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## Feds expand negotiators mandate, Ontario gets \$26.4 million

By Lynda Powless  
Editor

Six Nations Confederacy Chiefs are being guardedly optimistic with the announcement Thursday that Ottawa has expanded the mandate of federal negotiators to work towards a resolution of Six Nations land rights.

Minister of Indian Affairs Jim Prentice announced Thursday Ottawa would provide \$26.4 million to help Ontario cover policing and costs to purchase the former Douglas Creek housing development, costs related to an ongoing land dispute with Six Nations

And he said the mandate of federal negotiators has been expanded to include Six Nations 26 other land claims.

However, Prentice did not include the former Douglas Creek estates in that list saying it lacks "legal

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## Negotiation funding saved in split band council vote

By Lynda Powless  
Editor

With a deadline looming the Six Nations band council, in an emergency meeting Friday morning finally agreed to funnel over \$1 million in federal and provincial funding for costs associated with the land rights negotiations through the local employment centre.

The motion came after a bizarre series of events, led by elected chief Dave General in the past month put band councillors in an

awkward position over the funding Monday with just eight hours to approve a motion to funnel the money or lose the over \$1 million.

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A former NHL player leans over to help a Six Nations youth player during a hockey clinic held Sunday. Odjick was one of several former NHLers in town as part of the NHL Aboriginal all-stars game (See story page 8. Photo by Duane Rollins)

## Cdn. Forces counterinsurgency manual listing aboriginals as potential opponents will be dropped: Defence Minister

By Lynda Powless  
Editor

OTTAWA- Canadian Defence Minister Gordon O'Connor says references to "radical natives" in the Canadian army's counterinsurgency manual will not appear in the final version of the document.

O'Connor released a written statement on the manual Monday saying aboriginal people would not appear in the final document.

The Minister's statement came after the Globe and Mail said Saturday that "radical natives" were listed in the manual as a potential military opponent and lumped aboriginal people in with organizations such as the Tamil Tigers, Hezbollah, and the Islamic Jihad.

Hazel Hill, spokeswoman for the

Six Nations Reclamation was not surprised that aboriginal people were included in the manual.

"I believe, that our being included reaffirms what we have said all along. Their mandate is total extermination or extinguishment of our people. Now it's shoot to kill."

She said she did not believe there was any mistake involved in the drafting of the document. "No, it wasn't a mistake at all. The only mistake was the press getting it and telling everyone."

She said the National Defence manual is a direct result of First Nations people's protecting their rights. "I think because of Oka and Ipperwash the Canadian government is now creating legislation to justify what they have done in the past. Canada does it all the time."

O'Connor met with Assembly of First Nations (AFN) leader Phil Fontaine Monday. Fontaine called the document shocking and said it could interfere with First Nations

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# Council to buy bottled water



Six Nations band council has received \$400,000 in federal funding from Indian and Northern Affairs Canada for the 2006-2007 fiscal year to be spent to deal with Six Nations "water crisis." Council agreed to spend the money purchasing bottled water. The money was intended to help the elderly purchase water. Councillor Helen Miller said she wanted to see a plan on how the money will be spent and who will receive it.

"This is the end of the We've got a month to spend this." Miller said Six Nations has a "well water crisis". Band council agree to spend the money on bottled water. Councillor Levi White declared a conflict of interest because he works for a local water bottle company that was listed to buy the water from.

# Canada's oldest land claim; Confederacy is Six Nations voice, Prentice

(Continued from front)

Prentice said "Dealing with one isolated claim, we weren't able to make sufficient progress," he said.

"We've expanded the mandate to deal with a number of other claims where we think there is something to negotiate."

That worries Reclamation site spokeswoman Hazel Hill, who said she wants to see exactly what the new mandate is.

"It took us months before we found out what the federal negotiators original mandate was," she said.

But she added, "I am pleased to see Minister Prentice agrees with us that Kanonhstaton is Six Nations land since he doesn't consider it a claim, I take that to mean he agrees with us. It's Six Nations land."

Mohawk Chief Allen MacNaughton said while the move appears positive discussions will have to be held with Canada's representatives, as to "what it all means."

Cayuga subchief Leroy Hill said he will be pleased to discuss the expanded mandate at the next negotiation session. "I look forward to discussing it with them. There appears to be a lot of money changing hands but nothing has changed hands with Six Nations."

In addition the federal government announced it will provide Ontario with \$26.4 million in funding towards the costs of policing Caledonia and to help offset Ontario's costs for the purchase of the Douglas Creek Estates.

Spokeswoman Hazel Hill said the federal government's reimbursing Ontario for costs related to the purchase of Kanonhstaton (Douglas Creek Estates) will pave the way for a resolution. "It makes it easier for the federal government to return Kanonhstaton (Douglas Creek Estates) to its rightful owners, the Haudenosaunee. And we look forward to discussing that with them."

Prentice said "Because of what happened in Caledonia, the government of Ontario had to incur additional expenses."

He told a news conference in Ottawa Thursday, "The payment of \$26.4 million includes \$15.8 million towards the acquisition of the Douglas Creek Estates property and \$10.6 million to offset Ontario's extraordinary policing costs."

Federal negotiator Barbara McDougall made it clear she will be meeting with the Haudenosaunee/Six Nations Confederacy.

"The negotiations or the discussions are led by the Haudenosaunee/Six Nations Confederacy, because they were delegated to do so by the elected council," she said Thursday.

She said Six Nations needs to deal with its internal governance issues. "We are urging them that this is once again an historic opportunity." The 26 claims, filed under the federal government's claims policy

added to the mandate include some dating from the early 19th century that were filed more than 29 years ago but have never been dealt with by the federal government.

But the complaints about encroachment onto Six Nations lands began in the early 1800s when Confederacy chiefs began questioning settlers moving onto Six Nations lands

These claims include the Grand River Navigation company, the Jarvis Claim, Welland Canal flooding the towns of Caledonia, Cayuga, Dunnville, most of Brantford, Cambridge, Kitchener Waterloo past the town of Dundalk. -900 acres in Innisfil township and, 4,000 acres in Hawkesbury Township, both already validated for negotiations by the federal government in May of 1993 but never made it to any negotiating table.

-Moulton Township, 30,800 acres validated for negotiations by the federal government in Nov., 1993, but never made it to the negotiating table.

7,680 acres Hamilton-Port Dover Plank Road, Seneca and Oneida Townships

-Welland Canal (Feeder Dam), 2,415 acres of Six Nations land flooded. Already validated and accepted for negotiations by the federal government in May of 1994 but never made it to the negotiating table.

-Caledonia Township 19,000 acres

-Johnson Settlement, Brantford Township, 7,000 acres

-Burch Land Tract Brantford Township, 5,233 acres

-1841 Purported general surrender -Eagle's Nest Tract, Brantford Township, 1,800 acres

-Onondaga Township, 2,000 acres

-Martin's Tract, Brantford Township, 1,500 acres

-Oxbow Bend, Brantford Township, 1,200 acres

-Oneida Township

-CNR right of way River Range Onondaga Township

-Cayuga Township South Side Grand River

misappropriation of funds by Samuel Jarvis Jarvis was found guilty of culpable negligence and of grave irregularity in the discharge

After loudly calling for a federal contribution to the rising cost of the occupation, Ontario's minister responsible for aboriginal affairs said the government is happy with the acknowledgment of the province's financial burden.

"It's obviously a big help," David Ramsay said in an interview. "We've had these costs and any contribution is very helpful."

More exciting, Ramsay said, is the expanded mandate which Ottawa is giving its negotiators, who are currently at the table with the province and Six Nations representatives.

Federal negotiator Barbara McDougall now has the authority to attack some 26 outstanding Six Nations land claims in the region, Ramsay said.

Rather than slow down the pace of negotiations, Ramsay said it might actually help resolve the dispute more quickly since it addresses the real reason the occupation began in the first place over a year ago.

"It should give some certainty to the Six Nations that the federal government is serious in settling these claims," he said. "We should see some progress."

Six Nations people reclaimed the 40-hectare unfinished housing development in February 2006, saying it was taken from them by the Crown 200 years ago.

That led to road barricades and violent confrontations between Caledonia residents, aboriginal people and police last spring and summer.

Both McDougall and Prentice continued to urge patience, saying they're confident a deal will be reached at the negotiation table.

"The negotiators are dealing with difficult issues and complex questions that stem from one of the oldest land claims in Canada," Prentice said.

"It is my belief that with patience and mutual respect, I know that we will get this situation resolved."



Indian Affairs Minister Jim Prentice and negotiator Barbara McDougall (CP-Photo)

-Grand River Navigation Company (land grants) 368, 7/10 acres

Bed of the Grand River and Islands thereon

-Tow Path lands

-Exploration of oil and natural gas underlying the Six Nations Reserve

-Source of the Grand River

-Six Nations Investments in custody of Coutts and Company

-The Right to Hunt and Fish

-Compensation for lands in Brantford Town Plot

-Compensation for lands patented to Nathan Gage, Brantford Town Plot

-Compensation for Lands 1852 Brantford Town Plot.

Negotiations terms an "exploration process" was looking into the resolution of the Port Maitland claim, which is 75 acres in Dunn Township near Dunnville and the

of the responsible duties entrusted to him, said Governor General Cathcart said in 1846. At that time the Governor General found Jarvis responsible for more than \$6,375 pounds .6 shillings and .11 pence.

Prentice announced \$26 million in funding for Ontario. Ontario calculates the cost of the dispute at more than \$46 million, with almost half that sum going to increased staffing by provincial police.

Ontario has as well paid \$500,000 to compensate Caledonia businesses, \$100,000 to boost Haldimand's tourism strategies, \$430,000 to compensate neighbours. In addition provincial negotiator Jane Stewart is paid \$180 an hour plus expenses.

Six Nations will receive just over \$1 million to cover negotiation costs

area. The packages are expected to be hand delivered this week.

The letter says over 200 residential sales were tracked in Caledonia from March to December 2006, including the sales of 17 properties that abutt the former Douglas Creek Estates land dispute or are in the immediate area along Thistlemeor Dr., Glengary Cres., Braemar Ave., Burnside St., and Kinross St..

The average sale price for the neighbourhood abutting the disputed area has increased 15% to \$228,080 from the Jan., 1, 2005 base year assessment average of \$198,255.

The rest of Caledonia has experienced a 17.7% increase.

Ian Zhiha customer service manager at the MPAC said there has not been any significant negative impact on the market at this time but they will continue to monitor it.

## Municipal property assessment

# Caledonia property values up 15 to 17 per cent

By Lynda Powless Editor

The Six Nations Reclamation has not had an adverse effect on Caledonia property values.

In fact according to a document obtained by Turtle Island News from the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) property values on homes immediately abutting the reclamation site have increased by 15 per cent.

According to a letter sent to Haldimand County Council, March 27, 2007, from the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation, 20 property owners filed request for reconsideration applications directly related to the Douglas Creek Estates dispute in Caledonia.

The letter says the applications, filed in 2006, cited a decline in property values due to the land claim dis-

pute. MPAC says it monitored all sales activities in Caledonia during the time period, in particular from March to December 2006 and found over that past 15 month period the average sale price in the neighbourhood abutting the disputed area has increased 15 per cent compared to

an increase of 17.7% in the rest of Caledonia. The MPAC letter says they are providing property owners with a letter stating their findings, and a report on their individual properties along with the same information and sales data for the sold properties in that

## Sales - 2006/03 to 2006/12 - Subdivision Near Occupatio in Caledonia



# WHAT'S THE MONEY FOR?

Six Nations band council is getting \$17,535,365 in its Comprehensive Funding Arrangement, but no one told band council what the money was for. Councillor Ava Hill asked what the money

was for. "We don't have a briefing note. We are being forced to approve this and we don't have anything telling us what this is for?" The money may be for the band's housing program and band sup-

port funding. The funds are a slight increase over the 2005-2006 year. Council instructed staff to provide a listing of what the money is for. Band council 2006-2007 audit has still not been approved by INAC.

The audit was sent back by INAC with concerns. A full day finance session originally planned by band council for Tuesday was cancelled "until further notice" by elected chief Dave General.

# Band councillors' vote to send funds through GREAT

(Continued from front)

Monday with just eight hours to approve a motion to funnel the money or lose the over \$1 million.

General has for the past month been insisting the funds negotiated by the land rights main table, be funnelled through band council's finance department that is currently without a finance director. The band's senior administration officer is also on stress leave.

The Six Nations land rights negotiation table, led by Confederacy chiefs, had an agreement with the province and federal governments over a month ago to provide funding for a variety of costs associated with the negotiations and reclamation that would be funnelled through Grand River Employment and Training. GREAT who has successfully received and audited federal funds in the past.

Monday General called the emergency meeting telling his council they were facing a deadline of 5 p.m. or they would lose the money. That money included almost \$500,000 in funding for the lands research office annual budget and funding for the fire department.

Council passed the motion supporting the funds, about \$1,014,320 be transferred to GREAT with the portion designated to band council departments to be sent to the finance department within 30 days of receipt.

The motion didn't come easy Monday. General had submitted an elongated motion that tied band council hands.

General's motion included everything from council agreeing a previ-

ous defunct motion (funnelling funds through the band's finance department) would stand for all future funding and that a trust fund, to hold any monies or lands Six Nations receives be established.

That motion also said band council would agree to funnel the funding through GREAT, "on a one time basis only."

General's motion also recommended the the band council's senior administrative officer hire a trust lawyer and advertise for community representation for a joint committee to be charged with the responsibility of establishing a trust to hold all future funds and or land transferred to the People of the Six Nations of the Grand River.

General has been pushing band council to establish a type of community commission to deal with land claims.

Councillor Helen Miller told General she could not support the original motion. "I don't agree with a trust to be there forever," she said. "I can agree with sending the money to GREAT, but not the rest of this."

Councillor Glenda Porter said she could agree with funnelling the money through GREAT, but, "I think we should talk about this idea of a trust fund, not just pass it now."

Councillor Carl Hill said the idea of a trust fund should be discussed with the community and Confederacy.

"We can't do that. Establish a trust before we ask the community. I don't agree with that," he said. He said the resolution ties council to the trust fund "forever. We can't do that. We might want to use GREAT again in the future but this

will be in place."

Councillor Ava Hill said she did not agree with the idea of a trust. "We need to discuss that and talk to the community about it. This motion says we will put all monies and lands in this trust for all time, I'm not going to pre-judge what is going to happen in the future so I'd like to see that paragraph removed."

Councillor Helen Miller told General she wanted to see the paragraph removed that stipulated a previous council motion to funnel all monies through the finance department stands. "That motion doesn't stand. Council ruled it out the other day, she said" But General insisted the motion was still in effect.

"Our policy analyst has given us an opinion on that, and he told us the motion died," Councillor Ava Hill said. General disagreed. "I don't agree with him."

"What do we have a policy analyst for if you aren't going to listen to him," Hill said.

General said he felt his new motion Friday provided council "with flexibility to demonstrate someone is trying to be creative here."

General said the reference to the now defunct council motion and trust could be removed if council would approve the funnelling of the funds through GREAT.

Councillor Lewis Staats told council with so much being deleted, he wanted to see in writing what was actually being passed. "We need to see this in writing so we can see exactly what it is we are approving. There is too much opportunity for discrepancy in a final draft so I ask it be printed for us to see. We have

clerks that can type three paragraphs. Before I vote on anything I want to know exactly what I am voting on."

Council agreed to have the motion typed out.

Council voted 6-5 for the edited motion that "grant permission for funding in the amount of \$1,014,320 be transferred by the Ontario Secretariat for Aboriginal Affairs to Six Nations of the Grand River through GREAT for expenses incurred by both the elected and Haudenosaunee Councils participation in Main and Side table discussion regarding the properties know as the DCE and Plank Road Lands and that the portion for reimbursing costs incurred by Six Nations Council departments be transferred to the Six Nations Council Finance department within 30 business days.

Voting for the motion were councillors Dave Hill, Glenda Porter, Carl Hill, Ava Hill, Helen Miller and Melba Thomas.

Opposed were councillors Roger Jonathan, Barb Harris, Lewis Staats, Chris Martin and Levi White.

Elected Chief Dave General said he was pleased to see the motion pass. "Council has demonstrated tremendous flexibility and responsibility here today and we hope that sets an example to all the other parties," he said.

He said he expected the funds to flow by the end of Friday.

General is also reported by a Brantford newspaper Saturday to have said "Council already spent that money and without getting reimbursed it would have put some of our departments in jeopardy."



Elected Chief Dave General says he will demand a public accounting of the monies. The majority of the funds are headed to band council

He also is reported as having said band council will insist on a breakdown of the expenses for the community's review. "We've proved our willingness to work with the Confederacy council a number of times. We provided them with the lead (in negotiations), we extended their mandate and now we permitted the money to flow the entry they wanted."

"That kind of action has to be reciprocated," he said.

Reclamation site spokeswoman Hazel Hill said she was glad to see band council come to terms with the funding issue.

"It's what the table had agreed to a month ago so I am very happy to see band council on board."

General had warned council, they had a 5 p.m. deadline Friday, the end of the government's fiscal year, or lose the money.

An attempt by elected chief Dave General to have the money flow through band coffers instead of the Confederacy failed when band council turned down option after option last Monday night on how the money flows, including even an option to maintain their previous motion to send the money through the band's finance department.

The flip flopping happened during political liaison.

# VOTING TO OPEN THE MEETING BAND COUNCILLORS OPEN DOORS TO PUBLIC

By Lynda Powless Editor



Six Nations band councillors, in a "straw poll" overruled elected chief Dave General's attempt to close an emergency council meeting Friday to the public.

General, who had just returned from Ottawa Thursday, called an emergency meeting to deal with over \$1 million in funding for the land rights negotiating table and band council costs.

When community members showed up for the 9 a.m. meeting, General said the meeting was closed.

When councillors including councillor Helen Miller, Ava Hill and Melba Thomas attempted to put a motion to the floor opening the meeting to the public, General refused to accept the motion.

"I won't accept any motion. I'll take a straw poll instead, but this won't count as a motion," he told council and community members who had gathered to listen to the session.

Voting to open the session were: councillors Carl Hill, Glenda Porter, Dave Hill, Ava Hill, Melba Thomas and Helen Miller.

Voting to close the meeting were councillors; Levi White, Roger Jonathan, Barb Harris and Chris Martin.

Elected chief General told the community members, while he would agree to the "straw poll" to open the meeting, "I will not take any comments from the community. I don't want any distractions. Council needs to concentrate on this. We could lose this money today."

Councillor Levi White said he wanted the meeting closed

and a press release announcing council's decision sent out. Councillor Melba Thomas said the community had a right to attend. "This is no different than Monday night's meeting and we opened that session."

# VOTING TO CLOSE THE MEETING



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Councillor Miller INAC Economic Development

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INAC/WIKWEMIKONG DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION Sudbury Ont., March 20-21, 2007 Submitted by Councillor Helen Miller The purpose of the meeting, hosted by Wikwemikong Development Commission, was to update First Nations on the economic development programs INAC provides, to update on the Community Economic Advisory Team Ontario (CEATO) and to discuss the amalgamation of Aboriginal Business Canada (ABC) with the Economic Development Branch of INAC. What caught my attention was the planned amalgamation of Aboriginal Business Canada (ABC) with the Economic Development Branch of INAC. ABC which is delivered by Two Rivers Community Development provides financing to Six Nations entrepreneurs. First though is CEATO. According to background material and a report CEATO is a regional working group that was established in Sept. 2004 to provide advice to First Nations regarding the implementation of a redesigned Community Economic & Capacity Development Program (CECDP). Vaugh Sunday from Akwesasne represents the large bands (Six Nations) and is the chair. According to the report, the amalgamation of ABC and the Economic Development Branch of INAC took effect on December 1, 2006. Currently INAC is working on a Transitional Plan. To date INAC has not officially informed First Nations that it's taking over Aboriginal Business Canada (ABC). At the meeting INAC reps couldn't say when, or even if, INAC intends to consult with First Nations. In speaking with David Vince, CEO of Two Rivers, the ABC program stays status quo for the 2007-2008 fiscal year. Vince is currently working with his Ontario counterparts to deal with the issue. He said the group is working on a position paper and communication plan. I asked Vince to present this information to council when it is completed. Vince said Two Rivers won't be affected by the amalgamation because it can still operate without the ABC funding. However, he said he doesn't expect to see a lot of new community-based businesses starting up with amalgamation. Two Rivers has delivered the ABC program at Six Nations and helped over 250 businesses get started with 95 per cent of those businesses at Six Nations. Throughout the years, community-based businesses have been the backbone of our community and become a major employer of our people. CEATO says what INAC is doing is with the ABC program is adopting the 'pan-aboriginal' approach to economic development, which is to have a one-program-fits-all. But this approach doesn't work because each First Nations community is unique. In addition INAC works under "Aboriginal" not First Nations. This means that Metis and non-status Indians will have access to First Nations economic development funds. Currently, people only need to self-identify themselves as Metis. In its announcement INAC says the amalgamation or centralized format "will provide consolidation of programs to ensure all Aboriginal people benefit from the Government of Canada economic development programs." It is also believed that the National Program Management Advisory Committee (NPMAC) will no longer be part of the regular program management activities at INAC. CEATO recommended that INAC reinstate the mandate of NPMAC and meet with the group immediately. CEATO recommendations are: -Communications from Ottawa must be a top priority. -Clear definition of 'pan-Aboriginal' and Metis should be developed by Ottawa. -Regions maintain the ability to set their own specific priorities and funding allocation methodologies. -Ottawa maintain the current budgets and policies for the CEDP, CSSP and CEOP as a minimum. -Centralization of program delivery should not be mandatory. First Nations should have the opportunity to choose how programs will be delivered for their community. -ABC funding should be transferred to the community wherever possible -INAC headquarters should begin the process of seeking advice from First Nations on the amalgamation process immediately. What is needed now is political intervention to push for consultations. Under Indian Affairs Minister Jim Prentice's regime too many initiatives are being developed and implemented without consultation with First Nations. Many participants felt that political intervention was needed to ensure proper consultation. The centralization of the ABC initiative is definitely not going to be good for our community and future economic development ventures. The push by INAC toward 'centralizing' programs is of concern. Already Six Nations has seen its provincial health programs centralized under the Local Health Integration Network. The concern is that Health Canada will down-load federal programs to the LHINS. Currently work is being done on a First Nations Housing Authority which will centralize First Nations Housing programs and dollars. Just about everything INAC is doing involves 'centralization' to some degree. What it's doing is getting rid of First Nations specific programming. Prior to 1989 INAC economic development programs were delivered in a centralized format. Over the years First Nations leaders and technicians fought a long hard battle for First Nations specific programming. What centralized programming does is take ownership away from a community and place reliance on a third party. From my perspective 'centralized' programming is taking First Nations backward instead of forward or putting First Nations back under the thumb of INAC. The amalgamation will set the progress made by the Canada Aboriginal Economic Development Strategy (CAEDS) back 20 years. That is not good for Six Nations.

Is Prentice serious?

Minister of Indian Affairs Jim Prentice announced last week that he had expanded the mandate of his federal negotiators at the Six Nations land rights negotiation table. The first reaction of course is finally, the feds are taking the Six Nations dispute seriously and want to work towards a resolution. But that expanded mandate came with a rider. Firstly the minister said the expanded mandate did not include Kanonhstaton, the reclaimed former Douglas Creek Estates, instead telling us Six Nations claim to that property had "no legal merit." Then he tells us he is willing to expand the mandate to include other "claims." In fact we're talking about claims filed by the band over two decades ago under the federal government's claims policy. Several of those claims were in fact agreed to by both parties for settlement, but the federal government just simply never settled them. And let's remember Mr. Prentice headed the government's claims commission and gave the chance he avoided Six Nations claims like the plague. But what is really very questionable in this announcement, that also included \$26.4 million for Ontario to help with policing costs and towards the cost to purchase the former housing development is, not only who in the fed's and Ontario's eye now owns that land, but Prentice's quick remark that Six Nations has no legal merit to claim the property. That remark is distasteful and itself, without merit. It leads one to believe that Prentice will use the same illogical thinking to charge that all of Six Nations "claims" are without merit. Prentice is engaged in a negotiation process to resolve one of the oldest land rights disputes in history. He seems to have forgotten that not only history itself is on Six Nations side, but so were Canadian courts until a local band council decided to arbitrarily take Six Nations challenge to what happened to the community's trust funds and lands out of the court. The fact that Prentice would simply spout Six Nations land rights to the former housing development does not lend itself to any kind of trust or belief that in fact his government intends to take these talks seriously. What we may in fact see is simply the federal government's justice department continuing their argument up and down the Grand River, that Six Nations land rights are without merit. These are the same lawyers that were losing in the courts just six years ago. Now we have to ask is Prentice in fact looking to resolve Six Nations land rights, or looking for another battle. Usually when someone puts up money, it means they are serious. But in this case, the money went to Ontario and Six Nations was told, they can't have the former housing development, so let's move on. Prentice needs to understand, Kanonhstaton has been reclaimed. Canada and Ontario can exchange all the cash they want to. But the bottom line is, Six Nations has reclaimed a portion of its land. The sooner both Canada and Ontario come to that realization, the sooner Caledonians will also understand Six Nations has rights to the land their town sits on and peace can return to both communities as we sort out our futures. But to arbitrarily declare Kanonhstaton has "no legal merit" is an insult to Six Nations and leaves a question over the federal government's actual intent to resolve these matters. Kanonhstaton is reclaimed Six Nations land. The only question facing Prentice now, is how many more Kanonhstatoms will there have to be up and down the Grand before he takes Six Nations position seriously and brings justice to a more than 200 year old blight on Ontario and Canada's formation.

Matrimonial Real Property Act, band council takes aim

Six Nations band council is taking aim at the federal government's plan to introduce the Matrimonial Real Property Act on reserves. Consultant and Six Nations band member Richard Powless told council the act would change Six Nation property to fee simple that could endanger the collective ownership of the land. He said Minister of Indian Affairs Jim Prentice is planning to push the act through. Band Council agree to organize a lobby against the act and will present its position arguing the act infringes on Six Nations Two Row Wampum treaty and the Haldimand "Treaty" Elected chief Dave General is expected to present Six Nations position before the House of Commons in May. Powless said there has been no consultation on the legislation. Band council set up a committee to work with Powless.

Six Nations youth out of jail, Reclamation has changed his life

By Donna Duric Writer After being incarcerated at the Hamilton-Wentworth Detention Centre for almost three months, 21-year-old Chris Hill has been released on a \$10,000 bond. Hill, who is facing assault charges related to the land reclamation, was released from jail Friday afternoon and he spent his first few days of freedom enjoying his family's company, eating the foods he missed, and tearfully recounting the experience of the last year and how it's changed him forever. From a troubled youth who had frequent run-ins with the law and a taste for partying, Hill has transformed into a young man who is focused now on turning his life around and getting in touch with his traditional roots. He and his mother, Rhonda Martin, attribute the change to the land reclamation. Hill was there from the beginning. He recalls sleeping outside when the reclamation was nothing more than a mini-encampment and waking up with snow piled on top of him. He began helping out in any way he could - chopping wood, building forts, and putting up tents. A kid who used to party and admittedly drank too much no longer had any interest in that lifestyle. He said his friends would come by the site to invite him out to parties but he didn't want to leave. He began learning more about his roots, talking to the elders that came by and performing traditional songs. He felt good about being there. "I just couldn't leave," he said during an emotional speech he gave at a labour union meeting in Hamilton on Saturday. "I was always there to keep everyone in good spirits the best I could. It made me feel good about actually sticking up for everybody." When the OPP moved onto the camp on April 20 last year in a botched attempt to evict the people from the site, Hill managed to escape. He and his mother were both sleep-



Chris Hill and his mother Rhonda Martin outside the Hamilton jail where he spent the past three months. (Photo by Donna Duric)

ing at the site when the OPP came in. They were sleeping in different locations and eventually reunited during the pre-dawn mayhem that saw hundreds of OPP officers descend onto the land, picking off people at the site like ants and hauling them off to jail. When Hill witnessed an elderly man being tackled to the ground by OPP officers just after sunrise, that's when his trouble began. Hill is accused of assaulting a police officer in an attempt to defend the man. It wasn't until October of last year that he learned the OPP had a warrant out for his arrest. On Jan. 3 this year, Six Nations Police arrested him in Ohsweken and handed him over to the OPP. Hill admits he felt surprised at the action, but understands the Six Nations Police were doing their job. "I just couldn't believe they actually did it." Hill spent the last three months in jail thinking about his family, teaching others about the reclamation, and singing traditional songs. He shaved his head into a Mohawk and got into trouble for doing it. But he didn't care, he said. "That's who I am. It shows, 'be proud of who you are and be proud of where you came from.'" He also got into fights. But thoughts about the reclamation kept him going, he says, in addition to the support of reclamation supporter and Caledonia resident Jan Watson, who visited him frequently in jail. He got letters of support from people at the site, and even from supporters as far away as London, England. "I did have a lot of bad days. I just thought about the good times there to keep my spirits up. It wasn't just my freedom I was suffering for, it was the freedom for everybody." While in jail, he thought about the "agony" he put his mother through with the choices he made during his youth. "I just want to spend the rest of my life making it up to her," he said, tears streaming down his face. The reclamation, he said, erased his desire to continue drinking, partying and doing drugs. "I see how much more you can live without it." He calls the reclamation a "wake-up call" for youth. Now that he's out on bail, he's going to get serious about a goal he had started working on right before he was arrested - to get involved in 'Ultimate Fighting', a mix of streetfighting, grappling and martial arts. He had met with a trainer from Mississauga before he was arrested who told him he had potential for the sport.

Defence minister defends manuel listing aboriginal people as insurgents

(Continued from front) people's attempts to travel internationally if Canada has them listed as terrorists. O'Conner's statement, says the document was "simply making reference to past examples of insurgencies and was not meant to suggest that natives in Canada are a potential military target." Minister O'Conner's statement said "The draft counterinsurgency manual was produced in September, 2005, under the previous government. The draft manual is not a final document, and continues to evolve and be updated." The statement says the "final version will not contain references to any current aboriginal organizations." The statement said the manual "does not make comparisons between aboriginal groups and any insurgent groups." The statement says "At this time, no final version of the manual has been approved by senior management." The statement says The draft document does not target any specific situations nor any specific groups." Instead the Minister says the draft document uses "examples of past insurgencies from Canada and abroad to illustrate how some groups have resorted to violence or the threat of violence in the past in order to gain political influence or concessions." The statement says "The draft manual was circulated to both to solicit feedback and to assist in the training and preparation of troops for Afghanistan. The manual was not written nor is it intended for use in domestic operation. The final version will not contain references to any current aboriginal organizations because the manual is intended for use in the training and preparation of troops for Afghanistan. The manual is intended for use in international operations only. The military is putting the finishing touches on the manual, but a draft version of the document obtained by the Globe outlines a host of measures the military might use to fight insurgents at home and abroad. They include ambushes, deception and killing. The draft manual was produced in September 2005 and was recently released through an access-to-information request. A final edited version of the army manual is expected to be complete within months, but a cover letter states that the draft version was immediately circulated in 2005 to army units for military training. Its inclusion of "radical Native American Organizations" as a potential target of military action surfaces at a time of heightened tensions between aboriginals and the federal government. "The rise of radical Native American organizations, such as the Mohawk Warrior Society, can be viewed as insurgencies with specific and limited aims," the manual states. "Although they do not seek complete control of the federal government, they do seek particular political concessions in their relationship with national governments and control (either overt or covert) of political affairs at a local/reserve (First Nation) level, through the threat of, or use of, violence," the manual states. Assembly of First Nations National Chief Phil Fontaine said Sunday, the inclusion of aboriginal people in the manual could threaten the ability of Canadian natives to travel internationally. But Stewart Phillip, the Grand Chief of the Union of British Columbia Indian Chiefs was more blunt. Chief Phillip, who recently predicted "a summer of aboriginal protest" in response to the perceived lack of action on native poverty in the federal budget, told the Globe he is "absolutely outraged" by the manual. "It's a complete attack on our political rights," he said.

NOTICE to the Six Nations Community In an effort to maintain the peace at Kanonhstaton, a decision has been made that; All youth, 18 years of age and under, are no longer allowed, unaccompanied by a parent, at the site after 8 p.m.. The decision came after much discussion among Chiefs, clanmothers and community members after various concerns were raised and some people had to be told to leave the site. We hope the community will respect this decision and all youth will remain away from the site. Kanonhstaton is reclaimed Six Nations land in which Six Nations community members are engaged in a peaceful political action to retain the reclaimed land. As such, community members are reminded the site could be subject to police action, again, at any time. Rules of behaviour are in place and posted. All Six Nations community members are encouraged to visit and support the Reclamation Site but please abide by the rules posted and all children, accompanied by parents, are welcomed, only until 8 p.m. There will be no exceptions. Adult community members are also being sought to volunteer their time at the reclamation site. Nia:weh Haudenosaunee chiefs and clanmothers

## Meanwhile OPP, no charges in exposure case

It's been seven months since a Caledonia man exposed himself to women and children as they circled the land reclamation site last summer and he has not yet been charged. A Six Nations woman caught Caledonia resident Darren Cronk on camera as he bent over and exposed his backside to the group while standing in the backyard of one of the homes that border the site. The OPP claim they can't charge Cronk without an official complaint. OPP did not return calls for comment again.

Darren Cronk moons people going by



## Caledonia "they were barbaric"

# 70 year old writer cleared of any charges in Victoria Day "riot"

By Donna Duric  
Writer

"Buck" Spittal is still shaking his head over this one.

The 70 year old has been cleared of an assault charge relating to the land reclamation after a Cayuga court deemed it without merit two weeks ago.

William Guy Spittal, was accused of assault with a weapon during a riot in Caledonia on May 22 last year but the charge was dropped after a judge viewed video footage of the incident and from that, decided Spittal did not commit the alleged offence.

"The clincher was the video," said a relieved Spittal during an interview at his home last Wednesday. "It showed the world what kind of savages we were dealing with," he said, referring to a group of non-native people who surrounded his vehicle during the Victoria Day riot.

Spittal, a long time Six Nations supporter and writer of Six Nations history, had been driving into Caledonia down Argyle St. after picking up a 60-year-old female friend from Hamilton. The two were planning on attending Bread and Cheese celebrations in Ohsweken.

Spittal said he had been listening to his car radio and heard that the Argyle St. barricade Six Nations had set up weeks before had come down that morning.

So instead of driving to the reserve



"Buck" Spittal using the Hwy. 54 route, he decided to proceed down Argyle St. so he could go to his home on Sixth Line Rd. before heading to the celebrations.

Around 11 a.m. that morning, he approached a crowd of people on Argyle St. in front of the Caledonia Canadian Tire. Spittal says the people had formed a human barricade on the road, and were only letting "white" cars go through. The Six Nations barricades were gone.

Because Spittal's vehicle was adorned with native decals and a Confederacy flag on his antenna, the crowd "targeted" him, he said. "One person said, 'look, there's one of them now.'"

He said a crowd began surrounding his vehicle as he tried to follow an OPP cruiser through the throng of people. He said one woman wedged herself in the one-foot gap between the front of his vehicle and the back of the cruiser.

"She stepped in front of my vehicle," said Spittal. "They had singled me out."

He said he allowed his vehicle to keep moving and she stayed in front of the vehicle. He had to stop, he said, because the crowd closed in on his vehicle.

He said a man tried to open the hood of his vehicle, others tore off the sideview mirror and the flag from his antenna, all the while rocking his vehicle.

"I kept waving to the cop to come over," said Spittal. "He just looked at me with a dead fish eye."

Spittal said his companion was "very stressed throughout this whole thing."

Eventually, the rocking stopped, and Spittal was surprised when OPP arrested him for assault with a weapon and took him to the Cayuga OPP detachment for processing while his friend was left behind alone. A police officer eventually drove her to Cayuga and Spittal had to pay \$80 to get his vehicle towed to Cayuga.

He wasn't in jail very long when the power went out and the police released him because they couldn't process him. Power had gone out in most of Haldimand County after a transformer station near the reclamation site was damaged early in the afternoon.

When Spittal appeared in Cayuga court two weeks ago, he said, assistant Crown Attorney Shane Hickingbottom told him he didn't

need to be there. The crown and the judge had reviewed video evidence of the incident, taped by a non-native couple from Brantford, and Spittal says the judge had decided there wasn't enough evidence to proceed with the charge.

"I'm relieved," he said. "I was in a situation not of my own making. It was just astonishing. I was not being defended by the police. They (the people who surrounded his

car) were acting barbaric."

## Haldimand "Mayor Marie" Six Nations responsible for tension with Caledonia

By Donna Duric  
Writer

Haldimand County Mayor Marie Trainer says a small group of Six Nations people at the reclamation site are responsible for the tensions between Caledonia and the Six Nations community.

"One per cent of the people at this occupation are causing the hatred to spread and I think it needs to be the Six Nations people that need to stop this," Trainer told the Turtle Island News Monday during an interview in her office. "Ninety-nine per cent of any nation or group are good people, it's that one per cent that is putting a huge wedge between the two people. It's growing and that's sad."

Trainer just returned from a conference at a Holocaust education centre in Los Angeles to learn about racial and religious diversity with a group of Six Nations people, police, OPP officers and Caledonia residents. Six Nations resident Brenda Johnson had facilitated the trip because of her concern that Trainer's public comments have perpetuated discrimination against Six Nations people. Johnson says she feels the mayor's comment proves she didn't learn anything at the conference.

"To me, that comment means she's trying to avoid responsibility for her conduct. That's one of the things we talked about (at the conference). You have to blame somebody and that's what she's doing. You blame the people who are being discriminated against therefore justifying your own discriminatory behaviour."

Trainer also said the hatred caused by native people is spreading in Haldimand County and across Canada, citing the recent blockade put up in the small town of Deseronto near the Mohawk community of Tyendinaga in eastern Ontario. Tyendinaga is protesting

the development of a housing division on claimed land.

On Monday Trainer had a visit from a Deseronto County Clerk. "What's happening here is now starting there," she said.

Trainer said she does not dispute the validity of Six Nations land claims.

"One thing I keep preaching is, it's not the land claims. Everyone feels they need to be addressed and the federal government needs to address them. Our problem in Haldimand County is the occupation."

Trainer said she didn't know much about what the conference was going to entail before she went and thought it was going to be about dispute resolution. She said she thought it was important for Six Nations people to be at the conference, entitled Tools For Tolerance, in order to understand the victimization Caledonia feels.

"Both sides need to realize we are all victims. What Brenda said was interesting. Her main message is that they (Six Nations) are victims and need to be heard and I felt the same way - we are victims and aren't being heard."

The conference was held at the Friends of Simon Wiesenthal Centre for Holocaust Studies in Los Angeles, which also paid for the delegation to attend.

Speakers included Holocaust survivors and reformed hate speech perpetrators. Johnson said she was hoping Trainer would "understand her role in" perpetuating a "negative portrayal of our people" after attending the conference.

However, she said, she was doubtful that would happen. "I knew I couldn't change her. She's still perpetuating racism. At least now, she doesn't have an excuse not to understand any more."

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## Who's paying for General's lawsuits

Six Nations band councillor Helen Miller wants to know who is paying for legal fees associated with multi million dollar lawsuits launched last year against elected chief Dave General by community members. She said she has asked several times for an update from the Senior Administration Officer (now on stress leave), after councillors Chris Martin and Roger Jonathan put a motion to the floor asking band council to pay for General's

legal fees last year. Council did not approve the motion, asking instead for details General is facing a \$4 million lawsuit launched by Steve Williams and Ken Hill for defamation after General sent out a notice to the community that listed several community members as members of the "Darkside." The notice went out without band council approval.

# Unions working towards national support for Six Nations

By Donna Duric  
Writer

Labour unions across southern Ontario are working to garner national support for the Six Nations land reclamation and are going to continue pressuring the federal government to negotiate in good faith with Six Nations over its outstanding land grievances.

"We have to put pressure on the government to negotiate with First Nations and show the government people are watching and can see through their lies," said Tom Keefer, a member of CUPE 3903 in Toronto who organized a labour union meeting in Hamilton last Saturday. "An injury to one is an injury to all. The unions are where we need to focus."

About 40 members of local unions, including CUPE and CAW, attended the meeting to brainstorm ways in which they can work to increase support for the reclamation within their unions.

Many of the members admitted it's been difficult to garner support within their unions because the executive members did not want to get involved in the issue.

Some even said that there have been "ignorant" comments at their union meetings regarding the land reclamation, but said that simply means more education is needed among its members.

Some ways in which the unions plan on increasing support is through organizing speaking tours, sending letters to MPs and MPPs, working with the Ontario



Reclamation site spokeswoman Hazel Hill, Janie Jamieson and Dawn Smith spoke to a McMaster University audience last week.

Federation of Labour to make the reclamation "a more acceptable" issue for local unions to support, and by distributing thousands of educational booklets to union members.

Keefer even went as far as suggesting that they form a "rapid response unit" should there be trouble or confrontations at the site, so they could get as many supporters out as possible at a moment's notice.

He said he's concerned about the police coming onto the site again, "neo-nazi" groups who've made appearances at anti-reclamation rallies held in Caledonia last year, and a group of local, non-native residents who call themselves the "Caledonia Resistance" and are starkly opposed to the reclamation. He called the group a "sinister outfit."

Sam Hammond, a Hamilton resident and member of the

Communist Party of Canada who has raised thousands of dollars for the reclamation, said he believes people shouldn't hesitate to support Six Nations in the issue.

"This is really worth struggling for and it will bear fruit," he said.

Lindsay Hinshlewood, a member of CAW and the group Community Friends for Peace and Understanding With Six Nations, said she's been "heckled" at her union's meetings for her support of the reclamation. But she says the struggles of union members and those of Six Nations are similar and that's why unions should support the reclamation.

"It's the same social justice issue - human rights for everybody." Reclamation spokesperson Hazel Hill attended the meeting and said Six Nations is grateful for their support.

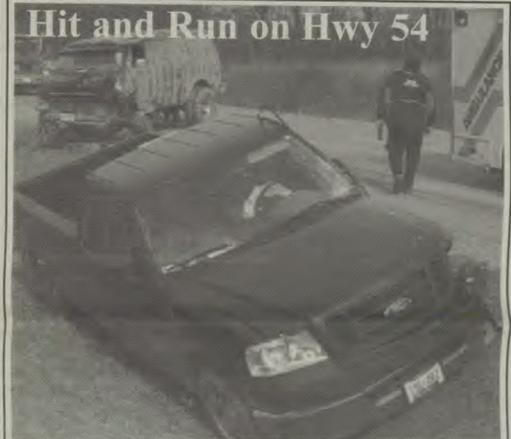
"It's been very strengthening to the Six Nations people," she said.



Hamilton union members listen as Reclamation site spokespeople Hazel Hill, Rhonda Martin and Ruby Montour, talk about their struggles.

Hill provided the group with background information on events leading up to the reclamation, as well as negotiations with both levels of government over Six Nations' land rights.

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Hit and Run on Hwy 54  
A Six Nations man is unhurt after a van struck his pick-up truck and the driver fled the scene immediately after. The accident occurred on Monday morning on Hwy. 54 in front of the Lone Wolf Drive-Thru. Tim Squire, 60, was driving eastbound on Hwy. 54 when the van attempted to turn into the Lone Wolf parking lot, striking the front end of Squire's Ford F150 pick-up truck. Squire's vehicle ended up in the ditch. He said as he exited his vehicle he saw a non-native man climbing out the window of the older model black Chevy van and fleeing down the highway toward Chiefswood Park. Anyone with information is asked to call Six Nations Police at 519-445-2201 or Crimestoppers.

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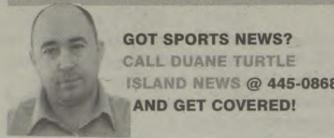
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## ABORIGINAL NHL ALL-STARS THRILL SIX NATIONS FANS WITH EXHIBITION GAME

By Duane Rollins  
Sports reporter

For Brian Trotter it was a no-brainer. The opportunity to take a hockey tour of former NHLers of Aboriginal heritage to three Ontario reserves was too good to pass up.

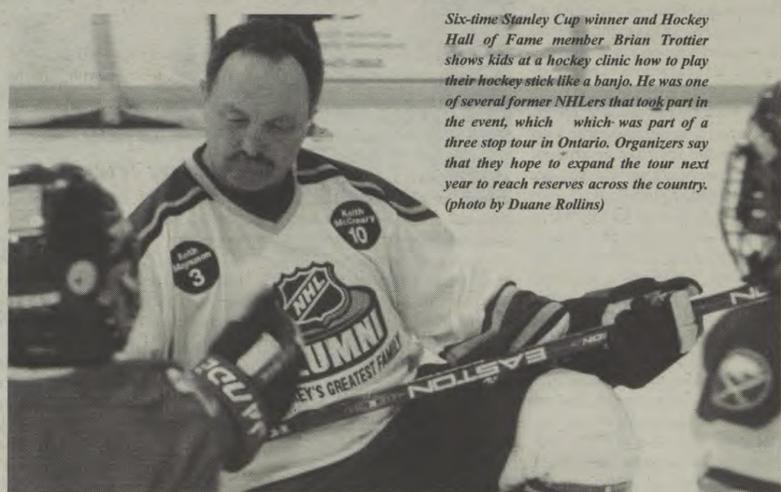


Chandon Hill of the Six Nations police team reacts after the NHL Aboriginal all-stars "rewarded" him with a pie to the face after he had scored Six Nations first goal of the game. (Photo by Duane Rollins)

"Whenever I'm around First Nations people I am energized," the six time Stanley Cup winner and member of the Hockey hall of Fame said. "First Nations people have this love of nature and of ath-

letics. It's a joy to be around." Trotter was one of about 15 former NHL players to take part in the tour, which was sponsored by BMO. Trotter said that the idea of the tour was to bring a positive message to Aboriginal youth. The tour made a stop in Oshweken Sunday, where it played against a team of Six Nations police officers. "We want to get the message out that if you stay in school and stay active in your community you can be successful," Trotter said. To that end, the players put on a hockey clinic prior to the game on Sunday, visited elementary schools on the reserve and made themselves available for autographs and to meet anyone who was interested.

The always-popular Stan Jonathon took part in the tour. The former Boston tough-guy said that he has always enjoyed playing for and speaking to Aboriginals. "It's different today," he said. "Now, with the Internet, you can follow the guys all the time." When Jonathon played in the '70s he was always a little surprised when he found out that someone from the Aboriginal community was following his career. "I used to be thrilled to get a letter from someone," he said. "It was always nice to know that you meant something to someone."



Six-time Stanley Cup winner and Hockey Hall of Fame member Brian Trotter shows kids at a hockey clinic how to play their hockey stick like a banjo. He was one of several former NHLers that took part in the event, which was part of a three stop tour in Ontario. Organizers say that they hope to expand the tour next year to reach reserves across the country. (photo by Duane Rollins)

Trotter agrees. That's why he always embraced his heritage when he played. "Whenever I'd appear on Hockey Night in Canada whoever it was that was interviewing me would always bring up my heritage," Trotter said. "And it was always in a positive way." "I never shied away from that." In today's NHL there are more native role models than in Trotter and Jonathon's time. According to Trotter, that's likely because

scouts today pay more attention to Aboriginals than they did years ago. However, that's not to say that there aren't still challenges. "We are often a shy people," Trotter said. "Often we are scared to leave home. But I always tell kids that it's the same for everyone. White kids are scared too." Ultimately, Trotter says it's important for Aboriginal kids to chase their dreams. "Even if you fail, you still end up gaining so much," he said. "You learn so much in chasing the dream. It's worth it."

On Sunday, the NHL Aboriginal alumni team defeated the Six Nations police 12-8. However, it appeared that the former NHLers could have scored at will if they so desired. The crowd of about 200 was treated to as many laughs as they were goals, as the NHLers aimed to entertain.



# SPORTS

Six Nations athletes named to world indoor lacrosse team

Four Six Nations' athletes have been named to the Iroquois Nationals, as the team continues preparations towards the World Indoor Lacrosse Championships. Six Nations' players named to the team were

Sid Smith, Delby Powless, Roger Vyse and Cory Bomberry. In total, head coach Duane Jacobs named eight players, including Onondaga's Brett Bucktooth and Marshall Abrams, and Anishinawbe's Mike Thompson

and Doug Noganosh. The World Indoor Lacrosse Championships will be held in Halifax, May 14-20.

## Six Nations woman prepares to run in Boston Marathon

By Duane Rollins  
Sports reporter

Ellie Joseph said she could have broken her personal best in Sunday's Run Around the Bay in Hamilton. She just didn't want to. She was saving herself for something bigger.

"I'm strong enough and I'm ready, but I treated it as a training run," she said. "I had to. Because I didn't want to miss Boston."

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Unlike most races, you can't just sign up to run Boston. You must qualify, which Joseph did last year at the Mississauga Marathon when she ran the just over 26-mile course in 4:03. It was her second attempt at qualifying. Her first, fell short by less than a minute.

The school teacher says she is thrilled to have made the grade this time around.

"I'm excited," she said. "I'm just going to go down and enjoy it. Getting the number and the jacket, that's what it's all about at this

point," she said with a laugh. That's not to say Joseph isn't still

**"Endorphins are my friend. I enjoy being out there."**  
Ellie Joseph on training

competitive. She trains almost every day with the goal of lowering her personal bests. She says she thinks that she has a sub-four-hour marathon in her, although it's not likely to come at Boston.

In addition to Joseph taking an enjoy-it-first attitude in Boston, it is a tough course with a nasty uphill towards the finish. A low time is unlikely she said. Still, she says she is faster today than she was 10 years ago when she first started running. "I'm 53 now, but I've learned some strategies to training to help me. I'm still looking to get better."

Ultimately, it's the training that keeps Joseph involved in the sport. She says she loves the feeling of running.



Ellie Joseph "Endorphins are my friend," she said. "I enjoy being out there."

## Stallions win winter league



Members of the Men's Winter Lacrosse League champions the Stallions are: Craig Point, Roger Vyse, Dean Hill, Delby Powless, Mitch Nanticoke, Cecil Hill, Cody Jamieson, Derek General, Nic Davis, Kyle Point, Stew Montour, Jake Hill, Keegan Hill, Dan Elliot, Dave Ellis, Roger Martin, Ben Vanevery and Tyler Skye

The Stallions have repeated as Winter Men's Lacrosse League champions.

They claimed the championship by sweeping Medina in the best-of-three final. They won 12-5 on Sunday to wrap things up.

In Sunday's win, the Stallions got three goals each from Roger

Vyse and Mitch Nanticoke. Kyle Point had a pair, with Delby Powless Craig Point and Dan Elliot adding singles.

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|  | SNMC<br>5 - 7:50 pm           | BUSHLEAGUE<br>8 - 11 pm | CARNIVAL REHEARSAL<br>5:30 - 9 pm | CARNIVAL SHOW<br>7 pm                           | SN CHIEFS<br>9 - 10:20 pm (Tentively) |   |   |
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# BANDITS DEFEAT CHICAGO 15-10, CLINCH PLAYOFF SPOT WITH VICTORY

By Edna J. Gooder  
Niagara reporter  
BUFFALO N.Y. the Bandits clinch a spot in the playoffs with a

15 -10 win over the Chicago Shamrox last Saturday evening at the HSBC Arena before 16,228 screaming fans. This seventh consecutive win secures a spot in the NLL playoffs for the Bandits and with only three more games in the regulation season they are now 9-4

and are second in the Eastern division behind the Rochester Knighthawks 11-2. The Bandits came out strong in the first two quarters of the fast paced game and as they went into the second half they lead 10-3. Cory Bomberry (72) was all over as he battled his way down the floor for an early goal, with Roger

Wyse (81) right behind slamming in a goal passed Shamrox goalie Derek Collins. Bomberry had four goals throughout the exciting must win game and

Wyse collected two goals and Brett Bucktooth claimed three goals. Bandits' goalie Steve Dietrich (30) was given the night off and goalie Mike Thompson (66) was in great form as he made 28 saves against the Shamrox players.

Although, the Shamrox came on stronger during the second half acquiring seven goals quickly eating up the Bandits lead, yet the Bandits regrouped and came alive during the fourth quarter as they made four goals to the

Shamrox one. Mark Steenhuis slammed in the last goal before time ran out beating the Shamrox goalie to the empty net. The screaming deliriously fans banged on the plexus glass as their heroes ran a victory lap around the floor waving and holding their sticks high in victory. Kevin Dostie (51) named MVP, with one goal and six assists for the game said it would be great to beat the Rochester Knighthawks and bring the "first three games" here and the championship to the Buffalo fans. Head Coach Kilgour said the game plan was to keep focused and "control themselves keeping the pace fast" and inspiring during every shift.

He said they will now concentrate on the game against the Knighthawks. The next Bandits game will be held at the HSBC Arena against the Arizona Sting Saturday April 7th at 7:30 p.m.

Scoring a goal in the first quarter: Jason Crosbie (54) assisted by Pat McCready (10) and Phil Sanderson (18) Cory Bomberry (72) assisted by Kevin Dostie (51) and John Travares (11) Roger Wyse (81) assisted by Travares (11) and Dostie (51)

Scoring in the second quarter: Bomberry (72) assisted by Dostie (51) and Kyle Couling (27) Wyse (81) assisted by Bomberry (72) and Dan Teat (15) Mark Steenhuis (9) assisted by Chris White (6) Dostie (51) assisted by Travares (11) Bomberry (72) assisted by Wyse (81)

Brett Bucktooth (26) assisted by Dostie (51) and Teat (15) Bucktooth (26) assisted by Crosbie (54) and Dostie (51)

Scoring in the third quarter: Travares (11) assisted by Bucktooth (26)

Scoring a goal during the fourth quarter was: Bomberry (72) assisted by Bucktooth (26) Travares (11) assisted by Steenhuis (9) Bucktooth (26) assisted by Crosbie (54) and Dostie (51) Steenhuis (9) assisted by Rich Kilgour (16)

Bandit penalties during the second quarter:

Bucktooth (26) for too many on the floor Troy Bonterre (2) checking from behind

Bonterre (2) for slashing Bandit penalties during the third quarter:

Teat (15) for roughing Steenhuis (9) for holding Crosbie (54) for interference.



Roger Wyse battles his way down the floor knocking Shamrox as he goes at the game held at last Saturday in Buffalo (Photo by Edna J. Gooder)

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When roasting a whole turkey, preheat the oven to 325°F (160°C). Roast uncovered or loosely covered with foil. If you choose to baste your turkey, limit the number of times you open and close your oven (once an hour is sufficient).

Be sure to use a meat thermometer to determine when the turkey is properly cooked; the turkey is done when it reaches a minimum temperature of 170°F (77°C) for an unstuffed turkey or 180°F (82°C) for a stuffed bird. Once cooking is complete, let stand 15 to 20 minutes to allow the juices to set.

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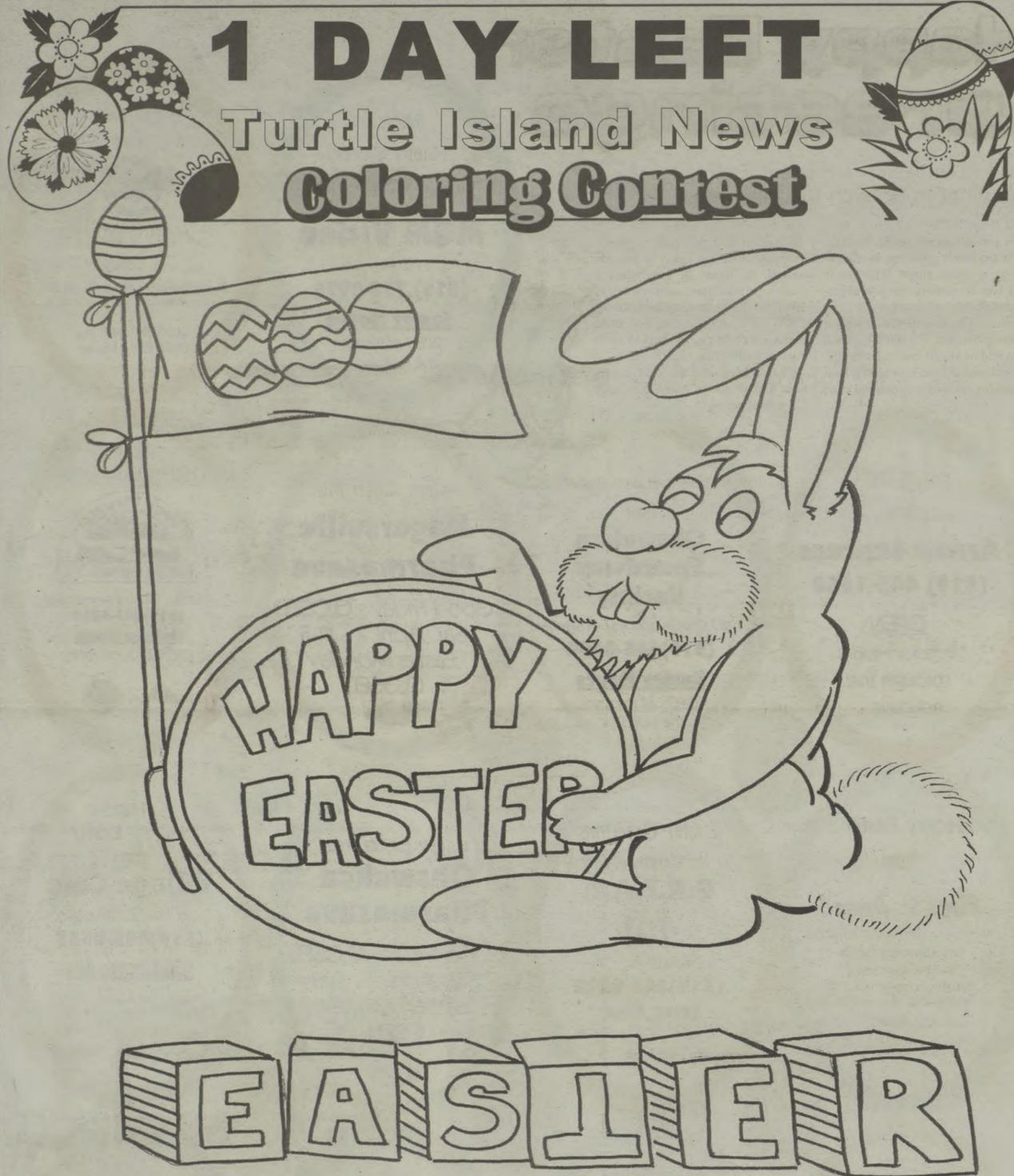
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## Arrows look to finish the job in '07

By Duane Rollins  
Sports reporter

The pressure is off the Six Nations Arrows says the team's General Manager Scott Smith.

"It was a bit different last year," Smith said, "with the Minto Cup here. Everyone expected them to do well. This year if we win, it will be a surprise to people."

Hill said the lack of pressure has made for a loose pre-season camp so far. The Arrows have been practicing Sundays at the ILA for the last few weeks.

"I've told the guys to just go out there and run and play for fun. Just like they always have," Smith said.

Last year the Arrows went all the way to the Minto Cup final, where they lost to Peterborough. Smith says the team is motivated to erase that disappointment.

"There is no sense competing if you aren't trying to win the Minto Cup, and that's our goal again. We want to win the championship."

With 17 returning players from last year's team, it isn't an overly lofty goal. Smith suggests that the

Arrows will be near the top of the OLA standings all year.

He expects the traditional lacrosse centres of Peterborough, Whitby and St. Catharines to be the toughest competition.

Nationally, the B.C. teams will once again be tough, with New Westminster hosting the Minto Cup tournament.

Although it's a good problem to have, Smith says there is one problem with having so many returning players.

"It's tough to get the young guys in," Smith said. "We have guys that are probably good enough to play A, but we don't have room for them. We have to send them back to B. It's tough to have to tell them that."

Smith says there is between two and three spots up for competition at camp. He says the competition for those spots has been fierce.

So far, Smith has yet to secure an exhibition game for the Arrows, but he says he is hopeful that he can prior to the season.

The Season starts May 14.

## Warriors Cup jump starts summer ILA season

By Duane Rollins  
Sports reporter

If there is a better way to spend the Easter weekend then watching high-level lacrosse, Josh Powless isn't sure what it is.

And as one of the organizers of the Warriors Cup, which will be played this weekend at the ILA, that's exactly what he plans to do with his time this holiday.

"It will be good lacrosse," he said. "It should be a good time."

Eight teams will take to the arena, including several from Six Nations.

The teams that are competing for the \$3,000 first prize are: The Six Nations Sting, the (Six Nations) Rez Dogs, the (Six Nations)

Stallions, (Six Nations) Medina, London, St. Catharines Warriors, Team Harrow and Extreme.

Team harrow has players from as far away as Boston.

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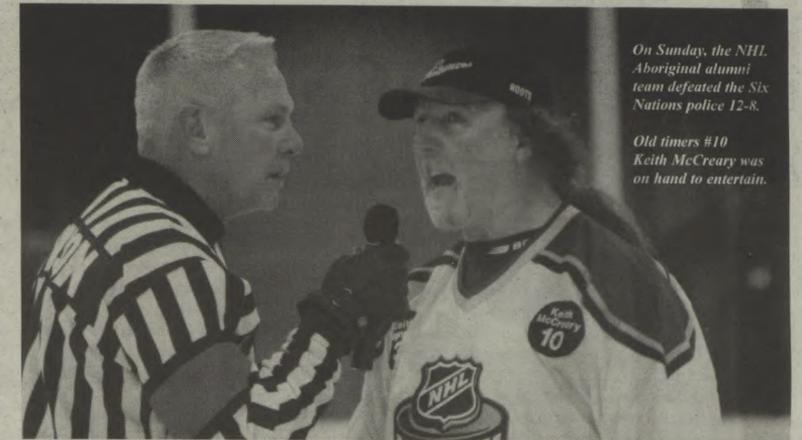
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# HOLDEN VYCE'S HAT TRICK HELPS OCC STAY ON ITS WINNING WAYS

By Duane Rollins  
Sports reporter

Onondaga Community College attacker Holden Vyce is starting to "get it" says his coach Chuck Wilbur.

"Holden is a box guy," Wilbur said. It took him a while to get used to the field game, but now that he is he is a big part of our rotation."

Vyce scored three goals and added three assists last weekend as OCC defeated Cayuga Community College 29-5, to run their record to a perfect 4-0 on the season.

It was the first league game of the season for the defending national champions and Wilbur said that he

used it to try and establish

"We are trying to get some chemistry in these games so that moving forward when we get involved in bigger, playoff games we will be well prepared."

Part of that preparation is getting players like Vyce more field time. That way, players can gain the trust of coaches that they perform under pressure says Wilbur.

So far, so good for Vyce.

"He plays with a lot of hustle," says Wilbur. "When that ball goes down I'll take my chances with Holden."

OCC plays five games in the next 11 days. Wilbur says he is confident that OCC can win all five.



Holden Vyce poses after OCC's first game of the season last month. Vyce played a big role in last week's 29-5 OCC win over Cayuga. (Photo by Michelle Jamieson)

## Six Nations woman scores for Buffalo State win

Six Nations Joni Hill scored once in Buffalo State's 14-13 win over St. Mary's in women's NCAA lacrosse action last week in Maryland.

The win ran Buffalo State's record to 6-0 on the season.

Buffalo State came from behind to win the game, after trailing 7-5 at the half.

However, BSU scored the first five goals of the second half and held on to win the game in overtime.

Leah Bernal scored the OT winner.

The game was part of a spring break tour of the Baltimore area for BSU.

The team plays one more game during the trip against Goucher College.

## ARROWS LAND TOP DEFENDER IN TRADE WITH DEFENDING MINTO CHAMPS

The Six Nations Arrows have traded for Shawn Evans, considered by many to be the best junior aged lacrosse player in Ontario.

Evans was a key member of Peterborough's 2006 Minto Cup winning team.

The Arrows said they were "very pleased to have obtained Shawn" and that they are "looking forward to him being an integral part of the team as (they) prepare for the upcoming 2007 season" in a press release announcing the trade.

Details of the trade were not announced, although it has been rumoured that a substantial amount of cash exchanged hands.

It's believed that Evans was promised a trade from Peterborough if the team won the Minto Cup. There are unsubstantiated rumours that another Lakers defender, Kyle Soreson, is looking to get out of Peterborough as well. Whitby or Six Nations are thought to be his likely destination.

Despite the trade, it does not appear that Evans will be eligible to suit up for the MSL Chiefs this season, as his rights remain with Peterborough. A player needs to be a member of an affiliate for three years for a team to establish his MSL rights.

The Arrows are three-time defending Ontario champions. They will begin their attempts at a four-peat Sun. May 13th at 7 p.m. against KW.

Duane Rollins

# April is Cancer Month

## Daffodils are a spectacular springtime bloom

By Mark Cullen  
markcullen.com

(NC) Every spring there is a celebration in gardens coast to coast. It is a show of colour that wakes us up to our great Canadian 'season of hope' after a long, cold winter. It is a celebration of daffodils.

The blooming of daffodils in your garden is a sure sign spring has finally arrived. If you care properly for this beautiful and cheerful bloom, it should give you a lifetime of enjoyment.

Beginner gardeners can take note that daffodils are one of the easiest to grow and most dependable of the hardy winter

flowers. To ensure you get the most out of your daffodils, plant them in late autumn and choose a well-drained, sunny location.

Daffodils are not only a beautiful flower that you can cut and bring indoors to enjoy, but they're also the official symbol of the Canadian Cancer Society.

This special bloom represents hope and renewal for the many thousands of Canadians who have been touched by cancer.

Every April, the Canadian Cancer Society's annual Daffodil Days kick off the Daffodil Month campaign where thousands of volunteers band together to

sell bright yellow daffodils and knock on neighbourhood doors to collect donations in the fight against cancer.

Money raised through Daffodil Month, helps the Society to:

- fund leading-edge research on all types of cancer.
  - offer comprehensive and credible information on cancer, risk reduction and treatment.
  - provide support for people living with cancer, their family members and friends.
  - advocate for healthy public policy.
- This year, from March 29 to April 1, when you see a Canadian Cancer Society



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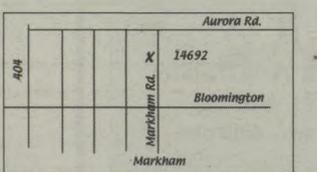
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### ONEIDA elected Council agrees to drop litigation regarding GREENLANE

The Oneida Nation of the Thames elected Council has agreed to drop their legal action against the Ministry of Environment, the City of Toronto, Green Lane Environment Ltd., and St. Thomas Sanitation Company. The move comes as a result of an 11th and 1/2 hour agreement between the Toronto City Council and the Oneida elected Council. The details of the agreement were not disclosed. Elected Chief Randall Phillips said, "I think the arrangements and agreement that was reached, is an example of what can be achieved through dialogue. Although there are still many concerns regarding landfills and waste disposal that need to be addressed, perhaps we can turn this into a positive model

in terms of how we can collectively begin to deal with that issue." He added, "this approach will provide us with a much better opportunity to have our voice heard." In the case of Green Lane, the elected Chief believes that they have created a mechanism that respects the concerns of Oneida people. He said time pressures "were tremendous. The deadline and the confidentiality provisions imposed on us, meant that we had to rush these discussions. Our Council did not like this process. This is not the way of the Oneida people to negotiate things of this nature. I think the City Council of Toronto has a better appreciation of that today."

Elected Chief Phillips said, "In view of the fact that no one should have to deal with a landfill in their backyard, the elected Council made a tough decision to make the best out of a bad situation." Oneida Community members were informed over the weekend of the contents of the agreement. Council Signed the documents on March 31, 2007. The Chippewas of the Thames were to meet Monday. Their approvals will clear the way for the city to close the \$220.3 million purchase of Green Lane from a private firm that has operated the site since 1978.

Toronto now trucks close to 750,000 tonnes of garbage to Michigan each year under a contract that ends in 2010. With Green Lane, Toronto is guaranteed a site that could last 20 years.

### Oneida Pee Wees are Lil' NHL Champs

Story By Denise Desormeaux Photos Courtesy of Clinton Cornelius SUDBURY - Avid Oneida hockey players and their dedicated fans spent their March break at the 36th Annual Little NHL Tournament in Sudbury. And they weren't just playing. Oneida's Pee Wees brought home the championship. Clinton Cornelius, coach and trainer of the Pee Wee "E" Division Championship team, said, "I'm very proud of our boys that represented Oneida, up there in Sudbury

at the Little NHL. Everyone played an excellent game each time on the ice." He said the boys play on different teams and leagues with no practices together but managed to bring home the gold. "I believe in my heart that this group of boys played with compassion for themselves, as well as their teammates in proudly representing Oneida. He said everyone was "so proud to see so many different styles simply gel together, like they played alongside each other all of their playing careers."



2007 Little NHL "Pee Wee" "E" Division Champs. Top: Fred Blaisdell, Asst. Coach/Tom Hill Middle: Asst. Coach/Craig Doxtator, Brady Doxtator, Douglas Blaisdell, Wyatt Hill, Dakota Hill, Josh Doxtator, Coach/Trainer/Clint Cornelius Front row: Trew Ireland-Chrisjohn, Wati Feliciano, Kingsley Doxtator, Clinton Cornelius, Garret Doxtator, Andrew Kennedy, Landon Doxtator



Novice Team Back Row: Joe Doxtator, Brian Cornelius, Andrew Doxtator Middle Row: Edwin Brown, Treyton Doxtator, Darien Ireland-Chrisjohn, Joey Doxtator, Aden Antone, Jordyn Cornelius, Jaelena Doxtator, Jace Mirasty Front Row: Channin George, Shane Doxtator, A. J. Doxtator, Kolbe Doxtator, Erin Hill Goalie - Chane Cornelius

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# NATIONAL

## Prentice under fire for refusal to apologize for native school abuses

OTTAWA (CP)- Opposition MPs assailed the Indian Affairs minister in the Commons on Tuesday, calling his refusal to apologize for widespread abuse in native residential schools an insulting betrayal. Generations of people are still suffering the effects of church-run federal schools that First Nations children were once forced to attend, said Liberal MP Gary Anne McLellan said in a related letter that "there is a need for an apology that will provide a broader recognition of the Indian residential schools legacy and its effect upon First Nation communities." Prentice says the Liberals never followed up on that point. In fact, they never had the chance. They were defeated soon after introducing the agreement that was later finalized after months of additional tweaking by the new Conservative government. No apology was in the final version, negotiated with the participation of

the Assembly of First Nations, which has always called for one. Many survivors say that hearing Prime Minister Stephen Harper say he's sorry for what happened to them is worth more than the average compensation of \$24,000 they'll each collect if the deal is accepted. NDP aboriginal affairs critic Jean Crowder accused the Conservatives of shunting aside aboriginals, a political non-entity when it comes to Tory voter support.

WINTER roads melt supplies not in WINNIPEG (CP)- Manitoba's most remote winter roads on the east side of Lake Winnipeg melted before communities could truck in enough supplies for the rest of the year, says an aboriginal leader. Sydney Garrioch, grand chief of the northern First Nations, said the communities of Red Sucker Lake, Garden Hill and Wasagamack must now haul their supplies from Norway House on more northerly winter



Merasty. "The children confined to these schools... were taken from their families, taken from their communities," said the member of the Peter Ballantyne Cree Nation in Northern Saskatchewan. "And unspeakable acts were committed upon them. "Why does the prime minister refuse to apologize for the atrocities suffered by these children?" The former Liberal government acknowledged in 1998 that physical and sexual abuse in the schools was rampant for much of the last century. Many native languages have never recovered from school policies that harshly punished children for speaking them. Ongoing struggles with alcohol and drug addiction, sexual dysfunction and domestic violence are blamed in part on the social havoc wreaked by residential schools. The former Liberal government stopped short of apologizing, but offered a statement of reconciliation that opened a floodgate of lawsuits. Indian Affairs Minister Jim Prentice said last Monday that the \$2-billion compensation package finalized by the Conservatives does not include an apology, so none is forthcoming. Moreover, he said, the now defunct system of live-in schools was meant to educate native children. "In saying this, he denies that the primary goal was actually to destroy aboriginal people, languages and culture," fumed Merasty. "It is amazing, the magnitude of the gap between compassion and doing the right thing that this government has. The minister knows that an apology was to follow the completion of the residential schools agreement." The Liberals initially offered a compensation package in November 2005 that did not include an apology. Former deputy prime minister

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Advertisement for G.R.E.A.T. Theatre featuring an 'Apprenticeship Information Session for Lineworkers & Electricians' on Thursday April 12, 2007. Includes contact information for Brandi.

Ontario Government Notice: Notice of Public Information Centre #1. GTA West Corridor - Environmental Assessment (EA) Terms of Reference. Includes a map of the GTA West Corridor and a list of public information centres across the region.

# Careers & Notices

## G.R.E.A.T

### JOB BOARD

| POSITION                         | EMPLOYER / LOCATION                                  | SALARY      | CLOSING DATE      |
|----------------------------------|--|-------------|-------------------|
| Financial/Administrative Officer | Grand River Employment and Training                  | TBD         | Apr 18 @ 4 pm     |
| Executive Director               | De dwa da dehs nye > s Aboriginal Health in Hamilton | TBD         | April 10 @ 4 pm   |
| Innovations Assistant            | Six Nations Welfare                                  | TBD         | Apr 4 @ 4pm       |
| Orientation Trainee              | Greenhouse Food Production/Six Nations               | \$280.00/wk | Open Until Filled |
| Gas Attendant/Cashier            | New Credit Gas & Variety                             | \$8.00/hr   | Open Until Filled |

## SIX NATIONS COUNCIL

| POSITION                               | DEPARTMENT                                      | TERM                    | SALARY                 | CLOSING DATE  |
|--|---|-------------------------|------------------------|---------------|
| Employee Relations Officer             | Administration                                  | Contract (Possible F/T) | \$36,000/yr            | Apr 18 @ 4 pm |
| Youth & Adult Counsellor               | New Directions (Health Services)                | Full-Time               | \$32,148 - \$50,233    | Apr 18 @ 4pm  |
| Secretary/Receptionist                 | Diabetic Ed Pgm (Health Services)               | Part-Time 17.5 hrs/wk   | \$20,575 - \$32,148    | Apr 18 @ 4 pm |
| Clinic Nurse                           | Diabetic Ed. Pgm.(Health Services)              | Full-Time               | \$36,007 - \$56,261/yr | Apr 18 @ 4 pm |
| Early Childhood Educator (2 positions) | Resource Centre (SN Childcare)(Social Services) | Full-Time               | Up to \$30,900/yr      | Apr 11 @ 4 pm |
| Language/Cultural Educator             | Resource Centre (SN Childcare)(Social Services) | Full-Time               | Up to \$30,900/yr      | Apr 11 @ 4 pm |
| Maintenance Worker                     | Bingo Hall (Economic Dev't)                     | Full-Time               | \$14.90/hr. 40 hrs/wk  | Apr 11 @ 4 pm |
| Housemother                            | Maternal & Child Centre (Health Services)       | Part-Time(20 hrs/wk)    | \$20,575 - \$32,148    | Apr 4 @ 4pm   |
| Aboriginal Midwife                     | Maternal & Child Centre (Health Services)       | Contract (possible F/T) | \$50,000 - \$60,000    | Apr 4 @ 4pm   |

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### GRAND RIVER EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING

Country Image Gift Shop  
(A Division of Special Services for Special People)

**POSITION:** Floor Manager/Jr. Inventory Controller  
**JOB SUMMARY:** To be trained in the daily operation of the Country Image Gift Shop and that all duties are carried out in a liable and timely manner conforming with store policies, procedures and administrative guidelines and to become familiar with the data entry procedures of the Point-of-Sale Computer system. The ability to arrange attractive and presentable merchandise displays while creating a welcoming atmosphere conducive for retail purchasing. To assist the Senior Inventory Controller with labeling and coding all in-coming inventory.

**SALARY RANGE:** Dependent on qualifications

**CLOSING DATE:** April 20, 2007 @ 4:00 p.m. - LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED

#### BASIC QUALIFICATIONS:

- A Retail Marketing Diploma or Background is preferred;
- OR Hospitality or Tourism Diploma or Background;
- OR Previous Sales Experience working on a computerized Point of Sale Terminal;
- Computer knowledge a must. (Internet and Email procedures);
- Will possess a valid class G Ontario Drivers License;
- Must have a completed favourable police record check before commencing employment;
- Will be comfortable working in a collaborative team environment, willing to take direction, be respectful of others and demonstrate creativity, flexibility, innovation and reliability;
- Willing to learn and apply self-motivation in a Contemporary Gift Shop environment;
- Artistic, creative and neat and appropriate appearance and positive and confidential attitude;
- Knowledge of Native Culture and awareness;
- Good time management skills;
- Must maintain confidentiality to the Special Services Organization;
- Will have excellent communication skill (written & verbal);
- Must provide a statement of health.

#### PROCEDURE: ALL applicants must submit the following:

1. A cover letter including band name and number. Please indicate in your letter how your education and experience qualifies you for this position.
2. A recent Resume. Your Resume **MUST** clearly show that you meet the basic requirements of this position as outlined above.
3. A photocopy of your Degree, Diploma or Educational Transcript.
4. A current letter of reference.

Preference will be given to those of Aboriginal descent. Only those applicants receiving an interview will be contacted.

Place application in a sealed envelope clearly marked "Floor Manager/Jr. Inventory Controller" and send to:  
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Country Image Gift Shop,  
P.O. Box 120, Ohsweken,  
Ontario, NOA 1M0

## DIRECTORS NEEDED

The West Haldimand General Hospital, a 33 bed rural community hospital, is seeking persons who are interested in serving on the Board of Governors for a three-year term. Directors may be elected from the following areas:

- Hagersville
- Caledonia, Oneida
- The Six Nations on the Grand and the Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nations
- Rainham
- Jarvis, North Walpole & Townsend
- Cayuga, North Cayuga & Seneca
- South Walpole

Experience on a governance-oriented not-for-profit board, knowledge of human resources management, patient safety or legal affairs would be considered an asset to this volunteer position. Interested candidates should contact E. Craddock, Administrative Assistant, WHGH, at 905-768-3311, Ext. 1122, for an application. For additional information contact P. Barnhart, Board Chair, at 905-774-3879.

All applications must be received by  
4:00 p.m. Tuesday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2007.

## SIX NATIONS SPECIAL SERVICES FOR SPECIAL PEOPLE (PROVIDES SERVICES, FOR ADULTS WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES)

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**Job Summary:** The Group Home Manager is responsible for co-ordinating and over-seeing the operations of the Group Home, Supported Independent Living Units, and the Community Integration Worker Program. The Group Home Manager ensures that the desires and goals of the people we service are the focus of the support and services provided by Six Nations Special Services for Special People. The Group Home Manager will ensure that Person centred planning is ongoing. The Group Home Manager will directly supervise all Community Integration Workers and the Support Workers in the group home.

**Salary Range:** Dependent on qualifications  
**Closing Date:** Wed. April 11, 2007 at 4 p.m.  
**LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED**

**Basic Qualifications:** A Degree with a major in psychology, sociology, child studies or a B.Ed. or B.S.W. is preferred;

- Will have a Developmental Services, Worker Diploma or equivalent two year diploma, e.g. Early Childhood Education;
- Will have three years demonstrated experience in supervising staff;
- Will have C.P.R. / First Aid Training;
- Will possess a valid class G Ontario Drivers License;
- Must have a completed favourable police record check before commencing employment;
- Will be comfortable working in a collaborative team environment, willing to take direction, be respectful of others and demonstrate creativity, flexibility, innovation and reliability;
- Must maintain confidentiality to the Special Services Organization;
- Will have excellent written, and oral skills;
- Will have good computer skills.

#### Procedure: ALL applicants must submit the following:

1. A covering letter including band name and number. Please indicate in your letter how your education and experience qualifies you for this position.
2. A recent Resume. Your Resume **MUST** clearly show that you meet the basic requirements of this position as outlined above.
3. A photocopy of your Degree, Diploma or Educational Transcript.
4. 3 current written letters of reference including one from your most recent employer.

Preference will be given to those of Aboriginal descent. Only those applicants receiving an interview will be contacted.

Place application in a sealed envelope clearly marked "Group Home Manager" and send to:  
Lynda Nicholson Executive Director  
Special Services for Special People  
P.O. Box 120, Ohsweken, Ontario, NOA 1 M0 or deliver to: 30 Cao Lane

A detailed job description can be picked up at Special Services for Special People, 30 Cao Lane or the Grand River Employment and Training Centre, Monday to Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.

## GRAND RIVER EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING

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Applications for the position of "Finance/Administrative Officer" will be received by Grand River Employment and Training until 4:30 p.m. Wednesday April 18, 2007.

- Qualifications:**
- Recent graduate of university or college in Accounting, Business Administration, or related field; or Grade 12 and five years related experience.
  - Previous work experience with federal and provincial programs would be an asset.
  - Experience working with AccPac, Microsoft Office programs and Internet.
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  - Exhibit a high degree of initiative and self-direction; excellent organizational, verbal and written communication skills.
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  - Preference will be given to Six Nations Band Member.

- Duties:**
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- Recent resume including three references - resume must clearly show that the basic qualifications of the position are met.
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A complete job description can be obtained from the at Grand River Employment And Training  
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- Must possess a valid First Aid & C.P.R. certificate
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- Must have a valid "G" drivers license and willing to upgrade to a Class "F" license.
- Must be in good physical health, energetic, ambitious and creative.
- Will be familiar with relevant legislation, regulations and guidelines.
- Knowledgeable of community development and a range of methods and techniques that are employed in primary prevention services.

Successful applicant must provide the results of a current criminal reference check

**Salary:** Commensurate with MNCFN Salary Grid

**CLOSING DATE:** Thursday, April 19, 2007 @ noon

A detailed Job Description is available at the Mississaugas of the New Credit Administration Building. Please address your resume along with three references (employment-related preferred) to:

Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation  
R. R. #6 Hagersville, Ontario, NOA 1H0  
Phone: 905-768-1133 Fax: 905-768-1225  
ATTENTION: Community Support Worker



Only those candidates being offered an interview will be contacted.



## THE BRANTFORD POLICE SERVICE requires PART-TIME CALL TAKERS

Our Service is seeking applicants with positive attitudes who are self-starters and team players for the above rotating-shift position in our Communication Section. The incumbents will provide an effective and efficient link between the public and the police through professional communications and will maintain information on our Service Records Management System received from Service members.

Candidates must have a secondary school diploma, minimum keyboarding speed of 45 w.p.m., excellent oral/written communication skills and dictaphone transcription skills. Previous dispatch/ switchboard experience preferred.

Part-time employees, as per our civilian collective agreement, work a minimum of twenty-five (25) hours and a maximum of thirty-nine (39) hours per week. The hourly rate of pay for this position is \$16.57 (2007 rates).

Interested applicants are invited to forward resumes prior to Friday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2007 to:

Ms. Marva Usher  
Recruiting Co-Ordinator  
Brantford Police Service  
Post Office Box 1116, Brantford, Ontario (N3T 5T3)  
Fax: (519) 756-4272  
Email: [musher@police.brantford.on.ca](mailto:musher@police.brantford.on.ca)

Personal information submitted will be used only for the purposes of this competition in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Privacy Act.

The Brantford Police Service is committed to equality within the workplace, reflecting the Community's diversity.

# Classifieds

**Classified Deadline**  
**Tuesdays @ noon** (with no exceptions)  
 Call 519-445-0868 for further details.

## OBITUARY

**BLOOMFIELD: DONALD DAVID**  
 It is with great sadness that the family announces the passing of Don Bloomfield of Townline, R.R. # 1, Wilsonville, Ontario on Tuesday, March 27, 2007. Born in Scotland, Ontario May 12, 1934. Don was the much loved husband of Mary (VanEvery) Bloomfield. He will be sadly missed by his children, Claudine VanEvery-Albert and her husband Gaetan (Gator) Albert, Brenda Bloomfield, Cheryl Beatty, Susan and her husband Chris Loveday, and son David Bloomfield. Much loved Grandpa of Caroline VanEvery-Albert, Jese Albert, Phil Albert, Joshua Bloomfield, and Isabella and Straun Loveday. Don will also be sadly missed by sisters and brothers, Max Bloomfield and his wife Marg, Jean (Bloomfield) Edwards, Mary (Bloomfield) and her husband Dennis Grondin, George Bloomfield and friend Lulu, Lorne Bloomfield and his wife Helen. He will also be fondly remembered by his many Bloomfield and VanEvery nieces and nephews. Predeceased by his parents Stan and Vera Bloomfield. Brother-in-law of Alton VanEvery and Barbara Vyse, Jan Longboat, Carolyn Beaver, Carol B. Hill and Wayne VanEvery. Don was retired from White Motors in Brantford. He was a "regular" with the Tuesday and Wednesday night euchre gang in Ohsweken. Rested at Hyde & Mott Chapel, 60 Main St. S. Hagersville Wednesday. Funeral Service was held in the chapel on Thursday, March 29, 2007. Cremation followed. Evening Prayers were Wednesday.

## THANK YOU

Sorry so late, but many Nya:wehs to the Dreamcatcher Fund for NAIG 2006 assistance.  
*Sloane Vyse-Miller  
 Michael E. Miller*

## EVENT

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**MEMBERSHIP**  
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## YARD SALE

**Basement Sale**  
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The Six Nations Awards Committee is seeking nominations for the Wilma General Memorial Award.

You are encouraged to submit a nomination if you know anyone who:

- Is a community member
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- Promotes unity and strength both within the family and the community
- Demonstrates ability to create change
- Liaises to bridge the gap between Native and Non-Native
- Possesses positive interpersonal skills and is always willing to sacrifice their personal time to help where needed.

Nomination Forms can be picked up at the Administration Building during normal business hours Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

**Nomination deadline is Friday, April 13, 2007 at 4:00 p.m.**  
 Late nominations will not be accepted

**SIX NATIONS COUNCIL**

**NAME THE BUILDING CONTEST**

SIX NATIONS BUILDING COMMITTEE IS SEEKING COMMUNITY INPUT TO NAME THE NEW BUSINESS COMPLEX BUILDING THAT IS CURRENTLY UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT 1745 CHIEFSWOOD ROAD IN THE VILLAGE OF OHSWEKEN.

CONSTRUCTION OF THE BUILDING BEGAN IN MAY 2006 AND EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE IS MAY 2007. THE BUILDING WILL BE THE PERMANENT HOME FOR MANY OF SIX NATIONS HEALTH SERVICES AND PROGRAMS SUCH AS:

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