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THE ISSUES AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS OF TODAY, WHICH AFFECT OUR PEOPLE

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Newsletter of the Mohawk Council of Kahnawá:ke

Keeping an Eye on Environment



The Environment we live in today is the focus of this month's newsletter.

Annual Clean-up

The annual community Spring Clean-Up will take place on Friday, May 6th.

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From the Grand Chief's Notebook...

It's Kahnawake's time to govern. That's the message that I'm getting from the community, as well as my fellow Council members. I agree that we, as a community, have sat on our respective laurels in terms of addressing some hard-hitting governance issues in the past, but we, and I believe the community, is primed to take the next big steps to restore some confidence in the Mohawk Council of Kahnawake.



"We have a big job on our hands."

Obviously, one of the dominant issues that we are facing is the ever growing and complex tobacco trade in Kahnawake. Since our press release and my discussion on K103 several weeks ago, I have met with a substantial number of individuals involved in the business and have received nothing but support. These people see the need for internal Mohawk Law and Regulations to be developed if the industry is to gain the legitimacy, which it seeks, and the cooperation and support of the community.

In the coming weeks and months, you will see rapid and positive development on this front. It is one of the most important movements that Kahnawake will face in the near future. I believe that through discussion, debate and ultimately, Kahnawake jurisdiction through legislation, this could develop into a real turning point in our history. But to see this through, we need to devote some real political equity into the establishment of a legislative authority and a true judicial act.

Some of this work began almost a year ago when Council asked several key stakeholders to come to the table with some ideas on what it would take to create the environment for some viable economic development initiatives to see the light of day. A working group was put together, including people from Lands, Legal, the Court of Kahnawake, and Tawatohnhi'saktha, to develop a framework that will lead to legislative development and ensure that what Kahnawake's wants and needs for the future are addressed.

That being said, we have a big job on our hands. And by we, I don't only mean the Mohawk Council. I mean Kahnawake. I might start to sound repetitive, but my belief is that we can only succeed together, regardless of the issue. The creation of a public communal legislature, the empowerment of a true Kahnawake judicial system and the other institutions of governance that are needed, will only succeed if they have the input and support of the entire community. And by entire, I mean the collective.

We have become very individualistic in our actions of late. It is time to begin the reintegration of collective thinking back into our society. I believe that some, if not all, of these initiatives are but a steppingstone toward a common goal. And it does not matter what you interpret the goal to be. If Kahnawake can come together and add to its rafters, we will all benefit, including our future generations. The time for talk is gone. It is a time of action. Stay tuned; I think you'll like what you see. And if you don't, let us know.

Nia:wen Kowa.
Michael Delisle, Jr.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Onkwariwa'shon:'a welcomes your *Letters to the Editor* for publication in future issues of the newsletter. Please send us your opinion, thoughts, or comments on any subject.

Letters must be signed and include a return address or phone number. We ask that the writer remains respectful in his/her opinions. Onkwariwa'shon:'a reserves the right to edit for clarity and article length.

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POLITICAL UPDATES



By: *Albyn Morris, Associate Director,
Office of the Council of Chiefs*

The Mohawk Council of Kahnawake (MCK) recently passed a Mohawk Council Resolution (MCR) that will help to establish a template for the formatting of the existing laws found in the community. This procedure require formatting all the laws and allow for scheduling of the updates or possible future amendments of the laws.

In preparation for the updating and/or amending of the laws, the MCK also passed a resolution splitting the MCRs into two separate streams.

1. One stream will be for all legislative acts of the Council
2. The other will be for the administrative directives of the MCK

This split has a functional purpose because when the Council acts in a governance capacity, as legislators it requires that a separate process from the normal operational process or directive be followed.

For example; resolutions pertaining to legislative acts may establish a process to create a law, while administrative directives may be used to approve the annual MCK budgets.

These modifications are long overdue and prepare the necessary groundwork for the enhancement of the operational and legislative accountability of the Mohawk Council to the people of Kahnawake.

Seigneurie of Sault St. Louis Update

By: David Lahache, SSSL
Communications Coordinator



The Seigneurie of Sault St. Louis Exploratory process has been extended. The nine (9) month process, which is designed to examine an alternative way to settle our long-standing grievance, was schedule to conclude on March 31, 2005.

“The extension will allow Canada time to digest the information presented to them during the first nine months of the Exploratory Process,” said Grand Chief Michael Ahríhron Delisle, Jr. “We remain hopeful Canada will be able to come back to Kahnawá:ke with an offer to negotiate this file under a new process that will meet the community’s expectations.”

MORE SEIGNEURY INFO:

The SSSL Coordinating Team will be offering frequent updates to the community, via Kwatokent TV and the local media. The MCK would also like to remind the community that the MCK is not negotiating the Seigneurie at this time. It’s hoped the Exploratory Process will open the door to future negotiations on the Seigneurie, with the Federal Government and possibly Quebec. If you require additional information on the Seigneurie, please contact SSSL Communications at 632-7500.

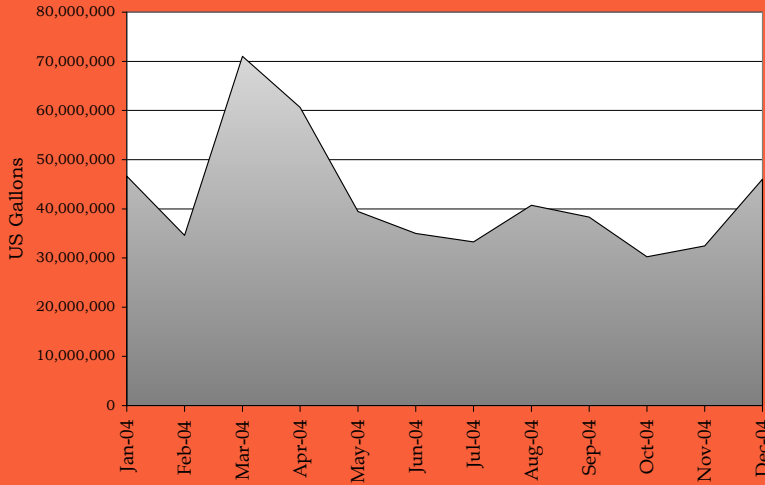
MOHAWK COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 2004-2005

MCR # Date Passed (mm/dd/year)

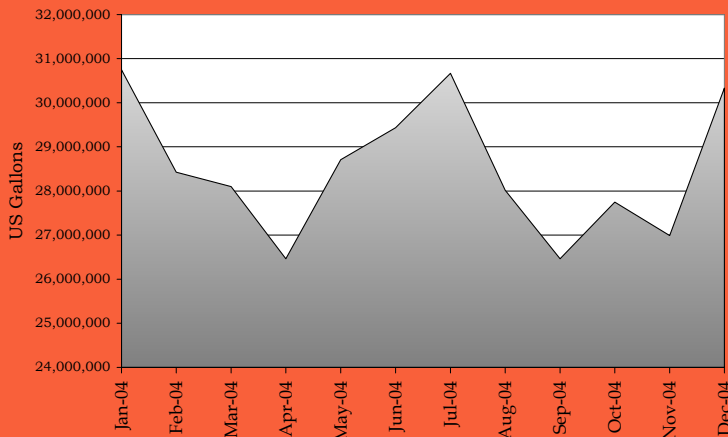
MCR #	Date Passed (mm/dd/year)	
68	01/17/2005	Fire Brigade
69	01/31/2005	Land Allotment-Ronald Harry Diabo
70	01/31/2005	Land Allotment-Rickey Russell Henry Deer
71	01/31/2005	Land Allotment-John McGowan & Wendy Morris
72	01/31/2005	Membership/Acceptance of Transfer: Linda Whitebean
73	01/31/2005	Survey of Reserved Lots 111-1 & 106 Block “G”
74	01/31/2005	Designation Reserved Lots 111-1 & 106 Block “G”
75	02/07/2005	Tiowero:ton Policy
76	02/14/2005	Land Exchange-John Michael Delaronde
77	03/01/2005	Athletic Commission
78	03/01/2005	New Formatted Laws
79	03/01/2005	Fire Brigade-Medical Transportation
80	03/01/2005	Land Allotment-Bryan Paul Delisle
81	03/01/2005	Land Allotment-Norma Hemlock
82	03/16/2005	Membership/Acceptance of Transfers: Shiann Whitebean, Walter Whitebean & Linda Kjono Jacobs Bressette

FACTS & STATISTICS

SEWER FLOW 2004



WATER CONSUMPTION 2004



2004	US Gallons per month (Sewer)	US Gallons per month (Water)
January	46,660,700	30,748,351
February	34,614,721	28,424,550
March	71,032,681	28,100,802
April	60,648,608	26,463,264
May	39,463,070	28,709,685
June	35,007,545	29,434,502
July	33,291,220	30,669,054
August	40,741,663	28,014,256
September	38,330,565	26,462,637
October	30,220,748	27,747,568
November	32,440,850	26,988,359
December	46,025,103	30,334,448
Total:	508,477,474	342,097,476

Social Assistance Stats 2004-05

April 2004	\$ 389,449.85	Total caseload: 601
May	382,799.15	574
June	353,075.32	542
July	347,752.10	535
Aug	354,108.04	517
Sept	331,384.78	496
Oct	327,987.45	482
Nov	348,435.31	513
Dec	338,140.21	502
Jan/05	347,924.23	512
Feb	329,334.38	496
March	313,357.04	477

MCK Human Resources Statistics as of March 2005:

Permanent Employees =	181
Contract Employees =	<u>97</u>
Total	278

Professional Services Contract = 11 (Individuals)

How long does it take for products to break down?



Paper Towels	1 year	
Orange Peels	2 years	
Socks	4 years	
News Papers	6 years	
Plastic Grocery Bags	20 years	
Plastic Containers	50 years	
Food Cans	250 years	
Pop Cans	500 years	
Glass Bottles	1 000 000 years!!!	

Facts from the Kahnawake Environment Protection Office.

Loanna Zacharie Updates on the 2005 Grand Tour



Kahnawà:ke and Chateauguy have been working together since February of this year, bringing the 2005 Grand Tour to fruition. 30 youth from Kahnawà:ke and the Chateauguy region will take part in the 28-day excursion around Quebec. The 2005 Grand Tour is the first of its kind and will set a precedent upon its successful completion. The project is based on a need to unify our communities and appreciate the differences that exist between us.

Kahnawà:ke has a total of 14 participants taking part and determined to finish the tour. The tour had originally estimated 12 youth per community but since these numbers were not met in the Chateauguy area Kahnawà:ke was able to add to their participants. Kahnawà:ke has representation in two age populations with 6 youth between 12-14 years old and 8 youth between the ages of 15-17. "It will be interesting to see what effect the age factor has on the group dynamic in terms of behavior, participation, and the inter-racial relations" said Loanna Zacharie, 2005 Kahnawà:ke Grand Tour Coordinator.



The 2005 Grand Tour also welcomes Rhonda Kirby, KSDPP Intervention Coordinator, as the newest member of the board and organizing committee. She will represent Kahnawà:ke, bringing with her, her experience in fundraising and commitment to health awareness. The current focus for the board of the 2005 Grand Tour is on the fundraising aspect of the project. The cost to participate is free, but to produce a project of this magnitude will cost \$100,000. Most of the funds have been received in forms of donations and monetary supplements from government organizations, private enterprises and/or donors. The Tour is still looking to raise \$40,000 before leaving Kahnawà:ke on July 3, 2005. There is also a need for material resources, like cube vans and laptops, once en route, for safety and communication purposes. A variety of fundraisers are being planned and one, an evening of wine and cheese, is scheduled to take place on April 30, 2005. Grand Chief Mike Delisle will be the guest of honor at this event. This evening will be the first time Chateauguy and Kahnawà:ke meet to celebrate the joint effort made towards the 2005 Grand Tour. The attendees are committed to the project and the networks and bridges it is striving to attain. All residents of Kahnawà:ke and Chateauguy are invited to attend. All the proceeds from ticket sales will go towards the 2005 Grand Tour.

If you would like to attend the fundraiser, make a donation or have access to resources that may be useful to the 2005 Grand Tour, please do not hesitate to contact **Loanna Zacharie**, 2005 Kahnawà:ke Grand Tour Coordinator, at (450) 632-7500 or send an email to loannaz@mck.ca.

Kahnawake Youth taking the 28-day challenge:

Tehaiahshé Beauvais
Leigh Beauvais
Kyleigh Stacey
Tammy Jo Lahache
Dreamer Delaronde
Montana Lazare
Thasontherha Lahache
Kanonwatase Lahache
Jessie Johnson
Brandon Stalk
Marshall McComber
Michael Scott Porter
Adam Morris



The Fight Against West Nile Continues

The company GDG Environment Ltée has been awarded the contract in Chateauguy to treat for Mosquito control to lessen the breeding and population of the insects, and in turn lessening the chances of someone contracting the West Nile Virus.

The treatments will take place starting in mid-April and will be carried out throughout the summer until September 15, 2005. The treatments will be carried out by small plane and in some cases on foot.

Treatment involves the dropping of corn pellets which have been treated with insecticides—which are totally harmless to wildlife and humans.

Although the treatment is being carried out primarily in Chateauguy, the Mohawk Council of Kahnawake (MCK) was asked to give permission to allow some treatment to take place along our border with Chateauguy. This area includes the bushes along the Industrial Boulevard approximately ½ to 1 kilometer onto our territory.

Anyone who would like more information on the treatment of the West Nile Virus is asked to contact Jean-Guy Lanouette of GDG Environment Ltée at 819-373-3097 or the MCK Communications Liaison for the project, Timmy Norton at 632-7500 ext 254.



REFLECT

In this issue, we tackle the issues of the environment.....our environment right here in Kahnawake. Recycling is an important part of protecting our land and reducing the amount of garbage we throw out everyday.

Much of what we throw out is recyclable and can be used again and again. As native people we are responsible for the earth and what is happening to it.

Eva Johnson of the Kahnawake Environment Office fights that fight everyday and does her best to convince the community to change their habits and become avid recyclers. We spoke to Eva recently:



Eva Johnson has been working tirelessly since 1987 on environmental issues in Kahnawake and she has put this community on the map as far as recycling goes.

Eva contends that 1987 was the turning point for this community and the world for that matter, in regards to caring about the environment. That was the year that she and others closed the town dump and contaminated landfill sites in the community.

Recycling efforts also began that year with 6 families who began to drop off their recycling at various locations which the Environment office occupied.

Some of those offices included a small office in the Court House, a building attached to John Charlie's house on the main highway, and then finally to their current location behind the Kahnawake Court House.

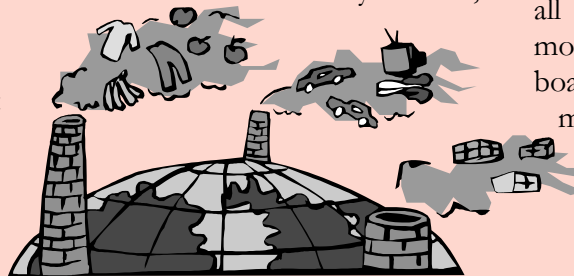
Starting on a shoe string budget and no pay, she began collecting recycling with Wayne "El Wacko" Lahache in the late 80's and into the 90's. People began to notice Eva's efforts and she received the first solid financial commitment from the women of the longhouse in the amount of \$38,000.

Lee Scott McComber was another pioneer of recycling who worked closely with Eva over the years and helped to establish what is in place today. In reflecting on the past years pre-Kahnawake Environment services, Eva said that her parents and most people in the community had less to consume, therefore they had less to throw into dumps and everything was re-used. There were maybe 10 cars in the community at most,

so the problems of smog and wasteful consumption were not an issue back then.

People walked or biked everywhere and were generally healthier and did not waste or mass consume. In today's society according to Eva, we mass produce and billions of dollars are spent on producing, but little money is spent on recycling. Governments give major grants to producers but give pennies to recycling programs.

Today, Eva says we are a consumer society. Products are made flimsily and are discarded after a year or so, left to rot for thousands of years in landfill sites. Back in the old days, you made due with what you had...today it's all about who has the best and most—whether it be toys, SUVs, boats, 2 and 3 cars per family, motor bikes, ATVs. All contributing to air pollution.



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We constantly waste food, water, and other products. In the old days, you cherished the water you had in the house because you had to go down to the pump and carry it back to the house....today, simply turn on the tap. It appears that we have a lot of water but just try and take a glass of water out of the river and drink it...you'll be running to the toilet quickly enough.

Eva says it's not all bad news, currently 50 % of community members are recycling. Some are recycling everything and others are recycling mainly papers. Eva says that is a good statistic compared to other communities surrounding us. As well, we are the only community with twice weekly pick-up, free to residents. In outside communities, consumers pay through municipal taxes for the service.

In a final message, Eva says that the earth is being devastated by Mass consumerism and we can do our little part right here in Kahnawake by Recycling—re-using—and producing less garbage.

Today it takes 2 seconds to decide to recycle....Do I throw this can in the garbage or do I throw it in the recycling bin?? Grab the newspapers and bundle them up and put them on the curb on Mondays or Thursdays....Your children will see you doing this, and they will learn the value of recycling.

Reflections

By: Timmy Norton

My mother and father, Peter and Hazel Norton were the ultimate environmentalists. They didn't try to stop logging or work for Green Peace, but they recycled and re-used everything that came into our home.

Their recycling efforts were mostly out of necessity because of hard times, however they used as little as possible and wasted nothing. Some of their efforts included;

- Paint cans—after every last drop was used, they became nail and screw holders.
- Old bikes were repaired and parts combined to make new bikes.
- Old blankets and clothes turned into large quilts.
- Empty milk cartons made great ice containers.
- Old bike tubes found a new life making the screen door close better.
- Jeans were patched and re-patched until they just fell apart.
- Old t-shirts were put to good use for cleaning rags.
- Newspaper was used to wash windows and sometimes for insulation in the walls.

We had two wood stoves going during the winter months and there never seemed to be enough wood. We were always in the bushes cutting wood. After a while, I grew to hate those words...Hao'ki....wentewaicn'takohe on:wa.

The garden provided fresh vegetables throughout the summer and into the winter months. The family came and took what they needed and some was stored in the root cellar, the rest was sold in the neighborhood. Their garden contained tomatoes, cucumbers, onions, potatoes, corn, string beans, pole beans, lettuce, radish, pumpkins, beets and strawberries.



All matter of scrap wood, metal, aluminum, and steel was thrown into a pile and sooner or later everything found a new use, and was re-used. I can remember making trips to the old dump, up the hill, with very little garbage and I recall on many occasions, coming back home with more than we went there with!

*Peter & Hazel Norton
Circa 1970's*



Environmental Statistics/Information

Within the last year, Kahnawake has generated 453 metric tons of recycling. This means that all structures (home or business) generate nearly a quarter metric ton of recyclable materials per year. This is comprised of different materials such as paper, aluminum, plastic and glass. Not included in this volume is the large amounts of clothing and toys that are brought to good will missions.



color and then crushed. The fragments are run through a magnetic system to remove metal pieces and then through a vacuum system to remove paper or plastic labels. It is then sent to manufacturers who will melt it and mix it with virgin raw materials to make new glass containers.

Paper Materials make up the largest percentage of recyclables that we produce. In order to recycle paper materials it is sorted by hand into different paper grades/types. Once each grade is sorted, they are compressed into 1-ton bales, loaded on trailers and sent to a paper mill. At the mill, the paper is placed in vats of 150° water that turns the paper into pulp. From there the pulp is dried, rolled and recycled into new items.

So the next time you head out to the grocery store, read the labels to see how much post consumer materials are used in the products that you purchase.



The Recycling Depot currently employs 8 Kahnawa'kehrónon.

We presently have one supervisor, and seven short-term employees. We work directly with the *Employee Enhancement Program* to fill these positions. Staff work together to collect, separate and deliver the recyclables to various transfer stations.

There is monetary compensation for these recyclable materials, and 100% of this compensation goes directly back into the program to help offset expenses, such as salaries, etc. However, it is not a monymaking enterprise, or an economic venture, but rather an effort to continue our role as CARETAKERS OF THIS EARTH IN A MODERN DAY ENVIRONMENT.

Did You Know?

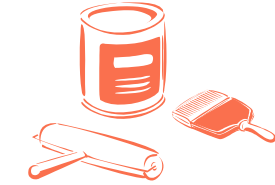
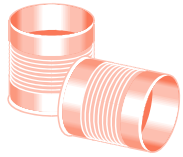
It takes 1,000,000 years for plastics and glass to break down in a landfill.

It takes 100 years for tin to break down and 500 years for aluminum in a landfill.

What Can You Do to Help?

- Buy products in recyclable containers and recycle them.
- Buy paper products with post consumer recycled paper content.
- Buy durable, reusable items rather than disposable ones.
- Buy in bulk.
- Don't accept bags for small purchases.
- Use reusable cloth or mesh shopping bags.
- When appropriate, rent or borrow what you need.
- Write to companies to express your opinions on their products and packaging.

Put these items in your blue box for pickup or drop them off at the Recycling Depot.



Metal Cans & Foil

Rinse cans, place lids in can and pinch closed and put loose in blue bin. Please don't put aluminum cans inside tin ones. Include clean aluminum foil and pie plates. **NO** cigarette or butter wrappers or scrap metal.

Aerosol/Paint Cans

Metal containers must be empty. Take lids off the paint cans to let them dry, and place in blue bin. **NO** containers with residue please. Bring paint, varnish and other wastes to the Transfer Depot.

Plastic Containers

Rinse containers for soft drinks, detergents, juice, bleach, shampoo, dairy products as well as clear and plastic cups, trays and packaging. Flatten soft drink containers and replace lids to save space.

Bottles & Jars

Remove and rinse caps and lids. Metal lids can be recycled with cans.



Box Board & Paper

Bundle junk mail and office paper separately from box board. Flatten and stuff box board into a large box. Box board includes cereal, shoe boxes, laundry detergent boxes, paper bags, empty sugar & flour bags, books, and egg cartons. **We do not accept** tissue paper or napkins, etc.

Plastic Bags

Stuff clean, dry plastic bags into a plastic bag and tie handles. Include rinsed milk pouches, grocery, bread, & frozen vegetable packages. Please remove any food residue and receipts from bottom of bags. **NO** meat or cheese wrappers, stretch wrap, cereal box liners or chip bags.

Cardboard

Please flatten and bundle cardboard boxes into manageable bundles. Only broken down boxes will be collected. **NO** waxed boxes or soiled pizza boxes please.

Newspapers & Magazines

Place newspapers, inserts, phone books, magazines as well as catalogues together in your blue bin. **NO** soiled newspapers!

The Kahnawake Transfer Depot will extend their hours of operation for the Spring and Summer Season, beginning Saturday April 9, 2005.

These hours of operation are as follows:

Monday to Sunday (7 days) from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.



Please remember that the Transfer Dept is not intended for Commercial use. It is for those that do not receive door-to-door garbage pick-up, for household hazardous waste, brush and large items that do not fit in your garbage bag. If your business requires container rental information, please contact the Kahnawake Environment Protection Office (635-0600).

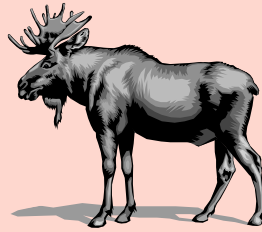
Tioweró:ton Guidelines Become Policy

On 7 Enníska/February 2005, the Mohawk Council of Kahnawá:ke signed MCR #75/2004-2005, approving the Tioweró:ton Policy. This policy is a result of community consultation and MCK Unit consultation, which took place between 2003 and 2005.

Feedback was gathered through:

- Community surveys, on-line polls, random phone calls, a survey through the Eastern Door.
- Two community meetings specific to Tioweró:ton, were held. Discussion and presentation of the proposed amendments to the policy was had, and feedback was incorporated.
- Articles in the Eastern Door, and information specials were provided on Kwatokent Television.

- MCK Communications, Legal Services, Community Protection were also involved in the consultation.
- Chief and Council reviewed the policy several times in 2004.



The Tioweró:ton Policy provides important information for people frequenting the territory, and provides the Tioweró:ton Committee and caretakers with a standardized tool for decision-making.

The Policy promotes Kahnawá:ke's principles of preservation and

protection and clarifies boundaries for Kahnawa'kehró:non and Kahnesatakehró:non. Consistent application of the Tioweró:ton policies will preserve Tioweró:ton in its natural state for future generations to experience and enjoy.



The Tioweró:ton Committee plays an important role in the policy. The Committee will monitor use on a global level, ensure preservation and conservation of all the natural resources, and focus on keeping Tioweró:ton in a pristine state.

Booklets will be available to the community at a launch scheduled for Spring 2005.

Flood Safety Awareness



by Kellyann Meloche

With winter thaws and spring weather approaching, the potential for flood hazards in Kahnawake dramatically increases. Floods can roll boulders the size of cars, uproot trees, damage buildings and bridges, and pose a significant threat to your safety. Below are flood awareness resources to help you prepare for and respond to potential flood hazards.

- Develop and practice a "family escape" plan and identify a meeting place if family members become separated.
- Make an itemized list of all valuables including furnishings, clothing and other personal property. Keep the list in a safe place.
- Stockpile emergency supplies of canned food, medicine and first aid supplies and drinking water. Store drinking water in clean, closed containers.
- Plan what to do with your pets.
- Have a portable radio, flashlights, extra batteries and emergency cooking equipment available.
- Keep your automobile fueled. If electric power is cut off, gasoline stations may not be able to pump fuel for several days. Have a small disaster supply kit in the trunk of your car (not gasoline).
- Find out how many feet your property is above and below possible flood levels. When predicted flood levels are broadcast, you can determine if you may be flooded. Keep materials like sandbags, plywood, plastic sheeting and lumber handy for emergency waterproofing.



Youth's Page



In the last issue of Onkwariwa'shon:'a we had some questions concerning Emergency Preparedness. We had two responses from adults from the community. The target is the youth for this page—so we still have a \$10 Gift Certificate from *Village Variety* for the first youth of Kahnawake who sends in the correct answer for this question:

How long does it take for glass and plastics to breakdown in a landfill?

You can submit your answer in several ways: E-mail communications@mck.ca, Fax 638-5958, or by Mail at the MCK, P.O. Box 720, J0L 1B0 in care of Communications.

- Art
- Attendance
- Backpack
- Bell
- Books
- Cafeteria
- Chalk
- Class
- Classmate
- Crafts
- English
- Eraser
- Friend
- Fun
- Gym
- Homework
- Jeans
- Learn
- Lunch
- Math
- Milk
- Note
- Paper
- Pen
- Principal
- Projects
- Read
- Recess
- Run
- Teachers
- Tests
- Try
- Write

FIND-A-WORD

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MCK Employee News

JANUARY

- **Rhonda Delaronde** left her position as Training & Technical Support Manager
- **Andrea Dickson** transferred into position of Training & Technical Support Manager (Information Systems) – CONTRACT- Replacement for Rhonda Delaronde



FEBRUARY

- **Tioherote D'ailleboust**—Recycling Depot/Driver Helpers (Environment)-Contract
- **Melody McComber**—Recycling Depot/Driver Helpers (Environment)-Contract
- **Heather Beauvais**—Recycling Depot/Driver Helper (Environment)-Contract
- **Kevin Norton**—Recycling Depot/Driver Helper (Environment)-Contract



MARCH

- **Robert Delorimiere** hired as Quality Assurance Officer (Executive Director's Office)- Contract
- **Gordon Deer** hired as Junior Network Technician (Information Systems)- Contract



Corrections:

In the last issue, the following MCK employee's titles were listed incorrectly. Onkwariwa'shon:'a regrets the errors

LOANNA ZACHARIE,
SSSL Communications Assistant.



LORNA DELARONDE,
Social Development Unit
Administrative Assistant/MSI Clerk



Nia:wen Kowa

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