic planning committee was told each one of those first nations would have to be invited personally to allow the torch through their territories. He said letters went to all the First Nations, including Six Nations. Six Nations Band Council did receive the letter and information last year.

Tawanee Joseph said they were not aware of the Confederacy Council.

He said, "this is a time of transformation for us. We want to change



Tahnee Wilson, Melissa Elliott and others listen as Doreen Silversmith says band council should have consulted with the community on the torch (Photos by Edna Gooder)

the way the world views the First People of this country."

Wade Grant from Musqueam Nation Council told the meeting the "Olympics are an opportunity to open the eyes of our communities and benefit our communities."

He said in the past they have spent millions of dollars fighting each other in court. "Now we are united there are opportunities to forge new relationships."

He said since the Olympics were announced Musqueam has taken back a large portion of crown lands. He said the issues of land titles and resources have not been pushed aside because of the Olympics but instead highlighted by them. "We are looking beyond the Olympics."

He said involvement in the Olympics will give them the opportunity to combat the pan-Indian stigma attached to First Nations.

"We want to show the world we are, as First Nations people and nations, still here we are not going anywhere and we will always be here."

Melissa Elliott, 19, told the meeting she had concerns over exploitation of women and children and has had her eyes opened to "the darker side of the Olympics."

She read a letter from an unnamed B.C. indigenous woman who said she did not agree with the Olympics and was concerned over clear cutting, animal migration path loss, land rights issues, sexual exploitation and arrests of B.C. First Nations people.

Elliott, a panel member asked the meeting, "What are we willing to sacrifice for a one day event?"

Local resident Wes Elliot told the B.C. Four Host First Nations Group they had been misled in thinking the band council had the right to allow the torch to run through Six Nations.

"The torch is an international event. International issues belong to the Confederacy Council under the eight points of jurisdiction that come under them."

He asked the Four Host First Nations if they had been told Six Nations had a traditional council.

Tawanee Joseph said, "no, but we are willing to meet with anyone."

He said the Haudenosaunee Mens Council came to a consensus four months ago "there will be no Torch Run here because of what is transpiring here, and in B.C. Our people

are protecting the land and 160 arrests of our people have been made while they are protecting our land. You have had 100 arrested in B.C. for the same thing."

Another woman asked the meeting, "if you don't agree with this stand up." Over 30 people stood up. She asked "so what are we going to do."

Elected Chief Bill Montour said the band council decided to hold the



Sid Henhawk tells the small crowd he is in favour of the Olympic torch passing through Six Nations (Photos by Edna Gooder)

agree with a lot of them."

A parade of Six Nations people hit the microphone to tell band council they did not want the torch run to pass through Six Nations.

The discussion became heated once when one woman loudly questioned the three B.C. representatives on how they could support the Olympics. "How can you let this happen in your community. You're here, proud to put on your feathers and shawls...you are supporting Canada when we see how badly people were treated in China, the homeless, women and children."

Wade Grant told her "we brought this to all our communities. Our longhouse was packed. Our people made this decision and we have to follow the Musqueam people's decision that they wanted to be a part of this."

She said "we have been working to repair a relationship damaged by many years. If we allow the torch to come through here then it says I am supporting Canada and I don't want any part of that."

Sid Henhawk told the meeting he was in favour of the Torch Run. "It's a sport. It's for the children I don't want to see it shut down because of a protest."

Dave General told the meeting he support the Torch Run. "Sports are the one moment when we can take a breath from all these other things

and show how dedicated our people are to excelling at sports. I hope to see it go through our territory."

Tawanee told the meeting, "The games will come and go. We acknowledge the youth and the important points you have raised. We

are protecting the land and 160 arrests of our people have been made while they are protecting our land. You have had 100 arrested in B.C. for the same thing."

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Elected Chief Bill Montour said the band council decided to hold the

meeting because the Torch Run has caused some concern in the community. He said they had six months to come to a decision on whether or not to allow the run to pass through Six Nations and band council would be hold more meetings on the subject.

"This is a very small part of our total population of 15,000 people here tonight so this is a work in progress," he said. The Torch Relay starts October 30.

Councillor Melba Thomas asked community members "how are we going to respect each other if the torch comes through. It doesn't mean to say we are Canadians. We're a peaceful people so there should be no violence or words of violence. So how do we do this. We have tried to meet with the Confederacy but that hasn't happened. I have asked that we try one more time to meet with them but that hasn't happened yet."

Councillor Wray Maracle said he supports the relay. He said "sports transcends pride and unity."

Elected chief Bill Montour told the meeting Six Nations needs to get on the world stage.

He said not allowing the torch to pass through the community would take away an opportunity to tell the world Canada is not treating First Nations well. "We have got to make more noise on the world stage."

Caledonia graffiti may be hate crime

CALEDONIA, ON- The Ontario Provincial Police, Haldimand County Detachment received several reports of mischief in the vicinity of Dundee St and Stirling St., in Caledonia, overnight on August 19th. OPP said homeowners found on August 20th, that sometime overnight vehicles and trailers were spray painted with rude and distasteful remarks. Fortunately, most of the paint was able

to be removed by the owners. Detachment Commander, Inspector John Periversoff states, "The OPP will hold accountable those who participated in this senseless act of vandalism. It is important to understand that irresponsible acts, such as this, have a broader impact than defacing personal property. The property owners did the proper thing by notifying us for

an investigation, then immediately removing the graffiti." Haldimand County OPP canvassed the area and is continuing to investigate. The graffiti is also being examined by the OPP's Hate Crime Unit. If you have information call anonymously to CRIME STOPPERS at 1-800-222-TIPS(8477) or www.helpsolvecrime.com

OPP and Ministry seizing tax free cigarettes from customers

(Continued from front)

they are being swarmed by OPP cruisers, had their cartons confiscated and been warned they could face a fine if they try to buy the cigarettes again.

Turtle Island News photographed Ministry officials and OPP pulling over a number of vehicles along Highway 6 Tuesday.



Ministry of Finance officials search cars.

Ontario Ministry of Finance employees and OPP sweep down on cars spotted at smokehuts along the dispute lands on Highway 6.

Turtle Island News spotted the OPP and Ministry pulling over cars and confiscating goods from individuals who just bought them a short distance down the road. Shop owners said they have spotted the white unmarked cars cir-



OPP pulled over a woman on Argyle St. Tuesday. Ministry of Finance officials seize cigarettes.

cling the block. The cars have also been spotted parked in driveways of Kanonhstaston along Sixth Line, then seen

driving down to Cayuga Road and over to Fifth line searching for customers buying untaxed cigarettes at Six Nations.

The enforcement blitz began last week said Acting Sergeant Aaron McPhail from the Western Region OPP. OPP are helping the Ministry of Revenue enforcement officials pull over vehicles safely, he said.

Jeff Henhawk the owner of the Hawks Shop says since last Thursday, 15 of his customers have been stopped by a marked OPP cruiser then surrounded by several unmarked cars.

"I have been telling my customers what is going on I do not want old ladies who are on pensions to spend the money only to their smokes taken," said Henhawk.

Henhawk added he does not want to see people to lose their money. "I will be truthful up front and let them know what's going on."

He said the police presence have increased over the last three days and he has been proudly taking pictures of the cars as they drive by his shop.

"After they stop them they give them a sheet, it about seven to eight pages telling them that they (the customers) can take us to court, or something like that," Henhawk added.

Henhawk says he has a question for the government.

"If they are so worried about the money and the taxes that they

aren't getting, what about the money and the taxes that are owed to us, for our lands that are being used and stolen, let be fair to one

New Credit Pow wow dances under cloudy skies



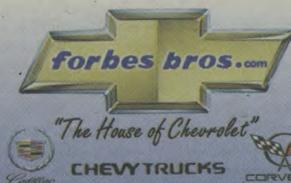
Dancers and visitors were sent running under a giant tent at the Mississaugas of First Nations powwow on the weekend. Despite the weekend rains the pow wow went on. (Photo by Jamie Lewis)

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Farmers to put in temporary culverts

A group of local farmers led by Ralph Sowden came to Elected Council last Tuesday seeking approval to put in temporary culverts leading to their fields so they can harvest their crops and not have to access private property. Council approved the installation of the temporary culverts for this harvesting season only. Council also waived the \$150.00 inspection fee required. Councillor David Hill disagreed saying "It is an infrastructure issue and it should go to committee with motions to do some of this stuff." Councillor George Mon-

tour said the issue was at council because of the urgency of the harvesting season. Sowden told council they are being forced to access the fields through private laneways or lawns. He says with the wet weather it has created problems and that is why they are asking for an open laneway. Sowden says farmers want to put in the culvert, access the lands and remove it when they are finished. Jessie Porter said farmers have the equipment to deal with the culverts. "We put blocks on the laneways to the fields to keep the ATV's out and that is a big cost to us.

Six Nations students shine at GRPSEO annual awards night

By Edna J. Gooder
Writer

OHSWEKEN-Family and friends watched proudly as graduates received their awards at the 17th Annual Grand River Post Secondary's Student Recognition night last Thursday.

More than 100 people packed Polytech's centre to witness their family members recognized for their hard work in successfully completing their post secondary efforts. Although, before the festivities began, the audience was entertained to a variety of songs performed by Six Nations Youth Choir (Dwae Na Ga Das) led by Robin Maracle. The children dressed in purple regalia drew smiles from the audience as they sang in crystal clear voices. Brenda Williams records /administration assistant said in an earlier phone interview this year's program would be shorter in hopes the event would finish earlier as past events ran to almost "11:00." Eleven out of more than 70 proud graduates were in attendance to receive their



Students wait nervously for their name to be called at the GRPS student recognition night last week. (Photo by Edna Gooder)

recognition award to the smiles of family and friends. Graduate Lee Ann Davey's son Mark said he was awfully proud of his mom's ac-

complishments and is following in her educational foot steps as he wants to be an "architect" when he graduates from high school next year. The graduates of all ages and educational pursuits have very impressive degrees, diplomas and certificates from universities and colleges across Canada and the U.S., such as Bachelor of Science-Nursing, Biotechnology Technician, Practical Nursing, Early Childhood Education, Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts-Psychology. Various speakers from the community, such as Six Nations Council Chief Bill Montour congratulated the students on their accomplishments and their families for helping them reach their goals. Montour said as he looked at the graduates "the future is yours," so just grab it. Smiling, he added, he sees good things happening for "our students and graduates" as they join the growing number of



Six Nations Youth Choir (Dwae Na Ga Das) led by Robin Maracle.

Six Nations community members pursuing post secondary education. After the presentation of awards and scholarships, such as National Aboriginal Achievement Award and the Norman Jacobs Environment Scholarship a light buffet was

served. Brenda Davis chairperson of the board and master of ceremonies said to the graduates that they should — not "stop learning, but be a life long learner."



Turtle Island News' former sports reporter Scott Hill receives his award. Scott is continuing his studies.

'Give back Manhattan.' Protestors in front of embassy

(Continued from front)

"The protest today is against US meddling in Israel's internal affairs," Yossef Mendelovich, one of the protest organizers, said to Ynet. Mendelovich is a writer and a former prisoner of Zion.

'Give back Manhattan.' Protestors in front of embassy "We feel a civic duty to the State and to Zionism. We wanted to say that when a

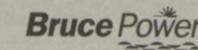
state is being built, a lot of people come, and one can't limit the building of houses. What right does Obama have to tell us that we can't build a school or a day care center for children born in these towns? These things are done in open, unused space. There is enough space for Arabs and for us. When the white man came to the US, he didn't ask the Indians where to build and to live. Another country will

not tell us where to build," he explained.

"We wanted to show the Americans that they have their own problems," added another protester, writer Alexander Kazarnovsky, a resident of Pardes Hanna. "They won't teach us and we won't allow foreigner to dictate (terms) to us. Jerusalem is the capital of Israel, and only Israel will decide where it is allowed to build."

"As an analogy, we showed here what would happen if we would dictate to them not to build in New York or in Washington. We wanted to say to them that just as they call upon us to give back certain territories in the State of Israel, we call upon them to give Manhattan back to the Indians — the third most important site to the Indians. To return to the borders of 1492," explained Kazarnovsky.

According to them, their group did not receive permission to protest in a larger group, "but tourists and passersby showed interest and joined us." Despite this, he does not have high hopes that their efforts will have a large effect: "I don't think Hillary Clinton and Obama will take note of us."



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Ontario continues to hold Six Nations hostage

Ontario Minister of Indian Affairs Brad Duguid's whirlwind good will tour came to an end last week, and apparently so did Ontario's good will.

The Minister smiled and shook hands with Confederacy chiefs while telling media and the chiefs, it's in everyone's best interest to see economic development continue in the area.

He even commented on the need to build a brighter future for Six Nations' future generations, and quipped so when development does occur, presumably on Six Nations unceded lands without our approval again, it's sensitive to everyone's needs.

Not a week later, Ontario Provincial Police along with Ontario Ministry of Finance officials launched Ontario's new plan to spur economic development in First Nations communities. You know the kind Duguid told us would be sensitive to everyone's needs.

They're scaring away the customers. Without so much as a meeting with Six Nations officials Ontario has again turned its back on the community and went full steam ahead with a plan clearly aimed at lunging Six Nations back into poverty and get the "Indians" back under control.

This ludicrous plan to swarm innocent customers and seize their goods will only accomplish one thing, shutting down retailers at Six Nations by scaring away their customers.

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In their zeal to stop Six Nations booming tobacco industry the Ministry of Finance, with the help of the OPP are targeting not only retail customers but scaring away anyone heading out to attend last weekend's pow wow or any cultural event at Six Nations.

What are they thinking. In a scene reminiscent of a terrorist attack, the OPP in screaming cruisers along with unmarked vehicles surrounded a frightened retired Orillia couple last week.

One would think the couple were about to bomb the CN tower the way they were treated by police. Instead of simply pulling them over, they swarmed the couple, stopped the vehicle demanded their keys, licence and probably their kids if they had had any, and took a couple of cartons of cigarettes from the backseat.

Why the drama. To convince buyers of tax free cigarettes that it is illegal for them to buy products at Six Nations tax free.

What they didn't realize is the ramification of their moves. Tax free goods extend way beyond cigarettes.

It applies to crafts, art work, books, even the eco homes Ontario put its grant money into at Six Nations to back a man convicted of transporting tobacco bales and who is involved in the very industry they are claiming is "illegal".

Six Nations in spite of the hurdles to economic growth thrown in their way by Ottawa's Indian Act and Ontario's Greenbelt plan that will see development targeted specifically to unceded Six Nations lands with in the Haldimand Deed, lands Ontario does not own, continue to find creative ways to build a local economy especially since Ontario has shown us with these heavy handed tactics they certainly don't want to see Six Nations develop its own retail market.

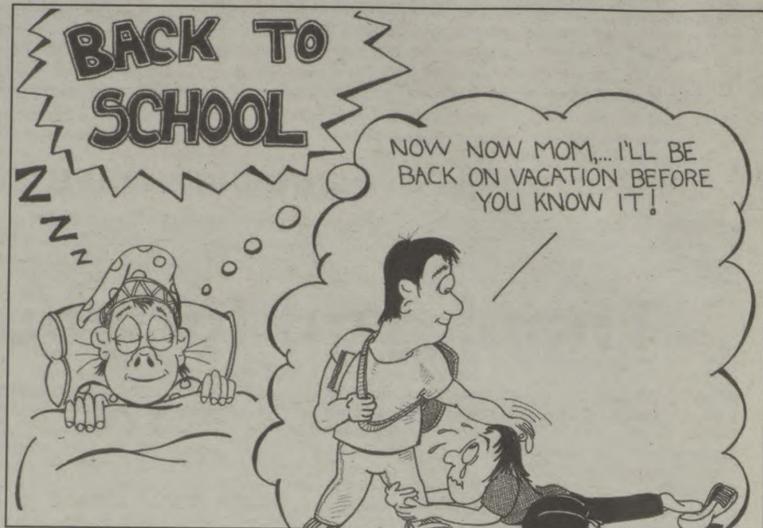
Can't have that. Then Six Nations people wouldn't spend their money in surrounding communities that are all perched on unceded Six Nations lands.

Ontario's idea of economic development for all First Nations is simple. Get out of their way.

Duguid's smiling trip was merely a mask to hide what Ontario's plans really are.

Plans to continue to issue building permits on lands they do not own. Plans to continue to develop unceded Six Nations lands without their approval.

And plans to cripple the community by pulling out its fledgling economic rug by scaring away their customers. It is not illegal for Six Nations people to sell (Continued right)



Part II
By Rick Hill

There are some who say that a person can lose their voice, as if a block is placed in their mouth, their actions have become too disruptive to the Great Peace. What this means is that for some major misconduct, a person loses respect of their clan relatives and people are instructed not to listen to them. That means that their words flow through, and your mind does not consider them. They were allowed to speak, but their ideas have no impact. However, if a person's words are so hurtful or actions so dangerous, they would be removed from the meeting or community. They could be banished from the territory if their conduct was disruptive. Today, that is no longer a punishment, because people just go to other communities and foster dissent.

Our protocols apply to all occasions, not just council meetings. You are not to use harsh words. An angry mind is not a Good Mind. Meetings are not supposed to be held during the night. Darkness brings forth dark thought. No business is to be conducted when there is a death with the clan or nation. When people are mourning loss, their minds have fallen and their thinking might not be as strong. With all of the death, violence and dysfunctional behaviors in the community, we have to ask how well our collective minds are doing. Part of governance is to assure that people's minds are free of grief,

Ontario, stopping economic growth

(Continued from left) their products tax free in their community or in First Nations communities.

What Six Nations does within its borders, is Six Nations business.

Ontario needs to learn to keep its nose out of Six Nations businesses and work with the community to build economic development not try to control it through archaic paternalism who's only goal is continued oppression.

It is difficult for Ontario residents

Coming to One Mind - Haudenosaunee Style of Decision-Making

stress and negativity. This is the purpose of ceremony and community. We are to be a medicine for each others and lift up our minds so that we can be fully functional in this world.

In fact, our culture advocates the use of kind, encouraging words. This is where our own languages are important. We have our own way of expressing our connectedness, our healthiness and our unity of purpose. The kindness of our Haudenosaunee expressions cannot be explained in French or English. Those expressions can be hard to find in our community today. We often verbally assault one another. Swearing has become a way of life for us and our children. In fact, when people get hot under the collar, our culture advocates that the issue needs to be set aside, as it is causing too much disruption. If we cannot talk reasonably with each other, nothing can be accomplished. Arguments are a sign of the lack of unity and the lack of Good-minded thinking. Respectful negotiation can be intense, but not vindictive. So, it is our duty to speak respectfully if we expect good decisions.

To come to One Mind within the clan requires an understanding of how consensus works under the Great Law. It does not mean that a single dissenter can stop decision-making. Instead, the Haudenosaunee concept of consensus is that everyone is allowed to make their point. If their point has merit, it will be discussed and examined carefully. If their point gains wider acceptance, the clan may adopt it as their point of view.

If the point being made is examined and found lacking despite the best arguments put forth by the presenter, then the clan will inform the presenter that they do not agree with the point. Then, the presenter is honour-bound to accept the will of the clan. Let me state that again. You get a chance to make your case. If the others still disagree, then you must say, for the sake of unity of the clan, "I will go along with the decision". This is arriving at consensus. It is negotiation, concession, and agreement. Therefore we don't need the police to enforce the law, because people agree that it is the law.

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A person cannot pig-headedly refuse and thereby think that the matter is not settled. The will of the clan is the majority opinion of the people of the clan, but agreed upon by all people attending the meeting. Consensus-building requires an effort to get the dissenters to agree, but they cannot hold up the clan, nation, or Confederacy forever. Otherwise, nothing gets done. There are some important qualifiers to decision-making under the Great Law. (Continued page 7)

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Canada to amend Indian Act

OTTAWA- Minister of Indian Affairs Chuck Strahl, announced Tuesday the will be meeting with national Aboriginal organizations to discuss planned development of legislative amendments to the registration provisions of the Indian Act in the wake of the landmark ruling of the Court of Appeal for British

Columbia in the Sharon McIvor case. INAC officials will be meeting with national aboriginal organizations and holding sessions across the country. The federal government has developed a discussion paper to explain how the federal government intends to move forward. "We have to act swiftly to meet the Court of

Appeal's ruling to amend the Indian Act," said Minister Strahl. "Over the next few months we will be engaging with willing Aboriginal organizations to both provide information and seek input on a legislative solution to the issue outlined by the decision of the Court of Appeal for British Columbia."

Coming to One Mind - Haudenosaunee Style of Decision-Making

a) You must have a clan. That is where your voice is heard.

b) The Clan Mother charges the Chief with the will of the clan on certain matters.

c) The Chief is then empowered to represent that point of view in meetings with the other clan chiefs or the other nation chiefs.

d) The Chief has to use his powers of persuasion and the same consensus building thinking with the other chiefs. They arrive at a united point of view. They come to one mind on a matter by factoring in all of the clans points of view. However, not all clans might get their way. Some might have to change their point of view to the majority.

e) The Chief then informs his Clan Mother of the decision made by the collective minds of the Chiefs.

f) The Clan Mother informs the clan of the decision.

g) The People are honour-bound to respect the decision of their clan, nation and Confederacy.

h) If it turns out that the decision causes more trouble than it solves, the clans and nation may revisit the matter. In other words, if the people find the decision unworkable, they use their clan system to make it right. At the same time, because the chiefs are charged with special considerations that may decide that what the majority of the people want is contrary to the principles of the culture, the law and of customary practices. It is their duty to explain

why they made the decision they made, as it if good for the seventh generation to come, even though it might not sit well with the current generation.

i) If you do not attend the clan meeting on the matter, you relinquish your voice. You cannot say, "I was not there, therefore there was no consensus." Your absence is your silence on the matter.

j) If a Chief fails to attend the nation council matters, he relinquishes the voice of his clan on the matter. This is a serious breach of faith. He is failing to do his duty. A Chief really does not have the right to say, "I disagree with the others, so I'm not going to attend the meetings." It is his responsibility to represent his people, even if he personally disagrees with their point of view. He is a representative of the clan and has to negotiate the matter to come to one mind.

k) If a matter affects all nations and goes before the Grand Council, the assembled chiefs will make a decision on the matter that then becomes part of the Great Law, applying to all Haudenosaunee citizens, to all our nations. Then it is considered a completed matter.

As Haudenosaunee citizens we can support our clan leaders by doing the following:

1) Know who your Clan Mother and Chief are. Go and talk to your leaders. They need to know who you are as well. Don't holler and scream

and demand an answer, but speak with them about your concerns. Of course, we have many people who don't have a clan, and therefore have no clan leaders. This is a difficult matter. All you can do is discuss matters with your relatives who do have a clan. If you have good ideas, they can carry them forward. In the end, we have to remember that the Great Law is about supporting good ideas that work within the framework of principles set forth in the Great Law. You may not have a voice in a clan meeting or nation council, but your ideas may help.

2) Don't talk behind the backs of your leaders and openly criticize them to others. They are YOUR leaders. Have enough self-respect to take your concerns directly to them in a respectful way. If our leaders are making mistakes, that is clan business to address, and it is the duty of the clan to make it right.

3) Have clan meetings. The clan cannot properly function without clan meetings. It is how people get to know their clan relatives, hear different points of view and get their concerns aired. The clan meeting is not a free-for-all. The same protocol and order of council meetings apply.

4) Our thoughts have power. Negative thoughts send out negative energy and disrupt the Great Peace. Positive thoughts, when added together, have great power to support the Great Peace. We can use our own minds to encourage, support

and help our leaders be strong. Send them thoughts and words of encouragement. Help the leaders be better leaders.

5) Inform yourself. Being Haudenosaunee requires a lot of homework. All too often we react to rumours and gossip, rather than facts. Sometimes, getting the facts can be difficult, but that is the Chiefs job, to collect information for us, share it, discuss it, and to "hear the will of the people" on the matter. If your chief is not helping you understand an issue, you need to help him get better information. If we expect to fully understand the ramifications of those decisions. This takes time.

6) Attend the council meetings. In the old days our ancestors would tell the women that it was their responsibility to attend the council meeting, listen intently, and tell their families what they heard, what the decision was, so that our people could stay informed. This requires three things - understanding the Haudenosaunee languages (people are getting too hung up on English translations of what people thought was stated); a willingness to listen carefully (this was considered a valued cultural trait in the past); and a faithful communication of what was stated (without personal comment). This all has to do with honesty and respect.

7) Have patience. Our system takes time. Decisions must be carefully

considered. Thinking of the Seventh Generation to come forces us to operate more cautiously. Rushing into a decision is a sure formula for disaster. Building consensus takes time. Ask not what the Haudenosaunee can do for you; ask what you can do for the Haudenosaunee. Find your role and do it well.

More than anything the Great Law talks about the consequences of bad decision-making. When we break our own laws, there is no where to run. Being Haudenosaunee means that we are to live under one law (The Original Instructions, The Great Law, and Gaiwio); we are to share one land (The Dish With One Spoon); think with one mind (Good Mind); and speak with one voice (Consensus). These are not just the good intentions of our ancestors. They are the pathway and tradition given to us to resolve the matters we face to assure that seven generations from now, the future Haudenosaunee, will inherit a healthy and safe world which will provide all that they need to be happy and healthy. It starts with the qualities of decisions you make today about your own life, about your family and about your place in the world. The Great Law is about how you conduct yourself and what kind of relationships you foster in the world. In that regard, we can all work harder at making better decisions. The future depends upon each of us.

Elders Section

Economy forcing boomers to work longer

(NC)- The current economic downturn has left many Canadians looking for work and boomers who are nearing retirement are no exception. Many boomers are finding that they have to stay on the payroll longer than they may have anticipated to supplement their retirement income. A recent study from the BMO Retirement Institute indicates people are accepting of the notion of working longer, but many individuals may be making this decision without having all the necessary information.

"It is vital for boomers to know where they stand financially and to understand the impact that working longer will have on their savings so that they can determine how long they need to continue to work, and in what capacity, to achieve their personal retirement goals," said Tina Di Vito, director of retirement strategies for BMO Financial Group.

Many people have a retirement dream in mind but don't have a detailed plan on how to achieve their goals. Surprisingly, many boomers do not know how much they will receive from their person-

al savings, investments, government sources such as Old Age Security or Canada Pension Plan, and company pensions. Before

deciding to work for a few extra years, it's helpful to fully understand your income and expenses in retirement.

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Tiger Woods wins second annual Notah Begay III Foundation Challenge

By Lynda Powless
 Editor
 ATUNYOTE (Verona, N.Y.)-Not even the occasional rain shower could dampen the spirits here Monday when Tiger Woods, the world's No. 1 golfer, claimed the championship in the Notah Begay III Foundation Challenge that raised \$750,000 for native youth.

Tiger outshot an all-world foursome that included Camilo Villegas, Mike Weir and Notah Begay III to win the second annual Notah Begay III (NB3) Foundation Challenge.



Taking nine skins and \$230,000 during the 18 holes played on Monday, at the Atunyote Golf Club course at Turning Stone Resort and Casino here.

Tiger said he was pleased to be at the tournament, one of the few he plays in.

He said, "when Notah called and asked me to play in his tournament, I said of course. I'd do anything for Notah."

The two are close friends after rooming together at Stamford University and who's friendship grew as the only two minorities on the PGA.

Woods told Turtle Island News editor Lynda Powless, Begay has helped open his eyes to conditions facing Native Americans.

"Notah does this for the children...80% of Native American kids don't have access to sports facilities or know about healthy eating. That's some of the reasons why diabetes is so high. They don't have the knowledge," he said.

When asked by editor Powless if he planned to visit Canada, and Six Nations soon, Woods, joked and said it was cold, but when



Tiger and Notah warm up



Notah signs autographs

pressed, laughed and told her, "yes mam, I'm coming." The event featured some of the world's top golfers, and expectations were high with a crowd of over 3,000 watching every move. The players were on their game flashing drives and mesmerizing

short iron play.

Early in the game tournament host Begay III drew cheers with great chips on both the first, from a sand trap, and third hole.

Laughs were getting fewer when the foursome approached the ninth hole.

It started when Villegas hit a great second shot from 75 yards out and a 10-foot birdie putt, giving him six skins and \$180,000 with a single shot on the 15th.

Now trailing, Woods birdied three consecutive holes following Villegas' move to the top, reclaiming the lead with only the most difficult hole of the course left to play... the 18th.

But it was Begay III, who played a great chip from the fringe and followed with a birdie putt to take the final skin and \$70,000.

While Woods took home the most skins during today's round, the true winners of the NB3 Foundation Challenge are Native American children who.

The Foundation works to improve the health and wellness of youth on Indian reservations nationwide by developing and promoting sustainable and innovative sports and wellness programs to fight the disproportionate incidence of obesity



Mike Weir, a Canadian on the all pro tour says he is very familiar with First Nations issues since he grew up at Sarnia and "played hockey and lacrosse with a lot of the guys from the reserve there."

and diabetes among Native American youth.

To date, the Foundation has implemented year-round soccer and golf programs engaging hundreds of Native American youth in New Mexico alone.

"It's time we do more to stop the obesity and diabetes epidemic among Native American youth," said Begay III. "Through the Challenge, we have a unique opportunity to shine a national spotlight on this issue. Our goal is to create a national youth health and wellness movement among tribal nations, and I am excited about the momentum for change I have seen today."

The NB3 Foundation Challenge is supported by the Oneida Indian Nation and the San Manuel Band of Serrano Mission Indians.

SPORTS

Fresh Faces find their way to Ohsweken Victory Lane

By Jamie Lewis
 Writer

ONEIDA-Last Saturday night the latest installment of Mixed Martial Arts returned to the Oneida territory.

In the main event Markhaile "Showtime" Wedderburn made short work of Tyler "Main Event" Stuart.

Wedderburn came after Stuart early in the first few seconds of the opening round striking Stuart several times with glancing blows to the head and body.

With over a minute left in the round Wedderburn connected with a left knocking out Stuart ending the fight.

In the under card, Oneida's hometown boy Andy Smith flew out of the gate and easily defeated Craig Wrenwick with a choke submission just over a minute in the first round.

Albert Doxtator the organizer of the event and the coach of the Fighting Spirit Fight Club says in his territory the people want this kind of event and the crowds are an indication of that.

Doxtator says it is unfortunate the IQMMA over in Six Nations has had problems with charges but wonders if that is the real reason.

"But was it the court case that stopped the events over on 6," he said.

"For the issue of them (IQMMA) getting charged it is more community relations, I am well in touch with all areas, I go for the support of everybody, because it is the people who want it," Doxtator added.

Doxtator says that it is the people he represents and that is why he makes the comments he makes to the newspapers and does what he can to promote the event.

"I do it for everyone to benefit, it's not a one sided thing," he said. He says when he puts his card

OHSWEKEN-Keith Dempster snapped a two year winless streak in the Cor/Pak Merchandising Sprint Car division, while Lee Winger edged out Jamie Cox for the ESSO Thunder Stock victory. Mitchell Brown was credited with the ESSO Mini Stock win after Kevin Hilborn's #72 failed post

race technical inspection, and Karl Sault won another feature in the Bomber division. Special Flag Pole and Backwards races were also run on Friday, with Chris Hills claiming Flag Pole honours and Steven Hills winning the backwards race.

Showtime TKO's Main Event

"I never rode on anyone's coat talks or off my uncles, so I take great pride in that," added Doxtator.

Gooding to tap out after Hourdt applied an arm bar hold.

Jeff Sharp defeated Sean Toyrand by tapout.

Andrew Butcher defeated Curtis Leckie by tapout

Jim Barber defeated Pete Brown after the referee called the fight due to strikes.

Leo Gagnon defeated J.D. Glavis by strikes.

The Oneida team travels to Walpole Island on November 7.

Oneida territory fighter Andy Smith grimaces after Craig Wrenwick nails him with a sold left during their bout at the Oneida Community Centre last Saturday night. Smith won the match by submission. (Photo by Jamie Lewis)



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17th Annual Student Recognition

By Edna J. Gooder

Writer

OHSWEKEN-Family and friends watched proudly as graduates received their awards at the 17th Annual Student Recognition Event held Thursday evening August, 20 at Six Nations Polytechnic Student Centre.

More than 100 people packed the student centre to witness their family members recognized for their hard work in successfully completing their post secondary efforts. Although, before the festivities began, the audience was entertained to a variety of songs performed by Six Nations Youth Choir (Dwae Na Ga Das) led by Robin Maracle. The children dressed in purple regalia drew smiles from the audience as they sang in crystal clear voices. Brenda Williams records /administration assistant said in an earlier phone interview this year's program would be shorter in hopes the event would finish earlier as past events ran to almost "11:00." Eleven out of more than 70 proud graduates were in attendance to receive their recognition award to the smiles of family and friends. Graduate Lee Ann Davey's son Mark said he was aw-



Six Nations Council Chief Bill Montour addresses the students and their families at the 17th Annual Student Recognition Event held by the Grand River Post Secondary Education Office last Thursday evening at Six Nations Polytechnic.

fully proud of his mom's accomplishments and is following in her educational foot steps as he wants to be an "architect" when he graduates from high school next year. The graduates of all ages and edu-



Eleven graduates proudly hold on to their Student Recognition Awards at the 17th Annual Student Recognition and Awards event held by the Grand River Post Secondary Education Office at Six Nations Polytechnic on Thursday, August 20th. (Photos by Edna J. Gooder)

cational pursuits have very impressive degrees, diplomas and certificates from universities and colleges across Canada and the U.S., such as Bachelor of Science-Nursing, Biotechnology Technician, Practical Nursing, Early Childhood Education, Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts-Psychology. Various speakers from the community, such as Six Nations Council Chief Bill Montour congratulated the students on their accomplish-

ments and their families for helping them reach their goals. Montour said as he looked at the graduates "the future is yours," so just grab it. Smiling, he added, he sees good things happening for "our students and graduates" as they join the growing number of Six Nations community members pursuing post secondary education. After the presentation of awards and scholarships, such as National Aboriginal Achievement Award and the Norman Jacobs Environ-

ment Scholarship, a light buffet was served. Brenda Davis chairperson of the board and master of ceremonies said to the graduates that they should – not "stop learning, but be a life long learner." For more information on post secondary education people can contact the Grand River Post Secondary Education Office at 519-445-2219, toll free 1-877-837-5180, or check out their website at www.grpseo.org.



Proud son Mark sits next to his mom Lee Ann Davey graduate of University of Buffalo with a Bachelor of Arts degree will pursue a Masters in environmental studies at York University this fall.



First Nations Youth Choir in particular order Cassandra Bomberry, Angelina Bomberry, Kole Bomberry, Erik Martin, Maddison Bomberry, Mackenzie Bomberry, Frankie Warner, Sarah Montour, Maddison Miller and Kane Martin.

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ble the only thing holding them back is FEAR. Now FEAR in my world, is an acronym that stands for Fantasized Experiences Appearing Real. F-Fantasized E-Experiences A-Appearing R-Real Its fear that thwarts us, stalemates us, stifles us, erodes our self-esteem and places imaginary roadblocks in our path. FEAR encourages us to make up Excuses, like: * I'm too ugly, too fat, too skinny * I'm too young, too old * I'm too tall or too short * I'm just a woman or just a man * I'm too weak or too strong

* I'm from a minority group * I'm for a majority group * I don't have an education * I have too much education * I'm unqualified or overqualified * I'm too bald or I have too much hair * I've been married five times * I'm a loser (two-three times over) These excuses and other excuses like them are our expressions of FEAR and as long as you continue to hold on to them, you will do little to move in the direction of your dreams. Fear keeps us from taking action, and if we don't act, we NEVER get beyond where we are right now. Luckily, our fears disappear when we confront them and once we are able to

take charge of ourselves, we can be, do and have everything we've ever dreamed of. I remember hearing these words one day many years ago and to this very day they still ring true. "At any given moment of everyday, every living person has to be someplace, doing something." The trick here is, knowing what you really want out of life, focus on it the first thing in the morning before you even get out of bed and once again just before you go to sleep. Now don't confuse dreams with wishes. Wishes are just as they sound w-i-s-h-es and the expectation is that someone else will grant your wish. Dreams on the other hand are much more than wishes or fantasy and if you are capable of seeing and visualizing your accomplishments in explicit detail you have the ability to make them your reality. Success requires vision, a positive attitude and the desire to take risk. There is a price to be paid in advance of all rewards. It may require that you learn to march to the beat of your own drum, dance to your own song or separate yourself from the pack. Here is an example of a payment in advance: A wood burning stove can not produce heat until you first fill it with good dry wood, ignite the flame and close the door. Once you have done your part and ignited the flame the wood burning stove can not NOT produce the heat that you require. For the heat to continue all you need to do is add more fuel. Less heat, less fuel, more heat, more fuel. This is one of the natural laws of physics. For every action there is an equal and opposite reaction. Are you willing to pay the price in advance of your future rewards? The choice is yours to make. Use your imagination, allow yourselves to visualize your dreams, see them and don't be afraid to do what ever is necessary to experience the GOOD LIFE. I must admit that I am quite envious of all of you young people out there. The

world is your oyster. I happen to know that for a fact, because forty years ago I was exactly where many of you are at this moment in your lives. Many of you may have heard this story before, however it bears being told once again. A life without set goals may very well lead to heartache and disappointment. Imagine a large ocean going vessel, fully loaded with fuel with no set destination, no charts or charted course, no navigational devices or Success Starts With Education Education Is The First Step To A Bright Future! In preparation for your return to school this coming September anyone to steer the ship or man the huge engines. All that is done to this ship is it is untied from the dock; the engines are fired up and put in gear to stream forward. Now if it even makes it out of the harbour to the open ocean that would be a minor miracle, however once it is out there on open water, it is at the mercy of the waves, tides, currents and winds and pretty well destined to just wander aimlessly about the ocean until it either strikes a reef and sinks or eventually runs out of fuel and is run a ground by the relentless motions of the sea. Sadly, this story does mirror the lives of those that choose to just drift through life without goals or a clearly defined purpose for their lives. Your education will serve as your navigational devices allowing you the ability to chart your own courses and change them to alternative ports of call should that ever become necessary. The skill of being able to successfully navigate your way through life's many challenges and your ability to control fear will all but guarantee you finding and living the GOOD LIFE. Aim high and approach your life ONE DAY AT A TIME. That way you will never become overwhelmed with all of life's demands, because after all we can do anything for one day. Congratulations, and enjoy the experience. Edward A. Hannigan Counsellor/Coach/Consultant



The Six Nations Police would like to remind the people of **Six Nations** to be especially careful with this summers **'Back to School'** beginning the last week of the month. All Six Nations Schools will resume classes on August 31st and we urge all drivers to be on the lookout for students making their way to and from school.



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Learning to manage your time is one of the most difficult tasks new post secondary students face. Scheduling your time and following the schedule to complete tasks on time will help you avoid overload and being overwhelmed and stressed. Here are some tips: Semester Plan -Purchase or make a four month calendar that covers the first semester -Record the due dates of major assignments, mid-term tests and final exams. -Record the dates that you will begin work or study for these Monthly Plan -Record scheduled classes and lab times -Record due dates for exams, tests and assignments Weekly Plan -Record scheduled classes and lab time -Record due dates for assignments, tests, exams. -Schedule class preparation time -Readings, review lecture notes -Study chapters 2-4, get reference materials for history essay

-Read Chapter 5 anthropology -Schedule weekly household duties/errands and leisure time Daily Plan -Make a To Do list of all tasks that need to be done that day -Prioritize the items and put a time frame on them. Do the most important ones, reschedule others if necessary -Schedule within the time frame Don't forget there are people and services on and off campus that can help and support you through the year. Get in touch with the Native Services on Campus -Get to know your professors -The libraries -The Aboriginal Education Service offices -Student Services Offices at counselling or Career Centre -Post Secondary Institutions in Ontario that offer Native Student Services or Native Studies programs include: Mohawk College First Nations Technical Institute McMaster University Nipissing Loyalist

Trent Queens Sudbury and others Interview Tips 1. Do go into your interview on time or early is better 2. Do come into your interview dressed appropriately or in accordance to the specific job placement. 3. Do brush your teeth 4. Do be polite and give a good attitude 5. Do have good posture 6. Do feel free to ask questions about the business 7. Do come in having a good manner 8. Do go in confident and well prepared 9. Do tell the employer what you have to offer the company 10. Do use your head, these tips are common sense. If you need help contact the Grand River Post Secondary Office. The Grand River Post Secondary office was established with you, Six Nations band members in mind. If you need help, drop by their offices or call. It offers: -Current post secondary institution

scholarships and bursaries. GRPSEO staff also supervise exams for students enrolled in distance education courses. Informed student decisionmaking is their motto. Assistance is also available to all students. Adirectory of Six Nations Post Secondary Students is also published to facilitate student contacts. The GRPSEO has a web site (http://www.grpseo.org/). Counselling is provided to active post secondary students. Counselling takes place through student visits to the office, telephone contacts and on campus where possible. Financial assistance is provided to eligible Six Nations students within available resources. Financial services can include assistance with tuition, books, direct costs associated with attending full time (allowance) tutorial assistance. Recognition of student accomplishments is an ongoing part of interaction with students, however student accomplishments are highlighted once a year at the Student Recognition Dinner held in the community.

Board and staff members also attend events on campus wherever possible in support of students ex., orientations, convocations, award's nights, visual records of accomplishments are also maintained at the office. A student work area with access to fax, photocopy, computer and internet equipment. The internet station is popular with students seeking information about various institution's programs.



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Rewarding **Canadian** science heroes

(NC)—Canadian schools are home to many unacknowledged heroes. These are the heroes of science who inspire curiosity, a thirst for knowledge and lifelong learning in children. Their names are most likely not Einstein, Newton or

junior and senior schools across this country. Last year, two heroes were recognized for their tremendous contributions to education and were awarded the Amgen Award for Science Teaching Excellence

as such an honour", says Mr. Mitchell. "I strive each and every day to make science fun and hands-on. Helping my students to live what they learn is very rewarding". Ms. Wilson agrees, "My goal is to make science accessible, accu-

award to deserving educators in Ontario and BC, and for the first time this year, also to educators in Alberta and Quebec.

AASTE recognizes the efforts of extraordinary science teachers at the K-12 level who have demonstrated an outstanding ability to inspire their students and who produce results in science learning.

"At Amgen, we are strongly committed to science education," says Dr. Daniel Billen, Vice President and General Manager, Amgen Canada. "We are proud to honour those extraordinary educators who are able to inspire students to embrace a lifetime of learning."

The award is divided between a \$5,000 unrestricted cash award for the teacher and an \$5,000 restricted cash grant for the recipient's school that can be used to expand the sci-

ence program, add to science resources, or pursue professional development opportunities for the school's science teachers.

Teachers must apply to be eligible. Applicants are required to submit an innovative lesson plan that they have successfully incorporated into their classroom. A panel of independent judges will select the winners based on the following criteria: creativity of teaching methods; innovative lesson plan; effectiveness in the classroom and the plan for the use of grant money to improve science education resources in their schools.

Those interested in applying should visit www.amgen.ca or <http://www.amgen.com/citizenship/aaste.html> for more information.



Hawking, but they share much in common. Like these other heroes of science, they too hold the keys to unlock the mysteries of the universe. Who are they? The dedicated men and women who teach science to children in elementary,

(AASTE). Casey Wilson of William G. Davis Senior School in Brampton, Ontario and Gregg Mitchell of Timberline Secondary School in Campbell River, B.C. each received the \$10,000 award.

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Battling the new student jitters: organization key to a smooth back to school experience

(NC)—Whether it's your first day as a university freshman or your last year as a graduate student, the lead up to heading back to school can be a trying time. Between packing, moving, registering for classes and the dreaded campus book store adventure, getting prepared for the new term is hard work, even before you step into the classroom. One of the best ways to cope with this stressful time is to organize as much as possible prior to arriving on campus.

Here are a few tips to help make the back to school experience as stress-free as possible:

• Get yourself connected: It's a rare student that can handle life offline for even a short period of time, so arrange to have your Internet hook-up coordinated before you even



leave home. That way, you're not competing with all of the other students scrambling to have their In-

ternet connected during that final pre-class period. Even better, if possible, have the installation com-

pleted before you arrive on campus to avoid any downtime.
• Invest in a good PC: The last thing any student wants is to spend time working on essays or projects and then lose them due to an unreliable PC. If yours could use a refresh, now is the time to look online and in local fliers for deals on PCs. The past year has seen PC prices drop, so take advantage of these already good discounts—not to mention great back to school sales. Remember that the most expensive PC isn't necessarily the best for what you need to do, so talk to your friends and family and find a machine that fits in with your budget. Remember to check for manufacturers offering Windows Vista PCs now with free upgrade options to Windows 7 when it launches in late October.
• Use your networks: Arriving onto a new campus can be overwhelm-

ing and potentially a little lonely. Before you even arrive at your new school or in your new city, take advantage of your social networks—chances are you'll know someone who either attends or has attended your university. Ask questions and find out what's important to you: where's the best place for coffee? Where's the closest movie theatre? Where's the best place to study in the library? Knowing some of the answers to these questions in advance will make your arrival in a new place much less stressful. While nothing will completely eliminate those new school jitters, being organized and in control of what you can manage prior to starting school will go a long way to getting you through those first few weeks and will let you focus on your classes.

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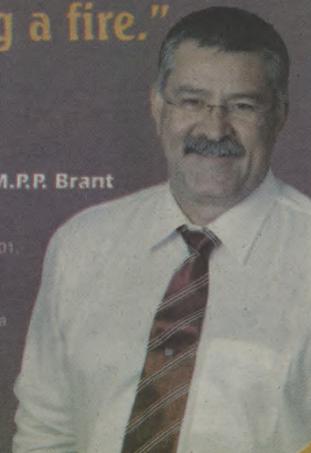
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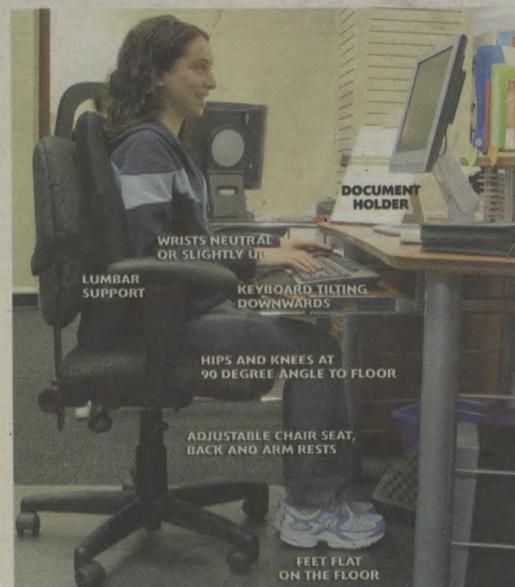
Quick tips for creating a healthy homework space

Avoid the kitchen table

(NC)—Today's students are sitting for longer periods of time doing homework or using the computer. An improperly designed workspace can lead not only to poor posture but also to neck, shoulder and back pain.

Canada and president of Tri Fit Inc. She offers these quick tips.

1. Create a space dedicated to homework and using the computer.
2. Ensure the workstation is big enough to hold all your equipment



"Creating a healthy ergonomically correct workstation can go a long way towards preventing muscle tension and pain in the shoulders and back," says Sue Pridham, a health and wellness consultant for Staples

and frequently used-items are close by to avoid excessive twisting or reaching.

3. Position computer monitor at arms length away with the top of the monitor at eye level.

4. Use a document holder when typing from a textbook or document to avoid unnecessary head twisting. Place the holder next to the screen.
5. Use a height adjustable chair - with a comfortable seat, good back support and adjustable arm rests and back. For computer work, adjust the chair's seat slightly backwards up to 5 degrees to create more lumbar support in the backrest. When writing, tilt the seat slightly forward to reduce pressure on the discs in the spine. Allow for a hand-width distance between the back of your knee and the edge of your chair.

6. Ensure proper sitting position:
 - Arm rests: elbows rest close to your body and bent at 90 degrees.
 - Seat: hips and knees at 90 degree angle, thighs parallel to the floor. Sit all the way back in your chair, to avoid slouching and poor posture.
 - Wrists: neutral or slightly up.
 - Shoulders: relaxed, not hunched or forward.
 - Feet: resting flat on the ground. If they don't consider using a foot rest.
7. Use a negative slope/tilt down keyboard system.
8. Ensure the mouse fits the size of your hand or use a smaller keyboard for a better fit.
9. Use glare-free screen- reduces eye strain.
10. Take stretch breaks every 20 minutes.

For more back to school ideas, visit www.staples.ca.
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Kids want green school supplies - here's what's hot

(NC)—Anyone with kids knows how crazy things can get towards the end of summer - just when you thought you could squeeze another few days out of summer, without running errands for your kids, along comes the annual dash for school supplies. And boom - you're off to find erasable blue ink

notebooks made with as much as 80 per cent bagasse;

• Exercise books - Hilroy makes theirs with 30 per cent post-consumer waste and environmentally friendly ink;

• Westcott KleenEarth scissors - have green handles made from 70 per cent recycled plastic. The handles have Microban which provides antibacterial protection against the growth of bacteria.

• Biodegradable report covers - Not only are they reusable but they are biodegradable. When you're done using them you can throw them away as they have a starch-based cellulose additive that makes them biodegradable in a landfill. Again, Staples has its own brand of these.

• 100 per cent recycled chipboard binders - they're both stylish and eco-friendly. Watch for the Avery brand on these ones. Make the most of your trip to the store and plan your purchases ahead of time. Staples Canada features most of these products on its website at www.easy.staples.ca.

Here are some of the hottest, greenest, back-to-school supplies for 2009:

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able. When you're done using them you can throw them away as they have a starch-based cellulose additive that makes them biodegradable in a landfill. Again, Staples has its own brand of these.

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The Top 10 Steps for Choosing a Career

Career choices may well be more difficult today than at any time in history, for three reasons: there is infinitely more to choose from; career definitions are more fluid and changing; and the levels of expectation are rising. Most men and women entering the workforce today can expect to change careers three or more times during their working lives. Here are ten steps that will help ensure that your choices are good ones.

1. Begin with your values.

What's really important to you? What turns you on? What do you like to do so much that you would almost feel guilty getting paid to do it? These questions are designed to help you get at one of the key elements in career choice: values. Your values are the emotional anchor of all that you do. Satisfying careers are built upon the notion of

a high correspondence between one's personal values and the work they will be doing. Begin your career search by sorting out your values and writing them down as clearly and succinctly as you can.

2. Identify your skills and talents.

A skill is something you've learned to do. A talent is something you've been born with, or at least that you seem naturally qualified to do. It's important to recognize the difference between the two. You may be skilled at something and still not find it interesting. Chances are, however, if you are naturally talented at something, there will be a correspondence between that particular talent and your values. Put another way: you are more apt to enjoy doing what you do well naturally than what you have simply been taught to do.

3. Identify your preferences.

From early on, we approach the world with certain personal preferences—how we perceive others, how we think and make decisions, whether we prefer concepts over people or vice versa, and the extent to which we are comfortable with uncertainty in our lives. For many, these preferences operate at a subconscious level, but they strongly influence the way we function with others. Some questions may help: Do you regard yourself as highly intuitive? Are you outgoing or reserved? When faced with a decision, do you rely primarily on facts or feelings? Your answers to these questions can tell you much about the kinds of work you will find interesting and challenging. One way of sorting this all out is by taking the Myers-Briggs Type Indicator a self-assessing instrument that helps clarify these issues. If you haven't

taken it in the past year, or at all, I strongly recommend that you take it and include your results in your career deliberations.

4. Experiment.

There's no substitute for experience, the more the better. It's probably safe to say that nearly every career looks vastly different from the outside than from within. If you're new to the job market or if you are considering a career change, get out and talk to people who are actually doing it. Take a job in the field or industry and see for yourself if it's really all you thought it would be. And don't rely on a single authority or work experience. Within the bounds of the area you've picked, try to get as much and as varied experience as you can. If you're committed to finding out about a certain career, you may want to consider volun-

teering in order to gain work experience. That way, you'll be able to test out whether it fits your values and preferences. If you aren't getting paid to do it, chances are you won't stay with it unless you like it.

5. Become broadly literate.

In this high tech information world, there is an incredible pressure to specialize, to know more and more about less and less. That's dangerous, because it increases your chances of being obsolescent immensely. Many people lose their jobs and scuttle their careers because they have gradually developed tunnel vision about who and what they are and what their capabilities are. The old debate over specialist versus generalist is being tempered by a new term: the generalist/specialist. That's the individual who has been able to grasp the large picture while, at the same time, becoming expert on several of its parts. That's what becoming broadly literate is all about. Learn as much as you can about what interests you and about the jobs and careers you're considering—not just what those involved are currently doing, but about where the industry or profession is heading.

6. In your first job, opt for experience first, money second.

If you're at the top of your class graduating summa cum laude, you may be able to combine both in a single package, but for most new entrants into the workforce, it's a matter of priorities. A good way of sizing up several opportunities is to ask yourself: "Which position will offer me the best chance of becoming excellent at what I do?" And that may not be the one that pays the highest initial salary.

7. Aim for a job in which you can become 110% committed. Modest dedication and average performance are unacceptable today. The problem is, with downsizing becoming fully acceptable you aren't likely to discover the truth of that statement until you're out of a job! So, how to protect yourself? If you aren't able to commit 110% to what you are currently doing, start NOW to find something in which you can.

8. Build your lifestyle around your income, not your expectations.

Recruiters are famous for courting desirable applicants with promises such as: "Why, in two years, you could be making X thousands of dollars". The problem is that many new entrants into the job force buy into this line and begin living as though they were making the kind of money promised in two years. A better way is to begin, right with your first job, to structure your lifestyle in such a manner that you can put away ten percent of every paycheck. Starting early and investing regularly and wisely are probably two of the greatest secrets of wealth accumulation.

9. Invest five percent of your time, energy, and money into furthering your career.

In terms of a forty-hour week, that's only two hours per week. The point is, you cannot rely on your

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Finding the right (and affordable) laptop for school

By David Lee

(NC)—Taking notes and working on the go are all easier with a laptop, but how do you pick the right notebook computer for school without breaking your budget? Here are some important things to consider:

views and be armed with knowledge of features and general pricing.

• Visit bargain hunting websites like RedFlagDeals.com -- it isn't hard to locate a deal that will give you a brand new, functional productivity laptop in the neighbour-

hood of \$400-\$600 dollars. • Buy according to your needs. If the real goal of your laptop is productivity (and it probably should

be), you don't need a \$3000 laptop with all the trimmings. • Size matters. It might be nice to watch movies on a big screen, but with many universities using half desks in classrooms and lecture halls, a more compact notebook may work better.

• Netbooks are easy to carry around and great for taking notes. But, you might find yourself struggling to work on them for extended sessions. Consider putting together an inexpensive desktop PC for when you need to get some serious work done. - News Canada



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Budgeting away from home

By David Lee

(NC)—For many of you, going to college or university will be the first time you really have to budget your money. According to Statistics Canada, Canadian full-time undergraduate students paid an average of \$4,724 in tuition fees in the 2008/2009 academic year, (a \$200 increase from 2007/2008). Depending on your location and habits, the cost of living on your own for an 8-month academic year will probably fall in the neighbourhood of ten to fifteen thousand dollars. With the ongoing economic turmoil, competition for jobs is on the increase, too. It is a critical time to budget your money. Before school starts, make a list of

your weekly budget at some point during the year. If you overspend during a night out on the town, recognize that your entertainment budget has been used up -- skip the next video game you were going to buy or spend the next couple of weekends catching up on reading. Eating out can add up quickly as well, so learn to cook or pack snacks. Also, try leaving your credit card at home; it's surprising how much harder it is to splurge that way. Even if you are sticking to your budget, you need to make the most of your resources. Do research and consult deal websites such as Red-FlagDeals.com before making purchases to maximize savings because when emergencies hit, they can hit



things you'll need and have friends and family check the list for things you've forgotten or you can do without. Calculate your cost of living and the supplies you will need for the school year -- the basic cost of tuition, books, rent, utilities and food is a good place to start. Make sure you budget enough to cover these requirements, and then pay yourself an allowance for recreation. Don't beat yourself up if you blow

hard. A beer shortage or lack of the latest clothes is not an emergency, but having to travel home unexpectedly or having to replace something important like text books, a computer, or car brakes can be. Be prepared. At the very least, you won't go hungry, and at best, you'll come away with money to spend for next year. - News Canada



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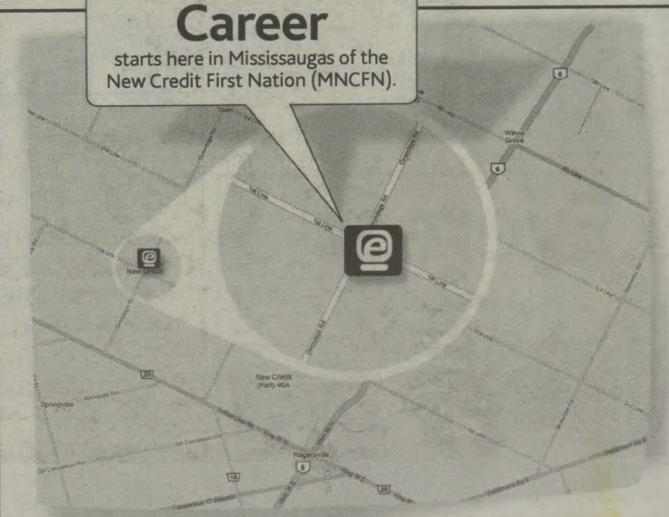
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But you don't have to go it alone; there are a number of resources that can help you through the process. INTRO: The guide to Ontario Universities For High School Students, is a free publication put out each year by the Ontario Universities Applications Centre (OUAC). This publication is full of information on each of the universities, scholarship information, and important resources.

INFO is available through high school guidance offices or by contacting the Ontario Universities Application Centre (AUAC) (OUAC) (website www.ouac.ca) as another rich sort of information for applicants, parents and counsellors. The application form itself will have all the information all the applicant needs to do is complete it. Still, there may be specific questions about university of programs that are best handled by the universities themselves. The best place to begin is with the admissions office. The Application Form

One thing you won't have to do if you are considering applying to more than one university in Ontario is worry about filling out a different application for each institution. You can apply to 11 universities in Ontario (except the Royal Military College) with one application. There are three different applications that can be used when applying to a full time undergraduate program; 101, 105F and 105D. You just have to decide which application you need. All applications are processed through the Ontario Universities Application Centre (OUAC) in Guelph. If you are interested in part time studies the application needed may be different and you should contact the university directly before submitting an application.

101- Are you currently enrolled in an Ontario high school? This is the form you need. Only those students currently enrolled in an Ontario high school day program should use this form. See your counsellor for a copy. 105F- This form is only for international students who are not currently attending school in Canada. 105D- If you do not attend high school in Ontario, and live in Canada, this is the application for you.

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employer to spoon feed you. Employers today are oriented towards immediate returns on their dollar. They will invest in you only when they can see an immediate or relatively quick expensive benefit, or when they see extraordinary potential. Better to not count on either. Dedicate yourself to getting ahead by keeping ahead, and you do that by controlling the one thing you can control: your dedication to being the best that you can be.

10. Be willing to change and adapt.

If you re-read the preceding steps in this list, you'll note an absence (refreshing, I hope) of emphasis upon goal-setting and a substitution instead, of words like "values",

"skills", "talents", and "preferences". It's not that goals aren't useful, but rather that they should emerge naturally from these other factors and, even though you may write them down and paste them on your mirror, they should not obscure the need to be willing to change and adapt to new conditions, your own growth, and developing opportunities. The distinction here is between "direction" and "plan". An ant has a direction, but not a plan. The ant knows where it wants to go and is willing to turn around, back up, and change course in order to get there. But the ant hasn't written it down, posted it on a bulletin board, or gained concurrence from all the other ants. The ant just knows, with

absolute certainty, the general direction in which it's heading and that it WILL get there. That's what modern day career direction is all about.

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Educational survey findings

Homework: More time = better grades?

(NC)—When it comes to homework, spending more time may be what separates above average and below average achieving students, according to a recent educational survey conducted by Ipsos-Reid for Kumon Math and Reading Centres.

Responses from parents of children between the ages of five to 15 showed that children performing at an above average level in school are spending almost 25% more time on their homework each week than their below average counterparts. But this difference doesn't add up to that much homework each day. In fact, the daily difference between above average and below average children turns out to be 12 minutes.

"In the time it takes to prepare a meal for your family or in the space of a 30 minute television show, you can potentially turn your child's academic performance around," Dr. Donna McGhie-Richmond, educational specialist with Kumon Math and Reading Centres says. "These findings point to the benefits of regular and additional time spent on study. Through a consistent home study regimen, parents demonstrate their commitment to education, making homework an understood priority in the home, while children hone their academic skills and develop a solid foundation to build future successes on."

Dr. McGhie-Richmond offers the following tips to help develop a study routine in your home:

• Set aside a specific time and location in your home for your child to complete their homework and keep it consistent each night. This consistency will make it easier for your child to transition into a homework routine smoothly.

• Ensure that your child has a well-stocked homework environment. By having all the tools required to successfully complete any and all assignments; your child won't have to worry about breaking study momentum to locate materials and can focus solely on the task at hand.

• Set aside time once the homework is completed to discuss what your child has worked on and learned. This is a wonderful way to reinforce the concepts just studied, gauge your child's understanding of what they've learned, determine what support they may require from you, and emphasize the importance of continued, consistent study by focusing on their success and acknowledging and praising their efforts and accomplishments.

For more tips and hints to help your child make the most of the learning experience, download Kumon Math and Reading Centres' podcasting series, The Learning Curve, from iTunes.

You can learn more about the Kumon program online at www.kumon.com. IPSOS-REID METHODOLOGY

These are the findings of a poll conducted on behalf of Kumon Canada from April 6 to April 10, 2009. This

Five tips to talk to kids about their report card

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3. Start with empathetic and positive comments. Highlight some-

thing positive about the report card, no matter how trivial. For instance, "we are pleased with your spelling grade."

4. Listen to your child. Recognize your child's struggles. School can be tough. It is helpful to students to know that someone is listening to their concerns and complaints.
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New lightweight laptop weighs in just in time for school

(NC)—A new ultra-light laptop, weighing a mere 1.3 kilograms, has made its debut in Canada, and will likely be crowned as the "one to have" as students head back to the classroom this September. MSI's light X-Slim X340 Notebook, according to its exclusive Canadian retailer, Staples Canada,

is touted as "the world's first slender, sleek laptop, weighing a mere 1.3 kilograms and featuring Intel's CULV platform and a 13.4" screen. Students don't have to sacrifice technology for convenience, as this computer is slender and light, with lots of battery power and memory," says Pete Gibel, vice president of

merchandising for Staples Canada. The X-Slim is available exclusively at Staples with models starting at \$799.96. The X340 features a super-long-life battery, MSI exclusive ECO engine, HDMI and Blu-Ray playback, and wireless Internet connection. *- News Canada*

College prep – laundry 101

(NC)—Sooner or later each college student comes face-to-face with the reality of owning responsibility for having clean sheets, towels, underwear and clothes. To help any laundry newbie, here is a basic laundry tool kit:

smelling fresh with a nice leave-behind scent. Fabric softener comes in either liquid or sheet form. It helps make towels and sheets less harsh and can reduce static during drying, making it easier to find both socks.



Detergent: A must-have item. Liquid or powder, just make sure you understand the usage instructions. If the washer does not have a dispenser, add the detergent as the washing machine is filling with water. Let it mix with the water before tossing in any clothes.
Bleach: College life is a magnet for stains, making bleach usage essential for students. For coloured items use an oxygen bleach, such as Javex2 Stain Fighter. Color Booster by Clorox liquid can be used as a pretreatment to help get stain removal started before washing, and it also gives colours a boost.
Fabric Softener: Help keep clothes

Quarters: Laundry's not free like at home. Most likely quarters will be needed for the washer and dryer to transform that dirty, smelly pile into usable items again. Check ahead with the university or apartment complex to see what kind of system they have in place so that you don't show up with the wrong form of payment. Remember to always read and follow precautions and usage directions before using cleaning products, including storing cleaning products out of reach of children. More information is available online at www.clorox.ca. *- News Canada*

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like the Textbook Trading Forum at RedFlagDeals.com.
 3. If you must buy new, shop around. Check online stores and look for money-saving coupons.
 4. Sell your old textbooks for cash. *- News Canada*

Back to school shopping for parents

• Before you spend a dollar on new clothes, clean out your child's closet and assess what can still be

used and what needs to be replaced. This review will help you avoid shopping for duplicates. • For teens, take the headache out of back-to-school shopping by giving each child a prepaid cash card and sending them to the mall. That way, you won't go over budget.



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Beat the homework blues: Organization and planning are critical for school success

(NC)—Switching gears between summer vacation and the new school year can be a tough transition for both students and parents. In a moment's notice, carefree days of fun and relaxation are quickly replaced with homework assignments and after school activities. As we move toward the new school year, make sure that your back-to-school preparation doesn't end with picking up new pencil cases and binders. Ensure your child's transition from play-time to class-time goes smoothly by preparing as much as possible.

Here are a couple tips to help students get prepared to learn this September. • Stay ahead of the curve: Although topics like vocabulary and multiplication are low on any student's list of priorities during the summer months, quick and easy quizzing is a great way to stimulate thought during this time. Microsoft Office templates offer a wide range of flashcards that are sure to pump up students' English and math skills and pleasantly surprise their teachers.

• Get the entire family on one calendar: Separate calendars for parents and children are a recipe for disaster. This method often leads to late homework assignments and missed

appointments. This year, try creating a shared family calendar in Outlook. It will help you stay up to date on due dates for school projects as well as after school commitments. Having the entire family's work and personal commitments at your fingertips is also useful for scheduling in much needed family time. • Be in the know: It's obvious that parental involvement is instrumental to a child's academic success; however, while most parents are willing to help out with nightly homework assignments, many feel left in the dark when it comes to test time. This September, get students set up with a shared OneNote notebook on their PC. It will let them keep notes from all their classes organized in a central place, while allowing you to access the content. This approach will let parents quiz their kids with confidence next time test season rolls around.

While there are sure to be a couple bumps along the road as students transition from camp to class, these easy to implement tips and tricks will make the stress of September much easier to manage. *- News Canada*



How to get meaningful minutes with your computer

(NC)—With new computers for school and access to the worldwide web, kids have more ways to connect to the world than ever before. And while email, web cams, and online videos are great entertainment, kids can also use their internet savvy to change the world. Here are some meaningful things for kids to do in front of the computer at school or at home: Facebook for a cause: Lots of kids already have a profile on social networking sites like Facebook or My-space. Use that profile to raise awareness about a cause that matters. Educate friends about the environment or recycling.

Be heard: With instant email access to your local member of parliament or even the prime minister, kids have unprecedented access to decision makers. Use this instant access to voice opinions about issues. Kids can get involved in the political process even before they are old enough to vote. Help other kids: Not all kids are fortunate. Encourage your kids to spend time helping a child-in-need. Christian Children's Fund of Canada, an international children's charity's website www.cfc.ca, offers ways for kids to help other kids through awareness raising activities.

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EDUCATION ASSISTANCE THROUGH THE G.R.P.S.E.O.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR THIS ASSISTANCE?

If you are a Six Nations member and you have met the entrance requirements for and been enrolled in or accepted for enrolment in an eligible post secondary program then you can apply for post secondary assistance through the Grand River Post Secondary Education Office. (G.R.P.S.E.O.)

WHAT TYPE OF POST SECONDARY EDUCATION ASSISTANCE IS THERE?

There is post secondary education assistance for tuition, books, Prior Learning Assessment, tutoring, and full time education allowance. For a description of each assistance see the web site or request the Student Policy Guide. From time to time there is assistance in the form of incentives and/or scholarships. These are available through the G.R.P.S.E.O. only when budget allows. In addition to the overall eligibility criteria already presented, there are specific criteria that apply to the different types of post secondary education assistance. These criteria are presented in the description of each type of assistance. Once you are approved for a specific type of education assistance, there are also certain criteria that you must continue to meet to maintain your eligibility. There are also limits of assistance within the different types of assistance.

HOW TO APPLY

1. YOU CAN APPLY ON-LINE !!!!!

You need your 10 digit registry number and social insurance/social security number to apply on line. Go to www.grpseo.org and click on Application Process - How to Apply - and follow the prompts. Be sure to apply before the deadline. All students are instructed to print and submit the Consent Form. Be sure to have your signature witnessed on the consent form. First time applicants and applicants who have not received funding for one academic year are advised to print and submit the Education Plan.

2. YOU CAN PRINT THE APPLICATION AND CONSENT FORMS FROM THE WEBSITE

THEN MAIL OR FAX THE COMPLETED FORMS
Complete, sign and submit these two forms with your original signature by the required deadline. Be sure to have your signature witnessed on the consent form. If you are trying to make an application deadline date, fax your completed application and consent then mail them. Faxed documents will be logged on the date received. When your original signed documents are received they will be given the same receipt date. The G.R.P.S.E.O. will not process facsimile or photocopies of forms without an original signature from you.

3. YOU CAN REQUEST AN APPLICATION PACKAGE BE MAILED TO YOU OR PICK ONE UP AT THE G.R.P.S.E.O.

Complete and submit the application and consent forms with your original signature before the required deadline. Be sure to have your signature witnessed on the consent form.

WHAT HAPPENS AFTER YOU APPLY

If information or documentation is missing, your Education Counsellor will send you a Checklist of Required Documentation. If you do not submit required documentation then your application will not be processed. Any unprocessed applications automatically become dormant at the start of each semester. Once your entire application package has been received (including all required information and documentation), your Education Counsellor reviews your file for eligibility, assigns a priority to your application, then classifies your application as "recommended" or "not recommended". Your application will then be forwarded to the Director of Student Services and Counselling for approval or non-approval. Provided that (a) you are eligible for assistance, (b) the program that you wish to study is an eligible program, (c) you have been admitted to your program choice, and, (d) you have demonstrated commitment to your education plan, your Education Counsellor will usually recommend your application within the assigned priority. The exception to this is when a student's application is not recommended because there are no funds available for that student's application. Please note that programs at the pre-college level deemed to be preparatory, exploratory or access oriented for college level study (i.e., not resulting in full post secondary credit) are not eligible for funding through the G.R.P.S.E.O.

NOT ALL APPLICATIONS CAN BE FUNDED!

Every year there isn't enough funding for all students so all students are considered according to their priority. The Priority System is designed to provide fair and equitable access to limited post secondary assistance funding. At the same time, the priority system contributes to the management of available funding over a period of years by building in a system whereby education assistance directly contributes to post secondary graduation and access to post secondary education.

The following is an outline of the priority system. For more details contact your Education Counsellor.

- Priority 1** Returning/continuing successful students including continuing successful self-funded students
- Priority 2** New high school graduates
- Priority 3** Withdrawals for just cause (emergency cases)
- Priority 4(a)** Part time successful students applying for full time assistance
- Priority 4(b)** Out of school for two or more consecutive academic semesters
- Priority 5** Graduates who change programs but are not changing their level of study
- Priority 6** Students from other countries (for September starts only)
- Priority 7** Previously unsuccessful students

Please note that a requirement of 12 months residence in Canada prior to the application date applies to priorities 1 to 5.

STUDENTS APPROVED FOR FUNDING

Students approved for funding agree to abide by the rules and guidelines for funding through the G.R.P.S.E.O. Key expectations include submission of marks by scheduled dates and regular contacts with Education Counsellors.

G.R.P.S.E.O. APPLICATION CALENDAR

May 17	Winter Marks/Progress Reports due for all continuing students. Levels 3 & 4 provide Letter of Good Academic Standing. Application Deadline for Fall or Fall/Winter semester(s) Apply on-line! Summer course registration/timetable and detailed tuition fees due.
July 1	Official Transcripts due from students with any assistance following the previous July. For fall applicants, funds will be committed if the transcript is not received.
September 17	Summer Marks/Progress Reports due for all continuing students. Levels 3 & 4 provide Letter of Good Academic Standing. Application deadline for Winter semester - Apply on-line! Fall course registration/timetable and detailed tuition fees due.
January 17	Fall Marks/Progress Reports due for all continuing students. Levels 3 & 4 provide Letter of Good Academic Standing. Application deadline for Summer semester Apply on-line! Winter course registration/timetable and detailed tuition fees due.

OTHER POST SECONDARY DATES AND EVENTS

February.....	G.R.P.S.E.O. Application Information Night 2010	October 1.....	Graduate Photos due for publication
May 24.....	Participation in Bread and Cheese Parade 2010	November.....	Graduate Promotion/Graduate Photo Publication
June 1.....	Summer Office Hours: Open from 8 am to 4 pm 2010	November 4....	Post Secondary Information Day 2009
June 21.....	Office Closed: Participation in Solidarity Day 2010	November 21....	Semester contact required from all students- check with your Counsellor
July 16.....	Norm's Golf for Grads, Sundrim Golf Course 2010	December.....	Office Closed December 24, 2009 and Reopens January 4, 2010
August 19.....	Student Recognition, Student Centre, Six Nations Polytechnic 2010		
September 1....	Back to Regular Office Hours: Open 8:30 am to 4:30 pm 2009		

There is a shortage of doctors and all health professionals - please consider a career in medicine. Contact your Education Counsellor for Ontario Medical School admission requirements and other upcoming program opportunities.

EDUCATION...A PATH TO TOMORROW

The Six Nations Senior Masters lose to Toronto

The Six Nations Senior Masters lacrosse played in the Canadian Master Championships over the weekend and lost to Toronto Beaches in the semi-finals. Darren Williams, Hicks Hill Ladd Staats, Chuck Martin, Dave W. Johnson, Darryl Squire, Rick Filion Al Jacobs, Kevin Martin, Bruce Longboat, Tom Johnson, Mike Montour Dave A. Johnson and Lyle

Johnson all played well for the senior team. The senior team defeated Oakville 6-3, Calgary 6-5, and Durham 7-1 to move in to the semi-finals. Toronto won the Championship after defeating Whitby.



2009 MLL Champs Toronto Nationals celebrate their 10-9 win over Denver last Sunday afternoon. (Photo courtesy of Larry French)

We are the champions

By Jamie Lewis
Writer

SIX NATIONS-The Toronto Nationals are Major Lacrosse League Champions.

Last Sunday the National defeated the Denver Outlaws 10-9 at the Navy-Marine Corps Memorial in Denver Colorado.

Nick OHara opened the scoring for the Nationals at the 59 second mark.

Outlaws Josh Sims responded to tie the game at 1-1 and 10 minutes later Toronto jumped ahead 2-1 after John Grant Jr. scored.

Toronto moved to a 3-1 lead when Jeff Zywicki scored his first of three goals at 5:25.

Denver responded with four goals in the second quarter to go up 5-3. Brendan Mundorf had 2 goals in the

quarter, Matt Brown, Brian Langtry.

Jeff Zywicki moved Toronto to within 1 goal at 13:01, to cut the Outlaws lead to 5-4 after the 2nd quarter.

In the third quarter Toronto's Merrick Thomson opened the scoring to tie the game a 5-5.

Jeff Sonke and Mike Ward gave Denver a 7-5 lead after they scored a minute apart.

Zywicki completed his hat trick when he scored notching the Nationals to within one goal, cutting the Outlaws to an 7-6 game.

Toronto tied the game 7-7 after Thomson scored a power play at 9:58

Denver's Mundorf tagged his hat trick a 13:58 to give the Outlaws an 8-7 lead after the 3rd quarter.

The National scored 3 more goals in the 4th quarter to go up 10-8 with goals by Grant Jr and Shawn William with 2, Denver's Sims responded to cut the Toronto lead to 10-9.

A late surge by the Outlaws was held back by a strong Nationals defence. To give Toronto the MLL Championship.

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Where???	Thursday September 10, 2009 Game -Complex Civic Centre 8:00 PM
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SIX NATIONS MINOR HOCKEY

Final registration before Try Outs:

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The following is the schedule for Rep Team try-outs at the Wayne Gretzky Centre in Brantford.

All players must be paid in full before stepping on the ice. No Exceptions at all.

Novice - Ryan Davis			
September	4th	6-7 pm	Red Rink
	8th	6:30 - 7:30	Red
	11	5-7pm	Red
	18	6-7 pm	Red
	26	1:30-2:30	Blue

Atom - Glen Green			
September	2	6-7	Red
	8	7:30-8:30	Red
	11	7-8	Red
	16	6:30-7:30	Red
	26	11 - 1 pm	Yellow

Peewee - Fat Green			
September	3	7-8	Red
	4	7-8	Red
	11	8-9	Red
	16	7:30-8:30	Red
	26	2:30-4:30	Blue

Bantam - Scott Hill			
September	2	8:30-9:30	Yellow
	4	8-9	Red
	11	8:30-9:30	Red
	16	7-9	Red
	26	8:30-9:30	Red

Midget - Bean Smith			
September	2	9:30-10:30	Yellow
	4	9-10	Red
	11	9:30-10:30	Red
	16	8:30-10:30	Red
	26	9:30-10:30	Red

Buffalo to host NLL entry draft

The National Lacrosse League announced last Monday that the 2009 NLL Entry Draft will take place in Buffalo on Wednesday, September 9 at 7 p.m. The draft will be held in the 100 Level Harbour Club at HSBC Arena. The draft will consist of six rounds. The league's 11 member clubs will select

players from the top NCAA and NAIA college lacrosse programs, as well as players from Canada's junior lacrosse system. The Bandits currently hold seven selections in the 2009 Draft: three in the 2nd round; one in the 3rd; two in the 4th, and one in the 6th.

Sting wins first game on the road to the cup

By Jamie Lewis
Writer

SIX NATIONS-With smoke dancers to inspire the teams at this weeks Presidents Cup at the ILA the two time Cup Champion Six Nations Sting needed overtime to steal a win from the Tri-City Bandits from British Columbia 6-5.

The Sting opened the scoring when Sandy Porter took a long pass from Stu Johnson giving Six Nations an early 1-0 lead.

The Bandits go on the board at with Justin Thomas' goal that beat a screened Jake Henhawk.

Johnson gave the Sting a 2-1

with his goal at 4:47 of the first. Six Nations lead 2-1 after the first period.

The Sting jumped ahead 3-1 in the second period Cory Racette's rocket to the stick side blew past Tri-Cities goalie Chad Miller.

Six Nations Tony Walker forced his way to the Bandits net and tucked a low shot into the goal to give the Sting a 4-1.

Tri-Cities responded with less than 9 minutes left in the second to cut the Sting lead to 4-2.

At 17:37 the Bandits moved to with one goal after Jamieson Whitehead gathered up a loose ball and scampered into the Six Nations end a rifled a shot off the post and

into the Sting net.

Jonas Lovis gave Tri-Cities tied the game at 4-4 when his screen shot found the back of the Six Nations net.

Mike Skye returned the favour and took Johnson's pass in the house and squeezed it between the legs of the Bandits goalie.

With less than 10 minutes left in the third period Justin Hawksbee scored for Tri-Cities to tie the game at 5-5.

With four minutes left in overtime Ron Cogan for Six Nations banked a shot off the Bandits goalie to give the Sting a 6-5.

Six Nations plays all week at the ILA in there quest for a 3rd



Owen Sound Woodsmen goalie Steve Dietrich pounces on a loose ball last Monday at the ILA. The Woodsmen won their opener to the Presidents Cup 16-7 over Okotoks Ascent Raiders. (Photo by Jamie Lewis)



Tri-Cities Bandits forward Travis St. Germain takes a fall last Monday night at the ILA as Sting forwards Vince Longboat and Stu Johnson look on. (Photo by Jamie Lewis)

Baseball Junior Storm



Six Nations Jr. Storm finished second at the All Ontario Aboriginal Tournament held at the Delaware Nation. Asst Coach Vicky Miller, Kippy Longboat, Brittney Longboat, Alisha Hill, Shelby Montour, Kerri Henhawk, Jordan Beauchesne, Mallory Rose, Tsiako Martin, Coach Steve Montour, Baby Gracie, Emily "Chubbs" Longboat, Amber Silversmith, Raechelle Williams and Carey Thomas.

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Peltier denied parole

BISMARCK, North Dakota-American Indian activist Leonard Peltier, imprisoned since 1977 for the deaths of two FBI agents, has been denied parole. Authorities decided that releasing him would diminish

the seriousness of his crime, a federal prosecutor said Friday. Peltier claims the FBI framed him, he will not be eligible for parole again until July 2024, he will be 79 years old, the U.S. Parole Commission ruled.

Peltier is serving two life sentences for the execution-style deaths of FBI agents Jack Coler and Ronald Williams during a June 26, 1975, standoff on South Dakota's Pine Ridge Indian Reservation.

NATIONAL BRIEFS

Charges formally dismissed against late Donald Marshall Jr. SYDNEY, N.S.- Charges of assault, uttering threats and breaching court orders have been formally dismissed against aboriginal icon Donald Marshall Jr., who died earlier this month.

Marshall, 55, had previously pleaded not guilty to the charges and his defence lawyer was claiming an abuse of process challenge against the Crown.

The Cape Breton Mi'kmaq first gained a national presence in the 1980s after spending 11 years in prison for a murder he didn't commit.

Marshall found himself in the national spotlight again years later after being charged with illegal fishing.

That case made its way to the Supreme Court of Canada, which ruled aboriginal people have a right to earn a modest living from hunting and fishing.

Marshall died Aug. 6 in Sydney from complications linked to a double lung transplant he underwent six years ago.

After Wednesday's formality in Sydney provincial court, Marshall's brother Stephen and cousin Clifford Paul said the family still feels there are injustices within the system when it comes to minorities. They both declined to elaborate.

"If Junior were still with us today, he would certainly stand up to any injustice," said Paul.

One of the assault charges related to Marshall's wife Colleen D'Orsay, who consistently stood by her husband throughout his latest court battle.

D'Orsay denied ever being assaulted by Marshall.

"Contrary to previous media reports, Donald has never hit nor beat me," she told the Cape Breton Post previously. "Assault is a very broad legal term and should be viewed as such."

She described her relationship with Marshall as being an incredibly deep and enduring friendship.

At the time the assault charges were filed, his family and friends suggested Marshall had stopped taking some of his medications and that resulted in his legal problems.

Attawapiskat infrastructure not its responsibility, De Beers says TORONTO- Members of the Nishnawbe Aski First Nation came to Toronto last Wednesday to confront De Beers Canada, saying the diamond giant is prospering while they are facing poverty.

Attawapiskat Chief Theresa Hall listed overcrowding, toxic contamination of homes and schools, a failed sewage system, and lack of physical infrastructure in their community 700 kilometres north of Timmins, Ont.

The Victor Mine is within aboriginal territory and about 100 kilometres west of the community of Attawapiskat.

"If it wasn't for us, no diamonds would be benefitting De Beers of Canada ... but the wealth is not reaching Attawapiskat, and this is the reason why we are here," said Greg Shisheesh, who organized a protest outside a diamond company office and faced off with De Beers Canada president Jim Gowans.

The Victor Mine began operating early last year.

An Impact Benefit Agreement (IBA) was signed in 2005 by both

BC Union of Indian Chiefs wants inquiry after aboriginal man's death in park

By Wendy Stueck

THE CANADIAN PRESS

VANCOUVER- Family members of an aboriginal man who died in a Vancouver park on one of the hottest days of the year are expected to call for a coroner's inquest at a press conference Thursday.

Curtis Brick died on July 29 in a busy park. His death has raised questions and concerns about the attitude toward homeless people in the city.

"We will be calling for a coroner's inquiry," Bob Chamberlin of the B.C. Union of Indian Chiefs said Wednesday at a rally held to honour Brick.

"There are just too many differences in the stories we've been told, and we need to have some answers."

Brick, an aboriginal man in his 40s, had spent the day in the hot sun in Grandview Park on East Vancouver's bustling Commercial Drive, just steps away from a water park where children played under the watchful eyes of their parents.

But no one appeared to notice him, other than Eric Schweig, who saw Brick lying on the grass at around 9 a.m. as he passed through the park, and then again, late in the afternoon.

Schweig, an outreach worker from Winnipeg, said Wednesday at the rally that he called a friend and a local agency that works with alcoholics because Brick seemed intoxicated.

The friend, Jenifer Brousseau, called 911 because Brick was hav-

ing convulsions and appeared to be close to death.

By that time, curious onlookers had noticed the fuss, which included Brousseau's two children running back and forth to the nearby water fountain to wet towels, which they held to Brick's face and arms, she said. When emergency vehicles arrived, one crew member nudged Brick with his foot and told him to get up, Brousseau said.

Schweig said Wednesday that another emergency worker also made an offhand comment, along the lines of "that's what you get for drinking Lysol" after Schweig told the crew that the man had drunk the substance.

Michael Sanderson, executive director of B.C. Ambulance Service for the Lower Mainland, said the agency has reviewed its dispatch tapes for the call.

Those tapes, and reviews with team members involved, show the agency received only one call about a man in Grandview Park, and that an ambulance was on the scene between 12 and 13 minutes later, he said.

Paramedics spent another 12 minutes on the scene and took Brick to the hospital within another eight minutes, where he was promptly admitted, Sanderson said.

It is "extremely unfortunate" that Brick spent hours in the park without people realizing that he was at risk of dying, Sanderson said.

"Unfortunately, an individual in distress may not appear that way to passersby," Sanderson said.

Asked about reports that paramedics made insulting comments on the scene, Sanderson said ambulance personnel may have appeared rushed or insensitive, but would have been focused on Brick's medical needs.

Brick's death has raised uncomfortable echoes of the death of another aboriginal man more than a decade ago.

Frank Paul, a Mi'kmaq from New Brunswick, died in Vancouver in December 1998 of hypothermia after being dragged out of a police drunk tank and left propped against an alley wall on a cold December night.

A public inquiry into Paul's death, launched in 2007, this year found serious flaws in two police investigations and made several recommendations, including that aboriginal groups and health care agencies should work together on a comprehensive program to respond to the needs of homeless chronic alcoholics.

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B.C. Haida Eagle sculpture found eight years later

PRINCE RUPERT, B.C.- It took eight years, but the eagle has finally landed back on home soil in Haida Gwaii. A 1.5-metre Haida eagle carving that disappeared from the Haida Nation in Queen Charlotte Islands in May 2001 was officially returned to its original home in Skidegate this week. Haida carver

Dick Bellis completed the eagle carving dedicating it to his brother who passed away a year earlier. It was displayed at Jungle Beach on Graham Island for eight years. In 2001, someone noticed it was gone. It was believed to be lost, until Bellis's wife received an anonymous phone call last week. "The

caller asked, 'Are you the one who wrote 'in memory of Ted Bellis' on the back of an eagle statue,' she said, 'Yes, that's us.'" The caller said the statue was in a backyard hundreds of kilometres away in Prince George. "We couldn't believe it," said Bellis. "I thought it probably went to Europe."

Chief says federal gov't hasn't prepared First Nations for H1N1 resurgence

WINNIPEG-Manitoba's grand chief says Ottawa hasn't done enough to prepare First Nations for the resurgence of swine flu in the fall, leaving communities to raise funds for basic supplies and forcing the provincial government to fill the void.

Ron Evans, head of the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs, said the federal government doesn't seem to have a plan for reserves and aboriginals can't afford to wait for the virus to strike once again.

"Health professionals are comparing this to the 1918 Spanish flu," Evans said before flying out Wednesday to one of the province's hardest-hit areas - the St. Theresa Point reserve 500 kilometres north of Winnipeg.

"We can't take chances. We can't be waiting to see what the federal government is going to do."

Aboriginals have had to raise money themselves for such things as hand sanitizers and masks, he added.

The Manitoba government has also had to step up, Evans said. The province has said it will chip in for 15,000 flu kits to be sent to remote reserves.

At the very least, Evans said, the federal government should be doing the same.

"There should be a plan, there should be more communication," he said. "Words need to become actions."

Manitoba's northern native communities were particularly hard-hit by the flu last spring. Many patients were airlifted from a cluster of reserves, including St. Theresa Point, where there are fewer than 10,000 residents.

Aboriginal chiefs are soliciting donations from corporations for

everything from hand sanitizers and Tylenol to antivirals and ventilators. A benefit concert is being held Friday in Winnipeg and



Ron Evans

organizers expect to raise about \$6,000 for flu kits.

Federal Health Minister Leona Aglukkaq said aboriginal communities have nothing to worry about.

Reserves are getting the health care they need and their nursing stations are well-equipped with the necessary supplies, she said in a conference call Wednesday.

"All remote and isolated First Nations communities have adequate supply or access to pain relief medication through their nursing station," said Aglukkaq, adding reserves are responsible for devising their own pandemic plans.

"We continue to follow up on these issues and these plans to ensure that First Nations are well-prepared for the more serious outbreak."

David Butler-Jones, Canada's chief public health officer, said not everything included in the flu kits make sense. He said people should wash their hands with soap often and use hand sanitizers

if they don't have access to a tap, and they should have a thermometer and Tylenol on hand.

"Things like gloves are not actually useful in this setting. Masks have limited use," he said. "For a kit that a family would need, the costs are actually low. It's having soap, having a thermometer, having some Tylenol, things which typically most households would, could, should have."

Judy Wasylycia-Leis, NDP health critic and Winnipeg MP, said the fact that fundraisers are being held on behalf of aboriginal communities shows that the federal government has done a poor job preparing First Nations for the return of swine flu.

If Ottawa is ready for a second wave of the pandemic, Wasylycia-Leis said health officials haven't communicated that well enough to afflicted communities. Given that shipments of hand sanitizers to reserves were delayed in the spring because they contained alcohol, Wasylycia-Leis said aboriginal chiefs have good reason to be worried.

"They're worrying legitimately that the federal government will not be there when needed," she said. "I don't think the federal government has actually done a very good job of making sure that every reserve has been told what will happen, when and who will provide what."

-The Canadian Press-

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Oct 26th 6pm - 8pm	Van Go Adventure Farm: Waterford
	Pick Admission Tickets up at Social Services before 6 pm
Nov 2nd 6pm - 8pm	Family Dodgeball Tournament
Nov 9th 6pm - 8pm	Scrapbooking: Bring your favourite pictures
Nov 17th 7pm - 8:30pm	Swimming: Meet at Wayne Gretzky Centre
Nov 23rd 6pm - 8pm	Activity Night: Board Games, Scooter Board Games & Pinball
Nov 30th 6pm - 8pm	Traditional Cooking: Meet at Six Nations Community Hall
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THE DREAMCATCHER AWARDS *Call for Nominations*

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Who is Eligible?

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How do we Nominate Someone?

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- A description of the persons' community involvement
- What this persons' involvement has meant to the community
- A short description of the successes achieved

When will the Awards be Presented?

The awards will be presented at the Annual Dreamcatcher Gala October 29th at the Hamilton Convention Centre.

The Selection Process

The successful candidates will be selected by the Board of Directors of the Dreamcatcher Foundation

When do the Nominations have to be submitted?

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THE DREAMCATCHER AWARDS



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What has this persons involvement meant to the community?

Please provide a short description of the successes achieved because of your nominees involvement.