

# MI'KMAQ NEWS

NEWSLETTER OF THE FEDERATION OF NEWFOUNDLAND INDIANS

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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Just a few weeks ago I delivered a message to each household in a special edition newsletter specifically providing up-to-date information on the current negotiations between the FNI and Canada. I am confident that the newsletter on Registration & Recognition for Mi'Kmaq of Newfoundland has provided you with a simplistic explanation and a greater insight into the ongoing negotiating process between both parties. As the newsletter indicated further updates would be provided as the process unfolds. The FNI executive and board are very pleased with the progress being made on this process to date and I extend a sincere thank you to all involved.

The organizational review of the FNI was completed and broad ranges of recommendations were brought forward; some of these recommendations have already been initiated. A team has been formed to prioritize and develop an implementation strategy for the remaining recommendations.

The FNI held a governance workshop on October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2005 for the FNI executive, chiefs and council, which were carried out by Deloitte and Touche Ltd. This workshop enlightened all participants on democracy, openness and accountability that should be implemented in all organizations.

During the third quarter, the FNI held board of directors meetings on October 6<sup>th</sup> and December 8<sup>th</sup> and in addition to these meetings there were several team meetings and steering committee meetings to discuss the on-going projects and initiatives such as the tourism study on economic development, the organizational review, Mi'Kmaq Commercial Fisheries and the negotiations process.

The FNI have co-sponsored with Services Canada a twenty-three week Skills-Link program for aboriginal youth, which concluded in December. The program coordinators have reported that this initiative had greatly enhanced the self-confidence and self-esteem of the participants.

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## LOCAL STUDENT WINS NATIONAL ABORIGINAL SCHOLARSHIP



Kayla Miles is a 19 year old non-status Mi'Kmaq from the Flat Bay Indian Band who is in the second year of a Criminology Program at St. Thomas University in Fredericton, New Brunswick. Kayla has been awarded a \$4000.00 scholarship for university because of her academic achievements and her active commitment as a Sea Cadet Corps Officer, as well as her very active volunteer commitment to her community. One of her teachers said she continually displayed leadership skills well beyond her years, and speaks of her self-reliance, creativity and perseverance in striving for excellence. This is her second Foundation for the Advancement of Aboriginal Youth (FAAY) scholarship, this year over 1000 students applied for these

scholarships from across Canada and only 125 students were selected. Kayla also received a \$1000.00 scholarship in November from the Stephenville Rotary Club for her volunteer service and academic performance. After she gets her BA Kayla plans to attend law school and return to Newfoundland to practice. Congratulation Kayla!!

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The FNI are very mindful that our people are interested in updates concerning all aspects of the organization therefore we will continue this worthy communication tool, Mi'kmaq Newsletter and ensure our websites are continuously updated and contains the most current information on happenings within the organization.

The FNI executive, directors and community members met with Parks Canada, Eastern Newfoundland & Labrador field unit to outline our concerns in relation to their future management plans for the Terra Nova National Park. The message emphasized by the FNI group was that Parks Canada had to somehow provide an opportunity to integrate some of our people's ideas in their plans, in order to showcase and advance the culture and heritage of the Mi'Kmaq people of Newfoundland.

On a daily basis the FNI is directly involved and responsible for the administrative work in programs such as the Employment & Training initiative, the Aboriginal Fisheries Strategic initiative, the Diabetes Program and the provincial resource kits to complement the curriculum development initiative that we were party too last year in cooperation with Parks Canada. All these initiatives are aimed at improving the lives of our people as well as promotion of Mi'Kmaq culture and heritage.

The FNI exhibition, "The Mi'Kmaq People of Newfoundland: A Celebration" was on display at the Prince Takamado Gallery from November 10th to December 29th and received a very positive response from the Japanese public on the quality of the exhibition, as reported to Newfoundland and Labrador's Aboriginal Affairs Minister Hon. Tom Rideout by the Canadian Embassy. The FNI will continue to seek other venues for opportunities to further enhance the understanding of the history, society and culture of the Mi'Kmaq people of Newfoundland.

While the FNI continues to administer existing programs and seek out approvals for other programs, the main focus and attention, as you may all know is on the negotiation process and in these negotiations we will continue to do our utmost to reach the best possible agreement on behalf of the Mi'kmaq people of Newfoundland. In closing I extend a sincere wish of good health to all and look forward to speaking directly with many of you in the near future.

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## **NEWS FROM BENOIT'S COVE**

### **LOCAL ABORIGINAL WOMAN HONORED WITH THE GOVERNOR GENERAL'S AWARD**

The Governor General's Award in Commemoration of the Persons Case is given annually to candidates from across Canada and honours individuals who have made outstanding contributions to the quality of life for women, demonstrated by leadership and excellence. The award was instituted to commemorate the famous landmark "Persons Case" and the five Canadian women known as "The Famous Five" who fought and won the right for women to be recognized as persons. The recipients of this award continue the traditions of courage, integrity and hard work, which "The Famous Five" inspired.

In October 2005, among those honored was Youth Award recipient Erica Samms- Hurley of Mount Moriah. Erica is a youth director with the Native Women's Association of Canada and is the winner of many awards, to include, the National Aboriginal Achievement Award, the Corbiere - Lovell / Mary Two Axe Scholarship and the N.F.L.D Aboriginal Multicultural Scholarship. She is dedicated to improving the health and well being of Aboriginal Women. As a Bachelor of Nursing graduate and a Registered Nurse, Erica can utilize her chosen field to advance the course of her dedication.

Erica can stand as a role model for her aboriginal peers and young women every where. She is a testimony that with hard work, dedication and determination all is possible.

The Band Council and membership of the Elmastogoe First Nations offers congratulations to Erica on receipt of the prestigious Governor General's award and her many other accomplishments. We are proud to say she is a member of the Elmastogoe First Nations.

Submitted by :Elmastogoe First Nations, Benoit's Cove

### **CHIEF PAT RUMBOLT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT**

The "Chief Pat Rumbolt Memorial Scholarship" is an Annual scholarship that we give to second year university students who achieve an high academic standing. This is the second year for the "Chief Pat Rumbolt Memorial Scholarship". Pat played a big role in the growth and development of our Band, and the Council felt it would be a great way to remember him. This year we had one student from our Band qualified for the award, Sarah Bellows. The scholarship is two(2) \$250.00 awards and we are honored to have Sarah receive this award, Congratulations Sarah!

Submitted by :Elmastogoe First Nations, Benoit's Cove

# PATHWAY TO A HEALTHIER LIFESTYLE

The FNI diabetes program "Pathway to a Healthier Lifestyle" has just about completed another successfully year and we wish to thank the bands and the members for helping us make this program a success. In looking to the future we have just been approved for another six (6) months to continue with our initiative. So we are planning toward building on the past successes and working on new initiatives for the future. In this six month extension of our program we are building on our success with the "Walking Challenge" of last year and including a similar program in our next six (6) months.

This challenge our "Keeping Fit & Healthy Challenge" with have a twist on last years Walking Challenge we are including a weight loss component in this challenge. It has been noted that even a small weight loss can be helpful in preventing or delaying the onset of Type 2 Diabetes and to give our members some motivation we plan on holding this "Keeping Fit & Healthy Challenge" which will include the diabetes coordinator sending out registration letters to the members in each band area. Once the people have registered they will receive a journal in which they can record any weight loss and keep track of the exercise they have done. Every two months the diabetes coordinator will come into each of the band areas and meet with any members who wish to come out, during these meetings the coordinator will weigh in anyone who wishes, you don't have to weigh in if you don't want, we will take body measurements and we will talk about nutrition and what is working for everyone and what is not. This is a chance for everyone to get together and work on preventing Type 2 Diabetes, please fill out the registration form that came in the newsletter and send it to the diabetes coordinator if you would like to join this challenge.

Also this summer the Diabetes Coordinator will be holding summer camps again for any children in the bands aged 6-16 these camps will be held in each of the band areas so watch for your registration letter and come out and join the fun. The diabetes program will also be continuing on with the diabetes page in the newsletter and updating the diabetes page on the website. We look forward to this program continuing during the next six (6) months and we will continue to lobby to have this program continue into the future.

## Traditional Healing Contest Winners

The traditional healing contest was held by the diabetes program asking the members for traditional healing methods that was used by there forefathers. The contest had several very interesting and informative entries and we found it very difficult to pick a winner but in the end we chose two wonderful entries.

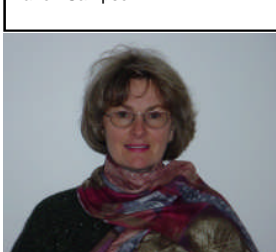
The first place winner was Marion Sampson from our Port au Port band for her wonderful entries on the old healing practices. The second place winner was a story about the traditional healing practices that have been passed down over the years, this winner was three youth from the Corner Brook band, Augustus Payne, Brittany White and Jenna White.

We are very proud of all of our winners and we take this opportunity to thank all of our members who sent in their traditional healing methods they were all great, we know that it is very important to keep the old methods alive and learn from the past. Again thanks to all those who entered.

Augustus Payne (left), Brittany White (right), Jenna White (center)



Marion Sampson



## Walking Challenge Winners

The Walking Challenge was a challenge put forth by the diabetes program to encourage members to become more physically active. The members were to call in their total amount of exercise they had done every two months and from that two people would be chosen each time to receive a \$100.00 prize. The program was a huge success and we have had many people continue with the program for the full length of the challenge and we are proud to say that they have worked hard during this challenge and we congratulate each and everyone of you for a job well done. Below are a list of winners from the challenge congratulations.

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|-------------------|-----------------|
| Randy Hunt        | Myles Alexander |
| Laverna Galvine   | Joan Penney     |
| Jennietta Cormier | Sarah Conway    |
| Roland Vivian     | Christina Keats |

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## ABORIGINAL AQUATIC RESOURCE & OCEAN MANAGEMENT

Recently, the FNI has signed onto a marine resource management strategy that partners with both the Conne River Band and Department of Fisheries and Oceans for the purpose of ensuring aboriginal participation in and cooperative marine resource management and planning. To compliment the program the newly formed association has begun a series of projects. The following is an outline of projects that the association will be involved with during this fiscal year:

- ~Hired a full time Aquatic Science Technician;
- ~Developing a long term Strategic Plan;
- ~Consult with members regarding Canada's Plan for Fisheries Act;
- ~Marine Resource Survey of Aquatic Resource Harvest areas and species in relation to food and ceremonial consumption in Bay Despoir and Bay of Islands;
- ~Facilitate spawning survey of Northwest and Southwest Gander River to identify sensitive spawning areas and potential obstructions and environmental hazards/concerns;
- ~Planning for a SARA project at Bay St. George's re: Killifish;
- ~Prepare a calendar for 2007 highlighting tradition ecological knowledge.

The last project mentioned the FNI would like to encourage the participation of community youth in this effort through an art/drawing contest. The drawings are to be in pencil, charcoal, or coloring pencil, based on the harvest moon while incorporating a relevant concept for that month.

The themes for each month are as follows:

the art/drawings shall have oceans or marine theme and the topic or subject matter can be quite broad. The list of months and Mi'kmaq names associated with each are:

- **January: Punamuikús; frosh fish moon (tom cod)**
- **February: Apuknajit; the snowblinder moon**
- **March: Sikewikús; spawning moon**
- **April: Penatmuikús; egg-laying moon**
- **May: Etquljewikús; frog-croaking moon**
- **June: Wskewiku'skw; Fishing Moon**
- **July: Peskewiku's; Feather Shedding Moon**
- **August: Kisikwekewikús; fruit- and berry-ripening moon**
- **September: Wikumkewikús; moose-calling moon**
- **October: Wikewikús; animal-fattening moon**
- **November: Keptekewikús; river-freezing moon**
- **December: Kesikewikús; winter moon; the great month**
- **Conservation, food or ceremonial fisheries(salmon, trout eel, cod, herring, smelt**

*etc...), traditional celebrations*

*Fish or other marine wild life (birds and/or seals), canoes, boats ice fishing and eel spearing, fly fishing etc...*

From the drawings submitted, six drawings will be selected from the F.N. I and a prize given for each selected drawing. The drawings are to be submitted to the FNI Corner Brook office no latter than **April 7th, 2006**.

**Please submit entries to:**

**Calendar contest,  
P.O. Box 956,  
Corner Brook, NL  
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The FNI are optimistic that this program will be renewed in the next year and would certainly entertain suggestions of Aquatic Management Project ideas in your area.

**Please send any idea's you may have to:  
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## ACTIVITY IN THE ABORIGINAL AQUATIC RESOURCE & OCEAN MANAGEMENT

Roger Gallant was hired as an Aquatic Science Technician under the Mi'kmaq Alsumk Mowimsikik Koqoey Association (Aboriginal Aquatic Resource & Ocean Management). Mr. Gallant has a background in environmental science and biology with a strong knowledge of marine issues. His background in science will aid in successfully meeting the mandate of MAMKA. Mr. Gallant will work with members of the FNI, the Miawpukek First Nation, local fishers, local communities, Department of Fisheries and Oceans, and other government departments to support and improve the aquatic resources of Newfoundland & Labrador.

Mr. Gallant is currently working on a Marine Resource Catalogue/Calendar and has represented FNI and MAMKA at various conferences and workshops. Some of the conferences that Mr. Gallant has attended include the FNI & Parks Canada Workshop on the Terra Nova National Park 5-year Management Plan, the Gulf of St. Lawrence Integrated Management Initiative Workshop, and the National Species at Risk Workshop for Aboriginal People.

MAMKA is currently developing a list of possible projects for 2006-2007. The projects are intended to focus on the ecological, economical and/or social aspects of aboriginal communities. Some projects that the FNI will propose for the 2006-2007 year include a lobster stock assessment in the Bay of Islands & St. George's Bay, a Wolffish population study, a derelict fishing gear removal program, beach cleanup program, aquatic science education program for school students, and a water-sampling program.

Suggestions for future projects and information of current projects can be directed to Roger Gallant.

## NAME FOR A POTENTIAL LANDLESS BAND CONTEST

In the event that recognition proceeds and a landless band is created, we need to arrive at a suitable name. As such, we are welcoming your suggestions as to a suitable name. We hope to develop a short list of potential names. Ideally, the name should capture in some aspect of our identity as Mi'kmaq, our history in NF, our customs, culture, language, etc.

If a name is submitted and selected as the name for the future landless band a reward and recognition of that name will be given to that person. Please submit potential names to the Corner Brook office, P.O. Box 956, Corner Brook, NL, A2H 6J9 or email: [adminasst@fni.nf.ca](mailto:adminasst@fni.nf.ca) Please include your name, address, phone number and band affiliation if you are affiliated with one of the FNI local bands.

## NEWS FROM INDIAN HEAD FIRST NATIONS

Indian Head First Nations Band has taken a positive step forward this month in capacity building for its members, by opening its first Band Office. As of March 1st, our office will be located in the W.E. Cormack building in Stephenville. We are now in the process of setting up the office with an employee and gathering informational material as well as equipment. It is our hope to have everything up and running by April. Any member who has anything they could donate such as chairs or tables can contact the Chief or any member of the Band Council Executive. The office will also give us positive visibility in our communities and give members a central place to find out what is happening with their band and the negotiations that are presently taking place.

The youth will be undertaking a project to gather family trees, stories, books, and photographs, which will form a small cultural area within the office space. We would like to ask any members who have items they would be willing to share to get them ready and once the office is set up they can drop them off there.

This is an election year for our band and through discussions at our last monthly meeting it was decided that the tentative date for the election will be the month of June. Indian Head First Nations members are also reminded that the negotiating committee of the FNI will be meeting with bands in the month of June to update them on what has taken place so far with negotiations. The time for this meeting will be posted on our website, at the Band Office and in the local media.



Periodically the FNI offices require laborer's and office assistant's to work at short notice for various hours. If you wish to submit your name for such employment please submit name, telephone number, and which of our FNI offices you can work out of if you are called upon to. Please submit your information to [adminasst@fni.nf.ca](mailto:adminasst@fni.nf.ca).

## ST. GEORGE'S CHRISTMAS ELDER'S FEAST



(LR)(Back Row) Barbara Kovich; Kenneth White; Theodore Young; Gerald Lucas; Cecil Benoit; Earl Bennett; Gertrude Bennett; Kay Cashin; Don Bennett; Delores Leroux; Raymond Leroux; Von Blanchard and Shirley Blanchard

(LR)(Front Row) Odelle Garnier; Florence Sullivan; Sarah Conway; June Galpin; Magdalen Cochrane; Margaret White; Betty Garnier; Doreen Swyers; Junior Swyers; and Venetia King.

The St. George's Indian Band's annual "Elder's Feast" was a huge success with sixty-five (65) guests in attendance with thirty-three (33) of these being VIE's, Very Important Elders. A wonderful time was had by all. Everyone enjoyed a delicious feast of turkey and all the trimmings with boiled raisin cake and sauce for desert. Draws were made for special prizes that only the elders were eligible to win. The emcee for the evening was Shelley Garnier, secretary of the St. George's Indian Band. Volunteers who prepared and served the feast were: Joe White, "Uncle Joe"; Melvin White; Karen White; Marlene Farrell; Shelley Garnier; Linda Williams; Mary Blanchard; Darlene Sexton; Laura Bennett; Mark Hobbs; Patsy Cramm; Alison White; Lori White and Violet Dawson.

A tribute was given to the Elders by Chief Violet Dawson. The following is a portion of that tribute. "You are invaluable to us as you carry with you the knowledge of the old ways. Information that can't be found in books or by surfing the net.

If we want to learn more about this land and all she has to offer, like her natural remedies, we go to you, the Elders. If we want to know how to make snowshoes, spruce root baskets, a lean to, how to spear eels and prepare them, how to embroider, do bead and leather work, hook a rug, make a quilt, knit or crochet, we go to you, the Elders. If we want to find our way across this beautiful island to the best places to hunt, fish, set rabbit snares, pick berries, trap beaver or which ponds are safe to cross over in winter, we go to you, the Elders. If we want to know how to forecast the weather by reading the signs. If we want to know how to find the direction north if we're in the thick woods, you would tell us to close our eyes and feel around the bark of a tree, the moss covered side is north. If we are in trouble and need some sound advice, we call upon your wisdom and experience. We need you to continue to share what you have learned with each coming generation so that we may be armed with the traditional values that were to be found in living the old ways. Our strong connection to this land that sustains us, our respect for each other, the animals, the trees, the elements, everything in nature. Our commitment to our families and our community. Our willingness to work tirelessly to achieve our goals. Our love for each other, for the land, for the simple life and all the little things (like a baby's first tooth) that others take for granted. These values come from you, the Elders. You are the true survivors and your example has given us the strength we require to continue in our ongoing struggle for recognition and registration. This annual Feast is our favorite event of the year because it gives us the chance not only to see you all again but it provides us with the opportunity to show you our appreciation for everything you have done for us. All the sacrifices and hardships you have endured have not gone unnoticed and this Feast is our way of saying "Thank You".

The St. George's Indian Band is looking forward to hopefully an even bigger turn out for our next "Elder's Feast" 2006. A special "Thank You" from the St. George's Indian Band going out to Nelly Power, Chief of Sple'tk First Nations, Grand-Falls-Windsor for starting this special tradition of hosting annual Xmas "Elder's Feasts". Thank you Nellie.

## GRAND OPENING "K'TAQAMKUK MI'KMAW MUSEUM"

The St. George's Indian Band is very pleased to announce the Grand Opening "K'Taqamkuk Mi'kmaw Museum", which will take place in St. George's, NL, June 10th, 2006 @ 4:00 p.m. For any information on this please don't hesitate to contact Chief Dawson, this has been a long road but one that we feel was well worth it. Please join us in opening our beautiful museum and gift shop.

We are currently looking for a Curator for museum, if you are interested in a position as curator or would like more information please contact the Chief Violet Dawson she can be reached at the information in the chiefs listings on the back page.

## ELECTION RESULTS: ST. GEORGE'S

The St. George's Indian Band held elections this past fall and a new board of directors have officially taken office to carry out the work of the band. The results were as follows: Chief: Violet Dawson; Vice-Chief: Howard Skinner; Treasurer: Karen White; Secretary: Shelley Garnier; Directors: June Galpin, Marlene Farrell, Simeon Lee, and Melvin White; Youth Rep.: Lori LeRoux; and Elder: Doreen Swyers. The St. George's Indian Band executive will be working hard to see that the goals of the band are reached and thanks to everyone who helped along the way.

# EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING

## THE FEDERATION OF NEWFOUNDLAND INDIANS

Another year is coming to an end for most of the programs of the Federation of Newfoundland Indians as the year end is March 31. This has been another very busy and successful year with the Aboriginal Human Resource Development Agreement. The following will outline the progress on activities that were included in this fiscal year work plan:

- ~The FNI currently has 51 students registered in post secondary education; 37 registered in University Occupational ready programs and no Adult Education programs.
- ~Under Employment programs there are currently 1 sponsored in wage subsidy program, 1 sponsored in Grad Incentive program and 5 Self Employment assistance program.
- ~The tourism scoping program phase 1 has been concluded by Wanda Cuff Young and Assoc.. The tourism team has meet and decided on a number of business plans to be developed for band initiatives and individuals over the next couple of months.
- ~The training for commercial fisheries was an extremely successful program with all funds expended in that budget in short time.
- ~The FNI had 5 individuals take advantage of the Roughneck course and all five have now completed.
- ~ 9 youth participated in the Summer Student RCMP program this year.
- ~ 35 youth participated in a Skill Link program which was sponsored by Service Canada and partnered with FNI youth program. This program was a very successful and meaningful program. Youth Coordinator Ms. Candace Russell, Monique Carroll and Dianne Kennedy maintained day-to-day operations on this program, great job to all above for the great team effort on this project!!!

### **ATTENTION:**

The FNI has set two deadline dates for training applications July 15th and January 15th of each year there will be committee meeting to review applications for training, please ensure your application is received in complete order by these dates. For further information regarding training programs and applications please contact Mrs. Bernadette Hanlon @ 1-877-489-6770 or locally at 489-6770.

Annie M. Randell, AHRDA Manager

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## **GANDER BAY PARTNERS WITH HRSDC FOR SKILLS LINK PROGRAM**

The Gander Bay Indian Band Council (GBIBC) in co-operation with HRSDC Gander is sponsoring a skills link Program for Gander Bay. The project started March 13, 2006 and has 16 youth participating, 5 youth are band members and 11 are non members. The program is addressing the needs of both Native and non native youth in the Gander Bay and surrounding area's. The participants will be provided with a \$225 weekly stipend plus child care where needed. The youth participants will participate in Career Developments Courses, First Aid, Self-esteem & Confidence Building, Personal Hygiene, Grooming, Time and Stress management, Problem Solving, Decision Making, Budgeting, Job Search and introduction to computers. During the last 12 weeks of the program all participants will be assigned to a local employer for on the job training. The GBIBC is proud to have participated in 3 previous skill link program for the Gander bay area and to date has assisted almost 100 youth to help improve their education, job skills and find employment.

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## Mi'kmaq Words

check out <http://www.mikmaqonline.org/>  
**Jajigamugsit-look healthy**-Pronounced:(ja-ji-ga-muk-sit)  
**Etlenmit- laugh**-Pronounced-(e-dê-len-mit)  
**Emtoqwalatli- worship**-Pronounced (em-tohk-wa-la-dêl)  
**Gjinisgam- Great Spirit**- Pronounced (êk-chi-nis-kam)

## CONSTITUTIONAL CORNER

### Did you know:

2.04 A Member may elect to transfer his or her membership in the Corporation from one Band to another Band so long as the following criteria are met:

(a) the Band Council representing the Band to which the Member is seeking to transfer his or her membership is satisfied that the Member meets the criteria of Clause 2.06 and lives within the boundaries of the Band to which the transfer is sought.

2.05 Each Band Council of the Corporation will determine its own membership in accordance with the criteria established by Clause 2.06. Each Band Council shall maintain an accurate list of its Members in good standing and shall make such lists available to the Corporation upon the request of any member of the Executive. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Band Council shall submit a current list of its Members in good standing at each Annual General Meeting of the Corporation.

## CORRECTION

In the 2005 Fall Edition of the Mi'kmaq News Marie Mitchell Sparkes was wrongly identified as Mattie Mitchell's Great-granddaughter she is his Grand-daughter, we apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.

## MI'KMAQ NEWS

We are always looking for event listings, stories, suggestions, poems, ideas, and artwork. You can send them to:

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