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## General new elected chief, six councillors lose seats as community cleans house

By Lynda Powless  
Editor

Six Nations has a new elected chief and six band councillors lost their seats in Saturday's election sending a strong message the community was not happy with the previous council

In Saturday's election General received 474 votes of the 1,577 ballots cast for elected chief or 30 per cent of the vote.

But that win only represented seven (7) per cent of the 16,000 eligible voters here.

General beat out five other candidates for the spot.

Newcomer to local politics Lewis Craig Staats, came in second with 354 votes, former chief William (Bill) Montour received 344, Steve Williams 224, former councillor David (Pee Wee) Green 124, votes and Chad Evertt General 46 votes.

Unlike elected chief Roberta  
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## New Credit's Harry LaForme, first aboriginal appellate judge, Supreme Court next?

NEW CREDIT OF THE MISSISSAUGUAS- New Credit's own Harry LaForme, an Ontario judge, is being touted as a possible candidate to be the first aboriginal on Canada's Supreme Court after he was appointed to Ontario's Court of Appeal.

LaForme, a judge on the Ontario Superior Court of Justice was appointed Friday. The Ontario Court of Appeal is the same court from which the last two Supreme Court appointees have come. LaForme is one of about 20 aboriginal judges in Canada. He is best known for his

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Santa Claus has come to town and in spite of Saturday's rain the streets of Ohsweken were lined with children and the young at heart to watch one of the biggest parades yet. (Photo by Jim C. Powless)

## Ottawa paid native leader \$1,500 a day to write letters for museum project

OTTAWA (CP) \_ Worried about aboriginal support for the proposed Canadian Museum for Human Rights, Winnipeg's Asper family turned to the influence and Rolodex of native leader Phil

Fontaine, says the Winnipeg Free Press. Federal documents obtained by the newspaper indicate the Aspers secured taxpayers' money to pay Fontaine \$1,500 a day to spearhead

a letter-writing campaign designed to turn up the political heat on Ottawa to provide the project with millions of dollars in funding.

Fontaine, then the federally appointed head of the Indian Claims Commission, was to write letters to aboriginal leaders and organizations urging them to express to Ottawa their support for the project while identifying potential funding sources for the museum.

"The museum will represent and appeal to a broad spectrum of ethnic, racial, religious and other groups of which aboriginal peoples must be included. On behalf of the Asper Foundation, Phil Fontaine will work with this group to secure their support," said a Feb., 26, 2003, Heritage Canada assessment of the proposed contract.

Heritage Canada documents indi-

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## Man held police at bay, barricaded in house

OHSWEKEN-A family dispute erupted into an armed confrontation last Monday that saw a man barricaded inside a Sixth Line home for at least four hours before a Cayuga chief talked him into surrendering.

Six Nations Police were called to the home of the late Cal Miller Monday at about 9:30 p.m. after the nephew of the new home owner was threatened by an armed man. The home has been the centre of a family dispute. Crystal Miller, daughter of the late Cal Miller said her nephew who has been staying at her home left the house to go for coffee and returned shortly after 9 p.m. and found the front door kicked in.

A masked man alleged armed with a shotgun was standing in the doorway and yelled he was repossession the house and ordered the young man off the property. "He pointed the gun at my nephew," she said.

Police were called and the masked man barricaded himself inside the house refusing to leave.  
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# Turtle Island News 2004 Band Council Elections



Elected chief-elect Dave General is congratulated by Cyril Fraser after he won election in a tight race Saturday



Veteran councillor Glenda Porter was re-elected for District Four. She was congratulated by sister Brenda and Tabby Jamieson

(Continued from front) re-elected sending a strong message, the community was not happy with the previous council. After being congratulated on his win Saturday General said one of his top priorities is "rebuilding positive relationships." General came under fire for his



Newcomer Levi White topped the polls in District Three. The 23 year-old councillor is congratulated by Terrylyn Brant. It's his first try at a seat and he took it with an overwhelming win.

conduct last year when he insulted Assembly of First Nations (AFN) leader Phil Fontaine, during a general assembly in Saskatoon accusing the national leader of "groveling" to the Minister of Indian Affairs.

General also faces an uphill battle in trying to gain any ground with the Six Nations Confederacy whom he spent the past three years on the outs with.

General said, "there are many

## Six Nations Election Facts

- 21,000 band members
- 16,000 eligible voters
- 246 fewer people voted Saturday compared to the 2001 election
- 1577 voters cast ballots in 2004
- In 2001 there were 1,823 voters up from 1998 when 1,193 voted
- In 2004, 13 per cent of the population voted compared to 18 per cent in 2001
- In 2001, only 220 off reserve voters cast ballots
- The Chief earns a salary of \$60,000
- Councillors earn \$500 a week in honorarium
- The new council takes office December 7th.

items the new council may have to revisit" when asked about the issue of community members being able to get on council's agenda.

He said, "I feel good," after winning. Councillor Carl Hill congratulated General on his win telling him, "I just don't want to see you insulting people anymore."

Veteran councillor Glenda Porter was re-elected in district Four and said council "has a lot of work to



Chief Elect Dave General is congratulated by candidate Bill Montour on his win Saturday

do. We need to be concentrating on the issues here at home. There's a lot of things that have been left unfinished."

She said she will wait and see before commenting on General's election.

General may have to tread softly in the community with the threat of possible impeachment hanging over his actions. His win came after five other candidates took a wide majority of the votes cast numbering 1,092 of the 1566 cast for elected chief.

That puts General in a precarious position. Veteran councillor Dave Hill said it's "going to be interesting. We'll have to see what happens. He doesn't have a majority on council and he didn't get a majority of the votes. A lot of people voted for the other guys."

Hill said he hopes this council will be able to get some work done.

Glenda Porter said she was happy to see so many new faces. "We might be able to get some work done this time around," she said for elected chief.

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New District Six Councillor Chris Martin is congratulated by Melvin Styres. Also re-elected was District 3 councillor Roger Jonathan



Six Nations residents crowded the bingo hall to hear the results Saturday night but even the crowd size was down from 2001.

# Half of band council replaced in band council election race

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and smiled. She said she was happy to see Levi White, a 23 year-old from District Three top the polls in his District in his bid for a council seat. "We need a younger voice on

Elected to fill the two vacant seats on the trust fund were Mark Hill with 158 votes or 16.26% of the 511 votes cast and Melba Thomas with 155 or 15.95%. There were 11 people running for the two spots including four council members.



Dave Hill topped the polls in District One again winning his fourth term on council I plan to work the best I can for my District. We'll have to get along and do the best we can as a new council.



District 6 councillor George Montour is congratulated Saturday

council. We need to be bringing our youth up so they learn all about leadership. They are going to be the leaders one day. I was glad to see him win."

A newcomer to council but not aboriginal politics Ava Hill is a new District Two Councillor.

With years of experience on the national scene, Hill said "I am very happy the people in District Two felt the confidence in me to elect me. I will try to do my best to help the people in the district."

Hill said she is looking at the new council positively. "We've had a lot of changes I think we should look at this positively."

Six Nations has had a high profile in national aboriginal politics for the past three years but it wasn't necessarily a favourable one.

Current elected chief Roberta Jamieson's political adviser, Melba Thomas was elected to a District Six seat over two candidates who ran, and are both lawyers.

Thomas was also elected to the Community trust Fund, a board of trustees that oversees the community's Rama dollars amounting to about \$18 million.



Lewis Staats is District One's new councillor beating out incumbent Sid Henhawk.



Santa made it on time to vote and sought out the help of elections officer Bob Johnson

to the election code a byelection will have to be held. However, the fund directors believe they can just appoint the next person on the list who receive the next highest number of votes.

Rachel Martin received 129 votes or 13.27%

David General received 114 votes or 11.73%, Sidney Henhawk received 88 votes or 9.05%, Terrylyn Brant received 76 votes or 7.82%, Alva Martin received 70 votes or 7.2%, Cindy Martin received 65 votes, or 6.69%, Barbara Harris received 50 votes or 5.14%, Maryann Longboat received 47 votes or 4.84% and Ervin L. Harris received 20 votes or 2.06%.

However, Thomas is expected to take the council seat leaving the trust fund seat open.

The trust fund ran its elections based on the Six Nations elections code. If Thomas resigns, according



Melba Thomas has been elected to both band council and the trust board She will have to choose one or the other.

## Elected Chief Results

Name	Votes	Percentage
David M General	474	30.27% of votes cast
Lewis Craig Staats	354	22.61%
William K Montour	344	21.97%
Steven R Williams	224	14.3%
David R. Green	110	7.92%
Chad Everett General	38	2.94%

## Councillors Election Results

District 1			
David Allan Hill	171	38.86%	
Lewis Basil Staats	89	20.23%	
Sidney James Henhawk	76	17.27%	
Carolyn Joyce Beaver	54	13.37%	
Alan Scott Jamieson	50	11.36%	
Total votes cast 440; in 2001 374 votes were cast up 66 votes			

District 2			
Carl Chancey Hill	127	37.24%	
Ava Gail Hill	113	33.14%	
Terry Allan General	45	13.2%	
Terry D McNaughton	28	8.21%	
Catherine Ann Honyus	19	5.57%	
John Gregory Martin	9	2.64%	
Total votes cast 341; in 2001 375 votes cast, a drop of 34			

District 3			
Levi Scott White	94	21.46%	
Roger K. Jonathan	82	18.72%	
Ross John Johnson	77	17.58%	
Susan Elaine Porter	66	15.07%	
William C Monture	62	14.16%	
Nina K. Burnham	57	13.01%	
Total votes cast 438; in 2001 288 votes cast, up 150			

District 4			
R. Helen Miller	188	31.14%	
Glenda Porter	144	24.62%	
Barbara Jo Smith	87	14.87%	
Alton C. VanEvery	81	13.85%	
Ladd Brian Staats	60	4.27%	
Leslie Irvin Porter	25	4.27%	
Total votes cast 585; in 2001 419 votes cast, up 166			

District 5			
George A Montour	188	38.84%	
Christopher N. Martin	186	38.43%	
Philip A Montour	110	22.73%	
Total votes cast 484; in 2001 307 votes cast, up 177			

District 6			
Melba Iris Thomas	96	24.49%	
Barbara A Harris	95	24.23%	
Lorie J. Lulu Martin	67	17.09%	
Duane Alan Jacobs	63	16.07%	
Sherril Joy Marr	36	9.18%	
Ervin L. Harris	35	8.93%	
Total votes cast 392; in 2001 225 votes were cast, up 167 votes			

In total 1,577 votes were cast compared to 1,823 in 2001, a drop this election of 246 voters. There were no spoiled ballots. Elections Officer Robert Johnson said with electronic voting any spoiled ballot is rejected by the machine, the spoiled ballot was turned in and a new one issued.

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### There was an election, ho hum, but no victory speeches

Six Nations has a new elected chief and a whole whacking number of new band councillors.

Saturday's band council elections sent a ripple through the community when they woke up Sunday to find six band councillors had been replaced but the shocker was the new elected chief was the controversial councillor David General.

Some said they're going to move. Other's said we might as well start paying taxes now. The more conservative said, let's wait and see.

General didn't take the helm from Roberta Jamieson with a huge majority. In fact the councillor and his supporters who call themselves "The Good Minds" group (those words have taken on new meaning in the last three years) managed to sneak in because there were just too many candidates running and one of those candidate Bill Montour faced the possibility of being ruled out by the elections officer for failing to reside in the community for a year prior to the elections, that forced some candidates to hang in out of fear he would be ruled out at the last minute and the community would be left with General.

General only took 474 votes in an election that saw 1566 votes cast for elected chief. That means 1,092 people voted for the other five candidates and woke up angry Sunday morning and are still shaking their heads pondering challenges to the election, impeachments....

Six Nations wanted a change.

That was loud and clear in the change that came with so many band councillors going down to defeat. It's usually hard to beat an incumbent but this time around it was a case of seeing people voted out, not in. People thought before they voted.

In some districts stalwarts like Roger Jonathan were no longer safe. The veteran councillor has always managed to squeak into council with family votes but this time around he had to actually put up a few signs and come up with pamphlets and justify why people should vote for him after he spent the past three years joined at the hip with the Jamieson's crew of seven. Still he lost his lead to a Levi White, young unknown with little family in the district and only five votes separated him from another challenger, Ross J Johnson, nabbing his seat for him.

A second surprise came in District Two where newcomer Ava Hill, with very little family to rely on, was elected with 113 votes. The district is usually run by families of people like former councillors Terry A General (who only got 45 votes) and Terry McNaughton who pulled in only 19 votes. Instead Ava Hill, well educated and politically experienced will be welcome breath for her district.

Times may finally be changing at Six Nations.

People may finally be taking a look at the people who stand to represent them and finally deciding who is the best, not who am I related to. Issues are too complex today to allow people to take office because they're someone's cousin. Six Nations is more than \$2 million in debt, we have band councillors telling the community they will be their "general on the hill" as they plan to rush off to Ottawa, at our expense, with their followers to supposedly fight for our rights only to run us in debt and find the legislation they claimed they killed was resurrected.

The 2004 elections came after three years of turmoil, of firings, of a community divided and elected leaders who ran roughshod over its people.

It was time for change. It is time for calm, and a band council that owes both this community and the Confederacy Council an apology for its antics. And it's time to fix what they broke and move ahead.



### Letters: Reader says thanks I think

Dear Editor: mothers, and the "Good Minds" hope they never live to regret it. Respectfully Alva Martin

### FOOD FOR THOUGHT WOMEN STICKING TOGETHER

Recently, I had a good and stimulating conversation with a local religious leader. In the days after the conversation, I found myself thinking about his beliefs. He believes, as I do, in the Creator who knows all and is in control of all. After the last few hectic weeks that I've had, I was so reassured by the thought that there was somebody who was in control!

The conversation, while positive, also disturbed me greatly since the bottom line of this man's beliefs is that men should have more power and control than women. In fact, he left me with some literature that said in his church women are required to play a very limited role. This apparently is supported by Biblical scripture, as interpreted by him. The feminist ire in me began to bubble.

#### VERY UPSET

At times when something disturbs me, my coping mechanism is to talk about the issue...to the point that my friends and family, who usually act as support and sounding boards, begin to avoid making eye contact with me, for fear that they will be required to listen to me, yet again. When I notice that people are avoiding me, I begin emailing my more distant friends who aren't yet tired of hearing me go on. I sent an email to my friend who lives on a reserve near Lilloet, B. C. In the course of the email, I wrote, "I think I need to get out there and burn my bra."

#### WOMEN RISE TO CHALLENGE

While I was rather young during the late 60's and might not have fully understood these beginnings of the feminist movement, I have very definitely reaped the benefits

which flowed from this struggle. Doors have opened for me and other women which only 20 years before would have been completely shut and locked. One of my colleagues, who is about 15 years younger than I am and is a Professional Engineer, honestly believes that she got where she is today on her own merit. She doesn't realize that her interest in science and math would never have been nurtured in the old days. She would have been steered toward more "gender appropriate" subjects. Her life would have been very different, if women of the previous generation hadn't fought and won some battles on her behalf.

I look around at our community and I am proud to see so many capable, accomplished women in leadership roles. Women are everywhere: administrators, business owners and managers, social service workers, the list could go on. Women are often the sole leader within their families. We are an amazingly awesome group!

Don't get me wrong. The men are great too! I'm impressed by the number of financially successful entrepreneurs who came from very modest beginnings. I'm impressed by the efforts to restore our traditional ways and rebuild our long-houses. I'm impressed to see how well men work together. I think it could be instinctive.

#### WOMEN SUPPORT EACH OTHER

This ability to stick together may have evolved from the needs in the old days. Men had to work cooperatively to bring home the bacon. Women in the old days also demonstrated a high level of cooperation. Women worked side by side and viewed each other as sis-

ters. There were conflicts, those conflicts served to strengthen bonds and not break them. There is still a lot of group cooperation, but I'm guessing it may not be as much as the old days.

#### WHERE WE GOING?

I try not to be critical and yet I've been blessed and/or cursed with an analytical mind. I see the weaknesses in situations. I can point out the flaws in a plan. I can spot ways to improve, to the point where people say, "It doesn't have to be perfect!" And, I agree. Perfection is not possible. However, I think the direction in which we are moving does matter. Are we moving towards a better situation or not?

Women have been moving in a positive direction. We have more options open to us. We have greater self-respect and strength. Everywhere you look on our reserve, women are working hard for their families, for the community and for the economy. We are in a better place, but it can be better still.

I have noticed that we have lost some of that feeling of sisterhood. At times, we don't build each other up with kind words, compliments or reassurances. I have felt saddened because there have been times where women who are in public roles have been attacked, not just for the issue at hand, but rather on a personal level, and by other women. I've noticed there are times that we don't defend each other or stand by each other. In simple terms, women just don't "stick together" as much as they could. This raises a lot of questions in my mind that can only be addressed by us as a group. What are your thoughts about this? Do we stick together enough? Can we be more supportive of each other? I leave you with this "food for thought."

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### Three councillors ordered to pay back honoraria, resolution excludes "chief"

By Lynda Powless  
Editor

Two Six Nations band councillors and a former councillor have been ordered to pay honouraria they received from outside band council sources to the finance department.

After a heated exchange last Tuesday night band council passed a motion ordering councillors Glenda Porter to pay back \$3,875 and Carl Hill \$150 in honoraria received from Grand River Employment and Training (GREAT) to the finance department and ordered former councillor Linda Staats, director of Six

Nations Polytechnic, to pay back \$900.

Both Hill and Porter said they had no problem paying back the money but questioned why it had to be paid back to band council instead of GREAT.

The funds came from travel honoraria received by the two from GREAT and from Six Nations Grand River Post Secondary.

Porter said it appears council is trying to make money off local organizations.

"I have absolutely no problem with paying that money back. But it should go to GREAT. It came

from GREAT, it should go back to them."

Porter said local organizations are always fighting for every penny they get. "Band council shouldn't be trying to make money off them."

Band councillor Roger Jonathan raised the issue of honoraria paid to Porter and Carl Hill by GREAT for their attendance at meetings and out of town expenses at a closed political liaison meeting recently.

Councillor Carl Hill accused council of trying "to strong arm me. You're threatening me."

He said he had no problem paying it back, "but I'm not giving it to

finance. It's going to GREAT."

Band council chief Roberta Jamieson said council was not threatening the councillors.

At one point councillor Dave General told Grand River Post Secondary Board chair Brenda Davis to revisit her policy when council questioned why GRPS paid honoraria to council members.

Davis said the honoraria paid was for out of town travel, "we'll be glad to take it back." She told General, "are you telling me to change our policy? We can revisit our policy if the board wishes but I would suggest you revisit your

policy."

In the heated exchange General accused the councillors of "playing games" with honoraria.

Jamieson said the amounts were "not a true picture. Council was trying to reconcile its honoraria."

Council passed a motion that read "Six Nations council request from the councillors that all amounts received by them acting as Council's representative be returned to Central Finance. Also, that these amounts are to be reconciled on a quarterly basis." The resolution did not include the elected chief.

### Canada's first aboriginal appellate judge faced racism and poverty

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2002 ruling that was the first to strike down the ban on same-sex marriage. Judge LaForme also wrote a 1998 decision that allowed the use of marijuana for medicinal purposes.

Toronto lawyer Greg Lafontaine described LaForme as "a courageous judge. Justice LaForme is not afraid to decide a case in a way that might make him unpopular. He makes an honest effort to apply the law as it exists."

"He is a strong addition to the Court of Appeal," said Toronto defence lawyer Peter Zaduk, who has known Judge LaForme for almost 10 years "He is principled and fair minded and respected by both the defence and the Crown," Zaduk said. "Justice LaForme can

be tough on a defendant when its called for and give someone a break when its called for."

Earlier this year he was the subject of a lobby effort by the Association of Iroquois and Allied Indians, who said the judge inspired aboriginals who felt shut out of the legal system.

His appointment was one of four Justice Minister Irwin Cotler made. He replaced one of the two judges appointed to the Supreme Court late last summer. LaForme is also a former chief commissioner of the Indian Land Claims Commission, LaForme, is from New Credit where his father Maurice had served as chief and now his older brother Byron is chief today.

Bryan LaForme said of his brother Harry, "He'd seen all the injustice that was taking place with First

Nations people across the country and he felt he could play a role in helping with that, not in the sense that he was going to cure all the ills of our society, but that he could have an impact in some way, share



Harry LaForme

and also make sure they had a fair shake in the judicial system."

He said Harry "loves being a judge. He's always been the type of person who was up for a challenge. He's always enjoyed winning. He

likes a good debate."

Cotler has made it clear he wants an aboriginal person on the Supreme Court of Canada.

If a First Nations lawyer from another province is not appointed, LaForme will be considered a front-runner the next time an Ontario seat on the court opens up. The next Ontario judge scheduled to retire is Justice Ian Binnie in 2014.

Bryan LaForme said First Nation people were disappointed Harry LaForme didn't have a role in the Dudley George Inquiry.

Two years ago, LaForme was a member of a Divisional Court panel that found denying same-sex couples the right to marry violated their equality rights. The court split on the issue of remedy with LaForme taking the boldest

approach, reformulating the common law definition of marriage. A year later the Ontario Court of Appeal decided that was exactly the right thing to do and legalized gay and lesbian marriages province wide

When the first same-sex marriage was performed in the University Avenue courthouse hours later, LaForme slipped quietly into the back of the room and watched.

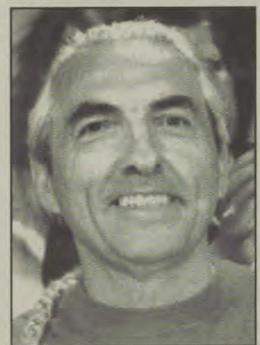
LaForme was born in 1946. One of LaForme's last duties will be the sentencing of Douglas Brown, a former teacher at Upper Canada College who was convicted of nine counts of indecently assaulting students 30 years ago. That hearing is set for Dec. 15.

When LaForme became a judge, a decade ago, he had an Ojibway ceremony at his swearing-in.

### Fontaine had consulting contract to get support for museum

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cate Fontaine's contract was approved even though the funding request did not undergo the required peer review assessment or



Phil Fontaine

evaluations by technical experts.

The records, released under the federal Access to Information Act, also reveal that Heritage Canada expressed concerns about what exactly it had paid for, nearly a year after releasing the funds used to cover half of the \$25,000 contract.

Shortly after Fontaine's work began, records show then prime minister Jean Chretien heard from prominent aboriginal leaders Matthew Coon Come, then head of the Assembly of First Nations, Wayne Helgason of the Aboriginal Council of Winnipeg and Chief Dennis White Bird of the

Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs, who wrote in support of the museum.

However, less than a year later, the program officer who oversaw the contract was unable to determine exactly what the native leader did other than contact 62 people or organizations in an attempt to build support for the project.

New Democrat native affairs critic Pat Martin said he has problems with Fontaine doing consulting

work for the Aspers while acting as the Indian Claims Commissioner.

"Is it proper, as chair of the Indian Claims Commission, for him to be contracting with another federal agency?" Martin asked.

"This has the same properties and qualities of the money for nothing contracts in the sponsorship scandal."

Angela Cassie, spokeswoman for

Heritage Canada, said the department has yet to close the file on the contract because staff still need to assess the work.

"We are requesting a more detailed analysis of the project," she said.

Fontaine, who is now the national chief of the Assembly of First Nations declined to comment on the contract, but AFN spokeswoman Nancy Pine said there was nothing restricting him from doing

consulting work unrelated to his duties at the Indian Claims Commission.

Kim Jasper, an Asper Foundation spokeswoman, said Fontaine helped the museum increase its aboriginal component.

"We gained valuable knowledge and insight on a number of fronts with respect to aboriginal involvement in this initiative," she said.

### 2004 ABORIGINAL SPORTS AWARDS

#### Tom Longboat Regional Award

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### To District Three



I would like to take this opportunity to say Thank-you/ Nia:weh for your overwhelming support in the 2004 elections.

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With your support I will work to see that the issues and concerns you have raised are heard at council and something is done about them. Issues you have outlined include the water, our roads and landfill site. I welcome you to attend the swearing in ceremony on Dec., 7th.

I want to work with you to make our District and Six Nations better. Please feel free to contact me at 445-4077. I will return your calls and get answers to your questions.

Thank you District Three for your vote.

Levi White  
District 3 Councillor-elect  
I will listen to you!  
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## HIV/AIDS infections increasing among women in Brant County

By DONNA DURIC  
Staff Writer

Recent HIV/AIDS infections are on the rise among women in Brant County, and some of those women have been identified as Aboriginal. The Brant County Health Unit recently reported that last year, all people who tested positive for HIV in the county are women. Exact numbers on how many have been infected will not be released for confidentiality reasons, however, by this year, the number of positive test reports among women in Brant County rose to between five and 10, says Terri Thomas, a registered nurse and nurse practitioner of the Brant County Health Unit.

Now, the unit and other public health officials are setting out to educate women on HIV infection and prevention.

"It's an international and national trend that more and more women are being infected," says Thomas.

"You have to use a condom until

both of you (sexual partners) have been tested and passed the window period."

This "window period" refers to being tested at least 14 weeks after a person's last sexual encounter to ensure 99 per cent accurate test results.

Health Canada's Division of AIDS/HIV Epidemiology and Surveillance Web site has statistics regarding HIV infection among Aboriginals.

By June 30, 2002, the Centre for Infectious Disease Prevention and Control reported 18,336 known HIV/AIDS cases in Canada. About 15,713 of those cases are tracked by ethnicity and from this number, 459 were reported as Aboriginal. Also, in 1993, 20 per cent of HIV cases in Canada were among Aboriginals and rose to 10 per cent in 1999.

Also, 106 Aboriginal women were reported infected by June 2002 and 64.4 per cent of those IV drug

users. Thirty-seven per cent became infected through heterosexual contact.

By contrast, 352 Aboriginal men had been reported infected by June 2002. Of this number, 46.2 per cent became infected through having sex with other men, 27.6 per cent were intravenous drug users, and only 11.3 per cent became infected through heterosexual contact. In addition, 23 per cent of the total Aboriginal HIV infections are women, whereas eight per cent of the total non-Aboriginal HIV infections are women. This shows that Aboriginal women have a disproportionately higher rate of infection than women of any other ethnic group.

Thomas has some advice for women on HIV prevention. She says women often don't have enough assertiveness to insist that a man wear a condom and need to build on that and demand that he wear a condom. Also, women

should plan ahead before engaging in risky behaviour such as drinking and using drugs.

"Alcohol affects your decision-making," says Thomas. "You're going to do things you wouldn't normally do."

That's why, she says, women should tell themselves before they go out that they are only going to have a certain number of drinks, and bring a condom so that when the situation arises, they're prepared.

"If you make the promise to yourself when you are sober, I think you're more apt to follow through on using a condom," says Thomas.

Certain centres throughout Brantford offer needle exchange programs so that women who use drugs intravenously don't have to use dirty needles.

Six Nations Health Services will not release any statistics about the prevalence of HIV infections on the reserve. Whether the women

who reported positive in Brant County have any relation to Six Nations is remaining confidential.

"I'm not seeing any trends here in the community," says Kelly Farmer, sexual health nurse with Six Nations Health Services.

Six Nations Health provides education, prevention, and counseling services to the community as a whole regarding HIV/AIDS. Farmer says their primary focus is young children, so that education starts early before they engage in sexual activities.

"It's important for parents to talk to their kids about healthy sexuality," says Farmer.

Farmer says Six Nations Health Services will be holding an annual Women's Wellness Day on Dec. 2 to mark the end of Aids Awareness Week, where they will provide numerous HIV/AIDS information and services. They also have a sexual health clinic once a month and provide free condoms to the public.

## Temporary closure of native centre expected to last less than a month

By Edna J. Gooder  
Staff reporter

BRANTFORD-Christmas will still be a go for the children even though the Pine Tree Native Centre is temporarily closed.

Ted Martin executive director of the Pine Tree Native Centre said in a phone interview on Monday that Christmas plans for the Little Turtles program will continue despite the centre's closure.

Martin said the centre's doors are still open even though all 25 staff members including himself were unemployed as of last Thursday.

He adds "some staff have agreed to come in on a volunteer" bases to keep the programs running.

Although, he emphasized, the centre does have funding for operational cost, but programs availability will have to be modified.

Counselors, he adds, won't be available "their regular hours," therefore, counseling programs and home visits will be affected.

Clients, he said, who see their counselors every week will have to be seen bi-weekly until full services can be resumed.

Martin said unlike other federally funded friendship centres the Pine Tree Native Centre doesn't get federal "core funding". He said it seems as the centre "gets to the top of the list" for federal funding something always happens, such as "an election, or funding reviews."

Martin emphasized the centre had to be closed "temporarily" because of a "funding short fall" and they couldn't meet staff payroll. He adds the "powers that be" want to see the processing of reports, such as programs and finances.

He said the "staff have been paid up to last Thursday" and will be able to apply for unemployment insurance.

Martin said they are working hard to get the needed paper work completed. He emphasized the process should take "less than a month,"



Ted Martin

but everything should be completed by the middle of December. He adds that the plan "is a feasible"

and not just wishful thinking. Martin has been executive director of the centre since July, when

*Thank-you Residents of District 4 for re-electing me for another term. I appreciate your confidence in me and will continue to bring your issues to council.*

*Thank you ~ Nia Weh  
Glenda Porter*

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**AVA HILL**

*Special Thanks to my  
Nominator - Shelda Johnson  
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Trudy Jones retired after more than 20 years as Pine Tree Native Centre's executive director.

Martin said he knew, when "he took over" changes had to be made.

The centres funding sources, Martin said, have been very supportive and will resume funding, when the changes have been completed.

Martin, who is also the chairperson of the board of directors of the Six Nations Community Development Trust Fund, but stressed he isn't spreading himself to thin. The position, he emphasized, is a volunteer position and only takes up a few days a month of his time and doesn't affect his work as executive director of the centre. Martin emphasized the clients will not feel the impact of these major changes, for the centre's doors remain open.

Zig Misiak, president of the Pine Tree Native Centre's board, nor Ontario Federation of Native Friendship Centre's spokesperson Sylvia Maracle couldn't be reached, by Turtle Island News staff, for comment after several attempts.

## Man facing weapons charges

(Continued from front)

He kept police at bay for hours before Cayuga chief Sam General and a faithkeeper were called to talk to the man who finally gave himself up at about 1:30 a.m.

Facing a series of charges is Jason Mike Reynolds, 32, of Buffalo, NY. Reynolds was released on bail Monday. He has been charged with; assault with a weapon, three counts of weapons dangerous, break and enter, possession of a firearm while committing an offence, possession of a weapon for a dangerous purpose. He will appear again in court Dec., 20th.

## Diabetes doesn't have to change your lifestyle, life can still be a breeze

By Edna J. Gooder  
Staff reporter

People affected with diabetes can live a healthy life style

This is the message Six Nations Health Promotion/Nutrition Services Supervisor Rina Chua-Alamag RD wants the members of the community to understand.

Chua-Alamag said in an interview even though people may suffer from the chronic disease "diabetes shouldn't control your life." She adds diabetes should fit into your life and "not — consume" it.

Chua-Alamag said they hold regular, blood screenings at Gane Yohs Community Health Centre on Chiefswood Road and everyone is welcomed to come any day of the week to have their blood, sugar level checked.

She adds the symptoms of diabetes include extreme thirst, frequent urination, unexplained weight loss, blurry vision, dry skin and waking up several times throughout the night to urinate.

Chua-Alamag said people who come in and have their blood drawn for screening "will know the results immediately" and can then meet with a counselor to discuss their results.

She said the native community is more susceptible to getting diabetes and feeling its affects quicker than the mainstream population.

Chua-Alamag said the physical

effects to the body from Type 2 diabetes include heart disease, blindness, kidney disease, and lower, limb amputation because "blood flow" is a very real problem for men and women afflicted with the disease.

Chua-Alamag said when referred clients come in to the clinic for the first time, they sometimes don't know why they are meeting with her and then become afraid that the disease will change their lives, but she wants people to know this is — not true.

She emphasized people "can live" with the chronic disease, with just a little change by adjusting their diet and adding moderate exercise.

Chua-Alamag said she and her staff of nurses and counselors will help with food plans, exercise plans as well as counseling sessions. Typically, she said, at the first meeting she would ask the newly diagnosed, diabetic client to write down what they ate in the last 24 hours.

She adds this usually gives her an idea of what kinds of food and at what times of day the person eats then she gives the person a three-day food diary and when they come in for their next appointment the food diary helps her to make a meal plan that the person can — live with.

She said, a typical meal plan could include foods, such as popsi-

cles, yogurt, potatoes, pasta, bread, fats and oils plus a wide variety of vegetables and meats as well as treats. As for exercise, she emphasized, "running after the kids" doesn't qualify, for that's a part of living, but the clinic has a life style co-ordinator to help formulate a good exercise program, such as yoga, cardiac exercise and swimming.

Type 2 diabetes she adds is controlled with diet and an oral medication because the pancreas is producing insulin just — not enough.

Diabetes is a chronic disease and over time will likely manifest into Type 1 diabetes.

The pancreas in Type 1 diabetes is — not producing any insulin at all, therefore, the client must self-administer the insulin their body needs. An injectable pen, she adds, makes the process less painful and easier then in the past.

She emphasized diet and moderate exercise goes hand in hand when coping and controlling diabetes.

Smiling, she adds, there are plans in the works to have a building built to house their programs and she's hoping they'll have space to build a kitchen so clients can learn how to cook and serve healthy proportioned meals for themselves and their families.

Chua-Alamag adds it would be great if they could have all of their



Registered dietitian Rina Chua-Alamag at work in her office at the Gane Yohs Community Health Centre on Chiefswood Road in Ohsweken. (Photo by Edna J. Gooder)

services in one place, such as a gym, kitchen and class rooms, so clients wouldn't have to travel all over as they do now.

Smiling, Chua-Alamag emphasized, she wants community members to understand that diabetes is just a small part of their lives and

shouldn't encompass their entire life.

She emphasized if pop consumption were cut down, or out it would help the obesity and diabetes problems affecting so many First Nations communities.

## Christmas spirit will touch many this festive season

By Edna J. Gooder  
Staff reporter

Tag you're it takes on new meaning for the littlest of the community.

The Native Services Branch of the Brant Children's Aid Society's Children's Christmas Gift program is in full swing.

The program dubbed Pick A Tag for children finds donors to give Christmas gifts to the community's foster children and those in need.

The CAS is located at G.R.E.A.T. has been organizing the program for 16 years.

Norma Hill unit secretary for the Native Branch, said children in foster care and needy families are recipients of the annual, gift program and include ages from babies to 18 year-olds.

Hill said the gift tag program had its official "kick off" at the Christmas bazaar held at J. C. Hill a few weeks ago and the community has always shown its support. Hill said the children are seen as the community's own thus individuals and groups buy gifts they would buy for their own children.

The children, she adds, make out a wish list and gift tags are then made and listed with the gender, age, clothing and shoe size, but most of all the list contains their, Christmas wish.

Hill emphasized it's important when bringing a gift that the tag accompany it because the workers must match it up with their list of clients.

Smiling, she adds, they have always had more than enough gifts through the generosity of individuals and the business community



Juanita Parent Family Services worker for the Native Services Branch in Ohsweken handed out the Christmas, gift tags at the Christmas bazaar held a few weeks ago in the J.C. Hill school gymnasium. (Photo by Edna J. Gooder)

I would like to thank the people that came out to vote for me in District 1. I am very pleased with the support that the community has shown me. I will try my hardest to represent you to the best of my ability. If anyone has any concerns please don't hesitate to phone me.

With respect  
David A. Hill  
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Hill adds she has been organizing the program for about 16 years and has enjoyed every minute of it. She says the program is successful because the community makes it happen.

Gift tags, she emphasized, can be picked up at four locations the radio station CKRZ FM, Royal Bank, Six Nations Day Care on Bicentennial Trail and Gane Yohs Community Health Centre. She emphasized the unwrapped, gifts must be delivered, with tags attached to the Native Services Branch by 4 p.m., on December

10. Smiling, Hill adds, it's not so much of the getting, "but the giving" that is important. She said parents and grandparents usually bring in gifts they would buy for their own families.

Smiling, she adds, she is just overwhelmed by the generosity of the community. Many look forward to picking up their tags.

Hill said, plus there isn't any limit on gifts, or what is spent, for all gifts are welcomed.

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## Six Nations Minor Hockey teams win, lose, and get rough over weekend

By Samantha Martin  
Sports Reporter

OHSWEKEN – Five Six Nations Minor Hockey teams hit the ice Sunday and came away with two wins and three losses.

The Six Nations Atom AE Warriors were the first to hit the ice Sunday afternoon against the Burford Coyotes.

It was an evenly played first and second period with neither team being able to score.

Burford got the third period started off with a two minute tripping penalty at 4:15.

Six Nations was unable to take advantage of the power play and remained scoreless.

Burford received another penalty at 8:28 for tripping and again at 9:21 for tripping.

With it five against three Burford stepped up their defense and kept Six Nations scoreless.

With just 2:33 left on the clock Burford scored, giving them a late lead.

It looked like Burford would take an easy win when Six Nations' Colton Miller scored with just 31 seconds left on the clock with an assist from Holden Isaacs.

It looked like it would end in a 1-1 tie but Burford scored with just 11 seconds left giving them the 2-1 win.

Up next on the ice were the Six Nations Warriors Novice All Stars.

They faced off against the Glanbrook Rangers.

Six Nations managed to keep Glanbrook scoreless in the first period.



The Atom All Stars won their game against the Burford Coyotes in the final three minutes of the third period. They finished with a 2-1 final score. (Photo by Samantha Martin)

Six Nations also remained scoreless for the first half of the period when Tyson Bomberry scored their first goal at 6:31.

Just 30 seconds later at 7:01 Madisen General scored their second goal of the period.

Six Nations scored their third and final goal of the period with 53 seconds left on the clock with a shot from Bomberry unassisted.

Six Nations had a 3-0 lead going into the second period and widened it to a 4-0 lead with Bomberry's third goal making it a hat trick at 3:17 with an assist from Owen Whitlow.

Glanbrook narrowed the gap between themselves and Six Nations, scoring three goals in the final five minutes.

The first goal came a minute after Six Nations scored their fourth

goal. The second goal came at 6:37 and the third goal came with just six seconds left on the clock in the second period bringing the score to 4-3.

Six Nations had a small lead going into the third period and they widened it to 5-3 with Ty Logan's goal at 23 seconds. He was assisted by Bomberry and Garrett Little.

Glanbrook scored their fourth goal at 3:48 and scored again tying the game at 5-5 with a goal at 10:03.

The tie didn't last for long and it was the closest they came to Six Nations for the rest of the game.

Six Nations' Cole Dezaine scored their lead goal at 11:36 with assists from Quinn Smith and Bailey Skye.

It was Logan's goal proved to be the game winner for Six Nations when he scored unassisted at 7:15. Glanbrook scored one more goal at 8:51.

Six Nations went on to score two more goals.

The first came at 9:35 from Bomberry and the second and final goal came with just 1:25 left on the clock.

It came from Logan with assists from Dezaine and Bomberry.

It was also a very clean game with no penalties on either team.

Six Nations won the game with a 9-6 final score.

The next team to hit the ice were the Six Nations Warriors Atom All Stars.

The Atom AS hosted the Burford Coyotes in another very close

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The Atom AE player gets chased by a Burford player in Sunday's afternoon game. (Photo by Samantha Martin)

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## More Six Nations Minor Hockey action from the Gaylord Powless Arena

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game. Six Nations took the early lead in the first period with a goal from Adam Bomberry at 2:06.

Burford remained scoreless for the first period.

With Six Nations leading 1-0 going into the second period, Burford managed to keep them there and with just seven seconds left on the clock, they tied the game at 1-1.

The third period was hard fought from both teams but it was Six Nations who came out on top with a goal in the final three minutes giving them the 2-1 win over Burford.

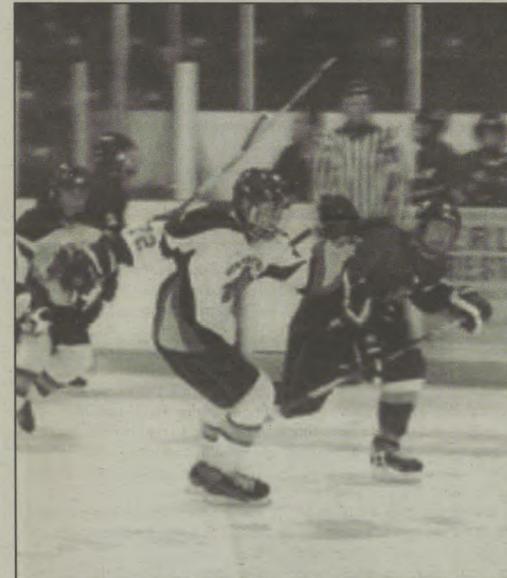
Up next on the ice were the Six Nations Warriors Bantam All Stars against the Twin Centre Stars.

The first period was scoreless for both teams but both teams received one two minute penalties.

Six Nations penalty went to Ryan Burnham for slashing and Twin Centre's penalty was a tripping penalty.



A Novice All Star player takes the face off and wins as he shoves a Glanbrook player out of the way. (Photo by Samantha Martin)



A Bantam player skates his way to the head of the pack chasing down the puck. (Photo by Samantha Martin)

more goal in the third period bringing the final score to 3-1.

The Six Nations Warriors Midget All Stars were the last team to take the ice. They went up against Twin Centre.

Compared to the Midget game, the Bantam game seemed tame.

Twin Centre won the game 3-1 with Six Nations' only goal coming from Jason Johns in the final five minutes of the second period.

The most familiar face to the

penalty in the third period and was given a game misconduct after mouthing off to the referee about it.

Dustin Monture was given a two minute roughing penalty in the third period that went with Kally Martin's roughing penalty.

The big fight of the night happened in the final five minutes of the game.

Six Nations' Andrew Jamieson received a two minute instigating penalty, a five minute fighting



Coalton Martin gets a stick in the neck in a rough game Sunday night. (Photo by Samantha Martin)

The second period was more eventful than the first.

Six Nations' Pete Hill was sent to the penalty box at 3:34 to serve a two minute penalty.

Twin Centre scored their first goal at 7:08 when a shot managed to slip through the legs of Six Nations' goalie Dustin Benninger.

Six Nations' Scott Martin received a five minute slashing penalty with 4:22 left on the clock but he wasn't going to go to the penalty box quietly.

He didn't make it to the penalty box at all. He mouthed off to the referee and was thrown out of the game. He didn't go there quietly either, waving at the visiting fans.

He was given a game misconduct and a gross misconduct, which could keep him out of up to 20 games.

Twin Centre scored their second goal of the game with 3:45 left on the clock on a power play.

Six Nations' Ryan Sault scored their only goal with just one minute left on the clock with an assist from Brock Farmer-Smith.

Twin Centre went on to score one

penalty, a game misconduct, another five minute fighting penalty and another game misconduct.

The first fighting penalty was for the fight with Twin Centre's goalie Wesley Esbaugh who also received a fighting penalty and a game misconduct.

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## Iroquois Lacrosse Arena SCHEDULE

WEEK of November 24<sup>th</sup> to November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2004

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
VINCE HILL 7-8:30 pm WOMEN'S LACROSSE LEAGUE 8:30-10:00 pm	DAVE MARACLE 6 pm - 7 pm	NO MEN CONTACT SCRIMGAGE 6-7 pm 20 AND OVER MEN'S LEAGUE 17 AND OVER \$10/WEEK 7-9 pm	TWINNER FIELD HOCKEY 9:10 am VINCE HILL 6-9 pm	CLINT DOOLITTLE 8 pm-9:30 pm OPEN FOR RENT	PAIS GROUP 3:30-4:30 PM SIX NATIONS ARROW EXPRESS LACROSSE LEAGUE 5-9 pm Banquet Hall Rentals are \$35.00 per hour	ARROW EXPRESS LACROSSE LEAGUE 5-9 pm Floor Rentals are \$100.00 per hour

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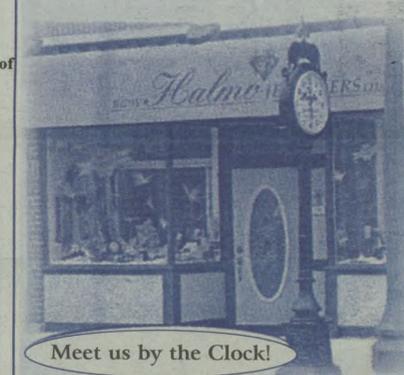
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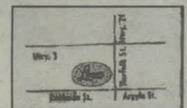
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### Brantford Golden Eagles win third home game in a row Saturday night

By Samantha Martin  
Sports Reporter

BRANTFORD – The Brantford Golden Eagles Junior B hockey team have earned their third straight home game win Saturday night at the Brantford Civic Centre against the fifth place Stratford Cullitons.

It was another close game for the Eagles Saturday night but they came away with a 3-2 win.

Stratford was the first to score Saturday night taking an early lead with a goal at 8:48 from Wes Kropf.

Brantford didn't wait much longer to tie up the game when Brandon Maloney scored later on in the period with assists from captain Nathan Gilchrist and first year Eagle Jeremy Ostapuk.

The second period the Eagles' took the lead with a shot from the blue line from Scott Duncan at 5:45.

He was assisted by Mike Nemeth and Jay Grant-Hose.

Early in the third period widened their lead to two goals with their third and final goal from Nemeth with assists from Larry Moniz and Andy Secore.

Stratford managed to score one more goal in the third period but it wasn't enough.

The Eagles finished the game with a 3-2 win over the fifth place Stratford.

"We've put in some hard work and preparation and it's starting to show," said general manager and interim coach Brian Rizzetto. "I told the guys we can't spell success with 'u' and everyone in the dressing room is starting to contribute to that success. The dressing room is upbeat."

The Eagles are on the road for the next week with games in Kitchener, Owen Sound and Waterloo.

They return to the Civic Centre on Dec. 1 to face the ninth place Guelph Dominators.



The Golden Eagles' Andy Secore demonstrated their defensive skills Saturday night as he checked a Stratford player so teammate Mike Nemeth could get the puck out of the Eagles' end. Saturday's 3-2 win was their third home game win in row. (Photo by Samantha Martin)

TEAM	GP	W	L	T	PTS
Listowel	25	15	6	2	34
Owen Sound	24	16	7	1	33
Kitchener	21	16	5	0	32
Elmira	24	14	7	2	31
Stratford	24	14	10	0	28
Waterloo	23	11	6	4	28
Cambridge	24	11	8	2	27
Brantford	22	9	12	1	19
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#### Blast lose seventh straight game

The Brantford Blast are at a standstill in the standings after losing their seventh game in a row.

The Blast lost 6-2 to the second place Dundas on the road Friday night. Their next home game is this Friday at the Brantford Civic Centre at 7:30pm.

Team	GP	W	L	T	PTS
Aylmer	14	13	1	0	26
Dundas	14	7	6	0	15
Tillsonburg	13	6	6	0	13
Cambridge	11	5	6	0	10
Petrolia	12	5	7	0	10
Brantford	12	2	10	0	4

#### Fifteen runners from Six Nations head to Paris to run for Diabetes

PARIS, ON. – Fifteen runners from Six Nations participated at the Paris Grand Half Marathon and 5km Run for Diabetes on Nov. 14.

The first run was the 1km family fun run.

Savanah Skye-Smith (5:23) Timothy Nanticoke (20:05, 3rd-19 and under, 12th overall)  
Sierra Jade Hill (6:38) Chris Johnson (23:39, 38th overall)  
Preston Montour (7:17) Tim Nanticoke (24:04, 41st overall)  
Zachary Jamieson (8:59) Kris Johnson (28:50, 90th overall)  
Kody Anderson (9:10) Brenda Mitten (32:06, 123rd overall)  
Karen (Korn) Hill (11:47) Kimberly Thomas (34:33, 135th overall)  
The next race was the 5km Ellie Joseph was the only Six Nations participant in the half marathon with a 2:04 under, 6th overall time.

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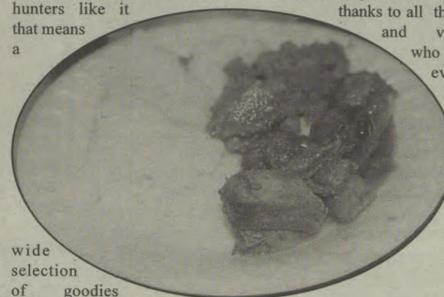
### ELDER'S ANNUAL WILDGAME DINNER A TASTY TREAT

Six Nations annual elder's wildlife dinner is the result of local volunteers and hunters coming together to provide a portion of their hunt to the community.

The event is organized by volunteers like Theresa Harris and hunters who scour the woods for moose, fly to Alberta for elk or buffalo and fish Tyendennaga's

lakes for fresh fish. The food is brought to the community hall cooked the way the hunters like it that means a

from roasted buffalo to moose meatballs, or how about barbecued elk and deep fried fish. Special thanks to all the hunters and volunteers who make the event special for our elders.



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Moose was one of the hot items at the dinner, barbecued and roasted.



Charlie Hill Six Nations oldest resident enjoyed the dinner of moose, elk, deer and fish.



Volunteers deep fry fish donated by local hunters. The annual elder's dinner is the result of donations made each year by Six Nations hunters sharing with the community



The new community hall was the scene of this year's elder's wildlife dinner

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### Fall Haudenosaunee sing honours women

Story and Photos By: Kayatalati (Denise Desormeaux)

**ONEIDA**-At first there was silence. Then, a thanksgiving was recited to acknowledge and give gratitude to all that exists within the universe, to sustain us. It seemed all at once, all of creation stepped forward to listen to the harmonious voices of numerous Six Nations' Singing Groups, as they



"Oneida kanuhseshne (Longhouse) hosts the Fall Sing, extending a warm welcome to all

representative of all the five nations, was also present. The welcoming Oneida Men / Boys, and Oneida Women / Girls Singers shared their songs as well.



"Aksotha, Grace Elijah, and daughter, Patsy Elijah, wolf-clan, of Oneida, walk slowly, hand-in-hand, into the longhouse, just happy

to listen to the songs together. Women's Dance melodies, a social boots that night! It was a day that followed that went long into the Until we meet again, in the Spring



**Kahnawake Men Singers** - "Kahnawake Men Singers: (l-r) Mitchell Horne, Tioheronte Cross, Kanawio, and Kanerahtio Hemlock explain that they have attended Sings all of their lives.

gathered in Oneida, this past weekend to enjoy the Fall Sing.

A total of 17 Singing Groups shared their Women's Dance songs.

Groups travelled from Newtown, Allegany, Kanienke, Kahnsetake, Kahnawake, Oshweken, Tyendinaga, Akwasasne, Oneida - Wisconsin, and Onondaga.

Also, a group called Can-Am singers, comprised of young men,

Heart warming images of embrace were everywhere as long time friends gathered to share stories, songs, and rekindle friendships.

The people of Oneida extended their warm and generous hospitality, as they cooked tirelessly to provide every scrumptious Oneida delicacy that you could think of. Corn soup, chicken and dumplings soup, beef stew, bean soup, deer meat, turkey, ham, salmon, roast

Children played together endlessly, from morning until night, as they enjoyed the fragrant and moist fall air.

Precious newborns slept peacefully, nestled against their Mother's breast while Grandmas and Grandpas sat happily tapping their foot to the dulcet and pleasant Women's Dance Songs that echoed through the Oneida longhouse. It was as if everybody's heartbeats



**Kahnawake Women Singers attend their fourth Sing.** (l-r) Kahwennaeri, and eight month and two year-old daughters, Iakohonwatsowakon, and Tekawerakhwa, sit with Tota (Grandmother), Kaherantha Rice sit happily together, enjoying some good eats at the cookhouse.

night. Everyone burned the midnight oil and the soles off their

N'kiwa (What I have seen, will be with my spirit).

### Great Lakes native leaders meet opposed to water diversion proposal

SAULT STE. MARIE, Mich. (CP) - Natives across Ontario and the Great Lakes states have joined growing opposition to a proposal to divert water from the lakes.

"As First Nations, if you look at its cultural and heritage aspects, water is a sacred commodity," said Charles Fox, Ontario regional chief for the Union Of Ontario Indians. "It sustains us, and we have to protect it for future generations."

Close to 75 Canadian First Nation bands and American Indian tribes along the Great Lakes Basin are

represented in Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., this week to sign an accord demanding inclusion in the Implementing Agreement for Annex 2001.

Ontario, Quebec and eight U.S. states along the basin reached draft agreements in July to amend the 1985 Great Lakes Charter to limit how much water can be diverted to other regions in the basin.

The agreements, "while applaudable, (are) fundamentally flawed because these efforts do not include the direct participation of the gov-

ernments of tribes and First Nations," reads a draft of the Tribal and First Nations Great Lakes Water Accord, to be signed Tuesday by native leaders.

Opponents have argued Annex 2001's two draft agreements, the Great Lakes Water Resources Compact and the Great Lakes Charter Annex, were made with minimal public participation.

Billed as unprecedented, the International Indigenous Great Lakes Water Resources Meeting will "insist that no plan to protect and preserve the Great Lakes

waters move forward without the equal highest-level participation of tribal and First Nation governments," said Fox, who represents more than 40 First Nations in Ontario.

Under the Great Lakes Water Resources Compact, all eight members that make up the Council of Great Lakes Governors would have to approve diversion outside the basin of more than 4.54 million litres daily.

Last week, Natural Resources Minister David Ramsay said Ontario will not sign until legisla-

tion more clearly prohibits diversions.

Only the U.S. jurisdictions, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin, have veto power, because provinces can't enter into binding international treaties. But tribes and First Nations "have recognized rights and we are not political subdivisions of the states or provinces," their draft reads. "The assertion that the states and provinces own and have the sole responsibility to protect the waters is flawed."

### Police used fake ambulance command post, Ipperwash native protester

FOREST, Ont. (CP) - A witness at the Ipperwash inquiry gave testimony Monday supporting claims from other witnesses that a fake ambulance was used as a police command post during the 1995 confrontation between provincial police and native protesters.

Stacey (Burger) George said that the day after the standoff in which native protester Dudley George was killed, he returned to Ipperwash Provincial Park and spotted an ambulance left in the Ministry of Natural Resources parking lot.

"It was probably the weirdest ambulance I saw in my life," he said, describing the equipment he saw inside, including lights and

body bags, rather than medical equipment.

"I saw things that had nothing to do with saving a life," he testified. Stacey George, brother of Cecil (Slippery) George, a band councillor who was allegedly beaten by police on the night of Dudley George's shooting, said he watched as police beat up a protester. But he said he didn't find out until later that night that it was his brother.

During the confrontation with police, Stacey George said he saw a man get pulled through the police line that had formed outside the park fence.

"He got dragged through them, then he fell to the ground. He was



Dudley George

lying on the ground and there was a circle of police officers kicking and clubbing," he said.

Stacey George also told of his encounter with Dudley after he had been shot.

He recalled hearing some shots being fired, but thought at first they were warning shots being fired by the police.

"I thought the police were just trying to scare us," he said. When he turned and started running he saw someone lying on the ground. "I stopped and looked down and saw Dudley," he said.

When he asked him what happened Dudley replied, "They got me." Stacey said he froze and stared at Dudley before backing up five or six steps.

"Then I sat on the ground and I prayed for him," he said.

Once some of the other protesters carried Dudley away, Stacey George said he ran out to the police

and screamed at them that they had shot an unarmed man.

The events of the night took a toll on him emotionally and mentally, he said. "I swear I was in shock. I was shaking like a leaf and my face was pure white."

It wasn't until two days later he noticed a wound on his leg that had been caused by a bullet, he said.

The inquiry is examining the events surrounding the fatal shooting of Dudley George by a provincial police officer on the night of Sept. 6, 1995.

The standoff with police came after Stoney Point natives occupied the park at the end of tourist season, saying they were protecting sacred burial grounds.



### NATIONAL BRIEFS

**Aboriginal group laments slowness of settling residential school abuse claims**

WINNIPEG (CP) - It will take more than 50 years to settle all claims of residential school abuse under the present system, says the Assembly of First Nations.

In a report released last Wednesday, the group outlined ways to speed up compensation for aboriginal people taken from their families as young children and forced to live in residential schools where their culture and language was derided and scorned.

So far only 19 claims of physical and sexual abuse have been settled, but it's estimated there are as many as 12,000 residential school survivors involved in class-action law suits.

"The current process is an adversarial system that is not working and is in fact re-victimizing many survivors," said assembly Chief Phil Fontaine.

What happens now is that claims are reviewed by adjudicators who then decide whether applicants should receive compensation. But critics say it's become a bureaucratic quagmire where most of the money is paid to administrators instead of victims.

Fontaine's group wants a "pre-hearing" in which school survivors can negotiate settlements for physical, sexual and emotional abuse more quickly than going through a full hearing. They would still have to provide some evidence of their injuries, says the report.

The assembly also wants people who went to a residential school, regardless of whether they suffered any form of abuse, to get \$20,000 for loss of language and culture, said Winnipeg lawyer Bill Percy, who represents more than 300 clients.

Such a move would dramatically expand the number of claimants, since it's estimated there are 80,000 aboriginals still alive who attended residential schools.

"The bar to get into the present program is pretty high," Percy said. Gabe Mentuck still has a scar on his ear after being hit with a strap more than 60 years ago at a residential school.

It's a visible reminder of the abuse he says he suffered when, at 11, he was shipped off to the Pine Creek school in Manitoba.

It was a place, he says, where he received electric shocks for speaking his native tongue and where he was routinely sexually abused.

"I have a lot of hate for the white man," said Mentuck, 75. He said he is still waiting for compensation for the "torture" he alleges he endured at Pine Creek. "I'll be dead before I see any money."

**Poll says Canadians don't consider aboriginal issues high**  
REGINA (CP) - More than two-thirds of Canadians surveyed in a poll didn't feel improving the quality of life of aboriginals should be a high priority for the federal government.

Results of the national opinion poll conducted on behalf of the Centre for Research and Information on Canada, a program of the Canadian Unity Council, were released in Regina on Monday.

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### It will take almost three decades to close native education gap: auditor

By Sue Bailey  
OTTAWA (CP) - It will take aboriginal high school students 28

years to match non-native graduation rates and they're losing ground, says the auditor general. Indian Affairs is dragging its heels on a troubling range of old problems, Sheila Fraser said in a report Tuesday.

These include jurisdictional squabbles, low teacher salaries and a lack of professional training.

Moreover, Ottawa can't say whether more than \$1 billion spent each year on native education is too much or too little to meet required standards.

Fraser also blasts Indian Affairs for poorly tracking another \$273 million spent on college and university funding.

"As a result, the department does not know whether program funds are sufficient to support all eligible students, and it has no assurance that only (those) taking eligible courses are receiving funding," Fraser says.

She uses the most recent census data to estimate that the chasm between native and non-native high schoolers has slightly widened to 28 from 27 years.

Just over 40 per cent of reserve residents had a high school diploma compared to almost 70 per cent of the general population, says the 2001 census.

"I am concerned by the limited progress in closing the education gap between people living on reserves and other Canadians," Fraser said.

"Despite a commitment made in 2000, the department has still not clarified its role and responsibilities in improving the educational achievements of First Nations."

This is a vital first step as a young aboriginal population grows at about twice the Canadian birth rate, Fraser says. Indian Affairs must come up with reliable estimates on the cost of educating students on reserves and off, she added.

The one bright light she noted in an otherwise dim performance was improved programs for special education.

Indian Affairs accepted the criticism and said it's working with First Nations as they demand increasing control over schooling.

Native bands manage all but seven of 503 schools on reserves. A big problem is conflicting attitudes in Ottawa over who's responsible for the system's failing grade, Fraser said. Native leaders say they need more federal cash to offer better education. But some bureaucrats say the problem is no longer theirs, Fraser said.

The \$1 billion spent each year on education eats up 20 per cent of the Indian Affairs budget and is the department's largest program.

In 2002-03, the money funded about 120,000 students of which some 60 per cent went to school on reserves.

First Nations get education funding from Ottawa but must follow provincial standards.

Indian Affairs says it's crafting a new reporting scheme to clarify its duties, goals and to better track tax dollars.

Jurisdictional disputes are still causing confusion as federal and provincial officials battle over which government is responsible for students who leave reserves.

For example, it's still unclear who should pay when native parents move away to attend college or university and take their children with them, Fraser says.

The Assembly of First Nations, representing more than 600 bands across Canada, says education is a treaty right that covers all levels up to university.

Some in the department feel their job is just to write cheques, she said. Others feel the department has a role in running schools.

"The department has still not clarified its role and responsibilities in improving the education achievements of First Nations. Doing this is an important first step in necessary improvements."

The government spends \$1.1 billion on primary and high school education for natives and another \$273 million to support post-secondary schooling.

The money has little impact on the education aboriginal children get and the number of students supported in post-secondary programs is falling, the report said.

"We recognize that this is not a problem that can be fixed overnight, but I am concerned about the lack of progress in closing the education gap between people living on the reserves and other Canadians."

**Auditor-Report-Highlight**  
OTTAWA (CP) - Highlights of the November 2004 Auditor General's report, tabled Tuesday in Parliament:

- Despite \$1 billion a year spent on native education, high school graduation rates are losing ground to those of non-natives; could take 28 years to catch up.

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**NATIONAL BRIEFS**

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"We asked people to rate how strongly they feel about a number of items that should be a priority for the federal government, and improving the quality of life for Aboriginal Peoples came second-last in a list of 14," said Leslie Seidle, a senior researcher with the centre.

"The highest ones were the environment, federal-provincial relations and health care."

Seidle said seeing the aboriginal issue so low in the list, tied with increasing military spending, was a disappointing result. "It is hard to know why it is," Seidle said. "I think it is partly based on a lack of information and understanding. People need to know more about some of the socio-economic indicators... that reveal significant gaps between many aboriginal people and other Canadians."

Younger people, aged 18 to 34, were least likely to rate improving the quality of life of aboriginal Canadians as a high priority, according to the poll.

"As you go up the educational scale, people treat that issue (the need to improve the quality of life for aboriginals) as a higher priority," Seidle said. "We were surprised, and I would say disappointed, about the result for the youngest age group."

As well, almost one out of two Canadians thought the situation of aboriginal Canadians is about the same or better than that of other Canadians.

**Alta. aboriginal reserves need help to cope with HIV/AIDS, says MP**

EDMONTON (CP) — The northern Alberta reserve where three people died from drinking gas-line antifreeze last week is one of the worst in the province for instances of diabetes, substance abuse and HIV/AIDS, says Westlock-St. Paul member of Parliament Dave Chatters.

"It's a truly tragic situation. The social problem is not being addressed, and it's sad," he said of the Saddle Lake reserve. "The department of Indian Affairs continues to refuse to (step in) under the guise of letting people learn from their mistakes and governing themselves."

Delma Gauthier, 46, died Monday after drinking antifreeze in her mother's St. Paul, Alta., home.

Her three brothers, Wayne, 43, Glen, 45, and Darcy, 35, and their

friend, Robin Cardinal, 44, were found passed out Thursday. Wayne and Glen were later pronounced dead. Darcy and Cardinal are recovering in Edmonton hospital. All four Gauthiers were HIV-positive. Cases of HIV and AIDS are on the rise among aboriginal people while they've stabilized among other Canadians.

A Health Canada report in 2000 found that aboriginal people represent 16 per cent of new HIV infec-

tions though they make up just five per cent of the total population. Aboriginal leaders fear the deaths in St. Paul will go unnoticed because the three victims were aboriginal. "If this were to happen to any sector of society, something would be done," said Mel Buffalo, head of the Alberta Indian Association. "We'd sit up and take notice. But because it's our group, we've become numb to it. It's something that happens."

**Bulletin:**

**Council holds closed session on education**

Six Nations Band Council, in a closed session voted to seek funding for a report outlining the funding needed to take control of education here.

Council decided Tuesday more work was needed before they could take over education.

**Health Act could permit Alberta aboriginal band to build private hospital**

CALGARY (CP) — An aboriginal reserve on the outskirts of Calgary could build a private hospital if the right offer comes along, the band's chief said on Friday.

Chief Sandford Big Plume of the Tsuu T'ina nation told the Calgary Chamber of Commerce that private medical companies had already made offers to build clinics on land the band plans to develop. First Nations reserves are exempt from the Canada Health Act, which mandates universal access to medically necessary care.

"It's no secret that we have been approached by medical firms looking at Tsuu T'ina, not just

because we welcome business partners, but also because of the interesting freedom that First Nations have when it comes to the Canada Health Act," Big Plume said.

Big Plume said if a private hospital proposal is feasible and is beneficial to the Tsuu T'ina nation, as well as its partners, it could be considered. The land the Tsuu T'ina plan to develop was formerly used as a training ground for the Department of National Defence.

Sections of it have been set aside for office space and institutional use, as well as for retail opportuni-

ties, including big box stores, he said, adding investors have already come forward.

Big Plume said the development could create close to 15,000 jobs.

The issue of private health care has been a thorny issue in Alberta's provincial election campaign, with opposition parties challenging Premier Ralph Klein on his refusal to discuss plans for health-care reform until after the Nov. 22 vote.

Big Plume said private companies are attracted to the Tsuu T'ina Nation because its own government has jurisdiction over the land.

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Director of Indigenous Initiatives	Algoma University, Sault Ste. Marie	TBD	December 1, 2004
Executive Director of Sonics	CKRZ 100.3 FM, Ohsweken	TBD	Friday, November 26, 2004 @ noon
Payment and Monitoring Officer	Public Service Commission of Canada, Toronto	TBD	December 1, 2004

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Aboriginal Midwifery Training Programme Coordinator	Health Services	Maternity Contract (12 months)	\$35,000 per annum	Wed. Nov. 24, 2004 @ 4:00 pm

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*By Edna J. Gooder  
Staff reporter*

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