

The CTR Staff will be attending the Community Training Residence Conference in Humboldt on May 31st, June 1 and 2.

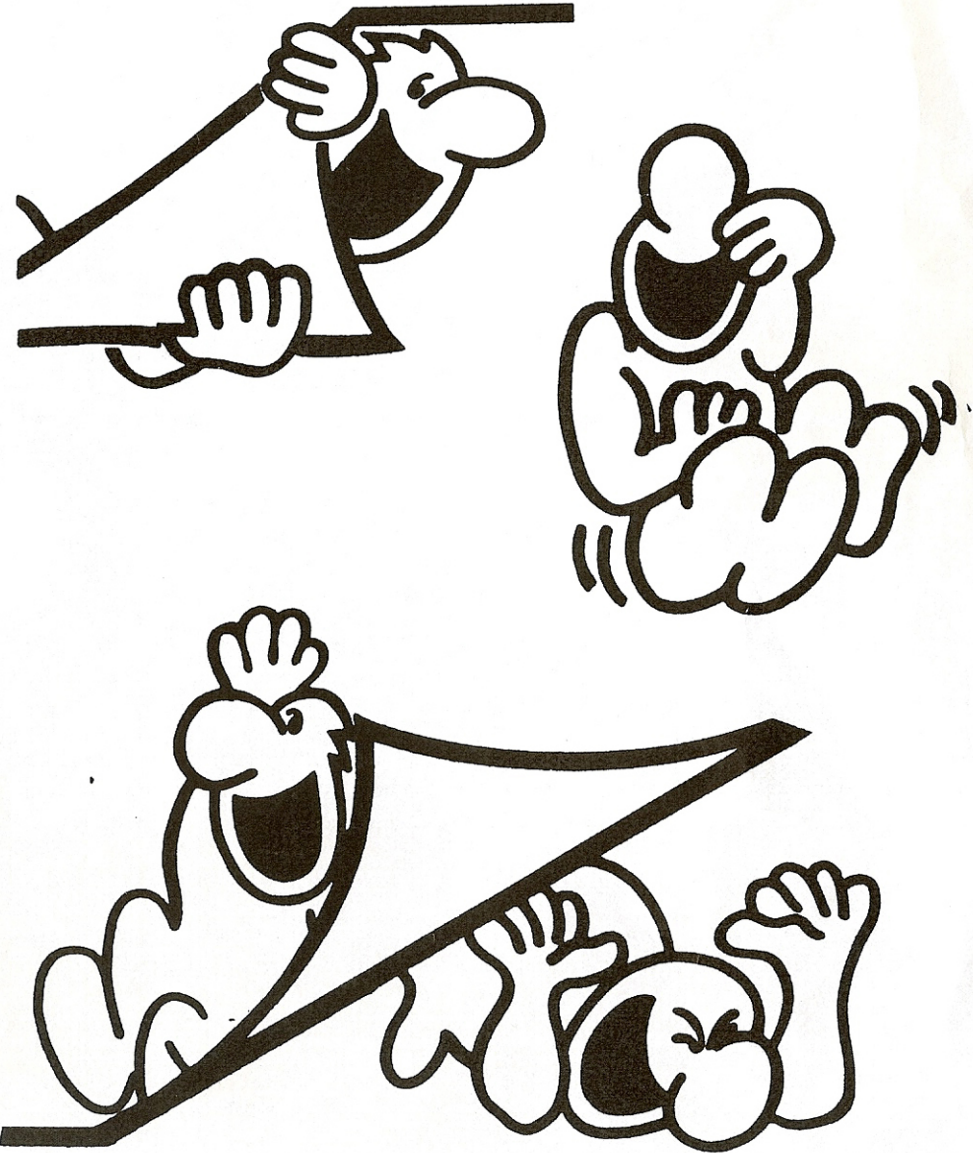
We are now taking orders for Metis bookbags, traditional designed bags and cushions. Contact **Faye @ 933-6969**.

FINANCIAL NEWS

As you are aware, the funding for Gabriel Dumont Institute, like several other Metis Nation affiliates, was suspended on April 29, 1994 by Saskatchewan Education. As a result of the suspension, the Bank froze our bank accounts. This, in turn, resulted in some major concerns as to whether payroll would be met on May 13th. Happily, you were able to receive your paycheques on time. However, we are still not out of the woods. We continue to deal with Saskatchewan Education on an almost hourly basis to resolve this problem in hopes that the next payroll will roll smoothly. We will continue to keep you advised.

COVER: Courtesy Amber. We felt you all needed something to chuckle at.

THE GABRIEL DUMONT VOICE



GDI CULTURAL WORKSHOPS

This year's annual cultural conference will be held in Batoche on July 22 & 23, 1994 during the Back to Batoche Days Celebrations. We have acquired a 40 x 100 ft tent and several hundred chairs for the occasion. The conference will consist of four workshops:

Early Intervention - The Need for Metis Community Preschool Programs and the Role of the Family in Such Programs

Wellness for All? Educational and Cultural Health Care Issues and the Metis Community

Gender and Role: The Changing Face of the Metis Family and

Child Welfare: Issues and Options Facing the Metis Community

As the workshops are being held at the same time as Batoche Days, no cultural events have been planned by GDI. Liz and I have been vigorously fundraising for this event and we hope to realize the goal of putting on quality workshops that will attract folks from far and wide. It should be noted that the Conference is entirely dependent on the success of our fundraising. If anyone knows of any pots of money out there, we would be real interested.

TIDBITS

Gale Badley is off on maternity leave and had a bouncing baby boy, Eric James. She's due back on July 11, 1994. Congratulations Gale & James!

Lon Borgerson is back - and heading up SUNTEP Prince Albert in a term position as **Micheal Relland** is away on Education Leave.

The **Annual Report** is currently being worked on in-house and should be ready for distribution soon.

SUNTEP REGINA NEWS

Our 1993-94 semesters have just ended and our students are again involved in Spring/Summer classes. We are pleased to report a total of 18 first year students began the program in Fall 1993. We have had 52 students in the program this year in all class years. Eight students completed Internship during 1993-94, most achieving

Very Good or Outstanding ratings as a final evaluation. We are pleased to announce that one of the Preinterns, Bre Buck, received the Faculty of Education "Marguerite Helen Fuller Prize for Preinternship", based on her grade point average and her excellent Preinternship evaluation.

SUNTEP (Regina) now delivers nearly three years of the Program in the Centre, so that there are more students in the Centre at any time. Space is crowded as usual but the students are doing well. SUNTEP (Regina) graduates continue to be employed at nearly 100% in teaching or education-related positions.

This May 27, we will hold our Eleventh Annual Graduation Celebration. This year we honor eight graduates: They are: **Cathrine Amundson Bell**, **Rick Desjarlais**, **Angela Hassler**, **Lori Poitras** (graduating with Great Distinction and nominated for Myrtle McGee Prize for Internship, and for the President's Medal), **Valerie Poitras** (graduating with Distinction and nominated for Myrtle McGee Prize for Internship), **Elizabeth Riddell**, **Sheila Starr** and **Lisa Wolfe**.

First and second year students are leaving for CITEP (Canadian Indian Teacher Education Programs) Conference in Brandon, and will also visit historical sites in Winnipeg and Saint Boniface as part of the metis History class in which they are involved. They are currently doing genealogical research on their own family origins and are finding this very interesting.

C.T.R. NEWS

Born to Mark and Evangeline Reddekopp on February 15, 1994, a baby girl, **Jessica Lynn**, weighed 8 lbs, 3 ozs. Evangeline is currently on maternity leave.

Angle Dorion and **Pat Dreaver** have graduated on April 13, 1994 from the Native Human Justice Program at Prince Albert.

Rosalie Ruda has been with us since March. She is a practicum student from the Chemical Dependency Program at North Battleford.

Janine Lamothe will be starting her practicum placement with us on May 16th. She is from the Youth Care Worker Program from Kelsey, Saskatoon Campus.

Louise Fraser has completed her Social Work Program and will be convocating from the University of Regina, Faculty of Social Work on May 27, 1994.