



APRIL 2006 NEWSLETTER

Sahtu Renewable Resources Board



Welcome to the Sahtu Regional Science Fair

Four schools participated in this year's Regional Science Fair including Deline, Fort Good Hope, Norman Wells and Tulita. Every school entered really great projects and the judges had a VERY hard time picking winners. The 2006 **Overall Winners** were Mark and Yvonne Meulenbroek from Mackenzie Mountain School who took First Place for *Tsunami: Safer Structures*. Hilary Andre and Kenneth Menacho from ?ehtseo Ayah School won Second Place for their project *It's A Small World*.



Everett McCoy won Third Place with his *Theoretical Science V.S. Experimental Science* project.

The Regional Science Fair Winners by grade division were [Grade 1-4] First Place Dallas Perepelitza, Second Place Sam Hodgson and Jaryd McDonald, Third Place Marco Ulch and Thomas MacLean; [Grade 5-6] First Place Derek Perepelitza, Second Place Aisla Phillips, Third Place Siobhan Quigg, Honorable Mentions to Andrea Bernard and Tamara Bernard; [Grade 7-9] First Place Yvonne Meulenbroek and Mark Meulenbroek, Second Place Hilary Andre and Kenneth Menacho, Third Place Zachary Collier, Honorable Mentions Rebecca Turo and Leon Tureau; and Everett McCoy took them all unopposed for **Grade 10-12**.

**A GREAT JOB DONE BY ALL!
CONGRATULATIONS!!!**

Congrats also to North-Wright press for scooping this story by more than a month.



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COMPANIES THAT CARE

A special thank you to **MacKay Range Development Corp.** for your generous contribution to Chief Albert Wright School's Traditional Wildlife Economy Program. Also, to **Enbridge Pipelines (NW) Ltd.** for your continued support of ?ehtseo Ayah School's ATS Program. And thank you **Deline Construction Ltd.** for providing more than \$6,000 worth of transport for the program's new 20' X 24' equipment storage and maintenance shed. This was an essential addition as the program's inventory now includes four Bravo Skidoos and other gear.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The **Sahtu Renewable Resources Board** would like to thank Mr. Tom Aikman for once again making the Regional Science Fair a HUGE SUCCESS! But next year, I'm entering a volcano.

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SAHTU TRADITIONAL WILDLIFE ECONOMY PROGRAMS

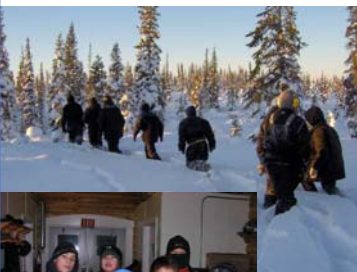
The Sahtu has three very successful Back on the Land Programs going on so far. Each one is a bit different but all allow students to experience various kinds of traditional economic activities. A fourth program is starting in Tulita and it's sure to also be a great success.

DELINE - Twenty one students including Daniel Baton, Darwin Baton, Warren Baton, Jeannine Dillon, Candice Ferdinand, Nigel Kelly, Curri Mackeinzoo, Joseph Modeste, Matilda Modeste, Philip Modeste, Anthony Neyelle, Clyde Sewi, Robin Takazo, Sheldon Takazo, Victoria Takazo, Brent Taniton, Doris Taniton, Nicholas Taniton, Cody Tutcho, Blair Yukon, and Cyre Yukon spent 127 student days on the land. They collectively earned 62 high school credits and harvested



64 marten, 7 red and cross fox, 3 arctic fox, and 2 wolverine. The school will taxidermy one of the wolverines and an arctic fox from this season. These will form the beginning of a Sahtu Fur-Bearing Animal Display at ?ehtseo Ayah School. This collection will be added to every year and the names of the participating students will be engraved in brass plaques and displayed with each animal so that their accomplishments will live forever. Fred Bonnell supervised the Aboriginal Traditional Studies Program and the instructors and chaperones included David Taniton, Grace Neyelle, Bernice Neyelle, Gordon Taniton, Allison DeJong, and Lynn Buerger. Eighteen students were trained in firearms safety and thirteen received certification in Emergency First Aid. McKenzie Mountain School will start sending students and a teacher to this program next fall. Better get a good toque Mr. Aikman.

COLVILLE LAKE - Colville Lake School spent many days working on the Take a Kid Trapping Program. Theresa Blanco, Clinton Kochon, Cory Kochon, Estelle Kochon, Jimmy Kochon, Joey Kochon, Kayla Kochon, Kyra Kochon, Shania Kochon, Sunita Kochon, Tiffany Kochon, Tyrall Kochon, Brandon Orlias, Dakota Orlias, Charlie Oudzi, Shannon Oudzi, Sydney Oudzi, Carla Tutcho, Daniel Tutcho, and Kyle Tutcho learned how to set Quick-Kill traps and harvested marten. Next year they will increase the size of their Traplines and also trap other kinds of animals. The instructors included Wayne Kakfwi, Mike Kochon, Robert Kochon, Ryan Kochon, Tommy Kochon, Trudy Kochon, and Gene Oudzi. Of course, this project would have been impossible without the dedication and co-operation of Jo-Ellen and Robert Lyslo. Thank you very much both of you - I hope your house is smokeless.



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FORT GOOD HOPE - Five students from Chief T'Selehye School took part in an 11 day-long trip on the land with Mr. Charlie Barnaby. Burley Lafferty, Leo Turo Jr., Shawn Tobac, Patrick Turo, and Peter Masazumi camped out at Rabbit Skin Crossing, Island Lake and Colville Lake. They learned how to trap marten, snare rabbits, catch fish with nets under ice, and got 2 caribou and a moose. It went down to -38° but they all had a great time. Thank you very much Mr. Barnaby for all your hard work.



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