

LOCAL NEWS

Asbestos Removal Set At Mohawk School

SAINT REGIS MOHAWK RESERVATION (April 7, 1995) - When Saint Regis Mohawk School students return from their Easter vacation something will be missing from their school. But, it's very doubtful that anyone will be upset.

Principal William Mitchell, said work crews will be removing asbestos from the crawl space underneath the school's cafeteria in anticipation of the upcoming capital improvement project.

Crews from Upstate Environment, Syracuse, have been in the school for the past two days preparing to begin the asbestos abatement next

week while the students are on recess, Mr. Mitchell said.

"The abatement team began setting up Thursday," he said. "They will be removing 14,234 square feet of asbestos (material) in the crawl space.

"No work is being done in the classrooms and no asbestos abatement is going on while school is in session."

Mr. Mitchell said the work should be completed in two weeks and all clean-up will be finished by the time students return from their vacation.

"No one will be in the building while the actual work is going on," he added.

Kanatakon School Committee Holds Fundraiser

The Kanatakon Parent School Committee held a two-day fundraiser at the Kanatakon School on Saturday and Sunday, April 8 and 9 respectively. The Kanatakon Gym had a craft fair going on while School Committee volunteers and students were washing cars in back of the school.

There were over ten craft tables and a bake sale table full of home baked goodies from candied apples to freshly baked pies. The crafts were varied, artistically handcrafted and beautiful.

The two day fundraising

events also included a concession stand. The corn soup and fried bread was delicious. Of course one could buy hot dogs, hamburgers and soda. The monies raised from the activities will be used for school programs.

Romaine Mitchell makes crafts and sells craft supplies on his drop off from his regular job. During the fall and winter months Romaine spends his time making bustles for fancy dancers and other carfts, then comes summer and the Pow-wow curcuit.



Pictured above: Danielle Smoke and Jason Thomas, Grade 6 students selling raffle tickets for their class trip at the end of school year. Photo: Submitted

Native Indigenous Games Fundraiser Spaghetti Luncheon

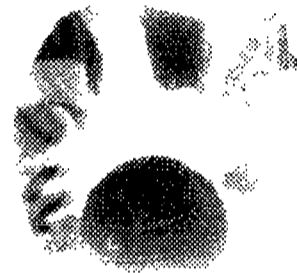
The fundraising continues for the native Indigenous Games which will be happening for many of Akwesasne' youth and adults in July. The latest fundraiser was a Spaghetti Luncheon held on Saturday, April 8 at the Kanatakon Center. The 15 and 16 year old girls volleyball team cooked a spaghetti dinner

for the Mohawk Language workshop. Over 60 diners were served and there were rare reviews.

The young girls received a helping hand from Veronica Smoke, Sally Cook, Mary Terrance, and Valerie Smoke.

There are ten girls on the team representing the different areas of

Akwesasne. The teams are working hard to raise approximately \$50,000.00 to pay for travel costs such as buses, meals and lodging. The Native Indigenous Games will be a valuable learning experience for our youth, so please support their fundraising efforts.



Pictured in parking lot from Left to Right: Heather Garrow, Leighann McDonald, and Reanne McDonald.

Mohawk Council Vehicle Damaged

Early Monday morning at approximately 2:30 a.m. a vehicle owned by Mohawk Council of Akwesasne was damaged when an unknown vehicle hit it while it was parked in the parking lot of Kanonhkwa'tsheri:io

(Health Facility).

According to the police report the 1991 Chevy Caprice used by the Akwesasne Child and Family Services department was hit by a '93 or '94 red, 4-door Chevy Cavalier. The car had

pink tape on the rear light on the passenger side and the driver of the hit and run vehicle was wearing a black and white checkered shirt. No arrests have been made.

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