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***"May the stars carry your sadness away,  
May the flowers fill your heart with beauty,  
May hope forever wipe away your tears,  
And, above all, may silence make you strong."***

*~ Chief Dan Georg*

*Soure: Goodreads*

*Photo Source: Haguaii Tourism*



### Grandpa's Pride and Joy



**Leehm of Burlington, Vermont, USA wants everyone to know just how thrilled he was when he was told by his family he had Aboriginal heritiage.**

### Inuit Elders Providing Information for NASA Scientists and Experts

### A Member Writes



The OMFRC has thrown a pebble into the pond and the ripples have gone out far and wide blessing people all around the world. Thank you for all the OMFRC does in helping the Metis people preserve their rich heritage. It is truly a wonderful organization that I am proud to be a part of.

*Patrick Mahoney  
Eureka, Utah*



en.wikipedia.org

The Inuit Elders who were interviewed across the north all said the same thing, their sky has changed. The stars, the sun and the moon have all changed affecting the temperature and even affecting the way the wind blows. It is becoming increasingly hard to predict the weather, something that is a must on the Arctic.

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### David Bouchard - Portrait of a Metis Writer

"There are so many things about my heritage that I didn't know until I was in my mid forty's that I deserved to know"

David believes it is one of our ancestors that forces us, pushes us to go and look for our heritage.

*Warning: This may pull at your heartstrings and bring tears to your eyes - not for the faint at heart.*



David Bouchard - Portrait of a Metis Writer

### David Bouchard On Being Metis



David Bouchard on being metis

### Chief Clarence Louie

**"Real Warriors Hold A Job - We Need People in the Corporate Board Rooms"**

David's message to the Metis people is: "Don't slow down we're on a roll, let's not slow down, let's encourage our young artists, let's encourage our young writers, let's encourage our young



Chief Clarence Louie - Osoyoos Indian Band

Chief Clarence Louie is one of the most successful Chiefs in Canada - you will find he pulls no punches about being successful in life.

### Explore Careers by Occupation

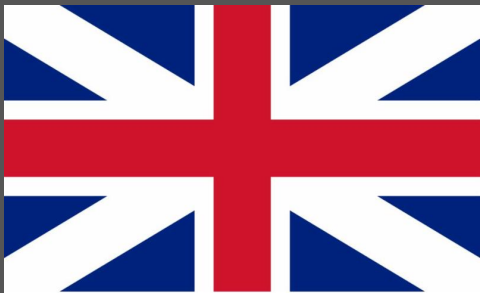


Here are a few examples:

Administrator - Toronto, ON 136 results  
Retail Sales - North Bay, ON 8 results  
Vet Tech - Calgary, Alberta 500 results  
Welder - Edmonton Alberta 29 results

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### A Member Writes from Across the Pond

Firstly, I would really like to thank the OMFRC for their websites. I have been searching and hoping a long time to find my Indian roots. I found them almost by complete chance Saturday evening when I entered my Great Grandfather's birthplace of Drummond Island into a Google Search and your

musician seekers, those who might be one of us to find those dreams and bloodlines. Let's keep going we are on a roll, we're doing really well."

This just may be one of the most heartwarming videos we have ever heard, David Bouchard speaks straight from his heart.

### New Alarming Facts Have Arisen About Our Canadian Rangers



The CBC has recently obtained information about Canada's "Eyes and Ears" in the North.

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site came up. My Great Grandfather was Antoinette Labatte, his story and that of his brother Michael being featured on your site.

Of course I intend to apply for Metis Status as I feel it is important to know and have pride in your roots.

I would like to thank the OMFRC again for making what would have been a long and difficult search so much easier for me (I feel I have come home).

Yours sincerely,  
Nancy  
North Yorkshire, England

A long lost film of a canoe trip from Thunderbay to Winnipeg done to celebrate the 1970 Manitoba Centennial. People who went to Camp Kandalore in Haliburton will see a contingent from that camp in the film. Note: Due to the fact this video is older the quality may not be up to today's standards.

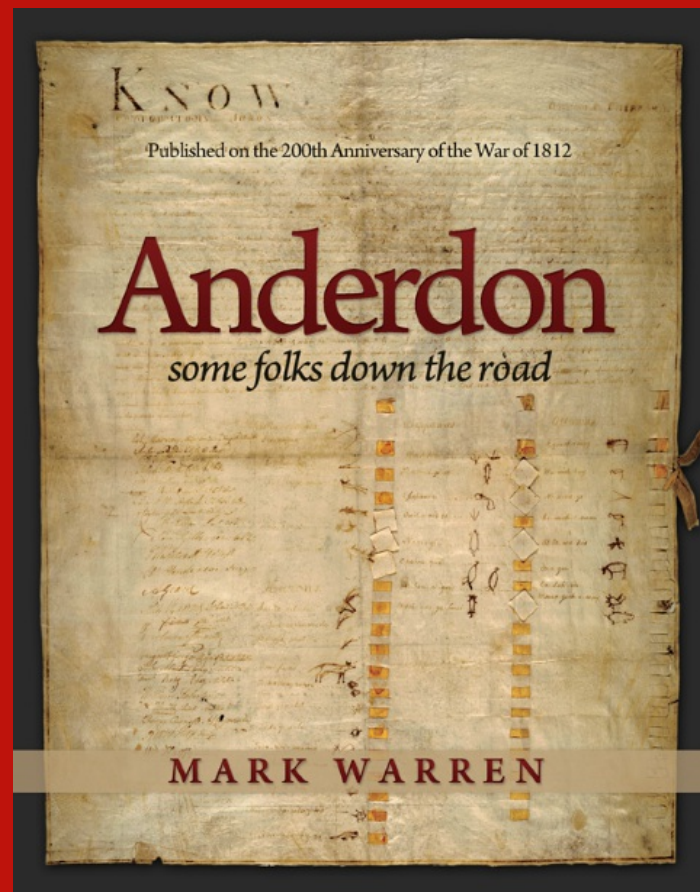


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## New Submissions

Our editors are always looking for original submissions that would be of interest to our community. Do you know of any upcoming events that you would like to share either through the Newsletter or Facebook?

If you have something you would like to add to future issues we would be happy to consider it; please call or email putting Facebook or Newsletter



**Anderdon was once a First Nations Reserve - the aboriginal home of Wyandot, Chippewa, Ottawa and Potawatomie. It was located on the Canadian side of the Detroit River opposite Trenton, Michigan. During the War of 1812, these Nations disintegrated into a civil war, with some warriors fighting for the United States and others for Britain.**

**After the War, the British broke their promises of greater territories and self-government, and the size of the Reserve was greatly reduced. In the 1840s, many of these peoples were pushed off their land and relocated from Canada to the present day states of Kansas, Missouri and Oklahoma.**

**The tide of immigration that followed brought in British loyalists and gentry, French-speaking settlers, American Civil War skedaddlers, Irish famine refugees, fugitive slaves, and army pensioners.**

**Tensions between these cultural groups drove public policy and produced election fraud, interracial violence, larceny and murder.**

**Heroes and villains brought unexpected changes to commerce, politics and criminal justice that had an impact across North America.**

**Note: The book's cover art background is the Surrender No.2 (McKee Treaty) of 1790.**

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[www.omfrc.org](http://www.omfrc.org)

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of the authors and not necessarily those of the  
producers of The Feathers In the Wind  
Newsletter.*

## Educational Funding 2015



There are many members of the OMFRC community who have been successful in obtaining support through several of these programs.

**Please Note:** Each organization has their own guidelines for qualification.

<https://indspire.ca/for-students/bursaries-scholarships/>

[http://www.metisnation.org/media/164044/bursary\\_guide-web.pdf](http://www.metisnation.org/media/164044/bursary_guide-web.pdf)

<http://carleton.ca/awards/wp-content/uploads/Metis-Nation-of-Ontario-Bursary-2013-2014.pdf>

[http://www.rbc.com/careers/aboriginal\\_student\\_awards.html](http://www.rbc.com/careers/aboriginal_student_awards.html)

<http://www.mohawkcollege.ca/financial-assistance/awards-scholarships-bursaries/external-awards.html?PageMode=Print>

<http://www.aadnc-aandc.gc.ca/eng/1351185180120/1351685455328>

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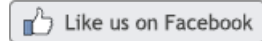


The OMFRC would like to thank everyone that is standing with

us to support the Ontario Metis Family Records Center  
Community Facebook Page.....your response is nothing short  
of incredible!

Stay connected and celebrate your heritage! Share that you're  
a member of the OMFRC Community with your family  
members on Facebook. It has never been more important to  
stand up and be counted!

Have you visited our Facebook page? We welcome you to join  
our OMFRC Community - we want to hear from you.



## *Is Your Membership Coming Up for Renewal?*



*If it is, call 1-613-332-4789 and you can do it right over the  
phone in just a couple of minutes.*