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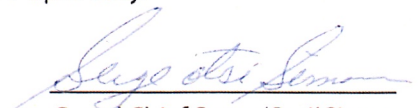
It's hard to believe that in just a few days it will be 25 years since the fateful day of July 11, 1990. 1990 was a benchmark year, not just for Kanesatake but for all Kanienkeha'ka people of our sister communities of Kanesatake, Akwesasne, and Kahnawake and Indigenous People of Canada.

It was a time of turmoil in our communities, it was a momentous time, when, our brother, Elijah Harper, solemnly, raised his hand holding a single eagle feather and said 'No' to the Meech Lake Accord. A small word, two letters, "NO" that reverberated globally. Imagine the level of contemplation, the competing interests that our brother Elijah Harper, had to contemplate eventually deciding that his first loyalty was with his people, Onkwehón:we people. He was an Indian Residential School Survivor, he was a Grand Chief of his people at the Red Sucker Creek First Nation, and he was an elected member of the Manitoba Government holding a number of key positions. He will forever be known as the man who decided where his loyalty was...with his people. At the same time there was unrest in First Nations communities in Canada, in particular the Mohawk Communities. Gaming, Tobacco, and, the expansion of a golf course here in our community. But the issue for us was not only a 'golf course'. These came to a climax on the fateful morning of July, 11, 1990. I don't have to do a play by play of the events that transpired....each of us have our remembrances of those emotional times we have had to deal with and the challenges every one of us have encountered since that time. 25 years ago, a date that we cannot and will not let go unnoticed.

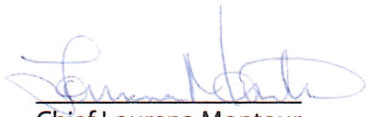
The Mohawk Council of Kanesatake has been working diligently with many people and organizations to insure that the date is remembered. Three key events are being organized. On July 11, 2011 we are inviting all Mohawks of Kanesatake, visitors, and special guests to join us at the Pines for Remembrance speeches and sharing, a feast and some social activities to follow.

At the same time we will be honoring and recognizing the 4 living attendees of Indian Residential School. We refer to them as 'Survivors Kanesatake'. Our four Elder ladies are the end of an important era in the history of Kanesatake. They are the special guests for the weekend of activities. On Sunday, July 12 will be their extra special day, please join us in a service at our cemetery at which time there will be a multi-denominational service followed by the ladies unveiling a monument engraved with the names of all those who were taken from our families and community and sent to Indian Residential Schools. The service will be followed by an honoring feast to be held at the pines.

Starting this Saturday, June 27, 2015, MCK in Partnership with the Legacy of Hope Foundation are proud to announce the '100 Years of Loss' Exhibition. This exhibition shares with the public Indian Residential School historical facts, events and experiences of attendees to Indian Residential Schools. Please come and join us for these activities and Exhibition. Open 1-8pm daily.



Grand Chief Serge 'Otsi' Simon




Chief Lourena Montour




Chief Patricia Meilleur



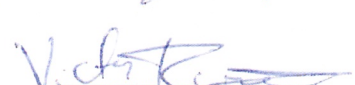
Chief John Canatonquin



Chief Bruce Montour



Chief Gloria A. Nelson



Chief Victor Bonspille

July 11, 1990

25 years

July 11, 2015

Join us for a Weekend of Remembrance of the events of 1990

Saturday July 11th

Remembrance Ceremonies

10:30am Welcoming by
Mohawk Council of Kanesatake.
Speeches by invited guests.

12:30pm Feast

Activities to follow: Lacrosse games,
Music, Social.

Sunday July 12th

Honoring Attendees of
Indian Residential Schools
Kanesatake Mohawk Cemetery

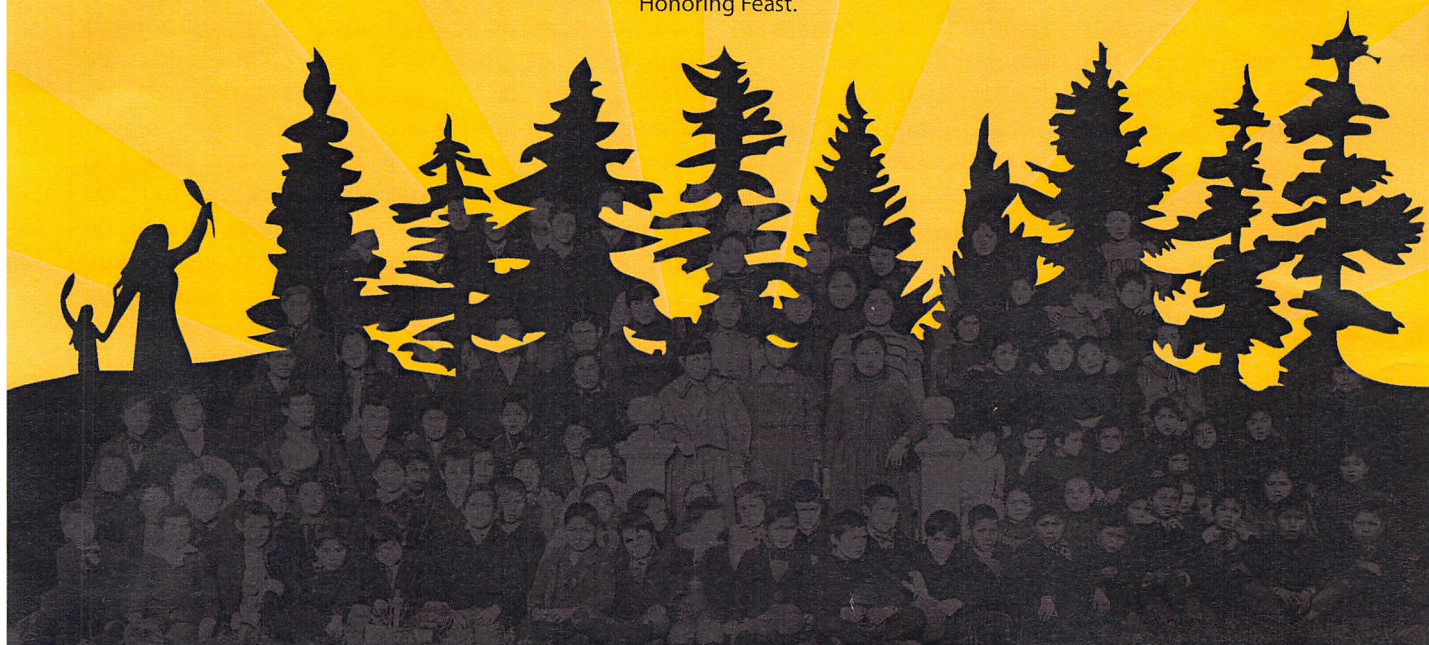
11:00am Multi-Denominational
Service Unveiling of the Monument in
Honor of Residential School
Attendees.

12:30pm Return to Event Tent for
Honoring Feast.

June 27-July 12

Mohawks of Kanesatake/
Legacy of Hope Foundation Exhibition
Indian Residential Schools

100 Years of Loss
Rotiwennakéhte School- 407 St. Michel,
Kanesatake, Que. J0N1E0
open daily from 1:00pm-8:00pm



All events will take place in The Pines, located next to Rotiwennakéhte School-407 St. Michel Kanesatake, 2c, JoXiEo

Everyone is Welcome!



Legacy of Hope



Anglican Church of Canada

