

The Native Canadian

Newsletter of the Native Canadian Centre of Toronto

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Honouring Our Veterans: A Profile of Wilfred King

by Heather Howard-Bobiwash

Many people in the Native community are familiar with the extraordinary participation of Native men and women in war efforts — the two World Wars, Korea, Vietnam, and beyond — many have family stories about an auntie who was a nurse, a long-lost brother or uncle missing in action, or a grandfather decorated with medals of honour. The fact is that although Native people were exempt from being drafted, they have a long history of volunteering for the Canadian armed services in very large numbers, sometimes reaching up to 40% of entire communities.

They went for a variety of different reasons: some sought to escape the lack of opportunities on reserves and the education and trade-training they heard could be received in the forces; others were excited by the possibilities of travel and adventure, and after a while, many simply missed their many buddies who had already joined up; yet others having been brought up understanding their responsibilities to treaties they themselves, or their grandfathers had signed with the Crown, saw themselves as responding to the defense needs of an ally. In the latter case, some joined as groups forming all-Native battalions. As is well-known, however, non-Native governments have had little respect for, or memory of their responsibilities to treaties entered into with First Nations. At the height of the intense assimilation efforts of the *Indian Act*, many mechanisms were in place to use the high numbers of Native people willing to join the forces to further the goal of eliminating people who could claim *Indian Status*.

In many cases, Native men and women who joined the armed forces had to sign away their *Status* because they were leaving their reserve, traveling abroad, and seeking higher education — all actions that the *Indian Act* determined Aboriginal people could not undertake, and with the purpose of either restricting the movement of Native people to reserves, or shirking government responsibility toward Native people by taking away their *Status*. Many other Native people also took the route of "passing for white" and joined by keeping their Aboriginal heritage a secret.

Often, after the wars were over, veterans found it difficult to

return to their home communities either because they were simply not allowed to (having given up *Status*), or in many cases because their war experiences had changed them and they found it hard to fit back into the life of their communities which had also changed dramatically in their absence. For these reasons, many came to live in the city, and while the younger generations in the Native community in Toronto have no direct experience with war-time, it is important to remember the efforts of the many veterans who settled here, many of whom continue to be active in the urban Native community today.

A unique story of many is that of Wilfred King, dad to NCCT Board member Shirley King-Lovett. We thank Mr. King for graciously allowing us to tell you about his story here, parts of which are taken from a profile of him that appeared in the *Toronto Star* in 1980, and others from a conversation he recently had with Pat Turner.

Unlike many Native men, Wilfred King was in his mid-thirties when he joined up in 1944. Wilfred, his wife and four children lived in Toronto, and he had worked for some time as a delivery truck driver. As he told the *Star*, he felt he would just get to know a co-worker and then he would be gone to join up, "One morning, my wife packed my lunch as usual and I left the house, but instead of going to work, I went down to the old *Stanley Barracks* and signed up." Eighteen months later, Wilfred found himself invited to *Buckingham Palace* to receive the *Military Medal* from King George VI.

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Wilfred King as he was when he joined up in 1944.



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Milestones

■ We've recently heard from former Native Centre reassurance worker **David Printup** and his friend **Terry Quinney** who, as you may know, moved to Edmonton, Alberta at the beginning of the Summer. Terry worked at the Centre as a Summer student in 1996 in the administration department. Edmonton is where her family lives. David is presently working for a contracting company but will soon be moving further North to work with *Precision Drilling Oil Rigs*. David was recently honoured at the *KEHEWIN* powwow by carrying in the American Veterans' Flag. David has been very busy over the Summer attending powwows, and is quite involved with Plains Cree Nation.

■ **Belated Congratulations!** go out to **Philomena Chechock-Henhawke** and **Hilton Henhawke** who were married in Toronto on May 15, 1997. ALL THE BEST TO BOTH OF YOU!

■ **Our very Best Birthday Wishes** go out to the following NCCT staff members: **Gerald Williams**, Nov. 4., **Trudy Jacobs**, Nov. 15., and **Miranda Powless**, Nov. 10.

■ We were very sorry to that **Martha Debassige-Simmers** passed away on October 16, 1997, at the age of 58. Martha was wife to Bill Simmers, mother of Michael and Peter, loving grandmother of William. She was also the daughter of Josette and the late Peter Debassige of West Bay, Ontario. Martha was an original member of the predecessor to the *Native Canadian Centre of Toronto*, the *Toronto Indian Club* which was housed at the *YMCA* in the early 1950s. Funeral services were held in West Bay. Donations can be made to the *Canadian Cancer Society* in her honour.

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Profile: Wilfred King

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Wilfred recalled that his wife received the letter at home while he was still in Europe, and she waited a whole day before she opened it. Since the return address was a government office she feared the worst, that it was the letter telling her Wilfred had been killed in action. It was much to her relief that she found the invitation inside. Wilfred ended up declining the invitation, and opted instead to receive his medal from the *Governor-General* in Ottawa.

After he had joined up, Wilfred went almost directly into battle with the *Allies* following the *D-Day* landings in 1944. He has many sad memories of the great numbers of young men who lost their lives on those fronts. In April 1945 Wilfred's company had pushed into Holland and was camped outside Groningen when he found himself in the middle of the action that earned him his medal. Wilfred, his sergeant and a few other soldiers were taken off guard after they had decided to take an early morning stroll in what had the deceiving appearance of a peaceful Spring day.

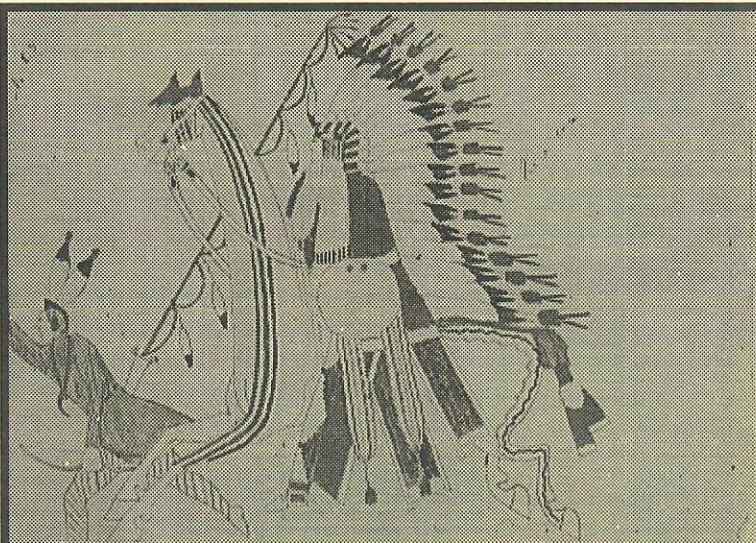
Suddenly they ran into a wall of fire and they attempted to run for cover. A young man aged nineteen from Toronto was hit, and Wilfred braved the barrage of fire to pull him to safety, but it was too late. Wilfred's company became trapped in a two-storey building with no way to summon back-up, and that's when he decided to jump from a window and run with all his might across 2,000 yards of open field under fire to bring back the closest unit.

Now at the age of eighty-seven, Wilfred still lives in a downtown home in Toronto. He prefers to put some of these sad war stories behind him, and told Pat Turner of he memories of life before he came to Toronto. Wilfred was born in 1910 at **Moose Deer Point** on Georgian Bay, to **Charlotte (Simon)** from **Christian Island**, and **Archie King**. His great grandfather was the chief of the band at the time *Queen Victoria* "gave" the deeds to the 2,000-acre reservation.

Wilfred's mother passed away when Wilfred was only sixteen and he went to live with his **Aunt Nellie** and **Uncle Tom Jones** at **Cape Croker**. They owned a general store at the Cape and that is where Wilfred met his wife when she came to work there in the late 1920s. Wilfred recalled that he grew up speaking the *Pottawatomi* language and only began to learn English around the age of nine. Unfortunately, Wilfred could not return to **Moose Deer Point** as a church fire there destroyed his birth certificate and any proof of his age and where he was born. Not unlike the story of many Native people in Toronto, Wilfred says, "I've looked and looked for anyone who knows my background. They're all dead." His lack of identification had not deterred the army, however — they didn't worry about birth certificates — his signature and age were accepted without confirmation.

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PLAINS INDIAN DRAWINGS 1865-1935

PAGES FROM A VISUAL HISTORY

The Art Gallery of Ontario is proud to present this landmark exhibition of drawings by Arapaho, Cheyenne, Kiowa and Lakota peoples. As their contact with white settlers increased, Plains tribes artists turned to newly available materials such as crayons, pencils and ink, often working on paper from the accountants' ledger books used by traders and military officers.

Roundtable Discussion:

"Locating Cultures: Collecting First Nations Art"

Thursday, December 4, 6:30-8 pm

Moderator: Matthew Teitelbaum, Chief Curator, AGO.

Panelists: Gerald McMaster, exhibition co-curator/curator of contemporary Indian art, Canadian Museum of Civilization; Deborah Doxtator, professor, York University; Tom Hill, director, Woodland Cultural Centre; Dennis Reid, senior curator of Canadian art, AGO; and Lynn Hill, curator, First Nations art, McMichael Canadian Art Collection.

Exhibition and events are included with pay-what-you-can Gallery admission.



Art Gallery of Ontario

November 14, 1997 to January 4, 1998

317 Dundas Street West, Toronto www.ago.net 416 979 6648

The exhibition is organized by The Drawing Center, New York, and The American Federation of Arts. It has been made possible with generous support from the Henry Luce Foundation and the Rockefeller Foundation. Additional funding has been provided by the National Endowment for the Arts and the New York State Council on the Arts. The exhibition is a project of ART ACCESS II, a program of the AFA with major support from the Lila Wallace-Reader's Digest Fund. Philip Morris Companies Inc. is the sponsor of the tour.

CN Tower Stair Climb: A Heart-stopping Event

Six hearty and not-so hearty Native Canadian Centre of Toronto employees and volunteers braved the 1,769 steps of the CN Tower to help raise funds in the United Way's 20th Annual CN Tower Stair Climb Team Challenge. Team Captain Delores Lalonde and General Pat Turner braved the chilly air and bright sunshine on Sunday, October 19th to greet the team-challenge stair climbers. Captain Lalonde, Liz Kataquapit, Dorothy Stewart, Jonathan Hamilton-Diabo, Kelly Powless, began their ascent of the tower at 9:15 a.m., and Dennis Stark started at 11:10, after everyone else had finished. The finishing times were as follows (in minutes and seconds) Captain Lalonde 40:39, Stewart 40:19, Powless 40:02, Kataquapit 25:17, Hamilton-Diabo 23:39, and Stark in 23:13.

While Stark made the best climb it was also the most dramatic. Knowing he had to beat 23:39, he raced up the first 20 flights of stairs. After resting twice on the way up, he emerged with the quickest time of the NCCT climbers, however then, nausea hit and an emergency call was made to a garbage can. Dizziness and hyperventilation set in which led to medical attention. In the end, after an ambulance ride and short stay in hospital, the triumphant but queasy Stark re-emerged to climb on another day!

Many thanks to General Turner for her encouragement and applause for the climbers while she watched our jackets and belongings, and to Captain Lalonde for organizing the venture. The NCCT climbers raised between 550 and 650 dollars for the United Way. Captain Lalonde and General Turner hope to have a 15-member team for next year's climb!



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Seniors Program November Calendar

Regular Schedule:

Every...

Monday, Wednesday & Friday: Community Lunch

Monday afternoon: Art Class

Tuesday afternoon: Beading Class

Wednesday afternoon: Euchre Club

Wednesday evening: Movie Night

Thursday morning: Woodworking Class

Special Events:

Tuesdays, November 11th & 25th:

MID-TORONTO & POT-LUCK

Fridays, November 14th & 21st: BINGO

Fridays, November 7th & 21st: FOCUS GROUP

Thursday, November 27th:

DIXIE MALL TRIP (leaves at 10:00 a.m.)

Saturday, November 29th: SkyDome PowWow

Shuttle runs: 1st: 11:30 a.m., 2nd: 12:00 Noon

Early December Reminder:

Saturday, December 6th:

Annual Christmas Concert at the Centre

FIRST NATIONS HOUSE

First Nations House at the University of Toronto encourages all Native people to consider a university education. Whether you are in high school, have just graduated, are in the workforce, or considering a profession we can help you identify the best route to educational opportunity.

First Nations House offers culturally supportive programs and services to Indian, Metis and Inuit students at the University of Toronto and those considering university. The University of Toronto offers the Transitional Year Program and Pre-University programs for students without OAC; regular undergraduate programs in the Arts and Sciences; professional programs in Health Sciences, Engineering, Law and Business; and graduate programs at the Masters and Doctoral levels in all disciplines.

To discuss your best path to educational success and greater opportunity at the University of Toronto please contact Anita Benedict, Academic Counsellor.



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in the Native Canadian Centre Auditorium

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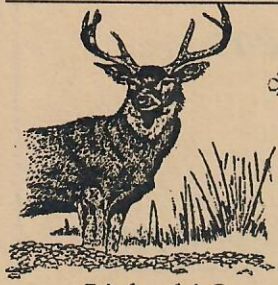
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Native Canadian Centre of Toronto Christmas Program



It's back! One of the *Centre's* most important events is its Christmas Program. The program begins this year with the annual **Christmas Concert** organized by **Pat Turner**. She is still looking for talent, so if you would like to entertain the masses, give her a call.

**The Christmas concert will be held on
SATURDAY DECEMBER 6
6:00 - 8:00 p.m.**

Last year, in collaboration with *Native Child and Family Services*, the *Centre* held a very successful **Christmas Party for the Children**. We plan to repeat this wonderful event on:



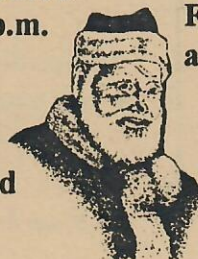
**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13
beginning at 12-Noon**

Also, every year, the *Centre* makes great efforts to provide nice **Gifts and Toys** for parents who could not afford them to give to their children. We also try to provide as many food **Hampers** as possible, and we will host full-course **Community Christmas Dinner** for \$1.00 per ticket, for almost 500 people in two sittings.

IMPORTANT NOTE: There will be a deadline for **pre-registration** for **GIFTS, HAMPERS**, and for each sitting of the dinner. **YOU MUST PRE-REGISTER** for all of these programs. Please contact the reception desk for registration dates and deadlines **416-964-9087** (as of the printing of this newsletter they were not yet set, but usually fall within the first week of December). **Registration is on a first-come-first-served basis, so plan to do it early.**

Gifts for children will be distributed:
**MONDAY DECEMBER 15, and TUESDAY
DECEMBER 16th, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.**

**Turkey/food Hamper Pick-up:
WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 17,
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18, and
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.**



**Annual Community Christmas Dinner:
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21
(\$1.00 per ticket):
1st Sitting at 2:00 p.m.
2nd Sitting at 3:30 p.m.**



*Finally for those who would like some company on Christmas Day, there will also be a Community Christmas Dinner,
DECEMBER 25TH, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.*

VOLUNTEERS & DONATIONS NEEDED

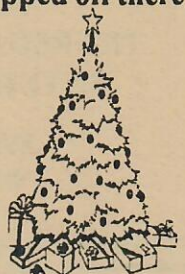
As usual, we are also appealing to the community to help make this year's Christmas Program as successful as in previous years! **You can support the Christmas program in many ways:**

**Volunteers are needed to help
prepare and distribute hampers,
help out with the dinner,
and the kid's party including wrapping gifts,
provide a van or truck to help pick up
the materials for hampers and dinners,
provide entertainment for the kids,
as well as for many other tasks.**

You can help our **fund-raising** drive itself in many ways. All donations of **non-perishable food items and toys** will be gladly accepted. **Cash donations** are needed to purchase some of the food items. Any help whatsoever for this worthy cause will be most appreciated.

All information and registration forms for the **Native Canadian Centre's Community Christmas Program** are available at the *Centre's* reception desk, 16 Spadina Road. Food, toys and other donations can be dropped off there as well; phone: (416) 964-9087.

**WISHING ALL
OUR MEMBERS A
HAPPY AND SAFE
HOLIDAY SEASON**





Native Canadian Centre of Toronto CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

NOVEMBER 1997

Come join us for COMMUNITY LUNCH Mondays and Fridays (12:00 noon)

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			Curve Lake United Anishnawbe Council Meeting 7-9 p.m.			Birds of A Feather (AA) 1-2 pm Children's Program 12 - 2 pm
2 Art class (afternoon) Ojibway Class (intermediate) 6-8; Women's Traditional Singing; "Breaking the Cycle of Violence" Circles 6 - 8 pm	3 Beading classes (afternoon) Ojibway Class (beginner); Traditional Teachings Circle; Tai Chi: (6:30PM)	4 Quilting; Ojibway (intermediate); Native History Seminar Cancelled today Movement/Dance lessons; Lacrosse (SEE BELOW FOR TIMES)	5 Woodworking (10 am); DRUM SOCIAL 6-8 pm; Children's Program; 6 - 8pm; Ojibway class 6-8 (beginner)	6 Birds of A Feather (AA) 1-2 pm Children's Program 12 - 2 pm	7 Birds of A Feather (AA) 1-2 pm Children's Program 12 - 2 pm	8 Birds of A Feather (AA) 1-2 pm Children's Program 12 - 2 pm
8 Pool Tournament (at the Coloured Store)	9 Art class (afternoon) Ojibway Class (intermediate) 6-8; Women's Traditional Singing; "Breaking the Cycle of Violence" Circles 6 - 8 pm	10 Beading classes (afternoon) Ojibway Class (beginner); Traditional Teachings Circle; Tai Chi: (6:30PM)	11 Quilting; Ojibway (intermediate); Native community seminar; Movement/ Dance lessons; Lacrosse (SEE BELOW FOR TIMES)	12 Woodworking (10 am); POT- LUCK DRUM SOCIAL 6-10 pm; Children's Program; 6-8pm; Ojibway class 6-8 (beginner)	13 Birds (AA): 1-2 pm; Children's Program: 12 - 2 pm Buffalo Dinner	14 Birds (AA): 1-2 pm; Children's Program: 12 - 2 pm
16 Art class (afternoon) Ojibway Class (intermediate) 6-8; Women's Traditional Singing; "Breaking the Cycle of Violence" Circles 6 - 8 pm	17 Beading classes (afternoon) Ojibway Class (beginner); Traditional Teachings Circle; Tai Chi: (6:30PM)	18 Quilting; Ojibway (intermediate); Native community seminar; Movement/ Dance lessons; Lacrosse (SEE BELOW FOR TIMES)	19 Woodworking (10 am); DRUM SOCIAL 6-8 pm; Children's Program; 6 - 8pm; Ojibway class 6-8 (beginner)	20 Birds of A Feather (AA) 1-2 pm Children's Program 12 - 2 pm	21 Birds of A Feather (AA) 1-2 pm Children's Program 12 - 2 pm	22 Birds (AA): 1-2 pm; Children's Program: 12 - 2 pm
23 Sweat Lodge Ceremony for Native Men	24 Art class (afternoon) Ojibway Class (intermediate) 6-8; Women's Traditional Singing; "Breaking the Cycle of Violence" Circles 6 - 8 pm	25 Beading classes (afternoon) Ojibway Class (beginner); Traditional Teachings Circle; Tai Chi: (6:30PM)	26 Quilting; Ojibway (intermediate); Native community seminar; Movement/ Dance lessons; Lacrosse (SEE BELOW FOR TIMES)	27 Woodworking (10 am); POT- LUCK DRUM SOCIAL 6-10 pm; Children's Program: 6-8 p.m.; Ojibway class 6-8 (beginner)	28 Birds (AA): 1-2 pm; Children's Program: 12 - 2 pm SKYDOME POW WOW	29 Birds (AA): 1-2 pm; Children's Program: 12 - 2 pm
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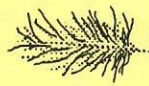
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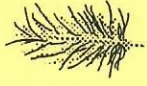
Wednesday schedule: Quilting: 1:00 - 4:00 pm. Ojibway Language Classes for beginners are from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
The Native Community History and Native Studies Seminar is from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m., and the Lacrosse instruction takes place from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

***The Native Canadian Centre of Toronto
invites you to purchase tickets to attend our
35th Anniversary fund-raising
Buffalo Dinner, Volunteer Awards Ceremony & Book Launch
Saturday, November 15th, 1997***

We have a memorable evening planned which will include:



Presentation of special recognition awards to ten volunteers who have served the Native Canadian Centre of Toronto in different areas of our on-going programming and special activities;



Revival and Special Presentation of the Spitahki Award. This award was created by the "Canadian Indian Centre of Toronto" in 1968 to recognize "leadership among Indian women." However, the award ceased in 1977, exactly 20 years ago, and the Centre wishes to mark this 35th anniversary by reviving this annual award to honour a woman for her dedication and volunteer service to the Centre and the Native community in Toronto;



Slide show presentations about volunteerism at the Native Canadian Centre;



Launch of "The Meeting Place: Aboriginal Life in Toronto," a book produced by the Native Canadian Centre of Toronto and edited by Frances Sanderson and Heather Howard-Bobiwash, in celebration of our 35th anniversary of community service. The book consists of a collection of essays and profiles of the history, culture, politics and people of the Toronto Native community;



Live dinner music entertainment; and of course, a sumptuous five-course meal highlighted by a buffalo meat main-course.

Master of Ceremonies: Frances Sanderson

Dress: Creative black-tie/semiformal

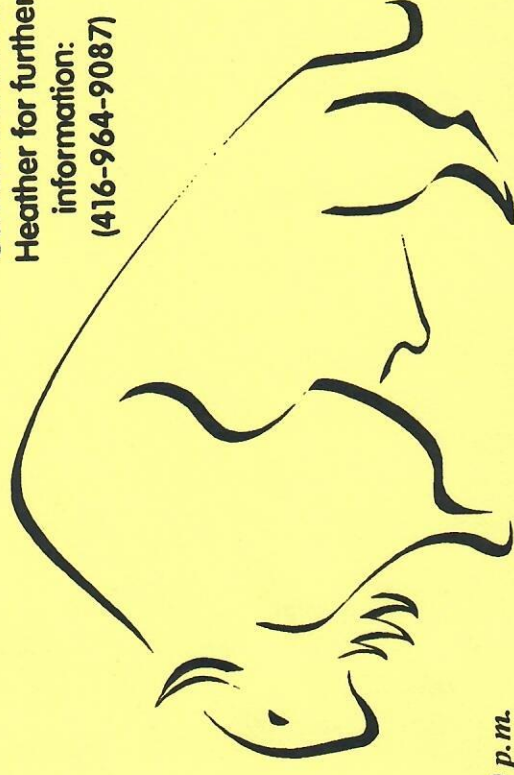
The dinner will take place in the Centre's Auditorium, 16 Spadina Rd., beginning at 6:30 p.m.

***Tickets are
only \$55.00 per seat.
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We encourage all organizations
who use the services of
volunteers to purchase several
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to your volunteers.***

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There is a limited number of seats and they are
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Sweatshirts, Jackets, Hand-bags,
Medicine Pouches, Crafts Supplies,
and Beadwork.

STORE HOURS:

TUESDAYS, ~~WEDNESDAYS~~, FRIDAYS:

11:00 A.M. TO 6:00 P.M.

THURSDAYS: 11:00 A.M. TO 8:00 P.M.

SATURDAYS: 12:00 TO 4:00 P.M.

Watch for extended hours
before Christmas season

We want to hear from you at the Native Canadian Newsletter

Editors Heather Howard-Bobiwash & Trudy Jacobs
invite you to write to us.

Submit **Letters to the Editor** to discuss issues of
concern to you with the **Native Canadian Centre**, the
Newsletter, or of concern to Native people generally
both within and outside Toronto.

We look forward to hearing from you!

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for the Native Canadian Newsletter. This column will
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double issue.*

*If you need advice in love, life and family matters,
I will surely have positive and healthy advice that will
hopefully benefit you and others in the community.*

Mail your letters to

Dear Alice

c/o NCCT Newsletter

16 Spadina Road, Toronto, Ontario, M5R 2S7
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I am looking forward to reading your letters!

AFTER THE DOME DANCE HORSESHOE TAVERN

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