

Best Selling Author speaks at Seven Generations Celebrations



Calvin Helin with the book he signed for Connie Foster, Registrar for post secondary division of Seven Generations.

by Marlene Deschamps

Calvin Helin is a lawyer, the President of the Native Investment & Trade Association of Canada, an entrepreneur and an author. He was a guest speaker at Seven Generations Education Institute 25th Anniversary celebration held on Thursday April 8th. Calvin's first major book is titled "Dances with Dependency-out of poverty through self reliance". He brought many copies with him and they were shortly snatched up. Calvin had received 32 letter of rejection from publishers

before he put out \$100,000 of his own money and published the book himself. It has become a seven time best seller. His latest book, "Breaking Free from Economical Dependency" which deals with universal forms of economic dependency, just completed, has a U.S. publisher and support from that great Canadian author- Peter C. Neuman.

Calvin spoke of how Aboriginal people have been manipulated into dependency on the government and are dying because of it and how they essentially have to get out

of it. He is from the Tsimshian people located on the northwest coast of British Columbia. It is located close to the Prince Rupert area. He spoke of how beautiful it was in that area and how he found this part of the country equally beautiful. He is soft spoken and extremely intelligent and at the same time very easy to speak with. Everyone who mentioned hearing him really enjoyed his speech, got his book and then wandered around looking for him to have him sign his book and speak with them further.

McInnes Creek Chapel Board Meeting

submitted by Susan Douglas

A beautiful, yet windy day, allowed the board members of McInnes Creek Chapel to attain entry into their beloved 'chapel in the woods', Sunday, March 28th, 2010. The kitchen area quickly filled with people bearing pot luck entrees for the meal to follow.

Able Chairman, Bob Locking, brought the meeting to order. Following the Secretary's report by Carol Jenson, and the Treasurer's statement by Vivian Locking, the group tackled the business at hand. Discussion centered around the upcoming Yard Sale and Live Auction, Saturday, May 1st, 2010. Susan Douglas said she'd placed posters around town for donations of articles and had one phone call

thus far.

The ladies will once again be baking up muffins or Rice Krispie cake, to sell, along with coffee & juice as an early bird breakfast, followed by the Live Auction at 11:00 a.m. Just as in previous years, hot dogs and snacks will be sold over the lunch hour. At noon we'll offer "Fill a Bag for a Buck". All items in the Chapel will sell at 25 cents per item unless otherwise marked, while larger articles for sale will be placed outside. Items have already begun to be donated. Pony rides will also be available

A decision was made to hire keepers of the grounds for the summer, and it will be offered to the same people as last year. We discussed cleaning the perimeter of the graveyard this

year with a caution issued on the poison ivy. The cleanup date will be Friday, April 16th at 9:00 a.m. Everyone is welcome to join us for the cleanup

A reading entitled "Take It One Day At A Time" was read by Linda Budreau. The business part of the meeting closed with Linda making the motion and Larry Budreau seconded the motion. The group arose in a semi circle for prayer, and a freewill offering was accepted while everyone enjoyed the delicious array of foods. Our next meeting will be Sunday, April 18th at the Chapel. Please contact any board member to donate items for the sale, with our thanks! All money goes toward maintaining the chapel and grounds.

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