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**BLOOD TRIBE CHIEF AND COUNCIL REVIEW**

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**New Piikani  
Chief &  
Council  
Elected**

**First Female  
Chief to be  
Elected in  
Piikani History**



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The Blood Tribe Council Review entitled 'TSINIKSSINI' is dedicated to the sharing of information for the people of the Blood Tribe. The magazine format features news, stories, articles and an array of items as our way of sharing what is occurring on the Blood reserve and beyond.

We hope you enjoy your magazine and invite any suggestions you may have in improving our coverage on any number of events and activities. The magazine will be printed on a monthly basis and will be distributed to various locations on the reserve.

The magazine is free of charge.

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**COVER:** The newly elected Piikuni Chief & Council sit before members of the Piikuni Nation and well-wishers from across the Blackfoot and Treaty Seven First Nations. It was an historic occasion for the Piikuni Nation as they elected Chief Gayle Strikes With A Gun as their first woman chief.  
**COVER PHOTO BY TOM RUSSELL**

# FORMER KAINAI INDUSTRIES BUILDING SITE FOR HOUSING UNITS PRODUCTION



*Winston Day Chief, Housing, is part of a Housing initiative which will utilize the former Kainai Industries building to once again construct houses.*

The former Kainai Industries building, vacant from production work for many years, will once again be home to the noise of construction. An initiative by the Blood Tribe Housing department will begin employing individuals experienced in the building of houses as early as this February. Winston Day Chief, Canada Economic Action Plan Projects manager, Housing, said the call for managerial staffing has begun.

"We posted employment opportunities for a plant manager and five supervisors," he said. "We are also looking at employing at least thirty individuals who will be directly involved in the construction of these units." Day Chief said the housing initiative will create much-needed employment and will help in meeting the housing demands on the reserve. "We can do it," he said of the tribe's intent to once become involved in the housing industry. "The building has been retrofitted already. We have the resources, the people, and we'll be creating employment." Day Chief said the initiative will construct Ready to Move units and will take approximately 42 days to complete. "Ready to Move units was always our intent. We did a lot of research including widening the doors to accommodate the Ready to Move units to be able to fit out the door once it is complete." Because of the work involved in the construction of houses, Day Chief said employ-

ment extends to other areas of expertise such as the hiring of house movers, consultants and engineers. "The engineers and consultants will be involved in training the new plant manager in proper building methods and to run the plant more efficiently," he said. "Also, every housing company has their own house movers, and we have our own now." Day Chief said the engineer who will be providing the training is Hasagawa Engineering. The company who will move the completed houses out of the Kainai Industry building is Ponderosa House Movers from Lethbridge.

Tribal members who have been selected for housing units will have an option to choose from one of five floor plans. The size of each unit is larger than existing floor plans on the reserve. "We have a selection of five house plans ranging from 1200 to 1230 square feet," he said. "Again, that's the advantage of us building them, because now we have additional square feet. When we purchase houses, we're limited to square footage, options available, but, if we build them, we could save more and build bigger units."

Another advantage of the proposed housing initiative will be a more innovative and efficient housing design which will allow the homeowner to make use of the space in the basement. "Our floor joists are what we call I-web beams. They run right across the foun-



ation without having to put any teleposts in the basement," he said. "That gives you more options for future bedrooms, more height clearance, all your mechanical hardware is hidden in the web joists. The new basements will have one big open area."

The new houses will be highly energy efficient and will make use of the latest materials in saving heating costs for the homeowners.

Tribal members interested in the housing initiative can call Winston Day Chief at 403.737.3988.



*New housing construction will utilize highly efficient materials as a cost-saving measure for homeowners.*

# MURPHY AND BOWOOD HOST OPEN HOUSE TO SHARE OIL EXPLORATION ACTIVITIES



*Bruce Gladue, Aboriginal Relations, ERCB, shared information on the role of the Energy Resource Conservation Board.*

The two oil & gas companies who have leases to drill for oil on the Blood reserve recently hosted Open House information sessions to inform tribal members on proposed drilling activity. Murphy Oil Company Ltd. and Bowood Energy Inc. each hosted an Open House to share their oil and gas exploration activities and to answer any questions tribal members posed to their technicians.

On Monday, January 9, 2011, Murphy Oil Company Ltd. met with nearly fifty tribal members at the old Saipoyi gymnasium to meet with those who had inquiries on a number of topics. Murphy representatives had booths arranged around the gymnasium and shared company information and company expectations. Tribal members in attendance wanted an open forum format to discuss their concerns with Murphy representatives, however, the open house format was adhered to until the meeting concluded at 9 p.m.

On Tuesday, January 10, 2011, Bowood Energy Inc. shared information with tribal members on the processes and benefits for the Blood Tribe. Robert Mercier, President & CEO, Bowood, said among the benefits include employment, training and environmental protection. "I think there's great opportunity from an employment standpoint, I think, collectively, we get production here, both Bowood and the Blood community will have the ability to continue educating and

training their young," he explained. "What we're proposing is that we don't compromise Mother Earth."

Mercier said Bowood is looking at oil deposits two kilometers below existing aquifers and fully expect to comply with the Energy Resource Conservation Board (ERCB) regulations and standards. "Here, we're looking at fracturing two kilometers below the deepest potential water aquifer," he said. "In my opinion, we have no potential to compromise it, providing we stick to the regulations that are established for us by the ERCB. And we will, we have to."

The ERCB is an independent, quasi-judicial agency of the Government of Canada whose mission is to ensure the discovery, development and delivery of Alberta's energy resources take place in a manner that is fair, responsible and in the public interest. Darin Barter, ERCB spokesperson, said the ERCB are deeply involved in monitoring and regulating drilling activities in Alberta. "Our role within Alberta is to be Alberta's up-stream oil and gas regulator," he said. "Our priorities are public safety, environmental stewardship and resource conservation. What that means is companies who want to drill in this province have to adhere to some pretty stiff regulations."

Barter said there are basically two regulatory bodies keeping a watchful eye on all drilling



*Oil/gas representatives meet with tribal members.*



*Robert Mercier, President/CEO, Bowood, answers questions from public.*

activities in Alberta, especially when fracking is involved. "You have to realize that most of the target depths where they're starting to frac, underneath the surface, is far below any sort of ground water," he said. "Having said that, if there are concerns around water, Alberta Environment does work with us. There's really two regulatory agencies looking after it, Alberta Environment and the ERCB; both of which take it very seriously. Water isn't something we want to mess around with."

Industry standards apply to oil and gas companies who must comply with the regulations and tribal members have access to make inquiries should the need arise. "The process would be that an individual would have to call one of our Field Centres and we would respond to that; we respond to 100 per cent of complaints and concerns," he said. "If it is in fact a non-compliance issue, where the company is doing something they're just not supposed to, we'll shut them down if they can't comply with our regulations."

For more information on the Energy Resource Conservation Board, you can visit their website at [www.ercb.ca](http://www.ercb.ca) or contact the nearest ERCB Field centre at 403.297.8303 which is located in Midnapore, AB.

You can also visit the KRI website at [www.kainaiwaresourcesinc.org](http://www.kainaiwaresourcesinc.org) or call the KRI office at 403.737.3950.

# PIIKUNI NATION CELEBRATES HISTORY ELECTING THEIR FIRST WOMAN CHIEF



*Chief Gayle Strikes With A Gun looks toward her role as the leader of the Piikuni Nation.*

It was a historic moment for the Piikuni Nation as they swore-in their first woman chief in a ceremony attended by a large number of well-wishers and dignitaries from the Blackfoot Confederacy and Treaty Seven. Chief Gayle Strikes With A Gun proudly accepted her role and shared her thoughts with the people.

“You not only voted for change, you made history by voting for me,” she said in conveying her message. “Know that I will respect and honor the Chieftainship of the Piikuni Nation. I am humbled and thank you, each and every one of you, for your support.” The inauguration ceremonies was attended by Blackfoot Tribal Chairman Willie Sharp, Siksika Chief Fred Rabbit Carrier, Chief Ernest Wesley, Stoney Nation, Adrian Bearspaw, Stoney Nation and Blood council representatives Sheldon Day Chief, Jim Gladstone and Josh Curly Rider.

At the conclusion of the swearing-in ceremony, Chief Strikes With A Gun acknowledged the people in attendance and graciously ad-

ressed the people in looking forward to her term as the leader of the Piikuni Nation.

“We acknowledge the elders. Your knowledge of our Piikuni history, culture and values are the foundations we will build upon,” she said. “You are the teachers and your knowledge will guide us. We are committed to work with you and we encourage the membership to utilize our elders.” Chief Strikes With A Gun mentioned a number of issues she is preparing to deal with as she becomes more familiar with her role. Among the concern include education, health care, the settlement issue, employment, communication, small business development, land issues and housing. She also acknowledged the role the youth play in the future of the Piikuni Nation.

“The youth must get together and give us your ideas,” she said. “We must work to rebuild a positive and healthy environment for our young people. You are our future leaders.”

The ceremony was attended by Piikuni tribal



*Corbin Provost, Piikuni CEO holds microphone as Chief Strikes with A Gun reads the declaration.*



*The spiritual elders offered their prayers and blessings to the newly elected chief and council.*

spiritual leaders who gave their blessings to the chief and council members. The master of ceremonies was Piikuni CEO Corbin Provost. A color-guard led by long-time law enforcement officer Tyrone “Buck” Potts and traditional drummers were on hand to lend their support to the inauguration ceremonies.

# EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM READY TO MEET EMPLOYEES AND THEIR FAMILIES

## *Hello Employees of BTA!*



Welcome back and happy New Year to everyone.

My name is Naomi Blake and I am the Employee Assistant Counselor (EAP) for the Blood Tribe Administration (BTA).

This program is designed to assist staff by offering employees opportunity to utilize EAP and ensuring everyone has access to support.

I plan to visit each individual department to have a chance to introduce myself and offer information on the EAP. The EAP is a program that offers assistance in areas of personal growth through assessment, counselling, consultation and referrals.

The counselling is at your pace and comfort level. As for referrals, I will connect you to the support you require, so even if it's not something I deal with, I can offer linkages to other supports/agencies. As well, EAP offers information sessions and workshops on a variety of topics, so if you think you, your family and/or your department could benefit from this service, please inquire.

Everything you share with me will remain completely confidential.

The BTA supports your efforts for personal growth by allowing you time to attend sessions without loss of pay.

This service is also available to family members, so please share this information with them. Information packages are available for mailout if requested.

The Employee Assistant Program (EAP) is available Monday- Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. I am located in the Chancery Court Building at 4th Ave South, 4th floor (or as some know it, the satellite office), in Lethbridge.

My confidential phone line is 403-737-8119, or email me at [nblake@bloodtribe.org](mailto:nblake@bloodtribe.org). I welcome all questions, comments and/or concerns as I am constantly looking for new and improved ways to run the program!



# BRUISED HEAD HONORED BY FAMILIES FOR HIS PHENOMENAL RODEO SEASON



*Cam Bruised Head poses proudly with the INFR rodeo saddle and Calgary Stampede trophy.*

It was a time to celebrate the accomplishments of a few of our athletes who excelled in their chosen profession—rodeo. The Bruised Head family Clan, a name synonymous with the sport and lifestyle, recently honored a young gun in their midst who had an amazing year in winning the novice bareback title at the world-renowned Calgary Stampede and laying claim to the INFR World Championship in the bareback event. Young Cam Bruised Head, who smoked the competition during an incredibly hot year, was again the focus of attention as proud members of his family hosted a round-dance at the Kainai High gymnasium to recognize a warrior who counted big-time coup.

"I want to thank everyone who came out tonight to help me celebrate," said the young world champion as he stood before a large number of well-wishers. "This whole year was pretty fun—it wasn't easy, it was tough—but it was pretty fun."

Throughout the evening, many of the people showed their support by round-dancing to the beat from a number of powwow singers from Indian country. Travis Plaited Hair, an entertainer who is steadily gaining a reputation for his humor and stories, was the master of ceremonies. Plaited Hair welcomed the many guests and called upon Chief Charles Weasel Head to say a few words.

"It gives me great pleasure to welcome you all here to such an occasion," he said. "I would like to acknowledge Cam for his accomplishments and for a job well done. It takes a great deal of time and commitment to get to where he is at now. We're all very proud of you." Chief Weasel Head, on behalf of Council, presented Bruised Head with a painting and a Pendleton blanket.

Blood elder Pete Standing Alone acknowledged the young generation of cowboys who continue to make an impact in rodeo country. "We are very proud of our cowboys from the Blackfoot Confederacy nations," he said. "You are always are a big threat to any Indian cowboy in North America." Standing Alone offered a prayer in opening the evening's ceremony.

Laverne Big Throat, Cam's mother, was grateful for everyone's support and shared her pride in her son's accomplishments. "I want to thank the Bruised Head family, and my family, for your support and encouragement," she said. "I am very proud of my son, and what he has accomplished. I would like to wish all the best for the up-coming year to all the cowboys here, and to all the people who rodeo."

Two-time INFR champion Bill T. Head said it was hard work and dedication which contributed to his son's success. "I want to thank

my relatives from Browning (Mont.), the boys who defended my son's Cam and Willy, the boy's travelling down the road together, this is what you call a clique," he said in describing the up-and-coming rodeo champions. "To tell you the truth, to be a part of this clique, is to be a cowboy. Thank you all for your support and encouragement."

The Bruised Head and Big Throat families had a giveaway and honor dance for Cam Bruised Head and the other contestants who shared in the evening's spotlight. Council member Dexter Bruised received a head-dress in a ceremony performed by Pete Standing Alone.



*A number of family and friends enjoyed the round dance and tribute ceremonies.*



*Laverne Big Throat is extremely proud of her son.*

# BLOOD TRIBE – YEAR END REVIEW 2010

## JANUARY

### OLYMPIC TORCH PASSES THROUGH BLOOD LANDS AS IT MAKES ITS WAY TO THE 2010 OLYMPIC GAMES

It was a spectacle to behold as Danielle Vielle carried the Olympic Torch from the Blood Tribe Administration and into our rich and colorful history. Vielle, a Blood Tribe member and athlete who gained prominence winning five medals at the 2008 North American Indigenous Games, carried the Olympic Torch past a huge crowd of well-wishers before passing the flame onto Siksika Nation’s representative Racey Big Snake.

## FEBRUARY

### CRISIS AT KAINAI COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS SOCIETY

The recent funding cut to the Kainai Community Corrections Centre is causing great turmoil to those on the Blood reserve who are impacted by its expected closure on March 31, 2010. The announcement made by the Provincial Solicitor General on February 10, came as a shock to the KCCS organization, with little or no consultation prior to the cuts.

## MARCH

### BLACKFOOT WAR SHIRTS—RECONNECTIONS WITH HERITAGE

After nearly 200 years, five Blackfoot war shirts have made their way back to their place of origin--Blackfoot country. The collection, which was acquired by the Hudson’s Bay Company over 170 years ago while securing the vast prairies for trading purposes, exchanged these five shirts with Blackfoot war leaders in 1841.

## APRIL

### RED CROW COMMUNITY COLLEGE HOSTS BLACKFOOT LANGUAGE SYMPOSIUM

It has become almost too obvious that the Blackfoot language is on the endangered list, and this has many elders and educators concerned, since the language holds the key to survival of many other aspects of Niisitapii’sin (the Blackfoot).

## MAY

### SPRING STORM BRINGS OUT FINEST FROM MANY TRIBAL GROUPS AND PEOPLE

During the unexpected spring storm which caught many people off-guard, the Blood Tribe Disaster Services also kicked into action. The storm had caused a number of power poles to snap in the Cardston and Magrath County due to the wet and heavy snowfall, and it affected hundreds of houses including many on the south and west end of the Blood reserve.

## JUNE

### STATE OF EMERGENCY DECLARED AFTER FLOODING WREAKS HAVOC

A state of emergency was called after the Blood reserve received an over abundance of rain resulting in major flooding and road washouts throughout many areas. A number of people were evacuated and relocated in shelters in Stand Off, Moses Lake.



# BLOOD TRIBE – YEAR END REVIEW 2010

## JULY

### FEDERAL ASSISTANT DEPUTY MINISTER TOURS BTAP WITH OTHER DIGNITARIES

A group of individuals representing various sectors of the agriculture industry toured the Blood Tribe Agricultural Project and the hay plant to observe its progress, and also to examine existing deficiencies currently experienced by the tribal agricultural operation.

## AUGUST

### DOCTORS LAWYERS INDIAN CHIEFS SHARES MANY TOPICS WITH YOUTH

The annual summer program ‘Doctors, Lawyers, Indian Chiefs,’ proved be a huge success as over 20 youth enjoyed a variety of topics from presenters of various backgrounds and professions. Pam Heavy Head, Red Cross, was pleased at the enthusiasm shown by the youth.

## SEPTEMBER

### ALTALINK BEGINS WORK ON PROJECT TO PREPARE FOR FLOW OF ELECTRICITY

If you are wondering why you have seen helicopters flying about at the north end of the reserve, it is because the company involved in the Altalink project is busy stringing the 240 kV high voltage line in preparation for its eventual energy flow operation.

## OCTOBER

### ASSEMBLY OF FIRST NATIONS GRAND CHIEF VISITS RESERVE

In a whirlwind visit to the Blood Tribe Community, National Chief Shawn A-in-chut Atleo, with Alberta AFN Chief, made a quick stop at the Tribe’s headquarters in Standoff to meet with Blood Tribe Chief and Council on September 18, 2010.

## NOVEMBER

### BLACKFOOT CONFEDERACY CONFERENCE UNITE FOUR NATIONS TO PRESERVE OUR WAY OF LIFE

The Piikani Nation hosted this year’s conference in the heart of the traditional territory of the four tribes who comprise the Blackfoot Confederacy. A number of representatives from the Siksika, Piikani, Blackfeet and Blood nations joined together to share many topics and concerns at the Blackfoot Confederacy conference in Lethbridge.

## DECEMBER

### OIL COMPANIES GIVE PRESENTATION ON UP-COMING DRILLING ACTIVITIES

Representatives from both Murphy Oil Company Ltd. and Bowood Energy Inc., who have leases to the drilling rights on tribal land, gave presentations on the joint venture development plans. Jon Noad, Exploration Manager, Murphy Oil, shared company information with regard to drilling techniques and said they are planning to bring their representatives to the Blood reserve on January 10, 2011, to further discuss their plans with the people.



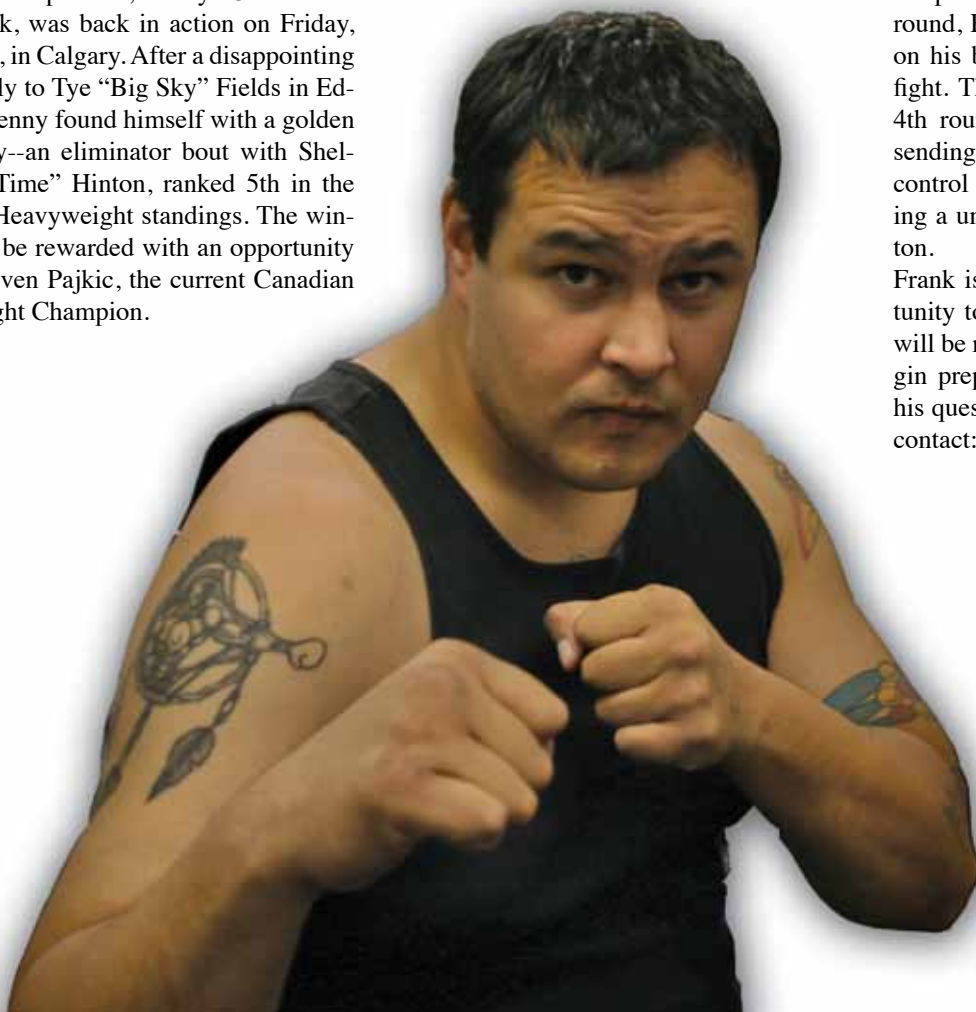
## BRUISED HEAD RECEIVES HEADDRESS



Council member Dexter Bruised Head received quite an honor after being bestowed a headdress in a ceremony performed by Blood elder Pete Standing Alone. The headdress ceremony took place during the Cam Bruised Head honor night and round-dance. With family and friends in attendance, Bruised Head was captured by war veteran Ken Fox with Dominic Cross Child and the Rocky Lake drummers providing the capture and honor songs. At the conclusion of the headdress ceremony, Mike Bruised Head, brother to Dexter, gave a horse to Standing Alone.

## LOCAL FIGHTER EARNS SHOT AT CANADIAN TITLE

Blood Reserve product, Kenny "One tuff Indian" Frank, was back in action on Friday, January 14, in Calgary. After a disappointing loss recently to Tye "Big Sky" Fields in Edmonton, Kenny found himself with a golden opportunity--an eliminator bout with Sheldon "Big Time" Hinton, ranked 5th in the Canadian Heavyweight standings. The winner was to be rewarded with an opportunity to fight Neven Pajkic, the current Canadian Heavyweight Champion.



Despite being put on the canvas in the 2nd round, Frank kept his composure and relied on his boxing skills to keep himself in the fight. The tables were clearly turned in the 4th round when Frank returned the favor, sending Hinton to the canvas. Frank took control of the fight from that point on, earning a unanimous decision victory over Hinton.

Frank is hopeful that he will get his opportunity to fight Pajkic in the springtime, and will be returning to the gym very soon to begin preparing. Donations to help Kenny in his quest for the title are appreciated. Please contact: Steve Frank at 403-737-8220.

# SPORTS PROFILE: KAINAI CHIEFS – RANCHLAND HOCKEY LEAGUE

The Kainai Chiefs are one of the Blood Tribe's long-standing teams who have played in many leagues during their illustrious career. Today, the Chief's are currently tied in second place in the Smyth division in the rough-house Ranchland Hockey League. With five wins and nine losses, the Chiefs are tied with the Peigan Cowboys with twelve points while the Blood Tribe Warriors are steadily improving with each hockey game. The Fort Macleod Mustangs are leading the division with a 13 win-1 loss record. The Chiefs are runaway leaders in the penalty box as they have 660 minutes in the sin bin while the Warriors have 499 minutes and the Peigan Cowboys with 414 minutes.

In the Norris Division, the Brooks Black-hawks are in first with 20 points with the Lomond Lakers only two points behind with 18 points, while the Nanton Palominos are in third place with 7 wins and eight losses for fourteen points. The Blackfoot Miners are in the basement with 2 points and have 512 penalty minutes while Lomond, Brooks and Nanton have 293, 293 and 271 penalty minutes respectively.

• A feature in an up-coming edition will focus on the Blood Warriors.

The coach and players are as follows:

Coach: **Duayne Delaney**

Players:

<b>Sean Wells</b>	<b>Forward</b>
<b>Ty Day Chief</b>	<b>Forward</b>
<b>Wilbur Yellow Old Woman</b>	<b>Forward</b>
<b>Blake Weasel Head</b>	<b>Forward</b>
<b>Ian Creighton</b>	<b>Forward</b>
<b>Waylon Heavy Runner</b>	<b>Forward</b>
<b>Kash Shade</b>	<b>Forward</b>
<b>Trevor Medicine Shield</b>	<b>Forward</b>
<b>J.R. Day Chief</b>	<b>Forward</b>
<b>Travis Pelletier</b>	<b>Forward</b>
<b>Sean Fox</b>	<b>Defence</b>
<b>Jared Weasel Moccasin</b>	<b>Defence</b>
<b>Beamer Tailfeathers</b>	<b>Defence/Forward</b>
<b>Gordon Morning Bird</b>	<b>Defence/Forward</b>
<b>Nathan Black Water</b>	<b>Defence</b>
<b>Russell Wells</b>	<b>Defence</b>
<b>Nolan Little Bear</b>	<b>Defence</b>
<b>Clay Creighton</b>	<b>Defence</b>
<b>Shane Day Chief</b>	<b>Defence</b>
<b>Pat Weasel Head</b>	<b>Defence</b>
<b>Lane Little Bear</b>	<b>Defence</b>
<b>Kelly Tailfeathers</b>	<b>Mgr/ Defence</b>
<b>Danny Weasel Fat</b>	<b>Goalie</b>
<b>Jace Scout</b>	<b>Goalie</b>





### The benefits of leaving straw on the land

Leaving straw on the land, rather than baling and removing it, allows for valuable nutrients to be put back into the soil.

Incorporating straw back into the land increases organic matter. A higher level of organic matter allows for an increase in the water holding capacity and better fertilizer utilization. Organic matter creates stronger microbes and more diverse soil organisms. It can also act as food storage for good soil organisms.

Straw acts as a natural, balanced fertilizer. An increase in land sustainability is achieved by incorporating straw back into the soil.

Straw and chaff contribute to aeration into the soil for high sand concentration soils. If straw and chaff is not incorporated back into the soil, the land becomes compacted and does not let air in. Without air, crop roots and good organisms cannot live in the soil.

Having stubble and straw cover on the land reduces the wind erosion that occurs in the spring when the plants have not yet had a chance to start growing. Water erosion occurs in heavy rain storms and during spring run-off. A straw cover on the lands acts as a mat-like system and can hold the soil in place, reducing erosion.



Table 1, from Alberta Agriculture, shows the typical amount of straw and chaff left on the lands. The average wheat yield is about 25-50 bushels / acres for the Blood Tribe region.

**Table 1: Typical amount of harvestable straw & chaff per bushel of grain**

Crop	Soil Zone	Lbs of straw/bu of grain*	Lbs of chaff/bu of grain**
<b>HRS Wheat</b>	Brown	50	20-25
	Dark Brown	65	
	Black	80	
<b>CPS Wheat</b>	Brown	40	20-25
	Dark Brown	50	
	Black	60	
<b>Barley</b>	Brown	30	5-10
	Dark Brown	35	
	Black	45	
<b>Oats</b>	Brown	30	5-10
	Dark Brown	35	
	Black	45	
<b>Canola</b>	Brown	40	15-20
	Dark Brown	50	
	Black	60	
<b>Peas</b>	Brown	40	20-25
	Dark Brown	50	
	Black	60	

\*Amount of harvestable straw, assuming about 80% recovery in cereals, 50% in peas and canola, with 2-4 inch stubble left  
 \*\*Amount of harvestable chaff, assuming little or no weed chaff

When left on the land, straw makes a terrific balanced fertilizer, lowering the use of other types of inputs needed to grow future crops. Table 2 shows the average nutrients found in straw when it is used for fertilizer.

**Table 2: Average nutrient contents in straw\***

Crop	lb N/ton	lb P2O5/ton	lb K2O/ton	lb S/ton
<b>Wheat</b>	12	3.7	30	2.8
<b>Barley</b>	15	4.1	41	2.8
<b>Oats</b>	14	4.1	43	3.4
<b>Peas</b>	24	4.6	30	5

\*Straw with 10% moisture



# **JOB FAIR & INFORMATION SESSION**

**February 3, 2011**

**BLOOD TRIBE EMPLOYMENT & SKILLS  
TRAINING CENTRE  
LEVERN, ALBERTA**

**9:00 AM TO 5:00 PM**

*One Earth Farms is a large scale, fully-integrated corporate farming entity, commencing operations on the Blood Reserve on April 1, 2011.*



**PRESENTATION TIMES WILL BE POSTED AT SITE**

**For More Information Contact**

**Wayna Beebe, BTEST, (403) 737.8149**

# HARLEM CROWNS SHARE BASKETBALL SKILLS AS TRIBAL MEMBERS LAUGH AT CRAZY ANTICS

It was a night enjoyed by all who attended the Harlem Crowns as they shared their talent, and antics, before a sold-out audience. The Kainai Warriors enjoyed themselves as they tried to focus on their game, but ended up laughing at the opposing team's trickery. A few crowd members were unwilling participants during the Crowns' performance as one person was told to stand on a chair and to try to make a basket. A member of the Crowns then snuck behind the crowd member and jokingly tried to embarrass the individual, much to the delight of the people. It was an entertaining evening for the people who shared much laughter in a night filled with entertainment.



## Be My ONEHEART Valentine



### Honouring Oliver Shouting

*For all his service to the communities of Southern Alberta*

**When:** Friday February 11, 2011

7:00 pm—11:00 pm

**Where:** Moses Lake Gym

**Admission:** \$5 or a donation

*All proceeds will go in support of youth theatre play*

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# Council Notes

## Regular Council Meeting of January 10, 2011. Council Chambers.

### 1. Finance report from director

a. ramps for homes, eligibility, selection process (council to be involved in selection process),

b. ACCPAC, update of software and infrastructure, present software needs update, request for funds to do the update, approved.

c. community meeting to do tribe's financial audit, date set for Feb. 2, 2011, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. at Old Saipoyi School (director's attendance requested).

d. Financial policy. Tribes financial policy will be revised and brought up to date to reflect more accountability. Effective April 1, 2011.

2. **Security policy.** A security policy for Chief and Council /employees need to be

developed, zero tolerance against threats. This will be done in the future and adopted.

3. **Red Crow Community College presentation to council.** Review of recent developments and priorities for funding, Further discussion will be needed and more representation by RCCC at the next meeting.

4. **Blood Tribe Housing.** Update from the director.

a. status of financing the re-amortization of sec. 95 houses. Funding request made and granted in BCR. Amendment to waste water management.

b. rental collections still a problem, affecting housing budget, collection process will continue (Tribal employees are being deducted).

c. RHAP approval/recommended selection for approval from Council. Council dis-

cussed ways of improving the renovations being done on homes, more efficient planning for materials, need more qualified contractors who finish their work, additional cost for roads and infrastructure.



## Regular Council Meeting of January 11, 2011. Council Chambers.

### 1. Kainaiwa Resources Inc. Dave Shade (manager) update on recent developments.

a. Open House for tribal members was held at Old Saipoyi School/Bowood Energy and Murphy Oil companies disclosure of oil and gas activities on the Blood reserve.

b. Native American Resource Partners (NARP) Northern Ute partnership opportunity for the Blood Tribe to participate (oil and gas energy company that is established in the U.S. Council to consider details of investment opportunity.

Council to meet January 21, 2011.

c. Shell Oil proposal to drill on the reserve with lease agreement on approximately 79 sections of land. Joint venture proposal attached. Council not in favor to enter into another lease agreement due to requirement for more land. Further disclosure of information will be sought.

### 2. Bus driver presentation to Council.

Safety concerns for the students who ride the buses and poor conditions of reserve roads. The problem occurs during the winter months when storms cause heavy drifting. Real concerns for bus drivers and safety. Proactive measures should be done. Council to look at ways of resolving some of these problems. Looking at the budget increases to cover additional costs.

3. **Tribal Government.** Update on various new initiatives by federal government to address issues in regard to discriminatory legislation affecting First Nations.

Blood Tribe would be affected in terms of new treaty status members, costs of such changes and the INAC responsibilities to make those changes. A Blood Tribe position paper is in the works.

b. Matrimonial real property developments and legislative changes presently addressing issues in that regard.

c. First Nations Human rights issues that will be addressed by federal government. i.e. housing, dispute resolution, lands. An opportunity for submission exists.

d. Bill S-11 regarding safe drinking water, new legislation will be enacted. Concerns on the enactment and its impact on treaty and aboriginal rights, financial responsibilities.

e. First Nations Property Act (federal government initiative to legislate tribal lands into private ownership by members), a lobby blocking this legislation is going. Council did BCR to lobby against legislation.



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