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Nominations for our 2006 ELECTIONS



The nominations for the 2006 MCK Elections took place on Saturday, May 27, at the Services Complex from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. The un-official results were two (2) nominees for Grand Chief and thirty two (32) nominees for the position of Council Chief. Following the resignation of Angus L. Montour as Electoral Officer, the Court of Kahnawake appointed Darlene Alfred as Electoral Officer for the 2006 Elections. Alfred's official list of candidates is on page 2.

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National Aboriginal Hockey Championship 2006

The NAHC wrapped up here in Kahnawá:ke on Saturday, May 6, 2006 and the big story was the organization of the tournament. The Athletes put on a fabulous show and thrilled large audiences for 7 action packed days. However, the volunteers and organizers of this great event have to be applauded.

The Host Committee pulled off a very daunting task with flying colors as many favorable comments were heard during and after the championships. Special mention to Dave Canadian and crew.

In case you were away or were not aware, the NAHC took place in Kahnawá:ke from April 30 to May 6 and the tournament featuring elite male and female Aboriginal athletes (ages 15 to 18) from across Canada.



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Chief Affairs

ELECTIONS 2006

Official Declaration of Candidates

Candidates for Grand Chief

- 1. Delisle, Michael Jr.
- 2. Kirby, Dan Sr.

Candidates for Council Chief

- | | |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1. Bush, Mike | 13. Loft, Michael D. |
| 2. D'Ailleboust, Donnie | 14. Mayo-Standup, Peggy |
| 3. Dearhouse, David | 15. McComber, Kenneth |
| 4. Delormier, John Dee | 16. Montour, Daniel |
| 5. Diabo, Trina C. | 17. Montour, George |
| 6. Jacobs, Arlene | 18. Montour, John M.
(Johnny) |
| 7. Jacobs, Lori | 19. Montour, Watio |
| 8. Kirby, Rhonda Lynn | 20. Myiow, Keith |
| 9. Lahache, Warren | 21. Paul, Peter |
| 10. Leborgne, Dennis | 22. Zacharie, Marvin |
| 11. Leborgne, Lindsay | |
| 12. Leborgne, Martin | |

MCK ELECTIONS

Saturday, July 1

Karonhianonha School

9 am - 6 pm

Good luck to all candidates

Note:
Incumbents Tiorakwathe Gilbert and Lloyd Phillips have withdrawn from the elections. The MCK would like to thank both for all of their hard work and dedication.

Minister Meeting Improves Communications

Québec Liberal Party, Native Affairs Minister Geoffrey Kelley met with the MCK on Monday, May 15, in Montreal.

The meeting was basically part of the on-going effort to improve communications between the two governments. The agenda included such topics as the Highway 30 project, Québec's position regarding the Seigneurie of Sault St. Louis land grievance, and other issues deemed a priority for Kahnawake.



Québec Native Affairs Minister Geoffrey Kelley



Chief Federal Negotiator, Marc Lalonde

Importance of the Seigneurie Grievance Recognized

Chief Federal Negotiator Marc Lalonde met with the MCK to discuss issues regarding the Seigneurie of Sault St. Louis negotiations.

The MCK is pleased that the new Conservative government has recognized the importance of the Seigneurie grievance and has kept Mr. Lalonde on as its Chief Negotiator. While the teams have been meeting to discuss technical issues, this is the first face-to-face meeting since the beginning of Seigneurie negotiations were announced last November.

The meeting took place on April 25, 2006 in Montreal.

Chief Affairs



Disciplinary Measures For Chiefs

On Tuesday, April 25, the MCK announced that it has passed *Disciplinary Measures Regulations* (MCED #4-2006/ 2007) for Chief and Council. The new Regulations have been in development since 2000 and will be put into effect immediately following the MCK elections to be held in July of this year.

The new regulations aim to set clear guidelines for disciplinary measures against an elected Council chief. Accordingly, a chief could be subject to two (2) types of disciplinary measures: a) an act of censure, which shall serve as a warning to that chief by applying certain sanctions, or b) a vote of non-confidence, in which a chief may be removed from all of his/her official duties and any activities related to his/her public functions.

Appeals processes are included in both instances. In the case of non-confidence, a Tribunal, open to the public, shall be convened within the Territory. The Court of Kahnawá:ke will have the sole and exclusive jurisdiction to hear and resolve any disputes arising out of the application of these Regulations.

Elders & Chiefs Agree on Amendments

On May 8, 2006, three (3) MCK Chiefs, along with the Council of Elders Kahentinenta Horn, Ramona Decaire and Rhonda Kirby, met to discuss the proposed amendments to the current Kahnawá:ke Membership Law.

Six amendments were agreed upon; four were in regard to children, one was for clarity and one was simply the renumbering of a section.

In accordance with the law, a finalized draft of the amendments proposed, and agreed upon, has to be released to the community for thirty (30) business days in order to allow the community to ask questions or give comments.

The amendments were made public on Tuesday, May 9, 2006 at 2 pm. After the 30 business day time period, which ends on Thursday, June 22, 2006, at 2:00 pm both Chief & Council and the Council of Elders will meet to review the recommended changes or modifications by the Kanien'kehá:ka of Kahnawá:ke.

National Aboriginal Forum

Kahnawake was represented by four (4) MCK Chiefs at the National Aboriginal Governance Forum in Ottawa on April 25 & 26.

The agenda items were Indigenous Approaches to Governance; Recognition & Revitalization of Traditional Indigenous Systems; Citizenship & Membership; and Aboriginal Governance & the Canadian Constitutional Framework.

Border Issue Continues

Three (3) Chiefs of the MCK attended the 2nd Iroquois Caucus in Tyendinaga on April 5, May 17 & 18, to discuss the issue of Border Crossing Identification.

There is growing concern among the Caucus members about the need to implement our own form of ID cards before the United States' deadline of December, 2007. After that date, people entering the U.S. will be required to use either U.S. or Canadian identification (passports). With that in mind, the Caucus is focusing exclusively on this topic.



Who was our Grand Chief in 1964 to 1966?



Domestic Affairs

E-gaming Agreement Announced

On May 17, the Kahnawá:ke Gaming Commission (KGC) and the Lotteries and Gaming Authority (LGA) of Malta announced the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that allows for the sharing of investigative findings and materials regarding existing and prospective licensees.

The objective of the MOU is to enhance effective regulation within and between the two jurisdictions through an efficient and workable channel for the exchange of information.

Between them, Kahnawá:ke and Malta represent the majority of gaming licensees in the world. This announcement is another major step towards building a global network of regulating jurisdictions.

This MOU is similar to the one that was signed with Antigua and Barbuda Financial Services Regulatory Commission last January 23, 2006.



Precedent Breaking Tower Deal

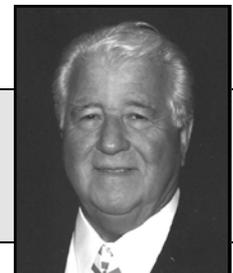
A new lease agreement for the "CFCF" towers, located on Rt.138, has been reached between the MCK, Metromedia CMR Broadcasting and the private landowners. The new lease is the first to be administered completely under Kahnawá:ke's jurisdiction. The MCK did not seek ministerial approval from the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development (DIAND), as is standard practice. However, DIAND was advised by the MCK that their approval would not be requested.



Tewatohnhisaktha Press Release

By Chuck Barnett, Board of Directors, Tewatohnhi'saktha

Tewatohnhisaktha CEO John "Bud" Morris and the Board of Directors', Chuck Barnett arrived in Douglas, Isle of Man this week (Sunday, May 28 to Sunday, June 4) to attend the inaugural Board of Directors meeting of Continent 8 Technologies. The purpose of the meeting was to review and confirm documentation relating to a public offering to raise capital for expansion, both within Kahnawake and elsewhere. Following the meeting, Kahnawake's representatives will spend the remainder of the week meeting with financial advisors and other professional service providers in order to prepare the mechanisms in the Isle of Man required to represent Kahnawake's 40 percent equity interest in Continent 8. The Mohawk Council of Kahnawake met last week to approve the acquisition and have issued their support for their initiative. Barnett and Morris commented that the Continent 8 Board meeting met their expectations and that everything is moving ahead in a satisfactory manner.



Our Grand Chief in 1964 to 1966 was Andrew Delisle Sr.



More Domestic Affairs

New Funding for Fire Brigade

The MCK has agreed to provide funding for an initiative that will allow the Kahnawá:ke Fire Brigade (KFB) to improve its services to the community.

\$275,000 has been allocated to fund four (4) positions that will be used to staff the KFB during evening/overnight shifts, as well as weekends. Currently, the KFB relies on a call-out volunteer system during these hours.

The project will be carried out on a one-year trial basis and will be subject to an evaluation process to assess its long-term feasibility.



Species at Risk Project Returns



The Kahnawake Environment Protection Office's (EPO) "Species At Risk Project", which started last year, has returned and is continuing the fieldwork studies. Scientific Advisor, Lynn K. Jacobs, and an EPO Technician, together with biologists from the company Dessau-Soprin, began their fieldwork on April 10, and will continue throughout the summer and into the early autumn. The hours of study are very early in the morning until midnight. The fieldwork is purely observational and will take place over the entire territory of Kahnawake.

The EPO is asking for the community's cooperation by allowing their staff to traverse without interruption.

Call 635-0600 for more info.

Kanien'kéha Rosetta Stone



The Rosetta Stone Mohawk Language Immersion software is now available at the Kanien'kehé:ka Onkwawén:na Raotitíóhkwa. Limited quantities are available.

The release of the Rosetta Stone Software to the community is only one step in the whole process of bringing our entire community to a higher level of proficiency in use of our language. To purchase your very own copy will cost only \$50. If you can't afford to buy the software, you have access to a special lab set up at the Cultural center free of charge. For more info, please call 450-638-0880.

MCK Employee News



The MCK would like to welcome **Erica Delisle** who is now the Performance Management Coordinator for Human Resources.



The MCK welcomes **Ken Bourque** who is now the Director of the Quality Assurance Unit



The MCK would also like to welcome **Lisa Peterson** who is now the Archives File Clerk



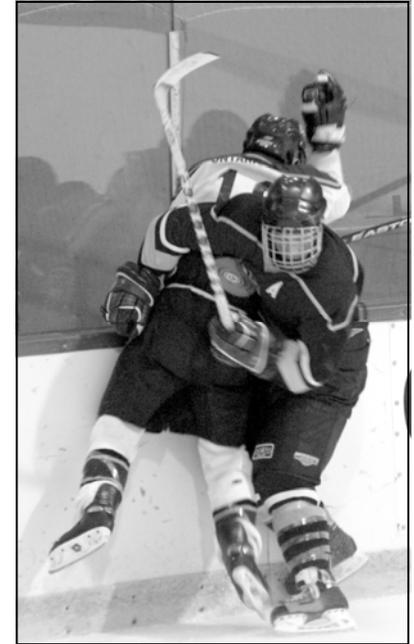
NAHC 2006

National Aboriginal Hockey Championship 2006

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The opening ceremonies took place on Sunday night, April 30 at the Sports Complex and was a stirring and fitting opening as a military honor guard marched the athletes onto the ice and the Thunderhawk Singers and Dancers performed a couple of songs. A ceremonial face off took place with Grand Chief Michael Delisle dropping the puck, along with Rod Jacobs of the Aboriginal Sports Circle.

This is a Kahnawá:ke first, hosting the NAHC games



Thursday night, May 4, the Super Bingo Hall on Rt. 138 was reserved for the tournament Gala Dinner, where sports celebrities spoke and special awards were handed out, as well as the selection of the all star team.

The Teams

Male / Female

- Eastern Door & the North
- Ontario North
- Northwest Territories
- Atlantic Ontario South
- British Columbia
- Saskatchewan
- Manitoba
- Alberta

Guest speakers included Gino Odjick, former Montreal Canadian as well as Kim St. Pierre of the Canadian Women's Olympic Hockey team that won gold in last winter's games in Torino, Italy. Kim hails from Chateauguay.



Photos courtesy of Greg Horn, Eastern Door

The Results for

Team Eastern Door of the North (EDN)

Male

Sunday April 30

EDN 11 vs North West Territories 2

EDN 2 vs Ontario South 7

Tuesday May 2

EDN 7 vs Manitoba 5

Wednesday May 3

EDN 3 vs Ontario South 4

Thursday May 4

EDN 4 vs Atlantic 1

Friday May 5

EDN 2 vs Ontario South 9

Female

Monday May 1

EDN 6 vs Atlantic 0

EDN 6 vs British Columbia 0

Tuesday May 2

EDN 7 vs Atlantic 0

Wednesday May 3

EDN 4 vs Manitoba 3

Thursday May 4

EDN 5 vs Alberta 3

Friday May 5

EDN 1 vs Ontario North 4

Saturday May 6 Bronze Medal

EDN 6 vs Manitoba 9

Saturday May 6 Bronze Medal

EDN 1 vs Manitoba 4

Gold Medal Game

Saskatchewan 4 vs Ont. South 2

Gold Medal Game

Ont. South 5 vs Ont. North 0



REFLECTIONS



**The doorway is completely sealed.
What's inside the Mausoleum now?**

Mausoleum Makeover

The MCK has begun planning for the rehabilitation of the old stone building (mausoleum) located on the site of the historic Old Cemetery, across from the main MCK building.

The MCK has filled both tenders with two qualified contractors: 1) one who specializes in cement work (pointing), and 2) one who will be contracted to replace the roof.

The bids are being examined by the MCK's Finance, Administration & Operations team. MCK hopes the work will be completed by the end of this summer.

'The Old Cemetery' by Rickey Rice

Just the other day I asked Stuart Phillips, MCK's Archival Map Curator, about the Mausoleum in 'The Old Cemetery.'

Stuart said that the Mausoleum was built by a Jocks family, but other families were allowed to use the Mausoleum during the winter months. Spring arrived and the ground thawed. That's when the graves were dug.

The grassy property that you see now, use to be filled with crosses & markers. Sometime during the 1970's, all the crosses & markers were removed, with plans to build a parking lot. However, quite a few people objected, and those plans were never completed. Stuart also said that there were approximately 1900 people (many children) buried there.



**View of the Old Cemetery from MCK's rooftop
The New Kateri School in the background**



Beautifully crafted cross in marble



Epitaphs blurred by time and weather

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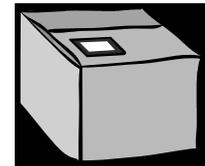
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Join in the "Use Your BIN & WIN Contest"
For more information & contest details contact Joann Johnson at the Environment Protection Office 635-0600



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RECYCLE MAN Tip # 6

Alright. Alright. Kids, Moms & Dads, everybody, listen up. Did you know that you can recycle cans? You can recycle cans! Get it? Ha ha ha....

After your mom makes you soup for lunch or spaghettioooooos, or a delicious pasta sauce for supper, recycle all those tin cans. Simply rinse the cans & lids. Whoa kids!

Be careful rinsing the lids, 'cause they're sharp, have Mom or Dad help. Now, put the lid inside the can & pinch the can so the sharp lid stays inside. That's it.

