

Local News



Pictured: Cody Thompson participates in the Chicago Showcase

Local Athlete Gets National Attention

Cody Thompson is a name well-known among area high school hockey enthusiasts. Respected by fans and feared by opponents for his bone-jarring body checks and blazing slapshots, the Salmon River High School junior is starting to raise eyebrows nationwide, thanks to his recent participation in a hockey tournament in Chicago, Illinois.

The Chicago Showcase, a tournament designed to help college and professional hockey scouts spot up-and-coming talent, took place April 16-21, 1996. High school juniors and seniors from across the United States participated in the by-invitation-only tournament, hoping to impress some of the people who have the power to make the dreams of future NHLers come true.

Following an invitation to play in the annual tournament as a result of a tryout in Albany, Thompson received financial support from dozens of community members, most notably Roger Tarbell and Fabian Hart, and was

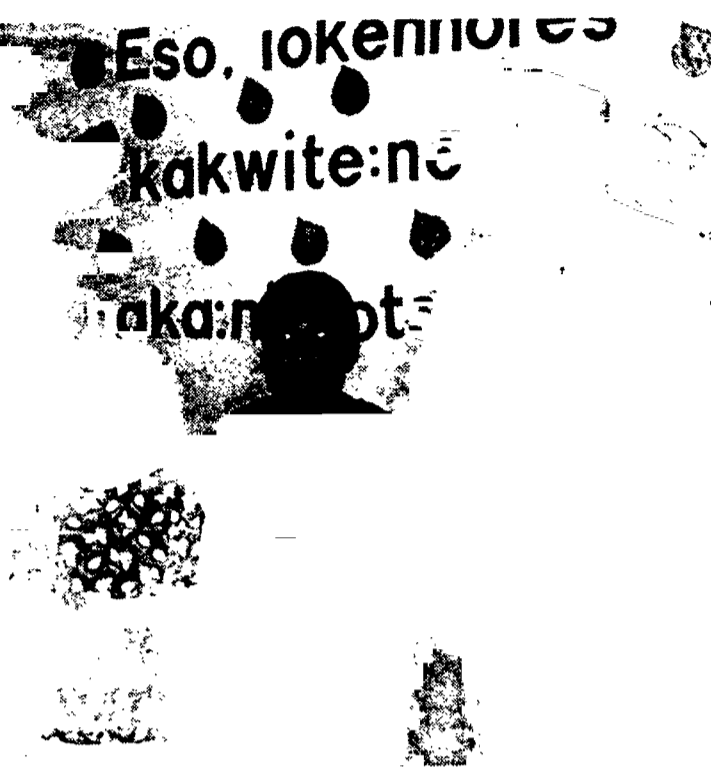
able to travel to Chicago for the 'Best of the Best' tourney. (For a complete list of contributors who the Thompsons wish to thank, see names in the classified section in this issue.)

Despite getting what Kim Thompson, his proud mom, called "limited ice time," Cody made enough of an impression in the tourney to have already received several inquiries. In addition to a scout from the Hartford Whalers farm team, the Thompsons have been contacted by Junior 'A' clubs from Minnesota, Iowa, and Kahnawake.

"His mind is set on making it in hockey," says Kim, "his goal in life is to make the NHL." Thompson adds, however, that Cody also has plans to pursue an education, perhaps in the architecture field, in order to prepare himself for a career after hockey.

But judging by the looks he has been getting from hockey scouts, and with another year of high school hockey ahead of him, Cody may not have to think about a life after hockey for quite some time.

Mohawk Students Acknowledged For Outstanding Academic Efforts In School



Pictured: (l to r): Romaine Mitchell, Tsi Snaihne School Principal, Elisha King, Grade one; Carla General, Grade five and Constable Keven Nanticoke of the Akwesasne Mohawk Police Services.

AKWESASNE -- The Akwesasne Mohawk Police Service in Akwesasne honored two outstanding students from the Tsi Snaihne School.

Carla General and Elisha King were the two students who have earned overall academic achievement in their school studies. As a

result of their achievements they were selected to receive two tickets to attend the Cornwall Aces Fan Appreciation Day on Monday, April 8, 1996 at the Cornwall Civic Complex.

Congratulations Carla and Elisha and keep up the good work!

Attention Parents of School Age Children

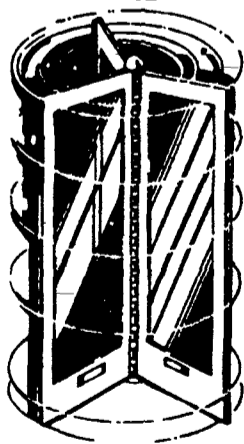
The St. Regis Mohawk School in Hogansburg is holding Pre-Kindergarten Registration

beginning May 6 through May 9, 1996 from 9 a.m. until 12 noon daily in the Elementary Office.

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