



# South Wind

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## SAGKEENG FIRST NATION TO HOST ELECTION FOR SCO GRAND CHIEF

**O**n Tuesday, June 19, 2007, the Southern Chiefs of Manitoba will place their ballots for the Office of the Southern Grand Chief. This will mark the fourth election that Southern Chiefs Organization has conducted.

The following are the rules and procedures for the upcoming election.

**TUESDAY, JUNE 19, 2007  
SAGKEENG FIRST NATION  
MULTI-PLEX**

1. Nominations for the Candidates running for the Office of Grand Chief are being accepted until midnight on **June 4, 2007**. Completed Nomination Forms must be provided to:

Harold Cochrane  
Chief Electoral Officer  
1200 - 330 St. Mary Avenue  
Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 4E1  
Phone: (204) 925-5387  
Fax: (204) 943-4242

*If the Electoral Officer is not present, you may leave your nomination form with the front receptionist in a sealed envelope.*

2. Deadline for nominations is **June 4, 2007** at midnight which is fifteen (15) days prior to the Election date of June 19, 2007.

3. Each nomination in proper form, shall be endorsed by three (3) eligible Chiefs and shall include the Candidate's name, and signatures of the three nominating Chiefs and the name of their First Nation.

Each person nominated shall provide a bibliographical sketch for information purposes for the mail out to the membership.

4. No Chief may endorse more than one (1) candidate for the office of Grand Chief. In the event that a Chief has signed for more than one (1) candidate, only the first registered and accepted nomination form received by the Chief Electoral Officer will be valid.



5. A Candidate's Forum will take place on June 19, 2007 in Sagkeeng First Nation prior to the casting of ballots.

6. The "ELECTORAL RULES FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND CHIEF OF THE SOUTHERN CHIEFS ORGANIZATION" as adopted and approved by the SCO Chiefs' Executive Committee on May 4, 2007 shall apply to this election.

### TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE THE OFFICE OF GRAND CHIEF

- at least 18 years of age
- a recognized community member of a First Nation that is a current member of the Southern Chiefs' Organization
- endorsed in writing by **three (3)** Member Chiefs of the Southern Chiefs' Organization

### Southern Chiefs' Organization MISSION STATEMENT

*We, the Chiefs of the Southern First Nations of Manitoba, hereby agree to establish an independent political forum to protect, preserve, promote, and enhance First Nations peoples' inherent rights, languages, customs, and traditions through the application and implementation of the spirit and intent of the Treaty-making process.*

### Message from SCO Grand Chief Chris Henderson



Chief Craig Cook, Bloodvein First Nation and Grand Chief Henderson during a taping of the SCO Radio Show on NCL.

### Boozhoo! Aniin! Tansi! Ho-Kota! Greetings!

I want to begin by acknowledging and thanking Chief Dennis Meeches and the fine Anishinabeg of the Long Plain First Nation for hosting our SCO Chiefs-in-Summit on May 29 and 30, 2007. *Giichi-Miigwech!*

I also want to take this opportunity to explain why we are hosting a Benefit Social for the Bloodvein First Nation on Saturday June 2, 2007, at the Indian & Metis Friendship Centre in Winnipeg featuring Mr. Errol Ranville and the C-Weed band.

On April 14, 2007, a fire destroyed the Bloodvein First Nation band office complex, which housed the administration offices, post office, radio station, community hall and offices occupied by Child and Family Services. Fortunately, no one was injured in the fire. Damage to the band office has been estimated to be in excess of \$2.5 million.

To help the people of the Bloodvein First Nation as they begin the re-building process, we offered Chief Craig Cook and his Council to host a Benefit Social in honour and in support of the community's rebuilding efforts. Chief Cook graciously and humbly accepted our offer of help. I want to thank Mr. Errol Ranville and the C-Weed band for donating their time in support of this Benefit Social. As well, Giichi-Miigwech to the IMFC Board of Directors for donating the use of the Friendship Centre hall, to the Coyote Corey Whitford for being our Emcee, to the staff of SCO and other volunteers and supporters.

And of course, thank you to all the friends and supporters who intend to show their support by attending this Benefit Social this Saturday! Come one, come all!

**MIIGWECH/WOPIDA!**

# Benefit *Fundraising Social*

In support of \_\_\_\_\_

**BLOODVEIN  
FIRST  
NATION**



**Event this  
Weekend!**

**SATURDAY JUNE 2, 2007**

**8:00 p.m. — 1:00 a.m.**

**Indian & Metis Friendship Centre  
45 Robinson Street  
Winnipeg, Manitoba**

***Headline  
Performance***

**C-WEED**

**&** *Other Guest Performers  
and Special Guests!!*

**TICKETS:  
\$10.00 each**

**TICKETS AVAILABLE:**

**Southern Chiefs' Organization  
225-530 Century Street  
Winnipeg, MB**

**Telephone: (204) 946-1869 or  
Toll Free: 1-866- 876-9701**

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& Door Prizes!!**



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DON'T DRINK AND DRIVE!!**



**MASTER OF  
CEREMONIES:  
Corey  
"The Coyote" Whitford**