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The Manitoba Court of Appeal has sent a shiver down the spines of First Nations chiefs with a ruling that allows a company owed money by a band to seize its funds held in an off-reserve bank account. The chiefs are scrambling to appeal the decision to the Supreme Court of Canada, saying it chips away at protections under the Indian Act and in the treaties.

MNC denies Saskatchewan Metis funding 9

The Metis National Council held its general assembly in Calgary in March, and on the agenda were resolutions to give the embattled Metis Nation—Saskatchewan funding. The group first wanted \$1.7 million, which was denied, and then \$30,000 was requested. Bad news for the group on that front as well.

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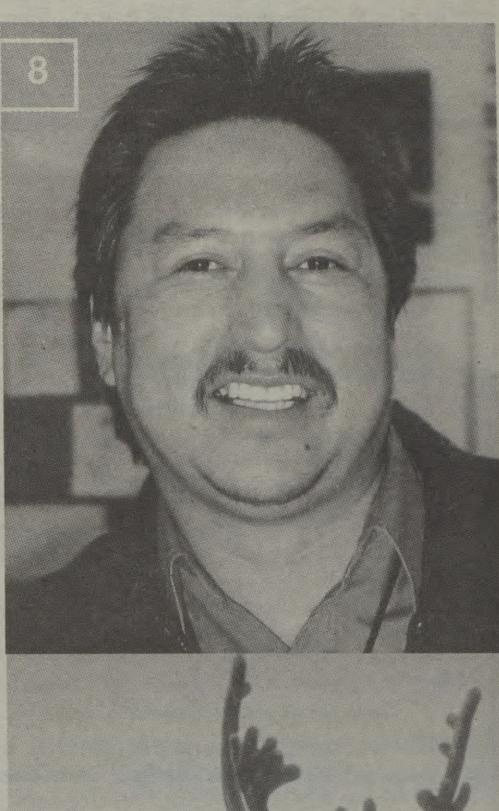
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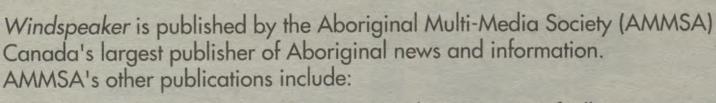
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Chief Shingwaukonse was a champion of Aboriginal rights to land and mineral resources in traditional territories long before the Robinson treaties of Ontario were struck. His persistent pursuit of the dream to build businesses surrounding fishing, hunting and forestry for his people were never realized and the challenge passed to his sons after the great man's death.







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Transformative change?

The grumbling is getting louder across the country. It started with the throne speech. It got louder and more noticeable after the federal budget was revealed last month. And it's gaining strength. We're hearing it from most corners of the country and we're pretty sure a lot

of people in Ottawa are hearing it too.

Prime Minister Paul Martin raised expectations last April at the Canada/ Aboriginal roundtable. A year later and people are tired of holding their breath, waiting for the "transformative change" that the prime minister said was coming. Unless the transformative change that Martin was talking about meant that things were going to get worse.

Let's tally up:

After program review, the Indian and Northern Affairs Canada budget was cut by more than \$200 million. Not a huge chunk in the world of federal departmental funding, we'll give you, but certainly not a step in a direction we'd call progressive.

And residential school survivors will tell you that they don't see things getting any better. Take one look at the money being chewed up by bureaucrats who seem to be under orders to waste more time and money and frustrate the Elders in their search for justice and closure.

And remember that \$700 million that was promised to improve health conditions for First Nations during the first minister's meeting last fall? Not a penny has moved down the line and out of Ottawa yet, the Canadian Press reported on March 22.

And the chiefs tell us they're involved in battles on every front at the ground level: fights about health dollars, employment and training funds, education, membership. And now First Nation governments are the only governments in the Canadian constitutional

family that are subject to garnishment.

That's a matter we've got to weigh in on. We question chiefs who run up big debts and then hide behind the Indian Act when the time comes to pay. That's corrupt and unethical and it damages the reputation of all chiefs who do pay their bills and follow through on their promises and obligations. We don't know how the case we reported on on page 8 will play out when the big brains get involved at the Supreme Court of Canada level. Maybe the decision is wrong legally; maybe it doesn't show a proper respect for the spirit and intent of the treaties; maybe the chiefs are right who say they have no choice but to run up deficits as they seek to provide basic services to their community members due to stingy government funding formulae.

But spending somebody else's money and then hiding behind the Indian Act is not the answer either. That

much we're sure of.

There's lots of grumbling about the surprisingly quick passage of Bill C-20 through Parliament. The senators sure made the appropriate noises that indicated they would provide sober second thought to the bill that was whizzed through the Commons at warp speed. Then, suddenly it was law.

It's strange though that the only transformation that's occurred so far is a leftover from the Chretien era. Somewhere right now, former Indian Affairs minister Bob Nault is smiling. How comfortable are you with

that thought?

Shortly after we go press, the chiefs will gather in Vancouver to go over the national chief's plan to work with the federal government and move towards First Nations self government. We're hearing a lot of the grumbling will surface there. Phil Fontaine is going to have to explain why we've all been running so hard all year just to end up in the same place. He staked his political reputation on working closely with the Paul Martin government and he's exposed right now.

There's a lot on the go over the next few months: a couple of special assemblies, the tabling of the AFN renewal report, a cabinet retreat, a first ministers' meeting on Aboriginal issues. If the national chief doesn't bring home something worthwhile at the end of that,

he'd better start looking for another job.

And if the prime minister can't deliver something that resembles the vision he put in our heads with all that talk about transformation, he better get ready for serious troubles in Indian Country. You can't raise the hopes of marginalized people then fail to deliver and not expect some kind of repercussions. That's just the way it is.

-Windspeaker

Minister steps up Racism at the heart

Dear Editor:

Re: Sweetgrass burning ban

The ban on smoking tobacco products in Alberta's jails is a commendable policy from a public health point of view. It recognizes the well-documented dangers of second-hand cigarette smoke on all concernedinmates, correctional officers and administrators.

Second-hand cigarette smoke contains more than 4,000 chemicals, including carbon monoxide, formaldehyde, benzene and hydrogen cyanide—the same toxic soup inhaled by the smoker.

However, Sweetgrass is different.

Sweetgrass-which can include sweet grass, sage, cedar and fungus from diamond willow is considered sacred to Aboriginal people and burned to send prayers to the Creator on the smoke. It also purifies the surroundings, minds and bodies of those participating in the ritual.

Unlike direct consumption of cigarette smoke, the exposure is extremely limited. There is no scientific basis for claiming that coumarin, the primary chemical released by burning sweetgrass, is as dangerous as those

released in second-hand cigarette smoke. Banning sweetgrass in provincial correctional facilities also presents a significant restriction on an Aboriginal inmate's freedom to practice his or her religion, at a

time when they may be most in need of spiritual support, guidance and healing.

It's not good enough to tell Aboriginal inmates they must go outside, even in freezing or wet weather, to burn sweetgrass when they pray. Nor is it acceptable to ban sweetgrass while permitting the practices of other religions, such as burning incense during Catholic services in the jail chapel. That is disrespectful of Aboriginal spirituality.

My department has worked with the Alberta Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission in developing a Guiding Circle with respect to ceremonial uses of tobacco and sweetgrass. I will continue to work with my colleagues within the Alberta government to ensure that the freedom of religion guaranteed by the Constitution-to all Canadians is recognized and respected in our correctional facilities.

I urge everyone involved—inmates, guards and administrators—to take all steps necessary to ensure that burning sweetgrass is embraced as an acceptable form of spiritual expression and that any obstacles to this ancient ceremony are dismantled as quickly as possible. -Minister Pearl Calahasen

Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development

Science to ban bad

Dear Editor:

Re: Sweetgrass burning ban

I was interested to read in your publication that the authorities in charge of Fort Saskatchewan Correctional Institution have apparently banned sweetgrass burning in smudging ceremonies, but continue to allow incense burning during Roman Catholic ceremonies in the correctional facility's chapel.

An article entitled "Particles in church air bad for lungs, study says" appeared in the Toronto Star on Nov. 23, 2004. This article refers to a study conducted by scientists from Maastricht University and published in

the European Respiratory Journal.

According to the article: "The air at a Maastricht basilica contained 20 times the European Union limit of PM10 (Particulate Matter) particles after a simulated mass ceremony. Tiny PM10 particles can be inhaled and are a potential hazard. The scientists also found high levels of carcinogenic polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons as well as some unknown types of free radicals released from burning candles and incense. Free radical atoms act as starters and promoters of cancer tumors."

It seems that the distinction between candle or incense burning during Roman Catholic ceremonies and sweetgrass burning during smudging ceremonies is not based on science. If correctional staff or inmates are concerned about potential health effects from the inhalation of burning sweetgrass, they should also be concerned about candle or incense burning.

Providing separate areas ventilated to the outside where anyone might practice their religious beliefs without affecting the air in the rest of the facility might be a compromise that could meet everyone's requirements.

—Bill Boles Partner, IAQ Resources Canada

[rants and raves]

Dear Editor:

Re: Sweetgrass burning ban

I am outraged by the comment made by Mike Rennick of the Alberta Union of Public Employees. I am a white Canadian woman with no Aboriginal heritage, but I can plainly see racism when it is manifested so blatantly.

Even though your editorial on page 5 graciously gives Mr. Rennick the benefit of the doubt regarding the racist origin of the decision, the quotations that you cite leave little ambiguity. With regard to his comments about the appropriateness of the Roman Catholic church burning incense, there needs to be a brush up in the study of history.

The rationale that this rite is 'ancient history and can't be interfered with,' well, Aboriginal people have been burning sweetgrass and smudging for millennia, long before anyone had even thought of establishing the Roman Catholic church.

This contention just doesn't fly. In fact, it defies any logic, but racism is not confined by logic. What a pity.

Windspeaker has presented a well-researched article that clearly presents the arguments of both sides. After careful reading, it is evident that the guards' union has initiated this ban because of racist attitudes that determine policy.

—Esther Fyk

Go big or go home

Dear Editor:

Re: Windspeaker article titled "AFN plan before standing committee."

Although I believe that the Assembly of First Nations

is trying to act for the best interests of the people they represent, its plan is a bit too ridiculous and I do not agree. I sincerely believe that we, the Indian residential school surviving victims, are in the process of once again being sold down river at a very cheap price in the name of politics.

For many people, a lump sum compensation payment of \$10,000, plus three thousand for every year a person spent inside these cold institutions, may sound like a lot, but one has to take into consideration that 20 per cent of a person's gross compensation would go

to administration.

I have a better plan than the AFN's. Let's file one huge lawsuit for \$500 billion. This should get the attention of those political characters in Ottawa. I always say, if a person is going to file a lawsuit, do so in a very big way. Never mind settling for small amounts. —Victor Mispounas

Beauval, Sask.

Story best on the net

Dear Editor:

I have to say your article on Will Sampson (September 2004 seen at www.ammsa.com) is the best, most informative one I have seen. It is truly wonderful. I am a huge fan of Mr. Sampson, with his acting career being a small part of my admiration for him. It is what he stood for, his people, his spirituality and the man he was outside the movies that I want to know more

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—Denise Fowler

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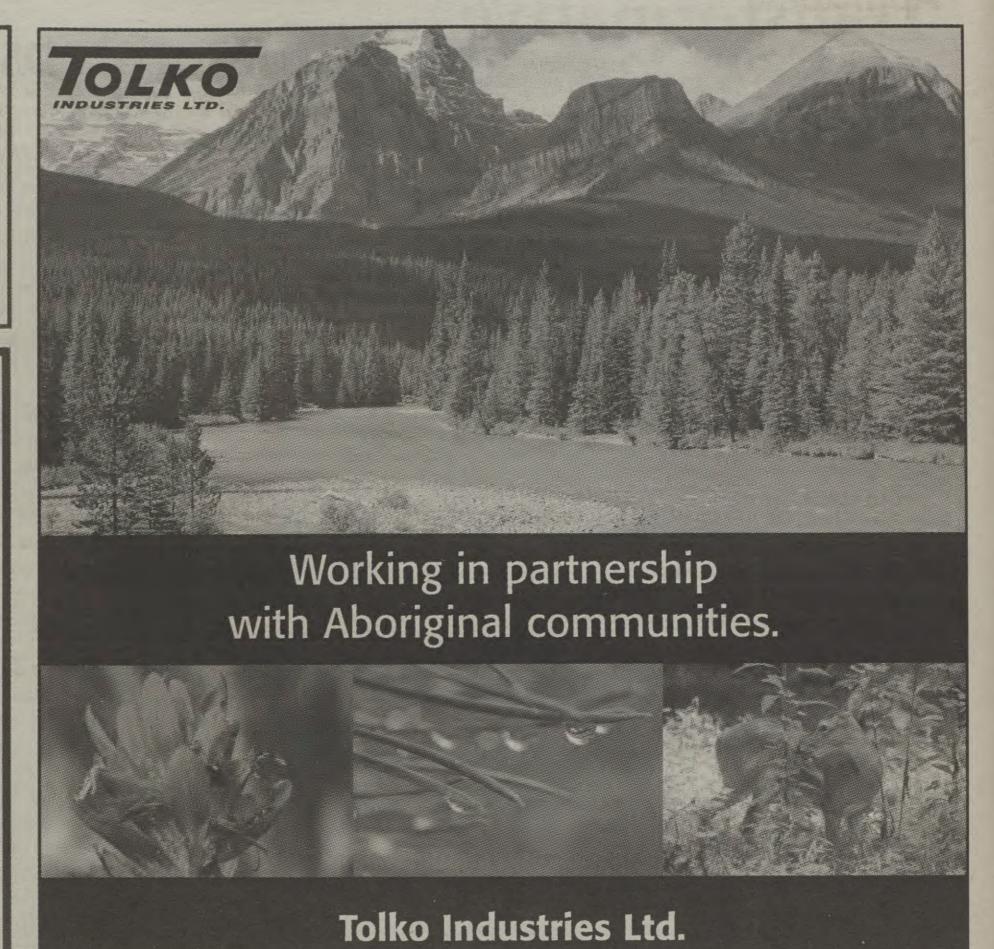
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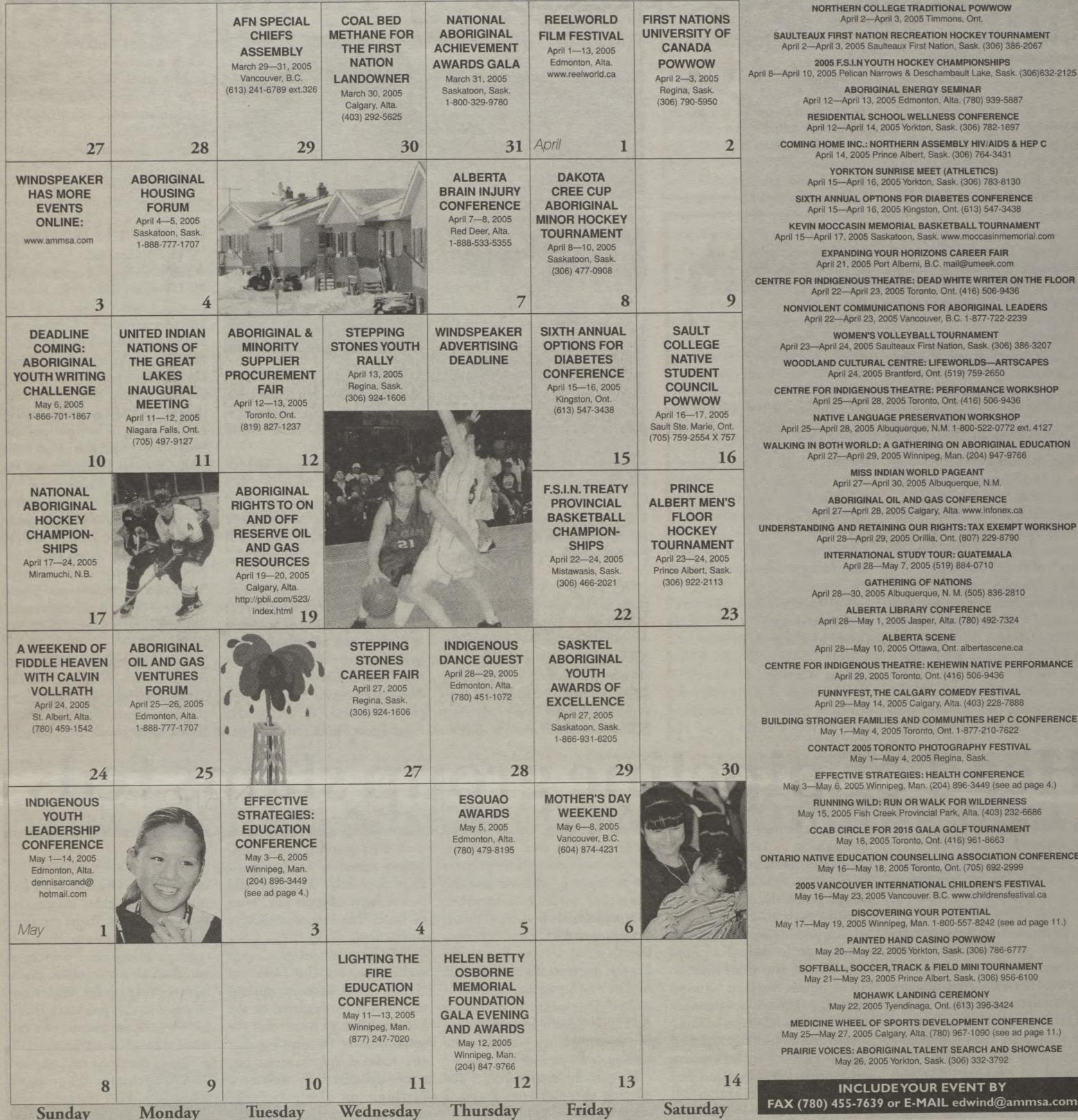
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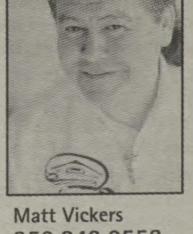
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Creditors can seize band funds-court

By Paul Barnsley Windspeaker Staff Writer

WINNIPEG

The Manitoba Court of Appeals has thrown a huge monkey wrench into the First Nation governance machinery.

Some say it's a decision that must be overturned by the Supreme Court of Canada immediately; others say it's the greatest breakthrough in the history of Canada/First Nations' relations.

On Feb. 14, the Manitoba Court of Appeals issued a 59-page decision that opened the door for a company owed money by a First Nation to slap a garnishment on the nation's off-reserve bank

McDiarmid Lumber, a longestablished Winnipeg-based firm, had appealed to the courts for a decision that would allow it to seize money in the God's Lake First a reserve." Nation's account at the Winnipeg branch of Peace Hills Trust.

In a complex judgement that cited more than a dozen Supreme Court of Canada decisions, the a memorandum to the chiefs appeal judges ruled that \$550,000 that had been transferred to the band's offreserve bank account by the department of Indian and council passed a resolution avoid the trouble God's Lake First

could be seized by the lumber

company.

The company had successfully sued the band in 2003 for payment of an outstanding debt. After attempts to work out a payment plan failed, the company took steps to garnish the money in January 2004. The band went to court where a motion's judge granted the band's request to stop the garnishment based on Sections 89 and 90 of the Indian Act. That judge ruled the Indian Act protected against the seizure of on-reserve assets.

But the appellate court ruled that the assets were not on a reserve and therefore not subject to Indian Act protection against seizure. The court also ruled that the monies were not protected by Section 90-1-A of the Indian Act that states that property "given to Indians or to a band under a treaty or agreement between a band and her majesty shall be deemed always to be situated on

Manitoba chiefs are now scrambling to come to terms with the decision.

Windspeaker obtained a copy of signed by Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs (AMC) Grand Chief Dennis Whitebird on March 17 which reveals that its executive Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) supporting an appeal of the Nation now finds itself in. But he federal government trying to get bound by corporate law."

decision to the Supreme Court of Canada. The resolution, moved by Chief Jerry Primrose of the Nisichawayasihk First Nation and seconded by Rolling River First Nation Morris Chief Shannacapppo, also directed the grand chief to solicit donations for the legal challenge.

In a separate memo, AMC legal counsel Louis Harper advised the chiefs that the law firm Orle, Davidson, Giesbrecht, Bargen will require a retainer of \$10,000 by April 2 if the appeal is to proceed.

Sandy Bay First Nation Chief Irvin McIvor is a member of the AMC executive.

"I don't like the decision that the courts made because it's slowly, slowly chipping away at our treaty rights. I support that resolution. We're losing too many rights piece by piece. After this, when are we actually tax exempt?"

Some say the AMC resolution calls for First Nations to spend money to protect bands that don't pay their bills and wonder if that's the responsible or ethical thing to

"It's not just the case of God's Lake. It's the precedent," he said. McIvor, who moved his band out of third party management with unprecedented quickness after he was elected in September 2003, admitted he found ways to

Irvin McIvor

refused to criticize his counterparts in that community, saying he didn't know the history of the situation.

"No First Nation speaks for another First Nation. It's supposed to be nation-to-nation. What happens over there shouldn't affect what happens in my community and vice-versa," he said.

McIvor said under-funding by the federal government forces First Nations into debt. Now that they can be subjected to garnishment orders, it will be that much harder for band councils to cope.

the chiefs and councils to say "no" when grassroots people ask for basic services, he said.

At least one Manitoba First Nation member was delighted with the court's decision. Alan Isfeld, a Waywayseecappo First Nation member, has been fighting against the growing problem of First Nations in the province not paying their bills. He welcomed the development.

"The judge that wrote the decision needs to be commended. He's done a great service for our people. I believe that fair is fair and this is going to bring about many opportunities for First Nations people. It's going to bring about the transparency and accountability that grassroots people have always been crying for. It's going to bring about the level playing field that chiefs have always wanted. Businesses will no longer have an excuse, will no longer be afraid to do business with our communities," he said.

The section of the decision where the court ruled that First Nations who enter the "commercial mainstream" must be bound by the mainstream rules was especially significant, he added.

"That's fair. There can't be two sets of rules," Isfeld said. "If the bands are going to enter into these It all comes down to the corporate contracts they have to be

Head of pipeline group slams feds

By Paul Barnsley Windspeaker Staff Writer

OTTAWA

The spokesman for a powerful industry group says the federal government is responsible for disputes between First Nations and resource companies.

David MacInnis, president of the Canadian Energy Pipeline Association (CEPA), says First Nations are often at odds with resource companies not because they have problems with the projects industry is proposing, but because Native leaders need leverage to get governments to the table to negotiate land claim and self-government agreements.

MacInnis said resource companies understand that it's a smart business tactic to hold up projects if the government is not at the land claim or selfgovernment tables.

"First Nations, no one can fault them and no one does fault them for trying to use the opportunity when a project is being built on their land to try and get some attention paid to their land claim issues. The problem comes because too many First Nations in this country don't have a good enough reason, quite frankly, to trust the federal government, [trust] that the feds are going to deal with their land claim issues in a timely manner," he told

Windspeaker March 22. CEPA is the voice of Canada's

Its member companies transport more than 95 per cent of the crude oil and natural gas produced in Canada.

Its president claims First Nations and industry have much in common in their frustration with Ottawa over these matters. His members, like First Nations, he said, often see government regulators as a common enemy.

MacInnis hoped that the new Regulation implementation plan, (launched by Treasury Board March 24, after Windspeaker's deadline) would help smooth the way for projects involving First Nations' land, and in particular, one of the largest projects ever proposed involving First Nations' land, the Mackenzie Valley pipeline.

"Quite frankly, we hope that what they do is say, 'We need to get First Nations and industry at the table and figure out who should be responsible for what and then work on developing some of these solutions."

The resource industry, said MacInnis, thinks government should "de-couple land claims from self-government

negotiations." "Governments, specifically the federal government, need to give First Nations a reason to come to the table and sit down and get involved in land claim talks. Because, quite bluntly, governments haven't always seemed to be willing to get right into negotiations and don't seem

major transmission pipeline to be looking for a timely settlement," he said. "Our point is that when development projects are proceeding, what we find, for example, when our member companies are negotiating benefit agreements with First Nations, First Nations will be saying, 'We like this but we really need the feds to start moving on our land claim issues.' Our point is that land claim and benefit agreements are two separate things. Negotiate one with us and one with the feds."

He put the responsibility for moving these matters forward solely on federal politicians.

"It's time for politicians to just say, 'Look, it's an issue, it's real, First Nations have waited long enough. Let's get on and settle this.' And quite frankly, in this day and age, of all the reasons that are put forward, money or cost of settlement, is the worst one. We've seen record surpluses. Let's put some of that money to good use," he said.

"It doesn't matter whether it's or Conservative Liberal governments. There's been a lot of talk on First Nation issues. It's time for some action. I'm tired of the foot-dragging. But I'm also being quite selfish because the slow action on the part of political leaders, federally, provincially and territorially, on the various aspects of First Nation issues is causing problems for companies who are looking to work on First Nation lands and whose projects are getting held up."

Recent court decisions have happening and he thinks it has a those responsibilities."

stated that effective consultation with First Nations must come before resources are harvested from their lands. MacInnis said government officials have tried to hand that responsibility to companies.

"The government of Canada right now, via the National Energy Board, has come out and told industries regulated by the National Energy Board that the responsibility for proving that the federal government has consulted effectively with First Nations on projects, that responsibility lies with the companies," he said. "What's supposed to happen is there's supposed to be government-First Nation consultation and then an industry-First Nations consultation. So therefore the government says, 'One thing you guys have to do is make sure the First Nations are happy with the consultation undertaken by the feds.' Our point is-you've got the fiduciary responsibility. It's not up to us to prove that First Nations think that you've done

your job." First Nation leaders frequently complain that bureaucrats do not rush to embrace the spirit of court decisions that go in their favor, as so many have. The leaders complain that federal officials instead come up with overly complex processes that will allow the status quo to remain despite the court rulings. negative influence on the business community.

"If there's a degree of uncertainty caused for First Nations it trickles down and industry notices. To get certainty you need decisions that are reached using clear principles which are clearly communicated, enforceable, have timelines attached so that you know that if it's a regulatory process you can move through it within a certain period of time," he said.

"The chiefs, the band councillors, First Nation people and our companies are all on the same page. There's a high level of frustration with the process. Things have got to be improved. We're just missing opportunities as a country. Too often, especially when the focus is so narrow on something like land claims, it's seen as a First Nations' issue and non-First Nation Canada doesn't have to worry about it. Well, you know what? That's not true. It's all of our problem. It impacts all of us."

The highest court in the land has ruled that the federal government has a trust-like responsibility to protect the interests of First Nations, MacInnis said, and it's time for the government to live up to that responsibility.

"Everybody knows what the fiduciary responsibilities are, federal including the government," he said. "The point MacInnis said he's seen that is to start following through on

National spotlight will soon fade

By George Young Windspeaker Staff Writer

CALGARY

In his state of the nation address to delegates gathered for the Metis National Council (MNC) general assembly held in Calgary March 19 and 20, council President Clem Chartier had high praise for Canada's Prime Minister Paul Martin.

"This PM has demonstrated a willingness to put Metis issues on the federal agenda in contrast with the willful blindness we faced from Ottawa throughout the mid- to late 1990s," he said.

In his address, Chartier described the Canada-Aboriginal peoples' roundtable held last April in Ottawa as highly successful and recounted the inroads Metis made when the prime minister recognized the existence of the Metis as a nation in Canada.

Chartier quoted the prime minister as saying "[t]here is also no question that we need to strengthen our relationship with the Metis community in Canada. It is time to recognize the contributions the Metis nation has made, and continues to make, to this country."

time in Metis contemporary history that a Canadian prime on issues of importance, because

minister specifically identified the Metis as a nation.

Chartier also praised Martin for his initiative to learn about Metis people and their issues. He told delegates that he and members of the board of governors had been given direct access to Martin, a situation unique in the Métis experience and one that Chartier

credits as helping to further the attention the Métis nation is Martin's understanding and appreciation of the Métis people and their issues.

Chartier warned delegates, however, not to take for granted the current positive climate experienced between Métis and Chartier said it was the first the federal government. He one such issue of importance on advised Métis leaders to act now



GEORGE YOUNG

An opening day procession of delegates led by a Metis fiddler kicked off proceedings at the Metis National Council general assembly held in Calgary March 19 and 20.

receiving now may only last a couple of years. He said there will come a time in short order when some other issue will bump Métis concerns to the sidelines.

The Supreme Court Powley decision was front and centre as which to act.

"On Sept. 19, 2003, the

highest court in the land affirmed the Métis are a full-fledged, rights-bearing people," said Chartier. "The Supreme Court affirmed our distinct rights flow from our unique existence and identity as an Aboriginal people. Our rights are equal to that of other Aboriginal peoples. And most importantly, our rights must recognized and accommodated by governments in the country."

Chartier spoke about the \$20.5 million allocated by the federal government after the court decision to advance Powley rights, and praised the additional twoyear commitment of \$15 million annually announced in the most recent federal budget.

"The only reason the federal government is moving now is because of the Powley decision. We can't deny that," said Chartier.

Chartier said the Metis Nation Research Committee is in the process of designing an online genealogical research tool that will allow Métis people to trace their family trees or view historical documents posted to the site.

"This work will be invaluable to our people and to our rightsbased agenda," he said

the need for a Metis Nation Constitution, which has been reinstating proposed at previous assemblies.

"To date, we have received government and the MNS.

minimal resources for cursory discussions on this important topic. What has become clear is that significant resources need to be devoted to effectively engage our people across the homeland if we hope to move forward."

Day two of the assembly was taken up with financial reports and resolutions put forward by delegates from across the nation. Only one resolution failed to pass, one that called for the national office's sponsorship of a post-Powley work plan for the Metis Nation-Saskatchewan (MNS).

The MNS has had Powley funding withheld by the federal government. Allegations of election irregularities caused the government of Saskatchewan to freeze funding to the MNS, and the federal government followed suit soon after.

President David Chartrand of the Manitoba Metis Federation said that the vote against the resolution was not a result of a lack of support for the governing officials from MNS, but of the MNC's reluctance to be financially responsible for the plan.

A resolution was later passed that called for Chartier and MNS President Dwayne Roth Chartier also commented on to meet with officials from the federal government to discuss relationship between the

MNC denies Saskatchewan funding plea

By George Young Windspeaker Staff Writer

CALGARY

Dwayne Roth

The 20th general assembly of the Metis National Council (MNC) was a relatively straightforward affair until it came time for the resolutions from the Metis

Nation Saskatchewan (MNS).

In resolution five, the MNS tried to get financial support from the national organization for its post-Powley work plan. (The Supreme Court of Canada Powley decision recognized the right

of Metis to hunt and fish.) This funding would replace money suspended by the federal government after a provincial government probe found that the MNS election of its current slate of leaders was fraught with irregularities. Those irregularities had also prompted the Saskatchewan government to withhold it funding of the MNS.

"Whereas the 2004/2005 federal post-Powley resources promised to the Metis Nation-Saskatchewan is \$1.175 million; Whereas MNS has not received any post-Powley funding

Resolution five read:

allocation for this current fiscal year; Be it resolved that the MNC assembly support the MNS to implement our 2004/2005, 2005/2006 MNS post-Powley work plan through MNC sponsorship. Be it further resolved that the MNC continue a lobby process to assist MNS to achieve this important matter."

The resolution was defeated

with delegates from Alberta, Manitoba and British Columbia Metis organizations voting against it. Ontario, as a block, abstained from voting.

As a lead up to the resolution, day one of the assembly saw MNS president

Dwayne Roth asking for time from the assembly to address the election concerns levied by the government. Roth assured the delegates the accusations against MNS are groundless. Roth said the allegation that voters' lists were padded with the names of dead and out-of-province voters was untrue. He asked for the support and understanding of the assembly in this time of trouble for the MNS leadership.

Support for the MNS leadership seemed implied by its very participation as voting members at the general assembly. Day two when the resolution for financial support for the MNS was presented.

Manitoba Metis Federation (MMF) President David Chartrand said the assembly did not vote against financial help for Saskatchewan based on a lack of support for the leaders. The assembly's problems came with the wording of the resolution, which he described as confusing, and the fact that the resolution was amended too often for it to be passed. Chartrand did say, however, that the MNS was asking for money the MNC does not have.

The Saskatchewan delegation was upset by the defeat of their resolution and voiced their displeasure after the vote.

Phillip Chartier, an MNS area director from northwest Saskatchewan, spoke in the absence of Roth, and called the vote against Saskatchewan a legal maneuver that demonstrated no real interest in building a true national governing body for the Metis.

The MNS position was simple, delegates stated—the national organization was denying the MNS its help.

Audrey Poitras, president of the Metis Nation of Alberta, took exception to the MNS putting the situation in those basic terms.

Poitras said the MNC had tried to help and had given the MNS other options.

"It's not about whether we Roth was not in attendance on want to help or not," she said.

Chartrand also took exception to the comments from MNS delegates.

"To make accusations that we have somehow as provinces stolen or taken Saskatchewan's money is a great insult to my province," he

The second resolution from the MNS also caused considerable debate on the assembly floor. It called for a meeting between MNC President Clem Chartier, Roth and the Federal Interlocutor for Metis and Non-Status Indians, Minister Andy Scott.

Resolution 11 was designed to reinstate a working relationship between the government of Canada and the MNS.

Prior to the vote, the MNS asked permission to have a nondelegate speak in favor of the resolution.

The request was allowed and Elder Nora Cummings spoke and admitted there were problems with the election. She said the problems, however, had to be fixed from within the provincial organization.

As with the previous MNS resolution, number 11 was amended as well. It called for the MNC to allocate \$30,000 to the MNS to initiate a judicial review against the government of Saskatchewan over its refusal to recognize the election and the we may become involved with decision to withhold provincial their politics and we could decide funding.

The MNC president spoke would be."

against the resolution and the amendment, saying that a court challenge would take too long.

A number of MNS delegates made emotional pleas for help from the assembly, to no avail. Metis Nation of Ontario president Tony Belcourt asked the mover of the resolution, provincial secretary of the MNS, Ralph Kennedy, to remove the amendment, which he did.

Once the request for funding was removed, the resolution was on and voted passed unanimously.

After the meeting, Phillip Chartier spoke of the problems the MNS is having with the government of Saskatchewan.

"We are being challenged by governments strictly because of political reasons," he said. "They don't want the Metis Nation of Saskatchewan to be strong politically because of the demographics in Saskatchewan," he said.

"They are realizing how powerful Aboriginal people are becoming in terms of population. Right now we are at about 15 per cent, so we could swing government either way. Within 20 years we could be up to 25 per cent.

"It's a serious concern of the province that if we ever became organized, they are afraid of that; who the government of the day

[legal issues]

One dead duck leads to test case

By George Young Windspeaker Staff Writer

WINNIPEG

In October 2004, Will Goodon, a Manitoba Metis, walked into a provincial conservation office to discuss Metis hunting rights, produced a duck that he admitted to shooting, and was promptly charged with possession of a migratory bird without a provincial license.

The event was part of a plan to bring to a head the issue of Metis hunting or harvesting rights in Manitoba, and to challenge the Manitoba government's authority to determine who is Metis.

Goodon's test case will rely heavily on the Supreme Court of Canada Powley decision, in which the court recognized the right of Metis to hunt and fish. Goodon's lawyer is Jean Teillet, who was instrumental in putting the Powley case before the court.

Teillet said the government of Manitoba respects the Powley decision, but takes issue with how Metis are defined or identified by it. "The Manitoba government takes the position that only specific settlements, like a little town, or a village, or a city that are historic Metis communities, can have the right to harvest," she said. "If you have moved anywhere, theoretically even 10 miles away, then you would no longer have the right."

She said the Manitoba Metis Federation (MMF) takes issue with that very strongly.

"Metis have always been very mobile. The idea that their rights only exist in certain settlements, some of which have changed or moved, that cannot be right."

Teillet said the Manitoba government also insists Metis rights were extinguished by the Manitoba Act of 1870, and the Dominion Lands Act that came in 1885.

"Essentially, the Manitoba government is taking the position that not all Metis in Manitoba have harvesting rights because of basic extinguishment. This to me flies in the face of the existing law."

The lawyer said the Manitoba government is taking a very 'unhelpful' position as far as Aboriginal people are concerned.

Goodon, who works for the MMF, described the disconnect between what the provincial government is saying and what conservation officers are doing to Metis harvesters. Goodon said Premier Gary Doer attended a MMF assembly last year and said he recognized and supported Metis rights. Goodon said a letter sent to MMF President David Chartrand from Manitoba would work towards recognizing court in the land."



Will Goodon

Metis rights.

Goodon says that the MMF has done its part by developing the Metis harvester card system, which identifies Metis rights holders for harvesting or hunting purposes on government land. The process for getting a harvester card is based on genealogy and community acceptance of the applicant. Goodon was in possession of a harvester card at the time he was charged, but the Manitoba government has not recognized the card system.

When Goodon went into the conversation office, he said he was intending to discuss the discrepancy between what's being said and what being done by conservation officers, which is to charge Metis who had a harvester's card but no provincial license.

"I went into the office and after our discussion I asked 'What if I had a duck in the back of my truck, would I be charged?" said Goodon.

The conservation officer told Goodon he would be charged, so he said, 'Let's get this over with,' and went to the truck and got his duck.

Goodon then called MMF President David Chartrand, who had pledged to help any Metis charged with illegal hunting while in possession of a harvester card.

Chartrand said that Manitoba is trying to set a dangerous precedent with their narrow definition of who is entitled to exercise Metis rights, because Metis people will never allow anyone but themselves to decide who they are.

"One thing that I am so appreciative of is the recognition from the First Nations that we as a people have always owned ourselves and always controlled our destiny. It is paramount that it stays that way, and we never give up on that," he said.

"What is interesting about this whole issue and the fight that is taking place in Manitoba [is] we have a government, an NDP government who claim to always be fighting for minorities, and having social conscience, and social groups, and people who are in need," he said. "Yet they are Minister of Conservation Stan the first government to come and Struthers states the government oppose the essence of the highest

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Inuit film-maker blasts APTN language policy

By Paul Barnsley Windspeaker Staff Writer

WINNIPEG

A new language policy introduced by the Aboriginal Peoples' Television Network (APTN) has Inuktitut speakers steaming mad.

The policy would have films shown on APTN dubbed into English, French and one or more Aboriginal language other than the Aboriginal language used to produce the work.

Many prominent Inuit have voiced strong criticism of the policy in recent weeks, including Louis Tapardjuk, Nunavut's minister of Culture, Language, Elders and Youth, and Inuit director Zacharias Kunuk, president of Igloolik Isuma Productions Inc., the company produced that internationally-acclaimed film Atanarjuat: The Fast Runner.

Norman Cohn, secretarytreasurer of Igloolik Isuma, was also harshly critical of the idea of having his company's work, including Atanarjuat, dubbed into another language.

"Everybody in the world accepts our programs in Inuktitut with subtitles, in Japan and in Toronto. So what are they saying? They're the only people on earth who are saying we need to put it in a dubbed language or else no one will understand it? People understand it all over the world. So they're not in a position to tell that their policy is good for our films. We know it's not."

Jean LaRose, APTN's chief executive officer, stands by the new policy.

With new technology emerging in television broadcasting, it will soon be possible for viewers to select from several different soundtracks for shows they want to view at home. The technology is called "versioning" and it's at the root of the disagreement between the Inuit and APTN.

The APTN CEO said there's nothing in the policy that would prevent a film-maker from making the case that subtitling might be appropriate for some projects for artistic reasons. But versioning has one big advantage over subtitling, he added.

"The Fast Runner was subtitled in English. When [Cohn] raised that with me, I said sometimes subtitling is not always something that we find very useful. That's why we want language versions ...When you look at the dropout rate of our population. A lot of our kids, 70 per cent of them, drop out before finishing school. A high proportion of them are illiterate. So when you give them a subtitled film, they can't understand the language and they can't read the words. You're still not telling them their story," he

"What we're seeking to do here is, in fact, live up to our full mandate by having more Aboriginal languages and more other versions to make our stories available to everybody first of all among ourselves, let alone the rest of Canada and the world."

LaRose said versioning will allow more programming to be broadcast in Native languages. A

show could have versions of its soundtrack available in Cree or Mohawk, for example.

Cohn said that having another language dubbed over the original vision would make his company's multiple award-winning masterpiece look "like a bad kung fu movie."

LaRose said the policy was not so inflexible as to lead to that situation. And if people are worried that Inuit language programming won't be seen on APTN as a result of this new policy, LaRose called that "a fallacy."

"We never said that and that's why we have a north feed on which we put some Inuktitut-only language programming," he said.

LaRose believes people who speak only Aboriginal languages other than Inuktitut would not be able to appreciate a film like Atanarjuat.

"They can't. And secondly, when the question was thrown at me by Norm Cohn, who was very aggressive in his initial e-mail to me, 'Are you trying to tell me that

our masterpiece wouldn't be licensed today by APTN?' I said that under the current direction we're taking, we would ask possibly for an English version and other languages. And he just fixated on English. Then he said that we're trying to diminish the language and it's going to sound like a bad kung fu movie," LaRose said.

"Now, first of all, we're not talking-mostly-about fulllength movies. We're talking about our documentary series or comedies or whatever. We're looking to get the producers to thinking to give language versions because part of where we want to go over the next few years as the technology expands is to give our viewers the chance to choose the language in which they listen to the show."

LaRose believes versioning will help attract more viewers and allow the shows to be marketed to other networks, something that would rarely happen with Inuktitut-language-only productions.

(see APTN page 21.)



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B.C. government attempts to abandon court fights

By Paul Barnsley Windspeaker Staff Writer

VANCOUVER

The British Columbia government's request that it be allowed to discontinue its court fight against an assertion of Aboriginal rights and title has been denied by the province's Supreme Court.

First Nation leaders see the court's decision as a sign the province knows it can't defend the position it has taken on resource harvesting on traditional Aboriginal lands.

In cases involving several First Nations, the province had attempted to secure stop work orders on logging operations authorized by First Nation governments. The cases, Jules, Wilson, and Harper Lake were similar in that the province first tried to stop the band or tribal council from logging and then tried to walk away from the court proceedings.

In 1999, the Shuswap Nation Tribal Council issued logging permits to members so they could cut timber for housing purposes on reserve. The provincial government went to court to get an injunction to stop the logging, asserting that only it alone had the authority to issue such permits. The case has been going through the courts in British Columbia since then.

Tribal council sources say the identical result. province announced it was dropping the charges just before Christmas. But the First Nations and tribal councils involved, encouraged by Supreme Court of Canada rulings that strengthened the First Nation position that effective consultation must be done with them by government



Stewart Phillip

and industry before resource development can be commenced on land under claim, refused to let the province back out.

On March 15, Shuswap Tribal Council Chairman Nathan Matthew announced that British Columbia Supreme Court Justice Jon S. Sigurdson had ruled in favor of his tribal council and had refused to allow the province to back out of the cases.

"The issue at stake in the recognition of our Aboriginal rights and title, a right that was exercised by the issuance of timber cutting permits by the Shuswap Nation Tribal Council in 1999," Matthew said.

Not too far away from Shuswap territory, in Okanagan territory, a similar case produced an

"I am astonished that the province would rather 'weasel out' of a fair fight in court when in the past the province used every lame excuse to legally attack our judicially recognized Aboriginal title and rights," said Union of British Columbia Indian Chiefs President Stewart Phillip. "It is a

clear and undeniable admission that the bands involved in Jules and Wilson have cases of substantial merit; in other words strong legal arguments that cannot be overcome."

Phillip accused the province of "deliberately obstructing First Nations in their efforts to achieve the outcome of the Supreme Court of Canada's Haida decision in terms of reconciliation, consultation and accommodation."

"Reconciliation can only occur when First Nations are recognized to have true and meaningful involvement in land and resource use decisions, allowing us to both benefit economically, but also to make the decisions necessary to protect our lands for future generations," he added. "Anything else is completely unacceptable."

Justice Sigurdson ruled that the case was of national interest and that it would proceed to trial. Shuswap sources say they felt they couldn't lose going to court: if BC was allowed to drop the cases, it would mean that their logging permits were legal. The same Harper Lake litigation is the sources say it's possible, with a provincial election scheduled for May 17, that the government didn't want the negative publicity of trying to justify their failure to modify their resource licensing policies in light of the recent Taku and Haida decisions handed down by the Supreme Court of

> First Nation sources across the province believe this matter will be decided eventually at the Supreme Court of Canada level many years from now. But thanks to another top court ruling, since the manner is of compelling public interest, the government will pay the legal bills for the First Nations as well as its own.

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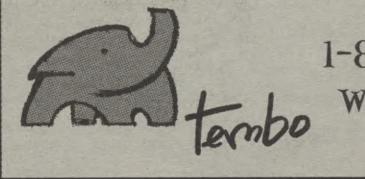
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Improve your changes of getting that scholarship

By Cheryl Petten Windspeaker Staff Writer TORONTO

There are hundreds of scholarships and bursaries available for Aboriginal students pursuing post-secondary education, and the secret to putting together a successful application is really no secret at

There are a few simple things you can do to improve your chances of getting the scholarships you apply for, explained Sky Bridges, vicepresident of business development with the Canadian Council of Aboriginal Business, which operates the Foundation for the Advancement of Aboriginal Youth (FAAY). Over the past decade, more than 1,000 students from across the country have received scholarships and bursaries from the corporations that have partnered with FAAY to help the next generation of Aboriginal leaders further their education.

The first thing you have to do, Bridges said, is make sure you're providing all of the information the scholarship application asks

"Quite often, I don't know if people are lazy or they don't read things through, but they don't give us all the information that we're asking for. That's one thing I can't stress enough is reading the checklist. I would say about half of our applications are sent back because they weren't completely filled out properly."

You can also improve your chances of success by including some information about yourself, talking about your current situation and why you want to pursue your education.

"And maybe even a little bit about how this scholarship will allow them to go. I want to hear that without it maybe they can't, or what some of the difficult hurdles are," he said. You should also provide information about community activities you've been

involved in.

Presentation is also important when completing your scholarship application. If the application calls for an essay that is no more than two pages long, provide two pages and don't try to cram in as much information as you can by decreasing the font size or using single-spacing, Bridges said. By doing that you're not only making the submission difficult to read, you're providing much more information than is being asked for.

Once you've completed your application, there is still one more step to take. Get someone else to check it over for you.

"The editing is extremely important," Bridges said. "When you're sitting there writing it and you're the only one looking at it,

it's good to get an outside impression on what it is you have written. So get somebody else to read it over and get that opinion." Some students might be worried that their marks in high school weren't good enough for them to qualify for scholarships, but that just isn't the case.

"We are aware that sometimes the home situation is such that they haven't the energy or the ability to get high grades,"

Bridges said.

"Our program is not based on just high scholastic achievements in high school. We take a balance of the need versus the marks that

they received."

This year about 110 scholarships and bursaries will be given out through the FAAY program to Aboriginal studentsstatus, non-status, Métis and Inuitof all ages and from all parts of the country. In addition to scholarships to help students in their post-secondary studies, the program offer bursaries to high school students to encourage them to stay in high school.

Although the program is called the Foundation for the Advancement of Aboriginal Youth, when it comes to awarding scholarships, FAAY utilizes a "very elastic definition of youth,"

Bridges said.

"We've sponsored, you know, single mothers who are in their forties who want to go back to better their lives through education. So it's a very large, encompassing program.

Applying for scholarships through FAAY simplifies the process for students, Bridges explained, because each student only has to complete one application to be considered for all the scholarships managed by

Even those students who don't receive scholarships can still benefit from the program, as some of the companies involved in FAAY will offer summer employment or co-op employment to unsuccessful applicants.

The program is benefiting the corporations that have signed on to FAAY by helping them link to the Aboriginal community. It also gives them a clearer picture of the challenges that exist for Aboriginal people wanting to further their education and of how important it is that they get involved to help reduce those challenges, Bridges said.

"You know, outside of the Aboriginal communities, there's a mindset out there that if an Aboriginal person wants to go to school it'll automatically get paid for, and that's not the case."

For more information about FAAY or to download a scholarship application, visit the Canadian Council for Aboriginal Business Web site at www.ccab.com.

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The following list of scholarships and bursaries has been compiled by Windspeaker with the kind assistance of participating companies, schools and foundations. For a complete and up-todate listing of Aboriginal scholarships and bursaries please check our online listings located at: www.ammsa.com.

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MuchMusic Aboriginal Youth Scholarship Please see our ad on page 4.

As part of CHUM Television's commitment to encouraging Aboriginal participation in Canadian broadcasting, MuchMusic is proud to announce the first MuchMusic Aboriginal Youth Scholarship.

The \$3,000 scholarship-created in partnership with the Aboriginal Youth Network (AYN) - will be awarded to the individual who best demonstrates skill, talent, excellence and enthusiasm in pursuing a future in the broadcast industry. Open to all Aboriginal Canadians under

Deadline: Fall 2005 Check www.muchmusic.com for details

Burlington Resources Aboriginal Awards Program

Developed to provide financial assistance to Aboriginal students pursuing high school upgrading and post-secondary education. Deadline: June 30th

Value: Secondary School/Academic Upgrading \$1,000College or Technical Institute \$2,000University \$3,000The award amounts are granted on an annual basis with students being required to reapply each year for continued funding. Awards may be used to cover portions of tuition, books or living expenses.

Eligibility: You may apply to the Burlington Resources Aboriginal Awards Program if you meet the following criteria: 1. You are of Aboriginal ancestry

2. You are a Canadian citizen 3. You are enrolled in an eligible program, on a full-time basis 4. You demonstrate promising academic

qualifications 5. You require financial assistance to

pursue your education Application process: Please send your completed application along with your proof of acceptance and most recent transcripts to the following address:

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Attention: Burlington Resources Aboriginal

Awards Program 100, 805 - 5th Avenue SW Calgary, AB T2P 0N6 Telephone: (403) 237-5577 Toll Free: (877) 271-7720 Fax: (403) 266-3386 www.diversifiedstaffing.com

The Canadian Nurses Foundation Value: varies

Deadline: April 16, 2004. The Canadian Nurses Foundation is the only national foundation solely committed to promoting the health and patient care of Canadians by financially supporting nurses through study awards, specialty certification, research grants and general support of educational endeavors that advance the nursing profession.

Canadian Nurses Foundation 50 Driveway

Ottawa, Ontario K2P 1E2 Toll Free: 1-800-361-8404 Fax: (613) 237-3520 www.canadiannursesfoundation.com

The Weather Network — Pelmorex Inc. Value: One award of \$500.00 Deadline: May 30

The Weather Network educational incentive award is to create interest among Aboriginal peoples in the Canadian Broadcasting industry.

Eligibility: A status or non-status Aboriginal full time student who demonstrates financial need. The applicant is enrolling in a Third or Fourth year Canadian Journalism or Radio and Television Arts program at a recognized College or University and has received passing marks (60% or better) in their previous year of study. Applicants are committed students with proven leadership ability, and enthusiasm for their chosen

If no students entering are eligible, the award may go to an Aboriginal student in another reputable program specifically, Business Administration, Meteorology, Computer Science, Graphic Design or Engineering Technology.

Requirement: Resume, official transcript from most recent year of study, successful interview with Pelmorex and good references.

Information: Pelmorex Inc. Human Resources 1 Robert Speck Parkway Suite 1600 Mississauga, Ontario L4Z 4B3 Phone: 905-5669511 ext. 270 Fax: 905-566-9696

Millennium Excellence Awards Value: Local award winners will receive a one-time \$4,000 award.

Provincial/territorial award winners will receive a \$4,000 award, renewable up to three times (for a possible total of \$16,000). National award winners will receive a \$5,000 award, renewable up to three times (for a possible total of

Eligibility: The excellence awards recognize, support, and encourage talented Canadians who make positive and significant contributions to the betterment of communities across the country, who demonstrate the capacity for leadership, and are committed to the pursuit of academic excellence and innovation. Only individuals who intend to enter a college or university undergraduate program for the first time may apply.

For application information, contact: Millennium Excellence Award Program Canada Millennium Scholarship Foundation 1000 Sherbrooke Street West, Suite 800

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Millennium Bursaries

Value: Between \$1,500 and \$4,500, depending on the students' province or territory of residence and level of financial

Eligibility: To qualify for a millennium bursary, a students must: (a) be a Canadian citizen or permanent resident, (b) be studying in an undergraduate program at a Canadian post-secondary institution, both of which must be recognized by the Canada Student Loans Program or the student's provincial/ territorial studentfinancial assistance program, (c) successfully qualify for assistance from his/her province/territory of residence, and (d) have already completed 60 per cent of ayear of postsecondary education. Students have their level of financial need assessed by their province/territory of residence. Those who demonstrate the highest level of need and meet the Foundation's eligibility criteria qualify for a millennium bursary, which is paid either to the student or directly to the student's loan provider to reduce his/her student loan debt.

Duration: Awarded annually Deadline: Students must successfully apply for provincial/territorial financial assistance

Contact information: Millennium Bursary Program Canada Millennium Scholarship Foundation 1000 Sherbrooke Street West, Suite 800 Montréal, Québec H3A 3R2 www.aimhigh.ca

Alliance Pipeline Aboriginal Student Awards Program Number: One

Value: Cost of tuition, books and supplies to a maximum of \$4,000 per academic

Deadline: April 30 Eligibility: Aboriginal students who are: residents of Saskatchewan, Alberta or British Columbia; enrolled in, or have applied to a technical school, college or university, in a program relevant to the oil and gas industry; relevant programs include: mechanical engineering technology, instrumentation engineering technology, electrical engineering technology, power engineering, mechanical engineering or business administration.

Coordinator, Aboriginal Student Awards

Alliance Pipeline Ltd., #400605 5th Avenue South West Calgary, Alberta T2P 3H5

Please see our ad on page 7. Value: \$3,500 (maximum for college) and

Imperial Oil Aboriginal Scholarships Awards

\$4,500 (maximum for university) The awards are designed to cover tuition, textbooks, supplies and other compulsory

Deadline: June 15 of each year Imperial Oil Resources offers four individual education awards each year to any person of Aboriginal ancestry entering post-secondary studies. The purpose of the awards program is to encourage people of Aboriginal ancestry to pursue post-secondary undergraduate educational studies in disciplines relevant to the petroleum industry. Applicants must reside in British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Northwest Territories or the Yukon for at least one year immediately prior to applying for the award.

Application form, full program guidelines and eligibility details can be obtained by calling Imperial Oil Community and Aboriginal Affairs at 780-639-5194.

Association of First Nations Women Scholarship

Value: Two awards: one in the fall, and one in the spring.

Scholarships are awarded twice a year. The successful applicants are presented with their awards at the Blanche MacDonald Memorial Dinner and the Native Indian Teacher Education Program Graduation Dinner.

Eligibility: Applicants must: be of First Nation ancestry; be registered as full-time students at a post-secondary institution; and include with their application proof of registration at a post-secondary institution, a copy of their transcript(s),a professional reference, a personal reference, and a support letter from a major Aboriginal organization.

Deadline: Open Association of First Nations Women #1 -245 East Broadway Vancouver, B.C.V5T 1W4 Fax: (604) 872-1845

Intelligent Sensing For Innovative Structures (ISIS) Canada Research Scholarship for Aboriginal People in Engineering Value: One scholarship of \$5,000 per

Intelligent Sensing for Innovative Structures (ISIS Canada)is a Network of Centres of Excellence funded by the federal and provincial governments, the university communities and the private sector. The mandate of ISIS Canada is to develop a new generation of sophisticated civil engineering structures for the 21st century. Eligibility: In order to be eligible, applicants must be graduates in engineering or applied sciences at a Canadian university or be currently enrolled in a degree program, and must be registered in, or intending to proceed to, graduate study in engineering or applied sciences. The scholarship is awarded for a 12-month period and may be renewed for a second year at the discretion of theawarding

committee. Deadline: March 31 Dr.S.H.Rizkalla, P.Eng., President ISIS Canada 227 Engineering Building University of Manitoba Winnipeg, Manitoba R3T 5V6 Phone: (204) 474-850

Intelligent Sensing For Innovative Structures (ISIS) Canada - Research Scholarship for

Women and Aboriginal People Value: One scholarship of up to \$5,000. Eligibility: Applicants must: be women or be of Aboriginal ancestry; be engineering graduates or currently enrolled in a degree and intending to pursue graduate studies; be seeking solutions to the deterioration of steel reinforced concrete; and be in third year civil engineering or above.

Deadline: March 31 Intelligent Sensing for Innovative Structures Room 227 Engineering Blvd. University of Manitoba Winnipeg, Manitoba R3T 2N2 Phone: (204) 474-8880

Magna For Canada Scholarship Fund Value: Various scholarships of \$5,000 to \$10,000.

Eligibility: Applicants must: be full-time students; and submit a proposal (maximum 2,500 words)on "If I was Prime Minister of Canada, I would do the following to improve living standards and unite the Deadline: May 15

Magna for Canada Scholarship Fund 36 Apple Creek Blvd Markham, Ontario L3R 4Y4

National Union Scholarship for Aboriginal Canadians

Value: One scholarship of \$1,000. Eligibility: The award is open to all Aboriginal Canadian students who plan to enter the first year of a public postsecondary education institution full-time, and who are children of, or foster children of, a National Union member. The award is given to the writer of the best 750-1000 word essay on "The importance of quality public services in enhancing the quality of life of Aboriginal Canadians." Deadline: June 30

Scholarships National Union of Public and General Employees 15 Auriga Drive Nepean, Ontario K2E 1B7 Phone: (613) 228-9800 Fax: (613) 228-9801

National Union Scholarship for Visible Minorities

Value: One of \$1,000. Eligibility: The award is open to all visible minority students who plan to enter the first year of a public post-secondary educational institution full-time, and who are the children, or foster children, of a National Union member. The award will be given to the writer of the best 750-1000 word essay on "The importance of quality public services in enhancing the quality of life of visible minorities."

Deadline: June 30 Scholarships, National Union of Public and General Employees

15 Auriga Drive Nepean, Ontario K2E 1B7 Phone: (613) 228-9800 Fax: (613) 228-9801

Public Service Commission of Canada Personnel Psychology Sponsorship Program Value: One award of \$15,000 per year, plus an opportunity, upon graduation, for employment with the Personnel Psychology Centre in Ottawa. The Personnel Psychology Centre of the

Public Service Commission of Canada is offering sponsorship and recruitment programs to candidates studying in industrial/organizational psychology. Eligibility: This program is open only to members of designated under-represented groups: Aboriginal people (Status or Non-Status Indian, Métis or Inuit); persons with disabilities; and members of visible minority groups. Applicants must hold an Honours Bachelor's degree in Psychology by June and be eligible for admission to a Master 's or Doctoral program in industrial/organizational psychology at a Canadian university. Candidates must have maintained a minimum "B "average (or its equivalent) during their previous years of university studies. A knowledge of English or French is essential.

Preference is given to Canadian citizens. Deadline: February 15 Canadian Awards Program International Canadian Program Division Association of Universities and Colleges

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Must be of Aboriginal descent

Must have amateur status in the sport which they are nominatedMust be for athletic achievements within the awards calendar yearMust submit a completed Nomination Form to the appropriate Provincial/TerritorialAboriginal Sport Body on or before the annual deadline.

Criteria: Currently enrolled/accepted in medical program, demonstrated exceptional academic abilities, involved and committed to extra-curricular activities Deadline Date: January each year. For more information contact: Aboriginal Sport Circle at Toll Free 1-866-938-1176. www.aboriginalsportcircle.ca

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Deadline: May 31 Awards announced:

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* in need of financial assistance

* demonstrate serious interest in furthering their educational and career their educational and career developmentPreference will be given to applicants whose residence is located on or near one of Husky's exploration, development or operation sites. Individuals pursuing academic post-secondary studies at a university, community college or technical institute are eligible to apply.

Diversity and Aboriginal Affairs Husky Oil Operations Limited P.O. Box 6525, Station D
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Legal Studies for Aboriginal People Program
Deadline: March 31 for Pre-Law

Programs. The Department of Justice funds Métis and non-status Indians who wish to attend law school. Through the Legal Studies for Aboriginal People Program, the Department offers scholarships for the three-year law program and scholarships for a pre-law orientation course.

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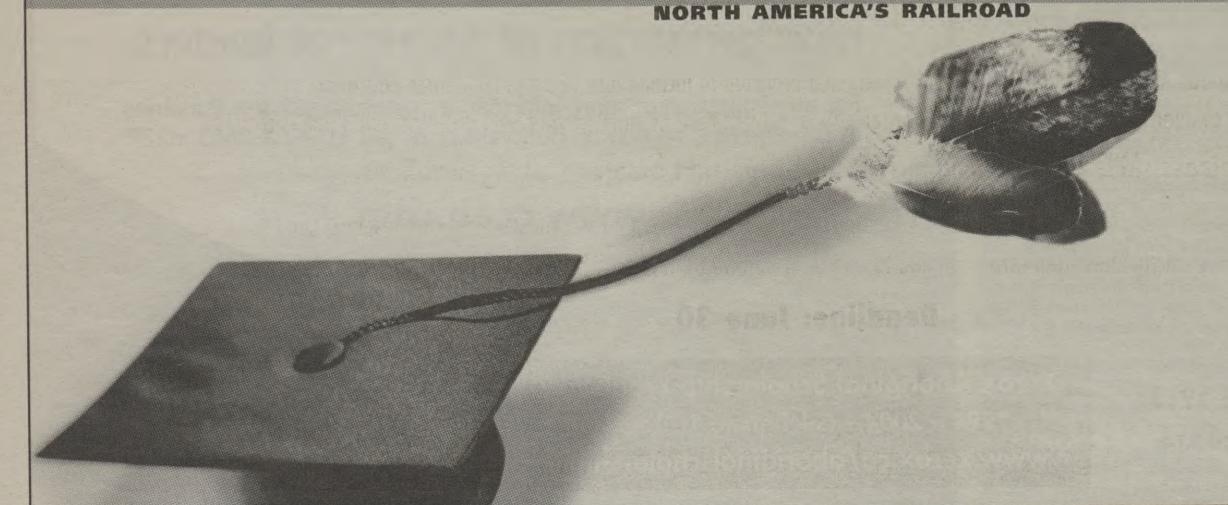
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actions by youth who have had an impact within their communities.

Young people up to 25 years of age may be nominated for an award. Completed forms are due by March 31 of each year. For more information and a nomination form, call the Action 21 National Office Toll free at: 1 800 668-6767.

Department of Justice Canada Entrance Scholarships for Aboriginal Students

The Department of Justice Canada has made available three-year scholarships to Metis and non-status Indian students who wish to attend law school. Each year, ten or more pre-law scholarships will be made available to Metis and non-status Indians, to cover the cost of attending a summer orientation program offered by the Native Law Centre, University of Saskatchewan, in Saskatoon and a summer French language pre-law orientation program at the University of Ottawa.

In September, ten or more three-year law school scholarships will be made available to Metis and non-status applicants to defray their living costs, textbooks, tuition

fees, and other costs. The Department of Justice Canada is accepting applications for the summer prelaw program until 1 April, and applications for the law school scholarships until 1 June. Students interested in both programs must forward two separate applications.

For further information and application forms, contact:

Program Assistant, Legal Studies for Aboriginal People Program Department of Justice Canada

Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0H8 Similar financial assistance is available from Indian and Northern Affairs for registered Indian and Inuit students.

Department of Indian Affairs or your Local **Band Education Authority**

available from the Department of Indian Affairs or your Local Band Education Authority. Legal Studies are generally considered separate from other undergraduate programs and therefore full funding will be available for the three years of legal studies.

Metis, Inuit and non-status Indians may apply to the Department of Justice. The funding covers tuition, books and living expenses and is renewable for the two further years of law school. The funding also covers the Saskatchewan Summer

For more information on whether you qualify and the applicable deadlines for funding, contact:

Program Administrator Legal Studies for Aboriginal Peoples Program Department of Justice Canada Ottawa, Ontario R1A OH8 Phone: (613) 957-9583

Sears Canada Inc. Scholarship:

Deadline June 1 Ten scholarships of \$1,000 are available to children of Sears employees. Applications are available from and submitted to:

Canadian Awards Program, International & Canadian Programs

Division, Association of Universities and Colleges

Suite 600, 350 Albert Street, Ottawa, Ontario K1R 1B1

Chevron Canada Resources

Deadline: January 31 Number of scholarships varies, value up

Available to students of Aboriginal heritage interested in undertaking a period of study in public administration and/or community affairs involving drug/alcohol education and rehabilitation.

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Deadline: March 31 Value: Five awards of \$1,000 each Recipients will also receive consideration for summer employment and full-time employment once education is

Criteria: Applicants must be of Aboriginal ancestry (Status, Non-Status, Inuit, Métis); full time student at recognized Canadian post secondary institution pursuing a program relevant to a career in banking

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Baxter Corporation - Jean Goodwill Scholarship Value: \$2,500.00

Number: 2

Eligibility: Aboriginal ancestry; Student of a nursing program at post-secondary institutions, in a Bachelors nursing program or a graduate nurse already serving in isolated communities accepted in community health, outpost or midwifery nursing.

Closing Date July 1 Description: Required to practice nursing in an isolated northern Native community. For more information contact: Aboriginal Nurses Association of Canada

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Canada - US Fullbright Program Student must be American or Canadian with Native Heritage and attending a postsecondary education institution studying countries relations between other countries. Value of award is \$15,000.00 for student and \$25,000.00 for faculty members enrolled in graduate studies. For more information contact:

Ste. 2015, 350 Albert Street Ottawa, Ontario K1R 1AP Phone: (613) 237-5366 Fax: (613) 237-2029

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Garfield Weston Merit Scholarships for Colleges (GWMSC)

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National Award: Up to 50 available annually All GWMSC Awards inquires contact:

CMSF/GWMSC 53 Yonge Street 5th floor Toronto, ON, M5E 1J3 1-866-544-2673 www.gwmsc.ca

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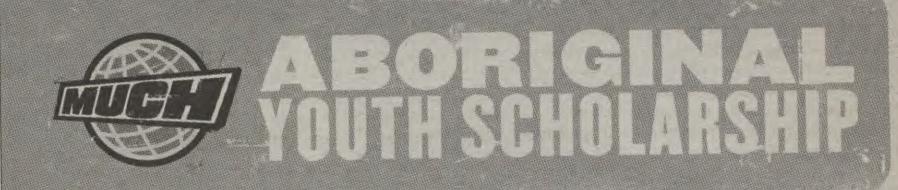
For more information contact: Native Women's Association 9 Melrose Avenue

Ottawa, Ontario K1Y 1T8 Phone: 613) 722-3033 Fax: (613) 722-7687

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This program is a learning and development venture designed to aid in the transition from school to work. The program is cost-shared by the private and public sectors with the support of the volunteer sector and o ther partners such as business and labour groups. Applicants must be fluent in one of Canada's official languages, be Canadian residents between 18 and 29 years of age unemployed or underemployed. Qualified applicants should be graduates of high school, CEGEP, a recognized trade certificate program, community college or univeristy who have been out of school at

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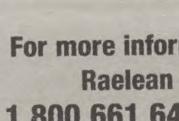
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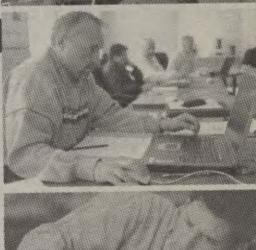
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This scholarship is awarded to a student enrolling in a doctoral program in Canadian history at an Ontario university. The value of award is \$8,500.00 and can be renewed for three consecutive years to a maximum of \$25,500.00.

For more information contact: The Graduate Studies Office at Ontario Universities or

The Ministry of Education and Training Student Affairs PO Box 4500189 Red River Road, 4th Floor Thunder Bay, Ontario P7B 6G9

Phone: (807) 343-7257

or 1-800-465-3957

Environmental Innovation Program For groups and individuals 18 years of age and older interested in research and development in the environmental filed.

Offers Canadian industry, universities, Native groups, non-governmental organizations and interested individuals the opportunity to meet the GreenPlan's objectives. For more information contact: Program Directorate Public Works and Government Services Canada Place du Portage, Phase III,

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Women in Engineering and Sciences Program For women undergraduates who are interested in a career in physics, engineering or mathematics. To qualify you must be a Canadian citizen or permanent resident of Canada attending a Canadian University or CEGEP and enrolled full-time in an undergraduate physics, engineering or mathematics program. You must also have completed your first undergraduate year of university or your second year of pre-university CEGEP before September 1. For more information contact: Human Resources Branch Recruitment Office National Research Council of Canada

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Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0R6

Phone: (613) 993-9134

Fax: (613) 990-7669

If you have successfully completed at least one year of an undergraduate university program. You must be a Canadian citizen or permenent resident. It provides nonrenewable scholarships of \$5,000.00 for one acedemic year, and transportation expense for one return trip for students to pursue their undergraduate studies in their second official language. For more information contact: Canadian Awards ProgramAssociation of Universities and Colleges of Canada 350 Albert Street, Suite 600

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Gil Purcell Memorial Journalism Award - The **Canadian Press**

To a Native person studying journalism.

Value: One scholarship of \$4,000 Eligibility: Native ancestry. Studying journalism at a Canadian university or community college. Deadline: December 31 of each year. Information: Manager of Human Canadian Press 36 King Street East Toronto, Ontario M5C 2L9 Phone: (416) 594-2179 Fax: (416) 364-9283

National Aboriginal Achievement Foundation Please see our ad on page 5.

Shell Aboriginal Awards - NAAF Several awards presented yearly through

the scholarship program of the National Aboriginal Achievement Foundation. The value of the award varies by student request.

Indian & Inuit Health Careers Program Scholarship - NAAF

Deadline: May 1 Several \$1,000 scholarships are available to Canadian citizens of Aboriginal ancestry who have resided in Canada for the last 12 months. Individuals must meet the minimum enrollment requirements in a professional health career program. Applications are available at local schools and must be postmarked by May 15

Indian & Inuit Health Careers Program Bursary - NAAF Deadline: May 1

Bursaries are available to Canadian citizens of Aboriginal ancestry who have resided in Canada for the last 12 months. Individuals must meet the minimum enrollment requirements in a professional health career program and have not received financial assistance related to their education from any other source.

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For students engaged in fields of study that support and contribute to Aboriginal selfgovernance and economic self-reliance. For more information check out the web site Aboriginal Veterans Scholarship Trust.

Business, Sciences and General Education Program - NAAF

Value: Varies from \$1,000 to \$8,000 Eligibility: Aboriginal ancestry (Status, Non-Status, Métis, Inuit) attending a Canadian Community College (CEGEP) or university (first year or returning students); registered in programs such as busieness, health sciences, new and advanced technologies (not limited to these). Priority is given to students enrolled in business and sciences.

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Petro Canada Education Awards for Native Students - NAAF

Deadline June 15

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Trans Canada Pipelines Leadership Awards -

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BP Canada Aboriginal Young Achievers Scholarship - NAAF

Priority for these scholarships may be given to students who are pursuing careers in business, engineering, environmental studies and physical sciences.

Great-West Life Business Education Scholarship - NAAF

This scholarship was created to help Aboriginal students from across Canada to succeed in the areas of business and entrepreneurship.

TD Bank Financial Group Scholarships -

Through its support of the scholarship program, TD Bank Financial Group is helping to make it easier for Aboriginal students to realize their educational goals.

UGG Agricultural Scholarships - NAAF UGG is pleased to provide scholarships to encourage Aboriginal students from the Prairie Provinces to pursue careers in fields related to agriculture.

The CN Aboriginal Scholarships - NAAF Please see our ad on page 3.

These scholarships provide funding assistance to Aboriginal students from across Canada who are engaged in studies that will prepare them for careers in the transportation industry such as engineering, business, computer science, communications and technical studies.

Suncor Energy Foundation "Shared Achievements" Aboriginal Scholarships -NAAF

These scholarships were created to assist Aboriginal students who are pursuing post-secondary education in business, teaching and science, particularly engineering, earth sciences, natural resource management, environmental studies and computer science. Preference will be given to students from Central and Northern Alberta, Northeastern and Southwestern British Columbia and the North West Territories.

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With these awards, 3M Canada is making a positive contribution to the lives of Aboriginal students who are pursuing careers in fields related to health care.

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For a Aboriginal high school students aged 13 to 18 enrolled in Grade 9 and up.

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TD Bank Financial Group "Aboriginal Youth" Scholarship Program - FAAY Six (6) scholarships of \$2000 each For Aboriginal students enrolled in a accredited Canadian college or university.

Davis + Henderson "Aboriginal Youth" Scholarship and Bursary Program - FAAY Five (5) scholarships of \$2500 each For Aboriginal students enrolled in a Canadian college, university or technical institute.

Ten (10) bursaries of \$750 each
For Aboriginal high school students aged
13 to 18 enrolled in Grade 9 and up.

BMO Financial Group "Canadian Aboriginal Youth" Bursary Program - FAAY Twenty One (21) bursaries of \$750 each

For Aboriginal high school students aged 13 to 18 and enrolled in Grade 9 and up.

Business Development Bank of Canada "Aboriginal Youth" Scholarship Program - FAAY

Six (6) scholarships of \$2000 each For Aboriginal youth enrolled in a business or commerce program at a Canadian college or university.

Scotiabank "Futures in Business" Scholarship Program - FAAY

Ten (10) scholarships of \$2500 each For Aboriginal students enrolled in business or commerce program at a Canadian college or university.

Husky Energy "Fueling the Future"
Scholarship and Bursary Program - FAAY
Three (3) scholarships of \$2500 each
Aboriginal students primarily residing in
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enrolled in a Canadian college, university
or technical institute.

Six (6) bursaries of \$750 each
For Aboriginal high school students aged
13 to 18 enrolled in Grade 9 and up.

Hudson's Bay Company "Aboriginal Futures"
Scholarship and Bursary Program - FAAY
Four (4) scholarships of \$2500 each
For Aboriginal students enrolled in a
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Eight (8) bursaries of \$750 each
For Aboriginal high school students aged
13 to 18 enrolled in Grade 9 and up.

CHIP Hospitality "Leaders in Tourism" Scholarship Program - FAAY

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Four (4) scholarships of \$2500 per year for post-secondary students and Eight (8) bursaries of \$750 per year for

secondary students
Directed to students enrolled as beneficiaries under the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement. Scholarship students are to be enrolled in any program of studies at any accredited educational institution in Canada and bursary students are to be enrolled in Nunavut High Schools.

Sodexho "Sodexho's Future Stars" Scholarship Program - FAAY

Six (6) scholarships of \$2000 each
For Aboriginal students enrolled in
programs in food services dietetics or
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Canada. Among the scholarships, Sodexho
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Aboriginal Awards Program

In keeping with our commitment to provide educational support to the Aboriginal community, TransAlta will present four educational awards (two college and two university) in 2005 to Aboriginal (status, non-status, Métis and Inuit) students who meet the necessary qualifications.

To be eligible, you must meet the following criteria:

• You must be of Aboriginal ancestry

- You must have lived in Alberta for at least one year immediately prior to applying for the award
 You need financial support to pursue your education
- You possess promising academic qualifications (record of academic excellence)
 You must provide proof of enrollment to one of the ten colleges or four universities listed

You must provide proof of enrollment to one of the ten college:
 You maintain the required course load in your chosen program

Applications must be completed and returned by June 15, 2005. Your transcripts, which include all diploma exams written in June, must be received by July 15, 2005. A letter of acceptance and proof of enrollment from the educational institution is also required to complete the application.

For further information and application forms, please contact: Human Resources TransAlta

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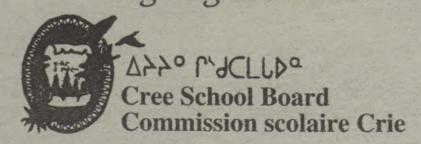
For more information please contact: Tania Daychief

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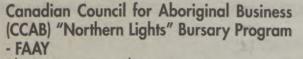
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- (780) 623-5580 • St. Paul Campus
- (780) 645-6214
- Cold Lake Campus (780) 594-3255

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Please see our ad on page 4. In appreciation of the role Premier Paul Okalik played in making CCAB's first Circle for 2015 annual gala dinner such a success, we committed a portion of the proceed of the dinner to help Nunavut students. The recipients are chosen in cooperation with the Nunavut Department of Education.

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The Canadian Aboriginal Science and Technology Society (CASTS) Scholarship **Programs**

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Currently, CASTS administers 4 unique scholarship programs:

* CASTS Scholarship This scholarship is made available to students pursuing academic programs in the sciences, engineering, health-related fields, natural resources and math and science secondary education. Programs of study may be two to four years or longer.

* Chief Crowfoot Professional Health Careers Scholarship

Administered for the Deb C. Crowfoot Professional Corporation, this scholarship is made available to four students pursuing professional health careers. the four scholarships are to be awarded in the following manner:

1. must be a member of the Siksika Nation or one of parents must be a Siksika Nation

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This scholarship is offered to students entering fields related to communications such as journalism, graphic design, television and radio arts.

* Canadian Society of Petroleum Geologists

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CASTS Scholarship Committee Treaty 7 Tribal Council 310-6940 Fisher Road. S.E., Calgary, Alberta T2H 0W3 Phone: (403) 258-1775 Fax: (403) 258-1811

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£ãni Etiè Tahltan Scholarship Value: \$300.00

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The scholarship is to go to a student of

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Box 52, Cecil Lake, BC VOC 1GO.

The successful candidate(s) sends a copy of registration in courses or institution

to:Stikine Scholarship Committee, School District #87 (Stikine),

Box 190. Dease Lake, BC VOC 1LO Phone: (250) 771-4440

Chief Joe Mathias BC Aboriginal Scholarship Eligible applicants are members of a BC First Nation who are in financial need and demonstrate merit with respect to accessing post-secondary education including:

* Courses of study towards a degree, or a certificate or diploma, at an eligible postsecondary education institution; or

* Post-graduate studies in an eligible postsecondary educational institution. Information: Chief Joe Mathias BC Aboriginal Scholarship c/o Deloitte & Touche P.O. Box 49279, Four Bentall Centre

2100 - 1055 Dunsmuir Street Vancouver, BC V7X 1P4

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ABORIGINAL EDUCATION PROGRA



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Applicants must have:

- Minimum Grade 12 education
- · Ability to work in a multicultural hospital environment
- Openness to Aboriginal cultural ceremonies
- Ability to form caring relationships

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Closing date for application is May 19, 2005.

A Stipend is provided during the training program.

For more information or to request an application form, contact:



Bob Cardinal Aboriginal Cultural Helper Royal Alexandra Hospital 10240 Kingsway Edmonton, AB T5H 3V9

Phone: 780-735-4119 • Fax: 780-735-4616

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The award will consist of:

- \$1,000
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ELIGIBILITY

- Must be an Alberta resident
- Have grade 12 or GED equivalent
- Have proof of acceptance into post secondary education program leading to a career in the petroleum industry
- · Be a member of one of the listed First Nations or Métis communities

LISTED COMMUNITIES ARE:

Beaver Lake First Nation **Buffalo Lake Métis Settlement** Cold Lake First Nations Elizabeth Métis Settlement Fishing Lake Métis Settlement

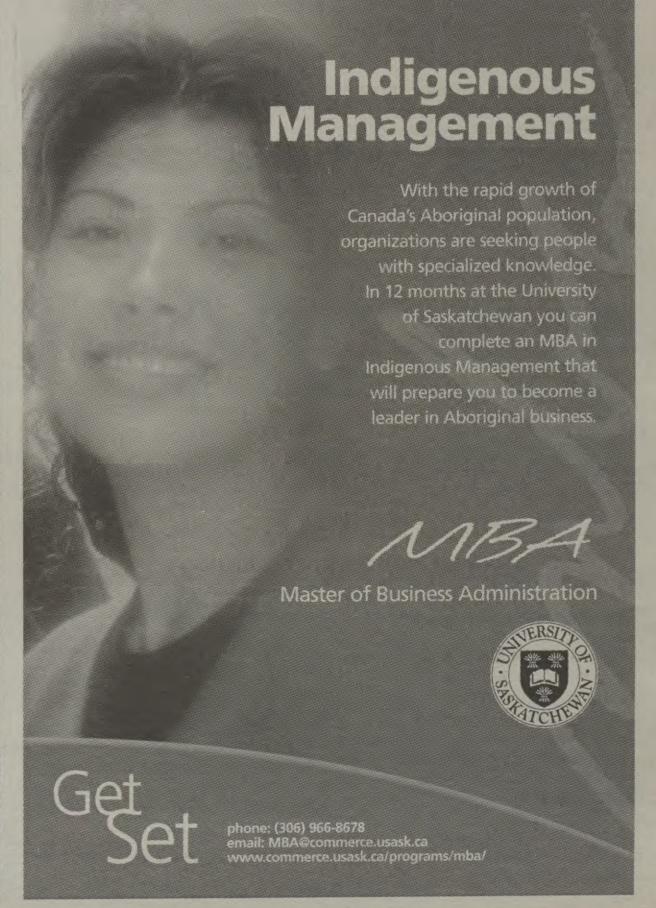
Frog Lake First Nation

Heart Lake First Nation Kikino Métis Settlement Kehewin Cree Nation Saddle Lake First Nation

Whitefish Lake First Nation

Zone 1 & 2 Métis Association

Application Deadline is June 30, 2005. Brochures and application forms may be obtained from: • The Education Coordinators at the listed communities or, • Imperial Oil Resources, P.O. Box 1020, Bonnyville, Alberta T9N 2J7 Phone: (780) 639-5194 Fax: (780) 639-5853





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Value: One award \$1,500 annually credit toward tuition fees.

Eligibility: Available to students in the outer Mid-Coast communities of Bella Bella (Waglisia), Klemtu, Shearwater, Ocean Falls, Rivers Inlet/Oweekeno, Dawson's Landing (Rivers Inlet) and Kingcome Inlet. Not available to students who permanently reside in Bella Coola. Must have supporting letter from their local First Nations Council and/or School District #49. Selection to be made by VCCApplication:

To the Dean of Student Service
Vancouver Community College
250 West Pender Street
Vancouver, BC V6B 1S9
Information:
Rebecca Dave, Development Officer
Vancouver Community College
Foundation
1155 East Broadway
PO Box 24620 Stn. "F"
Vancouver, BC V5N 5T9
Phone: (604)871-7148

BC Hydro Aboriginal Scholarship Program To encourage and financially assist Aboriginal people to pursue postsecondary education in disciplines relevant to BC Hydro and, where possible, to provide recipients with work experience. Value: Eight scholarships of \$1,000 each. Eligibility: Status Indian, Non-Status Indian, Inuit or Métis. Has successfully completed the first year of a full time postsecondary program in a discipline relevant to a broad range of BC Hydro careers. Good academic standing (preferably 75% grade point average) in addition to good written communications skills. Balanced lifestyle (i.e., fitness, community involvement, hobbies and interests). Supported by a British Columbia First Nation or Native organization. Information: Outreach Programs

BC Hydro 16th Floor, 333 Dunsmuir St. Vancouver, BC V6B 5R3 Phone: (604) 623-3994 Fax: (604) 623-3614

Mungo Martin Memorial Awards - British Columbia

To assist people of Native descent to further their education, vocational training, skills and competence. These awards are not only open to those who wish to further their general education and skills, but are available to those who seek to do creative work to further the artistic heritage of the Native peoples in their paintings, carving, music, dance, folklore or language. Value: Normally from \$100 to \$500.

Eligibility: Aboriginal ancestry.Living in British Columbia at the time of application.Preference will be given to young people.Must be a student at an accredited university or college.Must complete application form, provide two references and supply an official copy of transcripts.

Duration: Recipients may apply for further award in a subsequent year.

Deadline: May be received at any time for consideration at periodic meetings of the Board.

Information: Lucy Galloway P.O. Box 883 Qualicum Beach, BC V9K 1T2 Phone: (250) 752-8785 Fax: (250) 752-3076

Weyerhaeuser Canada BC Division Education

Awards
Value: Two awards valued at \$2000 each.
Eligibility: Aboriginals, women, visible minorities persons with disabilities.
Enrolled in University program relevant to a career at Weyerhaeuser.
Deadline: June 30
Diversity Education Awards Program
Weyerhaeuser Canada Ltd.
P.O. Box 800
Kamloops, BC V2C 5M7

ALBERTA

Alberta Apprenticeship Scholarship Program
Number: 165
Value: \$1000

Alberta industry is in desperate need of skilled tradespeople.
Funding for the Scholarship program was

Funding for the Scholarship program was raised through an industry andgovernment fund-matching campaign. Industry, with support from the AlbertaApprenticeship and Industry Training (AAIT) Board, raised a grand total of\$1.3 million and Alberta Learning committed to match the double ofindustry's contributions up to \$1 million. Complete criteria and applications

available at local Alberta Apprenticeship Industry Training offices. Information: Fairview College

Fairview College
Financial Services Department
Toll free 1-888-999-7882, ext.654
www.tradesecrets.org

The Belcourt Brosseau Métis Awards

If you are a Métis residing in Alberta and need financial help to pursue your education or upgrade your skills, a Belcourt Brosseau Métis Award can help you take the next step. It will give you the opportunity to continue your education by covering a portion of your tuition costs. Deadline: May 15 of each year For more information:
Toll Free: 1-866-626-0015

TransAlta Aboriginal Awards Program Please see our ad on page 8.

Web site: www.DollarsForLearners.com

In keeping with our commitment to provide educational support to the Aboriginal community, TransAlta will present four educational awards (two college and two university) in 2002 to Aboriginal (status, non-status, Métis and Inuit) students who meet the necessary qualifications.

Eligibility: You must meet the following criteria: You must be of Aboriginal ancestry; You must have lived in Alberta for at least one year immediately prior to applying for the award; You need financial support to pursue your education; You possess promising academic qualifications (record of academic excellence); You must provide proof of enrollment to one of the ten colleges or four universities listed; You maintain the required course load in your chosen program.

Your transcripts, which include all diploma exams written in June, must be received by July 15, 2005.

A letter of acceptance and proof of enrollment from the educational institution is also required to complete the application.

Information and application forms, please contact:

Human Resources TransAlta 110-12 Avenue, SW, Box 1900 Calgary, Alberta, T2P 2M1 Phone: (403) 267-3702

Edmonton Métis Cultural Dance Society Community Scholarships - High School

To encourage Aboriginal students in Alberta to pursue Studies at recognized High School. Value: Two \$500.00 scholarships one to a female and one to a male

Eligibility: An Aboriginal youth in an Alberta high school. Must live in the province of Alberta, have a lot of community involvement, is helping to preserve the Aboriginal culture in their community.

Scholarships, will be given out at the Annual Louis Riel Gala during Métis Week in Edmonton. All recipients must be in attendance and available for the award.

Edmonton Métis Cultural Dance Society Community Scholarships - Post Secondary To encourage Aboriginal single parents, and children of single parent families, to further their education at the postsecondary level.

Amount: Two \$500.00 scholarships one to a female and one to a male.

Eligibility: An Aboriginal Person in a recognized post-secondary institution located in Alberta. Must live in the province of Alberta, have a lot of community involvement, is helping to preserve the Aboriginal culture in their community. Scholarships, will be given out at the Annual Louis Riel Gala during Métis Week in Edmonton. All recipients must be in attendance and available for the award. Edmonton Métis Cultural Dance Society

10104 - 121 Street Edmonton, Alberta T5N 1K4 Phone: (780) 451-1072 Fax: (780) 451-1137 www.metisdance.com

Athabasca University - School of Business , Indigenous Bursary

Value: 100% tuition, reimbursed upon successful course completion.
Eligibility: Any student of Indigenous ancestry enrolled in businesscourses at Athabasca University

Information:
Pauline Windsor
Indigenous Student Advisor
School of Business
1-800-788-9041 ext, 6149

Husky Energy

Aboriginal Education Awards Program

Husky Energy's Education Awards are available to anyone of Aboriginal ancestry in Canada, who possesses suitable academic qualifications, is in need of financial assistance and demonstrates a career interest in the oil and gas industry. Individuals pursuing academic upgrading at a secondary institute or post-secondary studies at a community college, technical institute or university are eligible to apply.

One of Husky Energy's Workforce Diversity mandates is the development of Aboriginal business opportunities and employment of Aboriginal people. To support this mandate, the Education Awards Program is tailored to assist Aboriginal people in achieving success by pursuing advanced education.

Bursaries will be awarded in the following categories:

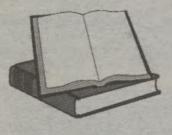
University (maximum four years of funding)

Community or Technical College (maximum two years of funding)

Secondary School (maximum one year of funding)

\$1,000

Applications for the 2005/06 education year must be completed and returned to Husky Energy by May 31, 2005. To apply for an Education Award, or receive more information, email aboriginal.affairs@huskyenergy.ca, or contact Josie Pearce at (403) 750-1427, or write to:



Aboriginal Affairs Department Husky Energy Inc. P.O. Box 6525, Station D Calgary, Alberta T2P 2C7

Training in your community with NAIT in Motion

NAIT is proud to help Aboriginal leaders bring career-related programs to their communities. We are committed to planning and delivering on-site training that will help learners succeed.

Our two new mobile education units - called NAIT in Motion - are capable of bringing NAIT training to communities anywhere in western and northern Canada where there is a demand for education in skilled trades. These two self-contained mobile shops hook up to heavy duty trucks for transport to remote areas, and can be set up in about an hour. These units are fully equipped for training in:





- millwright
- machining
- gasfitting
- pipefitting/steamfittingbench-work (electrical and
- bench-work (electrical and plumbing)

To discuss customized programming or delivery of a program in your community, please call:
Stephen Crocker, Manager
Aboriginal Training Programs
Phone: (780) 378-5035

Fax: (780) 471-8993 E-mail: scrocker@nait.ca

To learn more about the wide range of programs available on NAIT campuses, and our services for Aboriginal students, contact: Aboriginal Liaison Services Phone: (780) 471-7613

www.nait.ca

Bring on the future



The Aboriginal Bursary & Scholarship Guide is online at: www.ammsa.com

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Check online for Aboriginal scholarship/bursary updates at www.ammsa.com





BACHELOR OF MANAGEMENT IN FIRST NATIONS GOVERNANCE

The University of Lethbridge Faculty of Management and Department of Native American Studies are proud to offer Alberta's first Bachelor of Management in First Nations Governance.

This unique program is rich in tradition and innovation. It focuses on governance in an Aboriginal setting and combines a First Nations' perspective with management studies.

The Bachelor of Management in First Nations Governance prepares graduates for careers in business, government, leadership, management, self-government and tribal administration.

The University of Lethbridge is currently accepting applications for Fall 2005. We invite you to join us and experience the excitement of learning.

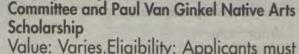
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First Nations Governance Faculty of Management University of Lethbridge Phone: (403) 329-2369 Fax: (403) 329-2038 E-mail: fng@uleth.ca

www.uleth.ca/man/first-nations/



Calgary Stampede Foundation Indian Events

Value: Varies. Eligibility: Applicants must be Treaty 7 members who are entering or are currently enrolled in a recognized post-secondary art program. The applicant must include with the application a professional portfolio of six to ten pieces. If the original is not available, a high quality photograph will be accepted. (No slides). The winner is notified by telephone and must be available to receive the award at the Calgary Stampede Auction. Information: Calgary Exhibition and Stampede

1410 Olympic Way S.E. Calgary, Alberta T2G 2W1 Phone: (403) 261-0137

Laurence Decore Awards for Student

Eligibility: Applicants must be Alberta residents who are currently enrolled in a minimum of three full courses at a designated Alberta post-secondary institution. Applicants must also be involved in either student government or student societies, clubs, or organizations. Additionally, candidates may be involved in student organizations at the provincial or national level or in non-profit community organizations.

Selection: Applicants must be nominated by fellow students from their institution. Each institution is responsible for the formation of a Selection Committee to review nominations and recommend

Award: A total of 100 awards are divided among eligible Alberta post-secondary

Awards are valued at \$500 each.

Nominations must be submitted to the institutions by March 1. Some institutions may impose an earlier deadline.

Alberta Heritage Scholarship Fund (AHSF)
9th Floor- 9940 106 Street
Box 28000 Station Main
Edmonton, Alberta T5J 4R4

Phone (780) 427-8640 (In Alberta, but

Theodore R. Campbell Scholarship Deadline is June 1.

outside Edmonton dial 310-0000)

This scholarship was created to reward the accomplishments of an aboriginal student from Blue Quills First Nations College. The scholarship was established by the family of Ted R. Campbell through the Alberta Heritage Scholarship Fund

Endowment Program.
Eligibility: Applicants must be Alberta residents who have completed the first year of an Education degree (university transfer) at Blue Quills First Nations College. Applicants must have completed a minimum of 24 credits with passing marks in all courses. The applicant must be continuing in the Education program. Selection: Blue Quills will determine the qualifying applicant based on their 1st

year grade point average.

Award: Each year 1 scholarship of \$1,500 will be awarded.

Application forms are available from the Research and Planning Office at Blue Quills College OR

Alberta Heritage Scholarship Fund (AHSF) 9th Floor - 9940 106 Street Box 28000 Station Main Edmonton, Alberta T5J 4R4 Phone (780) 427-8640 (In Alberta, but outside Edmonton dial 310-0000)

Robert C. Carson Memorial Bursary
Deadline: Students should contact the
financial aid office of their institution.
Value: \$500

Number Available: Five
Eligibility: Awarded to Aboriginal students
without sponsorship enrolled full-time in
their second year of the Law Enforcement,
Criminal Justice Diploma or Faculty of Law
programs at Lethbridge Community
College, Mount Royal College, Grant
MacEwan Community College, University
of Calgary or University of Alberta.
Applicants must have been a resident of
Alberta for a minimum for three years
prior to applying.

Application forms are available from the institution's Student Awards Office.

Sylvia Schulze Memorial Bursary for Alex Taylor School

Offered through Grant McEwan Community College, Edmonton to female student who attended Alex Taylor School in central Edmonton, with priority given

to an Aboriginal student. For more

information contact:

Executive Director
Grant McEwan Community College
Foundation
Edmonton, Alberta
Phone: (780) 497-5545

TransCanada Aboriginal Awards Program (Formerly Nova Corporation Awards -Nova Corporation has merged with TransCanada)

TransCanada's Aboriginal Awards Program is designed to encourage and assist Aboriginal people (status and nonstatus Indians, Métis and Inuit) to obtain undergraduate post-secondary education. Closing Date: May 15

Value: Annually, seven (7) college awards of \$3,500 each per year for students attending certain Alberta colleges. Eligibility: Aboriginal ancestry; provide proof of acceptance into one of seven

colleges listed; maintain full course load in chosen program; possess promising academic qualifications; require financial support.

Eligible Schools: Grande Prairie Regional College; Grant MacEwan Community College; Lakeland College; Mount Royal College; Northern Alberta Institute of Technology; Olds College; Southern Alberta Institute of Technology. For more information contact:

College Awards: Human Resources TransCanada 450 - 1st Street, S.W. Box 1000, Station 'M' Calgary, Alberta T2P 5H1 Phone: (403) 920-2894 Fax: (403) 920-2370

NAIT Aboriginal Student Club Please see our ad on page 8. Value: \$800

Number: 1
Eligibility: Available to students of Aboriginal Heritage who are enrolled in the second year of the Forest Technology program. Conditions: Awarded on the basis of academic achievement.

Deadline: September 30th

Office of the Registrar
Student Awards and Financial Aid
The Northern Alberta Insituitute of
Technology
Suite 1000 11762-106 Street N.W.

Edmonton, Alberta T5G 3H1

Syncrude Aboriginal and Women Education Awards Program Deadline: June 30

Two awards of \$2000.00 each for Aboriginal people attending post secondary educational institutions in programs related to the oil sands industry (i.e. engineering, computer science, technologists etc.)

Two awards of \$2000.00 each for Aboriginal people attending post secondary educational institutions pursuing studies in the Finance/Accounting/Business disciplines.

Two awards of \$2000.00 each for women attending post secondary institutions pursuing a degree in Science & Technology.

Eligibility: Aboriginal peoples (Indian, Inuit & Metis) Women pursuing studies in science & technology

You must: have lived in Alberta for at least one year immediately prior to applying for the award, or formerly long-term residents; meet the academic requirements for the program of study; maintain a full course work load leading to a recognized degree or diploma; provide proof of acceptance into accredited colleges or universities within Canada (must be provided before awards are received) How to apply: Application forms are available from the address listed below. Please send your completed application form along with the required transcripts and proof of acceptance to the address outlined below. Please note that if proof of acceptance and/or transcripts are not available at that time, then it must be

award program contact:
Nora Flett
Phone: (780) 790-6442
Syncrude Aboriginal/Women Education
Awards Program
P.O. Bag 4009, M.D. 1200,

produced prior to receiving the award.

For further information regarding this

Northern Alberta Development Council
Application deadline: May 15
Are you interested in living and working in northern Alberta? If so, consider

Fort McMurray, Alberta T9H 3L1

in northern Alberta? If so, consider applying for one of the 125 NADC Bursaries offered each year to Alberta students. Bursaries are offered to students



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in a wide range of programs including education, technical programs, health, business and social services. Bursaries are valued at \$3,000. Upon graduation, recipients live and work for one year within the Northern Alberta Development Council boundary. Applicants must be Alberta residents based on Students Finance regulations. Applicants must also be within two years of completing their program. Students receive a maximum of two

Applications are available online: click OR:

Northern Alberta Development Council Postal Bag 900-14 Peace River, Alberta T8S 1T4 780-624-6545 (toll-free first dial 310-0000)

Alberta Scholarship Programs 9th Floor, 9940 - 106 Street Edmonton, Alberta T5J 4R4 (780) 427-8640 (toll free first dial 310-0000)

Grant MacEwan College Foundation - Alberta Deadline for application June 15 for following academic year Aboriginal business Leadership Award Four (4) awards of \$1,500 each Executive Director Grant McEwan Community College Foundation Edmonton, Alberta Phone: (780) 497-5545

Imperial Oil Cold Lake Aboriginal Education Awards Program - Alberta Deadline: June 30 of each year. Imperial Oil's Cold Lake operation offers a one-time educational award of \$1,000 to individuals of local native ancestry. The award is designed to assist a student in his/her first or second year of postsecondary education towards a career in

Approved programs range from business studies to technical fields and applicants must be a registered member of a qualifying Treaty, Métis Settlement or

the petroleum industry.

Association within the Cold Lake area. Application form, full program guidelines and eligibility details can be obtained by calling Imperial Oil Community and Aboriginal Affairs at 780-639-5194.

Alberta Sport, Recreation, Parks and Wildlife Foundation - Alberta's Future Leaders

For young people of Alberta's indigenous

Program will use sport, recreation and the local environment to address the needs of Alberta's indigenous youth Contact: Karla Moir

(780) 422-7110 Alberta Sport, Recreation, Parks and Wildlife Foundation, Edmonton, Alberta

Alberta College of Art and Design Artstream is an upgrading program for those who demonstrate artisitic ability but who do not meet Alberta College of Art & Design's academic and/or English

proficiency requirements Grant money is available covering living expenses, tuition and supplies if you are eligible

Contact: (403) 284-7600 or 1-800-251-8290

Aboriginal Health Bursary Program - Alberta

Apply by May 15 Partnership program with Alberta Health and Alberta Heritage Scholarship Fund. Designed to provide funding for Aboriginal students in Alberta to pursue post-secondary education in a health field. Awards valued up to \$12,000 for college/ technical programs or \$13,000 for

university programs.
Up to 20 awards will be available annually,

Applicants must be Indian, Inuit or Metis and have been a resident of Alberta for 3

Must be enrolled or will be enrolled in a health field at the college, technical institute or university level and demonstrate financial need

Have maintained full-time enrollment (60% of a full course load) and passing marks in all courses in their previous year of study if they are entering their second or subsequent year

Contact: Alberta Heritage Scholarship Fund. 6th Floor, 9940 - 106 Street Edmonton, Alberta T5K 2V1 Phone: (780) 427-8640

Alberta Energy Company Limited Native Scholarship Award

Value: Five (5) \$3,500 scholarships each year. Must be accepted into the oil and gas industry at an accredited technicalschool, college or university. Candidates must have resided in Northwest Territories, British Columbia, Alberta or other areas where AEC has an operation interest.

Applications are available by contacting: Alberta Energy Company Ltd. 3900 - 421 - 7 Ave S.W. Calgary, Alberta T2P 4K9 Fax: (403) 266-8212

Weyerhaeuser Canada Scholarships - Alberta Each year, Weyerhaeuser Canada offers scholarships to young men and women from the Peace Country and Grande Cache, Alberta who are furthering their education in Commerce, Engineering, and

Tweleve awards of \$1,000 each are awarded to nine high school graduates and three first-year college graduates enrolled at a university, college or techinical institute in Alberta. Of the nine awards to high school students, one will be offered to a student of Native ancestry (Métis, Indian, Inuit).

High School Awards: Deadline July 15 Peace Wapiti School Board #33, 8611A-103 Street

Grande Prairie, Alberta T8V 4C5 College Awards: Deadline April 15 Awards Advisory Committee, Grande Prairie Regional College 10726-106 Avenue Grande Prairie, Alberta T8V 4C4

Alberta Law Foundation Scholarship -University of Lethbridge: Deadline May 31

One annual award of \$5,000 is available to an Aboriginal student entering first year at the Faculty of Law on the basis of academic standing. The award is renewable in the sum of \$3,500 per year tor a turther two years subject to the recipient maintaining a satisfactory academic standing.

No additional documentation is required to apply. Your application to the Faculty automatically is considered as an application for the Law Foundation Scholarship.

Undergraduate Awards for Native American Students

Bobby-Jo Stannard stanrj@hg.uleth.ca There are several Undergraduate scholarship opportunities for students of Native American descent at the University of Lethbridge (for example;

Peigan Nation Scholarship, Lubov Alexandra de Grandmaison Scholarship - Native American Studies, Lubov Alexandra de Grandmaison Scholarship - Fine Arts). The terms of reference for these scholarships can be found in the back of the UofL Calander.

Applications for the UofL Undergraduate Awards are available at the Financial Aid and Student Awards Office (SU047).

Native Foundation Trust Bursary - Grande Prairie Native Friendship Centre

For high school students entering an arts, science or business program at a recognized educational institute. Amount: The number and amount of bursaries vary from year to year. Eligibility: Must have attended a recognized educational facility within Grande Prairie and area. Academic standing. Financial need.Duration: N/ A.Deadline: October of each year. Information: Executive Director Grande Prairie Friendship Centre 10507 98th Avenue Grande Prairie, Alberta T8V 4L1 Phone: (780) 532-5722

Senator James Gladstone Memorial Scholarship - Alberta Indian Investment Corp. To recognize excellence and achievement by a Treaty Indian and to encourage and assist Treaty Indians in the pursuit of postsecondary education in the area of business, finance or economics.

Fax: (780) 539-5121

Amount: Maximum of \$750 for students enrolled in colleges and technical institutions. Maximum of \$1,000 for students enrolled in universities. Eligibility: Treaty Indian and resident of

Enrolled full time at a college, university or technical school in one of the following

programs: Commerce 2. Business 3. Administration 4. Accounting 5. Small

Personal and academic objectives, particularly as they relate to Aboriginal



Two-year Visual Art Diploma **Business of Art Certificate Traditional First Nations Art Certificate Professional Artist Residency Program**



White Mountain Academy of the Arts operates as a post-secondary visual arts training institution that offers students a dymanic experience of contemporary art disciplines, First Nations art and culture, and a community of artists that include local and international participants.



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Qualified graduates of White Mountain's two-year diploma program can transfer their credits towards a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree at the Ontario College of Art and Design (OCAD).

White Mountain Academy of the Arts provides a conducive environment to develop your art practice. Currently we are accepting a select number of placements for professional artists to nurture new projects. For the May session, artists may choose from one week up to one month. Space is limited so book early.



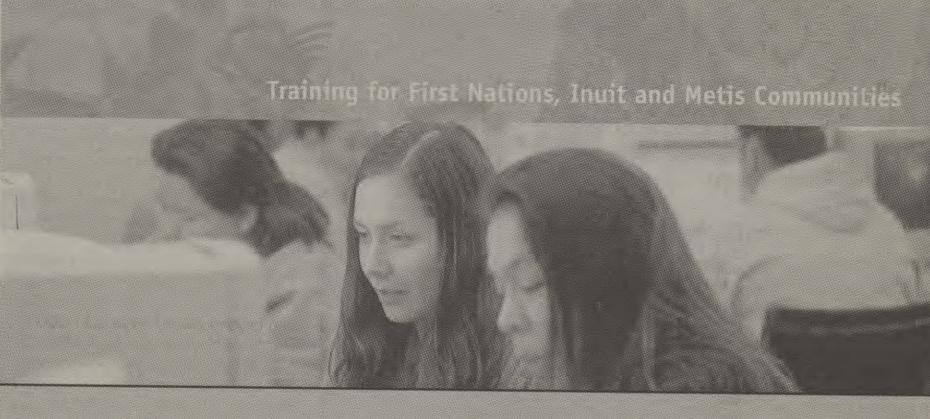
99 Spine Road, Elliot Lake, Ontario P5A 3S9 www.whitemountainacademy.edu

White Mountain Academy of the Arts gratefully acknowledges the support of

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Human Resources Development Canada

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Vanessa Everett, Manager Aboriginal Programs 403.284.8979 or 1.866.884.7117

For almost two decades SAIT has been working with First Nations, Inuit and Métis to deliver training programs that meet the needs of their communities. Today, we bring training to more than 50 Aboriginal communities across western Canada.

Our training is hands-on and covers a wide variety of areas in demand by industry including construction trades, computers, business skills, oil and gas, hospitality and tourism, transportation, manufacturing, health, life management and more.

Call today to explore how SAIT can work with your community.



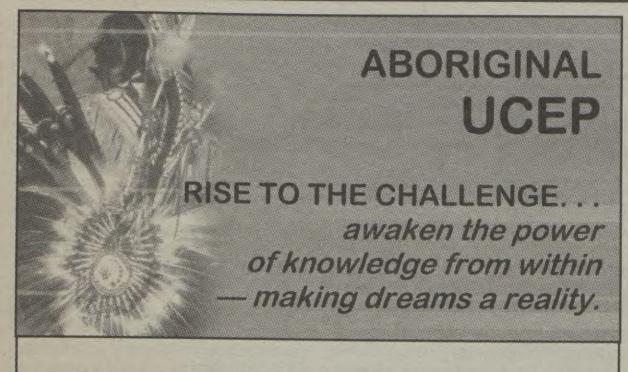
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University and College Entrance Program (since 1985)

- acquire the pre-requisites for university, college or technical programs
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- financial assistance may be available

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Faculty of Continuing Education 10537 - 44 Street Edmonton AB T6A 1W1 www.ucep.concordia.ab.ca ucep@concordia.ab.ca

(780) 413-7804



St. Thomas More College Aboriginal Scholarships 4 at \$1000

St. Thomas More College is committed to making post secondary education more accessible. These new scholarships are available to aboriginal students enrolled through St. Thomas More College at the University of Saskatchewan and who are in the Aboriginal First Year Experience Program.



Contact us at: 1-800-667-2019 info@stmcollege.ca www.stmcollege.ca



economic and business development in Canada.

Information: General Manager Alberta Indian Investment Corporation P.O. Box 577 Winterburn, Alberta TOE 2NO Phone: (780) 470-3600

Aboriginal Business Leadership Awards Amount: Minimum of 4 @ \$1,500 each annually

Deadline: June 15

Fax: (780) 470-3605

Conditions: Self-employed Aboriginal students and 2nd or mature Aboriginal students who are attending a public postsecondary educational institution in Alberta and enrolled in a program leading to a certificate, diploma, or degree in a business or commerce.

SASKATCHEWAN

FSIN Senator Hilliard McNab CM Memorial Foundation and Scholarship Fund

Application deadline:: Postmarked no later than July 31.

The Senator Hilliard McNab Foundation and Scholarship Fund was established after the death of Senator McNab, in commemoration in education and in young people.

If you are entering third year or higher in University or comparable postsecondary program, and are registered as a treaty indian with a Saskatchewan First Nation you may be eligible. You are eligible to win only once in undergraduate years; only twice in postsecondary studies.

Deadline is July 31 of each year. Complete transcript of post-secondary marks must accompany the letter of application.

Letter of application should include the name of your band, your number, a brief biography and some of your interests and activities.

A list of the subjects you are registering for in your next semester and confirmation of your intention to continue should be included. Mail your completed application to:

FSIN Senator Hilliard McNab CM Memorial Foundation and Scholarship

c/o Mrs. Irene Walter Box 385

Punnichy, SK SOA 3COI Ph: (306) 835-2770 or (306) 835-2285

SaskPower Diversity Awards Program Award description: There are two awards categories:

Entrance: up to seven awards will be presented in each academic year for students entering first-year studies. Continuing: up to eight awards will be presented in each academic year for students entering second-year studies and beyond. Award value is \$1,500 Deadline: No later than September 30. Although students are eligible to apply

for the SaskPower Diversity Awards Program and the SaskPower Scholarship Program, the same student cannot receive both awards.

Application forms are available on-line at www.saskpower.com/awards

Weyerhaeuser Canada, Saskatchewan **Division - Educational Awards Program**

Number: Four, annually Value:\$2,500 for University\$1,200 for Technical

Deadline: June 30

Eligibility: Applicant must be enrolled in a university or technical institute program that is relevant to Weyerhaeuser's Saskatchewan businesses, including but not limited to: Forestry, Engineering, Accounting, Computer Science

Preference is given to individuals of Aboriginal ancestry, women in non-traditional roles, disabled persons and members of visible minorities.

Education Awards Program, Weyerhaeuser Canada Saskatchewan Division

P.O. Box 1900 Prince Albert, Saskatchewan S6V 6J9 Fax: (306) 922-1371

SaskEnergy Aboriginal Scholarships In support of Saskatchewan Aboriginal youth, SaskEnergy provides 14 post-secondary scholarships each year.

Students must attend Saskatchewan Indian federated College (SIFC), Saskatchewan Indian Institute of Technologies (SIIT), Gabriel Dumont Institute and Dumont Technical Institute.

Value: Varies from \$1000 to \$5,000 Eligibility: Aboriginal; Saskatchewan resident; Saskatchewan high school graduate; achieve 80% average in grades 11 and 12; demonstrate financial need; register full-time for the fall or winter semesters.

Phone: (306) 777-9079 Contact each institution for application torms.

City of Regina - Henry Baker Scholarships Please see our ad on page 14.

The City of Regina offers six scholarships to students at the University of Regina including one at SIFC in Regina Value: 2@ \$1000 and 4@ \$2,000 Deadline: August 1st Information: Phone: (306) 777-7800 Application form: www.cityregina.com Return completed application to: City of Regina Public Affairs Division City Hall, 14 th Floor P. O. Box 1790 Regina, Saskatchewan S4P 3C8

Fraser Scholarship - Moose Jaw School Division To encourage an Aboriginal student from Moose Jaw Public School Division to pursue studies at a recognized post-secondary institution.

Value: Approximately \$400 Eligibility: Native ancestry Graduated from Moose Jaw Public School Division. Entering first year at a recognized post-secondary institution.

Duration: Annual Deadline: June 1-each year Information: Moose Jaw Public School Division 1075 9th Avenue NW

Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan S6H 4J6 Phone: (306) 693-4631 Fax: (306) 694-4686

Eugene Lavallee Memorial Scholarship Deadline: June 15

One valued at \$500Awarded in preference to First Nations students whose home community is in the Touchwood File Hills Qu'Appelle area. Subsequent preference will be given to First Nations students from Saskatchewan.

Award based on highest average marks and then based on experience in the field of addictions. In the event of two or more students having similar marks the scholarship will be awarded based on

No student may be receive this scholarship two years consecutively.

Apply to: Judie J. Birns, Executive Director

New Dawn Valley Centre

Fort Qu'Appelle, Saskatchewan SOG 1SO

Cameco Northern Scholarship:

Deadline June 30

Scholarships of up to \$4,000 for university degree programs, up to \$3,600 for technoical training at a recognized technical institute is available.

Eligible individuals must have resided in the Northern Administration District of Saskatchewan for five (5) years immediately prior to application. Special consideration will be given to applicants pursuing careers related to some aspect of the mining industry. Application forms are available from individual schools or Cameco's Norther Affairs office:

Cameco Northern Affairs P.O. Box 1049 LaRonge, Saskatchewan SOJ 1LO

Cameco Scholarship: Deadline June 30

Several scholarships of \$1,000 are provided annually to selected dependent children of regular Cameco employees, in recognition of the superior academic performance.

Manager, Compensation and Benefits, Human Resources and Administration Division,

Cameco Corporation 2121 11th Street West,

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan S7M 1J3.

SIIT and SaskTel Scholarships:

Deadline for applications is September 1 SaskTel awards eleven scholarships annually, at a value of \$3,000 each. Our scholarship program focuses on two primary areas:

1. We require a student to be enrolled in a discipline related to the telecommunications industry - primarily engineering, computer science, accounting, marketing and administration.

2. We encourage students in designated groups within employment equityto pursue post-secondary education in fields related to our business; however, our awards are not limited to equity candidates.

SaskTel accepts applicants enrolled in relevant degree, diploma orcertificate programs in all Saskatchewan postsecondary educationinstitutes.

Further it is also now possible to apply online by visiting:

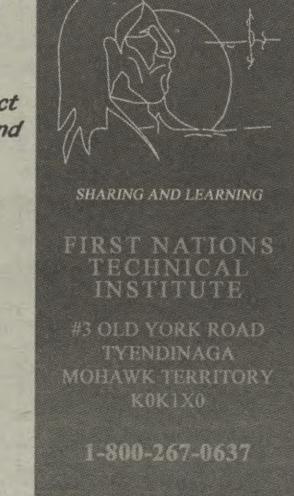
Cogema Resources Inc. Scholarships:

Deadline: June 28 Eight (8) \$3,500 University and Four (4) \$3,000 Technical Available annually to Northern Saskatchewan residents for courses of study of future benefit to the north. Information and application forms: Manager, Northern Affairs Cogema Resources Inc. P.O. Box 900, La Ronge, Saskatchewan SOJ 1LO Phone: (306) 425-6880

Fax: (306) 425-6886



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WWW.FNTI.NET/FLY CALL BRENDA S. 1-800-263-4220



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Margaret M. Aikenhead Scholarship in

Nursing:
An annual \$500 award presented to a former resident and grade XII graduate, within the last seven years, from the Melfort Union Hospital Administrative area. As well, the successful completion of at least the 1st year and enrolled in at least the 2nd year of the Diploma Nursing program or enrolled in the 4th, or 5th of the Degree Program in a recognized School of Nursing. Further information and application forms available by contacting:

Executive Director, Melfort Union Hospital, Box 1480, Melfort, Saskatchewan SOE

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SaskPower Northern Spirit Scholarship

Deadline: June 30.
Four \$2,500 institute scholarships are available to permanent residents of Northern Saskatchewan applying or enrolled in a full-time program. Applicants must have a "B" academic average in most recent year completed and be enrolled in a program of benefit to Northern development. Applications are available from and submitted by June 30

Northern Spirit Scholarship Program, SaskPower Northern Enterprise Fund, Box 939,

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan S7K 3M4

Delta Catalytic Scholarship
Deadline: June 30One (1) \$2,000
University and Two (2) \$1,000 Technical
are available annually to Northern
Saskatchewan residents willing to return
to Northern Saskatchewan to practice or
work. Send transcripts to Cogema
Resources Inc.

Must be a program of benefit to the north.

Manager, Northern Affairs

Cogema Resources Inc.

P.O. Box 900,

La Ronge, SK SOJ 1L0

Bill Hanson Bursary/Scholarship Program
Sponsored by: Treeline Association of

I.A.N.E.
Eligibility: Aboriginal ancestry student enrolled in post-secondary or Adult Basic Education who has indicated a preference in commerce, bookkeeping, receptionist/secretarial, clerical accounting, business administration, accounting, or data entry Value: Two at \$150

Criteria: Have demonstrated proficiency in academics, involvement with extracurricular activities and community volunteer organizations, leadership qualities, proven dedication and perseverance in overcoming educational barriers, intent on continuing studies at a recognized university or technical institute for the next academic year.

tor the next academic year.
Deadline: May
Applications available from:
Vicki Drieger Royal Bank
1135 Central Avenue
Prince Albert, SK
Fax: (306) 953-5766

Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation Post-

secondary Scholarships
Eligibility: Saskatchewan resident who is enrolled or about to be enrolled in full-time studies at a post-secondary education institute in Saskatchewan and must be taking a program related to the following: recreational and leisure studies; business administration; hospitality management; electronics and computer technologies; or

communications.
Value: Six (6) \$1000 scholarships for university degree programs; Eight \$500 scholarships for certificate/diploma

Criteria: Selection criteria includes: education and career focus; academic standing; commitments to work, education, family and community; and financial need. Deadline Date: May 31

Applications submitted to: Saskatchewan Gaming Scholarship Committee 3rd Floor, 1880 Saskatchewan Drive Regina, Saskatchewan S4P 0B2

Donald R. Simmons Memorial Scholarship
Eligibility: Indian or Metis ancestry
Value: Two \$500 awards
Criteria: Enrolled in first year of approved
institution, Grade 12 graduate; General
Proficiency Award applicants excluded
Deadline Date: October 15
Applications submitted to: Saskatchewan
Education, Training and Employment
Student Financial Assistance Unit
Ground Floor, East Wing,
Walter Scott Building
305 Albert Street
Regina, SK S4P 3V7
Phone: (306) 787-6419

Gabriel Dumont Award
To assist Aboriginal students enrolled at the Kelsey Institute in furthering their

education. One award is designated to each of the following divisions:. Adult Basic Education (ABE). Industrial Engineering. Health, Science and Community Services Value: Three awards of \$250 each Eligibility: Aboriginal student enrolled in a full-time, on-campus program at Kelsey Campus. Academic achievement. Involvement in student life activities. Participation in and contribution to the community. Duration: Annual.

Deadline: May 31 each year for ABE. February 28 each year for Industrial Engineering and Health, Science and Community Services.

Information:
Director, Student Awards
SIAST Kelsey Institute
P.O. Box 1520
Saskatoon, SK S7K 3R5
Phone: (306) 933-8351
Fax: (306) 933-6490

MANITOBA

Louis Riel Scholarships at Brandon University
Are awarded to entering or returning
students of Brandon University who are
Manitoba residents of Métis status and
who demonstrate strong academic
potential. As part of their application,
applicants must provide a letter stating they
are either members of the Manitoba Métis
Federation or are eligible for membership
in the Manitoba Métis Federation.

Applicants who are offered a scholarship must register as full-time students at Brandon University. Students may appeal to defer taking up the award for up to 12 months upon written request to the Scholarship Committee. Students may apply and be considered for this award more than once. Scholarship holders must achieve satisfactory academic progress at Brandon University. A minimum cumulative g.p.a. of 2.5 (letter grade C+) is required to receive the award. Funds from these scholarships are disbursed in two installments, the first half normally in September and the second half in January. Retention of the second installment is conditional upon the recipient's maintenance of a satisfactory academic performance (C+ cumulative average). Value: Up to 6 awards per year, value \$1500 each.

For more information or copies of application forms, please contact:

Ms Janet Omstead Wood Senate Awards Office Brandon University 270 - 18th Street Brandon, MB R7A 6A9 Phone: (204) 727-9737 Fax: (204) 727-4072

Business Council of Manitoba Aboriginal Education Awards

Deadline: March 15
Value: Each award is up to a maximum of \$3,000 for university students or

\$1,500 for college students.
The Business Council Awards are available to anyone of Aboriginal ancestry who is pursuing post-secondary education in Manitoba. You must maintain a full course load (60%), need financial assistance and be interested in working with one of the Business Council's member companies. The awards are to assist with

the cost of tuition, books and supplies.
For more information please contact the financial awards office at any of Manitoba's public post-secondary institutions.

Louis Riel Institute - Bursary & Scholarships -

Deadline: Due dates vary, check with university directly

All Métis students planning to attend one of the four (4) provincial universities in Manitoba are eligible to apply for an award.

Bursaries are awarded primarily on the basis of economic need. Scholarships are awarded primarily on the basis of academic merit. The value & number of each award varies at each university and is best obtained directly from the University.

Application: Louis Riel Institute 103-150 Henry Avenue Winnipeg, Manitoba

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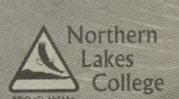
Students must apply to University Studies at Northern Lakes College straight from secondary school to be eligible.

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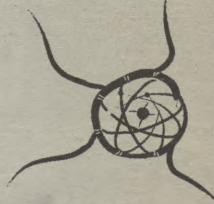
The Belcourt Brosseau Métis Awards

Do you want to be a...
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What's Your Dream?

If you are Métis, residing in Alberta and need financial help to pursue your education or upgrade your skills, a Belcourt Brosseau Métis Award may help you take the next step. In 2004, 85 awards ranging from \$1,000 to \$7,000 were awarded to Métis students across Alberta to support studies in a number of programs and training opportunities offered at qualified post secondary schools in Alberta.

The deadline for all applications is May 15



For more information call 1-866-626-0015 or visit www.DollarsForLearners.com

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scholarship selection committee before final decisions are made.

Application forms are available online or from your school guidance counsellor. Please be sure to include with your application: 1. Transcript of your marks. 2. Proof of acceptance into eligible postsecondary program of study. 3. Resume. 4. Responses to all four (4) short answer questions.

Application Forms: Pursue Your Calling - Printable

Application Form (PDF) Contact the MTS Community Relations Department.

Phone, write or e-mail us at: Pursue Your Calling Scholarship Program c/o MTS Community Relations Department

P.O. Box 6666, (MP18C) 333 Main Street Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 3V6 Phone: (204) 941-8341

Abraham McPherson Memorial Scholarship

Award provided by Manitoba Aboriginal Education Counselling Association Inc. to Aboriginal students pursuing postsecondary education in the counselling field.

Value: Four scholarships at \$250 each Eligibility: Aboriginal ancestry (Status, Non-Status, Inuit, Métis); Manitoba resident, high school graduate with overall 70% average in graduating. Procedure: Applicants are available from the Student Services Centre Awards

Office, from any Tribal Council, , Band Education Authority in Manitoba. Deadline: May 31 Manitoba Aboriginal Education Counselling Association Inc.

305-352 Donald Stret. Winnipeg, Manitoba R3B 2H8 Phone: (204) 947-0421

Manitoba Hydro's Awards Bursaries and Scholarships

Employment Equity Bursary Deadline: October 1 Value: 11 bursaries of \$1,500 awarded plus summer employment

Eligibility Criteria:* Member of an Employment Equity Designated Group** Entering first year of studies at a Manitoba University studying: Engineering, Computer Science or Commerce OR Entering first year of studies at a Manitoba College studying: Civil, Computer, Electrical or Electronic Engineering Technologies* Academic history

Trio Award

Deadline: December 1 Value: * 1 award of \$200 awarded to a student in Senior 2

* 1 award of \$300 awarded to a student in Senior 3

* 1 award of \$500 awarded to a student in Senior 4 Potential opportunity for summer employment or full-time employment in one of Manitoba Hydro's Trades Training Programs*.

Northern Student Award Deadline: December 1

Value: 3 awards of \$300 awarded to Junior High or High school students living north of the 53rd parallel * Potential opportunity for summer employment or full-time employment in one of Manitoba Hydro's Trades Training Programs Eligibility Criteria

* Aboriginal ancestry

* Living north of the 53rd parallel

* Nominated by a teacher as an

outstanding student based on academic performance, personal achievements and/ or other accomplishments

* Manitoba Hydro provides a range of technical and trades related training programs which include indentured apprenticeships, non-indentured apprenticeships, and post-journeyman development.

Mathematics Award

Deadline: May 15 Value: 1 award of \$200 granted to a student in Senior 1

Eligibility Criteria: * Aboriginal ancestry

* Highest provincial achievement in the Pascal Math competition

Application Process: Math teachers or competition coordinators will forward the name of their most successful student who is willing to self-declare as being of Aboriginal Ancestry.

Science Fair Award

Deadline: May 15 Value: 1 award of \$200 granted to a student in Junior High or High school Eligibility Criteria:

* Aboriginal ancestry

* High achievement in a Science Fair

Application Process: Science teachers or coordinators will nominate Aboriginal Science Fair participants. Science Fair judges will provide feedback on the nomination/application form on students' submissions for consideration in selecting award recipient.

First Year Information Technology Bursary
Deadline: October 1 Value: 2 bursaries of \$1500 awarded plus potential opportunity for summer employment

Eligibility Criteria: * Aboriginal ancestry

* Accepted into the University of Manitoba, University of Winnipeg or Brandon University studying: Computer Sciences or University One Computer Science curriculumOR: Accepted into Red River College or Keewatin Community College studying: Computer Analyst/ Programmer or Computer Systems Technology

* Academic performance

Second Year to Final Year Information **Technology Bursary** Deadline: October 1

Value: 2 bursaries of \$2500 awarded * Potential opportunity for summer employment available to recipients

returning to full time studies in the fall. * Potential opportunity for full-time employment in the Information Technology Training Program for students in their final year.

Second Year to Final Year Engineering **Technology Bursary** Deadline: October 1

Value: 6 bursaries of \$1500 awarded * Potential opportunity for summer employment available to recipients returning to full time studies in the fall

* Potential opportunity for full-time employment in a Manitoba Hydro inhouse Trades Training Program for students in their final year. Eligibility Criteria:

* Aboriginal ancestry

* Students in second year to final year at Red River College, Keewatin Community College or Assiniboine Community College studying: Electronic, Electrical, Computer, or Communications Engineering Technologies.

* Academic performance

Certificate Program Award

Deadline: December 1 for July to December programs and July 2 for January to July programs.

Value: 2 awards of \$500 awarded plus potential opportunity for term or full time employment. Eligibility Criteria:

* Aboriginal ancestry

* Enrolled in one of the following programs: Administrative Assistant, Human Resources Assistant, Network Support, or Contact Centre Representative at a recognized Educational Institution in Manitoba.

* Academic performance

First Year Engineering Bursary Deadline: October 1 Value: 6 bursaries

of \$1,500 awarded plus potential opportunity for summer employment Eligibility Criteria:

Aboriginal ancestry

* Accepted into first-year Engineering, ENGAP, or taking engineering curriculum in University One at the University of Manitoba

* Academic performance

Second Year to Final Year Engineering Deadline: October 1

Value: 3 bursaries of \$2,500 awarded * Potential opportunity for summer employment available to recipients

returning to full time studies in the fall. * Potential opportunity for full-time employment in the Engineer-In-Training Program for students in their final year.

Eligibility Criteria: * Aboriginal Ancestry

* Engineering or ENGAP students at the University of Manitoba in second year to final year, studying (in order of preference): electrical, civil & mechanical, other engineering disciplines.

* Academic Performance

First Year Management Bursary
Deadline: October 1 Value: 3 bursaries of \$1500 awarded * Potential opportunity for summer employment

Eligibility Criteria:* Aboriginal ancestry* Accepted into first-year Management or ABEP at the University of Manitoba* Academic performance

Second Year to Final Year Management

Deadline: October 1 Value: 3 bursaries of \$2500 awarded * Potential opportunity for summer employment available to recipients returning to full time studies in the fall. * Potential opportunity for full-time employment in the Commerce Career Development Program for students in their

Eligibility Criteria:* Aboriginal ancestry* Management or ABEP students at the University of Manitoba in second year to final year, majoring in Human Resources, Finance, Accounting, or Marketing. Academic performance

Application Process: Pick up an application from your educational institution's awards office or visit our website at www.hydro.mb.ca.

ONTARIO

Dennis Cromarty Memorial Fund Value: VariesEligibility: Member of Nishnawbe-Aski First Nation, attending post-secondary insitution, completed 1 year. Commitment to improving quality of life for Native people, independence through education. Dennis Cromarty Memorial Fund P.O. Box 252 Station F Thunder Bay, Ontario P7C 4V8 Phone: (807) 623-5397

Fax: (807) 622-8271

Ontario Hydro John Wesley Beaver Awards The John Wesley Beaver educational award is equal to one year's college or university tuition, made available to one male and one female person of Aboriginal descent, enrolled in targeted post-secondary programs and selected by the Ontario Hydro Native Circle.Based on academic achievement and financial need. Deadline: June 30 of each year. For more information: Phone: (416) 592-6748 Fax: (416) 592-4190.

Sam Odjick Scholarship - University of Ottawa To further the interests of Aboriginal peoples in Canada by assisting Aboriginal law students who have demonstrated commitment toward the advancement of law as it relates to Aboriginal peoples.

Awards are available to Ontario residents.

Value: \$1,000 Eligibility: Preference given to Aboriginal students. Full-time study in the LL.B or LL.M program at the University of Ottawa. Financial need.

Good academic performance. Experience with Canadian Aboriginal

Information: Education Equity Office

University of Ottawa Faculty of Law, Common Law Section 57 Louis Pasteur Street P.O. Box 450, Postal Station A Ottawa, Ontario K1N 6N5 Phone: (613) 562-5800, ext.3290 Fax: (613) 562-5124

EASTERN

Transition Year Program - Dalhousie University The Transition Year Program (TYP) is a one-year program designed for First Nations students who wish to enter university but who may not yet meet standard entrance requirements. The TYP was established to redress the historic educational disadvantage experienced by members of Aboriginal communities. Amount: Non-Status and Métis students accepted into the program may qualify to receive a tuition waiver and bursary funding to attend Dalhousie's Transition Year Program. If the qualifying year is completed in good standing, continued financial assistance will become available. Eligibility: Non-Status or Métis. Status students attending the program are funded through the Confederacy of Mainland Micmac, the Department of Indian Affairs or by individual band councils. Although enrollment is limited to ensure that each student receives considerable personal attention, highly motivated First Nations students of all ages and educational backgrounds are encouraged to apply. Applicants who are 23 or older are especially encouraged to apply. Deadline: March 15 each year. Information: Transition Year Program Dalhousie University 1459 LeMarchant Street Halifax, Nova Scotia B3H 3J5 Tel: (902) 494-3730

Morris Saffron Award - Dalhousie University For a Status or Non-Status Aboriginal graduate of the Dalhousie University Transition Year Program. Amount: One award of approximately

Eligibility: An Aboriginal graduate of the Transition Year Program who is recommended for acceptance in the firstyear level at Dalhousie University or another university. Duration: Annual. Application Deadline: N/A.Information:

DirectorTransition Year Program Dalhousie University 1459 LeMarchant Street Halifax, Nova Scotia B3H 3J5 Phone: (902) 494-3730

Hydro-Quebec Programme de Prix D'Excellence pour les Etudiants Autochtones Value: Four prizes of \$1,000 for students engaged in CEGEP-level studies; two awards of \$2,000 to students engaged in university-level studies.

This program rewards the educational efforts and success of Aboriginal students, and ref lects Hydro-Quebec's concern for them. Through this program,



The University of Toronto welcomes First Nations students and provides services that address Aboriginal student needs. The heart of the Aboriginal community at U of T is First Nations House.

We offer the following services.

- Recruitment
- Academic Counselling
- Elder-in-Residence

• Library Services

- Financial Aid Counselling
- Cultural workshops
- Tutoring
- Referrals
- Scholarships
- Native Students Association
- Computer and Kitchen Facilities

First Nations students are considered automatically for admission scholarships on entrance to the University of Toronto. In addition the University of Toronto Advanced Planning for Students (UTAPS) ensures that a students unmet need is met. First Nations students receiving band funding are eligible for consideration and may apply online at www.adm.utoronto.ca/fa/UTAPS/utaps_info.htm.

Detailed information on our scholarship and grant programs may be obtained from www.adm.utoronto.ca

First Nations House 563 Spadina Avenue, 3rd floor Toronto, Ontario M5S 2J7 416-978-8227 1-800-810-8069 www.fnh.utoronto.ca







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Hydro-Quebec hopes to persuade other young Aboriginals to continue post-secondary studies.

Eligibility: Applicants must: be of Aboriginal ancestry; live in Quebec; completed at least one year of full-time studies in a CEGEP (DEC)or university (bachelor 's degree) program; and be registered in a full-time program at a CEGEP or university in Quebec for the following fall.

Deadline: June - CEGEP awards; March - university awards

Information:
Relations avec les Autochtones
Hydro-Québec
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75,boul.René Lévesque oues 18 étage Montréal, Québec H2Z 1A4 Phone: (514)289-2211 ext.4290

James A. Martin Awards - St. Francis Xavier University

Value: Varies.
Eligibility: Applicants are students showing leadership, dedication and commitment by working for peace and he welfare of their neighbours. Preference is given to Firs Nation students at St.Francis Xavier. The award is tenable at St.Francis Xavier for full-time study for the academic year.

Deadline: April 15

Information:Financial Aid Office St.Francis Xavier University P.O.Box 5000 Antigonish, Nova Scotia B2G 2W5 Phone: (902)867-2374

Bank of Montreal Aboriginal Business Administration Student Scholarship -University College of Cape Breton Value: One scholarship of \$2,500.

Eligibility: To be eligible, the applicant must: be of Aboriginal ancestry; be a current University College of Cape Breton student; demonstrate academic merit in the area of accounting and finance with a minimum grade point average of 75%, with no failures; carry a full course load according to the requirements of the program; and demonstrate financial need. Deadline: April 8

Intermation: University College of Cape Breton P.O.Box 5300 Sydney, Nova Scotia B1P 6L2 Phone: (902) 539-5300

Dr. Carrie Best Scholarship - University of King's College

Value: \$12,000 award tenable over a 4

year period with \$3,000 being awarded each year.
Students who are seeking admission to an undergraduate programme in arts, science

undergraduate programme in arts, science or journalism at the University of King's College are eligible for to be considered for this award.

Information:

Office of the Registrar

Office of the Registrar University of King's College 6350 Coburg Road Halifax, Nova Scotia B3H 2A1 Phone: (902) 422-1271 Fax: (902) 562-0119

The ATV/CTV Media and Alumni Media Awards - University of King's College Deadline: February 15

Value: \$6,000 each
Available to students who are applying for admission to our one year Bachelor of Journalism programme. Applicants may request consideration for an ATV/CTV Scholarship or the Alumni Media award by completing the appropriate section of the Bachelor of Journalism admissions application form. No further application form is required.

www.ukings.ns.ca/about/finances/registrar/scholarships.htm
Information:Office of the Registrar
University of King's College
6350 Coburg Road
Halifax, Nova Scotia B3H 2A1
Phone: (902) 422-1271
Fax: (902) 562-0119

NORTH

Value: \$1,000 for completion of the 1st year of a program - 10 awards available\$1,000 for completion of the 2nd year of a program - 10 awards available\$1,000 for completion of the 3rd year or higher of a program - 10 awardsavailable.\$3,000 for college students - 10 awards available\$5,000 for university students - 8 awards available Eligibility: (1) Must of be of Dogrib ancestry.(2) Must submit a copy of official letter of acceptance into college, university of technical school. ADULT BASIC

EDUCATION (ABE) PROGRAMS DO NOT QUALIFY. (3) Must provide official transcript of grades from last year of study. This could be high school transcripts, GED marks, or transcripts from a post-secondary institution. Report cards or marks taken off the Internet are not acceptable. (4) Must provide a personal letter describing personal career aspirations and academic program presently enrolled in or are entering into. (5) Must provide two reference / support letters.

(6) Must complete application in full.
Important Notes: Scholarships are awarded strictly to those with the highest grade point averages in each category. Scholarships for high school students are also available.

students are also available.

Deadline Date: July 15th of each year.

For more information, please contact:

Post Secondary Student Support

Coordinator

Dogrib Treaty 11 Scholarship Committee

c/o CJBRHSBag #1 Rae-Edzo, NT X0E-0Y0 Phone: 867-371-3815 Fax: 867-371-3813

Sahtu Renewable Resources Board
Value: depends on which year of postsecondary study the student will be in while
holding the scholarship.
First Year \$2000
Second Year \$2500
Third & Fourth Year \$3500

Graduate (MSc/PhD) \$5000
The Sahtu Renewable Resources Board (SRRB) was established as part of the Sahtu Dene and Metis Comprehensive Land Claim Agreement, 1993. The SRRB serves as the main instrument of wildlife and forestry management for the Sahtu Settlement Area. The SRRB has established a scholarship/bursary program for students pursuing post-secondary education in a field related to the SRRB's mandate.

Eligibility: Pursuing a college diploma or university degree or minimum 2-year certificate program in renewable resources or a related filed (biology, forestry, or environmental science); priority to a Sahtu Dene or Metis enrolled under the land claim or to a NWT resident who has completed the last 2 years of their high school education in the Sahtu Settlement Area.* Have a 70% (b-average) or higher in the last year of full-time study* Minimum 2-year program of study* Demonstrate financial need* Must be a full-time student during tenure of the scholarship* Must maintain a full course load during the tenure of the scholarship* Evidence of student's involvement in the community* Statement of future goals

Deadline Date: None
Information:
Sahtu Renewable Resources Board
P.O. Box 134
Tulita, N.W.T XOE OKO
Phone: (867) 588-4040
Fax: (867) 588-3324

Canada Post Bursaries
Please see our ad on page 16.
Value: Varies.

These bursaries were established by the Canada Post Corporation to encourage promising northern Aboriginal students enrolled in diploma programs in Management Studies at Aurora College (Western Arctic) with campuses in Yellowknife, Inuvik, and Fort Smith; and Nunavut Arctic College (Eastern Arctic) with campuses in Iqaluit, Rankin Inlet and Cambridge Bay. These bursaries are administered and presented by the colleges on behalf of Canada Post Corporation.

Eligibility: Applicants must: be of N.W.T. Aboriginal ancestry; be enrolled in the second year of study at one of the abovementioned colleges; and demonstrate excellence in the first year of study. To apply, students must submit a brief biography and an official transcript from their first year of study along with references.

Aurora College Head Office P.O.Box 1290 For Smith, N.W.T. XOE 0P0 Phone: (867) 872-7012

or Nunavut Arctic College P.O.Box 160 Igaluit, N.W.T. XOA 0H0 Phone: (867) 979-4111

Department of Municipal and community affairs, Government of the Northwest Territories Igal Roth Memorial Community

Planning Scholarship
Value: Three scholarships of \$1,000.

The Department of Municipal and Community Affairs, Government of he Northwest Territories, is offering assistance to northerners who wish to pursue a career incommunity planning. These scholarships are to assist qualifying students obtain post-secondary education in planning for potential employment in the Northwest Territories.

Eligibility: To be eligible for this scholarship, applicants must: have resided in the N.W.T. for at least two years; be attending an approved undergraduate universityor college planning program; and show proof of acceptance into an approvedplanning program as a full-time student prior to commencement of classes. Information:

Intermation:
Igal Roth Memorial Scholarship
Community Planning Division
Department of Municipal and
Community Affairs
Government of the Northwest Territories
Yellowknife, NT X1A 2L9

Nunavut Implementation Training Committee
Nunavut Beneficiaries Scholarships
Value: The award for each student in a

Value: The award for each student in a full-time program willbe allocated as follows:

1.Full-time degree program away from

home \$2,400 per year
2.Full-time diploma away from home
\$1,500 per year

3.Full-time degree or diploma program at home \$1,000 per year

As an integral part of implementing he Nunavut Land Claims Agreement and building Nunavut, several Inuit organizations initiated a scholarship program to encourage Land Claims beneficiaries to pursue advanced education in selected fields related to management, resource management, community development, culture and he social sciences. The allocation of the scholarships is done on a regional basis based upon he proportion of the beneficiaries and contributions received. If the region does not allocate all seats in that region, unused seats are allocated by the Nunavut Implementation

Training Committee on the regional needs

Eligibility: To be eligible for these scholarships, applicants must meet he following criteria: be enrolled as a beneficiary in the Nunavut LandClaims Agreement; be enrolled in (or accepted by)a recognized,full-time, accredited university or college degree or certificate program of at least two years duration; be considered a full-time student in a chosen program; maintain a full course load for the program; have maintained an overall average of 65% in the previous year of academic studies undertaken; and maintain an overall average of 75% while receiving the scholarship. Deadline: August 1; December 1

Information:
Nunavut Implementation Training
Committee
P.O.Box 469
Rankin Inlet, Nunavut XOC 0G0
Phone: (867) 645-2888
Fax: (867) 645-3878

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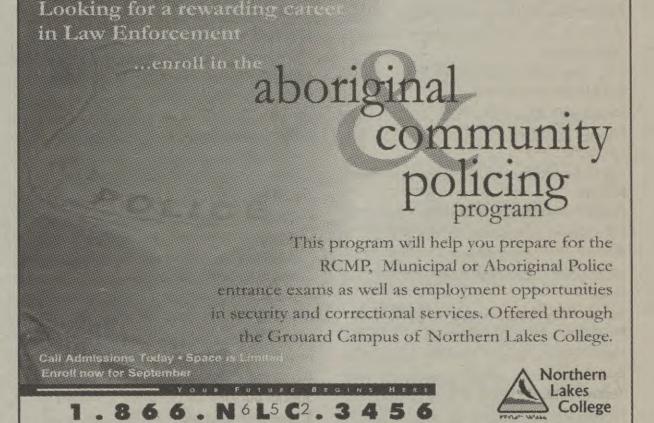
expenses.
Deadline: February 28
Information:Registrar 's Office
Yukon College 500 College Drive
Whitehorse, Yukon Y1A 5K4
Phone: (867) 668-8710

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Eligibility: Métis or Non-Status Indian of the Northwest Territories.

Good academic standing.

Financial need.

Deadline: March 8th

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Yellowknife, NT X1A 2P1 Phone: (867) 873-2878 Fax: (867) 873-3395

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Arctic Co-operatives Ltd., the NWT Co-operative Business Development Fund and the Canadian Northern Studies Trust offer a bursary, normally valued at up to \$2,000, to support a student whose studies will contribute to the

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For more information, contact: Indian and Northern Affairs Canada Northern Scientific Training Program Committee, Sectoral Policy Division Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0H4

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Deadline: June 15
Eligibility: Must be Aboriginal and a member of AISES. Students must be pursuing studies in the following: sciences,

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AISES - A.T. Anderson Memorial Scholarship Value: \$1,000 Undergraduate and \$2,000 Graduate Deadline: June 15

Eligibility: Must be Aboriginal and a member of AISES. Students must be pursuing studies in the following: sciences, engineering, health related fields, business, natural resources, math or science secondary education.

AISES - EPA Tribal Lands Environmental Science Scholarship Value: \$4,000

Deadline: June 15
Eligibility: Must be a member of AISES.
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AISES Scholarship Department 5661 Airport Boulevard Boulder, Colorado USA 80301 Phone: (303) 939-0023 www.aises.org

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University of Toronto

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Henry Favel Scholarship
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Information:
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University of Saskatchewan
105 Administration Place
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan S7N 5A2
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Fax: (306) 585-5559

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Scholarship
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Ralph and Isabel Steinhauer Scholarship
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Shell Canada Limited Aboriginal Science

Award
Shell Canada Limited Aboriginal Engineering
Award
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Scholarship
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American Studies
Lubov Alexandra de Grandmaison
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Shell Scholarship In Native Management
Imperial Oil Limited Scholarships
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Scholarship
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SGI Stan Hamilton Scholarship

Information:
FNUC Scholarship Committee
1 First Nations Way,
Regina SK S4S 7K2
Phone: (306) 790-5950, Ext. 3100
Fax: (306) 790-5996

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Scholarship
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Information:
Student Awards Office
Student Advising Centre
Room 7-112A City Centre Campus
Grant MacEwan Community College
P.O.Box 1796
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For the entire awards listing, more specific details, criteria, application deadlines, etc., please refer to the College Awards Booklet. Contact a Student Advisor for forms or booklets at the Main Campus or one of our Regional Service Centres.

Information:
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UNIVERSITY AND COLLEGE
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2005 to April 30, 2006

2005 to April 30, 2006

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Canada Post congratulates the recipients of the

2004 Aboriginal Education Incentive Award

anada Post Corporation congratulates the 2004 recipients of the Canada Post Aboriginal Education Incentive Award, launched in April 2004. The Aboriginal Education Incentive Award focuses on Aboriginal people who have overcome adversity in order to return to school.

Twenty-one recipients received the Aboriginal Education Incentive Award throughout the eight Canada Post regions. The recipients were:

Atlantic Region

Patrick Augustine, Summerside PEI James Robinson, Halifax NS

Quebec Region

Kim Martin, Kahnawake QC Rosalie Anderson, Montreal QC

Greater Toronto Area

Tobi Jeans, Conception Bay South NL

Huron-Rideau

Tami Snache, Rama ON Donald McLeod, Blind River ON Brenda Young, London ON

Prairie East

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Prairie West

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Davida Sole, Richmond BC Troy McLeod, Victoria BC Desiree Stevens, Victoria BC

Northern

Nadine Couillonneur, Cole Bay SK Doreen Apples, Rae Lakes NWT Christle Wiebe, Carcross YK

Ottawa Head Office Molly McDermott Ottawa ON



Kim Martin, from the Kahnawake Mohawk Reservation near Montreal, says the \$1,000 **Aboriginal Education Incentive Award means** a lot to her after she turned her life around to study nursing.

Carcross/Tagish First Nation member Christle Wiebe, here with daughter Rae-Anne, says graduating from the Justice and Criminology program at Yukon College has given her "a world of choices."

Our congratulations and future success to the 2004 Aboriginal Education Incentive Award recipients. Canada Post is extremely proud of this and many other programs and activities since adopting the Progressive Aboriginal Relations program developed by the Canadian Council for Aboriginal Business and the National Quality Institute.

Submissions for the 2005 Aboriginal Education Incentive Award will be accepted beginning May 1st and must be received on or before July 31st.

Are you eligible for the

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Are you

- a First Nations (status or non-status), Metis or Inuit person with a treaty or membership number?
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The Canada Post Aboriginal Education Incentive Award celebrates your motivation, determination and courage in overcoming personal, economic or social adversity in the pursuit of learning. Each of Canada Post's eight regions across the country will grant these three awards annually.

How to apply

Applicants are required to submit:

- an essay of up to five pages in length (typed and double-spaced) on letter-sized stationery
- · a letter of support from a community member, such as a band counsellor, priest or minister or supervisor (excluding family members)
- a letter of reference from an academic supporter, such as a principal, guidance counsellor or teacher (excluding family members)
- the Applicant Submission Form in this ad

Submissions will be accepted between May 1st and no later than July 31st of the current year.

Winners of the Canada Post Aboriginal Education Incentive Award will be notified the third week of October. Award presentations will be held in each of the Canada Post regions during Louis Riel Week in November.

Mail your submission to: Canada Post Aboriginal Education Incentive Award 2701 RIVERSIDE DR SUITE E0070 OTTAWA ON K1A 0B1

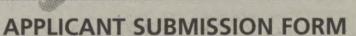
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Essay Submission Criteria:

- The essay outlining your personal success story should include information about:
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- · why you decided to leave
- how quitting school affected your life · why you decided to go back to school
- how your life has changed since you returned
- any hardships or difficulties since returning
- your next steps and how you plan to accomplish them

Award Rules

- The selection jury will evaluate all submissions that meet the
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Complete and attach this Applicant Submission Form to your entry.

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Your Name:

Mailing Address:

Telephone: Treaty or Membership Number:

E-mail Address:

AWARD CATEGORY:

Secondary Education

School Name:

Location:

Year Completed:

Year Completed:

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Location:

ACADEMIC CONTACT (from your letter of reference)

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Financial institutions now law

By Paul Barnsley Windspeaker Staff Writer

OTTAWA

The First Nations Fiscal and Statistical Management Act (Bill C-20) received royal assent on March 23 with all-party support in the House of Commons and the Senate.

C.T. (Manny) Jules, who led the development of the act, said the formal adoption of C-20 is "a triumph for First Nations and Canada. This bill was conceived and developed by First Nations and is about building attracting infrastructure, investment and creating jobs on reserve. Today's royal assent signals a new beginning."

The legislation creates four institutions: a finance authority, a tax commission, a financial management board and a statistical institute.

"All parties in the House of supported this legislation and they should be commended for recognizing the critical role Bill C-20 will play in promoting economic growth in First Nation communities," said Jules.



Manny Jules

with the news. Two weeks before the Senate consented to the bill, First Nation leaders who oppose C-20 were allowed to speak to the Senate's standing committee on Aboriginal affairs. That came after the House of Commons' standing committee on Aboriginal affairs refused to hear them in December.

Five First Nation leaders told the senators they didn't want the Commons and the Senate bill. Eric Large, representing the Saddle Lake First Nation (Alberta), said the institutions will become "another multi-layered, costly bureaucracy, ostensibly created for First Nations."

By creating the financial

"the federal Crown is cunningly divesting itself of its treaty and constitutional obligations to treaty First Nations to provide adequate capital and fiscal resources to ensure the renewal or replacement of public works infrastructure and other social and economic services on reserve."

David General, chief of Six Nations (Ontario), said the government spent a lot of money pushing the bill through the legislative process and that said a lot about who was really driving it.

"The proponents of Bill C-20 are very well funded. They are able to maintain a constant lobby and when you combine the efforts of their principle lobbyists, the chairs of the four fiscal institutions and such federal officials who want Bill C-20 passed, that, senators, is a considerable lobby force."

He told the committee that the "estimated costs for the four institutions ranges from \$25- to 30-million annually. One only needs to check the public records and do the math."

Windspeaker did the math.

Information provided by Indian and Northern Affairs But not everybody is happy management board, Large said, shows a total of \$15.5 million he said.

had been budgeted from 2000 up to the end of the current fiscal year. That may or may not include the salaries and expenses of departmental officials who participated in the process of developing the legislation and shepherding it through the legislative process.

During a phone interview on March 22, General said a consultant provided the numbers he used.

"The difference that I see would be that these [numbers released by INAC] are for the advisory panels, getting the thing started. The numbers we're quoting are the numbers of how these things would operate, the budgets they'd be getting once they're operational," General said.

General also told the Senate committee that a conversation he had with a senior INAC official has convinced him that participation in the institutions would not be optional, even though it is portrayed as such.

"I have had the opportunity to talk to a senior government official on the following: Would there be any resources for infrastructure projects for First Nations who do not opt into Bill C-20? And the answer was no,"

The chiefs said the bill could eventually be deemed to be unconstitutional for a couple of reasons.

"As the bill is currently read, the First Nation leadership could forever wrap their membership in a web of fiscal institutions with the mere vote of a single council. Most alarming, there is no requirement for community consultation. On the other hand, it is virtually impossible to get out of the proposed arrangements once established," General told the senators. "We would respectfully suggest that this proposed bill be reviewed by the Senate committee on legal and constitutional affairs to address this very question. This would save both Canada and Six Nations, all First Nations, valuable time, energy and resources that would most certainly be consumed by the courts."

But that didn't happen. Instead, all parties represented in the Senate rubber stamped the bill and sent it back to the House.

Association of Iroquois and Allied Indians (Ontario) Grand Chief Chris McCormick said the consultation that was conducted before the bill was introduced was "very suspect" and raised the distinct possibility that the bill will be declared constitutionally invalid.



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[windspeaker confidential] Adrian Lachance



Adrian Lachance has come a long way since he first began his healing journey in 1991. With the help of his Elders he overcame his addiction to drugs and alcohol and now shares his experiences as a motivational speaker. Lachance is originally from Flying Dust First Nation in Saskatchewan but now calls Edmonton home. He works as a holistic education instructor for Edmonton Catholic Schools, holds workshops on cultural teachings and is a men's traditional powwow dancer. He is also a proud new father to a son.

Windspeaker: What one quality do you most value in a friend? Adrian Lachance: Honesty.

W: What is it that really makes you mad? A.L.: Being lied to.

W: When are you at your happiest?

A.L.: When I'm dancing powwow or sharing my story with young people.

W: What one word best describes you when you are at your worst? A.L.: Hopeless.

W: What one person do you most admire and why? A.L.: My son, because he's so innocent and pure.

W: What is the most difficult thing you've ever had to do? A.L.: Coming back into society from an incarceration.

W: What is your greatest accomplishment?

A.L.: Succeeding, staying clean and sober and becoming a drum keeper and a powwow dancer.

W: What one goal remains out of reach? A.L.: Addictions counsellor.

W: If you couldn't do what you're doing today, what would you be doing?

A.L.: I think general labor ... actually, I've got many trades. I've got a bricklaying apprenticeship, carpentry, roofing. Those are the three major things that I could possibly fall back on if this doesn't work

W: What is the best piece of advice you've ever received? A.L.: The best piece of advice? Trust those who seek knowledge. Doubt those who say they know it.

W: Did you take it? A.L.: Yes.

W: How do you hope to be remembered? A.L.: As a true urban warrior.

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2. Adults may submit as many entries as they wish however, a SEPARATE entry form must accompany each entry. In the Youth categories only ONE entry per youth is permitted. 3. All entries must be 'UNFRAMED' paintings or drawings and may be done in oil, watercolor, pastel, ink, charcoal or any two dimensional graphic medium. All entries will be judged on the basis of appeal of the subject, originality and the choice and treatment of the subject, and the creative and technical merit of the artist. (Entries which were

4. Peace Hills Trust will not acknowledge the receipt of any entry. If the entrant requires notification, the entry should be accompanied by a self-addressed stamped postcard which will be mailed to the entrant when the entry is received

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IN THE UPCOMING MAY ISSUEL

Talk about the horse of a different color

One of the questions I get asked frequently by non-Natives when I'm off travelling the world, spreading the gospel of Native literature and humor, is in reference to what Canada's original inhabitants are called. We've heard the terms Aboriginal, Native, First Nations and Indigenous tossed about a lot; even the term Indian sometimes. It's so complicated in these politically correct times... but what is the technically accurate term one should use when talking about our people? My first response is usually "tolerant," but the issue.

because, granted, it can get quite complicated for those inside and outside our communities. As phrase on a powwow T-shirt community, and frequently of an word. It was in a newspaper



THE URBANE INDIAN

Drew Hayden Taylor

William Shakespeare wrote (or as we like to call him in the Native theatre community, Billy Shaking Spear), "A rose, by any other name, would smell as sweet." Same with Natives/First Nations/ Aboriginals ... "an Ojibway, by then I start to seriously ponder any other name—Saulteaux, Chippewa, Algonquin etc.— This is a good question would still smell as sweet." That is so true. Feel free to test the hypothesis. I'd like to see that

someday.

sometimes, even within our community, there tends to be a little difficulty making such a decision on coming up with that a world covered in T-shirts baring all-inclusive, one-size-fits-all term. Most people would say First Nations is a safe bet, but a lot of across another single word that people are more comfortable with Native or Aboriginal. And if you are part of that same Native

older generation, the term Indian can indeed still be heard quite often.

I, myself, in order to live a more politically correct life (not really but it sounds good), sometimes urge people to adopt a term I came up with several years ago: NAFNIP. We are Nafnips! Stand proud and tall. In case you're curious it stands for Native, My point here is that, Aboriginal, First Nations, Indigenous People—NAFNIP. It's one word that covers basically just about everything. Again I see this name.

> However, I recently came also stands by itself in describing who we are in a new and original way. I was unfamiliar with this

article about a spelling bee, of all things. It was the final award winning word so I knew it had good karma attached. It is a new word I believe; one born in English, yet all encompassing and accurate. So, for those out there who happen to care, I would like to suggest to the Assembly of First Nations that we consider adopting a homogeneous name that will bond us all together. I humbly submit that we call ourselves "autochthonous." It's a word, I've read, that means Native or Indigenous. Hey, that's us. Autochthonous. Nobody else out there seems to use it. I think we should adopt it. Technically I do believe it is a correct term for our dilemma. "Hey dude, I'm Autochthonous. Pass the lard." (see Name change page 20.)

Round two in the courts if more than ego bruised

Dear Tuma:

I had a fight with someone and wondered about how to charge her with assault. I spoke to the police and they told me that no charges would be laid. Why is this? She is the one who assaulted me and now she is going to get away with it. What can I do?

Beaten Black and Blue

Dear Beaten:

Sorry to hear about your fight and all else that you have gone through. There are a couple of things you can pursue, but there is no guarantee of the outcome.

First of all, the police have a tremendous amount of discretion and authority in laying charges. It is the police that lay the charge against someone, not you. You sufficient harm done (i.e. hurt



PRO BONO Tuma Young

words, the police investigate the assault and determine whether or not charges should be laid. In whatever reason, that a charge should not be laid.

The reason for this could have been because the fight was consensual or that there was no

provide the evidence necessary for feelings only, or that you were the a charge to be laid. In other attacker rather than the victim). Often the police will consult with the Crown prosecutor's office to see if there is enough evidence to your case, the police decided, for support a conviction. If not, then no charge is laid. The primary consideration for the Crown prosecutor's office is that a charge must have a reasonable likelihood of conviction in order for it to proceed.

refuse to lay the charge? The first thing is to speak or write to the supervising police office in your detachment. Ask for written reasons as to why the charge will not be laid and what amount of evidence they consider sufficient for a charge to be laid. If the answer is still no and you think that they are not doing their job, police commission.

You can also go to the courthouse and swear out a private prosecution. This means you are laying the charge yourself and that you have enough evidence for it to go to trial. You will appear in court and present the case without the Crown. (I would suggest hiring a lawyer to

What can you do if the police present your case.) I have heard the chances of success for a private prosecution is slim, but if you get your day in court, you just may win your case.

Finally, another way is to sue the other party for personal injuries incurred in the fight. This is a civil action and you will need to hire a lawyer for this. Some folks are not afraid of you can complain to the local criminal sanctions, but if they have to pay for every slap, scratch, kick and punch they will think twice about fighting you again.

This column is not intended to provide legal advice, but rather highlight situations where you should consult with a lawyer. Questions can be sent to Tuma Young at tumayoung@yahoo.ca

Time long past to dub Inuit out of APTN

The APTN has announced a new policy that would require future film productions shot in Inuktitut to have versions dubbed in English and/or French, as well as one or more other Aboriginal language. As a result, APTN has been subjected to a chorus of strong criticism from many influential Inuit, among them Atanarjuat producer Zacharias Kunuk, Nunavut Minister of Culture, Language, Elders and Youth Louis Tapardjuk, and Inuit Kusugak.

being in APTN at all, I say, "Congratulations, APTN! You have presented one more reason out of many to demonstrate why Inuit should get out of your structure altogether. Thank you Inuktitut language. Your dubbing policy may serve a very useful purpose by sparking discussions among Inuit about where they want Inuktitut programs to be embedded. This may just launch a search for alternatives to APTN."

further exposed by its CEO, Jean in efforts to maintain Inuktitut LaRose, who is quoted as saying, as a vibrant, living language.



Zebedee Nungak

"Let's face it, there are many Aboriginal people in Canada who have lost their language and need to hear the story in English or Tapiriit Kanatami President Jose French." To which, I say, "Let APTN be the network to bottle-As a long-time critic of Inuit feed English and French to those Aboriginal people who have lost their language, and who are not in much of a position to reclaim it."

Inuit, who are determined to preserve their language, should refuse to be any part of this. They for revealing your position on the should get busy fast-tracking into existence a new, independent network devoted exclusively to Inuit. Despite its apparent health, the Inuktitut language already has diverse pressures bearing down upon it. We don't need an additional one from APTN, from which we should have expected APTN language priorities were enhancement, and not dilution,

The conditions of APTN's license from the CRTC give a clear indication of what rules its policy for languages. Sixty per cent of its programming is to be in English, 15 per cent in French, and 25 per cent in Aboriginal languages. In this framework, Canada's official languages, which are in no danger of extinction, hog the lion's share of the language equation in a network supposedly devoted to Aboriginal people! Aboriginal languages here are pre-disposed to being crowded out.

At APTN, Inuktitut is a square peg trying to fit in a round hole. There may well be a fundamental chasm in understanding between APTN as an organization operating within a pre-set formula for language allocations on one hand, and Inuit with a vision of utilizing the medium of television to help maintain the health and viability of

the Inuktitut language.

Inuit desire ownership of Inuktitut language television programming primarily to keep the language and culture alive for its sake; not necessarily to showcase others. to communications societies have not defined their primary mission as that of exposing Inuit culture to larger society. My take of Inuit attitudes on this is, "If our fellow countrymen in Canada are curious about who we are, and why we hold our identity, that is very good. But it is for us and our children that Inuit television productions should be working hardest."

This is where APTN's latest policy statement diverges from the interests of Inuit who want television and film to be tools useful primarily to the Inuit people, and the Inuit world. Inuit want these mediums to be working for them, to help keep Inuit-ness alive. Dubbing Inuktitut productions into other languages is not useful to Inuit at all. It does nothing to enhance the preservation of Inuktitut. It is for the benefit of non-Inuit who cannot understand the consult their grassroots and get a Inuktitut language.

Inuktitut programming is scarce about all this.

enough without having to share versions of itself in other languages, in a framework where Aboriginal languages are already far too junior in the general equation. APTN appears totally indifferent to what practical problems this policy might cause. There will be, say, four versions of the same program being aired at various times. Who will vacate their previous space in the schedule to make this possible?

Many Inuit hold a desire to see a broadcasting network devoted solely to Inuit and the Arctic. They believe that, with several dialects of Inuktitut to maintain, preserve, and develop, Inuktitut merits accommodation in its own exclusive space. Far from any movement in this direction, Inuit have instead been dealt a blow that will dilute, and not enhance, their presence in the broadcasting world.

Inuit leaders should not be merely denouncing a dubbing policy; they should start the process for Inuit to dub out from an entity that is indifferent, if not hostile, to Inuit needs and realities. Inuit communications organizations should immediately bearing on what their people think

"Connecting More Employers with More Aboriginal Talent" - The New and Improved Aboriginal Inclusion Network

Resource Development Canada Council (AHRDCC) is pleased to announce a strategic partnership between the Aboriginal Inclusion Network and Brainhunter Global Talent Network. The new partnership marries Brainhunter's superior IT knowledge, state-of-the-art technology and impressive network of over 80 partner career websites with the Inclusion Network's niche career website and AHRDCC's specialized knowledge and information Aboriginal about recruitment and retention practices.

In the words of Kelly Lendsay, President & CEO of the Council, "The strategic partnership and merger of Brainhunter's Global Talent Network and the Council's Inclusion Network will offer a specialized national service that will contribute in a very real way to Aboriginal employment and address employers' search for talent and diversity."

Designed to assist employers with diversity staffing needs and to assist Aboriginal jobseekers in connecting with employers, the redevelopment and improved functions of the Aboriginal Inclusion Network (iN) will provide employers and jobseekers with a new and enhanced electronic recruitment tool for Aboriginal employment.

The iN was launched in January of 2003 emerging as a sophisticated online system that enabled employers to source Aboriginal talent and Aboriginal jobseekers to find employers.

Serving its client base faithfully these past two years the iN has grown a corporate membership of over 60 employers, who have posted more than 2,000 employment opportunities. Its "Talent Database" of Aboriginal résumés and profiles has expanded to more than 3,600 candidates. The system has attracted more than two dozen promising practices. Job postings on the iN have been distributed to over 350 Aboriginal community training centers and more than 150 colleges and universities.

New innovations to the Inclusion Network will be introduced over the coming months with a view to facilitating the relationship between job seekers and employers. In conjunction with being powered by

The Aboriginal Human Brainhunter, the system is being redesigned to address a wider spectrum of Aboriginal and employer needs and is being adapted to address specific needs that emerged over the previous two years. With technology, advanced expanded marketing reach, online and phone-based service backup support and new models of payment, the improved iN offers an impressive array of new features to its clients.

> Some of the new features of the improved iN are:

* Access to Brainhunter's

much larger job base with the larger number of jobs attracting larger numbers of Aboriginal jobseekers;

- * Better profile options for jobseekers to promote themselves:
- * Increased exposure to a larger number of employers for jobseekers;
- * A range of tools to assist jobseekers in finding and applying for the jobs they want:
- * No more annual fees or "memberships"; postings

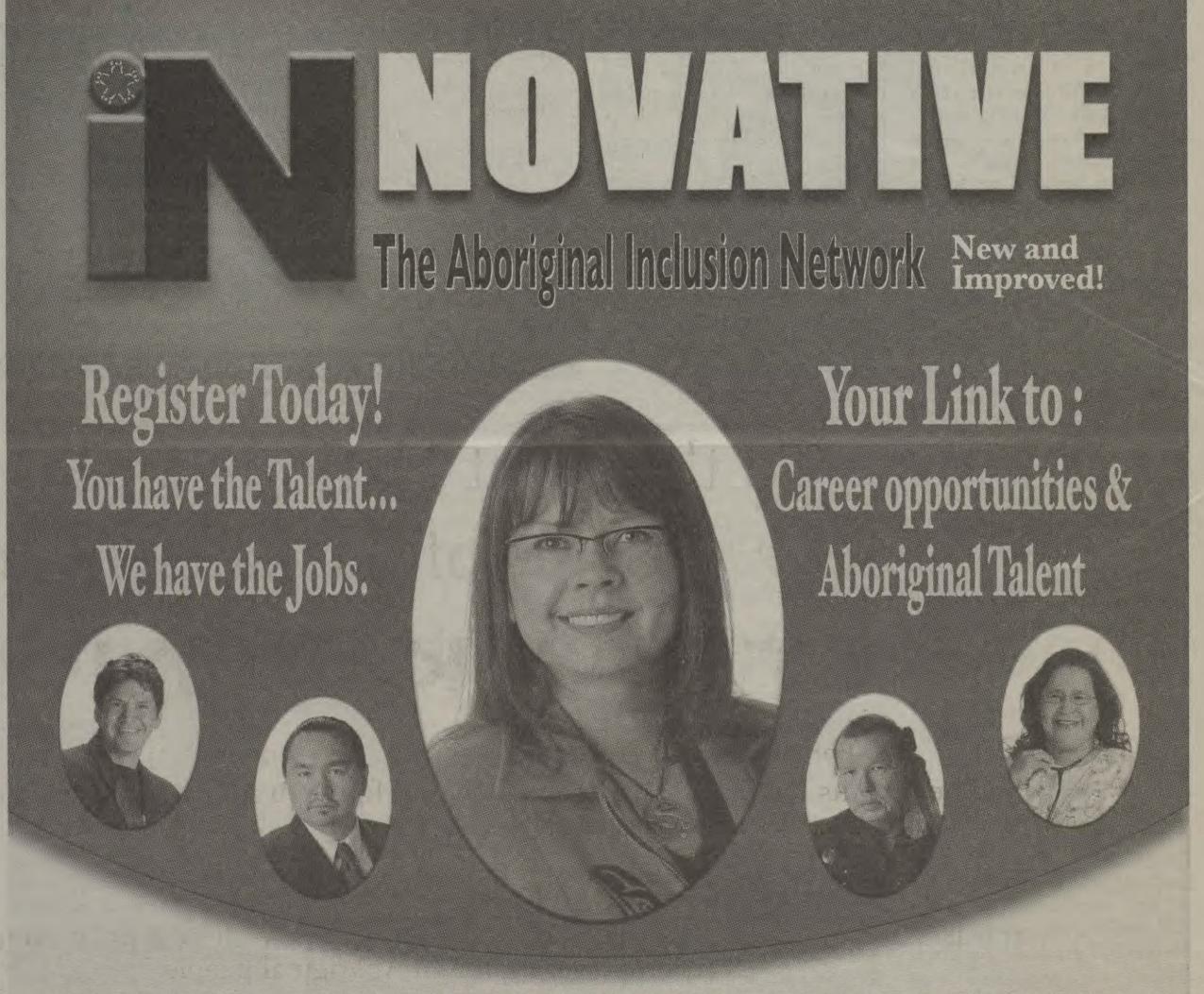
are sold singly or in packages;

- * Live or online support and training for new users.
- * The iN will remain free for all Aboriginal jobseekers and postings will continue to go to Aboriginal employment centers and the Aboriginal student centers at colleges and universities.

Aboriginal people represent an important contribution to addressing Canada's skills shortages. newly-innovated The

Inclusion Network powered by Brainhunter is going to result in increased and accelerated matching of job seekers and employers. "The partnership with Brainhunter opens the Inclusion Network to a new era of growth," says Crystal Kosa, National Manager Human Resources Strategies. "If you haven't tried the Inclusion Network, now is the time to give it a

To learn more about this valuable, improved service offering, please visit www.inclusionnetwork.ca or call 1-866-711-5091.



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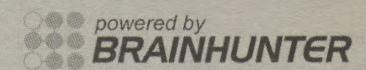
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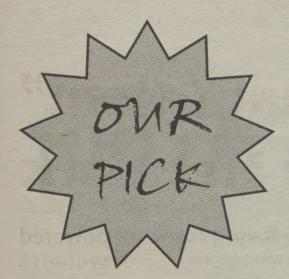
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Artist—Burnt Project 1 Album—Hometown Song—Borderline Label—Sunshine Records Producer—Danny Schur and David Boulanger

Band comes together for CD sequel

The title of the first song on the new CD by Burnt Project 1— "Tutte Insieme" (Italian for "all together")—is a very fitting one for the group, which takes bits and pieces from different musical styles and merges them into a sound that is uniquely its own.

Hometown is the follow-up CD to The Avenue, the highly successful album that garnered the Winnipeg-based band a number of awards and a lot of attention. The Avenue was named best rock album at the 2003 Canadian Aboriginal Music Awards. At last year's event, Burnt Project 1 was named a Galaxie Rising Star.

There have been a few changes in membership of the band since The Avenue. The band has pared down a bit, dropping from nine members to seven. Lead vocalist David Boulanger, who also plays still with the group, as are Marc listening experience.

Baureiss on lead guitar, Atik Mason on bass guitar and alto sax and Neewa Mason on keyboard and back-up vocals. New to the mix are Dave Schmidt on tenor saxophone, Anthony Giancola handling percussion and David Cramer on harmonica.

There are also a few changes in the overall flavor of the album. Although the first cut of the album—an all-percussion number written by Giancola harkens back to the sound of the group's previous album, gone are the strains of sitars and didgeridoos that gave The Avenue its world beat designation, replaced by a strong reliance on guitar and saxophone.

The sound of this new album blurs the dividing lines between funk, rock, jazz and blues, with Boulanger and his bandmates putting it all together yet again acoustic guitar on the album, is to provide another enjoyable

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ARTIST	TITLE	ALBUM
Edward Gamblin	Love Is Like A Candle	Survivor's Voice
Rayne Delarond	A Little On The Wild Side	Rayne
Jess Lee	Fly Sparrow Fly	Born In The North
Glenna Harper	Dancing Moon	2004 MB Artists
Shaun Roulette	Here Without You	NCI Jam 2004 Winner
Just The Boyz	Me And The Boyz	Shotgun Rider
Little Hawk	Sand Creek Massacre	1492-1975
Heritage	I Can't Take This Anymore	Evolution
C-Weed	Jack	2004 MB Artists
Delores Sand	All Shook Up	Classics In Cree
Rory Collins	Stay	Single
Lucien Spence	He's An Indian	Indian Man
Ray Villebrun & Red Blaze	I Found Her Tonight	Sound Of Thunder
Ashley Green	Like No Other	My Desire
River Gypsies	Honky Tonkin' Cougar Woman	Single
Wayne Lavallee	Heart Land	Green Dress
Remedy	Into The Daylight	When Sunlight Broke
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[arts & entertainment]

Top Aboriginal CD re-released on Arbor

By Angela Felix Windspeaker Contributor

EDMONTON

Wayne Lavallee's album Green Dress is nominated for Best Aboriginal Recording of the Year at this year's Juno Awards taking place in Winnipeg on April 3. It had been available on an indie label, but has been recently re-released by Arbor Records.

Green Dress, Lavallee's second album, was named album of the year at last year's Canadian Aboriginal Music Awards. It tells of a journey through love and desire, pain and hope, and most importantly, tells a story about his people.

His is a distinctive and soulful sound with an Aboriginal flavor. It represents our people in a social and political way that we as Aboriginal people can relate to and identify with.

Fellow Canadian rockers



DARCIE ROUX

Wayne Lavallee performs in Edmonton on March 8.

Kevin Kane (Grapes of Wrath) and Steven Drake (The Odds) took part in the birth of Green Dress.

"artist's artist," who helped embellish the songs and made sure it was Lavallee's vision that was heard on the CD and that Lavallee described Kane as an he was happy with the outcome.

person and very eccentric.

The harmonious vocals of Shakti Hayes are also heard on Green Dress, as are the vocals of Russell Wallace and Renae singing the songs. Morriseau.

Raised on country music, Lavalle said he is a sucker for melodies. The attraction to acoustic guitar began at the age of five when he says he sensed he wanted the instrument, but didn't quite know why. Today his guitar is a tool used to express his struggles and celebrate his accomplishments. It is an extension of his soul and has been with him through think and thin, he says.

Lavallee wants the listener to visualize what they hear. He wants to share his stories through music, to inspire, to express the positive. His songs influence the listener's pride. His voice makes the listener wish he shared Lavallee's musical gift.

On March 8, Lavallee

Lavallee described Steven performed at the Sidetrack Café Drake as a kind and gentle in Edmonton. Part of the performance included introductions to each of the songs. He spoke of his influences, his reasons for

For example, he said the song "Heart Land" takes him to a different place, as though he is in the clouds ... "Silence" is a song influenced by the tragedy of 9/11 and sends the message that we shouldn't take life for granted.

"Caught up in a Jam" describes the world as commercialized and corporate, from what we eat to what we believe in. "Breathe" is a song about suicide. It's a cry for help and for love. The title song, "Green Dress" is about reuniting with a lost love and eventually falling in love again.

In Lavallee's songs you can hear the trials and tribulations, you can hear his pain, his love, the lessons of life. These are particularly compelling in his beautifully haunting chants.

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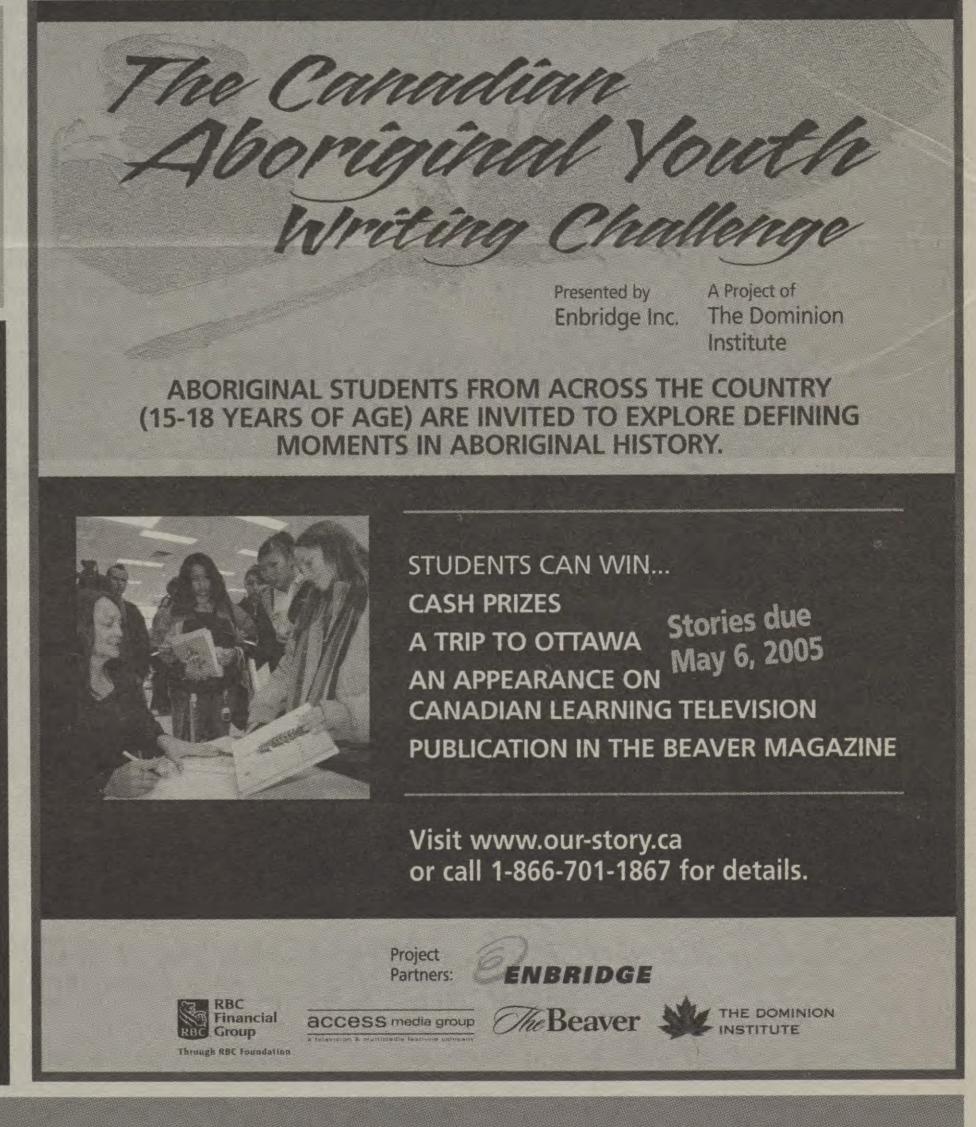
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U.S. Senate threatens Indigenous ways

By Paul Barnsley Windspeaker Staff Writer

ANCHORAGE, Alaska

United States President George W. Bush got closer to accomplishing one of his longstanding goals when the U.S. Senate passed a budget bill in March that prevents any effective opposition by Democrats who would speak against allowing oil and gas drilling in the Alaska National Wildlife Refuge.

The Senate vote could set in motion a series of events that will have a disastrous effect on an

Indigenous people who live on the Canadian side of the Alaska/Yukon border.

As Alaska's crucial oil supply slowly, but surely, decreases and gasoline prices rise across the United States, government and industry look to a huge natural gas deposit under the state's northern coastal plain. The gas deposits under Alaska's North Slope are estimated to be three times as large as the deposits that will feed another oil and gas project, Canada's Mackenzie Valley pipeline.

Plans for a new drilling operationand a new \$20 billion U.S. pipeline to move the gas to southern

markets—are in the works in Alaska, but there are a few problems. One, the gas lies below the surface of protected U.S. federal lands, the Alaska National Wildlife Refuge. Two, the refuge is on the migration route of the Porcupine Caribou herd. Three, the Gwitch'in people of Northern Yukon and Alaska rely on the caribou to sustain their traditional subsistence lifestyle.

The caribou spend all but two weeks each year in the Yukon. But each June, like salmon returning to the streams where they were spawned, the herd of more than 100,000 migrates westward to the wildlife reserve for the calving season. The planned gas drilling operation and pipeline could interfere with that migration. Environmentalists say the 10,000-year-old migratory pattern is so imprinted in the animals that even a brick wall would not stop them from trying to return to their calving grounds. Any obstruction on the migratory path could prove disastrous for the herd and for the Gwitch'in people.

Esau Schafer, a councillor with the Vuntut Gwitch'in First affected, how would they heal all Nation in Old Crow, those species?" he asked. Yukon, †told Windspeaker on The Canadian government is \$900. The highest it's ever been so influence is being exerted Some support the 300 people March 23 that the community on the record against drilling in is around \$2,000. And it's elsewhere. will soon meet to discuss what to the refuge. The lobbying effort in something that Alaskans expect,

do now that the U.S. government has taken a step towards drilling in the wildlife refuge.

"It's been just about 20 years now. We're in the process of protecting our Arctic lands and it's finally come to something that we don't want to hear. We have to make some changes and those changes have to come from the community on which route do we take now," he said. "We haven't given up any hopes yet, but it's kind of scary for this community."

Development is a very serious issue in Old Crow.

the U.S. has spread out beyond official Washington with the Enhanced Implementation Initiative, a five-year, \$118million project that has seen the creation of seven new Canadian consulates in the United States in Philadelphia, San Diego, Raleigh-Durham, Phoenix, Denver, Houston and Anchorage. That brings the total number of Canadian consulates in the U.S.

Fighting against an initiative the oil and gas industry in Alaska wants will not be easy.

"Oil and gas revenues make up "As soon as you mention 80 per cent of government development within our revenues," said Karen Matthias,

that they plan for, and that they are extremely protective about."

Knowing it will be a tough struggle to keep drilling out of the wildlife reserve, Foreign Affairs Canada has adopted the strategy of helping the Gwitch'in people get to Washington, D.C. to lobby on their own behalf. In consulates outside of Washington, Canadian officials seek to demonstrate to American legislators and business leaders that "Canada matters."

"Alaskans are verv knowledgeable about resource issues but probably very few would know that the United States buys more crude oil from Canada than it does from any

representation initiative, the fact of being able to talk to the legislators who come from places like [the state of] Washington, where they tend to be quite focused on conservation issues and Aboriginal issues, that's where you can have an influence and make an impact," said Jeffrey Parker, Canada's consul general to Seattle.

Judy Brady, the executive director of the Alaska Oil and Gas Association, leaves no doubt that oil and gas companies have a lot of influence in the state. She said 70 to 90 per cent of Alaska's economy comes from oil and gas. There's no state sales tax and no

> personal income tax in Alaska, so royalties and taxes paid by her group's members account for that large number.

Brady said oil and gas has a \$1.4 billion annual payroll and contributes another \$1.8 billion to the economy.

As you might expect, she stated wholeheartedly that the industry will find a way to exploit the gas under the refuge without endangering the caribou herd. Working in Arctic conditions to tap the oil reserves on the North Slope forced the companies

perfect the art of working in a delicate environment and the lessons learned will be employed to make the gas operation environmentally friendly, she-

"It was necessary that we be the best in the world and we are," Brady said. "We have done it right and we can do it right."

Environmentalist Brennan is the campaign director for Alaskans for Responsible Mining. He said most Alaskans support the resource sector activities without hesitation.

"You can't be here as an environmentalist and not sense animosity," he said.

Complicating matters further is the fact that the Native peoples of Alaska are divided on the development question. Because of a unique land claim law in the state, 12 per cent of Alaska—44 million acres—is Native land. There are 13 Native regional corporations that have control over resource development on their lands. Many of the corporations and the local communities that they represent are like most Alaskans; they stand to benefit from resource development.

in Old Crow who depend on the the enhanced caribou herd; some don't.



traditional area and with the Arctic refuge, it's a very sensitive issue for this community," he said. "Our community is very dependent on the Porcupine Caribou herd. The First Nation is always looking forward each year to the comeback of the caribou. Our culture here is very strong on that sense."

The community is isolated and very much still in touch with its traditional lifestyle, he added.

"This is really a threat to us," said Schafer. "And we rely so much on the caribou herd, so much because of the high cost of living."

The Elders in the community were "saddened" to hear of the Senate vote.

"Now that we're effected, how are we going to change our life," he said. "We just hope that we can stall them in different ways."

The Gwitch'in will have a lot of questions to ask if the drilling does go ahead.

"If there's a human error within that sensitive area, the calving grounds, who would be responsible for it and how would they treat it? If that area is

Canada's consul in Anchorage. "The change in the price of oil per barrel has incredible impact on a daily basis."

Every Alaskan has a stake in seeing oil and gas production in the state flourish. Part of the royalties paid by the companies goes into what's known as the Permanent Fund, which was established 30 years ago. Every man, woman and child receives a portion of the proceeds each year. And since the state balances the budget by using some of the Permanent Fund monies when the price per barrel is low, Alaskans want new oil and gas production to continue.

"The Permanent Fund was established as an income investment from the original oil royalties. There's a portion that goes into the fund each year. It's currently at somewhere between \$28- and \$30-billion (US). That's the state of Alaska, not the federal government that has this \$30billion pot of money," Matthias said. "Anybody who's been a resident here for a year or more can apply to receive their Permanent Fund dividend, which comes out yearly in the fall, about October. Last year it was around

other country and that we're the largest natural gas supplier to the U.S. as well," Matthias said.

American leaders are told that trade between Canada and United States amounted to \$440 billion U.S. in 2003 and, for 37 states, Canada is their largest export market. The implication is that Canada's position on issues such as the refuge should be considered.

Lobbying goes on throughout the U.S. because the decision to drill in the wildlife reserve will not be made in Alaska.

"While people in Alaska have very strong views on [the refuge], it's not a decision the state can make because it's on federal land," Matthias said. "So the Canadian government's lobbying efforts have been most concentrated in Washington and at the grassroots level and at the congressional delegation level in the states in the lower 48 to try to raise awareness about the issue of the Porcupine Caribou and the importance of them to the sustainable lifestyle of the Gwitch'in people."

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Name change for AFN?

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Of course the Assembly of First Nations would have to change their name to the Assembly of Autochthonous. Then instead of being the AFN, it would simply be A.A. Now how's that for irony? Their meetings would take on a whole new context. But hey, I'm sure they consider never themselves autochthonous

national anthem ... "Our home and autochthonous land." Or a community of people walking into a lawyer's office, wanting AAM. establish their autochthonous land claim. Doesn't that sound so natural, almost rolling off the tongue?

damn forms at the government's department of Autochthonous Affairs, after seeing your local autochthonous agent. See, it gets easy after a while. Try it.

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The brand new First Nations University in Saskatchewan, whose initials always make me laugh (FNU, or more You can picture yourself waiting graphically put, effin' you!),

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APTN defends policy

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Norman Cohn believes there's more to APTN's language policy than its CEO is prepared to admit.

"They do support the idea that there should be films in Aboriginal languages ... they accept that the Inuit language deserves to have films made in the Inuit language. I assume the same thing is true for Cree and Dene and anything else. Their CRTC license obligates them to provide film-making in Aboriginal languages or else why would they even exist? So they're not challenging the obligation. They're trying to sell people on a

shortcut for them to meet their obligation. And the shortcut is buy one film and put it in 10 languages instead of buying 10 films, each in their own language." Cohn said the APTN shortcut is going to hurt Aboriginal film-makers.

"We're a successful film company. So every time they put our film in Cree, that's one more Cree film they are not buying and one more Cree film-maker who's not getting financed. Our complaint is that they're using our work as a shortcut to shortchange all the other aspiring film-makers who are trying to get on the air,"

he said.

Windspeaker reported previously that APTN came perilously close to going off the air because of financial problems, but Jean LaRose denied there was a financial shortcut at the heart of the language policy.

LaRose said the network has turned the corner financially and is now looking to make the best use of emerging technology.

"As an network, we have to be representative of all Aboriginal languages. Not just a select few. Our mandate is to enhance, protect and preserve all of our languages, or at least as many as we can."



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The

leader wanted more for his people than the government wanted to give

By Cheryl Petten

It was the early 1800s and the traditional territory of the Ojibway had been dissected by the border between American and Canadian territories. When the War of 1812 began, the Ojibway, living on the northern side of this dividing line, sided with the British forces. They had enjoyed a good relationship with the British administrators and feared the repercussions of further American expansion into their territories.

Chief Shingwaukonse (also know as Little Pine, The Pine and Shingwauk) fought in the war and received a medal in recognition of his loyalty to Queen and Crown. He had demonstrated his dedication and bravery during the battle between British and American forces, his demeanor and political skill making an impression.

After the war, Shingwaukonse took on the role of peacemaker and diplomat, urging peaceful coexistence with the American presence in Ojibway territory. This was not done out of any American newfound loyalty to the Americans—his allegiance to the British Crown remained steadfast throughout his life—but because he recognized that the political landscape was changing and that in order to survive the Ojibway would have to change as well.

By the time Shingwaukonse had risen to the position of head chief, the British policy of dealing with Native people involved settling them in small communities, encouraging them to give up their traditional ways in favor of farming.

While Shingwaukonse was anxious to have his people learn what the British could teach

them, he wasn't willing to trade their independence and a traditional way of life. What he sought

Ojibway already possessed, allowing them to develop businesses built around hunting, fishing and forestry. He also sought guarantees from both American and British officials that Native access to the resources within their territories would be protected.

Shingwaukonse and other members of his band had once divided their time between the American and Canadian parts of Ojibway territory, but by 1820 the chief and his followers decided to reside permanently north of the border. They chose Garden River, located just east of Sault Ste. Marie, as their permanent home and remained there despite constant attempts to relocate the band to a settlement on Manitoulin Island.

When the Anglican church chose to set up a mission in Sault Ste. Marie, Shingwaukonse hoped the new missionary, William McMurray, would help him make his case for Aboriginal rights to both the British and governments. McMurray did his part, arranging between interview Shingwaukonse and Sir John Colbourne, the lieutenant governor of Upper Canada. Colbourne gave the chief authority to protect timber and fisheries near Sault Ste. Marie.

Soon, however, the way the British viewed the Native population of the Canadas went through a transformation, making the task Shingwaukonse had set for himself even more difficult.

Whereas during the War of 1812 Native people were viewed as an important ally in the fight against American expansion, the government of the day now saw them as an obstacle or liability. Shingwaukonse and his calls for recognition of Aboriginal rights instead was support to to land and resources only helped build on the skills the to reinforce those views. His

requests for assistance to set up a sawmill to process the timber being harvested on Ojibway lands fell on deaf ears. Soon he would experience an even greater setback when government representatives chose to reverse their previous policy, declaring that the lands he and his people lived on in Garden River, and the resources upon them, belonged not to his band, but to the government.

In the fall of 1847, the government authorized the sale of a number of mining sites on the northern shores of Lakes Superior and Huron. One of the sites took in the entire Garden River community.

When the Ojibway and their supporters argued that Native people in area had never ceded ownership of their land, the government countered, alleging that because many Ojibway had at one time spent their summers in American territory, their status in Canada was that of immigrant rather than Indigenous people. The Ojibway repudiated the government claim, saying they had occupied their territory "from time immemorial."

The following spring a change in government for Canada brought with it a change in the way the Native claims were to be handled. The sale of the mining site that encompassed Garden River was put on hold so the Ojibway protests could be fully heard. Thomas G. Anderson, a superintendent of Indian Affairs, was asked to investigate. He reported that the right to the lands and resources within their traditional lands lay with the Native people. Those assertions, plus a successful campaign by Shinwaukonse and his supporters within the Canadian press, began to garner public sympathy and support for the Ojibway cause and helped pave the way for a treaty between the Ojibway and the Crown.

William B. Robinson, a former furtrader who had strong familial connections with the ruling Tory party, was chosen to negotiate on behalf of the Canadian government. The treaty he proposed promised money in exchange for but land, made mention of the guarantees Shinwaukonse sought for his people. Under

the treaty, Ojibway people would wanting more from the treaty be able to continue to hunt and fish on any ceded lands not sold when Robinson told him the or leased by the Crown, but they majority of the chiefs in the area would have no right to share in profits from minerals or other resource within these lands. There would also be no government support to help the chief and his people establish businesses in any resource sectors.

Robinson suspected that the biggest obstacle to be overcome in the treaty process would be Shingwaukonse and his demands for guarantees of Aboriginal rights. With this in mind, he employed a divide-and-conquer tactic. Other chiefs in the area were told that continued support of Shingwaukonse would call into question their loyalty to the Crown. He also used treaty payments as a bargaining tool, saying only the chiefs that signed the treaty would receive payment for their followers.

Shingwaukonse still held out,



Chief Shingwaukonse was a champion of Aboriginal rights to land and resources, but was thwarted by government at every turn.

process for his people. But, had already signed, he finally acquiesced.

Despite signing the treaty, Shingwaukonse wasn't ready to end his fight to have the rights of his people recognized, but his attempts were thwarted again by a law enacted by the Canadian government in 1853. That law made it a crime to be involved in the campaign for Aboriginal rights, and tied the hands of those who had supported Shingwaukonse.

By 1853 Shingwaukonse had developed gangrene in his back and his health began to fail. Realizing he didn't have long to live and that much more had to be done if his vision for his people was to be realized, he passed the challenge of continuing his work on to his sons. Shingwaukonse died in

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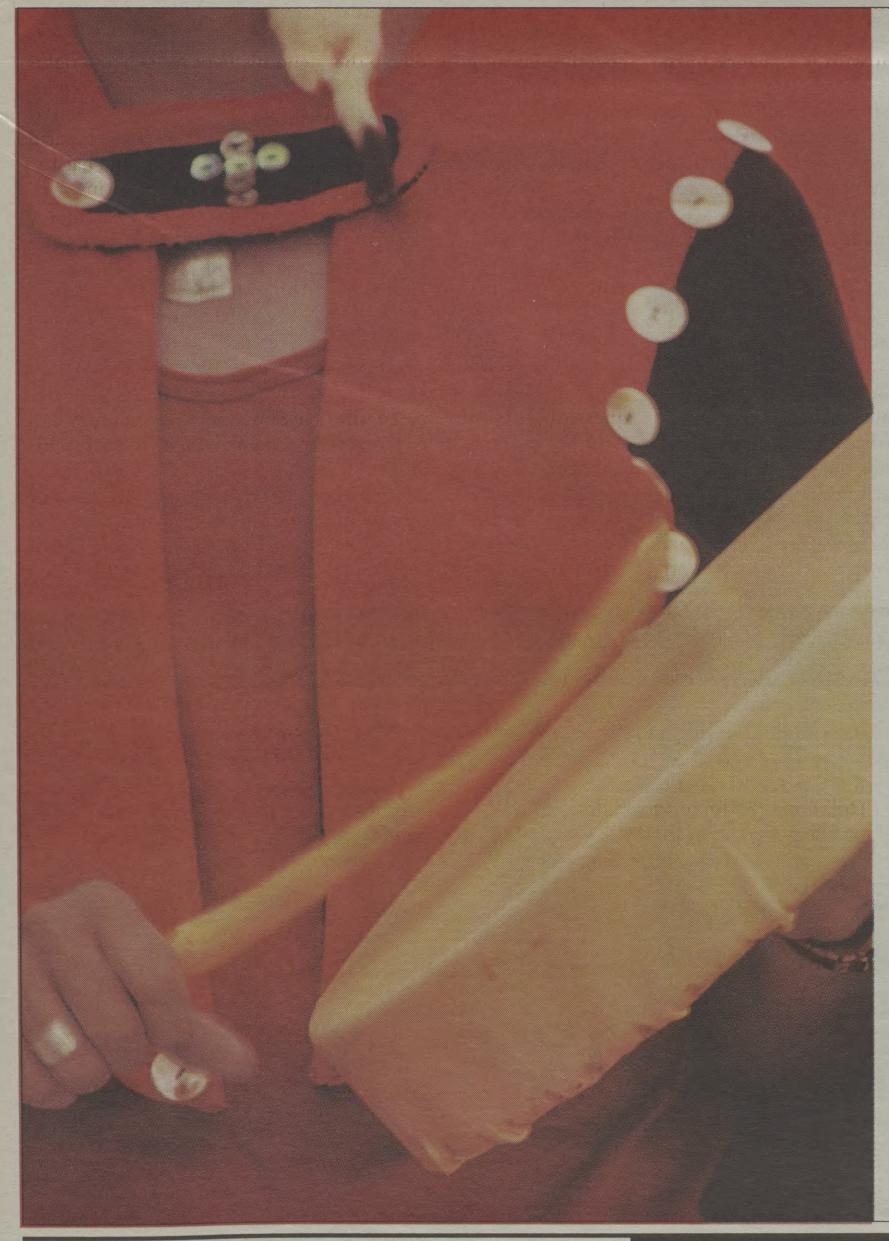
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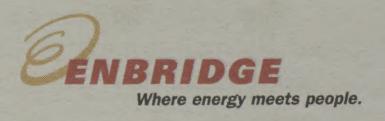


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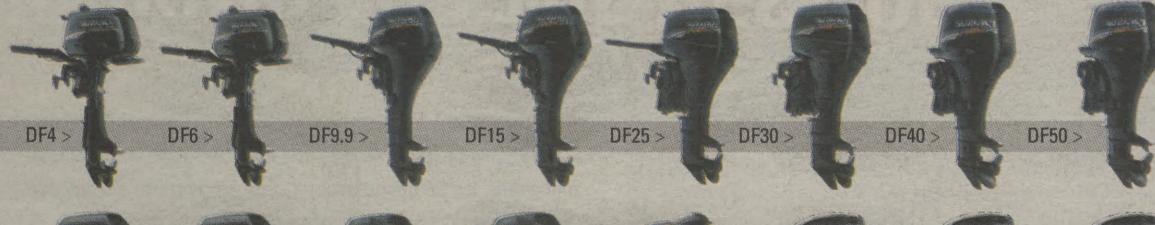
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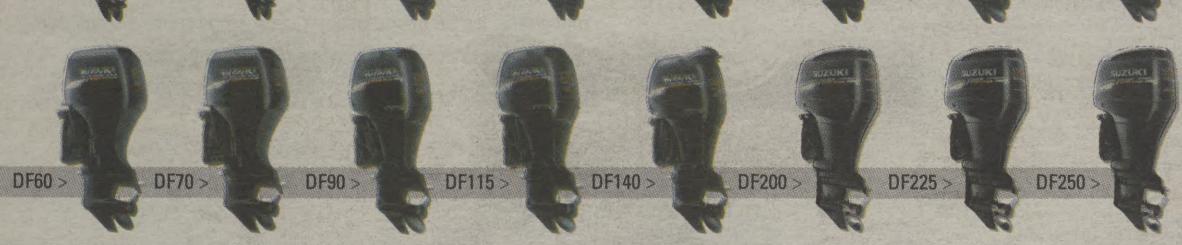
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