



South Wind

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SCO signs MOU with Province

To transfer community corrections and probation services

On May 31, 2005, at the Manitoba Legislature in Winnipeg, the Southern Chiefs' Organization, the Manitoba Keewatinook Ininew Okimowin, the Manitoba Métis Federation and the Government of Manitoba signed a Memorandum of Understanding and a Protocol Agreement regarding the development and transfer of community corrections and probation services from the province to the First Nations and Métis.



l-r Front Row: Honourable Oscar Lathlin, Minister, MB Aboriginal and Northern Affairs, Grand Chief Dr. Sydney Garrioch, Manitoba Keewatinook Okimakanak, Southern Grand Chief Chris Henderson; Vice President Denise Thomas, Manitoba Métis Federation; and Honourable Gord Mackintosh, Attorney General and Minister, Manitoba Justice. l-r Back Row: Chief Norman Bone, Keesekeowenin First Nation; Chief Ian Bushie, Hallow Water First Nation; and Elder Ted Chartrand.

"Fourteen years ago, Commissioners Justice A.C. Hamilton and Judge Murray Sinclair released the Aboriginal Justice Inquiry of Manitoba Report," said Southern Grand Chief Chris Henderson. "One of the core principles of the AJI was the recognition and establishment of traditional Aboriginal justice models and systems within all Aboriginal governments. While we are years, perhaps generations away from realizing this goal, today's signing is a monumental step in that direction."

SCO was mandated by Resolution #06, January 24 & 25, 2002, Subject: Community Corrections and Probation Services, adopted by the Chiefs-in-Summit to enter into this MOU with the Province of Manitoba.

Community justice services are wide ranging and include probation supervision, administering court orders, fine option programs, and intervention programming. For more information on the MOU, contact SCO.

United Nations Delegation Fourth Session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

Southern Chiefs' Organization sent a delegation, including Chief Morris Shannocappo, Rolling River First Nation; Nahanni Fontaine, SCO Director of Justice and Virginia Harper, Youth Representative from Southeast College, to the 4th Session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues at the United Nations Headquarters in New York on May 16-27, 2005.

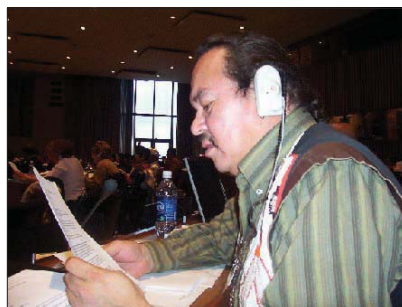


Topics up for discussion at the Forum included the Millennium Development Goals, more specifically Goal #1, "Eradicate extreme poverty and hunger" and Goal #2, "Achieve universal primary education."

Chief Shannocappo made an aural intervention to the Forum and Ms. Fontaine submitted a written intervention to the Forum on behalf of SCO. Further, the delegation had the opportunity to meet with the Special Rapporteur on the situation of the human rights and fundamental freedoms of indigenous peoples, Roldolfo Stavenhagan.



l-r: Nahanni Fontaine, SCO Director of Justice, Virginia Harper, Youth Representative, Southeast College and Chief Morris Shannocappo at the United Nations Globe at UN Headquarters.



Chief Morris Shannocappo, Rolling River First Nation addressing the United Nations.

Message from Southern Grand Chief Chris Henderson South Beach Casino opens for business!

On behalf of the Southern Chiefs of Manitoba, I want to congratulate the partnering First Nations from the Southeast Resource Development Council on the opening of the new South Beach Casino in Brokenhead Ojibway First Nation!

Our Southern Chiefs will be meeting in Summit at Brokenhead on June 15 & 16, 2005, and we look forward to visiting the South Beach Casino at this time.



Chief Frank Abraham, Black River First Nation speaks at the Press Conference on the South Beach Casino Opening.



South Beach Casino official Grand Opening - June 22, 2005.

Until next time, Take care! Meegwetch!



Music Jamboree Fund Raiser

Master of Ceremonies: Yvon Dumont

for **Melanie and Alex Chief**

Melanie age 11, and her brother, Alexander, age 7, have both been diagnosed with a rare genetic disease known as Gaucher Disease.

Fundraising Proceeds will supplement the children's trip to Disney World in conjunction with the Children's Wish Foundation.



l-r: Southern Grand Chief Henderson, Kathy Chief (mother) and Melanie Chief.

Winnipeg Indian and Metis Friendship Centre
Saturday, June 11, 2005
8:00 p.m. - 2:00 a.m.

Guest Performances

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| Sierra Noble | Chris Beach |
| Ivan Spence | Garry Lapine |
| Jeff Richard | Cal Richard |
| Al Henry | Karen Beck |
| Lucien Spence | Maria Johnston |
| Half Pints | Asham Stompers |

TICKETS \$10.00

In Brokenhead Ojibway First Nation
contact: Debbie Chief or Treasure Peterson at 766-2494
In Winnipeg
contact: Cora Lambert, SERDC at 956-7500 ext. 112

Fundraiser CD Single Release by Treasure Peterson

All Fundraising Proceeds to go towards the *Independent Investigation* led by the Chartrand and Paul Family

Matthew Dumas Fundraising Social

"Helping the Family seek Justice"

Saturday, June 18, 2005

Indian & Metis Friendship Centre
45 Robinson Avenue
8:00 p.m. — 1:00 a.m.

On January 31, 2005, in the City of Winnipeg, Matthew was encountered by the City of Winnipeg Police Service in their pursuit of robbery suspects. Tragically, Matthew was shot by police officers, which resulted in his untimely death. Unfortunately, no one really knows what happened during this pursuit, other than the fact that Matthew is no longer with us. These questions and the discrepancies amongst eye-witnesses during this pursuit are matters that we hope will be dealt with at the public inquiry.



Matthew Adam Joseph Dumas (Lalo) 1986-2005

Fundraising Social will feature: **Tickets \$10.00 each**
• Silent Auction
• DJ Music
• Comedy Show *Featuring* Gerry "The Big Bear" Barrett

On behalf of the Dumas Family
for **TICKET INFORMATION** contact:
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