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As the MLA for Athabasca/Wabasca, I am pleased to offer congratulations to the residents and students of Calling Lake. Calling Lake is a very special area for me. I attended school at Calling Lake and now that I am an adult I know the value of a good education.

Growing up in a northern rural community in the 40's and 50's and being of aboriginal descent offered many challenges. Education was not one of the priorities. I was unable to finish my education as I had to go to work to help support my family and I had to go back for upgrading to complete my high school education many years later.

All of this has now changed. Our government believes that education is a priority and they understand the challenges that face native communities. There are also many other opportunities but most of these require a high school diploma. So if there was one word of advice that I could give our young people today it is get your education and this will open the door for many more opportunities.

I would also like to thank all the organizers and volunteers who have worked so hard to gather all the material and to put this book together. It is important to remember our roots and I know that you will spend many happy moments reminiscing as you leaf through this book.

Again, congratulations and all the best in the years to come.

Sincerely,

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*Dedicated to the pioneers
of Calling Lake
who journeyed
into the northern wilderness. . .*

*With gun and ax,
With trap and snare,
With net and hook and song,
With strong determination
Although the road was long -
By a lake of sparkling blue they stopped
A life and home to make
To help their neighbours
And to start
A school at Calling Lake.*



- DORA SHWAGA

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Completing a history of Calling Lake School has been an interesting and challenging project. It was undertaken to preserve the history of the school and to recognize the pioneering spirit of community members, both native and white, whose efforts made possible the schooling of Calling Lake children.

Traditionally, school histories tell of buildings, teachers and activities. In this history, an effort has been made to record the name of every student who attended Calling Lake School, because of a personal belief that students are the reason any school exists. Yearly class lists have been included, partly as historical fact, but mostly as a tribute; to remember and honor the students, now nearly 1,200 in all, who have attended Calling Lake School. This school has served three generations of students and in the 1990s, fourth-generation students are attending.

Appreciation is extended to parents and former teachers who contributed information and photos. Unfortunately, all contributions could not be utilized. The photos used to illustrate this history were chosen to represent a variety of activities and students. Apologies are extended to students and teachers whose photos were available but could not be included.

Initially, this history book was written to cover the years from 1922 to 1989 - 1990; from the formation of the school district to the Grande Opening of the new school complex. In spite of being very near completion, the project had to be "put on hold". The upcoming 75th Anniversary of the Calling Lake School district prompted a renewed effort in completing and publishing this history. An update chapter was added to include the seven years from 1990 - 1991 to 1996 - 1997, and thus complete a brief record of 75 years of history at Calling Lake School.

The title of this history book as well as the cover sketch were inspired by this song;

"OUR SCHOOL"

In the northland of Alberta
Where the spruce and poplar grow,
Where a blue lake shines and glitters,
There stands a school we're proud to know.
In Alberta fair and green
By a lake of sparkling blue,
There our friends are laughing, working,
Loyal, strong and true.

To the many former students who will be reading this history -
Enjoy the memories.

Dora Shwaga

INTRODUCTION

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The words of this song "Our School" were composed by Mr. Brubaker's junior high class in 1960 – 61 and were written especially for the first grade nine graduation ceremonies ever held at Calling Lake. These words were true then, and are as true today as they were when the very first Calling Lake School began. They will probably remain true as long as there is a Calling Lake School.

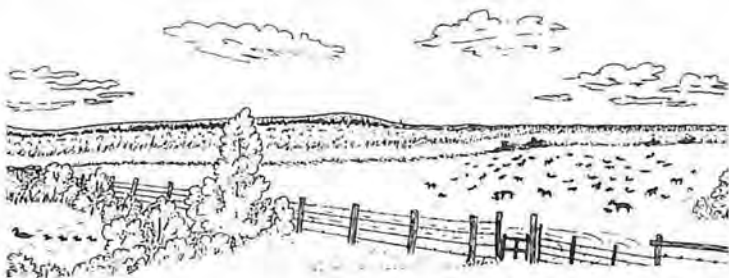
You are invited to learn the history of this "school we're proud to know."

"The more things change, the more they stay the same," it has been said. Although many changes have taken place at Calling Lake School, so also have many things remained unchanged. While you discover the various buildings that were known as "the school," you will become aware of a goal that has remained constant - a striving for increased educational opportunity for the children of this community.

Join me in an adventure through history.

WHERE IS CALLING LAKE SCHOOL?

From the town of Athabasca, Alberta, travel secondary highway 813 north following the turns and curves until the highway crosses the bridge that spans the Athabasca River. To your left, across the water, you will see the town of Athabasca nestled in the hills along the bank of the muddy river you are crossing. From the west end of the bridge, it is only 62 km farther to Calling Lake School.



Follow the pavement on Highway 813, travelling north through the farming district in Division 9 of the County of Athabasca No. 12.

About 35 km from the end of the Athabasca bridge, as you are leaving the County of Athabasca, you will see a distinctive wooden sign that welcomes you to Improvement District No. 17 East.

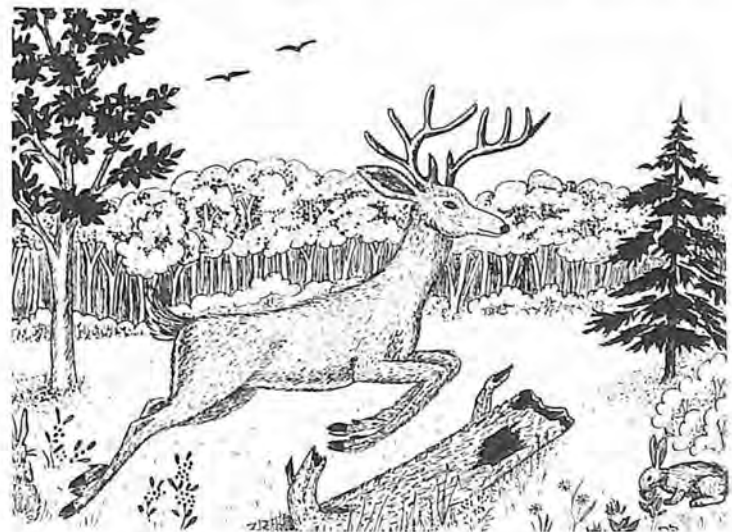


Sign along Highway 813 north.

- Susann Alberts photo

In a few minutes, you will have left the farming area completely. You will travel through spruce and poplar, pine and tamarack bluffs, continuing in a northerly direction on your way to the community of Calling Lake.

Except for the traffic and the powerline also following the paved highway, you will be alone with the trees, the sky and the occasional wild animal or bird.



As you continue and then round another curve, an expanse of shimmering blue can be seen beyond the tree tops. This, surely, is the “lake of sparkling blue” referred to in the song “Our School”, and you know that you are close to your destination, the community of Calling Lake.

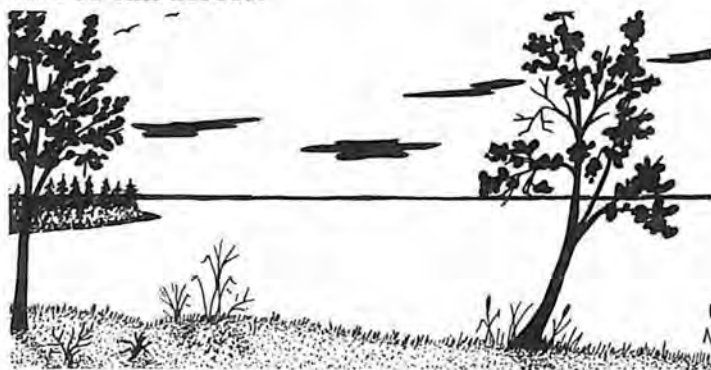


Sign at entrance to Calling Lake Provincial Park.

- photo courtesy Clarice Cardinal

As you pass a wooden sign on your left that marks the entrance to Calling Lake Provincial Park, the sparkling lake you glimpsed has vanished behind the trees ahead. Continue around the next curve and you will see a sign, “Poplar Street”.

Turn left on Poplar Street for a short stop at the lakeshore ahead to enjoy your first view of the east shore of Calling Lake. Here you can walk across the sandy beach down to the water’s edge and appreciate the size of Calling Lake, approximately 20 km long and 15 km across.



As you watch the ripples and sparkling waves, let your imagination visualize the glorious sunsets that are a common sight at Calling Lake. Plan to be back at the lake’s edge at sunset to enjoy first hand the beautiful display of nature’s twilight colors blended gently together in the clouds above, with their reflection on the calm evening waters of Calling Lake.



Sunset at Calling Lake.

- photo courtesy Eileen Hendy

While relaxing for a few minutes at the lakeshore, try to imagine what this area looked like in prehistoric times. You recall reading about the archaeological dig at Calling Lake by Dr. Ruth Gruhn and her team in 1966 and 1967, and you remember reading Dr. Gruhn’s description in a Department of Anthropology pamphlet:

Until about 10,000 years ago, the Calling Lake area was covered with a thick layer of glacial ice which had come from the northeast. The lake used to be larger than it is now and the old beaches are high above its present shore. ¹

It is probable that the Calling Lake area was occupied continuously by Indian people from the time glacial ice left until historic times; for the remains of their camps, stone flakes and fragments of their tools and weapons are abundant along the east side of the lake. Various groups have come and gone in the area through the centuries. The Indian people now living here are not the direct descendents of the earliest people. Historical records indicate that the Cree spread into this western part of their territory only centuries ago. ¹

As you look across the blue expanse of water, you wonder why this beautiful large lake was given a name as common-sounding as Calling Lake.



Calling Lake was no doubt named centuries ago by the Indian tribes that camped along the lakeshore.

Because a variety of Indian tribes have lived at Calling Lake, the sounds used in saying the Lake's name have changed through the centuries, but no matter what language or dialect was spoken, the translation has always been "Calling Lake."

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is the Cree way of writing and saying "Calling Lake."

The name Calling Lake was given because of the "calling" sound that can sometimes be heard coming from the Lake on a clear calm day. This recurring natural phenomenon has never been scientifically explained, but many legends have been told.

One legend tells that the sound is made by the ice when it freezes hard and is cracking.

Another legend tells of an Indian out in the middle of the Lake, who calls for help because his canoe is capsized by a sudden storm. The same legend explains why the Indian people years ago would not travel directly across the lake, but would follow the lakeshore when they needed to reach the opposite side.

A historical survey of school districts compiled in 1927 for the Provincial Archives states: "Another story is that when the lake is high, whether in winter or in summer, there is sometimes a sound like distant blasting."

A fourth legend tells of a submerged gas pocket out in the lake bottom which creates this sound as the gas is released.

There are probably many other versions too, but my favorite is the following prize-winning essay written in 1944-45 by June Davidson, a student in Cloe Day's grade nine class at the Whitelaw High School in the Peace River area:

CALLING LAKE

Of all the interesting people, places and things I encountered on my trip this summer, I think the most fascinating to me is the legend about Calling Lake and how it got its name. It is a beautiful spot about forty-five miles straight north of Athabasca, where they have no highway nor railway yet. There has been a settlement there, however, for years and years. It is a commercial fishing lake and good trapping country. A large part of its population descends from the Cree tribes of long ago.

My story is about the queer natural phenomenon that

gives the lake its name and the Indian legend explaining it:

A long time ago when Payok Cryil's grandfather's grandfather was a very small boy, each Indian tribe had its guardian spirit. And if it was a very good tribe, the spirit would sometimes appear to one of its members to give advice or warning of danger.

The tribe that settled on this lake, and Payok's grandfather's grandfather among them (Old Payok tells the story and vouches for its truth because his grandfather told him and he had it from his grandfather), as I say, this tribe was particularly favored by all the spirits. Its men were brave and strong and wise; its women beautiful and clever with their hands. Their guardian spirit was very proud of his band and boasted to the other gods that no evil could enter into their hearts.

One wicked spirit who heard the boast became frightfully jealous. His tribe was nothing to boast about and he never received praises from the higher gods. He decided to bring some evil to the favored tribe or coax them into wicked ways.

"Pesiskiniseeo" was the name of this spiteful spirit, and it meant "horrid fish-animal." He could change himself into a dreadful monster, half fish and half beast, when he chose. The tribe's guardian spirit was called "Assemin Kipahpin" or "giver of laughter." He went to warn his people of the danger that Pesiskiniseeo would be to them. He appeared in a dream to the chief himself and said, "Beware the fish-beast! I can say no more. The rest lies with your people."

The chief called a council of all the tribe the next morning. When he told them of his dream the medicine men took council and explained its true meaning. All the warriors and their squaws made a vow to be ever on guard and not listen to the voice of evil.

Their vow was not an easy one to keep. At first Pesiskiniseeo appeared to them as a gay young chief and tried to coax them from their ways of goodness and fair play. They ignored him. Then he whispered secrets into their dreams. But they refused to be swayed by him.

At last he became vicious and appeared as the hideous monster he was, with a breath of fire and huge scabby tail that could throw a dozen warriors over at once. He threatened to destroy the tribe by degrees unless the people followed his laws for their future. It was a very trying time for the people and they were beginning to wonder if it would not be wiser to break their vow.

Now the chief had a lovely daughter, "Pasquou" or "The Beautiful", who felt deep sadness over the plight of her father's people. All night she could not sleep for thinking of the monster's visit on the morrow. She stood at the door of her father's teepee - a slim, willowy girl, with two long braids of jet black hair. Her eyes were like dusky pools in the moonlight and her teeth were little pearls behind lips of dark red velvet. She saw the stars twinkling up at her from the breast of the lake and the moon made a path of glory

across its rippled surface. It seemed to be showing her the way.

"Yes," she thought. "I will do it. It is the only way to save my father's people."

Early in the morning, Pasquou arose and dressed herself in her most beautiful robes of baby doeskin with ermine trim. She brushed her long black braids until they rippled like polished jet and clasped them back with the feather from a cardinal's wing. Just as the autumn sun tipped the timberline



to the East and threw its long red rays to the shoreline of the lake, she stepped forth from the teepee and started slowly down the path to the water's edge. Dewdrops glistened on the bushes beside her and the world seemed fresh and beautiful.

Just then, with a mighty rumble and roar, the monster flopped out of the forest and up to the village. All the Indians crowded into their wigwams and wondered what to do. The beautiful maid alone seemed unconcerned. She walked on to the shore and launched her canoe as if there was nothing at all out of place.

The evil spirit gazed at her in admiration and began to follow her with his flopping motions. She paddled straight out to the centre of the lake with the monster floundering behind her. Just before he overtook the canoe, a mysterious mountain of black smoke seemed to appear suddenly above them. Lightning flashed and thunder ripped through the quiet of the morning air. The monster hesitated and was turning back to shore. His beast head with its fiery breath must have air. A bad storm might overcome him and trap him.

Then the storm broke in a fury that the Indians had never seen before. The frail little canoe was dashed to bits almost instantly and the fiery monster sank between two huge waves and was never seen again.

And ever since that fateful day, especially in the autumn

when the sun has risen red on a dew sparkling world, a listener may hear the deep rumble of the evil spirit's voice rising from the centre of the lake. He is calling the tribe from his lair in the lake bottom, and no Indian will cross that lake to this day. If they must get to the other shore, they go around on foot or paddle their canoe all around the edge.

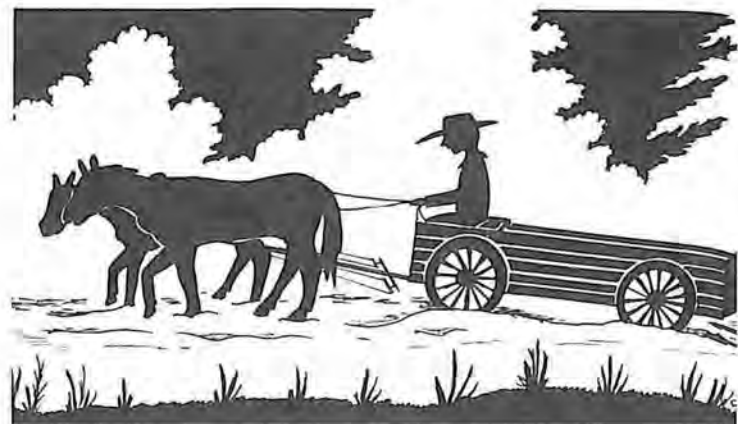
The white settlers there explain that distant booming sound on a clear day by various scientific possibilities. Some say it is gas in the bottom of the lake. Some say it is an



electrical condition of the atmosphere above the lake. I have no theory to explain the queer calling sound and I don't believe I would offer it if I had. I like the legend of the beautiful Indian maiden sacrificing herself for her tribe and I like the supernatural spirit the Indians give it. To me, the bad spirit of "Pesiskiniseo" is calling for lost Indian souls.

It is time to leave the lakeshore with its ancient legends and return to the paved highway to continue on your way. Calling Lake School is only 8 km further on.

As you begin your journey through history at Calling Lake, let your imagination drift into the past. Imagine yourself getting acquainted with the community of Calling Lake in 1920. Imagine yourself, not on a paved highway, but travelling with a team of horses and wagon, bumping along the rutted road nearing the mouth of the Calling River.



CALLING LAKE

-1920-

With many changes still to come, the community of Calling Lake on the recently (1919) surveyed road from Athabasca, seemed to be prospering in 1920, proud of its three stores and its new mail service.

The mail left Calling Lake on the first and third Thursday of each month, arriving at Athabasca by Friday. The return mail left Athabasca on Saturday to arrive at Calling Lake on Sunday. James McIntosh (who in 1919 was instrumental in establishing a post office at Calling Lake) was the mail carrier then, and also carried passengers and freight.^{2 May 22, 1920}

Mr. Gisli Gislason Sr. became the next mail carrier and brought mail to Calling Lake until 1931 when his son, Jake, took the contract.

News from the outside world would soon reach Calling Lake oftener than twice a month, as a telephone service from Athabasca was destined to arrive at Calling Lake in February, 1921.

It would operate on a toll system, with 25 cents being the toll charge for Calling Lake. Telephone stations would be placed at Gorman's, Crawford's and in the post office operated by the McIntosh family at Calling Lake.^{2 Feb. 19, 1921}

Much local news was reported every two weeks in the 1920 editions of the *Athabasca Herald*. The following news items will reveal history and a flavor

of Calling Lake in 1920:

A very enjoyable dance was held at the home of Frank Lafferty last week. Everyone reports a good time.^{2 May 22, 1920}

The dance given here at the home of Jacob Crawford on June 3 was much enjoyed by all present and everyone was there; men, women and children, to the number of 75. A bountiful supper was served at midnight, and much credit is due to Mrs. Crawford and the Misses Crawford for their excellent cooking and to the musicians, Cyril Fredericks and H. Corbin.^{2 June 26, 1920}

The death occurred recently of a real old-timer, the father of Benjamin Cardinal. He was 100 years old and had been in Calling Lake for 65 years.^{2 July 17, 1920}

George White and Maggie Powder were recently united in marriage.^{2 July 17, 1920}

One of the latest business enterprises opened up here is a pool hall, George Lachapelle being the proprietor. It is run in connection with his other business (Calling Lake Trading Post), and we presume it will be a great success, also an attractive place for the younger generation to dispose of their surplus pennies.^{2 July 24, 1920}

Joe Cardinal of Calling River arrived at the Lake on business on the 10th. He is better known by his Indian name, Minnehohton. He reports that moose are very plentiful and in splendid condition on account of the good feed.^{2 Sept. 18, 1920}



Mr. Gislason Sr. brought the mail by horse and cart when the summer roads were passable.

-photo courtesy EVERGREEN, 1966-67.

There is an abundance of wild fruit here this year, both at Calling Lake and Rock Island Lake. The ground is covered with blueberries and cranberries from Rock Island River to Rock Island Lake, a distance of nine miles. Many car loads of berries are going to waste at this particular place.² Sept. 25, 1920

Constable Heacock arrived at Calling Lake last week shortly after James McIntosh's little girl, who had been lost in the bush, was found. She was none the worse for her exposure. Constable Heacock was regaled with a feed of green corn at the home of O. W. Crawford before commencing the return journey.² Oct. 9, 1920

We are glad to learn that Mr. August Radke has returned (from Eagle River, Wisconsin) and is in Athabasca. Mr. Radke is one of the early settlers of Calling Lake. He was here when there was no road, and packed his outfit in on his back.² Oct. 16, 1920

Mrs. McIntosh accompanied her husband on the stage for Athabasca last week, it being her first trip in two years.² Oct. 16, 1920

A big dance has been announced for Christmas Eve to take place at the home of Frank Lafferty.² Dec. 25, 1920

Reverend S.R. Baron wrote about his first impressions of Calling Lake in December 1916, after a week-end visit to hold church services. Part of that article stated:

Mr. Oscar Crawford showed me his fur store. Among the fine collection of pelts I noticed a good Silver Fox. At the mouth of the creek stood a gigantic pile of fish, a portion of the three tons taken from the lake since December 1. "We hope to have a carload by Christmas," said Mr. Crawford.² Dec. 14, 1916

Oscar Crawford was in Athabasca last week to secure nets in preparation for the winter fishing.³ Oct. 4, 1917



With furs displayed on the wall of their home are Frank and Beatrice Lafferty of Calling Lake.

-photo courtesy Fran Hanna.

Calling Lake was important in 1920 because of its fur trade and its fish. Tegler, McIntosh, Crawford and Lachapelle were some of the names known in the fishing industry, as well as Radke and Millar, two old-time fishermen. Fishing had been carried on at Calling Lake for many years previously, with the first commercial fishing done by Jack Publicover.

Before the arrival of the first train to Athabasca in 1912,³ fish had been freighted to Edmonton by freight teams returning empty from Wabasca and the Peace River country.

The *Northern Light*, the first newspaper published in Athabasca (1908) reported in its December 19, 1908 issue on the arrival in Athabasca of three team loads of fish from Calling Lake and also reported that three loads of box shakes for packing cases went out the same day.⁴

The *Northern News*, which succeeded the *Northern Light* as Athabasca's local newspaper, reported in its December 30, 1909 issue that five teams had left for Calling Lake to bring back part of T. Tegler's catch of whitefish.³



Fish filleting time at Crawfords. Mrs. Blanko, Bob Crawford, Oscar Crawford.

-photo courtesy EVERGREEN.

By the late 1920s, fish were shipped out from Calling Lake fresh, not frozen. The fish were packed fresh and "round" or just as they came from the water, without ever being frozen or showing any sign of frost. They were packed in finely crushed ice in 50 pound wooden packing boxes which were first lined with heavy building paper to prevent contact with the air. At Kirkpatrick's Stopping Place, Arthur Brown of Colinton with his Reo trucks met the teams from Calling Lake and transported the boxes of fresh fish to Athabasca. The boxes of fish were reloaded to Canadian National Express Company's heated service cars, and sent to New York and other eastern markets.² Feb. 1, 1929

Reported also in the local news in 1920 were many news items dealing with the cutting of a road from

Athabasca to Calling Lake, as well as mention of the trail from Calling Lake to Wabasca.

The road to Calling Lake from Athabasca had been surveyed in 1919, and with Oscar Crawford of Calling Lake as road foreman, the road was improved during the summer of 1920. Several items in the local newspaper, the *Athabasca Herald*, reported on the progress of the road crew:

Mr. Charles Cahill, foreman of the bridge gang on the Athabasca and Wabasca trail, is at present working at Calling Lake. He has already completed two bridges which are a credit to the district.² May 22, 1920

Mr. G.G. McKinnon has quite a gang of road builders at work along the lakeshore, cutting out the new road.² June 26, 1920

The road to Calling Lake never was very good, and now, owing to the heavy rains, it is one continuous mudhole from McLeod's stopping place to the Lake.² June 26, 1920.

The bridge on the creek at the north end of Calling Lake is now complete and is in use, making in all eleven bridges along the lake, and three of these are graded. The others have been delayed on account of not being able to get scrapers in.² July 24, 1920

Mr. Bill Day (of Athabasca) and Steve Yanick made a business trip along the Lake last Wednesday, inspecting the new road. Mr. Day did not have his new car but made the trip with team and wagon.² Aug. 14, 1920

The road from Athabasca to Calling Lake in those days ran first through the Deep Creek area, and then on to Calling Lake. At Deep Creek, part of the road ran through Billy McLeod's farm (NW 36-68-22-W4) and past the site of McLeod's Stopping Place. Mr. McLeod had homesteaded, in 1912, three quarter sections of land and had built a large house with B.C. fir as an interior finish, as well as a large bunkhouse which was used by anyone stopping over.⁵

The Oscar Kirkpatrick family came to the Deep Creek area in the winter of 1919 - 20. They stayed in the vacant McLeod house while they built on their own homestead. Then Oscar Kirkpatrick's (SW 01-69-22-W4), and later Mont Kirkpatrick's (SE 18-69-22-W4), became the stopping place for many travellers going to and from Calling Lake. The road from Deep Creek to Calling Lake followed the higher land wherever possible and crossed the muskeg wherever necessary. In many places the road was corduroyed. Logs were laid side by side across the boggy roadway and wagons bumped and bounced over the logs on their way to the next stretch of high land.

The road ran along the west side of Hay Lake, a little muskeg lake south of Johnny Jacob's present

home near the Calling River. The road entered the community of Calling Lake on the south side of the Calling River. The bridge was located near the mouth of the river, just about where the present foot bridge is located.⁶

At the bridge, the road took a northerly direction and followed the lake near the east lakeshore. When there was no bridge at Two Mile Creek, (which was formerly called White's Creek because George White and his family lived near it), people would get across White's Creek by travelling out on the beach at the mouth of the creek. The road continued north, following the lakeshore.⁷

In those days, a trip from Calling Lake to Athabasca and back was a major undertaking. It took two days at best to make the trip from Calling Lake to Athabasca with a team of horses and a wagon - when the road was passable. It took one day to get as far as Deep Creek and after spending the night at the stopping place, it took most of the next day to reach Athabasca. After a rest for the horses while business was being attended to, it was a two-day trip to return to Calling Lake if all went well, but sometimes when it was wet, horses and wagons got bogged down in the muskeg or a log bridge had to be repaired before the creek could be crossed. This may have added a day or more to the total trip.

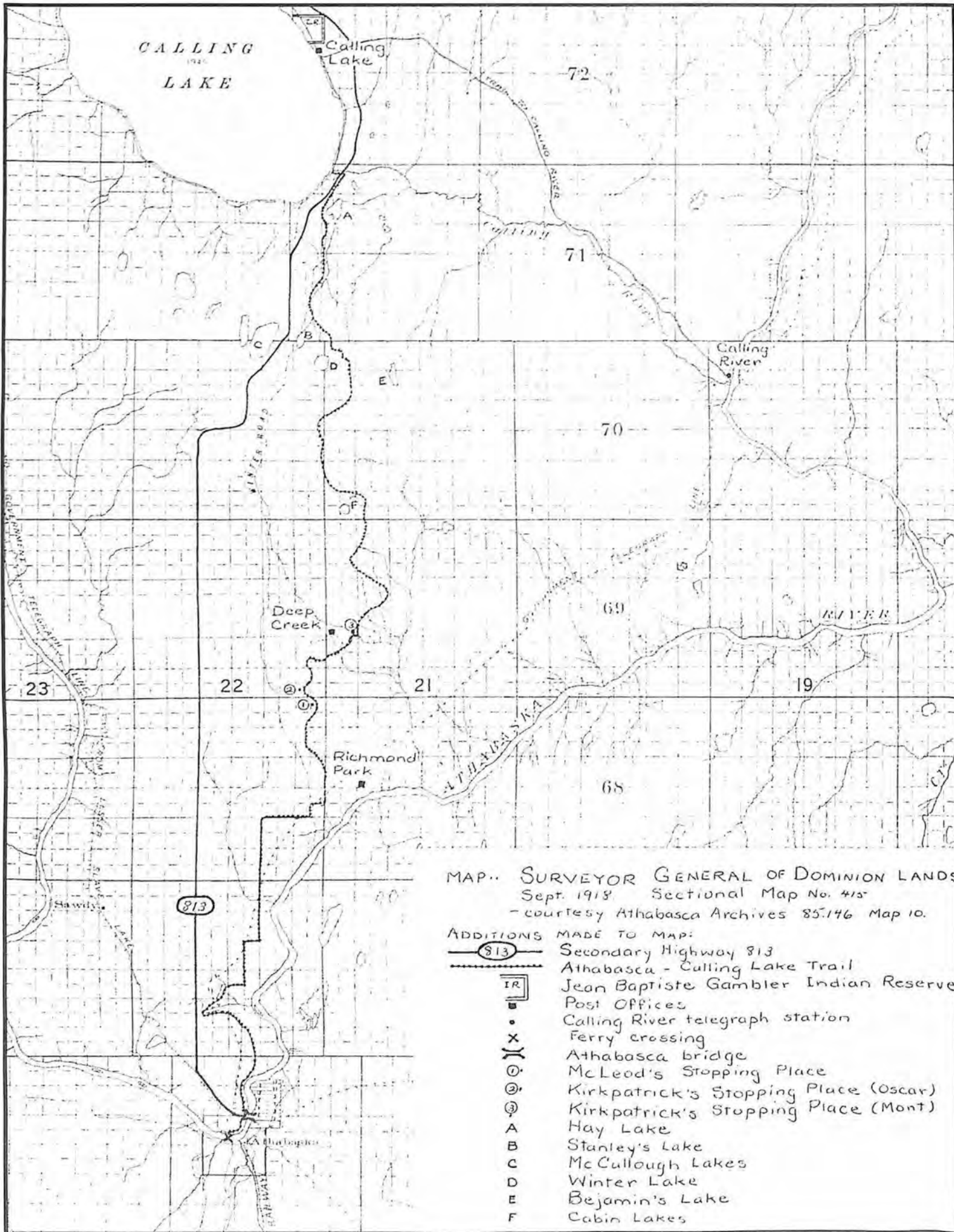
In rainy weather, there were other problems too, as indicated by the district news reported in the July 10, 1920 edition of the local newspaper, the *Athabasca Herald*. The following are excerpts taken from those district news items:

George Lachappelle arrived home to the Lake last Monday from Athabasca. The round trip took him two weeks.² July 10, 1920

Rain and more rain. It reminds us of what we read in the scripture about Noah when it rained for forty days and nights, but instead of climbing the tree tops we have recently adopted the rule of first cutting down the trees and then using them as rafts in crossing our bridgeless creeks.² July 10, 1920

Edward Bourque made a trip last week to Athabasca for supplies for J.H. McIntosh. Edward is a native here and not afraid of any kind of road. However, he reports the road from here to Athabasca as being in a terrible state. He had to raft his entire outfit over Deep Creek, as the bridge that was at that particular point is now somewhere within the Arctic Circle, we presume, and Deep Creek is a mighty river for the time being, with high banks and no bridge.² July 10, 1920

Mr. Tanasiuk has finally got one wagonload of machinery in the vicinity of Calling Lake, but the balance of his outfit, including stock, is about 20 miles from here. He left



MAP.. SURVEYOR GENERAL OF DOMINION LANDS
 Sept. 1918 Sectional Map No. 415
 - courtesy Athabasca Archives 85.146 Map 10.

- ADDITIONS MADE TO MAP:
-  Secondary Highway 813
 -  Athabasca - Calling Lake Trail
 -  Jean Baptiste Gambler Indian Reserve
 -  Post Offices
 -  Calling River telegraph station
 -  Ferry crossing
 -  Athabasca bridge
 -  McLeod's Stopping Place
 -  Kirkpatrick's Stopping Place (Oscar)
 -  Kirkpatrick's Stopping Place (Mont)
 -  Hay Lake
 -  Stanley's Lake
 -  McCullough Lakes
 -  Winter Lake
 -  Benjamin's Lake
 - Cabin Lakes

Athabasca some time ago, but the condition of the road is known only to those who have to travel over it. Mr. Tanasiuk built a bridge over Deep Creek, and another over the next creek north.² July 10, 1920

Mr. Tanasiuk finally arrived at Calling Lake with his family the first week in August, after having left Athabasca two months ago, intending to go to Wabasca. He is now located at Four Mile Creek with part of his outfit.² Aug. 14, 1920

Road conditions during the summer of 1920 were not a record worst, they were just the average summer conditions that existed on the long road to Calling Lake. For part of the year, there was a shorter route available because it ran more directly to Calling Lake, but it could be travelled only after the muskeg was frozen hard. That shorter route was the winter road.

It was during the winter of 1921 that a historic event occurred. On Saturday, January 8, 1921 the first car ever to be driven to Calling Lake made the nine hour trip over the rough frozen muskeg of the winter road.

The local newspaper, the *Athabasca Herald*, reported on the unusual event:

W.R. (Bill) Day and A.A. Harris had the honor of driving the first car to Calling Lake. They left Athabasca at 11 a.m. and arrived at Calling Lake at 8 p.m. Special medals were struck and presented to each of the rough riders.

James McIntosh's little girl is said to have exclaimed at the unprecedented sight of a car:

"Look at the funny horse, mamma!"

The return journey was commenced at 4 p.m. Sunday and although four passengers (Mr. and Mrs. George White and children) were carried, the adventurers arrived home 4 a.m. Monday. And the car was not one whit the worse. Mr. Day reports everything fine at Calling Lake, lots of grub and everybody prospering.² Jan. 15, 1921

People would also travel down the Athabasca River on a scow, stopping at the mouth of the Calling River. They could then walk overland to Calling Lake. If it was late, they would camp out overnight or stay with people who lived in the area. The next day, they could walk overland to Calling Lake.

The Dominion telegraph line had reached Calling River in 1913, and a telegraph station was later opened there. After the station was in service, travellers sometimes stayed there overnight.

Several permanent settlers also lived near the mouth of Calling River. Peter Pruden lived just north of where the Calling River empties into the Athabasca River. He and his wife had lived there since 1899 and successfully farmed for many years before the land was surveyed. According to homestead records of the Dominion Lands Office, Peter Pruden filed in 1916

on a portion of SE 30-70-19-W4 and on NE 30-70-19-W4. He received title to the land in 1919. David Cardinal lived on the other side of Calling River with his wife, Betsy, and their family. He filed on that portion of SE 30-70-19-W4 in 1916. Joseph Simion, who filed on SW 30 in 1915, and Harold Wedge, who filed on SE 31 in 1919, had probably lived for a time in the nearby area.

In later years, when Mickey Monson operated the Calling River telegraph station (from 1924 to 1945), people travelling the Athabasca River often stayed overnight with the Monson family and enjoyed their hospitality.

Many of the people who came to Calling Lake to fish or trap stayed for the season only and then left again.

There was really no permanent settlement at Calling Lake in 1920. People occupied a scattered area. There were some people living to the north, both on and beyond the Indian Reserve, which was established because Jean Baptiste Gambler requested it. His Cree name was "Muchmatow" and people also called him "The Old Chief," "Sapochees" or "Sammy" Gambler. He and his wife, Adelaide, had been married at Calling Lake by the Rev. J.B. Giroux, O.M.I., in 1903, and they came back with their family in 1906 to live at Calling Lake on the land now known as the Jean Baptiste Gambler Indian Reserve No. 183. The land had been set apart in Severalty by an Order in Council in April, 1919⁸ for the use of the family of Jean Baptiste Gambler. The Reserve covered one square mile; section 30, township 73, range 21 west of the 4th meridian. There were also people living along the east shore of Calling Lake but only as far as the Calling River. There was no one living to the south beyond the Calling River in 1920.

Mr. and Mrs. Gisli O. Gislason Sr. with their four children, had come to Calling Lake in 1916 and later settled at the mouth of the Calling River. They occupied the vacant Jacob Crawford house and managed the store which Oscar Crawford had started there.⁵ Mr. and Mrs. James McIntosh with their daughter May, came in 1918. After living first at the north end of the lake, they took a homestead and moved to where May McIntosh lives now, in 1990.⁹ These two families, and a few other families living at Calling Lake then felt a strong need for a school in their community. They wanted to do their best to provide an education for their children, as teaching their children at home was only a temporary alternative. They decided it was time to start a school at Calling Lake.

FORMING A SCHOOL DISTRICT

-1922-

Education was very important to the people of Calling Lake. While they were trying to establish themselves and provide for the needs of their families, they discovered a solution to the problems that confronted them and they found a way to provide an education for their children in their chosen community, Calling Lake. In 1922, the people of Calling Lake set about organizing a School District.

Mr. James McIntosh travelled to Edmonton to represent the residents of Calling Lake in regards to a school.¹⁰ He met with the Deputy Minister of Education, Mr. John Ross, and was assured that a School Division would be formed.

Parents and interested people would be required to build the school and equip it. They would also need to provide \$100 toward a teacher's salary. When the school was completed, the department would supply a teacher and pay the teacher's salary.

In June 1922, an article appeared in the *Alberta Gazette*.



The Alberta Gazette

GOVERNMENT NOTICES

ERECTION OF NEW SCHOOL DISTRICT.

Edmonton, June 19, 1922.

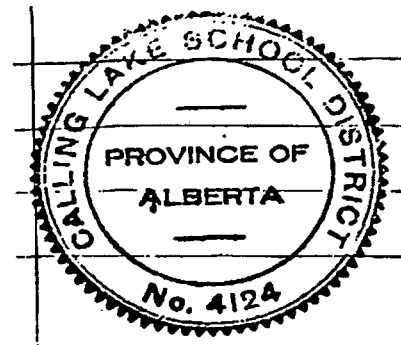
Notice is hereby given, in accordance with the provisions of The School Ordinance in that behalf, that, by order of the Minister of Education, the following lands, namely: The north half of Section 32 in Township 71 Range 21; Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, those portions of Sections 5, 8, 17, 19 and 30 lying east of Calling Lake in Township 72 Range 21; those portions of Sections 25 and 36 lying east of the said lake in Township 72 Range 22; Sections 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, in Township 73 Range 21; Sections 1 and 12 and those portions of the east halves of Sections 2 and 11 lying east of the aforesaid lake in Township 73 Range 22 west of the Fourth Meridian, have been erected into a School District under the name of The Calling Lake School District No. 4124 of the Province of Alberta.

Official Trustee: R. J. Gaunt, Athabasca, Alberta.

J. T. Ross,
Deputy Minister of Education.

Calling Lake S.D.
No. 4124

When it was established on June 19, 1922,¹¹ Calling Lake School District No. 4124 was an isolated school district. Mr. R. J. Gaunt was appointed Official Trustee to administer the affairs of the School District.¹²



This was the official seal of the Calling Lake School District.

In those early years, School Inspectorates were very large. In 1919, the Athabasca Inspectorate, with Mr. Gaunt as Inspector of Schools, had listed about 64 school districts, some of which had no school buildings as yet, because their problem was similar to the problem at Calling Lake.

Area residents at that time were required to build and equip their local school with very little help from the government. The districts themselves were just being settled and the residents were busy establishing homes for themselves and providing for their families. As a result, most families could not afford to donate either the materials or the time required to construct a school.

But the people of Calling Lake found a way to start their children's schooling. With determination and resourcefulness they were able to solve a major problem. In less than one month, money was collected, a suitable building was found, a teacher was hired and school classes at Calling Lake had begun.

<u>Receipts</u>			
1922.			
	Contribution	Klapatiuk	20 00
	do	J. Macintosh	5 35
	do	G. O. Gislason	10 65
	do	do	30 00 *
	Amount advanced by R.J. Saint, Official Trustee.		13 95
			\$ 79 95

Mr. Arthur Cocke was the first teacher at Calling Lake. He had taught at the Fair Haven School, just north of Athabasca, the previous year. The first school term at Calling Lake started in July, 1922.¹⁴ It was a summer term which probably lasted about 80 days.



Arthur Cocke.
-photo courtesy
Kenneth Cocke

Klapatiuk. The children used slates in that school, not scribblers, pencils and erasers. It meant a lot of memory work, as there were no notes to refer to later. When the slate was full and the teacher had seen the work, it could be erased, ready to use again.¹³



Oscar Crawford by his store at Calling Lake.

-photo courtesy Athabasca Archives.
#895 Mrs. George Smyth Collection.

There were no school classes held at Calling Lake in 1923.¹⁴ There was also a lack of money in the district; taxes collected totalled \$66 and a government grant, although applied for, was not received. Teachers were hard to get for isolated districts like Calling Lake, especially since there was no school building yet.

The challenge was huge. Residents had to choose a site, gather building materials, construct a building and provide furnishings. It was a considerable undertaking and the people of Calling Lake did their best.

The first school class at Calling Lake was held in a small log store with a sod roof. The store was located on the south side of the Calling River, just east of the bridge where secondary highway 813 now (1990) crosses the river. The Gisli O. Gislason family operated that small store which had previously been owned by Oscar Crawford. In the summer of 1922, the Gislason family moved the store goods into their living room to make available a place for a classroom.¹³ Parents donated about \$10 per student and other contributions were received to total \$79.95.¹²

There were six students in that first Calling Lake class of 1922. They were Jake Gislason (who later became Calling Lake's ever-dependable mail carrier) and his three sisters, Carrie, Margaret and Edith. There were also two Ukrainian boys - John and Alex

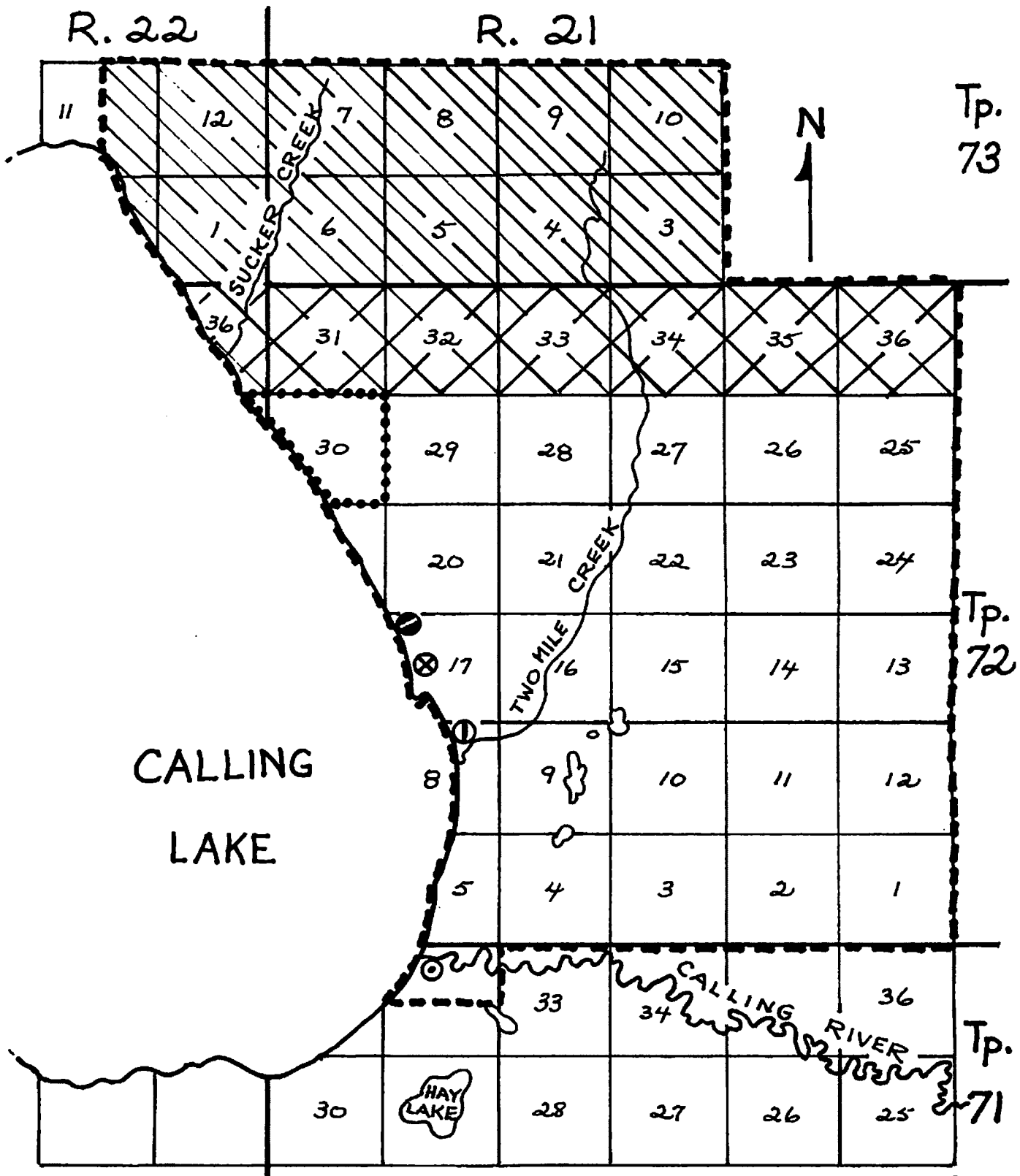
Expenditure

1922.

Western School Supply Co. - equipment - on a/c.		11 05
C.R.R. express on above.		1 80
C. Hall cartage of lumber & supplies		21 00
Telegram, Western School Supply Co.		1 75
Ferguson & Taylor, - Lumber for seats		4 90
H. F. Cull. - book -		50
A. Cocke on a/c Salary	/	20 00
do do	/	18 95
		\$ 79 95

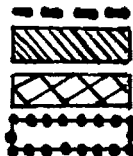
Liabilities

A. Cocke - Teacher's Salary	\$ 411.05
The Western ^{School} Supply Co	20.00
	\$ 431.05



CALLING LAKE SCHOOL DISTRICT #4124 ^{DS}

- ⊙ 1922 CLASS
- Ⓛ FIRST LOG SCHOOL
- Ⓜ TWO-STOREY BUILDING
- ⊗ PRESENT SCHOOL SITE



- DISTRICT FORMED - JUNE 19, 1922
- LAND WITHDRAWN - MAY 21, 1931
- LAND WITHDRAWN - JUNE 1, 1953
- LAND WITHDRAWN - FEB. 1, 1962

FIRST CALLING LAKE SCHOOL BUILDING

-1924 to 1930-

Building a log schoolhouse takes not only hard work, but means solving many problems. The problems of lack of money and materials as well as the scarcity of teachers for an isolated school were a challenge met by the pioneering spirit of the people of Calling Lake.

The people cut the poplar logs, peeled them, then organized themselves and started building. James McIntosh, often called "Mr. Mac", and Gisli O. Gislason Sr. were in charge of building the first school at Calling Lake and together with Mervin Boyer contributed many hours of labor. The construction was a community effort, with many willing hands helping in whatever way they could.

The first Calling Lake School was a low-walled building with a shingled roof but no ceiling. It had been built of peeled poplar logs, which gave it a clean, white appearance. The door faced the south and it had five windows, four of which were on the west side, overlooking the lake. The cracks between the logs were plastered inside and out with a type of mud plaster. The new school building would be used for a 100-day summer term only, May through September if possible.

Building materials and labour, valued at \$195 were donated by local residents and interested parties: James McIntosh, Gisli Gislason Sr., George White, William Klapatiuk, Thomas McComb, Joe Marsteller and Mervin Boyer. The government gave a grant of \$140.¹² The furniture in the first log school was all home-made. The men got together and made enough desks for the whole school.⁵

The first Calling Lake School was located about one half mile to the south of the present school site, on the north-west edge of the land belonging to George and Maggie White (NW 8-72-21-W4). The George White family lived closest to the school. The school was built on a hill, overlooking the lake and was near the road, which in those days, ran along the lakeshore. Directly to the north of the school was the southwest corner of the land belonging to Johnny Jacobs. It had previously been owned by Benjamin Cardinal and was later the property of "Buffalo Bill" - Mr. C.R. Day, who came to Calling Lake with his family in 1928.

The students used slates for the first term in the new log school. The following term, 1925, they used scribblers and pencils.¹³ Slates are now things of the past, and there have been many other changes in our schools since those early years.

Compare for yourself some of these changes. Following is a list of rules for teachers which were taken very seriously in those days. They certainly placed many restrictions on female teachers!

RULES FOR TEACHERS, 1915.

1. You will not marry during the term of your contract.
2. You are not to keep company with men.
3. You may not loiter downtown in ice cream stores.
4. You may not travel beyond the city limits unless you have the permission of the chairman of the school board.
5. You may not ride in a carriage or automobile with any man unless he is your father or brother.
6. You may not smoke cigarettes.
7. You may not dress in bright colours.
8. You may, under no circumstances, dye your hair.
9. You must wear at least two petticoats.
10. Your dresses must not be any shorter than two inches above the ankle.
11. You must be home between the hours of 8 p.m. and 6 a.m. unless attending a school function.
12. To keep the school room neat and clean you must:
 - sweep the floor at least once daily;
 - scrub the floor at least once a week with hot soapy water;
 - clean the blackboards at least once a day;
 - start the fire at 7 a.m. so the room will be warm by 8 a.m.

These rules, courtesy of the Edmonton Catholic School Board, show how times have changed!

Notice, too, the change in the price of books, and note especially the postage costs in the following list of school books authorized for use in 1923-24.

Authorized List of School Books FOR ALBERTA

FOR 1923 - 1924

READERS:			
Canadian Reader, Book One	Macm.	.45	.06
Canadian Reader, Book Two	Nelson Gage	.55	.07
Canadian Reader, Book Three	Nelson Gage	.60	.08
Canadian Reader, Book Four	Nelson Gage	.70	.10
Canadian Reader, Book Five	Nelson Gage	.75	.12
Twentieth Century Fifth Reader	Gage	1.00	.12
Handbook to the Canadian Readers, Books 2 to 5	Nelson Gage	1.50	.15

LIST OF SUPPLEMENTARY PRIMERS AND READERS

Grade 1			
The Field Primer	Ginn	.75	.08
The New Beacon Primer	Ginn	.75	.08
Bow Wow and Mew Mew	Educ.	.75	.08
The Story Hour Primer	A.B.Co.	.80	.08
The Winston Primer	Gage	.75	.07
The Browne Primer	Ginn	.75	.08
All About Peter Rabbit	Warne	.75	.05
Rhyme and Story Primer	Heath	.90	.06
Free and Treadwell Primer	Row	.90	.06
McClosky Primer	Ginn	.75	.06
The Three Pigs	Educ.	.75	.06
The Three Bears	Educ.	.75	.06
Little Red Hen	Educ.	.75	.08
Grade 2			
Story Hour Reader, Book 1	A.B.Co.	.75	.08
Art Literature Series, Book 1	Gage	.70	.08
Hiawatha Primer	Houghton	1.10	.10
Cry's Dramatic First Reader	Ginn	.80	.06
Child's Garden of Verse	C.C.Co.	.85	.05
Winston Reader, Book 1	Gage	.75	.08
Stories to Tell to Children	Hough	1.85	.10
Grade 3			
Merry Animal Tales	Little	.85	.05
Adventures of Pinocchio	Ginn	.80	.06
Just So Stories	Macm.	2.50	.10
Reynard the Fox	Macm.	.25	.05
Play Awhile	Little	.95	.08
Mr. What and Mr. Why	Nelson	.40	.05
Mother West Winds Animal Friends	Little	1.50	.12
Grade 4			
The King of the Golden River	Nelson	.35	.05
Grimm's Fairy Tales	Burt	.75	.08
Just So Stories	Macm.	2.50	.10
Nurnberg Stove	Flan.	.65	.07
Hans Brinker	Burt	.75	.08
Poems Every Child Should Know	G.&D.	1.25	.10
Little Lame Prince	Altemus	.75	.07
Grade 5			
Anderson's Fairy Tales	Burt	.75	.08
Peter Pan	Bell	.65	.05
Black Beauty	Burt	.75	.08
Jack Cornwall, V.C. (in Post of Honor)	Dent	.65	.07
The Secret Garden	G.&D.	1.00	.12
Tom Sawyer	Musson	1.10	.10
Sowing Seeds in Danny	Ryerson	1.00	.10
Little Women	Nelson	.55	.10
Birds' Christmas Carol, by Wiggin	Houghton	.90	.07
Grade 6			
Robinson Crusoe	M.P.C.	.55	.07
Pilgrim's Progress	Burt	.75	.08
Story of the Iliad	Macm.	.55	.05
Alice in Wonderland	Burt	.75	.08
Uncle Tom's Cabin	Burt	.75	.08
Anne of Green Gables	Page	2.50	.12
Poems E.C.S.K.	G.-D.	1.25	.10
The Canadian Poetry Book	Dent	.55	.07
Adventures of Odysseus	Dent	.55	.07
Captain January, by Richards	Page	1.90	.08
Grade 7			
Treasure Island	Mc.&S.	.70	.07
Gulliver's Travels	Burt	.75	.08
Swiss Family Robinson	Burt	.75	.08
Stalky & Company	Oxford	2.50	.08
Tom Brown	Nelson	.55	.07
The Jungle Books	Oxford	2.50	.08
Bob Son of Battle	Burt	1.00	.12
The Sky Pilot	G.&D.	1.00	.12
Grade 8			
The Tallsman	Burt	.75	.08
Ben Hur		1.00	.08
Scottish Chiefs90	.08
Seats of the Mighty	C.C.Co.	.90	.12
The Golden Dog	Page	2.25	.15
Deerslayer	Burt	.75	.08
Merchant of Venice	C.C.Co.	.45	.08
As You Like It	C.C.Co.	.45	.08
Sohrab & Rustum	Macm.	.55	.08

1925

Contributions

By Cash

10.⁰⁰ = Joe Marsteller

Material = For School House.

Thomas McComb 1 Door and Five Windows By Thomas McComb Value \$20.⁰⁰

James McIntosh 4000 Shingles 80 lbs Nails. 1 Roll Tar Paper 25 lbs Shingle nails 34.⁵⁰
Clapnet 4.⁵⁰
38.⁵⁰

G O Gislason 1100 ft Lumber 17.⁰⁰ freight on same 15.⁰⁰ \$32.⁰⁰

Labour Contributions Towards erecting Schoolhouse

By Boyer 11 Days @ 2.⁵⁰ \$27.⁵⁰ May 28-30 June 1-10-12-13-15-16-19-22-23

Geo White 3 1/2 Days ^{230 Friday} \$17.⁵⁰

G O Gislason Lumber supplied 7 days @ 2.⁵⁰ \$17.⁵⁰

Wm Klapatuk 1 Day 2.⁵⁰

James McIntosh 13 days @ 2.⁵⁰ 32.⁵⁰ 2 Days with Team 5.⁰⁰ 37.⁵⁰

Geo White Sen. 1/2 Day 1.²⁵ ~~3.⁰⁰~~ 2.⁰⁰

J. J. Helblum Official Trustee
James McIntosh
Secy.

Tax notices were mailed to all ratepayers on Oct 6th 1925
 namely George White N.E. 21.72.21.4 \$9.⁶⁰
 Mrs M Munson 1 child at school \$10.⁰⁰
 Frank Lafferty N.W. 17.72.21.4 \$8.¹⁰
 David Grandbois E. 2. 19.72.21.4 \$9.⁰⁰
 Jacob Crawford N.E. 22.72.21.4 \$12.⁰⁰
 Wm Klapatichuk 2 children \$22.⁰⁰
 Cyrille Frederic 1 Child \$10.⁰⁰
 Francois Lapine S.W. 28.72.21.4 \$9.⁶⁰
 J. S. Crawford N.E. 14.72.21.4 \$12.⁰⁰
 \$112.³⁰ Total
 J. H. Blaine, Official Trustee
 James H. McEntosh, Sect

Received on Oct 9th from The Department of
 Education Special Grant (check of \$390.⁰⁰ said
 check was deposited in the Imperial Bank at Athabasca
 on Oct 12th 1925.
 J. H. Blaine, Official Trustee
 James H. McEntosh, Sect

At a meeting held at Athabasca by the Official
 Trustee and Sect Treas. on Nov 19th 1925. It was
 unanimously decided to borrow from the Imperial
 Bank at Athabasca \$100.⁰⁰ to pay the Balance
 Due Mr. McLean for wages due as Teacher
 until such time as the regular grant
 comes from the Department of Education.
 J. H. Blaine, Official Trustee
 James H. McEntosh
 Sect



"Mr. Mac" and Mr. Gislason working on the first Calling Lake School.

- photo courtesy EVERGREEN 1966-67

The first Calling Lake School was ready for the 1924 term and Mr. Ralph McLean was hired as teacher at a salary of \$900 a year. Like Mr. Cocke before him, Mr. McLean held a Class 2 Teacher's Certificate.¹⁴ Mr. McLean was a young man, but he was very strict. You had to work hard and you had to work quietly. He taught for two terms at Calling Lake School.¹³

Mr. J.J. LeBlanc, who succeeded Mr. Gaunt, was appointed official Trustee of the Calling Lake School District in 1925, and he served until 1929.¹²

Also in 1925, on March 31, Mr. James McIntosh was appointed Secretary-Treasurer of the Calling Lake School District,¹² relieving the Official Trustee of this duty. This was a position which involved considerable work. There were letters to write and send, meeting minutes to take, money received to

record and expenses to pay. In addition an assessment and tax roll had to be maintained, as local taxes were the only source of revenue for the District, besides the government grants.

The Secretary-Treasurer's position involved considerable work, but no pay. The minutes noted: "In view of the limited available revenue, which was wholly taken up with the teacher's salary, the appointment does not carry any remuneration for the year."¹²

Mr. McIntosh served five consecutive years as Secretary-Treasurer of the Calling Lake School District. His resignation was "accepted with regret" when he resigned in 1930. Mrs. Mary Day was then elected as the next Secretary-Treasurer.¹²

The 1926 summer term began on May 10, with Mr. Robert Hicks as teacher, and an attendance of eight pupils. Mr. Hicks was hired at a salary of \$900 per year ($\$900 \div 200 \text{ days} = \4.50 per day). The 1926 term ended on September 14, with a total of 96 teaching days. Mr. Hicks received a salary of \$432.50 for that year.¹²

Much of the teacher's salary was received in small amounts when the money became available to the district. Sometimes, Mr. McIntosh, who owned a small store, would advance \$25 or \$30 to a teacher¹² so that the teacher could pay some of his living expenses.

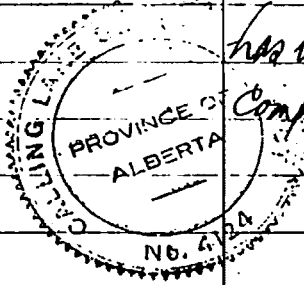
By December 18, 1926, there was still \$79.85 owing to Mr. Hicks. During those early years, Calling Lake School relied heavily on a special government grant of about \$390 which had to be requested and approved each year.¹²

Amount advanced By Sect	Expenditures		
June 20	1 Box chalks	\$1.25	\$1.25
Aug 2 nd	Cash advanced to Teacher	\$25.00	
Sept 18 th	Cash advanced to Teacher	272.50	= \$297.50
On Sept 18 th	The District still Owed the Teacher	134. ⁵⁰	
Nov 12-26	Paid to Robert Hicks	29. ⁶⁵	Balance Due
Dec 5 th -26	Paid To Teacher	25. ⁵⁰	

Aug. 16, 1927.

On this date a cheque to the amount of Twelve Dollars has been issued to Mr. J. W. [unclear] to cover amount advanced to complete the payment of full of the teacher's salary.

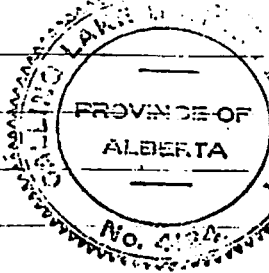
James H. McIntosh, Official Trustee.
J. H. McIntosh Sec.



January 20, 28

January 20th

On this date an annual meeting was held at [unclear] and Parents were present. It was unanimously agreed to hold school in 1928 on the understanding that the Department of Education continue its Policy of Special Grants. Owing to the few tax payers in the district it was found impossible to have more than one hundred Day Term of School commencing if possible on May 1st. The amount of Revenue Collectable from Rate Payers and Contributions from non Rate payer Residents of the District each year amounts to from \$60.00 to \$75.00 and owing to the Financial condition of District one Hundred Days term of summer School is all that the District can undertake.



James H. McIntosh Sect. Treas

Audited M^{ch} 14th 1928
Chas. J. Shoubray

May 7th 1928

The Calling Lake School was opened on May 7th 1928 with Edward Read as Teacher at a Rate of Salary of \$900.00
Per Annum

James H. McIntosh

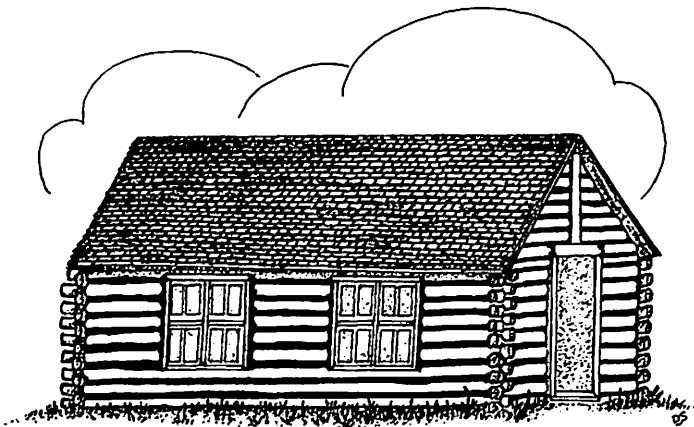
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The 1927 term started on May 7. Mr. Robert Hicks, a duly qualified teacher, was hired for his second term at Calling Lake, at a salary of \$900 per year.¹²

Mr. Edward Read taught the 1928 term which lasted 100 days, from May 4 to September 28, 1928. The salary remained at \$900 per annum.¹²

The 1929 term started on May 13 with Mr. Frank Knight as teacher.¹² He taught for only one term, then resigned from his position at Calling Lake School.¹⁴

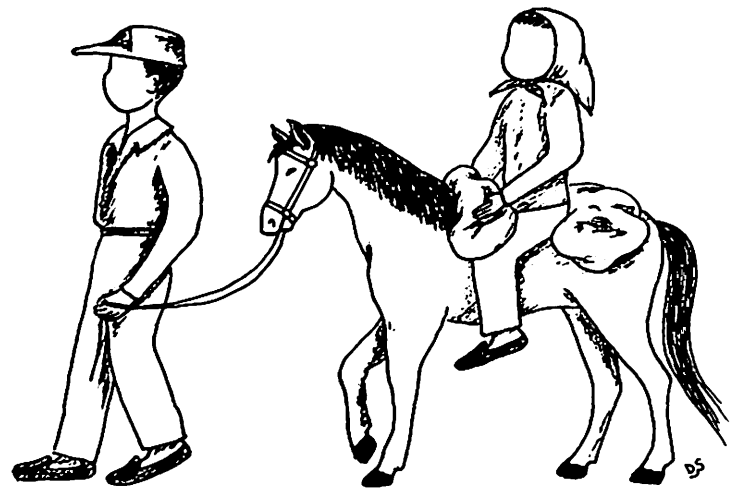
One of the students who attended "Knight School" in 1929 recalled that his teacher was a retired Hudson's Bay employee. He remembered that the school was built of logs that were chinked and plastered, but as time went by, more and more of the plaster fell out and left wide open cracks, large enough so that the students could watch the traffic go by on the road. He also recalled that on windy days, the wind blew right through the school. He could feel the west wind blowing strong where he was sitting in his desk, on the east side of the classroom!⁷



He recalled the names of some of the students: Mickey and Julie Monson's daughter, Katie; James and Mae McIntosh's girls, May and Jeanette; Chester and Mary Day's children, Pat, Bill, Dick and Harriet; Alfred and Margaret Webb's children, Mary, Muriel, Jim, Harry and Charles; as well as Nick and Rose Tanasiuk's three boys, Nick, Mike and William.

The Tanasiuk family lived at Rock Island Lake, 30 miles north of Calling Lake. During the school term the three Tanasiuk boys stayed in a small cabin just south of the school near White's Creek (now called Two Mile Creek). Mr. and Mrs. Tanasiuk would sometimes come on one horse taking turns riding

and walking that 30 miles to bring bread, vegetables and home-made butter to their sons who were attending school at Calling Lake and living in their cabin nearby. It must have been a long trip for Mrs. Tanasiuk!⁷



Other classmates in later years were: George and Maggie White's children, Mabel, Mary and George; David and Denise Grandbois' children, Albert, Francis, Lena and Paul; George and Alice McKinnon's children, Evelyn, Jean and Glen, and also Sammy Jacobs.⁷

Students attended a summer term only for those first seven years of school at Calling Lake, 1922 to 1929. The term was never longer than 100 days, and usually ran from May to September.



Sometimes school was held on Saturdays (but never on Sundays) to make up the required 100 days.¹⁰

Calling Lake School District affairs had been administered by Mr. J.J. LeBlanc from 1925 - 1929.¹² The community decided that it was ready to shoulder the responsibility of its own School Board to demonstrate its commitment to the education of the children. A school board would also relieve the Official Trustee of some of his responsibilities.

On July 2, 1929 a meeting was held, and the first Calling Lake School Board was elected. The Board consisted of three Trustee members: Mr. C.R. Day, Chairman; Mr. J.H. McIntosh, Secretary-Treasurer and Board Member, Mr. A.L. Webb.¹²

July 2nd 1929^{9th} A special meeting was held on July 2nd for the purpose of forming a Regular School Board as per Verbal Instructions to Mr C. A. Day. There now being three Ratepayers with children in the District. A School Board was then appointed consisting of the following

Mr C. A. Day Chairman Trustee

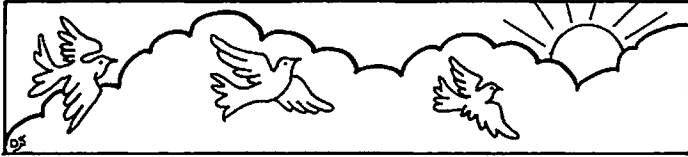
Mr Webb Trustee

J. H. McDutch Trustee & Sec. Treas.

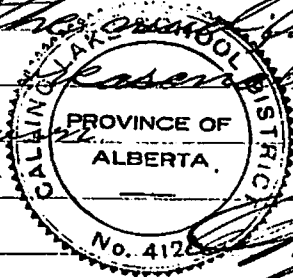
It was decided that the Present School Building was inadequate being too small for the number of children and also unfit to hold school in except during the warm summer months.

The Trustees resolved at that same meeting that "the present building was inadequate, being too small for the number of children and also being unfit to hold school in except during the warm summer months."¹²

The parents at Calling Lake were satisfied that their children were now receiving a schooling. But they wanted better than that for their children. They felt their children were "getting behind" because of the short school terms. Other schools somehow managed to afford full terms and they were certain that there were prosperous times ahead for Calling Lake. They never guessed that the Depression was imminent and would affect everyone.



June 2nd 1930 Trustee meeting.
 M. by Webb that Mary K. Day be appointed Sec. Treas. carried.
 M. by Webb that Geo White be allowed credit for his 1930 school taxes providing he mudds + whitewashes the school inside + out including strapping the logs to retain the ground board gets this done in reasonable time. Carried.
 M. to adjourn.



C. A. Day Chairman

They talked about a “full term” - even a 12-month term - which might enable their children to “catch up.” They would look into building a permanent school in the near future, and would immediately provide a suitable temporary school where classes could be held during the winter months. Mr. Day knew of a lady teacher (all previous teachers had been men), who would likely be interested in a teaching position. He would contact the Official Trustee.

The 1930-31 school term started in July with Miss Cloe Payne as teacher. It was her first school. There were 13 students attending in grades one to eight. (By November the attendance was 19.) As a temporary measure, classes were held in the little log school, while the people of the community of Calling Lake were busy preparing for its replacement, determined to achieve their goal of a twelve month school term. Because of this progress, the first log school at Calling Lake would be left standing vacant.



(After it had been vacant for several years, the little log school was dismantled by Mr. Day and probably used for firewood).¹⁶



Fall, 1930. The last class to use the first log schoolhouse at Calling Lake.

Back: Bill Day, Jim Webb, Dick Day, Miss Cloe Payne-teacher, Pat Day, Muriel Webb, Jenny McIntosh.

Front: Harry Webb, Charlie Webb, Chester Webb, Harriet Day, Kathy McIntosh (with her head down and her face hidden), Phyllis Day.

In front of Harry and Charlie is Bobby Day, but he was not a student yet - just a hopeful - only 4 years old at the time.

- photo courtesy Cloe Day

TWO-STOREY LOG BUILDING AS SCHOOL

-1930 to 1932-

In the fall of 1930, a vacant two-storey log cabin made of squared logs was renovated and used as the school. This cabin, about 18 ft. by 25 ft., was located about 1/2 mile to the north of the present school site and was on the west side of the road.⁹

Local residents made all the renovations. All the partitions on the lower floor were removed. A long beam log was set in to hold up the ceiling, and posts were set in to hold up the log beam. A few more windows were cut, window panes installed, minor repairs were made and the school was ready for use before winter set in. The downstairs was the classroom and the upstairs was the teacherage.¹⁷

Because it was whitewashed on the outside, it had been nicknamed "The White House".⁷

Cloe (Payne) Day was the only teacher to hold school in this two-storey building. She taught in it from the fall of 1930 to July 1932. (Calling Lake was probably the only school in Alberta where "Knight" (1929) was followed (1930 - 1932) by "Day").

The new teacher tried her best to make up for lost time, and so did her students.

*(See Appendix N: Reminiscing
with Cloe (Payne) Day).*

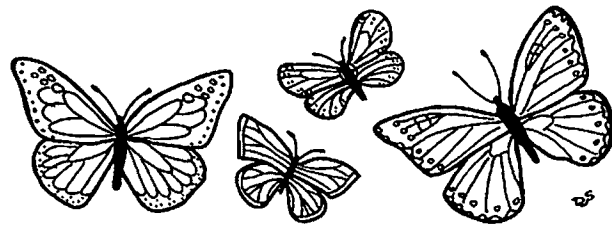
Cloe Payne was a creative, if inexperienced young teacher who was willing to do her utmost to deal with the challenge of teaching in the 1930s.

One of her former students remembers that Cloe Payne made large maps of the world, of the U.S.A., of South America, and probably many more. She drew the maps by enlarging a smaller map. Then she carefully colored all the parts of each map to make it easy to understand. She made a case and put her maps on rollers, like a window blind. Then the maps could easily be pulled down for use, and rolled up and out of the way for storage.⁷

This student also remembers Cloe Payne's handwriting. She used sticks of colored chalk to print the alphabet across the top of the blackboard.

Below the printing, also in color, she wrote each letter of the alphabet in handwriting. Her work was a masterpiece - and the students were expected to follow her excellent example.⁷

Cloe Payne and her students "mounted" a collection of butterflies of the area for a science project. The students would catch a butterfly and their teacher would touch its nose with lighter fluid which would kill it instantly. The butterfly would be laid on a cardboard covered with cotton batting, then a piece of glass would be placed over the butterfly. When the cardboard was full of different butterflies, they built a frame of birchbark for it. It was at the school for many years.¹⁷



Cloe Day wrote about the available resources in her classroom:

In the school there was a six foot shelf for a library, which consisted of an encyclopedia, a backless small dictionary, a small atlas, and perhaps a dozen reference books. There were no math texts and no fiction books. For the senior grades (7 and 8), there was a history text, geography text, a Civics text and a dull grey Physiology and Hygiene, all of which the students were supposed to buy. The school or teacher usually had one complete set of books for the whole school, but since classes usually consisted of 3 or 4 students each at the senior level, pupils could take turns using THE book. Readers were free but had to last several years.¹⁸

In those early days, it seemed that many hours of the teacher's time went into writing assignments on the blackboard and correcting lessons. Every morning the blackboard would be filled with work which the teacher had prepared the night before. As each lesson from the board was completed, it was erased and the board was filled with another lesson. If the teacher

could, he or she corrected each completed lesson while the class worked on the next lesson. How they managed was remarkable, because in those days teachers taught all the grades from one to eight.⁷

There were several "firsts" for Calling Lake School during the 1930-31 term:

- the first female teacher at Calling Lake
- the first combination school/teachorage building
- the first winter term at Calling Lake School
- the first (and only) 12 month school term, from July 1930 to July 1931.

The goal of the Local School Board had been achieved; Calling Lake School had indeed been open for twelve months.

The twelve month term was created to make up for lost time, as all the previous terms had been summer terms of about 100 days in length. The first part of that school year alone exceeded 100 days. Average attendance was 84%.

From July to December, school was open for 107 days:

- 4 students attended only the last two months
- 2 students attended between 40 - 44 days
- 1 student attended 80 days
- 7 students attended between 90 - 99 days
- 5 students attended 100 days or more.

The highest attendance for that term was 106 1/2 days; Jeanette McIntosh was absent one half day only.¹⁹ Most students certainly were doing their best to make up for lost time!

By January, 1931, seven students had been promoted to the next grade, while others continued their studies. From January to June, 1931, school was open 123 days. Two new students were enrolled and four students either moved away or did not attend at all. Three students attended less than 40 days before they too moved away.

The attendance of the other students was again very high:

- 1 student attended 78 days
- 2 students attended between 96 - 99 days
- 3 students attended between 105 - 115 days
- 8 students attended 116 days or more.

Charles Webb was absent one and one half days and Marjory Payne was absent one half day only!

The Local School Board took care of the immediate school concerns as they continued to plan for a permanent school. Following are some of the motions that were made and carried by the Trustees at that time:

Dec. 27, 1930: Resolved that the district request the Department to endorse the school site as looked over by the Inspector, NW 17-72-21-W4 containing 2 1/2 acres.¹²

March 31, 1930: Moved by Mr. Webb that the Secretary purchase 3 yards of blackboard cloth from Eaton's (catalog).¹²

Feb. 22, 1931: Resolved that the Secretary is hereby instructed to place \$150 insurance on the building now being used as school and teacher's residence.¹²

Nov. 1931: Resolved that Roy Stewart be paid \$8 for six cords of dry tamarack wood delivered at the school.¹²

Dec. 14, 1931: Resolved that A.L. Webb be paid \$5 for being janitor for the year 1932 for fires and water only, and \$4 be credited on 1930 taxes, and that Pat Day be paid \$4 for 1932 for scrubbing once per month and regular sweeping.¹²

The two-storey building, nicknamed "The White House," was used as a school for only the 1930-31 and 1931-32 school terms.¹⁷ It was meant to be only temporary, as a new school building was being erected on a different site. This new log school was being constructed in 1931-32.

The "White House" was next used as a home by Peggy and Cyril Frederick. Unfortunately, in about 1933, when Mr. and Mrs. Frederick were away, the two-storey building burned down. When the Fredericks returned, they found that everything they owned had burned. The district people all got together to gather materials and provide labor for a new log house for the Fredericks. The materials were assembled, and then in one day the house was erected and the people of Calling Lake, who had participated in the hard work and the fun, enjoyed the satisfaction of having helped a neighbour in need.⁷

That was the character of people at Calling Lake.

The assessment and tax roll for 1932 indicated ten names including C.R. Day, Charles Harrison, James McIntosh, A.L. Webb, George White, Stanley Crawford, Gisli O. Gislason, Mike O'Donnel, I.O. Crawford and Mrs. M.A. Day. Taxes due totalled \$216.30, but only \$21.30 was collected that year.²⁰

Before the teacherage was built, teachers usually stayed at the Day family home or with the McIntosh family.



The C.R. Day family home.

- photo Olga Meardi collection

School Board Trustees were elected at the annual meeting on January 23, 1932. The Trustee members were Ingram Crawford, C.R. Day and Peggy Frederick.²¹

In March, 1932 Inspector W.H. Swift was appointed Official Trustee of the Calling Lake School District, and the Local School Board was disbanded. Mr. H. Kostash, served as Official Trustee from September 1935 to September 1939. During this time, a local committee was set up to overlook school matters at Calling Lake. The first committee of three chosen in June 1936 consisted of Mrs. Mae McIntosh, Mr. C.R. Day and Mr. A.L. Webb. Inspector H.T. Sparby served as Official Trustee from 1939 to 1941 and Inspector W. Eric Hodgson served from 1941 to 1948.²¹

There were fun times at Calling Lake School. It was used regularly for dances, meetings and other functions. Everyone attended the school picnic and enjoyed participating in or just watching the events, which included relays, potato races, canoe races, pillow fights, boat races and swimming races. They often had homemade ice cream, lemonade and sandwiches. At night a dance was held in the school. The next day there was another get together, this time with brooms, mops, buckets and homemade soap, to clean up the school.

*carried over from summer
at people's meeting of Dec 15.
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id signed up for

PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

Ingram Crawford

BY VP VOR.

Ingram Crawford.



NEW LOG SCHOOL

-1932 to 1953-

1931
Nov. 8.

Report on new school house +
disbursements covering same.
Tom Juvarun as per contract
for hauling + constructing with
assistance of ratepayers + equipment
provided by town.

		135 ⁰⁰
Pitch bill, 490 lbs @ 3 ct.		14 ⁷⁰
Freight by truck		2 ⁴⁰
Lumber for floor, door + windows		21 ⁰⁰
Paper heavy double tanned sheeting		
4 rolls at 4 ⁹⁰ freight ^{plus 1⁵⁰}		21 ⁷⁵
Nails + spikes 2-3-4-5-7 in. (1 keg)		6 ⁰⁰
Red Paint 1 gal.		2 ⁶⁰
White " 3/4 "		4 ⁵⁰
Raw oil 1 "		1 ¹⁵
Turps 1 qt.		.60
Black Paint can.		.50
Roof Jack 7" + gal. iron sheet to reinforce		1 ⁰⁰
Hatches, hinges, for windows + door		3 ³⁵
Windows 7		10 ⁰⁰
		<u>233.55</u>
Disbursement ledger No.		228.40
Tom Juvarun 17	65 ⁰⁰	to credit
Chas Shawbridge 18	50 ⁰⁰	
J R Bergeron 19	20 ⁰⁰	
Marshall Wells 20	23.40	
Tom Juvarun 21	70 ⁰⁰	
		<u>\$ 228.40</u>



The new log school, built in 1931-32, was located on NW 17-72-21-W4. It was built by the local residents who again gave willingly of their time, their building skills, and donated building materials. A special grant of \$200 was given by the government to help cover some of the costs.

Mr. Tom Zwarun who lived in the Richmond Park area was contracted to do the hewing of the logs and the constructing. Mr. Zwarun had previously worked on erecting many of "Buffalo Bill" Day's distinctive log buildings. Mr. Day would provide the equipment and get the ratepayers to assist in the building.

This new school, which was located on the present school grounds, must have seemed huge. It was about 28 ft. by 28 ft. on the outside, with a row of windows on the south side. It had a huge ridge pole - the smallest end was at least 15 inches in diameter. It had a sod roof.

The roof was made of poles laid side by side against the huge ridge pole. The poles were covered with moss which was tamped down to fill all the spaces and would keep out the wind and cold. Tar paper and a layer of clay completed the roof.²¹

A news item appeared in the local newspaper, the *Athabasca Echo*:

It is understood that the new school building will have the muskeg sod roof taken off and a lumber and shingle roof put on.²² April 22, 1932

In a Letter to the Editor, a local resident wrote of the school:

The 1931-32 Board with the co-operation of Inspector Swift provided a 26x26 (inside) new school complete, except with a muskeg, tar paper sheeting and dirt roof, as the Board would not hear of the District going into debt for a new school. Owing to early severe frost, this roof was not completed, upon which the people got together and subscribed toward a lumber roof, but towards which no monies were laid till the end of March.¹² June 3, 1932

The roof was replaced several years later. The sod and the moss were removed and a "proper" shingle roof was installed. Now the roof did not leak for days after a rainstorm, but the building was not as warm either, because the layer of moss insulation had been removed.



The one-room Calling Lake School.

- photo courtesy Athabasca Archives



Inside Calling Lake School. Note the home-made desks, the bookshelf and the coal oil lantern.

- photo courtesy Athabasca Archives

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1935

Sep. 3rd. M. A Kostash, Inspector of Schools, Alberta appointed Official Trustee.

Sep. 24. Tax Notices sent out.

Oct. 28. Modest Benuk, authorized to collect taxes.

Dec. 14th. Meeting of Ratepayers. - 4 ratepayers present.

Meeting considered the building accounts, and advisability of present applying work on arrears of taxes. Following tentative valuation of goods and services supplied on building of school.

Webb. A.L. - 68 logs - 2 trips to town, 1 day work on mudding roof	100.00
Crawford. J.O. - 80 rafters.	2 " " " " 40.00
Carlson G.O. - 80 "	2 " " " " 40.00
Day C.R. - Board to Contractor - 6 weeks goods.	" " " " 50.00
White George. Work on logs.	" " " " 12.00
Total.	\$ 242.00

Roof Construction Accounts presented:

Total Goods taken \$ 84.75
Goods returned. 16.10

Net Cost.

Contributions by: J.H.M. Intosh.	12.00	12.00	\$68.65 Promised but not paid J.O. Crawford 10.00 Mrs Cle Day 10.00 Geo White 5.00 36.50
C.R. Day.	12.00	12.00	
A.L. Webb.	12.00	12.00	
F Lapine	50.	50.	
Balance Outstanding.		\$ 33.15	

Allowed on Taxes. to J.H.M. Intosh 1933. 21.30

10.85

Allowed on Taxes " " " 1935. 2.00

Discussion of necessary improvements and repairs on building

- Flooring 16x16. Repair of Outdoors.
- Ceiling. - Required Browns
- Plastering.
- Back Window
- Black Board.
- Wash Basin



Meeting adjourned
Modest Benuk

The school was probably a typical 1932 schoolroom. A former student described it:

The door was to the east. There was a nice smooth blackboard on the west wall. Later on, another blackboard was installed along the north wall. The teacher's desk was in the south-west corner of the room. The windows were facing the south. The floor was of planed lumber. Later on, about 1939, it was replaced with one inch flooring. Jim Webb and Dick Day laid the new floor in the school.⁷

There was a big barrel heater about six feet long. The floor was cold from underneath because the school was not yet banked up. It took a long time for the schoolroom to warm up and on most winter mornings, all the students would move close to the heater until the room finally became comfortable.

A former teacher reminisced:

A gasoline drum heater warmed the air immediately around it, while the students' toes stayed frozen and their cheeks remained rosy red.²³

In the school was a pail and a dipper for drinking water. If the pail became empty during the day, one of the students would go down to the lake for more water.

While they attended school, Jim and Harry Webb used to light the morning fires. Their father, Alfred Webb, brought cord wood to the school. Mr. Day had a portable saw which was set up one Saturday so that Bill and Dick Day, Jim and Harry Webb could saw up the winter's supply of wood for the school. Bill was sick that day, but his father had given him strict orders to work at the saw, and Bill stayed with the job until it was completed - in spite of repeated interruptions when he was sick to his stomach. That night, Bill was taken to the Athabasca Hospital, where he had to have his appendix out.⁷

The new log school was first used for the 1932-33 term, which because of lack of funds, started on November 14, 1932 with Mr. Alfred Gorman as teacher.¹⁹ He was a graduate of the Edmonton Normal School, and later became a doctor.

For the first year, Mr. Gorman boarded out in the community. For his second term, 1933-34, he occupied the new teacherage which stood on the west edge of the present school grounds.

*(See: Topic N: Reminiscing
With Alfred Gorman.)*



Calling Lake teacherage as it stood in 1949.

The log teacherage stood on the school grounds for several years even after it was replaced by a frame building. When the second teacherage burned down, a small frame building was brought from Athabasca and an addition was built on to it. This "new" teacherage was covered with gray-brick siding, as was the one before it. In about 1962, the old log teacherage, still standing on the school grounds then, was bought by Mr. Harold Roe and moved to his yard. It served as Post Office when Mr. Roe was postmaster from 1962-1964. The building was later dismantled.

A long news item, titled "Calling Lake Echoes" appeared in the local newspaper, the *Athabasca Echo*, in July, 1933:

The school picnic sponsored by Alfred Gorman and assisted by the families of the district, was voted a huge success. The sports program consisted of races for young and old, including swimming and boat races as well as baseball. Of all the distinguished visitors, Stanley Crawford carried off the honors in the boat races, and Mrs. Cloe Day won the ladies' long distance swim. In the girls' baseball, the Alberta Outlaws beat the American Tomatoes by the score of 26 to 24. In the men's games, the Calling Lake team beat the visitors from Calling River by 17 to 11. Ice cream and refreshments were served at the McIntosh home by the ladies of the district and their friends. A dance was held at the schoolhouse in the evening, where the crowd tripped it till the wee small hours to the lively music of the Crawford Brothers Orchestra. The grande finale was a fascinating display of fireworks.

Mr. and Mrs. Gislason of Deep Creek were guests of Mrs. Stanley Crawford for the picnic. Mrs. M. Kirkpatrick, also of Deep Creek, was a guest at the McIntosh home for the picnic.

The Calling River baseball team were guests of the Day family.

Nick Tanasiuk and family were visitors at the lake. Mrs. Smith, of Calling River, and her daughter, Mrs. Hawkinson, were picnic guests at the McIntosh home. Alfred Gorman left on the 16th to spend the vacation with his parents.^{22 July 21, 1933}

Another interesting news item appeared in the April 13, 1934 edition of the *Athabasca Echo*:

A dance was held at Calling Lake School on March 17. It was a real St. Patrick's dance. The ladies wore green dresses and the men green ties and hats.

Those attending the dance from Deep Creek were: Mr. and Mrs. Kirkpatrick, Mr. and Mrs. Gosselin, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Crawford, Edith, Margaret and Jake Gislason and Martin MacDonald. They all had a jolly time.

The proceeds of the St. Patrick's dance were for a summer picnic at Calling Lake, which will no doubt be a real success.^{22 April 13, 1934}

For a few years, building problems were not a concern, so teachers and students continued their daily routine in the large new log school. There were other problems, however, and teachers Modest Senuk and later John Meyers had out-of-school experiences that must have been nerve-racking. The *Calling Lake News* in the *Athabasca Echo* made mention of these and other local happenings:

Modest Senuk, teacher at Calling Lake, closed school for the year last Friday and left on foot Monday night, intending to reach Athabasca the following forenoon - if nothing happens. Numerous wolf tracks have been seen on the Calling Lake trail.^{22 July 26, 1935}

We are sorry to hear that Mr. Swift, our School Inspector, is leaving us, and we are sure that many teachers will feel it more. We wish him all success in his new location.^{22 July 26, 1935}

Calling Lake School re-opened on September 16 for the fall term. Modest Senuk is again in charge after quite a hectic trip from Athabasca via the old road to Calling Lake.^{22 Sept. 27, 1935}

Mr. H. A. Kostash will be heading up to Calling Lake Sunday, going to Deep Creek by car, and from there by saddle horses with Jakie Gislason. The special annual meeting will be held at Calling Lake on Monday, June 15th.^{22 June 19, 1936}

The mail man says the old road to Calling Lake is passable for cars.^{22 June 25, 1937}

The Calling Lake picnic is on June 26, with a dance at night. Everybody welcome and everything free.^{22 June 25, 1937}

Mr. J. H. Meyers, the teacher of Calling Lake School, has returned to his family at Bruderheim for the holidays. We wonder if he had his game of chess with Mr. Conquest (of

the Echo) on the way through?^{22 Dec. 27, 1937}

Mr. Meyers, the Calling Lake teacher, spent a week at Athabasca, travelling half-way by team and the rest of the way by motor truck.^{22 Feb. 14, 1938}

Mr. J. H. Meyers, the Calling Lake teacher, was badly bitten and had his clothes torn by some unguarded sled dogs.^{22 Nov. 25, 1938}

As time went by, the school was in need of improvement. The local school board tried their best to identify the problems and find solutions. In the next four years, many motions were made but not always carried out.

June 15, 1936: Committee to look into the following matters in collaboration with the Official Trustee:- supply stove pipes, plaster the schoolhouse, install ventilator shutters, and the installation of a new floor.¹²

March 18, 1937: Moved that Mr. Webb's bill for wood amounting to \$50 (12 cords tamarack at \$4 and 1 cord birch at \$2) be accepted.¹²

March 18, 1937: Moved that the local committee adopt ways and means of providing a ceiling and two outhouses and present them to the Official Trustee for approval.¹²

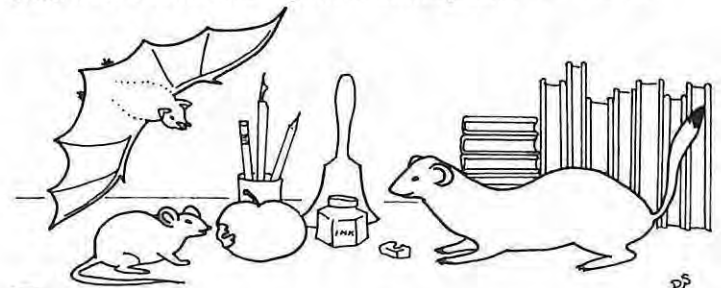
March 18, 1937: Moved and carried that the Official Trustee check up on the insurance policy to see that it provides for protection against prairie and forest fires, and that the policy be renewed prior to the date of expiration.¹²

June 14, 1938: Resolved that the Department be asked to authorize to impose a production tax of 10 cents per 100 pounds on fish caught for Commercial purposes in Calling Lake and the tributary lakes of Island Lake and Rock Island Lake.¹²

May 22, 1939: Several improvements in and around the school were discussed — the laying of a new floor, the erection of a chimney, the placing of a screen around the heater and clearing of more playground was handed to the local Committee.¹²

At least one of the improvements were completed, and a report appeared in the local newspaper:

A new floor has been placed in the Calling Lake School. Evidently more work has to be done in the line of improvements. Not only teacher and pupils are active in school, but mice, weasels and bats add their bit, thereby disturbing the otherwise serene and dignified atmosphere.^{22 Oct. 13, 1939}



The motions continued:

May 22, 1939: Instead of a fish tax, which was found to be uncollectable due to the absence of purchasing agencies within the District, it was decided to enforce a Poll Tax.¹²

March 7, 1941: Suggested that working out tax arrears through repair of teacherage and clearing of school grounds.¹²

1941: Resolved that correspondence courses be provided free for grade 9, 10 and 11. There are 5 white people who wish to take grade 9.¹²

Due to an oversight, it was not until 1941 that formal approval for a permanent site for Calling Lake School finally was obtained. It was for a four acre site on NW 17-72-21-W4.²¹

The poll tax (May 22, 1939 motion) was to amount to \$4 per person. It was to be collected from any person who was not already listed on the tax roll, was above a certain age, and was residing at Calling Lake.

A list was drawn up in 1939, but no taxes were collected that year.²⁰

In 1940, the assessment and tax roll records consisted of these names:

- Mrs. Mary Day
- James McIntosh
- A.L. Webb
- George White
- Wm. B.C. Price
- Leonard D. Walton

The poll tax list included these names:

- | | |
|--------------------|---------------------|
| Benjamin Cardinal | John Smidth |
| Joseph Cardinal | Thomas McCullough |
| Francis Cardinal | James Webb |
| Michael Cardinal | Harry Webb |
| Ben Auger | Grant Nutts |
| George McCullough | Dick Day |
| John Simon | Glen Lemaster |
| Wm. McPherson | Joseph Gunson |
| Lawrence Samuelson | C.R. Day |
| Charles Curran | Mr. Nadeau |
| Stanley Crawford | Mrs. Dave Grandbois |
| Joe Uchytal | John H. Meyers |

The total due was \$436.05.

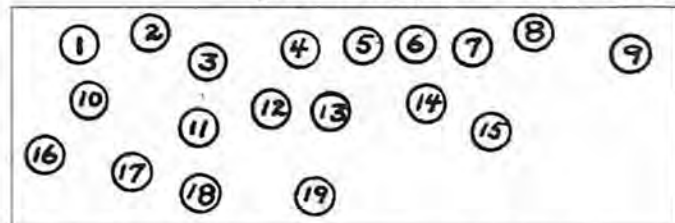
The total amount collected was \$91.66.²⁰

Calling Lake School District No. 4124 was struggling frantically to survive.



Calling Lake School class, June 1940.

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| 1. Chester Webb | 11. Harry Price |
| 2. Bob Day | 12. Ken Walton |
| 3. Frank Crawford | 13. George Webb |
| 4. Ralph Crawford | 14. George Crawford |
| 5. Percy Price | 15. Mr. Meyers |
| 6. Mary Webb | 16. Shirley Walton |
| 7. Alan McPherson | 17. Violet Price |
| 8. Phyllis Day | 18. Doris McPherson |
| 9. Jean Crawford | 19. Margaret Webb |
| 10. Lloyd Crawford | |

As the local school board continued to work for improvements in the school, other interested people were busy with fund raising efforts.

On August 22, 1941 the *Athabasca Echo* printed the following article:

The school dance was voted the most enjoyable social event for many a long year. Glamorous gowns, lovely ladies, snappy music to swing to and a bountiful supper made the night fly fast on the beautiful floor. The sum realized was upwards of \$100. Much credit goes to Dr. E.K. Wright and his trustee helpers.

Dr. Wright, on behalf of the Athabasca School Board, would like to thank all those who helped to make the dance of August 15 a success. The proceeds, after deducting all expenses amounted to \$86.00.²²

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The local school board minute book records other successful efforts:

Feb. 20, 1942: The teacher, Mrs. H.E. Silver, presented a report on the functions which she had held for the purpose of raising funds. A vote of thanks was tendered Mrs. Silver.

Mrs. Silver suggested that the ceiling should be sealed, and she volunteered to raise sufficient funds to purchase the materials required if local people would provide the labor.¹²

Feb. 19, 1943: Mrs. Stinsman gave a report of the activities which she had carried on for the purpose of raising funds for the school. It was unanimously agreed that she had done very well and a vote of thanks was extended.¹²

The Local School Committee continued to work for more improvements:

Feb. 19, 1943: Motion that the Local School Committee investigate the possibility of obtaining desks or tables and chairs, was carried unanimously.¹²

Feb. 19, 1943: A report on the repair of the teacherage was made and the local committee was instructed to call a meeting at a later date to see what could be done towards replacement.¹²

The people of Calling Lake might have been poor, but they had good times which many seniors fondly remember even today. Every year there was the Christmas concert to look forward to. There were dances held about every two weeks. There was always a school picnic held at the end of the year.



In 1940, the local residents had made a motion that Calling Lake be included in a larger unit or division, but at that time, it was not feasible.

In 1943, the opportunity presented itself, and the residents of Calling Lake voted to become part of the Athabasca School Division. As a result, on January 1, 1944, the Calling Lake School District (then in Improvement District No. 122), was officially included in Subdivision 2 of the Athabasca School Division No. 42.²¹

Now, after 22 years, Calling Lake was no longer an

isolated school district! Parents, students and teachers anticipated that there would now be dramatic improvements and changes in their school, the furnishings, and the school materials.

Five years passed with no visible changes. There was no new building and no dramatic improvement. Teachers and local residents continued to do their best and things went on much as they had before. There were positive new items that appeared in the local newspaper:

The Hallowe'en dance was well attended in spite of the cold snap and merriment was created by the comical faces and costumes. The school was nicely decorated in traditional colors, with witches, black cats and jack-o-lanterns. Mrs. Smith read thrilling tea cup fortunes and Mrs. Peterson read the cards. "Old Buffalo" was the best ladies' man of the evening. The music was excellent, and everyone had a fine time.^{22 Nov. 1, 1946}

School was held only one day last week as Mrs. Stinsman was ill. Some of the children were very good to drop in to see if she needed wood or water.^{22 Nov. 15, 1946}

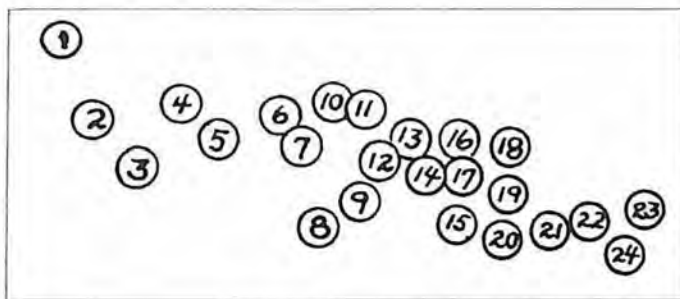
The pie supper at Calling Lake School was well attended and about \$30 was cleared for the Christmas fund.^{22 Dec. 13, 1946}

But even though there were efforts being made, it seemed as the years went by, that there was very little that could be changed about the building itself. Improvements were very slow in coming. The school was getting older and always in need of repair. The local committee met and tried to deal with the problems that arose. As time went by, the school building became more difficult to heat and to keep clean, even though it has been replastered and calcomined, repaired, replastered and calcomined again several times.





Students at the old log school, 1946 - 47.
- photo courtesy Irene Jacobs



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| 1. Mrs. Stinsman | 13. Annie Gambler |
| 2. Louise Gladue | 14. Phyllis Peterson |
| 3. Violet Gladue | 15. Dallas Kruger |
| 4. Harry Peterson | 16. Alice Arnault |
| 5. Dorothy Auger | 17. Faye Roe |
| 6. Doris McPherson | 18. Angelia Gambler |
| 7. Bill Roe | 19. Alphonse Gladue |
| 8. Pat Gladue | 20. Robert Jacobs |
| 9. unknown | 21. Gordon Uchtyl |
| 10. Shirley Walton | 22. Fred Cardinal |
| 11. Myrtle Roe | 23. Lloyd Cardinal |
| 12. Leonard Auger | 24. Jim Cardinal |

Parents continued to write letters asking for improvements. Following are excerpts taken from a 1945 letter to the Regional Director of Family Allowances:

The parents of this district have formed a committee to try and obtain the necessary school accommodation for the 50 or possibly more children of school age, as per census taken under instructions of the Division Board.

But after looking over the school, all they have done is pass the buck, as "There are other schools in the division worse than this one."

The school is an old log building with a 24' x 24' floor space, without lining or ceiling, homemade old lumber seats for 22 children.

We have stressed the unsanitary conditions of overcrowding, with the resulting vermin (lice) and skin disease which has been, and is yet, prevalent. The teacher has sent home as many as 14 children in one day. The school is crowded, with three children or more to a seat.

Please tell us what we have to tell the mothers, whose

children have no room in this school; as it affects their mothers allowance. Send in a doctor to inspect and verify the above.²¹

1944 to 1948 were years of serious overcrowding and there was a great deal of concern about TB, with so many children together in the crowded, unsanitary conditions which existed at the school. The threat was real, as indicated in these excerpts taken from a letter to a government official after a meeting held by the community in 1948.

The two principal items discussed at this meeting were, first - the matter of a new school, and second - the large number of people afflicted with TB in this small community.

Since 1945 the people of this community have done their utmost to try to get a new school and at one meeting held in the school in 1945, there was enough lumber, labor and cash donated by the people of Calling Lake to more than take care of half the cost of construction of such a building,

but, as the "powers that be" both in Athabasca and in Edmonton were not or did not seem to be interested, these offers have since been withdrawn.

Mr. Frame, Chief Superintendent of Schools stated that as only 24 children were attending school daily, he saw no reason for building a school at this time or at least not until 30 or more children were attending. The truth of the matter is - and I am sure that Mr. Frame must be aware of it - that a large number of children of school age are staying home, as there are not accommodations at school for them, and others are kept home on account of the very unsanitary conditions existing at the school.

With regard to the TB mentioned previously, I am not in possession of all of the facts. However, I do know that during the past 18 months at least seven persons have died of TB, and a number of our citizens are in provincial TB sanitariums and a number of others are confined to their homes in the community. Also, in 1947, Miss May, the public health nurse, came out from Athabasca to test the children in this community for TB, and from the reports received, tests showed a positive reaction of TB of over 30%.

Honourable Sir. The people of Calling Lake have been very lenient and very tolerant, but the time has come when something drastic must be done, both as to the school and the health of the people of the community.²¹

Local residents suggested that major improvements were necessary but felt that the most reasonable solution to the problem was a new school building. During a 1946 canvas of the community, residents had volunteered money, materials and labor totalling over \$1500 for the construction of a new school. By the summer of 1949, the residents became very frustrated as there was still no promise of a new school and they flatly refused to promise any further contributions.

On July 19, 1949, a letter was sent to Mr. MacIntyre, Secretary Treasurer of the Athabasca School Division No. 42, which, in part, read:

As requested in your letter of July 6, I have made a complete canvas of the community regarding the offering of voluntary assistance in the event that a new school house was built by the Board.

Last Monday and Tuesday, I made a 100% canvas of the white residents of the community (most of the native population have left for the annual pilgrimage to Lac St. Anne.)

Each person told me that three years ago the voluntary contributions of this community amounted, in labor, cash and materials, to approximately \$1600, yet no effort was made

by the Board to take advantage of this offer, nor were the people here advised that a school would be built.

The following year, another canvas was made of the district, and while I understand that it was much below that of the year before, the amount volunteered was still considerable.

I would like to state that the number of white families with children of school age has diminished greatly during the past two years, due greatly to the very unsatisfactory educational facilities available here for their children and also to the lowered revenue from the Lake, which was their principal means of making a livelihood here. I think it is quite safe to state that the yearly income of the average family in this community over the past two years, is considerably under \$1000.

As stated above, I have just completed another canvas of the people, and 100% they refuse to donate anything, and I think the principal reason for this is that we have still not been promised a school, so why should we go ahead year after year, asking for voluntary contributions and passing the buck when the people here, under present financial circumstances, are having a hard time to keep their heads above water.

It was further brought to my attention, in more than one home, that this school, built at a cost of \$200 Government grant plus \$100 in donations about 15 years ago and which has had no major repairs or construction since that time and has been condemned by Department of Education, the Department of Health, the Alberta School Trustees Association and by just plain human decency, should be closed and locked; and it was the duty of the Department of Education of the province of Alberta to provide suitable structures for school purposes.

I am sorry not to be able to forward a more encouraging report. However the entire matter is now clear cut and out in the open and awaiting the action of the Board.²⁴

In an effort to have a new building erected to serve the needs of the Calling Lake School District, superintendents and other officials wrote of the Calling Lake School:

1945: The School is not in very good repair. It is badly in need of interior decorating. The chief reason for its dirty appearance appears to be the water which runs between the logs and the roof during the spring.

Possibly the most disgraceful part of the whole situation is the equipment which is in the school - particularly the desks. Some of the pupils are sitting on a bench which has been made out of a log.²¹

1947: In the Calling Lake District there are now 115 children whose ages range from 1 to 16. At the present time there is only a 35 pupil capacity school. This is a problem

that needs some investigation.²⁴

1949: Shocking conditions exist in a large number of our rural schools. The Calling Lake School, north of Athabasca, is perhaps an extreme example. There is a District with 40 children of school age with a log school to accommodate 25.²¹

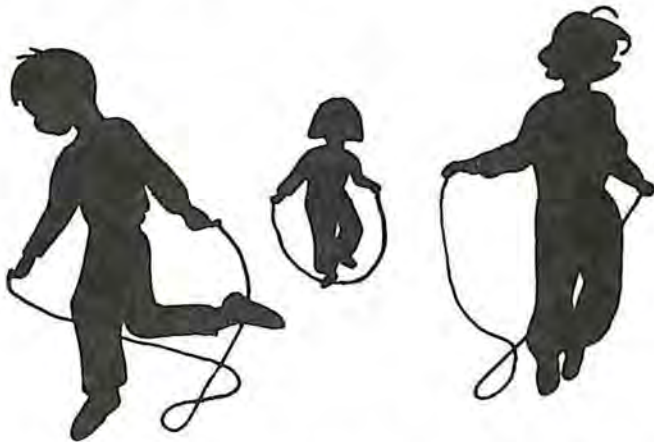
1949: I can assure you that the school in the Calling Lake School District is a dilapidated log building that should have been replaced years ago.²¹

By the early 1950s, there was still no new building, although teachers, parents and administrators made it known that a new building was urgently needed. The log school was in a state of disrepair and students were not attending regularly.

The condition of the school was, in part, responsible for a decrease in school attendance.

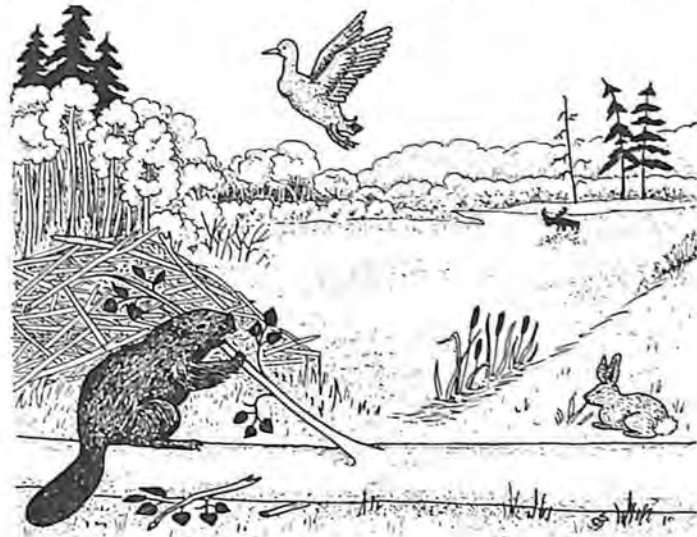
During the 1930s, the average yearly attendance had been between 80% and 90%. In the early 1940s, the average attendance had been between 83% and 76%, then dropped to a low of 59% by June 1945.¹⁹

In the mid-1940s, there were as many as 49 students listed in the register, with obviously inadequate space for that many bodies. An epidemic of impetigo and itch in the fall of 1945 kept the public health nurse busy and was the reason many students remained out of school. There were other reasons for absences as well, because, of the 49 students listed in the register for 1945-46, only 15 students attended some part of every month during that school year; and a number of these students had an attendance of as little as five days per month and a total for the entire year of only one half of the number of days possible.



Some children attended school for a few months only, left school, and returned the next year to continue their schooling. For many years too, it was a common practice that whole families would leave the

community for the hunting and trapping seasons in the fall and in the spring. Children who went with their parents missed school but received another kind of education; they learned first hand the skills that were necessary for that type of outdoor life. They also learned much about wild animals and nature.



Through the late 1940s, average yearly attendance fluctuated, but remained between 64% and 60%, and remained at 60% for June 1950. The average term attendance dropped to 57% for the following year, and by June 1952, it had reached an unprecedented low of 38%.¹⁹

The teacher, Fred Warren, made an effort to improve school attendance and lessen the isolation of the students at Calling Lake School by showing movies on a regular basis. The movies would also expose students to a view of life in other places around the world.

The local newspaper commented on the effort:

Calling Lake School is about 45 miles to the north of Athabasca and is in the Athabasca School Division. The teacher there is Fred Warren who is now teaching there for the second year.

Children attending Calling Lake School are isolated much of the year and the benefits of living close to a town or village are denied them.

Last year the Forestry Branch visited Calling Lake School, and among other things, showed some motion pictures on forestry topics. For many of the children, it was the first movie they had ever seen. Noting their intense enthusiasm, Mr. Warren set to work. Enlisting help of the Department of Education, F.B. Facey, Superintendent, the Divisional Board and the Local Board, the Young People's Club and the community, Mr. Warren began to work toward a movie projector for his school.

This year, the children of Calling Lake School, isolated though they be, travel all over the world through the medium of motion pictures from the department of Visual Aids of the Department of Education and the Department of Extension, U of A.

Mr. Warren, the children of Calling Lake School and the people of the community are to be commended for their efforts.^{22 Dec. 7, 1951}

On July 12, 1951, a film projector had been purchased by Mr. Warren, at a cost of \$378.50, and paid for with funds raised under his direction. Many educational films were shown to the children. Commercial films were also shown at night, and children paid 10¢ to see them.²⁴

Although the increase was not immediate, the yearly percentage attendance did increase dramatically during Mr. Warren's final year at Calling Lake. He felt that the use of films at the school was the reason for the substantial increase in the yearly percentage attendance, from 38% the previous year to 63% by June 1953. Mr. Warren also wrote about a change in student attitude because of the films. "The children came to school sullen, silent, suspicious, frustrated, fearful and hopeless," he wrote, "but are now saucy, talkative and laughing."²⁵

By the time Fred Warren left in June, 1953, he had shown 200 educational films and 40 commercial shows. He left a total of \$347 which had been raised through showing the films. There was \$185 designated as school funds, \$107 as pupil funds and \$55 as a community fund which was to be turned over to a community group when one was organized.²⁴

Superintendents and other officials continued their efforts to have a new building erected. They wrote:

1952: Can you recommend a grant of \$4,000? This appears to be one of the most extreme cases of inadequate school conditions and backwardness resulting in part from the attitude of some parents.²¹

1952: This is a special case and we will appreciate it if you can give us a special grant for a building in this district. The children there should have a better building. A good teacherage is also required.²¹

1952: The log derelict in use at the present time does not encourage regular attendance.²⁵

Possibly the most condemning was this health inspector's report in 1953:

BUILDING: Of log construction. Interior dirty, dark, and depressing.

LIGHT: Inadequate.

FLOORS: Rough, impossible to keep clean.

WALLS: Log, not finished.

ROOF: Log and leaks.

DRINKING CONTAINER: Rusty and not satisfactory. Needs replacing.

WINDOWS: Inadequate. Screens broken, no storms present. This building is not suitable for school under any circumstances.²⁴

By 1953, many plans had been discussed for a new school building. Everyone agreed that a new school should be built; the problem now was, where should it be located? The location of the new school was the main cause for controversy and the reason why the school had not yet been built. Many discussions and presentations were made favoring each of the three suggested sites - a site to the north, a site to the south, and the present site, NW 17-72-21-W4. Finally, the problem was partially solved.

On a muddy April day in 1953, a group of people slid, splashed and bumped their way along the rutted gravel road to Calling Lake. The road being what it was in 1953, their vehicle got stuck and could not be pushed out of the mud. The group was forced to slide and splash the rest of the way on foot, in order to attend the meeting at Calling Lake School, to settle the school location problem.

The following week, a newspaper report read:

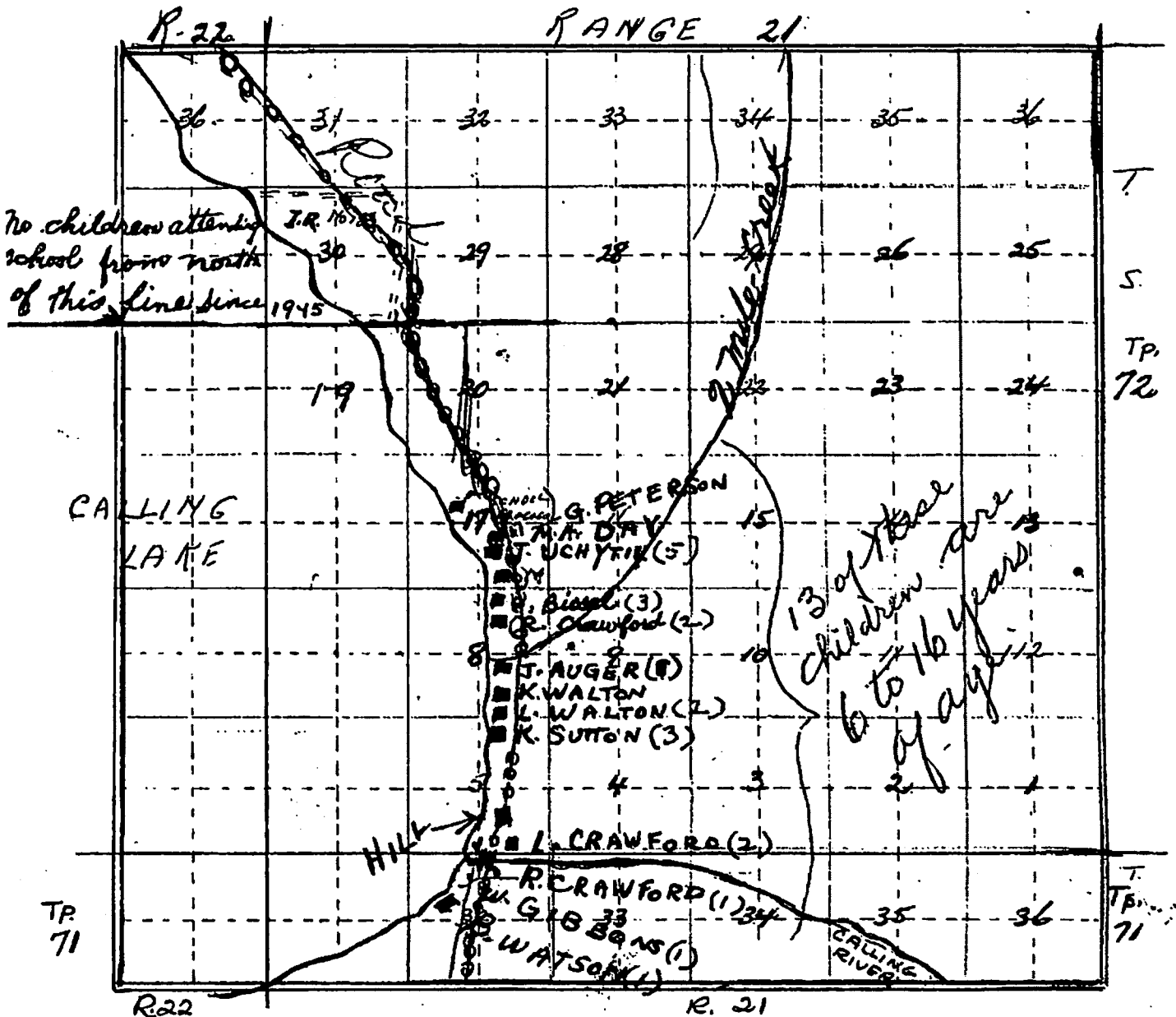
A meeting of the electors of Calling Lake School District, held in Calling Lake School, was called to order by Trustee Victor Wolanuk. Antonio Aloisio was elected Chairman of the meeting, and Ed Parr acted as Secretary.

Arguments pro and con for a site further south, further north and on the present site were presented and after considerable discussion, it was moved and seconded that a committee be set up to draw a map of the school district showing the location of all the families with school age children or younger, and the maps and briefs from the different factions be asked to be sent to the Department of Education and that the Department be asked to choose the site. The decision of the Department will be accepted as final.

Committee will consist of Messrs. Walton, McPherson and Roe.

All motions in this regard were carried unanimously.^{22 April 17, 1953}

The committee prepared the maps and submitted them.

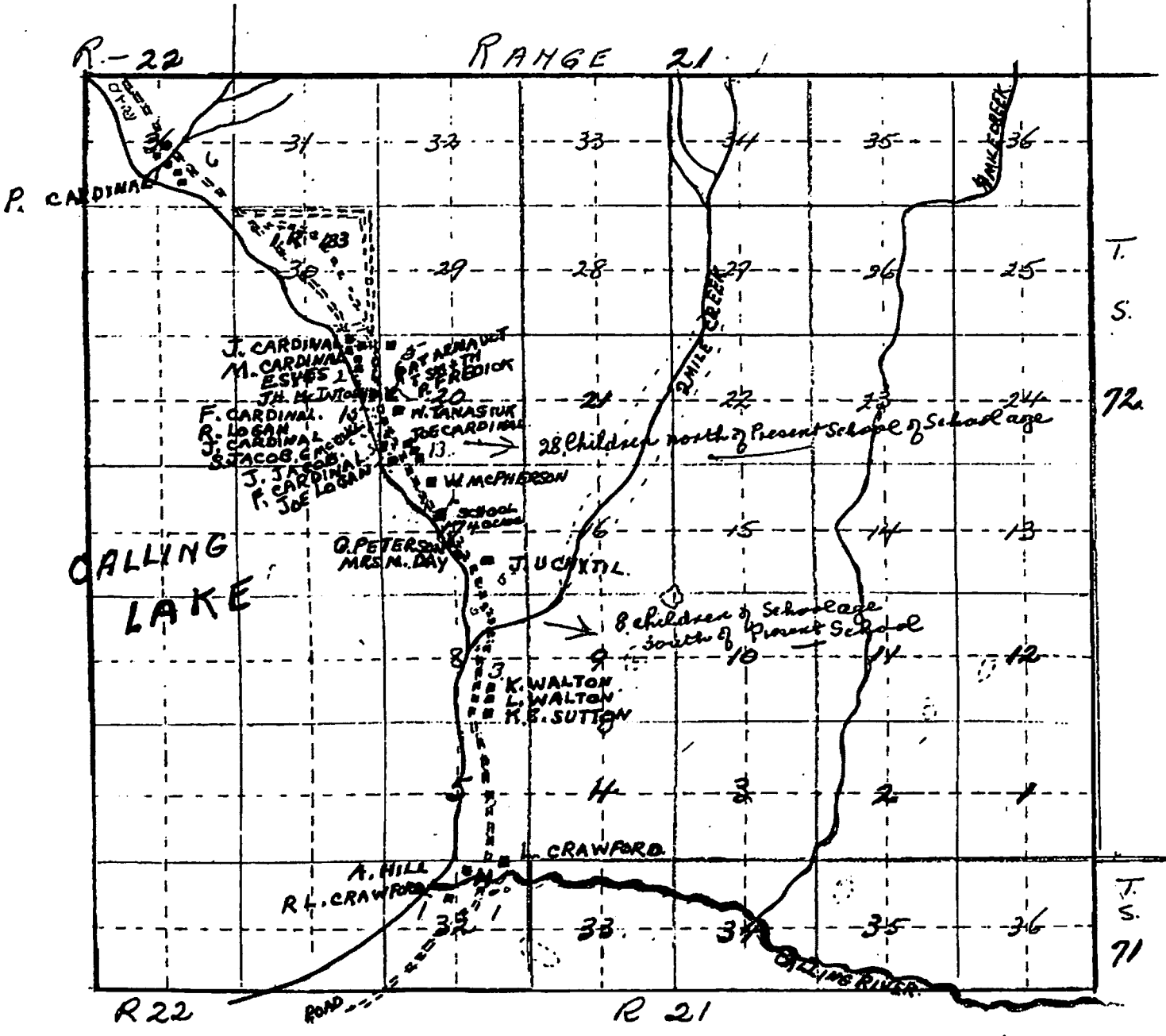


1. Write the name of each Resident Elector across the Quarter Section on which he resides.
2. Indicate Number of Children of School Age residing on each Quarter Section thus (1), (2), (3); etc.
3. Indicate the position of all Rivers, Creeks, Lakes, Sloughs, Swamps, Large Ravines, etc.
4. Indicate the Position of Bridges, Travelled Roads, and Location of Dwelling Houses.

(Note) Each small square represents a quarter section.

Legend-- Bridge =
 Roads ○ ○ ○ ○ ○
 Dwelling ■
 Rivers ~~~~~
 Lake or Swamp [wavy lines]

MAP OF CALLING LAKE S. D. No. 4124



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Date April 11, 1953

Completed by Wm McPherson

Even after the maps were received, there was still another letter submitted to the Department, with accompanying reasons, favoring the school site to the south; but the Department reminded that ratepayer about the promise made by the school division and by the people of Calling Lake to accept whatever decision the Department made - and their decision would be as fair as possible.

Arguments opposing the south location had been that the school should be located in the centre of the district which would make it fair to all. Such a decision would have resulted in the school being located farther north.

One of the maps submitted indicated that there had been no students attending since 1945 from the Sucker Creek area north of the Reserve. Before the final decision on the school location was made, a request was made by the Athabasca School Division and Hon. A.O. Aalborg, Minister of Education, issued an order. All lands north of the Jean Baptiste Gambler Indian Reserve No. 183 were withdrawn from the District. This made the present school location very near to the centre of the District. Now a decision could be made which would be fair to all.

The definite site, chosen by the Department in July, 1953 was NW 17-72-21-W4, which is the present school site.

Now that the location controversy was settled, plans were made for a two-room school with a basement. The plans were prepared, but that building did not materialize. In the fall of 1953, just before it was needed for use, the machine which was to be used to dig the basement broke down. It would be a few days delay, but days turned into weeks, and then it was too late to start digging a basement and still build a new school before winter would set in.

Department of Education
Edmonton,
Friday, May 29, 1953.

Under the provision of Section 26 of The School Act, 1952, the boundaries of the Calling Lake School District No. 4124 (Athabasca School Division No. 42) of the Province of Alberta, are hereby altered by withdrawing therefrom the following lands:

In Township 72, Range 21, West of the Fourth Meridian:

Sections 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36.

In Township 72, Range 22, West of the Fourth Meridian:

That part of Section 36 lying east of Calling Lake.

This order shall be in effect on and after June 1, 1953.

A.O. Aalborg
Minister of Education.¹⁹

RELOCATED YOUNGVILLE SCHOOL

-1953 to 1958-

The anxiety of this new dilemma lasted for a few days only; a suggestion was made which could probably solve the problem. Youngville School No. 3621, in the Sawdy area north of Athabasca, was standing vacant. The school had been built in 1942 and was closed in 1953 when the students there began to be bussed to Athabasca.¹⁸ Having been used only eleven years, the building was still in good condition and could provide a solution to the Calling Lake problem.

The suggestion to relocate the Youngville School to serve as a one-room school at Calling Lake was found to be feasible. The Athabasca School Division quickly took action. Within a short time permission was obtained from the ratepayers of the Youngville District and Ministerial approval was received from the Department of Education for the relocation of Youngville School to Calling Lake.

Webb Frizzell, a building mover, was contacted and agreed to move the school building. On October 22, 1953, residents north of Athabasca, living between Youngville School and Calling Lake, observed a very unusual sight - that of movers transporting the vacant Youngville School building carefully and steadily along the gravel road that led to Calling Lake.

As it neared Mercury School about 25 miles from its destination, even the students stopped their recess play to watch in disbelief as the slowly approaching school came to a full stop.



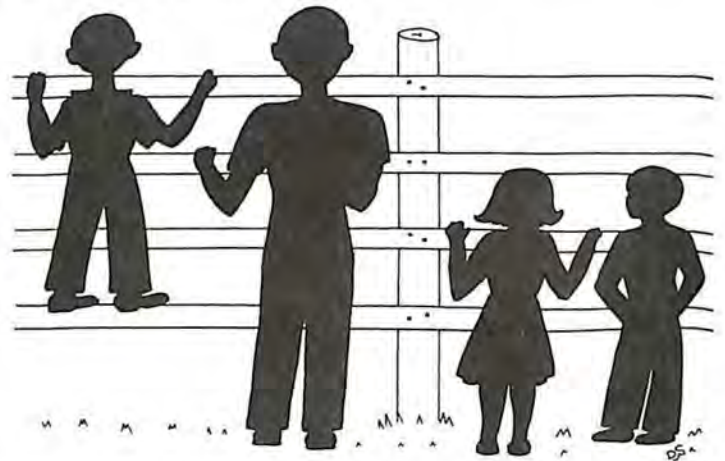
Moving Youngville School to Calling Lake, October 22, 1953.

- Dora Shwaga photo

Author's Note:

"Teacher! Miss Staszewski! Come take a picture, QUICK!"

I grabbed my camera and ran out of Mercury School where I was teaching for the second year, to snap whatever it was that had excited my students. They were all crowded along the fence watching the Youngville School building moving steadily along the road that ran past Mercury School. The driver stopped to check his load, I snapped a picture, and then we all watched until the school was out of sight around a bend in the road. That day, October 22, 1953, I had no way of knowing that this same school building would be my classroom at Calling Lake just seven years later.



The October meeting of the trustees of the Athabasca School Division No. 42 which was deferred from October 15 to permit completion of harvesting operations, was held instead on October 29, 1953. Trustees present were: Ed Parr, Victor Wolanuk, Dr. E.K. Wright, O.T. Olson, M.D. Morrison and Nick Evasiuk. Present also was Superintendent C.G. Merkley.²⁶

The minutes of that October 29th meeting read in part:

The Chairman reported having been informed on October 19th, that work on the basement of the new schoolhouse for Calling Lake had not started as the power machinery to be used by the Crawford Brothers was still under repair. As the Building Supervisor was not able to locate another bulldozer to do the work, there appeared in view of the lateness of the season, to be little hope that the promise to replace the present unsatisfactory schoolhouse during the current year

could be fulfilled.

A suggestion to abandon the intention to erect a new schoolhouse and move the vacant schoolhouse in the district of Youngville to Calling Lake was referred by personal contact to a quorum of the Divisional Board and Superintendent and readily approved. A signed consent for the removal of the schoolhouse was then procured from a majority of the electors of the district of Youngville and telephone conversation with department officials gave assurance that the necessary Ministerial approval would be forthcoming. The services of Webb Frizzell, Building Mover, being immediately available, the removal project was successfully completed within four days. The building was found to be in good state of repair, but in need of a fresh coat of paint.

Moved by O.T. Olson, that the action taken to move the vacant schoolhouse from the district of Youngville to the school site in the district of Calling Lake and thereby provide a more suitable classroom in which to educate the children of that district, be confirmed. Carried.²⁶

At their November 12, 1953 meeting, the trustees of the Athabasca School Division No. 42 approved for payment the cost of moving the Youngville School. A payment of \$1190 was made to Webb Frizzell for moving Youngville School to Calling Lake and for moving the Fairhaven teacherage to Laura School District in the Deep Creek area.²⁶

Meanwhile, school had started on October 1, 1953 in the old log schoolhouse, now 21 years old. Mrs. Isabel Watson was the teacher.

The relocated Youngville School was set up just to the south-east of the old log school. One window and the door faced west. The row of windows faced east, and the door on that side was replaced by a window. When the building was ready for use as a school, the students and teacher, books and desks moved in, and the old log schoolhouse, now vacant, was "retired."



The following year, Mrs. Mary Astley came to teach at Calling Lake. Mrs. Astley had first taught at Calling Lake School for part of the 1934-35 term.¹⁴ She returned to teach for the 1954-55 term and for the 1955-56 term when Calling Lake operated its final years as a one-room school.

There was a decrease to 52% in the yearly percentage attendance for the year 1953-54 when Calling Lake School began to operate in the relocated Youngville School building, but during the next two years, under the direction of Mrs. Astley, the average yearly attendance reached an unprecedented high of just over 91%. The new building must have been responsible, at least in part, for the increased attendance and interest at Calling Lake School during its final two years of operation as a one-room school.

In early 1956, an item in the newspaper read:

A school meeting is scheduled at Calling Lake School for January 30. School matters have been running quite smoothly for some time, with good attendance, under the able management of Mrs. Astley, the teacher. Let's hope the meeting won't go back to the stormy sessions of 1953.^{22Feb. 12, 1956}

The "relocated Youngville School" building was large, but for the fall term of 1956-57, it seemed there would be too many students for the one classroom. As well as the increase in interest and percentage attendance, there was now a dramatic increase in the number of pupils enrolled; from 24 pupils in 1954-55 to 47 pupils in 1956-57.

A young teacher, Miss Anna Rose Nafziger, who came to Calling Lake with the intention of starting a kindergarten, was persuaded instead to teach the elementary grades 1, 2 and 3 and Mrs. Astley would teach grades 4, 5 and 6.

But there was a problem - two teachers and only one classroom.

The only possible temporary solution would be to bring the old log school out of retirement, clean it up, and use it as a second classroom until an addition could be built to the "relocated Youngville School" building. That is just what happened.

The old log school was cleaned up, a few bats disposed of, and school classes began on time. Furniture and supplies arrived soon after.

(See Appendix N: Reminiscing with Anna Rose (Nafziger) Kiesow)





The old log Calling Lake School building was brought out of retirement and used in 1956.

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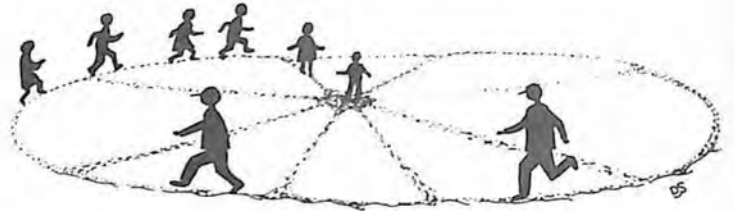


Inside Miss Nafziger's class in 1956 — after the desks arrived.

- photo courtesy Anna Rose Kiesow



"SCRUB"



"FOX AND GOOSE"

Mrs. Mary Astley was Calling Lake School's first principal. She served as principal for the 1956-57 term, and continued for the 1957-58 term.



Mrs. Mary Astley, 1956, on the steps of her teacherage.

- photo courtesy Anna Rose Kiesow

Calling Lake School then operated for nearly two years in two separate buildings. The old log school served as the classroom for the primary grades with Miss Anna Rose Nafziger as teacher, while Mrs. Astley continued to teach in the "relocated Youngville School" building.

Although there were still many problems to solve, plans were finally underway for the building of a frame addition to the "relocated Youngville School" which would provide Calling Lake with a modern two-room school.

TWO-ROOM SCHOOL

-1958 to 1960-

Construction of an addition to the north side of the "relocated Youngville School" building began in earnest in late 1957. A cement foundation was made ready and the "relocated Youngville School" building was moved onto the new foundation in late November. In planning for the move, the school committee of the Athabasca School Division No. 42 had noted in the Minutes of their November 19, 1957 meeting:

It is anticipated that the existing one-room frame building at Calling Lake will be moved onto the now completed foundation during the forthcoming weekend. Disruption of classes will be limited to the shortest period possible; the possible closing is not to exceed one week.²⁷

Then construction of the second room began and work continued through the winter. There was a cement foundation with a crawl-space beneath the new addition. There were two storage rooms (one windowless) and a hallway was built between the two classrooms. There was a front entry to the west facing the lake and a back door facing east. Both classrooms had rows of windows facing east. The two-room Calling Lake School, with its gray-brick asphalt siding, was completed in the spring of 1958.

In March, 1958, a news item appeared in the local newspaper:

Mrs. Astley's class has moved into the new school room.²²
March 26, 1958

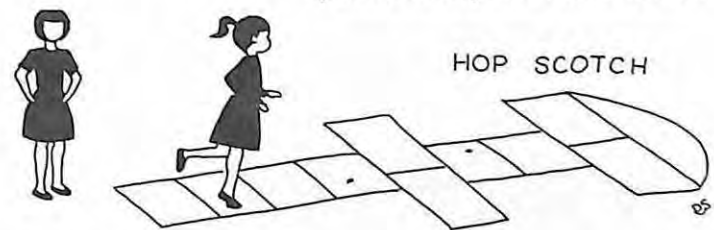
The vacated classroom at the south end of the two-room school was repaired and repainted, and made ready as the primary classroom. Miss Nafziger's class moved out of the old log school on April 14, 1958, right after the Easter holidays that year. Shortly after, another item appeared in the local newspaper:

Miss Nafziger's grade 1, 2, and 3 class has moved into the new school.²² April 30, 1958



Two-room Calling Lake School, 1958.

- photo courtesy Anna Rose Kiesow



Another news item appeared in June:

The parents of grades 1, 2 and 3 school children were invited to visit their new school. The children presented a demonstration of their work. A delicious lunch was prepared and served by the children.²² June 25, 1958



For the 1958-59 term, Mr. Raymond Brubaker and his wife, Virginia, came to teach in the new two-room school at Calling Lake.

A fire had destroyed the teacherage that Mrs. Astley had previously occupied, so a new teacherage had to be provided. A frame building was moved to Calling Lake and while Mr. and Mrs. Brubaker lived in their travel trailer, a modern kitchen, bathroom

space and bedrooms were added to the frame building. It was completed in the spring of 1959. The teacherage was covered with gray-brick asphalt siding to match the school.



Calling Lake teacherage, 1961.

- Dora Shwaga photo

Virginia Brubaker taught grades 1, 2 and 3 for the 1958-59 school term and Raymond Brubaker taught grades 4, 5, 6 and 7.

(See Appendix N: Reminiscing with Raymond Brubaker)

It appeared that the old log school, which was now 26 years old, could be retired for good.

The minutes of the school committee of the Athabasca School Division No. 42, read in part:

Moved that steps be taken to arrange for the disposal of the log school building at Calling Lake. Carried.²⁸ Sept. 10, 1958

One tender only, from the Calling Lake Service Unit, in the sum of \$25, was received for the purchase of the vacated log school building at Calling Lake.

Moved by O.T. Olson that the tender of Calling Lake Service Unit for the purchase of the vacated log school building at Calling Lake at \$25 be accepted. Carried.²⁸ Nov. 12, 1958



The old log school building was moved one mile north of its former location, and was situated just west of the road. It was set on a full cement basement, with its row of windows facing south and the door to the east. It was used as a Community Centre and the basement was used as a Youth Centre for Boys' Club and Girls' Club meetings, as well as for Youth Night once a week. The basement was also used for entertainment such as films, games and parties.



Kindergarten classes were held in the old log building starting in February 1959, with Miss Anna Rose Nafziger as teacher. Kindergarten classes continued in the "old log school" until 1974 when Kindergarten was taken over by Northland School Division and operated as Early Childhood Services (ECS) in a trailer beside the school.

(See Appendix B : Kindergarten and ECS)

In the summer of 1959, Mr. M. Gault, Superintendent, arranged for a survey of the district, which revealed 41 families with a total of 137 children of school and pre-school age residing in the district. The estimated enrollment for the next four years seemed to be 72 to 85 pupils so he recommended a third teacher be hired for 1959-60. A committee was also set up to expedite the building of a one-room addition to the existing school.²¹

That "third teacher" hired for the 1959-60 term was Miss Olga Roskewich, who came to Calling Lake to teach grades 3, 4 and 5.

(See Appendix N: Reminiscing with Olga (Roskewich) Bizuk)

There were three teachers hired, but only two classrooms available, so once again the old log school was "taken out of retirement" to make classroom space for Mrs. Brubaker's grade 1 and 2 class. Miss Roskewich's grade 3, 4 and 5 class and Mr. Brubaker's grade 6, 7 and 8 class occupied the two-room school. Again, plans were being made for an addition to the school at Calling Lake.

THREE-ROOM SCHOOL

-1960 to 1962-

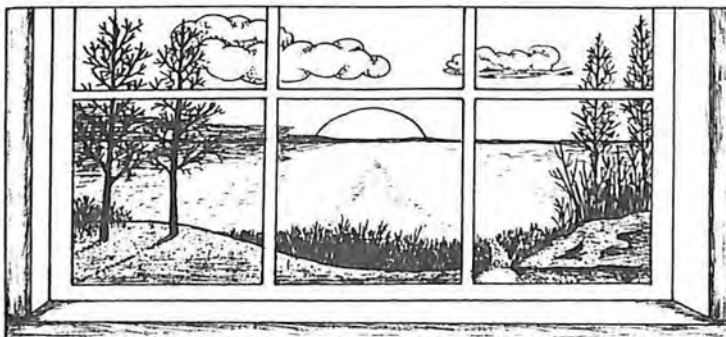
Plans were completed and work started on the third classroom in the summer of 1960. The new room was ready for the fall of 1960. The exterior of the classroom was sheathed with gray-brick asphalt siding to match the rest of the school and the front entry had been altered. There was a basement and a large cement water cistern below the new third room.



The three-room Calling Lake School, 1960.

- photo courtesy EVERGREEN 1961-62

The new classroom itself was spacious and bright. There was ample shelving and blackboard space. The three blackboards were lower than normal, a very convenient height for young children. There was linoleum on the floor and an oil heater for heat. The back of the classroom had a shelf for lunch kits across the full width of the room, and the space below the long shelf was for hanging coats. Best of all, the windows faced the west: to the road, to the lake and to the gorgeous Calling Lake sunsets which were often enjoyed by the teacher while working late to prepare lessons.



Miss Julia Yoder's grade 1 and 2 class was the first class to use the new room. Mrs. Shwaga's grade 3, 4 and 5 class occupied the "old Youngville School" classroom. Mr. Brubaker's grade 6, 7, 8 and 9 class occupied the "first addition."



Grade 3 class, 1960-61.

*Back: Evelyn Cardinal, Sharon Crawford, Larry Crawford.
Second: Robert Bissell, Elmer Nipshank, Chris Roe, Irvin Cardinal.*

Front: Mike Roe, Shelley Crawford, James Bissell, Irene Nipshank.

- Dora Shwaga photo



Grade 4 class, 1960 - 61.

Back: Raymond Yellowknee, Gilbert Cardinal, David Ellefson.

Front: Barbara Sutton, Miriam White.

- Dora Shwaga photo





Grade 5 class, 1960 - 61.

Back: Nelson Shantz, Willard Roe, Theresa Yellowknee.

Front: Christine Cardinal, Emily Yellowknee, Theresa

Crawford.

- Dora Shwaga photo

But there was still no phone, no power, no running water at Calling Lake School. Each classroom had an oil heater for heat, a container for drinking water, a portable sink with a basin for washing hands and a slop pail below it.

(See Topic N: Reminiscing with Julia Yoder)

Gilman Cardinal, then a grade nine student and janitor with his sisters Hazel and Clarice, daily carried pails of water from the lake for use at the school for drinking and washing hands.

There were school supplies for sale at the school. Even though the prices of these supplies appear low nowadays, many families in those days were unable to pay for their children's school supplies at the time the supplies were needed. A credit was extended by each classroom teacher so that students had supplies to work with, and parents paid as they were able.



Prices of school supplies have risen dramatically. The cost of a single pencil bought in 1960 at the school resale price of 4¢ now costs six times that

amount if bought at the regular price in a local drugstore. Other supplies have increased by an even greater amount:

	Sept. 1960 School resale price	Sept. 1990 Drugstore Price
pencil	4¢	\$0.24
red eraser	2¢	\$0.39
crayons (8's)	8¢	(16's) \$1.49
ruler	7¢	\$0.59
scribbler	5¢	\$0.89
coil scribbler	9¢	\$1.29
pencil crayons	35¢	\$4.99
3-ring binders	85¢	\$3.29
3-ring refills	15¢	\$1.99
straight pen	6¢	\$0.89
pen nib	2¢	\$0.19
paint box	30¢	\$2.69
paint brush	19¢	\$2.25
glue	10¢	\$0.99
re-inforcements	4¢	\$0.99

One of the highlights of the 1960-61 school year was the completion of grade nine by all the students enrolled in the class. They had passed the Provincial Grade Nine Standardized tests with marks that were higher than the average for the County of Athabasca grade nine students for that same year. On December 1, 1961 a banquet and graduation exercises were held to honor Gilman Cardinal, Cora Roe, Lorraine Roe and Joan Sutton.

(See Topic J: Grade Nine Graduates)

Interest in education continued to grow at Calling Lake; the building was relatively new and the three teachers employed remained on staff to provide for continuity. In spite of this, Calling Lake operated for only two years as a three-room school (1960 - 61 and 1961 - 62), the main reason being an increasing school population.

Meanwhile, in 1960-61, there had been developments which did not as yet affect Calling Lake School, but the consequences would be felt in the near future. It would continue to be a major influence on the school, the staff, the students and the parents at Calling Lake for many years to come.

Fortunately, the development was a breakthrough for the school's growth and progress. This development was the creation of Northland School Division No. 61.

FOUR - ROOM SCHOOL

-1962 to 1966-

On December 9, 1960, the Northland School Division No. 61 was formed. The order was issued by Hon. A.O. Aalborg, Minister of Education. Twenty school districts in northern Alberta were organized into three subdivisions and constituted the division. Pelican Mountain School District No. 5088, Desmarais School District No. 5112 and Wabasca School District No. 5113 were part of subdivision 2. The official Trustee of the newly formed division was Dr. John West Chalmers, and a temporary secretary, Robert B. Budge, was appointed. An organizational meeting was set for January 21, 1961 and the date fixed for the assets of the twenty school districts to become vested in the board of the Division was February 1, 1961.²⁹

Less than a year later, Northland School Division was operating successfully with Dr. Chalmers as Official Trustee, George Hargreaves as secretary-treasurer and Les Gue as Superintendent. Head office was in Edmonton. The new Division was already changing its boundaries, with some school districts being transferred out and other districts becoming part of the Northland School Division No. 61.

Calling Lake was one of the school districts being considered for transfer into the Northland School Division. A letter was sent in October, 1961 from Dr. Chalmers to Mr. Leskiw, Secretary - Treasurer of the County of Athabasca No. 12:

October 19, 1961

Dear Mr. Leskiw:

Re: Calling Lake School District No. 4124

As you are aware, the Northland School Division No. 61 was established at the beginning of the present school year in order to improve the educational services in isolated, impoverished northern districts where the population is largely of at least partial Indian ancestry. Primarily this division is concerned with the area bounded on the south by the Athabasca River and Lesser Slave Lake, on the west by the Peace River, on the north by the southern boundary of Fort Vermilion and the Peace River, and on the east by the Athabasca River and the McMurray line of the Northern Alberta Railway. These boundaries, of course, are only approximate, but indicate the territory where the Northland School Division No. 61 can best provide school service,

and can probably do so better than any other school division.

Also included in the Northland School Division No. 61 were several "orphan" districts outside the general area outlined above, districts which no other division at that time was prepared to accept because of their meagre or non-existent tax revenues. However, with the implementation of the School Finance Foundation Program, such districts are no longer a financial liability. It is, therefore, proposed to alter the constituency of the Northland School Division by transferring from it to other school systems certain districts which such systems could serve better than the Northland School Division can, and which the latter can serve only at undue and disproportionate amount of time and effort. It is also suggested that certain districts lying in the general area of the Northland School Division No. 61 be transferred to this Division for similar reasons.

Will you please ask your council to consider the transfer of the above district from the County of Athabasca No. 12 to Northland School Division No. 61? The transfer of this district is suggested for the following reasons:

1. The student population in this district is very comparable to that of most of the students in Northland School Division, consisting as it does largely of Indian and Metis students.

2. This district is entirely outside the boundaries of the county and is not contiguous to any other county school district.

3. This district lies on the road to Pelican Mountain School District No. 5099 and, therefore, could be supervised and administered with a minimum of trouble by the officers of Northland School Division.

4. There are cultural and religious ties presently existing between Pelican Mountain School District and Calling Lake School District. This fact might make it easier to staff each of these districts if they are in the same school division.

Yours very truly

J.W. Chalmers,

Director of School Administration ²¹

On November 2, 1961, the residents of Calling Lake were asked to vote on whether or not they wanted to become a part of the Northland School Division. They did.

On November 7, 1961, the school committee of the County of Athabasca unanimously approved the transfer.²¹

Before Calling Lake School was transferred, Northland School Division agreed to pay \$7000 plus interest, a total of \$8111.25, to the County of Athabasca No. 12. Payments were to be made over a ten-year period.²¹

A notice appeared in the *Alberta Gazette*:



The Alberta Gazette

GOVERNMENT NOTICES

SCHOOL DISTRICT TRANSFERRED

Edmonton, Tuesday, November 28, 1961.

In accordance with the provisions of section 28 of The School Act, 1955, I hereby transfer the Calling Lake School District No. 4124 from the County of Athabasca No. 12 to the Northland School Division No. 61, of the Province of Alberta, and to Subdivision No. 2 of that Division. This order shall be in effect on, from and after December 30, 1961.

T.C. BYRNE,
For Minister of Education³⁰

On January 1, 1962, Calling Lake School District No. 4124 was officially part of Northland School Division No. 61.

Things began to happen very quickly. The first change at Calling Lake was a direct benefit to the students; they no longer had to pay for their school supplies because Northland School Division supplied them free. More supplies and materials were made available to the school and plans for the future were discussed.

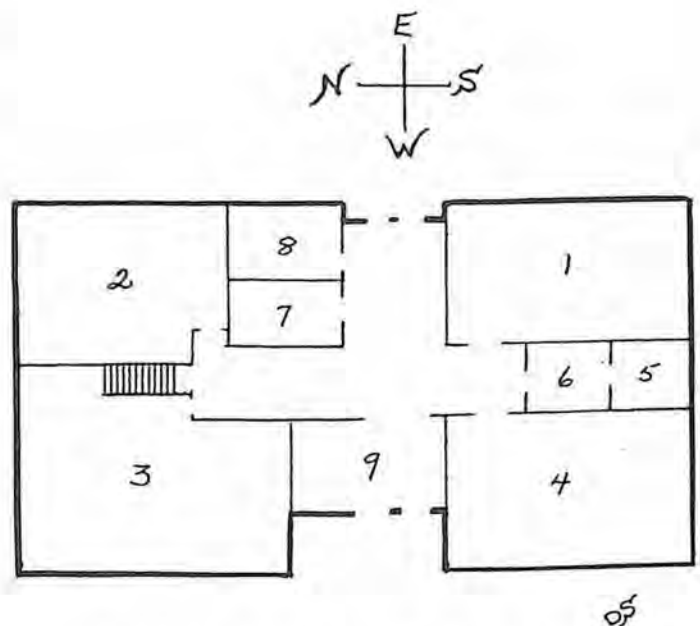
The lone teacherage also received immediate consideration when its condition was found to be "better on the outside than on the inside." The exterior, the old gray-brick asphalt siding, remained unchanged, but new furniture was provided to replace the odds and ends that constituted the teacherage furniture - which now included a propane fridge, obviously having just been moved from outside storage because there were still dried poplar leaves in the space below the food compartment. The fridge had been installed by the County maintenance workers during the Christmas holidays, to complete the list of items in the "fully furnished teacherage."

A fourth classroom was added and was completed by May, 1962. The old gray-brick asphalt siding was removed. The whole school was sheathed with vertical strips of beautiful redwood siding.



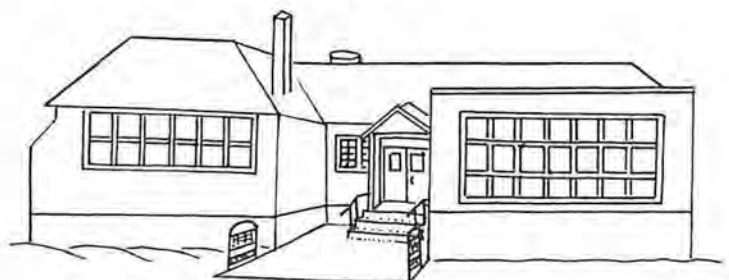
Calling Lake School as a four-room school, 1962.

- photo courtesy EVERGREEN



CALLING LAKE SCHOOL 1962-63 GENERAL FLOOR PLAN

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| 1. Classroom, Grade 4-6 | 6. Storage |
| 2. Classroom, Grade 7-10 | 7. Boys' Washroom |
| 3. Classroom, Grade 2-3 | 8. Girls' Washroom |
| 4. Classroom, Grade 1 | 9. Front Entrance |
| 5. Principal's Office | |



Sucker Creek became an attendance area in 1962 and, in May and June of that year, Mr. Gerald Mazer taught a special class of students in preparation for the fall term. Many students in that class had been unable to attend regularly, and were already over the age of 10.

It was felt that some of the students would be ready for grades other than one in the fall. There was also a large spread in the ages of students in that class. Of the students enrolled, one was 5 years old, three were 6 years of age, two were 8, one was 9, two were 11, three were 12, four were 13 and one was 15 years of age.

The students enrolled in this special grade one class were:³¹

Adeline Cardinal	Louise Cardinal
Albert Cardinal	Jeremy Cardinal
Clarence Cardinal	Johnny Cardinal
Clarence Cardinal	Robert Cardinal
Doris Cardinal	Shirley Cardinal
Elma Cardinal	Archie Powder
Garry Cardinal	Edward Powder
Lorraine Cardinal	John Watson
Louise Cardinal	

(There really were two Louise Cardinals and two Clarence Cardinals in this class.)



Special Grade 1 Class, June 1962.

Back: Shirley, Albert, Johnny, Adeline.

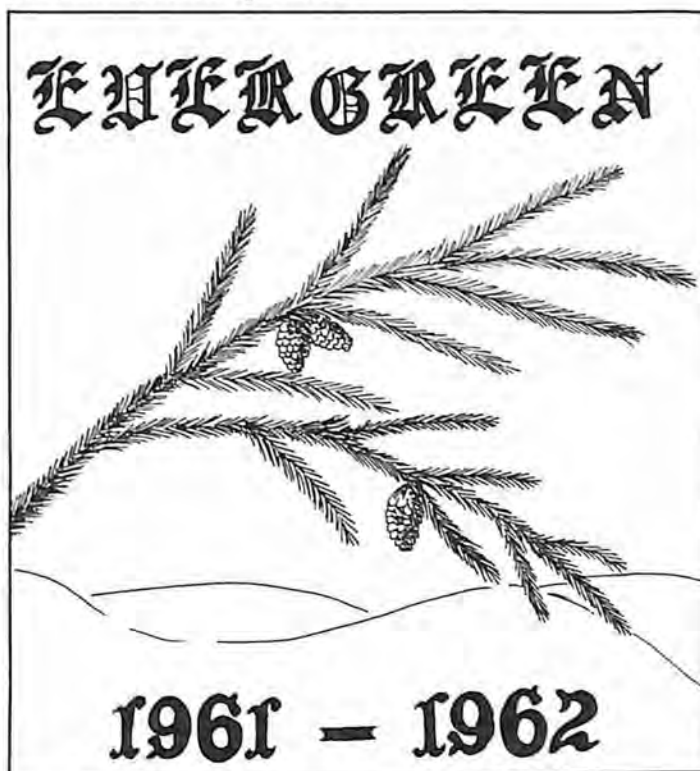
Front: John, Elma, Garry.

Teacher Mr. Mazer.

- photo courtesy *EVERGREEN*, 1961-62

The *EVERGREEN*, the first Calling Lake School

Yearbook to be produced, was completed in June, 1962. Editor was Cora Roe, assistant editor was Joan Sutton, and staff advisor was Mrs. Shwaga. About 35 copies were produced by running off the pages on the duplicator. Photos were glued in place and the books were assembled by hand.



The dedication, a surprise for Mrs. Shwaga, read:

In recognition for her initiative, energy,
guidance and leadership
in organizing and completing
- *THE EVERGREEN* -
this 1962 yearbook
is dedicated to Mrs. Shwaga.³¹

The *EVERGREEN* included a principal's message, a brief history of the Calling Lake School and pictures of the construction of the fourth classroom and of the special grade one class. Also featured were pictures and articles about the first Calling Lake Grade Nine Graduation, student activities, Hallowe'en party and Christmas concert. Advertising and a student literary section were also included.

The following poem, taken from that literary section, was written about the first American space explorer:

The blast-off was on
John Glenn was gone!
Up, up into space
Went John's little face.

by Barbara Sutton

Following are some of the student group pictures from the *EVERGREEN*, 1961-62:



Grade One and Two:

Back: Louise Gladue, Judy Logan, Linda Cardinal, Connie Crawford, Yvonne Cardinal, Gerald Auger, Rena Gambler, Rose Gambler.

Middle: Marlene Gagnon, Hazel Cardinal, Roy Decoine, Barbara Nipshank, Leo Jacobs, Vina Gladue.

Front: Barbara Jacobs, Carol Crawford, Gloria Gladue, Joe Crawford, Kenny Sutton, Bobby Cardinal, Arlie Roe, Clifford Knoblock, Roy Jacobs.



Grade Six:

Theresa Crawford, Willard Roe, Christine Cardinal



Grades Three, Four and Five:

Row 4: Gilbert Cardinal, Evelyn Cardinal, David Ellefson, Gladys Cardinal, Mrs. Shwaga.

Row 3: Irene Nipshank, Sharon Crawford, Miriam White, Elizabeth Jacobs, Barbara Sutton

Row 2: Irvin Cardinal, Rolly Logan, Larry Crawford, Elmer Nipshank, Larry Cardinal, Chris Roe.

Row 1: Kenneth White, Mike Roe, Janet Crawford, Shelley Crawford, Colleen Knoblock.



Grade Seven:

Bernice Nipshank, Ruth Ann White, Howard Roe, Agnes Cardinal.



Grade Eight:

Wendy Ellefson, Margaret Nipshank.





Grade Nine:
Hazel Cardinal, Judy Sutton, Alice Auger, Linda Ellefson, Clarice Cardinal.

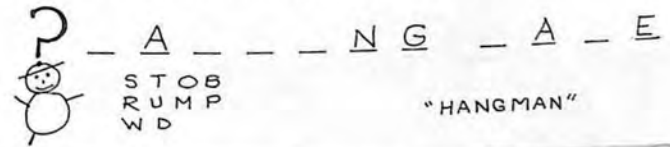


Staff:
Gerald Mazer, Raymond Brubaker, Julia Yoder, Theodora Shwaga.



Grade Ten by Correspondence:
Cora Roe, Joan Sutton.

A new teacherage was added for the 1962-63 school year. School renovations took place. New oil furnaces in the basement replaced the old oil burning heaters in the classrooms. Water and sewer systems were installed in the school and in the teacherages. A small power plant was brought in and later a portable "powerhouse" was set up beside the highway to serve the school and the teacherages. The power line from Athabasca was "hooked up" in November, 1966.

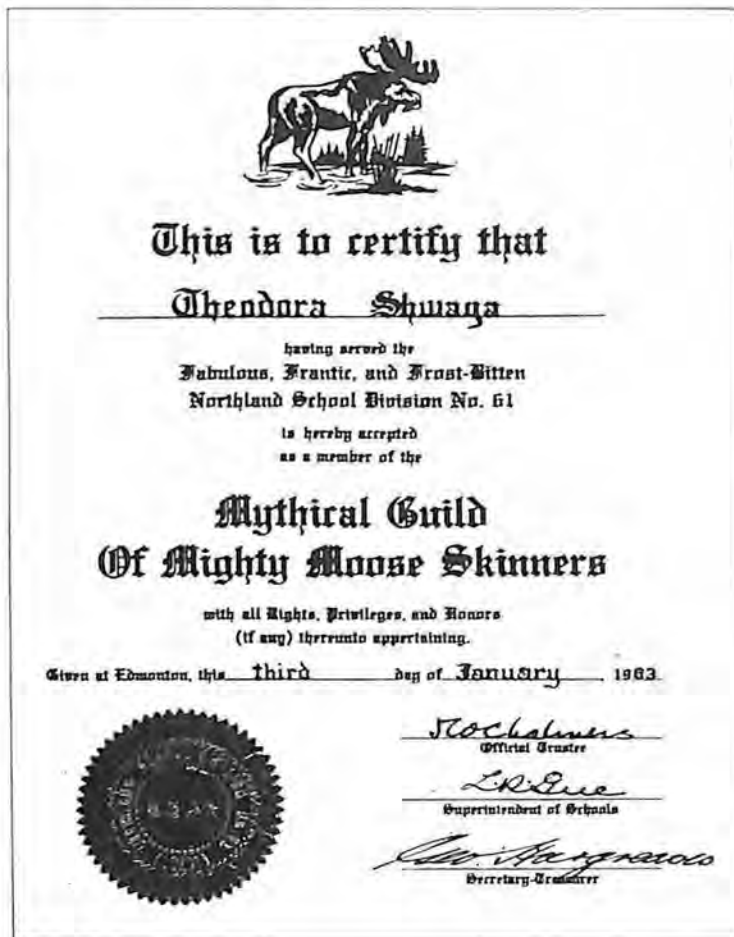
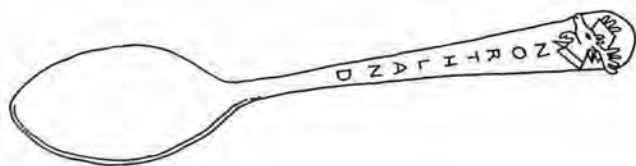


School buildings at Calling Lake, 1963.
L-R: Garage, brown teacherage (Yoder), turquoise teacherage (Kornelsen), gray teacherage (Shwaga), four-room school.
 - photo courtesy Dora Shwaga

The moose had been chosen as a symbol of the Northland School Division and an official logo was developed to appear on letterheads, envelopes, report cards and all manner of Northland items.



Working for the Northland School Division in the early 60's was enjoyable. Staff morale was kept high and there were always unexpected surprises as the moose, the Northland symbol, sprang up on a variety of cards, pins, diplomas and even on a convention token, a Northland coffee spoon, given to each Northland teacher present.



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A special event for Calling Lake School was planned in January, 1963. For the nearly 100 students who participated, it encouraged a positive feeling of pride in their school. Although it was an informal event, the official opening of the fourth classroom marked an important stage in the growth of Calling Lake School. The following write-up appeared in the school yearbook:

An "official opening" for the new fourth room was held on January 25, 1963. Students from all the classrooms congregated at the north end of the hallway and faced the south end, where a ribbon was stretched from the new classroom to the door of the classroom across from it.

Guests present were Father Eugene Fournier, Ike Glick, Peter Gambler, Mr. and Mrs. McPherson and Thomas Auger. After the students sang the song "Our School", Mr. Les Gue, Superintendent, spoke about the reasons for having an official opening of the school.

The ribbon was cut by Peter Gambler and Father Fournier gave the blessing of the new classroom. The ceremonies concluded with the singing of "God Save The Queen".³²



Grade Two Class, 1962-63.

Left: Virginia Gambler, Hazel Cardinal, Barbie Nipshank, Yvonne Cardinal, Barbie Jacobs, Leo Jacobs, Clifford Knoblock, Bobby Cardinal, Joe Crawford.

- photo courtesy EVERGREEN



Cutting the ribbon.

Peter Gambler, Father Fournier,
Far left - Ike Glick.

- photo courtesy EVERGREEN 1962-63



Grade Two Class, 1962-63.

Left: Carol Crawford, Susann Shwaga, Louise Cardinal, Johnny Cardinal, Ronald Cardinal, Roy Jacobs, Kenny Sutton, Arlie Roe.

- photo courtesy EVERGREEN



Grade Three Class, 1962-63.

*Back: Felix Decoine, Rena Gambler, Louise Gladue.
Middle: Ronald Gambler, Connie Crawford, Judy Logan,
Rose Gambler.
Front: John Glick, Linda Cardinal.*

- photo courtesy EVERGREEN

Ernie Gambler would bring his guitar to school and often at noon hour, he would entertain his friends with music and song.

(With continued interest, Ernie's musical talents developed and he formed a band. His Glory Road Band provided music for the evening dance at the October 20, 1989 Grande Opening of Calling Lake School.)



Ernie Gambler and Willard Roe, 1962-63.

- photo Courtesy EVERGREEN

The first grade ten class to be taught at Calling Lake was in 1962-63. The teacher was Mr. Henry Kornelsen. Although grade ten correspondence courses were taken at Calling Lake School, grade ten was not taught again until the fall of 1989 when there were 12 students enrolled (October 1989); the teacher was Mr. David Newman.



Grade Ten Class, 1962-63.

*Hazel Cardinal, Alice Auger, Judy Sutton, Linda Ellefson,
Clarice Cardinal.*

- photo courtesy EVERGREEN



Grade One Class, 1963-64.

Back row: Marleen Gambler, Carolyn Gladue, Sandra Gambler, Roy Auger, John Watson, Leon Roe.

*Front row: Dean Cardinal, Craig Crawford, Doris Cardinal,
Percy Gambler, Kenneth Cardinal, David Knoblock.*

- photo courtesy EVERGREEN

Calling Lake School is the best!



Grade Two Class, 1963-64.

Back: Garry Cardinal, Edward Powder, Jeremy Cardinal, Clarence Gambler.

Front: Elma Cardinal, Dorothy Cardinal, Allan Bigstone.

- photo courtesy EVERGREEN



Grade Three Class, 1963-64.

Back: Yvonne Cardinal, Adeline Cardinal, Archie Powder.

Third: Ralph Bigstone, Robert Cardinal, Bobby Cardinal.

Second: Donelda Cardinal, Louise Cardinal, Gloria Gladue.

Front: Joe Crawford.

- photo courtesy EVERGREEN



Grade Two Class, 1963-64.

Back: David Shwaga, Clarence Cardinal, Charlie Gambler, Chester Gambler.

Middle: Ambrose Jacobs.

Second: Gladys Cardinal, Vina Gladue.

Front: Donna Jacobs.

- photo courtesy EVERGREEN



New Swings.

-photo courtesy EVERGREEN



New Seesaws.

-photo courtesy EVERGREEN.

Calling Lake School had certainly progressed under the direction of Northland School Division. Forgotten now were the years of the old log one-room school and the hardships that had been endured.

School was a very positive experience and the growth and progress of Calling Lake School was unmistakably evident. The school served 103 students, grades one to nine in 1964 - 65, and as early as the following year, would serve over 120 students.

SIX - ROOM SCHOOL

-1966 to 1974-

For the 1965-66 term, a fifth staff member was hired, as the predicted increase in attendance had materialized. Plans were again being made for an addition. Meanwhile, there were five teachers hired but only four classrooms available.

The grade five and six class temporarily used the hallway as their classroom. There seemed to be no other alternative but to again take the old log school "out of retirement."

By November, necessary arrangements and repairs were completed, and once again, a grade one class occupied the old log school (now called the Community Centre).



Grade One Girls, 1965-66.

Back: Vina Cardinal, Carolyn Roe, Iris Gladue, Lillian Gladue.

Front: Betty Cardinal, Bonnie Gambler, Annie Auger, Mae Gambler.

- photo courtesy EVERGREEN



Grade One Boys, 1965-66.

Back: Alvin Cardinal, John Beaver, John Gambler, Michael Cardinal, Allen Cardinal, Wilford Cardinal, Glen Shwaga.

Front: Elvin Cardinal, George Bigstone, Alphonse Gambler, Gerald Laroche, Ernie Crawford.

- photo courtesy EVERGREEN

The 1965-66 term was the final one as a schoolroom for the old log building.

The old log school had served Calling Lake well. It was used 21 years (from 1932-33 to 1952-53) as a one-room school. Then it was taken "out of retirement" to provide extra classroom space for two years more (1956-67 and 1957-58). After it was moved, it was used another two years to accommodate grade one classes (1959-60 and 1965-66). This totalled 25 years of service as a schoolroom. Besides being used as a Community Centre, it functioned about 12 years as a kindergarten building - a total of 37 years dedicated to education at Calling Lake.

The old log school building is still standing today (1989), one mile north of Calling Lake School. Although windowless and vacant, it proudly rests on the hillside overlooking the lake, where it had been relocated about 30 years earlier. Like the sturdy pioneers who were responsible for its construction, it remains as a reminder of the legacy and history of the Calling Lake School District.



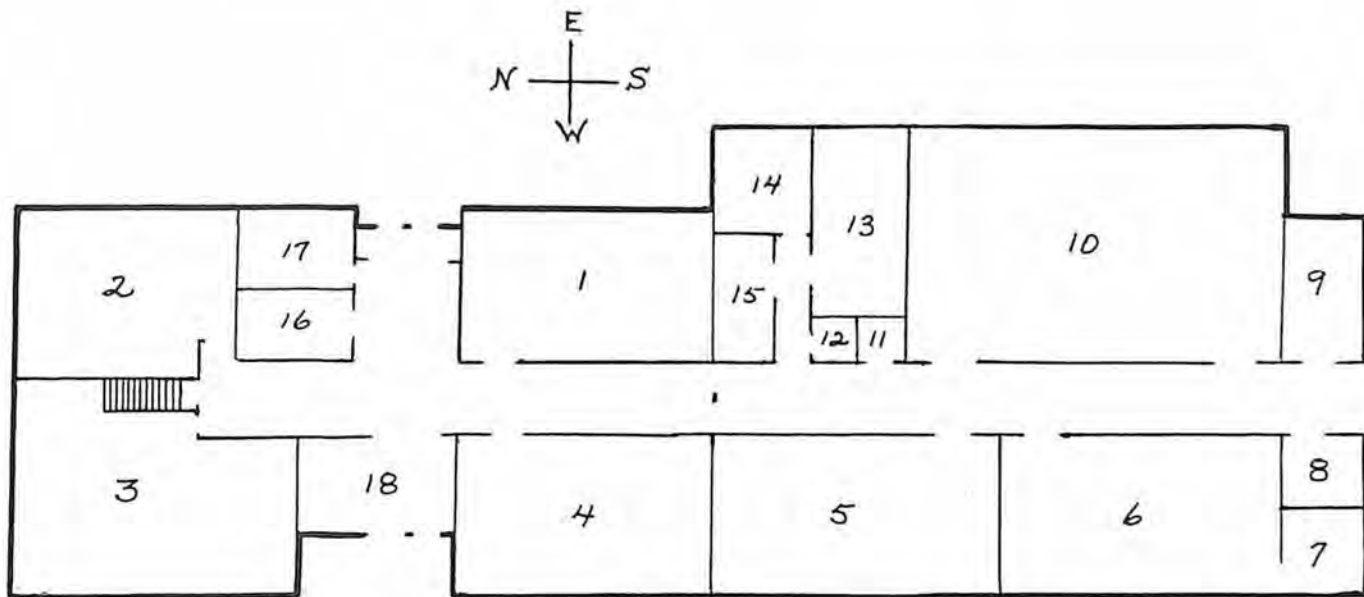
The "old log school" stands vacant, Oct. 1989.

- photo courtesy Anna Cooper

Unfortunately, the old log school was burned down as a Halloween prank in about 1992.

It was in the late fall of 1965 that construction began on another addition to Calling Lake School.

The sum of \$115,173 was borrowed by Northland School Division to erect a classroom, a science room and science storage room, staffroom and principal's office, storage room, two washrooms, caretaker's room, furnace room, and an activity room as well as



CALLING LAKE SCHOOL 1966 - 67. GENERAL FLOOR PLAN.

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alterations and renovations in the existing building. Water and sewer systems were installed for the addition, and some landscaping was done. The construction continued under a plastic dome throughout the winter. The cement block addition was completed in the spring of 1966 and painted blue on the outside. The exterior of the existing four-room school was also repainted.

schoolyard. Then Northland School Division cleared more trees and expanded the school yard to the east. The grounds were fenced with new wire fencing.



The new six-room school, completed in 1966
- photo courtesy EVERGREEN 1967 - 68



Construction of the cement block addition
- photo courtesy EVERGREEN 1967 - 68

1967 was Canada's Centennial Year, and a variety of centennial year projects were planned and carried out all across the country.

The centennial year project at Calling Lake School was compiling a history of the community of Calling Lake, to be published in the *EVERGREEN*, the school yearbook.

The cover sketch was drawn by Miriam White.



The Dedication read:⁹

VOLUME VI
 the "Centennial year" issue
 of the *EVERGREEN*
 is dedicated to
THE PIONEERS OF OUR COMMUNITY
 who with axe, trap and net
 helped open up and develop
 our Community, CALLING LAKE.

Throughout the *EVERGREEN* were five-color sketches featuring the special yearbook characters, Mr. and Mrs. Pioneer:



- sketch by Miriam White

A short explanation. "About Our Cover," read: Bruce the Moose (1963-64), Tina the Swan (1964-65) and Sammy Squirrel (1965-66), our past Yearbook characters, watched with keen interest as Mr. and Mrs. Pioneer (1966-67), invaded their former territory in the *EVERGREEN*.

They watched as Mr. and Mrs. Pioneer began to utilize available resources and planned the layout.

They marvelled at the perseverance of these new Yearbook characters, who would not give up, though it seemed their task was endless.

They offered encouragement to look to the future, when the gigantic project would finally be completed.

The past Yearbook characters, together with Mr. and Mrs. Pioneer, now present to you this Centennial Year edition of the *EVERGREEN*."

The following sketches of the Yearbook characters mentioned above are a sample of the beautiful student artwork that appeared in those editions of the *EVERGREEN*.



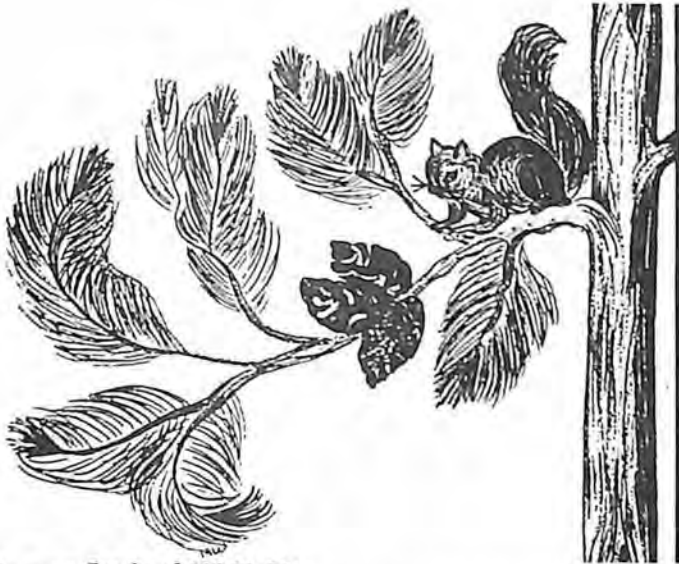
Bruce the Moose (1963-64).

- sketch by Elmer Nipshank



Tina the Swan (1964-65).

- sketch by Miriam White



Sammy Squirrel (1965-66).

- sketch by Miriam White

The 1966-67 Yearbook Staff was:⁹

- Editor: Miriam White.
- Assistant Editor: Sharon Crawford
- Staff Advisors: Mrs. Shwaga, Mrs. Crow.
- Student Advisor: Barbie Sutton.
- Social Editors: Irene Nipshank, Elizabeth Jacobs.
- Photographers: Mr. Burkholder, Mr. Crow, Miss Yoder.
- Artists: Miriam White, Elmer Nipshank, Kenneth White, Irvin Cardinal, Gladys Cardinal, Rena Gambler.
- Ads: Kenneth White, Irvin Cardinal, John Glick, Mr. Burkholder, Mr. Crow, Mrs. Shwaga, Miriam White, Sharon Crawford.
- Subscriptions: Irene Nipshank, Elizabeth Jacobs, John Glick.
- Typing: Miriam White, Mr. Burkholder, Mrs. Shwaga, Mr. Johnson.
- Assembly Helpers: Linda Cardinal, Barbie Jacobs, Elizabeth Jacobs, Susann Shwaga.

Miriam White, the editor, devoted many hours of hard work to this edition of the *EVERGREEN*. She worked to develop a format, encouraged other students to complete their assigned tasks and also prepared many of the drawings and transferred them to the master sheets, ready to be run off on the duplicator. She completed items for the history section, helped collect subscriptions, typed some of the master pages and contributed the editorial.

The Editorial read:

The 1966-67 *EVERGREEN* is special in many ways. This is the Centennial year edition of the Yearbook and through it we can look back upon our years as a community. The older folks of Calling Lake have made priceless contributions to the history section and because of their help, we present an unforgettable heritage.

This year's *EVERGREEN* is also unique in the amount of time it took to complete. More hours of work were spent on it than on any previous edition, and if the amount of work affects quality, this edition should be the greatest!

Special mention goes to Elizabeth, Linda, Susann and Barbie J. for their help in duplicating, pasting pictures and assembling the pages. It goes without saying that Mrs. Shwaga has again done more than her share of work in every section. As editor, I wish to express my thanks to the Yearbook staff and to all who have helped.

Miriam White⁹

The "Centennial Year" edition of the *EVERGREEN* took a year and a half to complete. One hundred thirty-five copies were produced, each one hand assembled after the pages were run off on a duplicator and photographs were glued in place.



Assembling the "Centennial Year" edition of the EVERGREEN are Mrs. Shwaga, Barbie Jacobs, Elizabeth Jacobs, Susann Shwaga.

- photo courtesy *EVERGREEN* 1967-68.

The first *EVERGREEN* had been produced in 1961-62. Mrs. Shwaga was the first staff advisor, and continued as staff advisor until the completion of the Centennial Year edition in 1966-67.

Mr. Keith Johnson and Mrs. Kathy Johnson served as staff advisors for the 1967-68 and the 1968-69 editions. Further volumes were not produced until 1972-73, when Mr. Frank Blonke was the staff advisor and the last edition of the *EVERGREEN* was produced by his grade seven and eight class.



1966-67 Staff:

Back: Mr. Bob Crow, Mrs. Joyce Amstutz (substitute teacher), Mr. Harvey Burkholder.

Front: Mrs. Trudy Crow, Mrs. Theodora Shwaga, Miss Julia Yoder.

- photo courtesy *EVERGREEN*



1966-67 Grade One Class.

Back: Annie Auger, Alma Cardinal, Clarice Gladue, Dennis Cardinal, Carol Nipshank, Jill Jantzi, George Bigstone, Hubert Auger.

Front: Ricky Cardinal, Connie Cardinal, Isadore Jacobs, Eric Glick, Betty Auger, Larry Gambler.

- photo courtesy *EVERGREEN*

In 1966-67, the grade 2 and 3 class in Room 3 made stick puppets and invited other classes to see their puppet show, "Catching Tails." They also had a "TV box" and took turns acting as TV announcers, usually beginning with these words: "Good afternoon, boys and girls. This is channel 3, Calling Lake." They were all very busy producing story filmstrips and using their TV box as a "projector." The grade 2 class showed their filmstrip "Lazy Jack" in the gym to all the students, while grade two student, Mae Gambler told the story.



Grade Two students hold their "filmstrip" just to pose for a picture.

Back: Alvin Cardinal, Allen Cardinal, Gerald Laroche, Vina Cardinal, Alphonse Gambler, Lillian Gladue, Iris Gladue.

Front: Carolyn Roe, Lori Crawford, Betty Cardinal, Glen Shwaga, Elvin Cardinal, Allen Jacobs.

- photo courtesy *EVERGREEN*

In 1966-67 the grade 3 and 4 class made a display of dolls around the world. They produced a short play "The Cap with the Blue Tassel" and invited other classes to see it.



Mrs. Trudy Crow and the Grade 3 and 4 class, 1966-67.

Front: Allan Bigstone, Dean Cardinal, Danny Cardinal, Darrel White, Jan Glick, Donna Logan, Gloria Cardinal.

Middle: Carolyn Gladue, Carolyn Shwaga, Joe Jantzi, Julie Jantzi, Patricia Gambler, Dorothy Cardinal, George Auger.

Back: Sandra Gambler, Marvin Nipshank, Leon Roe, John Watson, Roy Auger.

- photo courtesy *EVERGREEN*



Grade One Girls, 1967-68.

Back: Beatrice Gladue, Sylvia Gladue, Corinne Howells, Clarice Gladue, Jean Laroche.

Front: Cecelia Bigstone, Laura Smith, Brenda Jacobs, Linda Houle, Laura Cardinal.

- photo courtesy EVERGREEN

language project involving tape recorders and language masters. Miss Yoder, Mrs. Shwaga and Mrs. Johnson worked at setting up oral language activities, making language master cards, preparing materials for oral language use, as well as pretesting and post-testing the students involved.



Mrs. Johnson teaches grade four student, Betty Cardinal, how to record her voice on a language master, 1969-70.

- Harvey Burkholder photo

Sets of language master cards were hand-lettered by the teachers and often included colored illustrations glued on for visual comprehension and to create interest. Many sets of language master cards were developed to aid in teaching enunciation, vocabulary, rhymes, phonics, beginning and ending sounds, number words, shapes, color words and many other practical categories.



Grade One Boys, 1967-68.

Back: Fred Gambler, Richard Cardinal, Gerald Shwaga.

Front: Calvin Gambler, Rodney Adams, Jack Cardinal, Gerald Johnson.

- photo courtesy EVERGREEN

In 1969-70, Mr. David Mallinder, and the following year, Mr. Brian Traynor, were hired as extra teachers to give preparation time, so that the three primary teachers could work on a special oral



The language master cards shown are part of a set of story vocabulary cards that were used for the grade two reader "Around the Corner."

- Harvey Burkholder photo

A small group of students could work together, studying difficult words or reviewing word vocabulary before the oral reading of their story.



Grade 2 students, 1969 - 70, used the language master to study words.

Kathy Jantzi, Neil Shwaga, Kerry Jantze, Leo Cardinal, Armin Burkholder, Randy Auger.

- Harvey Burkholder photo

A group of students could listen to a story or could practice reading together by "reading along" with a story that was taped by the teacher.



Grade 4 students, 1969 - 70.

*Far Left: Rosemary Knapp, Alma Cardinal, Betty Cardinal.
Far Right: Dennis Cardinal, Connie Cardinal, Larry Gambler, Jill Jantzi.*

Notice the reel-to-reel tape recorder being used.

- Harvey Burkholder photo

A presentation about the pilot project at Calling Lake School was made at a Teacher's Conference and aroused much interest. Unfortunately, funding was a problem, and similar projects were not introduced in later years to other Northland Schools.

In 1971 - 72, for the first time at Calling Lake School, two paraprofessionals were added to the

staff, Clarice Cardinal as teacher aide and Lorraine Villeneuve as counsellor aide. The following year, the staff increased to nine members when Larry Cardinal was employed as the school's first secretary.

Students at Calling Lake were showing continued interest in completing their education. In the fall of 1970, a bus route to Athabasca had been established so that students could live at home rather than board out while attending high school. In 1972 - 73, the grade nine class attended Athabasca for the first time, riding the school bus on its 140 km (or more) return trip.

(See Topic G: Travelling to School)

In 1972-73, Calling Lake School District No. 4124 was 50 years old. Calling Lake School operated then as a six-room school, with Mr. Frank Blonke as principal.



The final edition of the *EVERGREEN* was produced by Mr. Blonke and his class in 1972-73. The cover was a sketch by Larry Gambler.



The dedication to Julia Yoder, read in part:
Miss Yoder is leaving Calling Lake to return to

Pennsylvania after having taught grade one here for thirteen consecutive years.

A dedicated teacher, she has inspired dozens and dozens of beginners to take pride in themselves and their work. She has given her students much encouragement and many happy memories.

One of her former pupils remembers Miss Yoder this way:

"Happiness is a teacher with long red hair
That she pins in a bun.
Who made happy faces and big red stars
When I was grade one".

The following 12 class pictures are from that Yearbook, *EVERGREEN* 1972-73.



The oldest students that historic year were Mr. Frank Blonke's grade eight class:

Back: Gerald Laroche, Leonard Houle, Mae Gambler, Patricia Gambler.

Front: Earl Logan, Eddie Gauthier, Carolyn Roe, Joyce Bigstone.



Mr. Blonke's grade seven class:

Back: Charles Cardinal, Larry Gambler, Connie Cardinal, Carol Nipshank.

Front: Alvin Cardinal, Lori Crawford, Betty Cardinal, Sylvia Auger.

Other students were:



Mr. Amos Darbasie's grade six class:

Back: Gerald Johnson, Walter Blonke, Keith Warriner, Mark Foster, Brenda Jacobs.

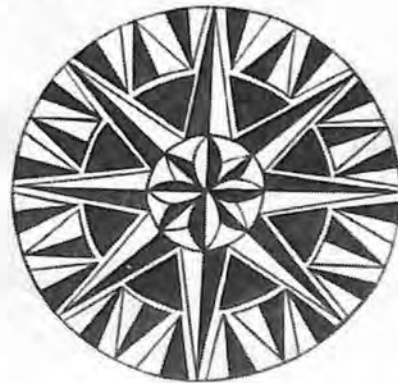
Front: Iris Gladue, Jean Laroche, Corinne Howells, Ricky Cardinal.



Mr. Darbasie's grade five class:

Back: Jack Cardinal, Leo Cardinal, Lillian Warriner, Jean Cardinal, Iona Blonke, Donna Cardinal.

Front: Alma Cardinal, Geneva Logan, Pauline Gambler, Calvin Gambler, Hubert Auger.



Artwork by Earl Logan, grade 8.



Mr. Alvin Hershberger's grade four girls:

Back: Rose Gladue, Paricia Howells, Marilyn Jacobs, Linda Gladue.

Front: Carol Jacobs, Brenda Cardinal, Doris Cardinal.



Miss Paulette Frere's grade three girls:

Back: Marcella Villeneuve, Tracey Carlson, Sandra Crawford, Deborah Gambler.

Front: Verna Gambler, Lorraine Cardinal, Pearl Gambler.



Mr. Hershberger's grade four boys:

Back: Daryl Cardinal, Dean Foster, Bruce Gambler, Brian Nipshank.

Front: Randy Auger, William Auger.



Miss Frere's grade three boys:

Back: Charles Houle, Warren Gladue, Noel Knapp, Alvin Cardinal.

Front: Johnny Cardinal, Randy Jacobs, Jamie MacFarlane, Brian Laroche.



X-rays on Treaty Day, 1973 in the gym at Calling Lake School.



Treaty Day at Calling Lake School. May 28, 1973.



Mrs. Theodora Shwaga's grade two girls:
Back: Rachel Cardinal, Loretta Gladue, Valerie Jacobs, Shirley Howells, Karen Foster.
Middle: Norma Cardinal, Rhonda Nipshank, Charlene Jacobs, Pamela Amstutz.
Front: Medodi Knapp, Valerie Cardinal.



Miss Julia Yoder's grade one girls:
Back: Cynthia Hershberger, Darlene Cardinal, Marlene Cardinal, Hilda Nadeau.
Front: Carla Cardinal, Annette Cardinal, Shanon Jacobs.



Mrs. Shwaga's grade two boys:
Back: Dennis Auger, August Cardinal, Ross Cardinal.
Front: Ivan Villeneuve, Ian Carlson, Leonard Cardinal.



Miss Yoder's grade one boys:
Back: Russell Cardinal, Gerald Gambler, Barry Jacobs, Donald Bigstone, Michael MacFarlane.
Front: Fred Gladue, Nelson Laroche, Gordon Gambler, Don Gladue, Earl Gambler.



COPIED FROM 1972-73 "EVERGREEN."

There was continued growth and interest in education at Calling Lake School in the early 1970's. Although the school building seemed large and contained six classrooms, the office, storage and work areas were inadequate and inconveniently located and there was no space available for the counsellor aide's office. Plans which were underway for relocating and expanding the office area would decrease to five the number of classrooms in the existing building; but if more space was needed, portable classrooms could be brought in to provide space for the new programs which were also being planned for Calling Lake School.



FIVE-ROOM SCHOOL PLUS PORTABLES

-1974 to 1988-

The 1970's and 1980's brought numerous changes, new programs and improvements to Calling Lake School. Renovations took place, which provided more office space, more washrooms, and allowed for the beginning of a school shower program. Grade nine students were bussed to Edwin Parr Composite High School in Athabasca where they could benefit from a wider selection of options, and for the Calling Lake students, new programs were added. ECS and Special Education were started and, for the junior high, there were new options, Home Economics and Industrial Arts. A library was started and the kiln which was purchased offered many students their first experience with ceramics. The hot lunch program proved to be a great benefit to all students, and had a positive effect on school attendance. Education North provided a variety of new learning experiences for many students, for the involved parents, and other community members.

Author's Note:

Because of the variety and significance of these improvements and programs, an appendix was created for this book to feature some of the more important topics. The same programs are covered only briefly in the present chapter, and more information can be obtained by referring to the relevant topic sections. Many photos also are included in the appendix.

With the new programs and renovations at Calling Lake School, it was an exciting time of continual growth and change. There were planned activities so that children could "learn by doing." There were also the exciting traditional yearly events; the Christmas Concert, Hallowe'en, Valentines Day and Easter parties, there were clubs, field trips, contests and school awards as well as the school picnic and sports day. Events like these have always been important to students and they will be remembered as "special times".

*(See Topic A:
Special Times; Children Learn By Doing)*

Starting in the fall of 1974, the kindergarten program was operated by Northland School Division as the Early Childhood Services (ECS) program, in a portable classroom just behind the school. It was quite a novelty to see the students, usually older brothers and sisters, run to the portable at the beginning of a break to meet the ECS students and escort them to the playground, encouraging the preschoolers to join in their games. After the bell rang at the end of the break, the students would escort the ECS pupils back to their portable. After school, there was the same concern for the ECS students in making sure that they were on the correct homeward-bound bus. Mathilda Logan, who had been teaching the Calling Lake Kindergarten program, was the first ECS instructor at Calling Lake.

(See Topic B: Kindergarten and ECS)

Special Education classes were also started in the fall of 1974, with Mrs. Grace Hodgson as the first Special Education teacher at Calling Lake School. She was the first fully-trained native teacher hired at Calling Lake.

(See Topic C: Special Education)



Grade Five and Six Class, 1974 - 75.

Back: Randy Jacobs, Johnny Cardinal, William Auger, Randy Auger, Richard Gambler, Brian Nipshank, Dean Foster, Bruce Gambler, Thomas Bigstone.

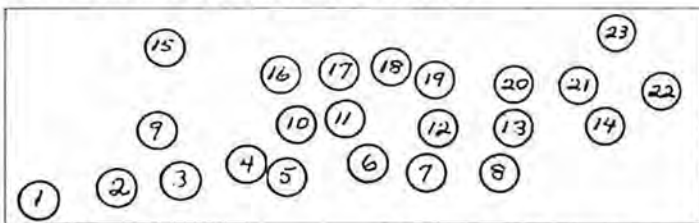
Middle: Sandra Crawford, Tracey Carlson, Brenda Cardinal, Doris Cardinal, Deanna Hodgson, Carol Jacobs, Annette Cardinal, Pearl Auger, Doreen Bigstone.

Front: Deborah Gambler, Patty Howells, Audrey Cardinal, Lorna Johnson, Rose Gladue, Linda Gladue, Pearl Gambler.

- photo courtesy Alvin Hershberger



Grade Two and Three Class, 1974-1975.



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| 1. Delbert Loonskin | 13. Roxanne Cardinal |
| 2. Russell Cardinal | 14. Earl Gambler |
| 3. Rose Houle | 15. Mrs. Shwaga |
| 4. Cynthia Hershberger | 16. Fred Gladue |
| 5. Jeffrey Hershberger | 17. Don Gladue |
| 6. Marlene Cardinal | 18. Nelson Laroche |
| 7. Hilda Nadeau | 19. Shanon Jacobs |
| 8. Darlene Cardinal | 20. Marcia Hodgson |
| 9. Douglas Bigstone | 21. Michelle Amstutz |
| 10. Freda Loonskin | 22. Michael MacFarlane |
| 11. Luci Hodgson | 23. Gladys Cardinal - |
| 12. Trudy Carlson | teacher aid |
- photo courtesy Dora Shwaga

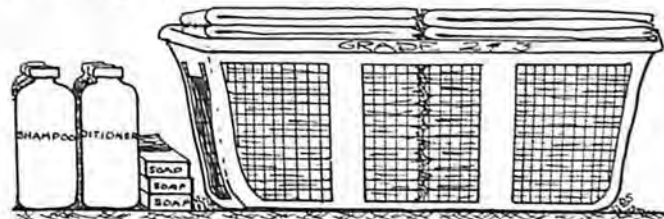
Improvements in the Calling Lake School building continued. The grade one portable was set up. The former "fourth classroom", used by the grade one class for many years, was altered to provide for a new principal's office, outer office for the secretary, a staff room, a teachers' workroom (later divided again for a counsellor-aide's office) and a nurse's room.

A library was established, but a librarian was not hired until 1983.

(See Topic E: Library)

The washrooms were expanded to include a shower stall in each of the two junior high washrooms. A shower program was set up whereby students could shower at school once a week as well as just wash their hair at another time. During the second year of the shower program and until the present (1990), fund raising, under the direction of

Mrs. Shwaga, paid for the towels, shampoo, conditioner, blow dryers, laundry baskets and later the laundry soap for approximately 100 students enrolled at Calling Lake School.



The School Lunch Program started in 1974 in the old community hall, directly north of the school. In 1981, a trailer was set up beside the school for the hot lunch program. The program was a very obvious benefit to all the students and it provided for some community members, a chance for employment within their own community.

(See Topic F: School Lunch Program)

In 1977, a kiln was bought for the school, and some beautiful ceramics projects were completed under the guidance of Le Larsen and Bert King. The kiln was also used for student ceramics work under the Education North project at Calling Lake School in 1982 and 1983.

(See Topic I: Education North)



Grade Two and Three Class, 1977 - 78.

Back: Monica Hershberger, Darlene Gambler, Irvin Boskoyous, Chris Cardinal, Theresa Cardinal, Linda Bigstone, Barry Cardinal, Lenora Prather.

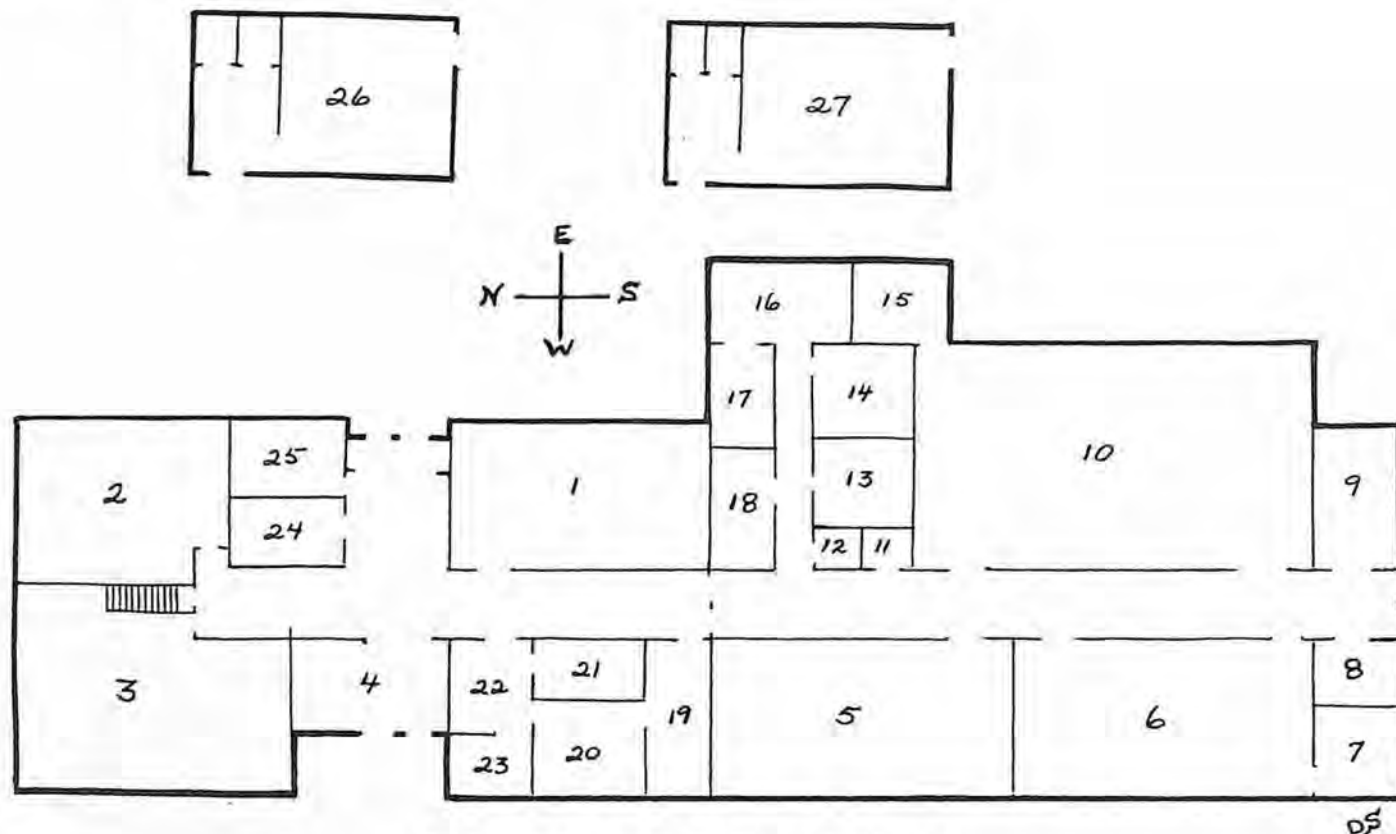
Middle: Derek Nipshank, Glenda Cardinal, Mark Gambler, Cecil Auger, Brian Cardinal, Mildred Cardinal, Leona Cardinal, Herman Cardinal.

Front: Claudia Cardinal, Kevin Prather, Bernard Cardinal, Monica Gladue, Corinne Boskoyous, Harold Gladue, Alex Yellowbird.

- photo courtesy Alvin Hershberger

Home Economics and Industrial Arts were offered on a small scale to the junior high students in the 1970's. The students were involved in a variety of cooking, woodwork and craft projects. The gym was used for Industrial Arts and the old lunchroom kitchen was used for the cooking portion of the Home Economics program. Later two Singer sewing machines were purchased for the school and students learned the basics of sewing. Crafts, such as knitting, crochet, and macrame were taught and District Home Economist, Coreene Dupilka, presented several interesting classes to the girls.

When the old lunchroom kitchen was no longer available, the Home Economics class was split and a teacherage was used for the cooking class while the sewing class worked in the Special Education classroom. All students enjoyed the trade when, for four weeks, the girls did woodwork and the boys took cooking. A highlight of the Home Economics class was a spring supper which was planned, prepared and served by the Home Economics students for their parents and grandparents.



**CALLING LAKE SCHOOL 1977-78
GENERAL FLOOR PLAN**

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| 1. Classroom, grade 4-5 | 15. Gym storage |
| 2. Special Education classroom | 16. Staff workroom |
| 3. Classroom, grade 2-3 | 17. Storage |
| 4. Front entrance and boot room | 18. Storage |
| 5. Classroom, grade 5-6 | 19. Library and materials |
| 6. Classroom, grade 7-8 | 20. Staffroom |
| 7. Storage | 21. Nurse's room |
| 8. Caretaker's storage | 22. Outer office |
| 9. Furnace room | 23. Principal's office |
| 10. Physical activities room | 24. Boys' washroom |
| 11. Men's washroom | 25. Girls' washroom |
| 12. Ladies' washroom | 26. ECS portable |
| 13. Girls' washroom and showers | 27. Grade 1-2 portable |
| 14. Boys' washroom and showers | |



Grade Four and Five Class, 1977 - 78.

Back: Mr. Wansbrough, Shawn Auger, Gerald Gambler, Nelson Laroche, Donnie Cardinal, Ronnie Boskoyous.

Middle: Spencer Cardinal, Delbert Gambler, Armin Cardinal, Dwayne Jacobs, Bernie Cardinal.

Front: Gina Gladue, Darlene Cardinal, Linda Johnson, Eunice Cardinal, Audrey Laroche, Carla Cardinal, Bernice Cardinal.

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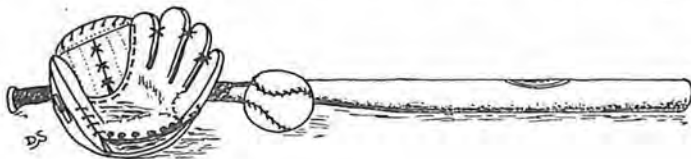
Grade Five and Six Class, 1977 - 78.

Back: Shanon Jacobs, Glen Gambler, Fred Gladue, Don Gladue, Dennis Auger.

Middle: Cynthia Hershberger, Valerie Cardinal, Michelle Amstutz, Michael MacFarlane, Edward Bigstone, Earl Gambler, Donald Bigstone.

Front: Freda Gambler, Marlene Cardinal, Darlene Cardinal, Russell Cardinal, Jeffrey Hershberger, Douglas Bigstone.

- photo courtesy Alvin Hershberger



Aerial view of Calling Lake School, 1979.

Behind the school are the ECS and grade one portables. To the left of the driveway are teacherages and the garage, to their right is the water treatment plant. Further left is the Health Unit trailer and the skating rink. Beyond the rink is the Community Hall which housed the CVC (left side) and the kitchen and dining hall (right side) that was used for the school hot lunch program.

- photo courtesy Dora Shwaga

In 1972-73, the grade nine students were bussed to Athabasca to attend Edwin Parr Composite for their schooling, but the following year grade nine was again taught at Calling Lake School. Then for ten years, starting in 1974 - 75 term, the grade nine class from Calling Lake travelled by bus to attend Edwin Parr Composite High School. Grade seven and eight also attended Edwin Parr Composite, starting in the 1980 - 81 term. Calling Lake School then operated for two years as an elementary school with ECS and grades one to six.

(See Topic G: Travelling to School)

Many parents found that their children did not progress at Edwin Parr as well as was expected. It was a long ride to Athabasca and back so the students were usually too tired to do their homework. Going downtown was a novelty, and many classes were skipped. Some students dropped out, tried again the following year, but then dropped out once more. It was clear that many of the children would not receive a good education under these conditions, so in 1982-83, grade seven was again taught at Calling Lake School. The following year, grade eight was offered at Calling Lake. All the classrooms were filled now, so a portable classroom was brought in and set up for the grade nine class for the 1984-85 school term.

(See Topic J: Grade Nine Graduates)



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Top: Judy Courtorielle, Ryan Gambler, Natalie Cardinal, Leo Bigstone, Crystal Beaver, Kimberly Cardinal.

Middle: Walter Beaver, Christine Anderson, Tonya Martineau, Clevelan Cardinal.

Bottom: Danica Gladue, Tanya Gladue, Joey Benson, Jaselyn Logan, Alicia Cardinal.

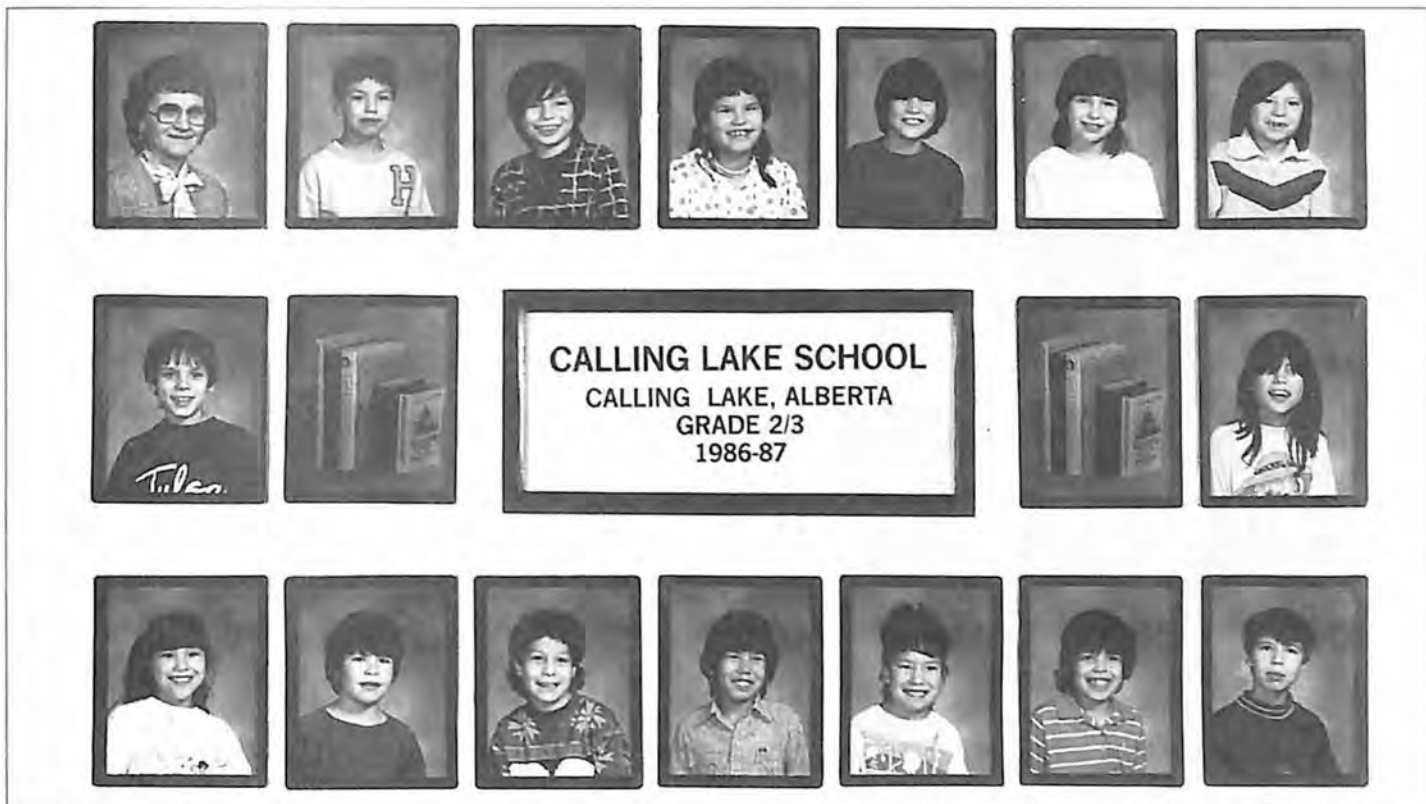


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Top: Miss deCastro, Leslie Bigstone, Cheryl Gladue, Richard Auger, Ferra Beaver, Wyatt Laroche, Maxine Gambler.

Middle: Miranda Cunningham, Clifford Young, Ruth Gambler, Errol Cardinal.

Bottom: Ashley Cardinal, Melissa Gladue, James Benson, Amanda Gladue, Lyle Houle, Sharon Gladue, Jeffrey Houle.



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Top: Mrs. Shwaga, Jerrod Anderson, Curtis Cardinal, Tracy Gambler, Angie Cunningham, Jennifer Cardinal, Jimmy Bigstone.
Middle: Michael Cardinal, April Cunningham. Bottom: Priscilla Logan, Kevin Houle, Reanna Courtorielle, Simon Houle, Shannon Cardinal, Loretta Bigstone, Peter Cardinal.



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Top: Mr. Newman, Bertha Cardinal, Lance Bigstone, Elsie Bigstone, Adrian Gladue, Austin Gambler.
Middle: Devin Gambler, Andrew Cardinal.
Bottom: Lori Logan, Brian Cardinal, Leroy Gladue, Julian Bigstone, Jason Cardinal, Christina Auger.



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Top: Miss Jacobs, Beverly Cardinal, Richard Cardinal, Tanya Courtorielle, Tyson Gambler, Kevin Anderson.

Second: Rhonda Gladue, Clayton Gambler, Cheryl Duperron, Sammy Cardinal. Third: Christopher Gambler, Marieka Cardinal, Leroy Cardinal, Joanne Bigstone, Lance Cardinal, Muriel Jacobs, Delany Cardinal.

Last: Charmaine Anderson, Steven Cardinal, Miranda Beaver, Gordon Gambler, Joanna Gladue.

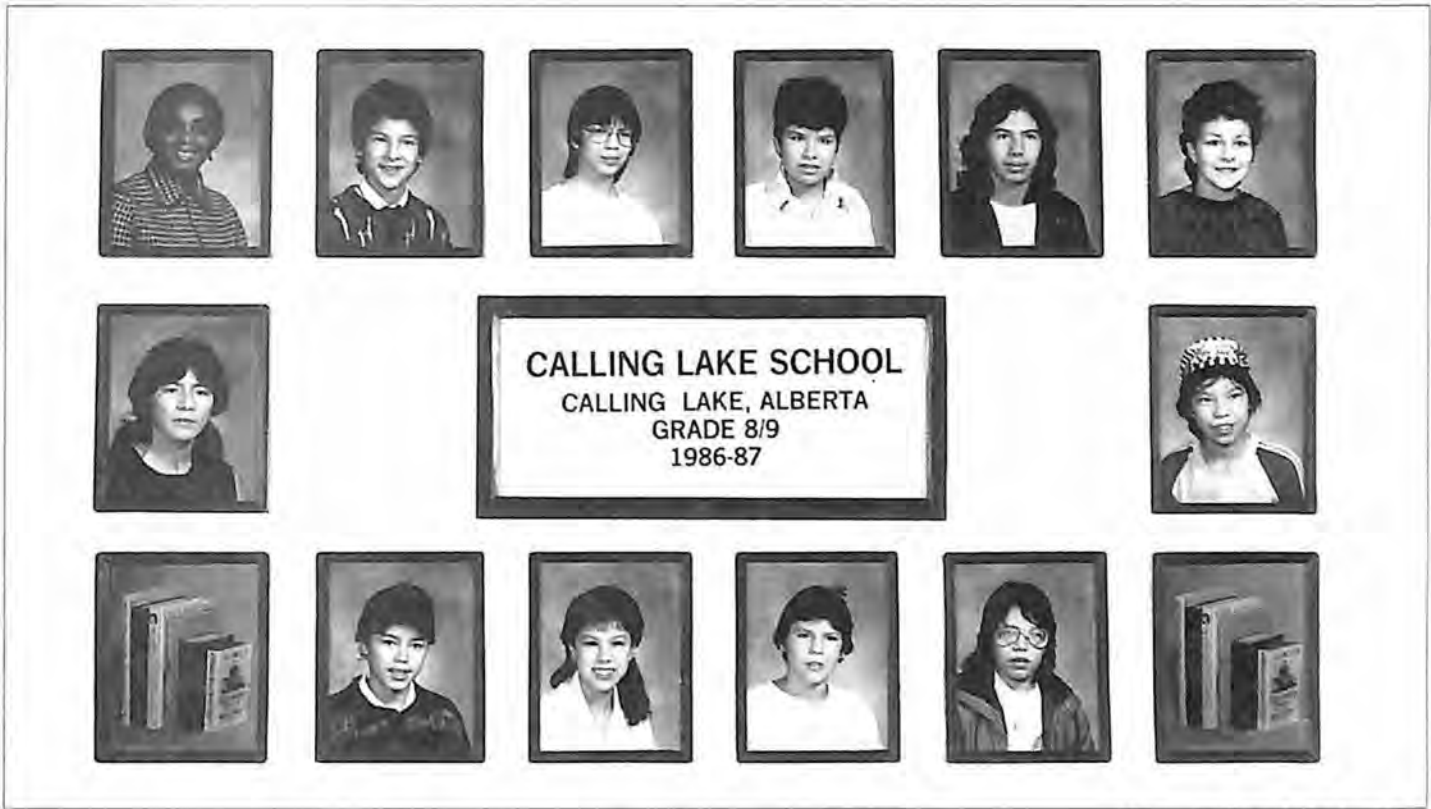


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Top: Miss Murphy, Donald Gambler, Lisa Gambler, Sharon Gambler, Marvin Beaverbone.

Middle: Andrea Logan, Priscilla Cardinal.

Bottom: Charity Gladue, Craig Duperron, Mona Cardinal, Greg Gambler.

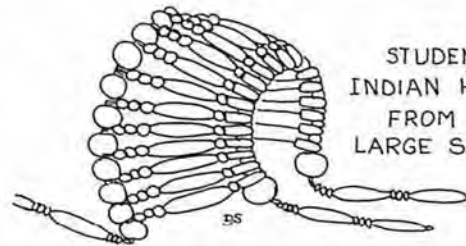


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Top: Mrs. Simmons, Adrian Jacobs, Randy Gladue, Lisa Auger, Johnny Auger, Cheri Courtorielle.

Middle: Rudy Gambler, Julian Cardinal. Bottom: Jason Gladue, Eileen Logan, Lee Duperron, Glen Bigstone.

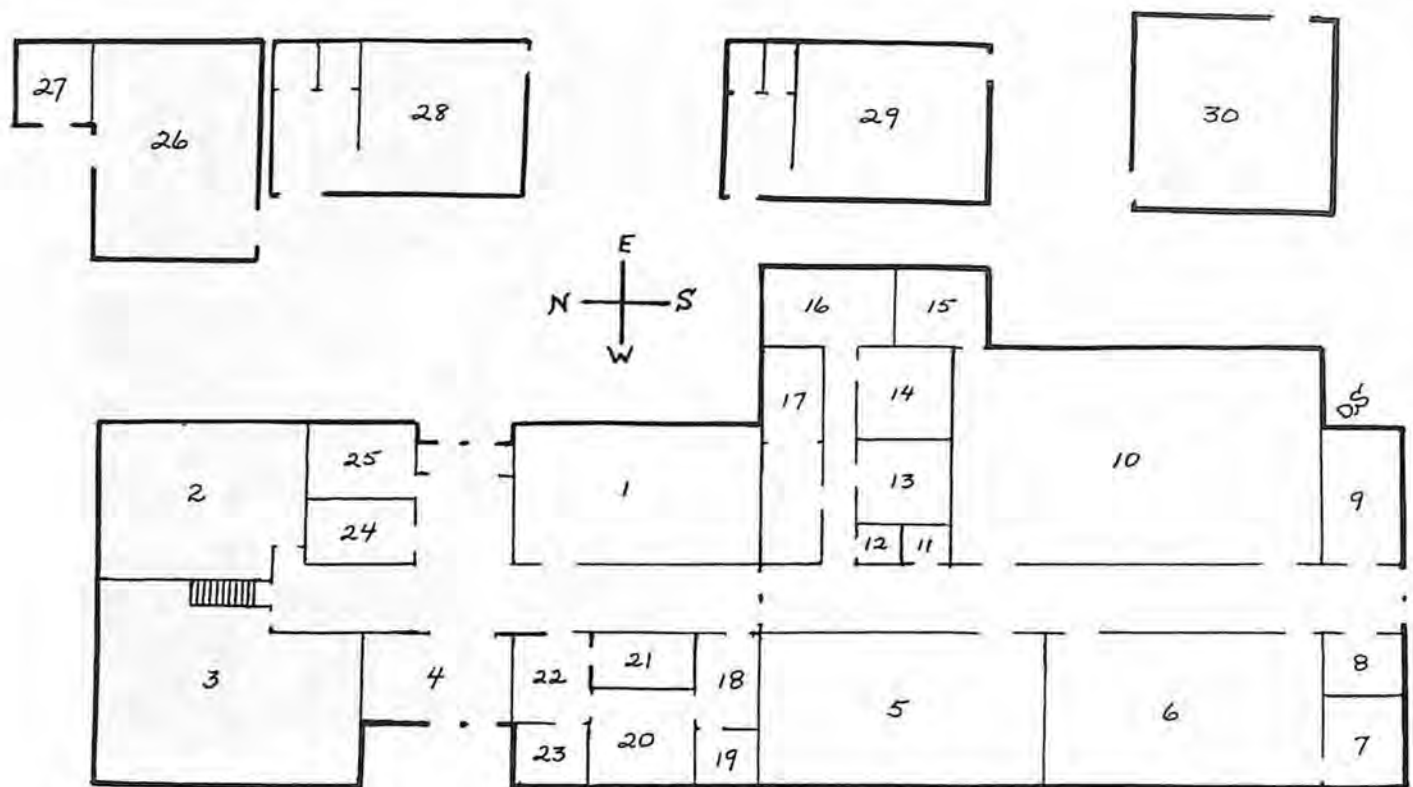
Cree classes started in the 1985 - 86 term, with Theresa Belanger teaching the Cree language and culture. When Theresa left at Christmas, the position was filled by hiring Mathilda Logan who has continued to teach the Cree classes until the present time (1990).



STUDENTS MADE
INDIAN HEAD-DRESSES
FROM BEADS AND
LARGE SAFETY PINS.

(See Topic D: Native Language Classes)





**CALLING LAKE SCHOOL 1987-88
GENERAL FLOOR PLAN**

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It was now nearly 30 years since the two-room school was first used at Calling Lake. There were problems developing in the maintenance of the old part of the school. Plans had to be made for a better building.

Plans for the "new school" took several years to finalize, as a great deal of work and time were required to work out a plan that was both feasible and acceptable. It was decided to build to the south-west of the existing school, an addition which would

include classrooms, office area and a gym, and to renovate the existing "blue cement block" part which had been built in 1966. During the time needed for construction, school would operate in portable classrooms, as the oldest part of the school would be demolished.

In January 1988, Northland School Division posted a public notice of its intention to finance the construction of the new school at Calling Lake by borrowing over three million dollars.

FORM 14
PUBLIC NOTICE
 (The School Act - Sections 107 & 111)
 By-Law No. 116 - Dated January 22, 1988
ATTENTION

ELECTORS of Northland School Division No. 61

The Board of Trustees of the Northland School Division No. 61 intends to construct an addition to and modernize the Calling Lake School at Calling Lake, Alberta.

Addition consisting of: ECS Classroom (1), Regular Classrooms (4), Gymnasium, Food Services Area, Administrative and Storage areas plus such other areas to make it a functional unit.

Modernization: Modernizing of Existing School (1966 area).

To provide: Regular Classroom (1), Resource Room (1), Computer/Typing Room (1), Science Room (1), Library Area, Storage Areas and such other non-instructional areas to make it a functional unit.

	<u>Addition</u>	<u>Modernization</u>
Construction Costs	\$2,325,000	\$575,700
Demolition Costs		16,000
Professional Fees	287,500	68,500
Site Development	255,000	
Natural Gas System	60,000	
Furniture & Equipment	125,000	
	\$3,052,500	\$660,200
 TOTAL AMOUNT OF DEBENTURE	 \$3,712,700	

THEREFORE, the Board of Trustees of the said Division enacts as follows:

In order to carry out this project the Board intends to apply to the Local Authorities Board for authorization to borrow an estimated Three Million, Seven Hundred Twelve thousand, Seven Hundred Dollars (\$3,712,700.00).

The Board will have to repay the borrowed amount by Debenture repayable in twenty (20) consecutive annual installments with interest at the rate as determined from time to time by the Alberta Municipal Financing Corporation (currently eleven and one half 11 1/2) per cent per annum.

The Board anticipates that \$190,458 for the modernization and \$577,422 for the addition of the estimated borrowed amount of \$3,712,700 will be recoverable from the School Foundation Program Fund, leaving the Board responsible for approximately \$2,944,820.

Excluding Building Quality Restoration Program Projects, the actual division of costs between the School Foundation Program Fund and the Board will be determined within the years from the time the Minister approves the tender or other scheme of construction.

If you do not agree that the Board should borrow this amount, you may petition for a vote in accordance with the provisions of Sections 1 (e), 2 and 113 of the School Act.

The petition must be signed by at least:

- (a) 2 per cent of the electors in a district or division having 10,000 electors or more,
 - (b) 5 per cent of the electors in a district or division having less than 10,000 but 5,000 electors or more,
 - (c) 10 per cent of the electors in a district or division having less than 5,000 but 500 electors or more, or
 - (d) 15 per cent of the electors in a district or division having less than 500 electors,
- and be received by the Board with 15 days of the last publication of this Public Notice of the proposed debenture borrowing. The last publication date will be February 3, 1988.

C. de Kleine
 Secretary-Treasurer
 Northland School Division No. 61
 (Alberta Regulations 142/80, May 15, 1980)

“ALL PORTABLES” SCHOOL

-1988 to 1989-

In the spring of 1988, six portables were transported by truck to Calling Lake from Fort McMurray and would provide temporary classroom space until construction of the new school could be completed. The portables were unloaded just to the east of the existing school. They were set up in two rows of three portables each, with a space for a hallway left in between. After some construction and renovations, Calling Lake would operate for one year in an “all portables” school.



The portable classrooms arrived at Calling Lake in the spring of 1988.

- Mari-Agnes Cardinal photo

The six portables provided space for five classrooms and an office area. Another trailer, which contained two washrooms, was placed at the west end of the portables and was joined to the main structure with a wide hallway along its length, which had entrance doors at the north and the south ends. This hallway also served as a boot room. The two washrooms were for the use of the teachers and all the students, with the exception of the ECS students who had washroom facilities in their own classroom.

Each portable classroom came with carpet on the floor and with its own fire exit and furnace. One portable, which was used as the office area, was partitioned to include a combined outer office and teachers' work room, principal's office, counsellor aide's office and a small staff room. The grade one portable remained in use, but the water had been disconnected. The Cree class portable and hot lunch program portable both remained as they had been. The students moved from the main school building to the portables just a few days before the end of June, 1988.



Calling Lake School, 1988-89, consisted entirely of portables.

- Dora Shwaga photo

Before the end of June also, preparation of the site for the new school was underway and during the summer of 1988, workers prepared the “blue cement block” part for renovations and worked on the old classrooms at the north end of the building. Workers removed windows, doors, light fixtures and whatever else was salvageable from the four oldest classrooms: the “relocated Youngville” school, which had been used at Calling Lake for 35 years and was already 46 years old; the “first addition,” which was 30 years old; the “third room”, which was 28 years old and the “fourth room”, which had been renovated as office space and was 26 years old.

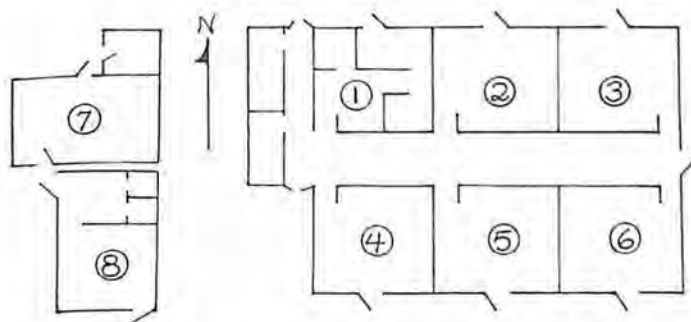


Calling Lake School classrooms, built in 1962 and earlier, were demolished.

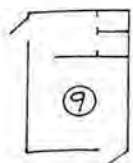
- Dora Shwaga photo

When the students and teachers arrived for the 1988 - 89 school term, the office area and the three oldest classrooms were a pile of rubble. They had been demolished and the debris was pushed into a pile to be hauled away later.

There were many challenges to be faced for the 1988 - 89 school year. Special Education could not be offered as there was no space available for a classroom. There was no gymnasium; physical education classes were held outside - whenever the weather permitted. Luckily, the fall was dry and warm - too warm! In the classrooms with no air



"ALL PORTABLES" SCHOOL
GENERAL PLAN



1. OFFICE
2. GRADE 5/6
3. GRADE 7
4. GRADE 2
5. GRADE 3/4
6. GRADE 8/9
7. LUNCHROOM
8. E. C. S.
9. GRADE 1
10. C.R.E.E.

conditioning and two windows that did not open, it often became unbearably stifling hot. During the winter there were problems with frozen water lines. The construction and the trenching close to the lunchroom and the grade one portable created a hazard until a wire fence was erected to make the boundary of the playground.

The playground was small. All the younger students, including ECS, were required to play in a small area near the school where the playground equipment had been relocated. The older children had an open, grassy field for their soccer games and an outdoor volleyball net.

After school had started, coat hooks were installed just outside each classroom, and the empty spaces just above each row of coat hooks were made into colorful class display areas to exhibit student work.

The library was set up in a trailer near the new Community Complex which was across the road north of the school. The "sick room" cot was also set up in that trailer. Some of the school supplies and materials were stored in the library trailer and some of them were stored in the portables. The hall at the Community Complex was used for assemblies and for the annual Christmas concert.



Grade 2 class at 1988 concert.

Leo Bigstone, Sharon Gladue, Lorena Houle, Natalie Cardinal, Christine Anderson, Travis Cardinal, Leonard Cardinal, Tanya Gladue, Leah Auger, Alicia Cardinal, Lyle Houle, Kim Cardinal.

- Naty deCastro photo

Julie Dick, of the *Athabasca Advertiser* staff, visited Calling Lake School in November 1988 and took many photos of the students at work in the "portables" school. She wrote the following article which appeared, along with seven photos, in the local newspaper.

CALLING LAKE SCHOOL - A SCHOOL IN TRANSITION

by Julie Dick

Calling Lake School is a school in transition. Not only are the staff and students extremely motivated to graduate well-rounded individuals who are proud of themselves and their community, but they are going to be moving into a brand new facility next year.

Principal, Alex Alexsiuk said, "Our goal is that our students will be as well prepared to enter the career force as other students throughout Alberta. Along with this we understand that it is important that everyone know their roles and are proud of their culture."

He said that the older students "choose a career and research the training required for these careers with emphasis that education is an important part of the preparation."

The school teaches children from the Early Childhood

to grade nine with 102 mostly native students who also take instruction in their native Cree language and culture.

While construction of their new school is going on nearby, classes are temporarily spread out between a series of portable classrooms. But the students and staff don't seem to mind at all. Classes carry on smoothly just the same in their bright and cheery classrooms adorned with the student's beautiful art work. A very positive atmosphere has created very positive students.

Congratulations, Calling Lake School.³³ Nov. 28, 1988



Community Christmas card, 1988, made by grade 2 class.

-Dora Shwaga photo



Sharon Gladue and Mary Cardinal at grade 1 and 2 wiener roast, June, 1989.

- Naty deCastro photo

The old "blue cement block" addition which had been left standing was renovated inside and out. The inside was redesigned to contain a library, three classrooms and some smaller rooms. A major part of the old "gym" became the new two-storey library. On the outside, red brick covered the old blue cement block walls. From the playground, the students watched with interest as on the other side of the wire fence, the work of the bricklayers on their scaffolding progressed steadily.

To the south of the "old blue cement block" addition" which was being renovated, cement work was progressing. Walls went up for a gymnasium, five classrooms, office space and a kitchen. Through the winter the carpenters, electricians and laborers worked long hours to have the building completed by the spring of 1989.

Students and teachers alike saw the construction progress, and sometimes when they were out on the playground and looked across at the tall walls of the gym, they daydreamed about the "new school" and the day that everyone could move in.

The swim program was continued in the 1988-89 school year. Groups of students travelled by bus to the Athabasca Landing Pool for swimming lessons. Many passed their test and received badges.

Students at Calling Lake School had been exposed to computers in the mid-1980s. While looking forward to a large computer room in the new school, students were able to continue their skills as one or two computers were kept in each classroom. Computers from other classrooms were borrowed for computer classes.



Education Week 1989 came to a very satisfying conclusion. The culminating activity was a meal for the students. Teachers prepared a variety of ethnic foods and desserts which were served buffet style. Each food was labelled with its name and country of origin. The students filled their styrofoam containers and returned to their own classroom to enjoy the food. At the end of the meal, they were served home-made fortune cookies with hand-printed "fortunes".

THE NEW SCHOOL COMPLEX

-1989-



The "new" Calling Lake School Complex, August, 1989.

- Susann Alberts photo

"Moving Day" came on Monday, May 29, 1989. For several weeks teachers and students had been sorting and packing into boxes what was not immediately in use. On the morning of "Moving Day", the remaining books and materials were packed. Students and teachers carried books, desks, supplies and boxes into their new classrooms. Teacher aides and other paraprofessionals as well as the janitor, all pitched in to help. A truck was used to haul the big furniture and the heavy boxes.

The next day more heavy furniture was transported by truck, until at last all the portables were empty and the move was complete. Students had that day off, as teachers set up their classrooms and worked together to solve some immediate housekeeping problems. Regular classes resumed on May 31.

The new Calling Lake School complex is unique.

The outside of the school is mainly red brick, but two alternate classrooms are walled in yellow brick. A clock tower rises above the gym area. In front of the school is a curved driveway, complete with speed bumps and there is a parking area in front of the school. At night, a light illuminates the Calling Lake School sign on the fenced lawn which is landscaped with trees.

The playground to the south of the school and to the east is landscaped. Old playground equipment has been relocated and new playground equipment has been installed.

The "blue cement block" addition has been completely renovated and from the inside it is

difficult to recognize. It is now the north wing of the school complex and has been remodelled to contain a computer room, a small room which presently serves as the music room, a classroom, a science room and science storage area, more storage rooms and a bright, two-storey library with a skylight.

At the main entry of the new addition is a rotunda with live plants in planters and a fig tree growing under the skylight. Many large windows help to make the rotunda bright and spacious. To the east of the rotunda is a large office area. Two walls of the principal's office are glass. There is also a main office, counsellor aide's office, teacher's workroom, infirmary and staff washrooms. There is also a large bright staff room equipped with fridge, stove and microwave. A sound system provides music and messages.

The new addition houses five classrooms, the School Hot Lunch Program kitchen, storage rooms, furnace rooms, washrooms and a gymnasium with change and shower rooms. From the hallway, there is access to a balcony which overlooks the west side of the gymnasium.

Each classroom is carpeted, except with a small side area in linoleum. Each contains a sink, student lockers, a skylight and ceiling fan, two windows and an exit door. The classrooms are painted in different color schemes. The grade one and the ECS rooms have self-contained child-sized washrooms. The ECS room faces the south, and has large windows all along its rounded exterior wall.



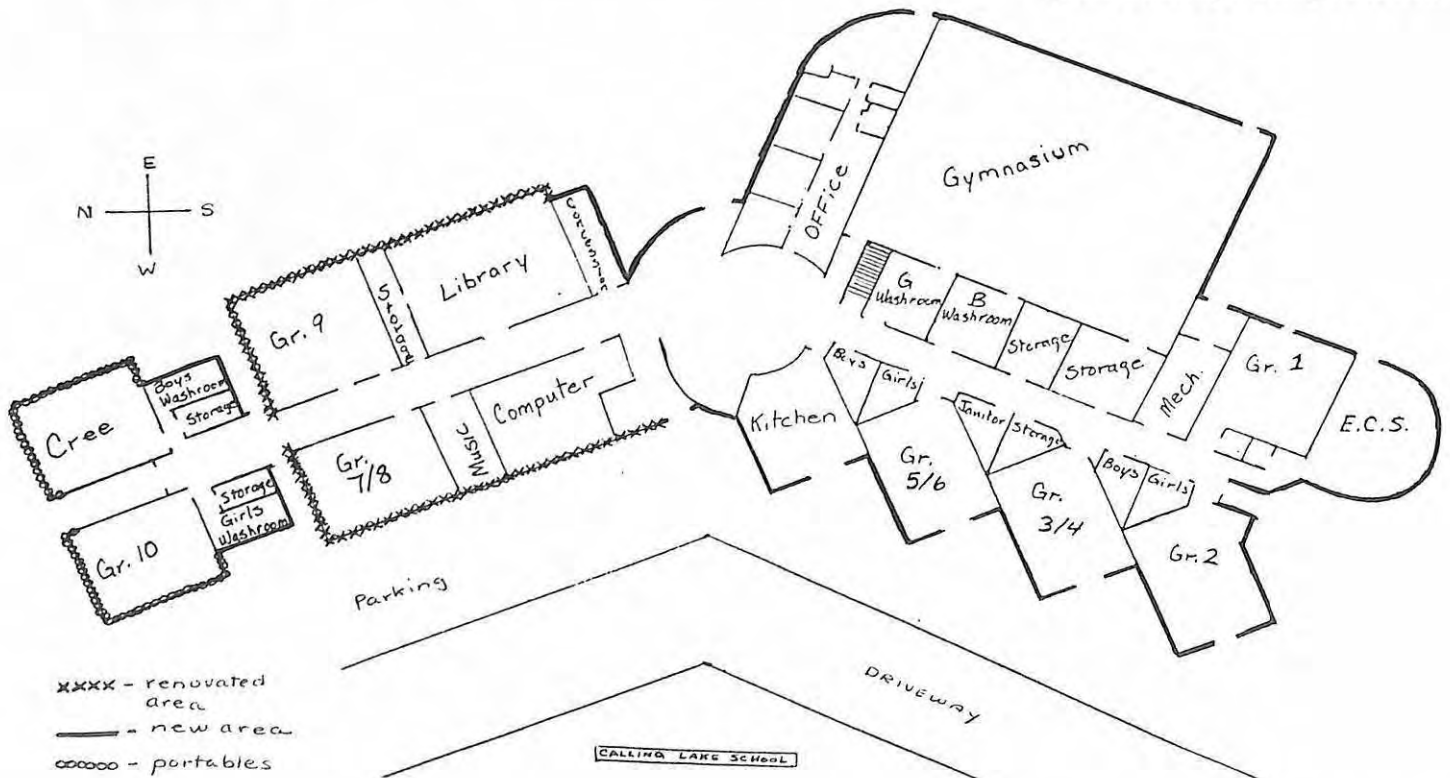
School Staff, June 1989, in the rotunda of the new school Complex.

Back: Dora Shwaga, Barry Durrant, Harold Gambler, David Newman.

Front: Sheila Jacobs, Sybil Simmons, Donna Durrant, Nancy Golightly, Mari-Agnes Cardinal, Pauline Gladue, Naty deCastro.

Absent: Mathilda Logan, Charlene Jacobs.

- photo courtesy Calling Lake School



In the summer of 1989, two portable classrooms were set up on the north end of the school, and washroom areas were built for the junior high section. One of the portable classrooms is for the Cree classes, the other is for grade ten.

The fall term 1989-90 started with principal, Barry Durrant and nine teachers on staff, including ECS and Cree teachers, as well as two teacher aides, a counsellor aide, a librarian, a secretary, three cooks, three janitorial staff and two bus drivers. ECS to grade ten was offered at Calling Lake School. Grade 11 and 12 continued to ride the bus to Athabasca to attend Edwin Parr Composite High School. Plans were being made to offer grades eleven and twelve at Calling Lake School, possibly starting in the 1990-91 school term. Another portable would need to be added to the existing north wing to accommodate the high school class.

Before the 1989 fall term began, preparation and planning were underway for the official opening of the new school. A booklet on the history of Calling Lake School was researched and compiled to mark the special occasion. An agenda was prepared to include such things as native participation, student performances, guest speakers and a buffet supper. The Grande Opening was scheduled for October 20, 1989.

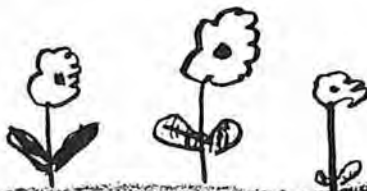
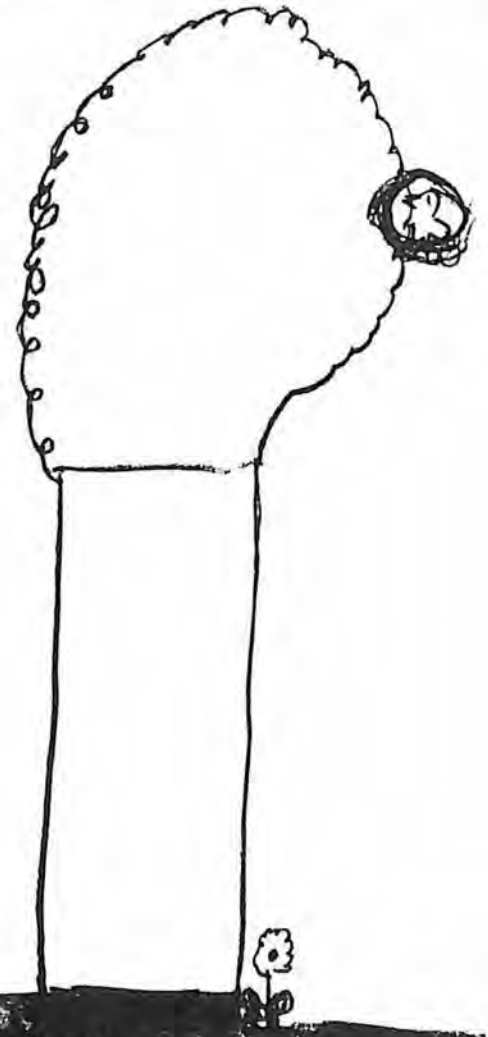
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WELCOME TO
THE GRANDE OPENING
AT CALLING LAKE SCHOOL
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20, 1989.

GRANDE OPENING - 1989 -

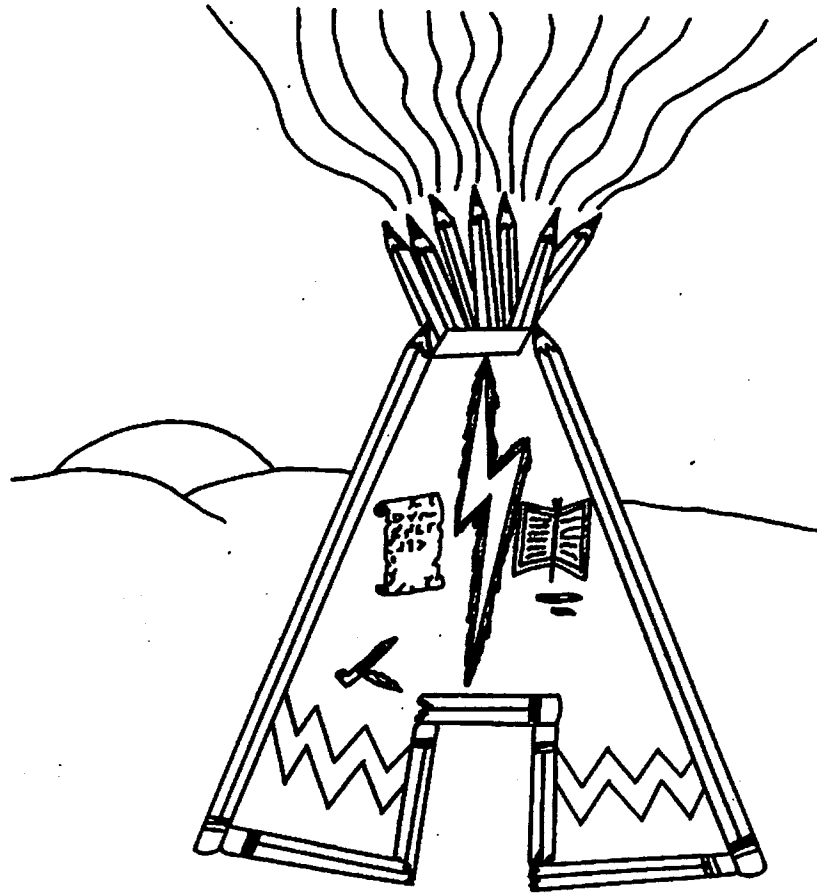


Welcome
to
Calling Lake
School.



Clarissa Bigstone
Grade 2,

Calling Lake School Grand Opening



October 20, 1989
Calling Lake, AB

artwork by
Grade 8 student,
Leroy Cardinal

The Calling Lake School staff and students invite you to walk through the classrooms and view the students' displays.

Program

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| 1:00 p.m. | Ribbon Cutting Ceremonies
(School Entrance) |
| 1:30 p.m. | Calling Lake School Students
Presentations |
| 3:00 p.m. | Chinook Theatre Performance |
| 4:00 p.m. | Guest Speakers |
| 6:00 p.m. | Supper - Buffet Style |
| 7:30 p.m. | Intermission |
| 8:00 p.m. | Performance by the traditional
native dancers
'White Braid Society Dancers' |
| 9:00 p.m. | Calling Lake Dance Group
organized by Francis Cardinal |
| 9:30 p.m.
to
1:00 a.m. | Dance. Music provided by
'The Glory Road Band'
featuring 'Ernie Gambler' |

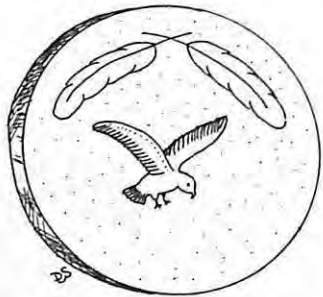
Calling Lake School celebrated its Grande Opening on Friday, October 20, 1989.

Outdoors in the warm fall sunshine, students, parents, teachers, guests and visitors assembled in front of the main doors of the new building. The ribbon-cutting ceremony started at 1:00 p.m. Principal, Barry Durrant, as Master of Ceremonies, opened the program by extending a warm welcome to all.

An explanation of the significance of the drums for traditional native ceremonies was given by grade ten student, Johnny Cardinal.

The drum is one of the first gifts that the Creator gave to Indian people. The drum is primarily a musical instrument to the Indian people, and it was often used at social functions. The drum is of special importance because of its use for special ceremonies. In a ceremony such as this one, it is used in prayer to the Creator. The echo of the drum keeps the evil spirits at bay, and it also summons the spirits of the people who have passed on, for their guidance. The beat of the drum is Mother Earth's heartbeat and the heartbeat of her people.

The drums were used throughout the outdoor ceremony. Drummers were Albert Auger, Joe Auger and Clifford Cardinal.



Cheri Courtorielle, another grade ten student, gave an explanation of the smudge which would be used later.

Since ancient times, the Indian people have burned the fungus as an incense of purification whenever they pray to the Creator. The scent of the fungus will rise up from the earth people, and the Creator will know that his blessing is needed. The Creator knows each way of worship and acknowledges them.

Chief Charles Beaver, on behalf of the Bigstone Cree Band spoke in Cree and in English, welcoming all the people. He asked the people to make this school the highest priority of the community so that it is utilized as a centre of the community. He spoke of the Band's involvement with Northland School Division to get the best education possible for the

students and he congratulated Calling Lake and its community on their new school.

Fred Schrieber spoke on behalf of Alberta Education School Building Services. He said that the school building facility is an important part of the education program, but the heart of education is the people who are involved. He congratulated all the people who were involved in the facility. In recognition of the special occasion, he presented a picture for the school.

Fred Reinholt, the Alberta Education representative, brought greetings from the Department of Education. He invited the community to make it their school. "Make it an excellent school," he suggested, "because your children deserve the best." Mr. Reinholt presented a flag of Alberta for the school. It was accepted by principal Barry Durrant.

Mike Cardinal, MLA for Athabasca-Lac La Biche, spoke in Cree and in English on behalf of the Premier of Alberta, Don Getty and on behalf of the Minister of Education, Jim Dinning. He brought congratulations to the people who were involved in developing the fine school facility, and especially to the community of Calling Lake. He said he was honored to be present, and mentioned that he had started his own education in the old log school at Calling Lake. Mike then presented a plaque from the Government of Alberta, which was accepted by Victor Gladue, chairman of the local School Board.



MLA Mike Cardinal, presents a plaque to Victor Gladue. To the far left is Clifford Cardinal, one of the drummers.

- Susann Alberts photo

Gloria Duperron, local School Board member, welcomed everyone to the Grande Opening, especially the honored guests, some of whom had travelled a considerable distance. She spoke about the

work done by early settler James McIntosh, who was instrumental in organizing the Calling Lake School District. He and Gisli Gislason Sr. were in charge of the construction of the first log school. Mr. McIntosh also served as the first Secretary-Treasurer of the Calling Lake School District. Gloria then called on May McIntosh, eldest daughter of the late James McIntosh, who had herself attended the first log school at Calling Lake, to cut the ribbon being held by Johnny Cardinal and Cheri Courtorielle, while Sergeant Jared and Constable Wade House provided the honor guard.



Ribbon cutting ceremony.

Left to Right: Johnny Cardinal, May McIntosh, Sampson Beaver (behind May), Cheri Courtorielle.

- Susann Alberts photo



Elders Albert Auger and Sampson Beaver perform the traditional ceremony.

- photo courtesy Calling Lake School

The ceremonies then moved inside to the gymnasium, where Father Louis Guiguere blessed the new school. Mr. Sampson Beaver, aided by Mr.

Albert Auger, both elders of the community, performed a traditional ceremony using the smudge and the pipe.

Following the opening ceremonies, elementary student groups provided short performances. The Chinook Theatre of Edmonton presented "The Friendship Fable."

Visitors toured the classrooms, library, science and computer labs, and former students and teachers had the opportunity to get re-acquainted. Complimentary coffee was served throughout the afternoon. A brief history of Calling Lake school, compiled by Dora Shwaga, had been published especially for the Grande Opening. The booklets were on sale throughout the day.

Local School Board members, Monica Crawford and principal Barry Durrant shared the duty of Master of Ceremonies for the late afternoon speech presentations.

After his welcoming remarks, Victor Gladue, chairman, introduced the members of the local School Board.

Barry Durrant read a message of congratulation from Lois Hole of Hole's Greenhouse, St. Albert, who had sent a gift of many live flowers to decorate the school and gym stage. Flowers were also sent by Mr. Pratch of Bert Pratch Construction. At the close of the evening, the flowers were made available for those who wished to take them home.



Mr. Durrant spoke on behalf of the students and staff of Calling Lake School, thanking the visitors for sharing their interest, and encouraging community and visitors to share in the joy they found in learning.

Mr. Jack Shields, M.P. spoke of the central role played by the school, stating that "A school makes a community what it is." He applauded all for the work which had started at the local level and progressed upwards to the School Division. A gift for the school.

a picture of Queen Elizabeth II, was accepted by grade seven student, Tammy Crawford, who in turn, presented it to principal Barry Durrant.



Tammy Crawford accepts picture from Jack Shields.

-Susann Alberts photo

Dora Shwaga, senior staff member, then presented a history of the Calling Lake School. She briefly described the district and the road conditions in the early 1920's. She told how the district was formed in June, 1922, with the first school class starting one month later in a vacated store building located at the mouth of the Calling River. She told of the building of the first log school and named some of the first teachers at Calling Lake School. She spoke briefly on school in the three different log buildings when Calling Lake was an isolated School District as well as while with the Athabasca School Division No. 42, and the County of Athabasca No. 12. She outlined the expansion and progress of the school from 1962 to the present date while with Northland School Division No. 61.

Mrs. Shwaga briefly introduced former teachers Alfred Gorman (1932-34) and Anna (Eyford) Cooper (1945-46), as well as former school principals Raymond Brubaker (1958-63) accompanied by his wife Virginia (1958-60), Harvey Burkholder (1962-1972) and Bill Sewepagaham (1987-88). Three of the grade nine graduates of Calling Lake School (1960-61) were also introduced: Joan (Sutton) Porter, Cora (Roe) Weber-Pillwax and Lorraine (Roe) Villeneuve. The fourth graduate of that class, Gilman Cardinal, was able to be present for the evening portion only.

Cora Weber-Pillwax, a former student, shared the feelings and relationships which had touched her heart during her school years at Calling Lake. She

appreciated the opportunity of walking to and from school, as it was her experiences during these walks that contributed to her relationship to the land and the meaning of life. She expressed her appreciation for the teachers who "believed we could do something" and for what they "put up with". "The not giving up is what carries young people through," she said, and concluded by saying "I hope the young people who carry on will have something as beautiful or more beautiful than what we had." Cora has been involved with Calling Lake School in many capacities; as a student, an intern teacher, a parent, a substitute teacher, a local school board member and presently as the assistant superintendent of Northland School Division No. 61.

Dora Shwaga was again called, and read a letter from former teacher Cloe Day (1930-32). Mrs. Day's letter provided history and humor about school at Calling Lake in the early 1930s.

(See Topic N: Reminiscing with Cloe Day)



Guest Speakers:

Cora Weber-Pillwax, Bruce Koliger, Jeff Chalifoux, Brian Callaghan, Dora Shwaga.

- Susann Alberts photo

Brian Callaghan, Superintendent of Northland School Division, congratulated the community on its new school, and spoke of the work done by the Northland board in serving the schools in the division. He spoke of the difficulty in hiring staff for northern schools, as well as of the division's extended high school programs. He stated "The division is striving for educational facilities for Northland students that are second to none".



Official Opening and Dedication
Calling Lake School

October 20th, 1989

Northland SCHOOL DIVISION No. 61



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KOLIGER SCHMIDT ARCHITECTS

Unique plaque presented by Bert Pratch Construction.

- Susann Alberts photo

Bruce Koliger, of Koliger - Schmidt, the architects of the school building, spoke of his relationship since 1982 with Northland School Division. He appreciated the close working relationships with the local school board and the staff at Calling Lake. Mr. Koliger then presented a beautiful plaque from Bert Pratch Construction. It was accepted by both Victor Gladue and Barry Durrant.

Jeff Chalifoux, chairman, introduced other members of the Northland School Board. He expressed his congratulations to Calling Lake's local school board and to the staff. He introduced the divisional Secretary-Treasurer, Fred deKleine, who spoke briefly, expressing his happiness for the students in their beautiful school facility. He also expressed his thanks to everyone who was involved in the project.

Final speaker, Gwen Uhlick-Schmidt, also a local board member, thanked the people who came to the Grande Opening. She also thanked the cooks - Agathe Gladue, Rita Auger, Rose Cardinal and Mary Gladue, and she announced to the audience that supper was ready.

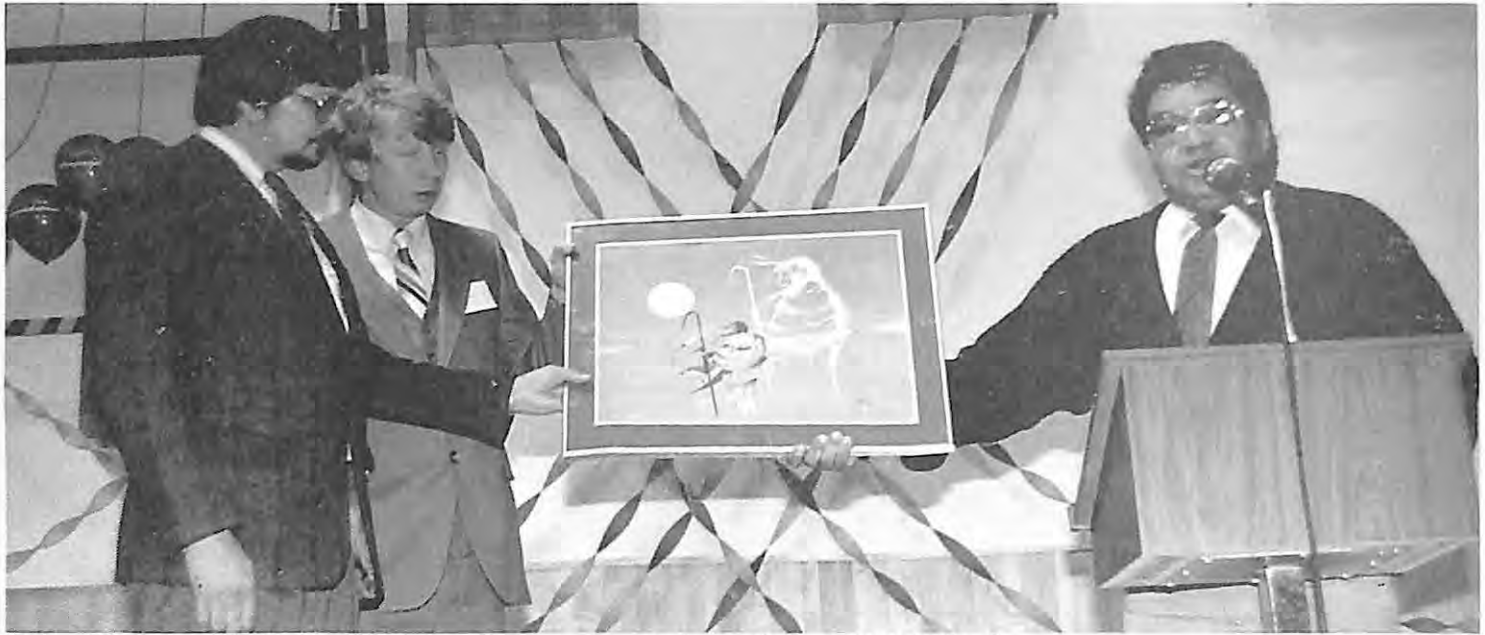
Monica Crawford thanked the audience for coming

to join in celebrating the Grande Opening of Calling Lake School and she reminded the people about the meeting with the Corporate Board to be held in the gym the next morning.

A delicious buffet supper was set up in the spacious rotunda of the school. The buffet consisted of a variety of salads, pickles and fresh vegetables, turkey, ham and beef, mashed potatoes and mixed hot vegetables. It also included traditional moose stew and bannock. Individual strawberry shortcake desserts, coffee, tea and juice, accompanied the meal.



Adrian Yellowknee, Director for the Bigstone Band Educational Authority, Wabasca, presented for the school a native art picture, by Sydney Kirkness. Victor Gladue and Barry Durrant accepted the picture, which depicted a native student with its guiding spirit, education.



Victor Gladue and Barry Durrant accepted the native art picture from Adrian Yellowknee.

- Susann Alberts photo

Later in the evening, the White Braid Society from Edmonton presented an hour long performance of native dancing. The excellent dancing and the spectacular costumes were enjoyed by the large audience present.

Music was by "The Glory Road Band," featuring Ernie Gambler. Ernie and two other members of the band, Ronald Gamber and Michael Merrier are local community members, and former students at Calling Lake School.



School rotunda.

-Susann Alberts photo

In June 1989, Calling Lake School District No. 4124 was 67 years old. There have been many changes in the school and in the community since 1922. There have been many problems to overcome and there have been many happy memories to cherish.

Eight young school children, under the direction of Mathilda Logan and Francis Cardinal, performed two traditional Metis dances - "Drops of Brandy" and the "Duck Dance." Music was by Alex Logan, Norman Cardinal and Ernie Gambler. The dancers were Shannon Cardinal, Melissa Gladue, Loretta Bigstone, Rhonda Cardinal, Jerrod Anderson, Jimmy Bigstone, Lance Bigstone and Michael Mah. Francis Cardinal and Cheri Courtorielle then performed a jig and were joined by various members of the audience.

It is hard to predict what lies ahead for Calling Lake School. Continued future achievement depends on the commitment of students, parents, teachers, local school board members and administrators all working together for the advancement of the school. If any one group falters, it will certainly affect the progress and success of Calling Lake School. It is the people, not the building, that will be responsible for future successes - the people who work together and show their support, their concern and their pride in Calling Lake School.

The evening concluded with a well-attended dance.

We are looking forward to many more years of Calling Lake School history. May our guiding spirit, education, direct our course.

Now that you have completed your journey through history, you may wish to become acquainted with the present day community of Calling Lake.

This grade two social studies project, a map of Calling Lake in 1989, will guide you along your way.

Enjoy your visit!

SPECIAL TIMES; CHILDREN LEARN BY DOING

*As the school years come and go
Work is mingled with the fun,*

is the beginning of the last verse of the song "Our School" (written for the first grade nine graduation ceremonies at Calling Lake). It reminds us of the continuing special times, the work and the fun, which have been experienced by students at this "school we're proud to know." These experiences are better illustrated than described, and the following photos will remind former students and teachers of these activities as well as bring to mind similar enjoyable experiences which were shared by other classes at Calling Lake School.

SPECIAL TIMES

On May 29, 1963, the Calling Lake girls' and boys' softball teams visited Richmond Park School and played against their softball teams.

On June 12, 1963, in spite of the mud, the Richmond Park School teams visited Calling Lake. Richmond Park won the games, but all the players enjoyed the competitions.



Girls' Softball Team, 1962-63.

Back: Bernice Nipshank, Clarice Cardinal, Judy Sutton, Margaret Nipshank, Alice Auger.

Front: Linda Ellefson, Ruth Anne White, Wendy Ellefson, Hazel Cardinal.

- photo courtesy EVERGREEN

Again in May 1964, the Calling Lake junior and senior teams went to play softball against Richmond Park. The junior Calling Lake team won 15 to 6, and the senior Richmond Park team won 9 to 8. After the game, Calling Lake students were served a delicious refreshment of sandwiches, Kool-aid, cookies and cake.



Costume parade, October 31, 1963.

Larry and Linda Cardinal.

- photo courtesy EVERGREEN

Hallowe'en has usually been a time for fun at Calling Lake. The evening was a special time for families when parents walked with their children or drove them for traditional "trick or treating." For many, many years at the school, special Hallowe'en events were planned. Class parties and costume parades were always fun events.



Christmas concerts, which invariably are special times for students, teachers and parents, have been a continuing tradition at Calling Lake School and have always been enjoyed by large audiences of parents, preschool children and visitors. Throughout the years, the concerts have been held in the one-room school, in the largest room of the two and three-room schools, at Tanasiuk's Hall, in the school activity room (the "gym"), in the Community hall and most recently in the new school gymnasium. A variety of class performances, an appreciative audience, excited students, Santa and treats for all the children have continued to be the main ingredients of the Calling Lake School Christmas concerts.

Sometimes a native theme was used for class Christmas presentations, as illustrated by the photo below. In 1963, the grade two and three class presented "Indians of Long, Long Ago", a choral recitation in rhyme which told of the responsibilities of the various members of a traditional Cree band, and also about the news of Christmas reaching the Indians. Two traditional Cree Christmas hymns, sung by the class, completed the presentation.



1963 Christmas presentation, "Indians of Long, Long Ago," by grade two and three.

David Shwaga, Joe Crawford, Robert Cardinal, Hazel Cardinal, Gloria Gladue, Vina Gladue, Donna Jacobs, Adeline Cardinal, Donelda Cardinal.

- photo courtesy EVERGREEN

Occasionally, birthdays were celebrated at school when parents would bring cake and ice cream as a treat for the whole class. Classroom teachers often planned a party for students who had birthdays that month. Sometimes a surprise party was planned by the class for their teacher. A birthday celebration at school was always remembered as a special time.



Mrs. Shwaga shares birthday cake with her class, April 1, 1965.

Elma Cardinal, Dorothy Cardinal, Gladys Cardinal (who baked the cake and iced it as a surprise for her teacher), Clarence Cardinal (behind Gladys), Allan Bigstone, Edward Powder.

- photo courtesy EVERGREEN



With teacher aide Gladys Cardinal and Special Ed. teacher Mrs. Shwaga are Miss Timmons' grade one and two class on Christmas concert night, December 1979.

Front: Lisa Auger, Sylvia Cardinal, Vivian Cardinal, Marie Beaverbone, Karen Gladue, Lisa Gambler, Priscilla Cardinal, Beverly Cardinal, Mona Cardinal, Brenna Boskoyous.

Second: Delma Johnson, Marvin Beaverbone, Lorin Crawford.

Third: Julian Cardinal, Chester Bigstone, Clayton Cardinal, Randy Gladue, Greg Gambler, Donald Gambler, Adrian Jacobs, Johnny Auger.

Back: Glen Cardinal.

- photo courtesy Dora Shwaga



Field trips are fun, even if you do get locked in a jail cell! This grade one and two class visited the RCMP station in Athabasca in 1978-79.

*Top: Leanne Gambler, Donald Gambler.
Supervisors: Clarice Cardinal, SueAnn Lawson, George Cardinal.
Below: Adrian Jacobs, Rudy Gambler.
Bottom: Karen Gladue, Clayton Cardinal (peeking through),
Cameron Amstutz, Tina Cardinal.*
- photo courtesy Calling Lake School

All the students at Calling Lake School enjoyed a field trip to West Edmonton Mall in November, 1983. They enjoyed Fantasyland, dinner at McDonald's, then went on to tour the mall to see the exotic birds and fish. Most students rented skates and enjoyed an hour of skating at the Ice Palace before leaving for home.



Enjoying the rides at Fantasyland, Nov. 1983.
*Front: Sylvia Cardinal and Sharon Gambler.
Back: Andrea Logan.*

- Dora Shwaga photo



A field trip to Athabasca on November 19, 1985, to learn about Van Hout's Bakery, the RCMP station and a newspaper, the Athabasca Advocate, was fun.

*Top Left: Mrs. Shwaga -- grade 2 teacher.
Top Right: Miss deCastro -- grade 1 teacher.
Back: Maxine Gambler, Curtis Cardinal, Michael Cardinal,
Jason Gambler, William Gambler, Lance Bigstone, Dale Auger,
Jimmy Bigstone, Cheryl Gladue, Tracy Gambler.
Middle: Shannon Cardinal, Loretta Bigstone, Simon Houle,
Reanna Courtorielle, Bobby Gladue, Jennifer Cardinal.
Front: Clifford Young, Priscilla Logan, Ferris Beaver, Kerrie Thiessen,
Sharon Gladue, Kevin Houle, Regis Belanger.
Absent: Merle Laroche, Peter Cardinal*
- photo courtesy Athabasca Advocate

Achievement, progress and attendance have been recognized at Calling Lake School for many years. In the mid-1960s, Northland pins were presented for perfect attendance.



Starting in June 1967, and during subsequent years, Northland crests were provided for perfect attendance and achievement. Trophies were first presented in the mid-1980s at a special evening event.

Awards night was held at Calling Lake School on June 26, 1985, to honor students for academic achievement, progress, citizenship and perfect attendance.



At Awards Night, 1985, with their trophies:

Back: Gerald Gambler, Loren Gladue, Adrian Jacobs, Delma Johnson, Richard Gladue.

Third: Blair Gladue, Julian Cardinal, Randy Gladue, Greg Gambler, Marvin Beaverbone, Priscilla Cardinal.

Second: Merle Laroche, Sammy Cardinal, Rhonda Gladue, Marieka Cardinal, Muriel Jacobs, Michael Cardinal, Jason Cardinal, Leroy Gladue.

Front: Bertha Cardinal, Cheryl Gladue, Justin Johnson.

- Athabasca Advocate photo, courtesy Athabasca Archives.

1984 - 85

PERFECT ATTENDANCE AWARDS:

- Grade 9 -- Nancy Cardinal
- Grade 6 -- Marvin Beaverbone
- Grade 3 -- Muriel Jacobs

1984-85 PROGRESS AWARDS:

- Grade 9 -- Darlene Gambler
- Grade 8 -- Gerald Gambler
- Grade 7 -- Adrian Jacobs
- Grade 6 -- Randy Gladue
- Grade 5 -- Blair Gladue
- Grade 4 -- Jason Cardinal
- Grade 3 -- Bertha Cardinal
- Grade 2 -- Merle Laroche
- Grade 1 -- Priscilla Logan
- Grade 1 -- Angie Gambler
- Spec. Ed. - Marvin Beaverbone
- ECS ---- Cheryl Gladue

1984-85 ACHIEVEMENT TROPHIES:

- Grade 9 -- Richard Gladue
- Grade 8 -- Loren Gladue
- Grade 7 -- Delma Johnson
- Grade 6 -- Julian Cardinal
- Grade 5 -- Priscilla Cardinal
- Grade 4 -- Sammy Cardinal
- Grade 4 -- Rhonda Gladue
- Grade 3 -- Marieka Cardinal
- Grade 2 -- Leroy Gladue
- Grade 1 -- Michael Cardinal
- Spec. Ed. - Greg Gambler
- ECS ---- Justin Johnson

The grade one, two and three classes presented a performance "Small World." Beginning and ending with a native tea dance, the 33 students representing 24 countries presented choral recitations, dances and songs. Students took turns announcing the various items in the program and also came forward to say "Thank you" in the language of the countries they represented.



"Small World" production, April 1987.

Back: Ruth Gambler — Spain; Ashley Cardinal — Greece; Angie Cunningham — Holland; Leslie Bigstone — Spain; Loretta Bigstone — U.S.; James Benson — Spain; April Cunningham — Philippines; Lyle Houle — Germany; Jennifer Cardinal — Poland; Clifford Young — Canada; Shannon Cardinal — Peru; Wyatt Laroche — Spain; Reanna Courtorielle — Hawaii, Priscilla Logan — Ghana; Jeffrey Houle — Spain; Michael Cardinal — Ukraine.

Front: Ferra Beaver — Iran; Simon Houle — Mexico; Jimmy Bigstone — India; Maxine Gambler — England; Curtis Cardinal — Pakistan; Richard Auger — Philippines; Peter Cardinal — Israel; Kevin Houle — Scotland; Sharon Gladue — Romania; Jerrod Anderson — Ireland; Justin Johnson — Canada; Miranda Cunningham — Spain; Amanda Gladue — Spain.

- Connie Murphy photo



"And in the one-room school, when you couldn't get your work done right, you had to wear a dunce cap." Mrs. Shwaga and Andrew Cardinal act out a classroom incident for the "One Room School" theme for Education Week, 1987.

- photo courtesy Dora Shwaga



"Food Tasting Day," organized by Miss deCastro was part of Education Week activities in the spring of 1989. The junior high students served food which was representative of many different countries of the world.

Back: Lorin Crawford, Nancy Cardinal, Douglas Gambler, Miss Golightly, Mona Cardinal.

Front: Jesse Gladue, Corey Gambler, Wendell Watson.

- Naty deCastro photo

The grade one, two and three classes went on a field trip on May 28, 1987. They visited Victoria Settlement, near Smoky Lake and the Wildlife Park near Legal. After supper at McDonald's in St. Albert, they enjoyed a memorable experience at Hole's Greenhouse, St. Albert. Besides the plants that the students bought to take home for their parents, they brought many trays of plants donated by Mrs. Lois Hole of Hole's Greenhouse. Some of the donated plants were taken home by the students and some were planted by the school in small flowerbeds which had been dug and prepared by the primary classes. The flowerbeds were cared for by the students, with the help of their teachers, Miss deCastro and Mrs. Shwaga.



Grade 2 and 3 (1985-86) tend the flowers.

-Dora Shwaga photo

The 1989 grade one and two fieldtrip to Edmonton was very exciting with stops at the Provincial Museum and the Space Sciences Centre as well as supper at McDonalds. The final stop at Hole's Greenhouse, St. Albert will long be remembered. Mrs. Lois Hole greeted the students with hugs and kisses and expressed her thanks for the Calling Lake T-shirt that the students presented to her. She sent bedding plants for the students to take home and made a donation of potted plants for the new school.



At Hole's Greenhouse, May 25, 1989.

Back: Sylvia Gladue, unknown shopper, Lorena Houle, Lena Young, Clarice Gladue, Mrs. Shwaga, Linda Gladue.

Middle: Leah Auger, Mrs. Hole, Joanne Auger.

Front: Kimberly Cardinal, Jill Durrant, Leo Bigstone, Sharon Gladue, Clarissa Bigstone, Wendell Watson.

- Naty deCastro photo

CHILDREN LEARN BY DOING

Students at Calling Lake School were given many opportunities to be directly involved in a variety of learning activities. Following are just a few examples of how the students were able to learn by doing:



Grade 3 learn about fractions, 1963-64.

Barbara Jacobs, Carol Crawford, Louise Cardinal, Barbara Nipshank, Susann Shwaga.

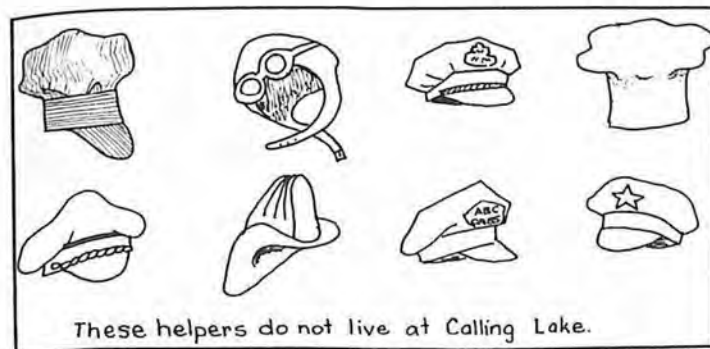
- photo courtesy EVERGREEN

It is fun to learn about helpers in our community.



Display by Grade 2 and 3, 1965-66.

- photo courtesy EVERGREEN



These helpers do not live at Calling Lake.



Junior Forest Wardens who received badges 1966-67.

Kenneth White, Leo Jacobs, John Glick, David Shwaga, Kenny Sutton.

- photo courtesy EVERGREEN

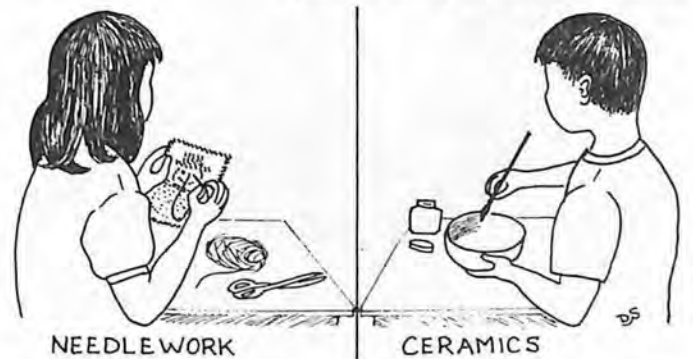


Participating in "jump rope for heart", 1985-86.

Back: Miss Murphy — teacher, Lee Duperron, Greg Gambler, Marvin Beaverbone, Gerald Gambler, Delma Johnson, Lisa Auger, Miss Mills — teacher.

Front: Donald Gambler, Glen Bigstone, Jason Gladue.

- photo courtesy Calling Lake School



Through funding of the In-cultural program, students at Calling Lake were given the opportunity to take part in traditional native activities. Sometimes the students could enjoy speakers and native performances that were presented in the school "gym." They participated in outdoor activities and

camping experiences such as the one at Rock Island Lake, directed by Francis Cardinal, Rose Cardinal and Raymond Cardinal. Students also enjoyed making bannock at school with Rose Cardinal and then having bannock and tea. Margaret Logan taught students to work with moosehide and beads to make headbands, wrist bands, necklaces and earrings. Joe Logan, who is skilled in the craft of moosehorn carving, conducted classes in wood carving.



Some of the students who worked under the direction of Joe Logan display their carved bears, 1985-86.

Peter Cardinal — grade 2, Leroy Gladue — grade 3, Lance Bigstone — grade 3, and Curtis Cardinal — grade 2.

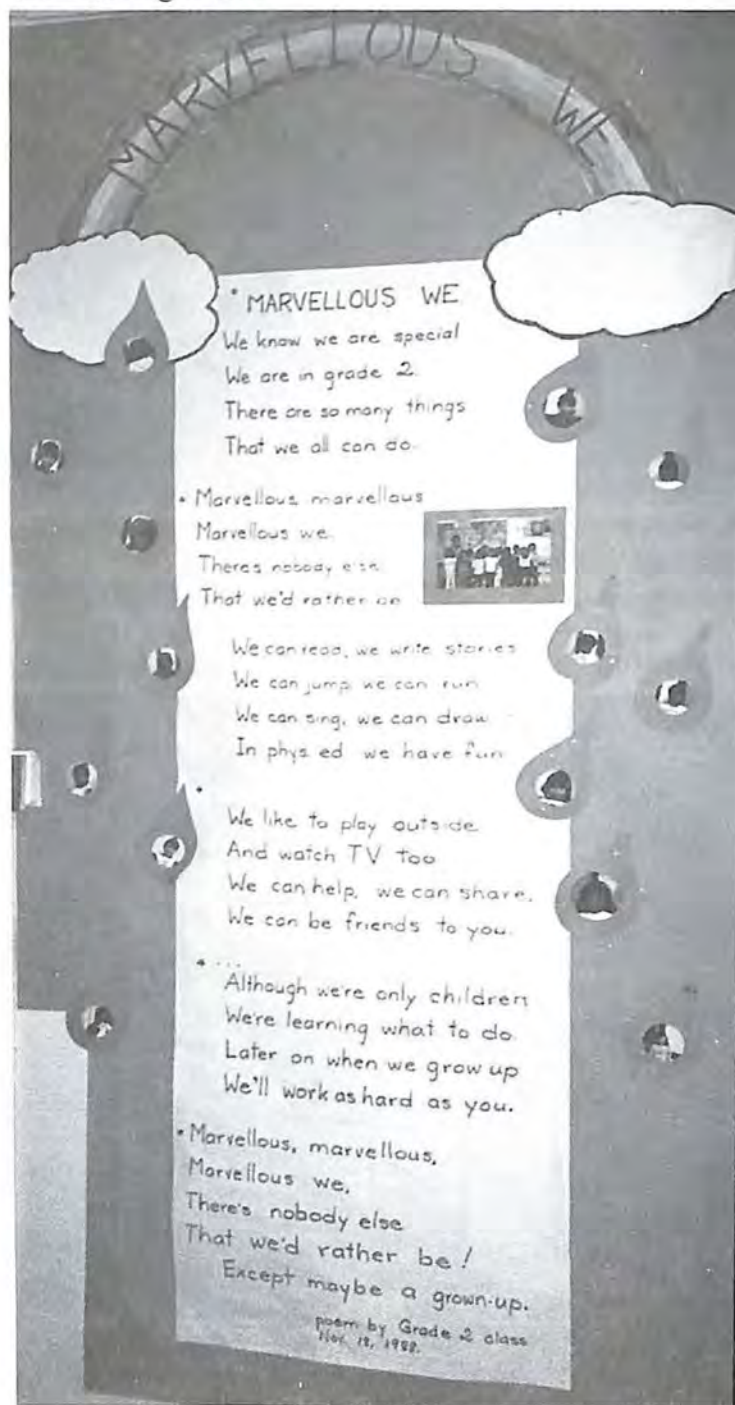
- Dora Shwaga photo



Four girls in the grade two and three class, 1985-86, model their beaded jewelry. Reanna and Tracy are wearing both their traditional beaded moosehide pendant, made under the direction of Margaret Logan, and the jewelry made with large beads, under the supervision of Mrs. Shwaga. Reanna Courtorielle, Tracy Gambler, Christina Auger, Jennifer Cardinal.

-Dora Shwaga photo

In previous years, Mrs. Shwaga had also supervised student beading projects which were completed for the personal use of the students and for fund raising craft sales held in the late 1970s. The students used large and small beads for jewelry items and worked with seed beads to make beaded pendants as well as making necklaces and bracelets crafted on the beading loom.



The grade two class (1988-89) worked together to write a class poem "Marvellous We," which they used as part of their hallway display in the "portables" school.

- Naty deCastro photo



"Marvellous We" class, 1988-89.

Back: Lyle Houle, Tanya Gladue, Christine Anderson, Leonard Cardinal, Travis Cardinal.

Front: Leah Auger, James Benson, Kimberly Cardinal, Sharon Gladue, Lorena Houle, Natalie Cardinal.

Missing are: Leo Bigstone, Alicia Cardinal, Richard Auger.

- photo courtesy Dora Shwaga

A swim program was started in the mid-1980s whereby student groups could take at least six classes of swimming instructions. A group of junior high students and another group of elementary students travelled on Mrs. MacFarlane's bus to the Athabasca Landing Pool. Although the ride was long and some of the older students preferred other types of physical education activities, most of the younger students wanted much more time in the water.



Calling Lake Elementary Swim Program - 1988-89.

- Naty deCastro photo

All children find dinosaurs very interesting and the grade two classes at Calling Lake were no exception.

All the students were eager to read, listen to stories and ask questions about dinosaurs, identify and compare them, measure dinosaur lengths and complete many other activities. Each student in the 1989 - 90 class made dinosaur "information cubes", made a report outline and wrote a report, made a model dinosaur and its environment, and presented the dinosaur report orally to the class.



Grade two students 1989-90, who studied DINOSAURS made plastecine dinosaur models complete with "environment" boxes.

Back: Amiee Jacobs, Crystal Gladue, Carmen Gambler, Clarissa Bigstone, Crystal Beaver, Joanne Auger.

Front: Wendell Watson, Walter Beaver, Jillean Durrant, Jaselyn Logan, Danica Gladue.

- Naty deCastro photo

During the ten years that the grade nine classes attended Edwin Parr School in Athabasca (1974-75 to 1983-84), grade nine graduation ceremonies were no longer held at Calling Lake and the song, "Our School" came to be forgotten; but through the years the students have continued sharing the fun and the special times as they worked together at Calling Lake School.

As adults, former students will remember the experiences of their school years, and those who have sung "Our School" song will, for many years to come, find the echo of this refrain returning to linger in their memories.

*In Alberta fair and green
By a lake of sparkling blue,
There our friends are laughing, working,
Loyal, strong and true.*



KINDERGARTEN AND ECS

The first kindergarten at Calling Lake started in 1959, operated by the Mennonite Service Unit.

The first kindergarten teacher for Calling Lake was Miss Anna Rose Nafziger. Miss Nafziger intended to start a Kindergarten in 1956 when she first came to Calling Lake, but she was persuaded to take a teaching assignment in the grade 1, 2 and 3 classroom instead. Miss Nafziger (now Mrs. Kiesow) taught kindergarten at Calling Lake until 1962.

Miss Nafziger started the Calling Lake Kindergarten in February 1959 with four pupils: Larry Cardinal, Ronald Cardinal, Felix Decoine and Elizabeth Jacobs. Classes were held in the "old log schoolhouse" which had been relocated one mile north of the school and was situated on a hill, overlooking the lake. Kindergarten classes were held on the main floor, and the basement was used for youth and community social activities. At the end of the first term, Miss Nafziger held a party which was attended by six mothers and 20 children!³⁴

One of the main purposes of starting a kindergarten was to help the children learn to speak English better before they started grade one. Other goals were to give children a variety of activities to prepare for school, helping them to become acquainted with books and stories and to enjoy social activities. Teaching kindergarten was an enjoyable experience for Mrs. Kiesow. She literally "started from scratch," gathering materials and making a curriculum.³⁴

For the first few years of its operation, kindergarten was open mainly to children who needed to improve their English. For the last month of the term, all prospective students could attend.

Some of the students who attended for the final month of kindergarten in 1960-61 were Donelda Cardinal, Bobby Cardinal, Carol Crawford, Joey Crawford, Roy Decoine, Barbie Jacobs, Clifford Knoblock, Arlie Roe and Susann Shwaga.³⁴

In 1961-62, students who attended kindergarten were: Allen Bigstone, Doris Cardinal, Dorothy Cardinal, Elma Cardinal, Gary Cardinal, Gladys Cardinal, Valerie Decoine, Chester Gambler, Ambrose Jacobs, Clarence Gambler, Donna House and Marcel Gambler.³⁴

There was a charge (1961-62) of \$1.75 per month to help pay for fuel and transportation, cups, paper, glue, crayons and other supplies.³⁴ The program was funded by PSS through the 1960's and until the fall of 1974.



Kindergarten Class, 1964-65.

Teacher Inez Wyse with students Mae Gambler, Wilfred Cardinal, Alvin Auger, Carolyn Roe, James Shantz, Vina Cardinal, Glen Shwaga, Ernie Crawford. Missing from the photo are Lillian Gladue, Lori Crawford, Gerald Laroche and Bonnie Gambler.

- photo courtesy EVERGREEN



With teacher Sandra Nafziger are students

Cecelia Bigstone, Michael Auger, Jean Laroche, Laura Smith, Corinne Howells, Mark Foster and Calvin Gambler at their kindergarten graduation in May, 1967.

- photo courtesy EVERGREEN

The first kindergarten graduation was held at Moosehorn Hall (formerly Tanasiuk's Hall) on May 26, 1967. Miss Sandra Nafziger taught a class of 14 students that year.

KINDERGARTEN TEACHERS

...1959	Anna Rose (Nafziger) Kiesow
1959 - 60	Anna Rose (Nafziger) Kiesow
1960 - 61	Anna Rose (Nafziger) Kiesow
1961 - 62	Anna Rose (Nafziger) Kiesow
1962 - 63	no Kindergarten
1963 - 64	Inez (Wyse) Uchytel
1964 - 65	Inez (Wyse) Uchytel
1965 - 66	Iola Jones
1966 - 67	Sandra (Nafziger) Cardinal
1967 - 68	Sandra (Nafziger) Cardinal
1968 - 69	Pearl Lind
1969 - 70	Pearl Lind
1970 - 71	Rosanne Wiest
	Rosie Foster
1971 - 72	Rosie Foster
	Mathilda Logan
1972 - 73	Mathilda Logan
1973 - 74	Mathilda Logan

EARLY CHILDHOOD SERVICES

TEACHERS

1974 - 75	Mathilda Logan
1975 - 76	Mathilda Logan
1976 - 77	Mathilda Logan
1977 - 78	Mathilda Logan
1978 - 79	Mathilda Logan
1979 - 80	Mathilda Logan
1980 - 81	no ECS class
1981 - 82	Mathilda Logan
	Judy Courtorielle
1982 - 83	Judy Courtorielle
1983 - 84	Judy Courtorielle
1984 - 85	Judy Courtorielle
1985 - 86	Gladys Cardinal
1986 - 87	Judy Courtorielle
1987 - 88	Leanne Martineau
	Cindy LeClerc
	Emily Sewepagaham
1988 - 89	Laura Pope
	Donna Durrant
1989 - 90	Donna Durrant
	Doris Jacobs

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT

Neil Shwaga

HAS ATTENDED THE

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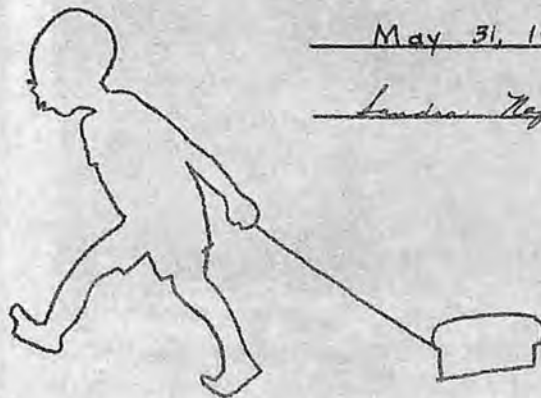
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Sandra Nafziger

TEACHER



In 1974, Northland School Division No. 61 began operating the kindergarten program as Early Childhood Services (ECS). In the fall of 1974, Calling Lake ECS classes began in a portable classroom located just east of the school building. Mathilda Logan was the first ECS instructor at Calling Lake.

Mathilda Logan taught the ECS program for six years, and before that she had worked as a kindergarten helper and then a kindergarten teacher for about two and one half years. Parents were encouraged to come to the ECS classroom as helpers.

In April 1982, an ECS aide, Jean Laroche was hired to work with specific students who were experiencing severe speech problems. Jean then worked for two years more as ECS aide and was involved with mainly the same students; accompanying them to speech therapy sessions in Athabasca, taking charge of the recommended practices and supervising and encouraging them in their work at school. She then worked in the grade one classroom as a special aide, still involved with the same students. Plans were that Jean would receive training and work with the same specific students through their school years. Unfortunately, funding was available only until 1984 - 85 while the students were in grade one, and then was discontinued.



Mathilda with preschoolers at ECS Easter Party, 1982.

Back: Richard Sorgi, Delany Cardinal (hidden), Lori Logan (in front of Delany), Brian Cardinal, Austin Gambler, Christopher Gambler (hidden).

Middle: Janice Gambler, Charmaine Anderson, Muriel Jacobs, Elsie Bigstone, Joanne Bigstone, Tanya Courtorielle, Trisha Laroche, Jessica Bigstone, Tammy Crawford.

Front: Merle Laroche, Reanna Courtorielle (in front of Jessica), Miranda Laroche.

- photo courtesy Alvin Hershberger

There were not enough students to warrant a program for 1980-81, so the ECS program at Calling Lake did not operate that year. The program resumed in 1981-82 with Mathilda Logan as instructor until Easter, when her daughter Judy Courtorielle took over the position. In 1986-87, there were too many students for one class, so the ECS students were divided into two classes with one group attending three days per week and the second group attending the remaining two days. During the second half of the year, the groups were reversed, making as nearly equal as possible the number of days attended by both groups. The ECS program has continued with various teachers until the present time.

ECS students learn to work in a school setting with activities that are provided to give them practice in listening, following directions and making choices. Students participate with games, songs, rhymes and play in both the large and small muscle centres. Socializing with their peers at play provides an opportunity to practice sharing and taking turns. The main purposes of ECS are to establish the routine of coming to school and to prepare for grade one.

Graduation ceremonies have been an annual event with the ECS classes at Calling Lake.



Mathilda Logan with her students at the ECS graduation, June 1976.

Back: Richard Gladue, Brian Nadeau, Corinne Boskoyous, Leanne Cardinal, Derek Nipshank, Monica Hershberger.

Front: Glen Bigstone, Nancy Cardinal, Candice Cardinal, Corrine Houle.

- photo courtesy Alvin Hershberger

SPECIAL EDUCATION

Special Education started at Calling Lake in September 1974. The first Special Education teacher at Calling Lake, Mrs. Grace Hodgson, was the first fully trained native teacher to be employed at Calling Lake School.

The students in the first Special Education class at Calling Lake were from the following grades:

1. Donnie Cardinal
1. Audrey Laroche
2. Nelson Laroche
5. Brenda Cardinal
5. Johnny Cardinal
5. Rose Gladue
5. Randy Jacobs
7. Hubert Auger
7. Alma Cardinal
7. Calvin Gambler
8. Sylvia Auger
8. Alvin Cardinal
8. Charles Cardinal
8. Iris Gladue

When Mrs. Hodgson left in February 1976, Mrs. Shwaga and Mr. Bert King shared the responsibility of the Special Education program until 1978-79; Mr. King with the older students and Mrs. Shwaga with the younger ones. Then for seven years, Mrs. Shwaga continued alone as the Special Education teacher.

In the late 1970's and the early 1980's, Special Education fall conferences were held at Peace River and Grande Prairie so that Special Education teachers could receive direct and valuable information, as well as exchange ideas with other Special Education teachers from northern Alberta.

Special Education became a very positive program at Calling Lake School. Some students received their entire mathematics and language arts education in the program, while other students received short-term help and were able to return to the regular program in a year or less. Regular classroom students were always curious about what went on in the Special Education classroom and when they found out, many expressed a desire to attend Special Education instead of the regular classroom.

Students usually worked on individual programs and sometimes they worked in small groups. Most of the students worked very hard to earn the chance to participate in the special projects which were incorporated into the program.



Elsie Bigstone enjoys her reading class, 1986.

- Dora Shwaga photo

Special projects were used as rewards for hard work and as incentives for continued effort. Some of the special craft projects, many of which won ribbons at the Athabasca Fair, were macrame, string art, needlepoint and beadwork.



Special Ed. needlepoint projects, "LOVE", February 1985.

Kevin Anderson, Janice Gambler, Adrian Gladue, Andrew Cardinal, Bradley Cardinal.

- Dora Shwaga photo



String art projects, grade 2 and 3 Special Ed. 1983. Steven Cardinal with his brown string art bunny. White bunny (centre) by Bradley Cardinal. Bear (left) by Phoebe Crawford.

- Dora Shwaga photo

Artwork was also used as an incentive, and a large variety of art projects were successfully completed, including styrofoam sculptures, mobiles and painting beautiful designs on the classroom windows for special holiday seasons.



Styrofoam sculptures by Chris Cardinal, June 1981.

- Dora Shwaga photo



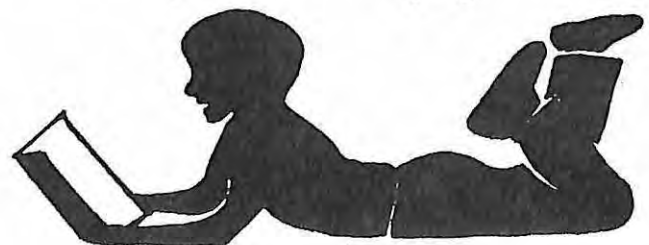
Brian Nadeau poses by the Easter designs painted on the windows of the Special Ed. classroom, 1985.

- Dora Shwaga photo

For several years the students in Special Education also helped Mrs. Shwaga earn money for the school shower program by taking part in sorting and cutting UPC symbols, addressing envelopes and writing letters of thanks to a ladies' group in Ontario who donated UPC symbols, shampoo, soap and various other items for the shower program.

Puppet plays and student plays produced for video provided students with an interesting way to practice communication skills.

In September 1985, Miss Mary Anne Joselin was hired as Special Education teacher. Unfortunately, the Calling Lake staff was reduced in October, and it was Miss Joselin who was transferred, so Special Education was shared that year by Miss Jacobs, Mr. Newman and Mrs. Shwaga. The following year, Mrs. Sybil Simmons took charge of the Special Education program and in its final year of operation, 1987-88, Mr. Brian Gizzi was in charge. With all classes moving to portables for 1988-89, space was limited and it was impossible to continue the Special Education program. With the completion of the new school facility, a decision was made to operate without a Special Education program for 1989-90.



NATIVE (CREE) LANGUAGE CLASSES

Native Cree Language classes began at Calling Lake School in the 1985-86 school year with Theresa Belanger as instructor. Mathilda Logan was hired to complete the term after Theresa left at Christmas.

Students studied the Cree language and the Cree culture. They learned the Cree names for many common everyday things including animals, birds, insects, days, months, colors and numbers. They also received directions in Cree and were taught to respond. The students made and illustrated booklets and they enjoyed listening to Cree legends and stories. Beadwork and native crafts, storytelling by elders and Pow Wow Days were some of the special events that were held in the past. During the first year of Cree instruction a student representative from each class helped to decorate a teepee for the school.



Grade 5 and 6 Cree Class, 1988-89.
 Back: Jenny Cyr, Jessica Bigstone, Elsie Bigstone, Mathilda Logan — Cree teacher.
 Middle: Michael Mah, Tammy Crawford, Curtis Cardinal, Leroy Gladue, Lance Bigstone, Michael Cardinal.
 Front: Jennifer Cardinal

- photo courtesy The Advertiser

Joe Logan was often invited to come into the Cree classroom to tell stories in Cree to the students.



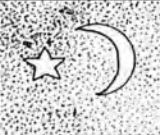











Joe Logan, a good resource on Cree culture, talks to the Grade 5 and 6 Cree class, 1988-89.

- photo courtesy Calling Lake School

For the first two years, the Cree instructor moved from classroom to classroom, teaching Native Language. From 1987-88 to 1988-89, Native Language classes were held in a portable, and Mathilda was able to set up permanent displays for her classes. In 1988-89, Charles Houle helped part-time with the junior high classes.

In the new school complex Native Language classes are held in a classroom at the north end of the school complex. During the 1989-90 term Mathilda started recording on video, stories told in Cree by some of the elders at Calling Lake.

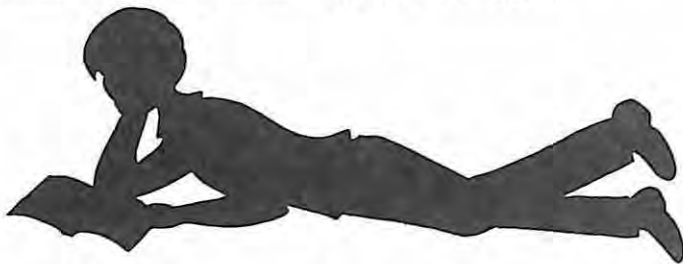
MONTHS OF THE YEAR

	WICKED MONTH KISE PESIM JANUARY		FROG MONTH AYEKI PESIM APRIL		MOULTING MONTH PUSKO PESIM JULY		FREEZING MONTH KUSKUTINO PESIM OCTOBER
	EAGLE MONTH MIKISIW PESIM FEBRUARY		LAYING MONTH PINIWAWE PESIM MAY		FLYING MONTH OHPAHO PESIM AUGUST		FOGGY MONTH YEKOPEW PESIM NOVEMBER
	GOOSE MONTH NISKI PESIM MARCH		HATCHING MONTH PASKAWE PESIM JUNE		MATING MONTH NOCHIHITOD PESIM SEPTEMBER		DRIFTING MONTH PAWASTUN PESIM DECEMBER

LIBRARY

For many years, the "library" at Calling Lake School consisted of books in each classroom. There were usually three or four shelves filled with books and references for students to use which could be shared by other classroom students as well. With renovations in 1975, space was made available, and the library was centralized.

At first there was no librarian. Classroom teachers were responsible for acting as librarian whenever their students used the library. There were now more books to choose from, but access to them was not quite as convenient, so teachers would often borrow extra books to be shared in the classroom.



In the late 1970's Ms Le Larsen catalogued most of the books and organized the library. Then for several years Ms Larsen held library classes and performed the duties of a librarian until she left Calling Lake in 1980.

Next, Mrs. Shwaga was responsible for the library, but there were no library classes timetabled and classroom teachers once again acted as librarian whenever their students used the library.

Mari-Agnes Cardinal was hired as librarian for the 1983 - 84 school year. With the help of Mrs. Meg Opas, she re-organized the library and catalogued all the books. The library was made available to all classes during regular library periods and during noon hours. Now it was much more convenient to borrow and exchange books. It was a new experience for the students to have a story time with the librarian.



In 1988-89, with the move into the "portables", all the books were moved into a trailer near the Community Complex and there was some delay in starting library classes while Mari-Agnes organized the "trailer library." Access to the "trailer library" was inconvenient, as it was located across the road from the school. Especially in winter, the time it took to dress warmly, walk to the library, then remove jackets, mittens and boots meant less time actually reading and borrowing books. It also meant that in bad weather, students needed to be extra careful to keep their book clean and dry.



With the move into the new school complex in May 1989, the library was closed to classes for a time while Mari-Agnes worked at organizing the library in its new location in the renovated old gym area. It was very exciting for the students when they began to use the new library. The upper level was usually used for story time and the lower level held all the books for browsing and borrowing.



The new library, almost ready for use (June 1989) is a spacious two-storey room with a skylight.

- photo courtesy Susann Alberts

Mari-Agnes Cardinal has worked for six years as librarian at Calling Lake School, and has continued for the 1989-90 term.

SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

The School Lunch Program started at Calling Lake in April, 1974. The first school lunch program local board consisted of members Larry Cardinal, Agathe Gladue, Alex Logan, Cora MacFarlane and Doris Sutton. On February 10, 1975 a society was formed.³⁵

At that time, a Community Hall, complete with kitchen, was being built adjoining the CVC building just north of the school. Before its completion, it was decided to enlarge the kitchen to meet the Lunch Program specifications. The dining area was furnished with long tables and benches. Rent was \$25 per month and later as high as \$100 per month. Every school day a head cook and two helpers prepared a noon meal. Plates of sandwiches, melmac bowls of soup, a beverage and a dessert were served to the students while designated teachers supervised.



Mathilda Logan and her ECS class in the old lunchroom, 1975-76.

Back: Brenda Cardinal, Candice Cardinal, Brian Nadeau, Rudy Gambler, Corrine Houle.

Front: Glen Bigstone, Corinne Boskoyous, Nancy Cardinal, Monica Hershberger, Derek Nipshank.

- photo courtesy A. Hershberger

In August 1981 a trailer was located beside the school. It was the first fully equipped kitchen facility for Calling Lake School.³⁵ A head cook and one helper worked each school day. Disposable plastic containers and plastic cutlery were used.

Students no longer had to walk to the lunch room - their lunch came to them - in big plastic trays. The students now received an actual hot meal; meat, potatoes, hot vegetable or a salad as well as a beverage and dessert. Two students carried the big tray of lunch to their classroom and students later

returned the tray of soiled plastic containers and used plastic cutlery to the kitchen. Staff members were able to purchase hot lunches for \$2 per meal.

May 31, 1989 was the first day that a hot lunch was served to the students in the "new school."

For the 1989-90 term, silverware, melmac dishes and plastic cups were used instead of disposable plastics. Drinks and desserts, cutlery and napkins were sent to the classroom in a large plastic tray. Students lined up for their hot food and carried individual trays back to their classroom. After the big trays of soiled dishes, glasses and silverware were returned to the kitchen, the head cook and her two helpers began the chore of cleaning up the kitchen and washing the dishes from over 130 students.

May McIntosh was the first head cook when the School Lunch Program started in 1974. She had worked with the lunch program a total of 11 years before she retired in 1985. Rita Auger was another of the head cooks. Some of the ladies who worked as helpers were Clara Auger, Rose Anderson, Erma Logan, Hazel Cardinal, Mary Cardinal, Irene Jacobs, Eliza Auger, Rose Foster, Rose Auger and Elaine Hershberger.¹⁰

Agathe Gladue worked as head cook after May McIntosh retired. Her helpers were Florence Gladue and Irene Jacobs. Our "seasoned" capable cook, Agathe Gladue returned for the 1989-90 term. Her helpers are Mary Gladue and Erma Logan.

The 1989-90 board members are Colleen Gladue, Hilda Gambler, Cora MacFarlane, Doris Sutton, Josephine Beaver, Lena Young, Rita Auger and Priscilla Cardinal. Hilda Crawford, the Public Health Nurse at Calling Lake, is an honorary member of the School Lunch Program.

Food is ordered weekly from Scott National and Edmonton Meats. Trucking is provided by School Food Services.



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TRAVELLING TO SCHOOL

In the early years, students who attended Calling Lake School usually walked to school. For some children who lived farther away it became very difficult in bad weather. Sometimes parents would bring their children to school, but usually the children were on their own.

Without bus service provided as we have it today, and because of the distance to walk to school, many parents hesitated to send an oldest child walking alone to school. Instead that child was kept at home, and starting grade one was delayed an extra year or so until a younger child was of age to start school, thus providing company and security for both children on their long walk to school.

The Tanasiuk boys attended Calling Lake School in the 1920's. Their family lived 30 miles away at Rock Island Lake. The boys built a cabin near Two-Mile Creek, and lived there during the week. When they went home on weekends, they walked the 30 miles home and then walked the 30 miles back to school for Monday morning.

*(See Topic N: Reminiscing
with Robert Hicks)*

The Crawford boys sometimes used a dog team in the winter to get to school from their home near the Calling River.



Some students rode horses to school, but the Crawford boys, Lloyd and George, often drove their dog team.

- photo courtesy EVERGREEN, 1966-67

Frank Crawford remembers that, as a boy, he travelled by dog team to get to school in the winter. Frank, Ralph and Jean also had bikes which they used in the summer to travel the two miles to school from their home which was located where Ken and Doris Sutton now live.³⁶



Helen Silver, Ralph Crawford, Carrie Gislason, Jean Crawford, Mrs. Stinsman — teacher, George Crawford, and Lloyd Crawford by Calling Lake School, 1943.

- photo courtesy Helen (Silver) Cronin

Children sometimes rode horses to school. The Uchytal children lived near the Calling River, about where Allan and Hilda Crawford now live. That was a long way for young children to walk, so they often rode horseback to school. In cold weather, the children were always bundled warmly from head to toe, and would arrive at school feeling quite comfortable after their three mile ride.⁷

The Uchytal children also drove a horse and wagon to school in the summer, fording the Calling River near their home.³⁶



The Uchytal children on their way to school. Eddie, Gordon (driving), Dorothy, Gerald and Donnie.

- photo courtesy Frank Crawford

Teachers, too, had a difficult time. Most teachers boarded near the school at Day's or at McIntosh's before the teacherage was built. Teachers who lived any distance away from school needed some means of transportation.

When she taught at Calling Lake School in 1935-36, Mrs. Henrietta Crawford lived at the river where George Crawford now lives. She rode horseback in the summer, and in winter she drove a dog team to school.³⁶

Miss Anna Eyford, who taught Calling Lake School in 1945-46, walked or rode horseback the 4 miles from her parents' home when she did not stay at the teacherage.³⁷

*(See Topic N: Reminiscing
with Anna (Eyford) Cooper)*

Education of Treaty Indians was the responsibility of the Federal Government and even as late as the 1960's, some Treaty Indian children from Calling Lake attended St. Martin's Mission School at Desmarais. The children would travel with their parents by horse and wagon, or they would be flown by airplane to the Mission School. Most of the time, students did not get a chance to come home for the Christmas or Easter holidays, but stayed away from their families for the whole school term. At the end of the spring term many of the families would come to the Mission School with a team of horses and wagon to bring their children home. If the children came back by airplane, there was always a big crowd of people to meet them at McIntosh's flats.¹⁰



Students from the Gambler families at Calling Lake ready for their trip to the Mission School, about 1952.

- photo courtesy May McIntosh

The first motorized school bus at Calling Lake was a Volkswagen microbus owned by the Mennonite Service Unit. It started operating in December, 1956. Parents paid \$1.75 per child per month.⁹

Ralph Crawford operated a bus service, about 1957, using a yellow one-ton panel with benches on the sides for seats. The next year he purchased a 26

passenger yellow school bus, which he operated for two years. Because there was an increase in enrollment, he bought a 36 passenger bus in 1959, which he operated for two years. During this time he was paid a daily rate by the Athabasca School Division.⁶



By Ralph Crawford's school bus are his children. Spring 1961.

Back: Theresa, Shelley. Front: Janet, Ernie, Joe.

- photo courtesy Dora Shwaga

When Northland School Division took over Calling Lake School in 1962, Ralph Crawford was forced to sell out to the Division, as their policy was that Northland would own the buses, and drivers would be contracted.⁶

Some of the bus drivers after 1962 were:

William Jacobs
Spencer Foster
Lorraine Villeneuve
Johnny Jacobs
Melvin Gauthier
Gordon Campbell

There were also temporary drivers hired.^{6/38}

A bus route to Athabasca was started for high school students in the fall of 1970. Then, starting in 1972-73, the grade nine students, too, rode the bus to attend Edwin Parr Composite in Athabasca.³⁹ Ken Shwaga drove the Calling Lake bus to Athabasca from September 1970 until the spring of 1974.

In May, 1974, Jim MacFarlane contracted the bus service for Calling Lake School and purchased two

busses.³⁸ Jim drove the 36 passenger bus to Athabasca for May and June, and starting in September 1974, he drove bus part-time only and hired Kenny Sutton as bus driver.³⁹

In the fall of 1980 a 54-passenger bus was required, as grade seven and eight were being bussed to Edwin Parr Composite School in Athabasca. Two years later, in September 1982, a 48 passenger bus was put into service for the Athabasca route, as grade seven was again taught at Calling Lake School. Grade eight returned the following year, and grade nine would return for the fall of 1984. In December 1984, a 14 passenger blue Ford van was purchased for the Athabasca route as two buses were now needed for the local route. The blue van continued in service until the present time, with driver Kenny Sutton. At the close of the current school year (1989-90), Kenny will have driven bus on the Athabasca route for 16 continuous years.³⁹

Calling Lake Elementary students were not allowed to ride the bus to Athabasca, except in very special circumstances. Parents who wished their children to attend school in Athabasca for any grade being offered at Calling Lake were responsible for the transportation of their children, so parents formed car pools when possible. Every morning a parent drove the students to meet the 7:30 a.m. Athabasca County bus at Allan Webb's, then every evening the designated parent returned to the Webb farm to pick

up the students and drive them home.

At first there was only one bus to serve Calling Lake School. The "south students" were picked up first, dropped off at the school to be supervised by teachers, while the bus drove north to pick up the others. After school, one group of children was taken home first, while the others were supervised at the school until the bus returned to take them home.

Starting in 1984-85, two busses were used at Calling Lake, one for the south route and one for the north route. Because of the large number of students living north of the school, two bus trips north were required morning and night.

Cora MacFarlane has driven the Calling Lake bus since May, 1974, and continues to drive the 54 passenger bus on the "north bus" route.

Alvin Hershberger, who drives the 48 passenger "south bus," has driven school bus from 1984-85 to 1989-90.

UPDATE:

1990-91 to 1996-97

For the 1996-97 school year, there are three school buses for Calling Lake School. Since 1994-95 the buses have been driver-owned.

Cora MacFarlane drove the local north bus route at Calling Lake for 20 years - from May 1974 to June 1994.

In 1994-95 Joe Auger and his son, Chris Cardinal, began driving the local north bus route. They continue driving in 1996-97 with their 54-passenger bus.

Vera (Cardinal) Hicks shares the north route, driving her 48-passenger bus. She began driving the route in 1996-97.

Ken Sutton, now driving his 54-passenger bus on the south route, has been driving that local bus route since 1990-91 when there was no longer a need for a school bus service to Athabasca. Ken Sutton has driven school bus, both local and to Athabasca, a total of 23 years.



LONG SERVICE EMPLOYEES HONORED

A "first" for Calling Lake School, long service awards were presented to five members of the Calling Lake School staff. A local newspaper reported on the event:

A community supper and awards night was held on Wednesday, February 11, 1987 to honor many years of hard work and dedicated service to Calling Lake School by five ladies employed by the Northland School Division. There were over 100 residents present at the ceremony, the first of its kind at Calling Lake.

Honored for long service at Calling Lake School were:

Dora Shwaga, for 27 years teaching in the community,

Clarice Cardinal, for 14 years as a teacher's aide,

Pauline Gladue, for service in various communities and 5 years at Calling Lake,

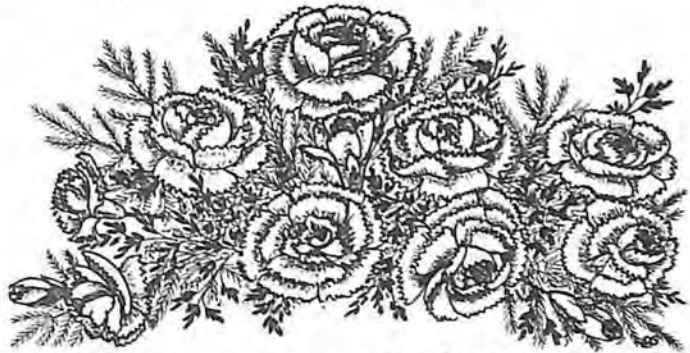
Eliza Roe, for 14 years as custodian.

Mathilda Logan, for service in the Kindergarten program, 6 years as ECS Instructor and 2 years as Cree instructor.

Northland pins and certificates were presented by Mr. Frank Blonke, Superintendent of Northland School Division No. 61 and Mr. Bill Gow, principal of Calling Lake School.⁴⁰

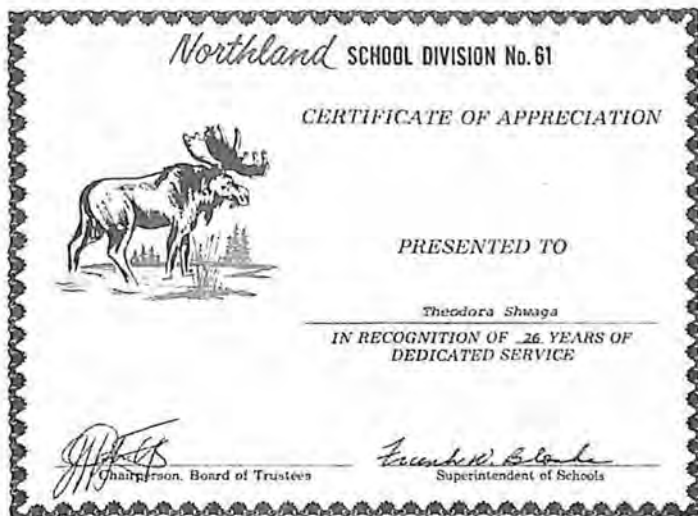
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For 5 years of service, a gold Northland pin was awarded. For 10 years service or more, a gold Northland pin with ruby was awarded. For 15 years service or more, a gold pin with a diamond was awarded.



Carnations were presented by Cora Weber - Pillwax on behalf of the Local School Board. The supper was sponsored by the Calling Lake School Board Committee and prepared by the students of Calling Lake Community Vocational Centre, as part of the Home Ec. program.

The supper and presentations were held in the school gym, followed by a dance and a social featuring local talent.⁴⁰ March 3, 1987



Dora Shwaga, Clarice Cardinal, Pauline Gladue, Eliza Roe.

- photo courtesy Clarice Cardinal



Mrs. Eliza Roe became janitor in 1972-73, working at first with the help of her husband and children. Calling Lake School operated then with six classrooms and an activity room.

Mrs. Roe kept the school extremely neat and clean, working efficiently and industriously. Desks and shelves were washed regularly; the mirrors, windows and floors were always shiny.

Mrs. Roe retired in June, 1987 after 14 years working as custodian at Calling Lake School.

Pauline Gladue started working as counsellor aide at Calling Lake School in 1978-79. She was well-liked and respected by students, teachers and parents. An excellent counsellor aide, Pauline worked hard to resolve student concerns and help the school in every way possible. After nine years at Calling Lake School, Pauline left to complete the Social Work Program at Grant MacEwan Community College in Edmonton. She returned to Calling Lake and worked three years more as counsellor aide, then took the Bachelor of Arts University Transfer program at Grant MacEwan. Pauline will be completing a Bachelor of Social Work program at the Yellowhead Tribal Centre in Spruce Grove.

Beginning in 1971, Clarice Cardinal worked nine years as teacher aide at Calling Lake School. She then completed one year of the Morning Star Program at St. Paul. She returned to Calling Lake School as teacher aide, worked one year as counsellor aide, then two years more as teacher aide; a total of sixteen years of service with Northland School Division. Clarice then left Calling Lake to attend the University of Alberta and received her Bachelor of Education degree in the spring of 1990. She has accepted a teaching position at Calling Lake School for the 1990-91 school year.

Dora Shwaga began teaching at Calling Lake School in 1960 when the school was part of the Athabasca School Division. When Northland School Division took over in January, 1962, Mrs. Shwaga was "transferred along with the furniture" and she worked without a signed contract until 1976. A past

Northland superintendent's report noted: "Mrs. Shwaga is an experienced teacher who is creative, innovative, well prepared and is continuing to supply excellent service to students at Calling Lake School and Northland School Division." Mrs. Shwaga has devoted much of her out-of-school time to school work and school related endeavors. She has taught at Calling Lake School for 30 years.

Mathilda Logan became involved with education at Calling Lake School in the early 1970's, as a helper in the Kindergarten program. Later, in mid-year, she took over as instructor. She worked about eight years more as Kindergarten instructor and later continued as ECS instructor.

(See Topic B: Kindergarten and ECS)

Mathilda enjoyed working with young children, and capably prepared them for many events including the annual Christmas concert and the graduation ceremonies. Being herself fluent in the Cree language, Mathilda was able to involve all of her students in every part of their program.

After the Native Language program was underway for the 1985-86 year, Mathilda took over after Christmas as Cree instructor. She has continued as Cree instructor for more than four years, and now teaches the Cree language and culture to all students attending Calling Lake School.

(See Topic D: Native Language Classes)



NORTHLAND LOCAL ATA AWARDS

Naty deCastro and Dora Shwaga both received long service awards which were presented by the Northland ATA Local 69 at a ceremony during the February 1987 Teachers' Convention held in Edmonton. Engraved brass bells were presented to Northland teachers who had served 5, 10, 15, 20 and 25 years with Northland School Division No. 61. Naty deCastro had taught in Northland Schools for 15 years and Dora Shwaga had taught at Calling Lake School for over 25 years.

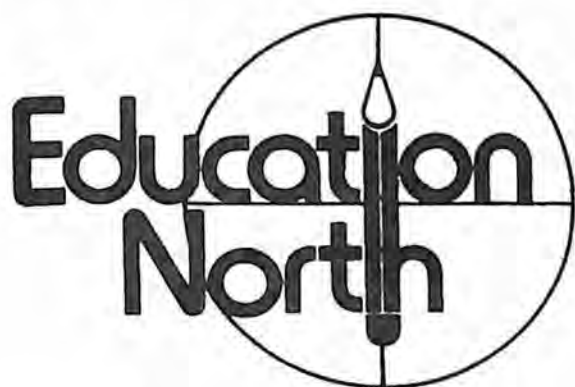
- Glenda Williams photo courtesy the *Advocate*

EDUCATION NORTH

The Education North project began in 1978.

One of the specific objectives of Education North was the implementation of a program to encourage long-term participation by adults in community education activities. Co-ordinator was Dr. Dave Young and Assistant Co-ordinator was Janice Dean. Head office was in High Prairie. In 1972, Rene Ancil replaced Dave Young as co-ordinator of the Education North project.^{41 Sept. 1982}

In January, 1982, the Minister's Advisory Committee for Education North gave final approval to initiate an Education North program at Calling Lake. A Society was formed, a slate of officers was



elected and by August, 1982, the first monies were received.^{41 Sept. 1982}

The programs that were proposed were: Piano, Wrestling, Sewing, Food Science, Crafts, School/Family Awareness and Involvement Centre, and a Cultural Awareness Day.^{41 Sept. 1982}

The first Calling Lake Educational North Society board members were:^{42 Sept. 1982}

President :	Bert King
Vice-President :	Jack Gambler
Secretary :	Dora Shwaga
Treasurer :	Barbara Nipshank
Co-ordinator :	Anne Marie Kennedy
Board Members:	Elmer Nipshank
	Pauline Gladue
	Peggy Baker
	Alvin Hershberger
	Daniel Gambler
	Mari-Agnes Cardinal.

Students who enrolled in the initial programs were:^{42 Dec. 1982.}

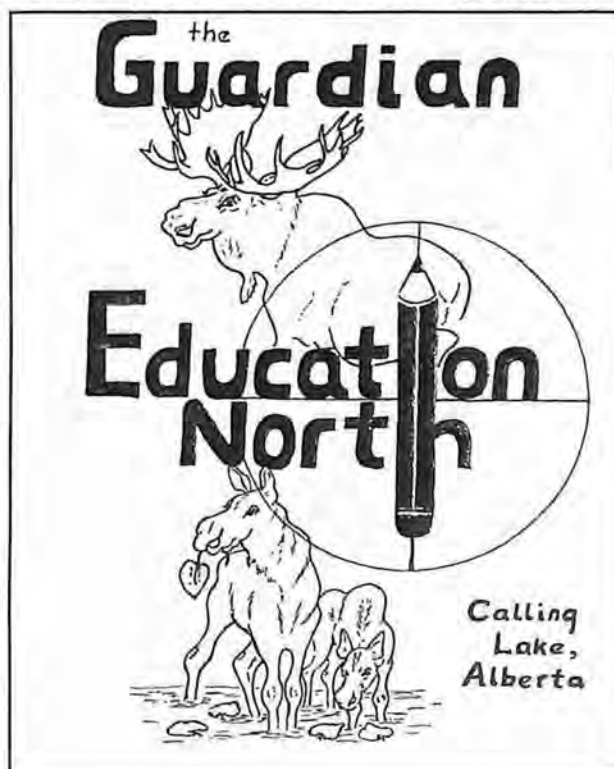
Leather Craft: Armin Cardinal, Bernie Cardinal, Candice Cardinal, Darlene Cardinal, Glenda Cardinal, Mildred Cardinal, Nancy Cardinal, Darlene Gambler, Terry Gambler, Richard Gambler, Melvin Jacobs.

Cooking: Bernie Cardinal, Darlene Cardinal, Glenda Cardinal, Mildred Cardinal, Nancy Cardinal, Darlene Gambler, Leanne Gambler, Randy Gladue, Richard Gladue, Melvin Jacobs.

Piano: Marie Beaverbone, Marieka Cardinal, Phoebe Crawford, Leanne Gambler.

Gymnastics: Lisa Auger, Clayton Benson, Mona Cardinal, Nancy Cardinal, Priscilla Cardinal, Vera Cardinal, Cheri Courtorielle, Tanya Courtorielle, Tammy Crawford, Darlene Gambler, Loren Gladue, Randy Gladue, Rhonda Gladue, Richard Gladue, Adrian Jacobs, Muriel Jacobs, Trisha Laroche, Pau Weber.

A monthly newsletter, starting in September 1982, was produced by co-ordinator, Anne Marie Kennedy. It was named *The Guardian*, and a cover design, containing the Education North logo, was adopted. The newsletter contained Calling Lake Education North information, community news and items of interest, as well as a children's activity section.



The Athabasca Lions Club donated \$600 so that Calling Lake Education North Society could have an instructor come to Calling Lake to teach gymnastics to the children. The Calling Lake Recreation Board bought gym exercise mats for use in the gymnastics classes.^{42 Sept. 1982}

The recreation van, with driver Marvin Nipshank, was made available to transport the children home from piano and gymnastics classes at 6:30 p.m. There was a one-time charge per family: one child - \$3, two children - \$5. The money was used towards the payment of the \$15 owing to the Recreation Board each time the van was used.^{42 Nov. 1982}

The following article, submitted by co-ordinator Anne Marie Kennedy, appeared in the March, 1983 edition of the *Education North Quarterly*:

The Calling Lake Education North Society began operating in July 1982, with a program designed to encourage parents and teachers to work together in developing activities which will benefit the children of the community. Under the guidance of the co-ordinator, Anne Marie Kennedy, the following programs are being offered through Education North:

The gymnastics program is operating as a joint effort between the communities of Athabasca and Calling Lake. An Athabasca high school student travels from Athabasca to Calling Lake each Monday evening to instruct the elementary students at Calling Lake in the art of gymnastics. The students are very enthusiastic and involved in the program, and so are the parents who are available to assist the instructor.

Piano lessons are also available at Calling Lake through Education North. Four students attend piano instruction each Monday evening at the Calling Lake School. The instructor, who is a high school student from Athabasca, travels with the gymnastic instructor.

The 4-H Club which involves parents, students and other family members, is operating on Tuesday evenings at the school and in the old Hot Lunch room. Some of the students in the club are learning to cook and sew, while others are being instructed in the art of ceramics and pottery. A kiln and two potters wheels have been purchased for use by the students as well as for the adults who are attending ceramics classes in Colinton on Wednesday evenings. Mrs. Dowling, the instructor, commented, "I've never seen so much talent in all the years I've taught." She is so pleased with her students' work that she intends to display their work in Edmonton. It is hoped that members of the group will be able to act as resource people, and will instruct other people in Calling Lake in the art of ceramics and pottery.

The Family Awareness and Involvement Centre provides a meeting place for teachers and parents to become acquainted and have the opportunity to discuss child-related concerns. The Centre also offers information in a workshop

setting on topics such as: nutrition, budgeting, parenting, alcohol, family law, mental health, etc.

A Cultural Awareness Day is being planned for May 5, 1983. Education North and the community of Calling Lake are planning a variety of events and activities: a display of archeological findings of the Calling Lake area; various guest speakers; native dancers; display of furs by Fish & Wildlife; AVC Lac La Biche, Native Crafts and Fashion Show; local community art display; gymnastic performances and 4-H displays.

The Education North program at Calling Lake provided for the students a variety of out-of-school activities, many of which were related to the planned spring attraction, Heritage Days. Students in the ceramics and leathercraft programs prepared items for display, while students in the piano and gymnastics program prepared presentations. The sewing program participants cut, stitched and hemmed until they had completed enough shorts to supply each of the students in the gymnastics program. During the gymnastics performance at Heritage Days, all the gymnasts looked very professional dressed in their blue shorts and white T-shirts. Geraldine Greenley had volunteered to decorate the white T-shirts, and with Artex paint, she hand-lettered and decorated each shirt with the Education North logo.



After much planning and preparation, the Heritage Days event was successfully staged at Calling Lake School on May 5, 1983, with the majority of the organization and preparation capably completed by co-ordinator Anne Marie Kennedy. There were displays to see and events to attend throughout the whole day. For the students, the morning was occupied with display tours and presentations, the feature being an assembly in the gym where they enjoyed the singing of Winston Wuttunee and participated in native dancing to the accompaniment of his drumbeat.



Winston Wuttunee provides the drumbeat as the Calling Lake School students dance. Behind Winston are Randy Gladue and Cameron Amstutz.

- Dora Shwaga photo



Loren Gladue prepares his bannock for baking as Rudy Gambler, Sharon Gambler and Vivian Cardinal watch.

- Dora Shwaga photo

Visitors and community members also enjoyed the displays and afternoon presentations, which, because of the threatening weather, were moved indoors rather than being held outdoors as planned. Food was available at two outdoor booths and a bannock-baking contest, which attracted many participants, was conducted in a tent outside, while the bannock itself was baked in a wood-burning stove set up beside the tent.

The highlight of the afternoon was the presentation of the achievement awards, with Winston Wuttunee doing the honors.

A front page news report, by Hal Harrison of the *Athabasca Echo*, described the events at Calling Lake Heritage Days:

The first of what could be an annual affair in the life of Calling Lake residents went off with success on Thursday, May 5, 1983, with the Heritage Days program. A good number of people attended the function throughout the day.

The celebrity of the day, Winston Wuttunee, of Can- Saskatchewan, had endeared himself to the children in morning presentation. He was also to be the main attracti at the evening affair, which was to include some of the loc- talent of the Calling Lake Community.

Displays arranged for by Anne Marie Kennedy, Co-ordinator of Calling Lake Education North, were well visited during the day.

The display and working students, in the area granted to Alberta Vocational College from Lac La Biche, had items produced by students of the Native Cultural Arts program at the college. These included moccasins and mukluks along with vests, coats and other articles made from moosehide. One feature of these items was the embroidery, beadwork, moose hair tufting, porcupine quill and fur trim.

Pauline Artmann, Alvina Burke, Clara Whitford and Helen Thomas, students of the program, were on hand and were working on some of the item features.

There was a fur display in the hall set up by Fish and Wildlife, and this drew a lot of attention. Ian Sewell was on hand with his "Little Red River Reading Project" a set of books produced this past winter for elementary students.

AADAC, Native Counselling had displays as well as Fedirchuk McCullough Associates Ltd., who were the Heritage Resource Consultants on the archaeological dig near the bridge at Calling Lake a year or so ago. While this display was not large, a slide presentation and talk given by Edward McCullough was extremely interesting.

The Athabasca Edwin Parr Community School Band was in attendance, and gave a performance just after the noon break. A choral group from the Athabasca Elementary School, under the direction of Denise Douglas, presented several songs as well. Then Winston Wuttunee handed out the presentations for the Achievement Program participants.

Outside the school, where the program had been shifted because of the cool and rain-threatening weather, there were booths with hot dogs, snacks and a meal of venison stew and bannock.

A disappointment to co-ordinator Anne Marie Kennedy was that the Kikino Dancers, one of the features planned for the evening program, were not able to attend. We take off our hat to Anne Marie and all those who assisted her in making this First Annual Calling Lake Heritage Day a success. 22 May 11, 1983



These crafts, produced by Joe Logan, were part of a local craft display at Heritage Days.

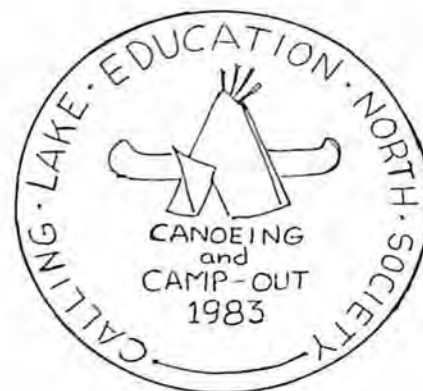
- Dora Shwaga photo

By May, there were indications that the government might discontinue funding the Education North program. With the uncertainty of employment and a family to provide for, Anne Marie submitted her resignation. Before the annual meeting set for the end of May, some of the Board members also resigned, as they had other summer commitments and would not be able to devote time to the Society.

In spite of the set-backs, Calling Lake Education North Society held its annual meeting at the end of May and then organized a summer program for July and August.

- President : Geraldine Greenley
- Vice-President : Francis Cardinal
- Secretary : Diane Stewart
- Board Members: Monica Crawford
- Harold Gambler
- Alvin Hershberger
- David Newman.

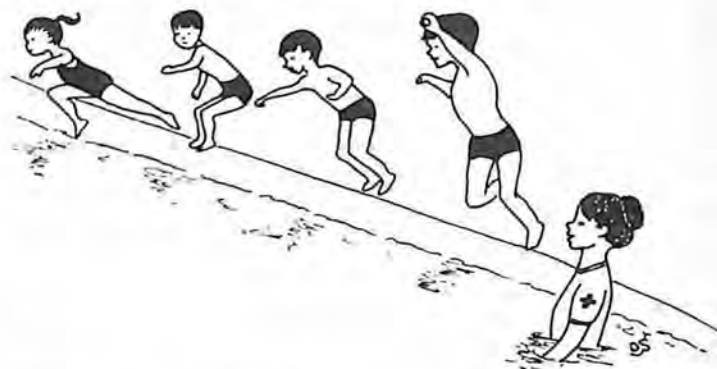
A proposed summer program was discussed. An on-going summer program was to consist of girls' softball, sewing/quilting, cooking, native crafts and playground equipment.



LEADER

In July - First Aid/Water Safety; Canoeing; Local Field Trips; Camp-outs.

In August - Swimming Lessons; Cleaning Homes; Extended Trip by Greyhound.



Some equipment was purchased; sewing machines, quilting frames and folding tables. The Society decided to hire two co-ordinators, Johnny Cardinal and Peter Newman, who would work jointly under the direction of the Society's Board. Doris Sutton was hired as treasurer. Most of the proposed summer programs were successfully carried out, with the local canoe trips and camp-outs proving very enjoyable.

The rumors were true - two letters arrived from David King, Minister of Education, explaining the decision not to continue funding Education North beyond the experimental project.

Like all other Education North Boards in Alberta, the Calling Lake Education North Society board and the students were very disappointed that the program was terminated, but there remained with the participants the skills that were learned as well as the pleasant memories of their involvement in the Education North sponsored activities at Calling Lake.

CALLING LAKE GRADE NINE GRADUATES

A "first" for Calling Lake came in June 1961, when the entire grade nine class passed the Provincial exams. The four students, Gilman Cardinal, Cora Roe, Lorraine Roe and Joan Sutton were honoured on December 1, 1961 with a banquet and graduation exercises.

The banquet, held at the Calling Lake Youth Centre, began at 7:30 p.m. Present were Mr. Brubaker, Mr. and Mrs. Gault, the four graduates, their parents and the guests who had been invited by the students. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. William McPherson, Mr. Bill Gibbons and Mrs. Bob Logan.

The delicious meal was served by students Judy Sutton, Linda Ellefson, Alice Auger and Clarice Cardinal. The menu was planned by Virginia Brubaker and Laura Ellefson. After the banquet, the people present went to Tanasiuk's Hall to await the graduation exercises.

The hall stage was decorated with streamers and crepe paper flowers which were made by the decorating committee under the supervision of Mrs. Shwaga. Four "graduate" silhouettes decorated the curtained effect of the streamers. Mr. Slim Ellefson, the Master of Ceremonies, opened the program with the singing of O Canada.

Speeches were given by Mr. Ellefson, Mr. Gault and Mr. Brubaker. Cora Roe gave the Valedictory. The girls of Mr. Brubaker's room sang "Our School", the song which was composed by them especially for this first grade nine graduation.

To close the program, Mr. Brubaker presented the diplomas which had been designed and hand lettered by Mrs. Shwaga.

The minutes of the December 12, 1961 meeting of the School Committee of the County of Athabasca No. 12 read in part:

The Superintendent stated that he had the privilege of attending the Calling Lake grade 9 Graduation on December 1, 1961 and was quite impressed with the manner in which it was carried out.⁴³ Dec. 12, 1961



At the graduation exercises Gilman Cardinal receives his diploma.

Mr. Gault, Mr. Brubaker, Gilman Cardinal, Cora Roe, Lorraine Roe, Joan Sutton.

- photo courtesy EVERGREEN 1961-62



The banquet guests.

Grandma Logan, Mr. Wm. McPherson, Mrs. McPherson, Mr. Bill Gibbons.

- photo courtesy EVERGREEN



OUR SCHOOL

R.A. Brubaker

The musical score is written on a single treble clef staff in 4/4 time, with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The melody is simple and suitable for a school song. The lyrics are printed below the notes. The score includes a first ending, a chorus, and a second ending. The first ending concludes with a fermata over the final note. The chorus is marked with a repeat sign. The second ending concludes with a fermata over the final note.

1. In the north-land of Al - ber - ta
Where the spruce and pop - lar grow
Where a blue lake shines and glit - ters
There stands a school we're proud to know.

Chorus: In Al - ber - ta fair and green
By a lake of spark - ling blue
There our friends are laugh - ing
Work - ing loy - al strong and true.

2. Where our character is formed
For the good which makes us glad
And our moral life is patterned
From the experience that we've had.

3. As the school years come and go
Work is mingled with the fun
Because we know in nine short years
A major victory has been won.



The Graduates' parents.

Rose Cardinal, Eliza Roe, Harold Roe, Ken Sutton, Doris Sutton.

- photo courtesy EVERGREEN



"Our School" song choir.

Back: Margaret Nipshank, Agnes Cardinal (hidden), Judy Sutton, Alice Auger, Ruth Anne White, Linda Ellefson, Clarice Cardinal.

Front: Bernice Nipshank, Wendy Ellefson, Christine Cardinal, Theresa Crawford.

- photo courtesy EVERGREEN



The grade nine graduation banquet and exercises became an annual event, held first at the Youth Centre and Tanasiuk's Hall, then in the school classrooms and later in the school "gym." Students received diplomas handmade by Mrs. Shwaga and tied with ribbon in the school colours, green and white. In the early 1970's, due to various factors, the event was sometimes marked with a trip or a tea instead of a graduation ceremony.



Grade Nine Graduates, 1961-62.

Clarice Cardinal, Judy Sutton, Linda Ellefson, Hazel Cardinal, Alice Auger.

- photo courtesy EVERGREEN



Grade Nine Graduates, 1962-63.

Wendy Ellefson, Margaret Nipshank, Raymond Brubaker — guest speaker, principal Harvey Burkholder, standing.

- photo courtesy EVERGREEN



Grade Nine Graduates, 1963-64, with their mothers.

L-R: Mrs. Wanda Nipshank, Bernice Nipshank,
Ruth Anne White, Mrs. Helen White.

- photo courtesy Dorá Shwaga




Grade Nine Graduates, 1964-65.

Theresa Crawford, Christine Cardinal.

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Calling Lake School



Encouraging Truthfulness, Happiness, and Usefulness.
certifies that:

Theresa Crawford

is a member of the
Grade Nine
Graduating Class
of **1965**

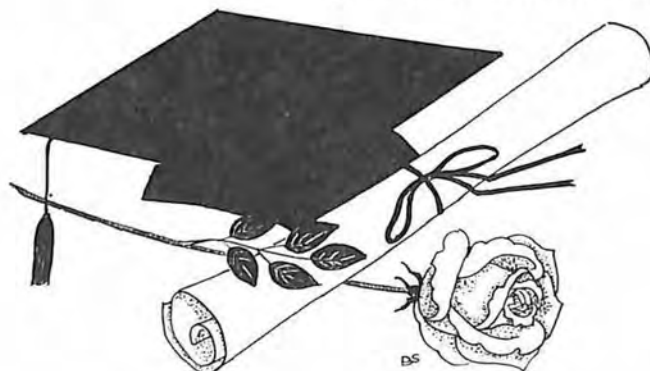
Al Burkholder
Principal



Grade Nine Graduates, 1965-66.

Miriam White, Barbara Sutton.

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Grade Nine Graduates, 1966-67.

Irene Nipshank, Sharon Crawford, Elmer Nipshank.

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Grade Nine Graduates, 1968-69.

Rose Gambler, Josephine Beaver, Judy Logan, Linda Cardinal.

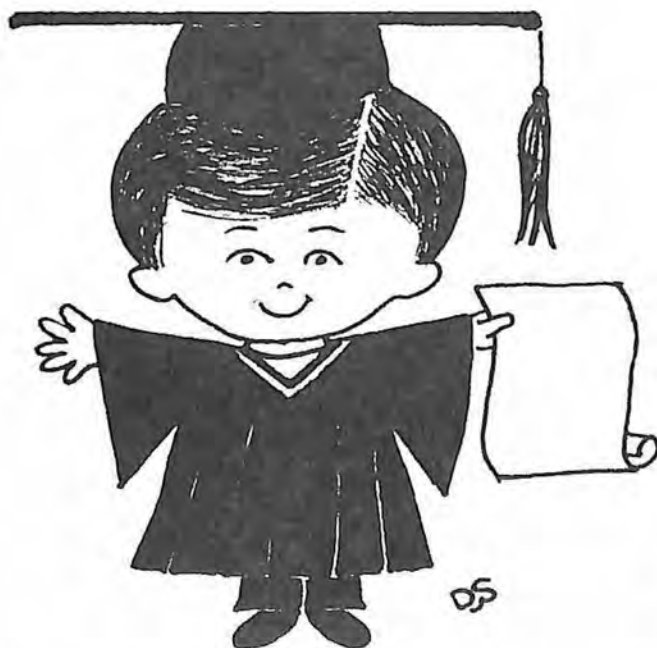
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Grade Nine Graduates, 1967-68.

Larry Cardinal, Elizabeth Jacobs, Louis Gajdos.

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For the 1972-73 school year, grade nine students attended Edwin Parr Composite School in Athabasca. The first grade nine class from Calling Lake to ride the bus to Athabasca consisted of: Doris Cardinal, Gloria Cardinal and Donna Logan.

The following year, grade nine was offered again at Calling Lake School, and eight students were enrolled. Gerald Laroche made the choice to take his grade nine at Edwin Parr Composite School and was allowed to ride the bus to Athabasca.

**Calling Lake School Grade Nine Graduates,
1961-1972:**

- | | |
|--------------------|-------------------------|
| 1960-61 | Louis Gajdos |
| Gilman Cardinal | Elizabeth Jacobs |
| Cora Roe | Mike Roe |
| Lorraine Roe | Kenneth White |
| Joan Sutton | 1968-69 |
| 1961-62 | Josephine Beaver |
| Alice Auger | Linda Cardinal |
| Clarice Cardinal | Judy Logan |
| Hazel Cardinal | 1969-70 |
| Linda Ellefson | Bobby Cardinal |
| Judy Sutton | Rose Gambler |
| 1962-63 | Barbara Jacobs |
| Wendy Ellefson | Barbara Nipshank |
| Margaret Nipshank | Arlie Roe |
| 1963-64 | Kenny Sutton |
| Bernice Nipshank | 1970-71 |
| Howard Roe | Ambrose Jacobs |
| Ruth Anne White | Donna Jacobs |
| 1964-65 | Gloria Gladue |
| Christine Cardinal | 1971-72 |
| Theresa Crawford | Clarence Gambler |
| Willard Roe | Leon Roe |
| 1965-66 | 1972-73 |
| Barbara Sutton | Students attended grade |
| Miriam White | nine in Athabasca. |
| 1966-67 | 1973-74 |
| Irvin Cardinal | Mae Gambler |
| Sharon Crawford | Patricia Gambler |
| Elmer Nipshank | 1974-75 |
| Irene Nipshank | until 1983-84 |
| Chris Roe | Students attended |
| 1967-68 | grade nine |
| Larry Cardinal | in Athabasca. |

For next ten years, from 1974-75 and continuing until 1983-84, grade nine students from Calling Lake travelled by bus to Edwin Parr Composite School in Athabasca.

Grade nine was taught again at Calling Lake starting in the 1984-85 term in a portable set up beside the school. On June 26, 1985, a graduation banquet, organized and catered to by the staff, was held in the school "gym" to honour the ten grade nine graduates. Following the banquet, at the graduation exercises, the graduates received certificates and then were each presented with a small gift and a flower from the community.



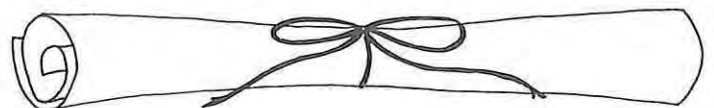
The Calling Lake School Grade Nine Graduating Class received their certificates during exercises held on the evening of June 26, 1985.

*Back: Richard Gladue, Mildred Cardinal, Nancy Cardinal, Glenda Cardinal, Darlene Gambler.
Front: Mark Gambler, Brian Cardinal, Melvin Jacobs, Derek Nipshank, Bernard Cardinal.*

- Athabasca Advocate photo, courtesy Athabasca Archives

**Calling Lake School Grade Nine Graduates
1985-1990:**

- | | |
|---------------------|--------------------|
| 1984-85 | 1987-88 |
| Bernard Cardinal | Marvin Beaverbone |
| Brian Cardinal | Barbara Cardinal |
| Glenda Cardinal | Julian Cardinal |
| Mildred Cardinal | Cheri Courtorielle |
| Nancy Cardinal | Lee Duperron |
| Darlene Gambler | Donald Gambler |
| Mark Gambler | Greg Gambler |
| Richard Gladue | Randy Gladue |
| Melvin Jacobs | Andrea Logan |
| Derek Nipshank | Eileen Logan |
| 1985-86 | Sylvia Logan |
| Cecil Auger | 1988-89 |
| Tina Cardinal | Mona Cardinal |
| Gerald Gambler | Priscilla Cardinal |
| Genevieve Martineau | Lorin Crawford |
| Francine Villeneuve | Craig Duperron |
| 1986-87 | Lisa Gambler |
| Johnny Auger | 1989-90 |
| Lisa Auger | Richard Cardinal |
| Glen Bigstone | Phoebe Crawford |
| Vivian Cardinal | Cheryl Duperron. |
| Rudy Gambler | |
| Adrian Jacobs | |



STUDENTS

The very first class of six students at Calling Lake was:¹⁰

1922

Teacher: Arthur Cocke

Carrie Gislason	Margaret Gislason
Edith Gislason	Alex Klapatiuk
Jacob Gislason	John Klapatiuk

Class lists of students who attended Calling Lake School between 1924 and 1929 are not available. Evidently, Alberta Education records for the years prior to 1930 were destroyed by a flood. Apologies are extended to the students who attended Calling Lake School during those years, but whose names are not recorded in this history book.

Names of the following students do not appear on any of the official lists on the pages which follow. These students, those in the 1922 class, some of the older students on the official lists and possibly others, attended Calling Lake School between 1924 and 1929:

Margaret Fredericks	Katherine Jacobs
Gisli Gislason	Mike Tanasiuk
OV Gislason	Nick Tanasiuk
Sammy Jacobs	William Tanasiuk

Author's Note:

Class lists which follow have been taken from Alberta Education records and include students who attended Calling Lake School for any part of a school year, even if their attendance was for only a few days.

Student records for 1930 to 1949 were submitted to Alberta Education in December and again in June every year, resulting in two separate student lists for each school year. These two lists have been combined when compiling the class lists which follow, and do not reveal certain special details. The explanations are intended to help the reader correctly interpret the lists and become aware of some of the circumstances that existed.

Because it was a common practice during those years to promote students to the next grade not only in June, but also at the end of the December term, a student's name could appear in two different grades during one school year; in one grade for the first

term, September to December, and in the following grade for the second term, January to June. In such cases, the student's name is listed here only once for that school year, in the higher of the two grades. It would therefore be incorrect to assume that this student had skipped a grade. Also, these lists do not indicate cases where a student was retained in the same grade at the end of June, then completed that grade during the first term in the next school year. Because the student was promoted to the next grade at the end of December, the list reveals the higher grade only, and the "catch-up" time is not indicated.

In the 1930s and 1940s, children often started grade one in the spring of one school year and completed grade one during the next school year. These students are listed in grade one for both years but it would be incorrect to assume that these students had repeated grade one.

Other children attended school for a few months only and returned the next school year to complete their grade. Their absence from school may have been because of the weather, the distance from school or because of the family's move to the trapline. These children are listed in their grade for both years (or more). Again, it would be incorrect to assume that these students had repeated their grade.

In the 1960s, 1970s and 1980s students were sometimes transferred to another classroom, the main reason being to equalize class loads. In certain years, by the end of October, there may have been well over 30 students enrolled with one classroom teacher and less than 20 students enrolled with another teacher. Usually a grade was split, and a group of students was transferred to another classroom. In these cases, even though some students did have two different teachers for that grade, the students are listed here only once - in the classroom of the second teacher.

There are other attendance factors also which are not dealt with, as the main purpose of the following class lists is to honor the students who have attended Calling Lake School.



STUDENTS WHO ATTENDED CALLING LAKE SCHOOL BETWEEN 1930 AND 1990 WERE:16

1930 - 1931

Cloe Payne

Gr. 1

Phyllis Day
Albert Grandbois
Lena Grandbois
Chester Webb
Mabel White
Mary White

Gr. 2

George Gambler
Francois Gambler
Margaret Taylor
Charles Webb

Gr. 4

Harriet Day
Kathleen McIntosh
Harry Webb

Gr. 5

Patricia Day
Richard Day
William Day
Jeanette McIntosh
May McIntosh
Marjory Payne
James Webb
Gr. 8
Muriel Webb

1931 - 1932

Cloe Day

Gr. 1

Robert Day
Albert Grandbois
Paul Grandbois
Margaret Lafferty
Mabel White
Mary White
Gr. 2
Phyllis Day
Francois Grandbois
Lena Grandbois
Charles Webb
Chester Webb

Gr. 5

Harriet Day
Kathleen McIntosh
May McIntosh
Harry Webb
Gr. 6
Patricia Day
Richard Day
William Day
Jeanette McIntosh
James Webb

Gr. ?

Leonard Payne
Muriel Webb

1932 - 1933

Alfred Gorman

Gr. 1

Robert Day
Jean Crawford
Ralph Crawford
Alexandrine Grandbois
Paul Grandbois
Margaret Lafferty
Mary Webb
Isobella White
Mary White

Gr. 2

Albert Grandbois
Chester Webb
Mabel White

Gr. 3

Phyllis Day
Francois Grandbois
Lena Grandbois
Charles Webb
Gr. 5
Kathleen McIntosh

Harry Webb

Gr. 6

Harriet Day
Jeanette McIntosh
James Webb

Gr. 7

Patricia Day
Richard Day
William Day

1933 - 1934

Alfred Gorman

Gr. 1

Alexandrine Grandbois
Edna Kirkpatrick
Isobella White
Gr. 2

Ralph Crawford
Jean Crawford
Robert Day
Paul Grandbois
Margaret Lafferty
Jean McKinnon
Glenn McKinnon
Mary Webb
Mabel White
Mary White

Gr. 3

Albert Grandbois
Chester Webb
Gr. 4

Phyllis Day
Francois Grandbois
Lena Grandbois
Evelyn McKinnon

Charles Webb

Gr. 6

Kathleen McIntosh
Harry Webb
Gr. 7

Harriet Day
Jeanette McIntosh
James Webb

Gr. 8

Alice Church
Patricia Day
Richard Day
William Day

1934 - 1935

**Mary Astley
Modest Senuk**

Gr. 1

Margaret Cardinal
Frank Crawford
Alexandrine Grandbois
Edna Kirkpatrick
Isobella White
Mary White

Gr. 2

Jean Crawford
Ralph Crawford
Glenn McKinnon
Jean McKinnon
Mary Webb
Gr. 3

Robert Day
Albert Grandbois
Paul Grandbois
Margaret Lafferty
Walter Lennie
Chester Webb
Mabel White

Gr. 4

Helen Gislason
Gr. 5

Phyllis Day
Lena Grandbois
Eva Lennie
Evelyn McKinnon
Charles Webb

Gr. 7

Kathleen McIntosh
Gr. 8
Harriet Day
Jeanette McIntosh

1935 - 1936

**Modest Senuk
Henrietta Crawford**

Gr. 1

Frank Crawford
George Webb
Roy White

Gr. 2

Alexandrine Grandbois
Mary White

Gr. 3

Jean Crawford
Ralph Crawford
Robert Day

Albert Grandbois
Paul Grandbois

Jean McKinnon

Chester Webb

Mary Webb

Mabel White

Gr. 4

Margaret Lafferty
Glenn McKinnon

Gr. 6

Phyllis Day
Lena Grandbois
Evelyn McKinnon
Charles Webb

Gr. 8

Kathleen McIntosh
Gr. 9

Harriet Day
Jeanette McIntosh

1936 - 1937

Olga Pisesky

Gr. 1

Lawrence Carbonneau
John Grandbois
George Webb

Isobella White

Roy White

Gr. 2

Frank Crawford
George Smith
Mary White

Gr. 3

Ernest Carbonneau
Irene Carbonneau
Robert Day
Alexandrine Grandbois
Gr. 4

Jean Crawford
Ralph Crawford
Albert Grandbois
Paul Grandbois
Chester Webb



Mary Webb
Gr. 5
Margaret Lafferty
Gr. 6
Phyllis Day
Charles Webb
Gr. 8
Richard Day
William Day
Kathleen McIntosh

1937 - 1838
John Meyers

Gr. 1
Lawrence Carbonneau
George Crawford
Lloyd Crawford
Margaret Webb
Isobella White
Roy White
Gr. 2
John Grandbois
George Webb
Gr. 3
Ernest Carbonneau
Frank Crawford
Mary White
Gr. 4
Irene Carbonneau
Robert Day
Albert Grandbois
Alexandrine Grandbois
Gr. 5
Jean Crawford
Ralph Crawford
Margaret Lafferty
Paul Grandbois
Chester Webb
Mary Webb
Gr. 7
Phyllis Day
Charles Webb
Gr. 9
Richard Day
Kathleen McIntosh
Gr.10
Harriet Day

1938 - 1939
John Meyers

Gr. 1
Fred Lafferty
Alan McPherson
Leonard Price
Margaret Webb
Ben White
Gr. 2
George Crawford
Lloyd Crawford

Gr. 3
John Grandbois
Harry Price
Percy Price
George Webb
Isobella White
Roy White
Gr. 4
Frank Crawford
Gr. 5
Robert Day
Albert Grandbois
Alexandrine Grandbois
Robert Lemaster
Mary White
Gr. 6
Jean Crawford
Ralph Crawford
Paul Grandbois
Margaret Lafferty
Chester Webb
Mary Webb
Mabel White
Gr. 8
Phyllis Day
Gr.10
Kathleen McIntosh
Gr.11
Harriet Day

1939 - 1940
John Meyers

Gr. 1
Doris McPherson
Leonard Price
Violet Price
Shirley Walton
Ben White
Gr. 2
Alan McPherson
Margaret Webb
Isobella White
Roy White
Gr. 3
George Crawford
Lloyd Crawford
Gr. 4
Harry Price
Percy Price
Kenneth Walton
George Webb
Gr. 5
Frank Crawford
Mary White
Gr. 7
Jean Crawford
Ralph Crawford
Robert Day
Chester Webb
Mary Webb

Gr. 9
Phyllis Day

1940 - 1941
Mary Laskiwski

Gr. 1
Doris McPherson
Leonard Price
Leslie Price
Violet Price
Shirley Walton
Gr. 3
Margaret Webb
Gr. 4
Alan McPherson
Gr. 5
George Crawford
Lloyd Crawford
Harry Price
Percy Price
Kenneth Walton
George Webb
Gr. 6
Frank Crawford
Gr. 7
Robert Lemaster
Helen Silver
Gr. 8
Jean Crawford
Ralph Crawford
Robert Day
Chester Webb
Mary Webb
Gr. 9
Phyllis Day

1941 - 1942
Mrs. H. E. Silver

Gr. 1
Georgina Grandbois
Leslie Price
Gr. 2
Doris McPherson
Leonard Price
Violet Price
Shirley Walton
Gr. 3
Margaret Webb
Gr.5
Alan McPherson
Harry Price
Gr. 6
George Crawford
Lloyd Crawford
Percy Price
Kenneth Walton
George Webb
Gr. 7
Frank Crawford

Gr. 8
Robert Lemaster
Helen Silver
Gr.10
Phyllis Day

1942 - 1943
Norma Stinsman

Gr. 1
Eleanor Boles
Fred Cardinal
Lloyd Cardinal
Joan Price
Gr. 2
Leslie Price
Gr. 3
Doris McPherson
Leonard Price
Gr. 4
Violet Price
Margaret Webb
Gr. 6
Alan McPherson
Harry Price
Gr. 7
George Crawford
Lloyd Crawford
Percy Price
George Webb
Gr. 8
Frank Crawford
Gr. 9
Jean Crawford
Robert Day
Robert Lemaster
Helen Silver
Gr. ?
Clara Gambler

1943 - 1944
Norma Stinsman

Gr. 1
Alice Arnault
Leonard Auger
Charley Cardinal
Fred Cardinal
Lloyd Cardinal
Angelia Gambler
Annie Gambler
Helen Gambler
Rose Jacobs
Harry Peterson
Phyllis Peterson
Joan Price
Gr. 2
Leslie Price
Eunice Tanasiuk
Gr. 3
Anne Tanasiuk

John Tanasiuk
Gr. 4
Lillian Cardinal
Simon Cardinal
Doris McPherson
Helen Tanasiuk
Gr. 5
Leonard Price
Violet Price
Gr. 6
Shirley Walton
Gr. 7
George Crawford
Alan McPherson
Harry Price
Gr. 8
Frank Crawford
Lloyd Crawford
Lily Eyford
Percy Price
Kenneth Walton
Gr. ?
Harry Stinsman

1944 - 1945
Norma Stinsman

Gr. 1
Mabel Arnault
Dorothy Auger
Leonard Auger
Ned Auger
Arthur Cardinal
Charley Cardinal
Fred Cardinal
Jim Cardinal
Lloyd Cardinal
Ben Gambler
Mary Gambler
Doris Grandbois
Robert Jacobs
Rose Jacobs
Dallas Kruger
Harry Peterson
Phyllis Peterson
Alec Powder
Walter Powder
William Walton
Gr. 2
Alice Arnault
Joe Auger
Angelia Gambler
Annie Gambler
Jack Gambler
Gr. 3
Eunice Tanasiuk
Gr. 4
John Tanasiuk
Gr. 5
Lillian Cardinal
Simon Cardinal

Doris McPherson
Helen Tanasiuk
Gr. 6
William Kruger
Shirley Walton
Gr. 8
George Crawford
Gr. 9
Lloyd Crawford
Edith Stinsman
Kenneth Walton
Gr. ?
Fred Lafferty

1945 - 1946
Anna Eyford

Gr. 1
Mabel Arnault
Dorothy Auger
Jim Auger
Leonard Auger
Lisa Auger
Louisson Auger
Mary Auger
Napoleon Auger
Arthur Cardinal
Charles Cardinal
Fred Cardinal
Jim Cardinal
Lloyd Cardinal
Allan Crawford
Francis Gambler
Henry Gambler
Louis Gambler
Mary Gambler
Louise Gladue
Robert Jacobs
Rose Jacobs
Dallas Kruger
Dorothy Uchytel
Gordon Uchytel
Leonard Walton
William Walton
Victor Wasylyk
Gr. 2
Alice Arnault
Angelia Gambler
Ben Gambler
Jack Gambler
Harry Peterson
Phyllis Peterson
Myrtle Roe
William Roe
Gr. 3
Annie Gambler
Eunice Tanasiuk
Gr. 4
John Wasylyk
Gr. 5
Lillian Cardinal

Simon Cardinal
Annie Tanasiuk
John Tanasiuk
Gr. 6
William Kruger
Doris McPherson
Faye Roe
Helen Tanasiuk
Gr. 7
Elsie Kruger
Shirley Walton
Gr. 8
George Crawford

1946 - 1947
Norma Stinsman
Ethel Kennedy

Gr. 1
Mabel Arnault
Dorothy Auger
Robert Auger
Eugene Cardinal
Fred Cardinal
Jim Cardinal
Lloyd Cardinal
Mary Cardinal
Allan Crawford
Mary Gambler
Alfonse Gladue
Lottie Gladue
Louise Gladue
Pat Gladue
Victoria Gladue
Violet Gladue
Robert Jacobs
Mary Loonskin
Mathilda Piche
Terry Roe
Victor Wasylyk
Gr. 2
Leonard Auger
Ben Gambler
Rose Jacobs
Dallas Kruger
Dorothy Uchytel
Gordon Uchytel
Leonard Walton
William Walton
Gr. 3
Alice Arnault
Angelia Gambler
Jack Gambler
Annie Loonskin
Harry Peterson
Phyllis Peterson
Myrtle Roe
William Roe
Eunice Tanasiuk
Gr. 4
Joe Auger

Annie Gambler
Gr. 5
John Wasylyk
Gr. 7
Elsie Kruger
Doris McPherson
Faye Roe
Shirley Walton

1947 - 1948
Mrs. M. Grant

Gr. 1
Joyce Arnault
Robert Auger
Eugene Cardinal
Fred Cardinal
James Cardinal
Mary Mabel Cardinal
Melvin Cardinal
Allan Crawford
Denise Gambler
Louise Gladue
Pat Gladue
Victoria Gladue
Violet Jacobs
Gordon Logan
Lawrence Logan
Susan Logan
Elvin Samuelson
Gerald Uchytel
Elsie Wasylyk
Victor Wasylyk
Gr. 2
Mabel Arnault
Mary Gambler
Mathilda Piche
Gr. 3
Dorothy Auger
Leonard Auger
Ben Gambler
Robert Jacobs
Rose Jacobs
Dallas Kruger
Dorothy Uchytel
Gordon Uchytel
Leonard Walton
William Walton
Gr. 5
Fred Grant
Gr. 6
Harry Peterson
Phyllis Peterson
Eunice Tanasiuk
John Wasylyk
Gr. 8
Doris McPherson

1948 - 1949

William Beeston
Helen Dorey
John Marshall

Gr. 1
 Joyce Arnault
 Robert Auger
 Mary Mabel Cardinal
 Mary Victoria Cardinal
 Melvin Cardinal
 Denise Gambler
 Susan Logan
 Elvin Samuelson
 Victor Wasyluk
 Gr. 2
 Eugene Cardinal
 Allan Crawford
 Violet Jacobs
 Gordon Logan
 Gerald Uchytel
 Elsie Wasyluk
 Gr. 3
 Mabel Arnault
 Mary Gambler
 Mathilda Piche
 Gr. 4
 Dorothy Auger
 Leonard Auger
 Ben Gambler
 Robert Jacobs
 Rose Jacobs
 Dorothy Uchytel
 Gordon Uchytel
 Leonard Walton
 William Walton
 Gr. 5
 William Roe
 Gr. 7
 Phyllis Peterson
 John Wasyluk
 Gr. 8
 Doris McPherson

1949 - 1950

Agnes Bentley

Gr. 1
 Joyce Arnault
 Howard Auger
 Robert Auger
 Fred Cardinal
 James Cardinal
 Mary Victoria Cardinal
 Melvin Cardinal
 Allan Crawford
 Catherine Gladue
 Victoria Gladue
 Gordon Logan
 Susan Logan
 Edward Uchytel

Gerald Uchytel
 Gr. 3
 Mabel Arnault
 Dorothy Auger
 Eugene Cardinal
 Mathilda Piche
 William Walton
 Gr. 4
 Leonard Auger
 Dorothy Uchytel
 Gordon Uchytel
 Leonard Walton
 Gr. 6
 Donald Laferrier
 Muriel Laferrier
 Phyllis Peterson
 David Reykdol
 Gr. 9
 Ethel Laferrier
 Doris McPherson

1950 - 1951

Fred Warren

Gr. 1
 Gilman Cardinal
 Irene Cardinal
 Mary Cardinal
 Catherine Gladue
 Joseph Gladue
 Victor Gladue
 Donald Uchytel
 Edward Uchytel
 Gr. 2
 Victoria Gladue
 Susan Logan
 Gr. 3
 Melvin Cardinal
 Allan Crawford
 Mary Gladue
 Gerald Uchytel
 Gr. 4
 Eugene Cardinal
 Walter House
 Gordon Logan
 Gr. 5
 Dorothy Uchytel
 Gordon Uchytel
 Leonard Walton
 William Walton
 Gr. 7
 Phyllis Peterson

1951 - 1952

Fred Warren

Gr. 1
 Gilman Cardinal
 Irene Cardinal
 Mary Cardinal
 Catherine Gladue

Joseph Gladue
 Victor Gladue
 Mary Jacobs
 Lorine Roe
 Donald Uchytel
 Edward Uchytel
 Marilyn Walton
 Gr. 2
 Howard Auger
 Victoria Gladue
 Johnny Jacobs
 Susan Logan
 Gr. 4
 Eugene Cardinal
 Melvin Cardinal
 Allan Crawford
 Gerald Uchytel
 Gr. 6
 Dorothy Auger
 Dorothy Uchytel
 Gordon Uchytel
 Leonard Walton
 William Walton
 Gr. 8
 Phyllis Peterson

1952 - 1953

Fred Warren

Gr. 1
 Agnes Cardinal
 Edith Cardinal
 Gilman Cardinal
 Hazel Cardinal
 Irene Cardinal
 Mary Cardinal
 Catherine Gladue
 Joseph Gladue
 Victor Gladue
 Mary Jacobs
 Mildred Jacobs
 Millie Jacobs
 Gr. 2
 Victor Logan
 Cora Roe
 Lorine Roe
 Joan Sutton
 Donald Uchytel
 Edward Uchytel
 Gr. 3
 Victoria Gladue
 John Jacobs
 Susan Logan
 Marilyn Walton
 Gr. 4
 Eugene Cardinal
 Melvin Cardinal
 Pat Gladue
 Robert Jacobs
 Violet Jacobs
 Gr. 5

Gerald Uchytel
 Gr. 6
 Gary Watson
 Gr. 7
 Dorothy Uchytel
 Gordon Uchytel
 Leonard Walton

1953 - 1954

Isabelle Watson

Gr. 1
 Clarice Cardinal
 Hazel Cardinal
 Victor Logan
 Judy Sutton
 Gr. 2
 Gilman Cardinal
 Mildred Jacobs
 Cora Roe
 Lorine Roe
 Donald Uchytel
 Edward Uchytel
 Gr. 3
 Joan Sutton
 Gr. 4
 Melvin Cardinal
 Violet Jacobs
 Susan Logan
 Marilyn Walton
 Gr. 5
 Eugene Cardinal
 Robert Jacobs
 Gerald Uchytel
 Gr. 6
 Gary Watson
 Gr. 7
 Patrick Gibbons
 Dorothy Uchytel
 Gordon Uchytel

1954 - 1955

Mary Astley

Gr. 1
 Gordon Cardinal
 Irene Cardinal
 Ida Decoine
 Margaret Nipshank
 Howard Roe
 Gr. 2
 Clarice Cardinal
 Hazel Cardinal
 John Jacobs
 Victor Logan
 Judy Sutton
 Gr. 3
 Gilman Cardinal
 Mildred Jacobs
 Cora Roe
 Lorine Roe

Joan Sutton
Donald Uchytal
Edward Uchytal
Gr. 4
Melvin Cardinal
Violet Jacobs
Susan Logan
Gr. 5
Eugene Cardinal
Gerald Uchytal
Gr. 7
Gary Watson
Gr. 8
Gordon Uchytal

1955 - 1956
Mary Astley

Gr. 1
Wendy Bissell
Agnes Cardinal
Edith Cardinal
Gordon Cardinal
Bernice Nipshank
Lillian Savard
Edward Swan
Ruth Anne White
Gr. 2
Irene Cardinal
Leonard Crevier
Ronald Crevier
Ida Decoine
Wendy Ellefson
Victor Logan
Doris Nadeau
Margaret Nipshank
Howard Roe
Pearl Savard
Gr. 3
Clarice Cardinal
Hazel Cardinal
Linda Ellefson
Mildred Jacobs
David Patterson
Hughie Patterson
Judy Sutton
Gr. 4
Gilman Cardinal
Gilbert Nadeau
Cora Roe
Lorine Roe
Jack Savard
Joan Sutton
Donald Uchytal
Edward Uchytal
Gr. 6
Melvin Cardinal
Gerald Uchytal
Gr. 8
Phyllis Ralston
Gary Watson
Gr. 9
Robert Ralston

1956 - 1957
Anna Rose Nafziger

Gr. 1
Christine Cardinal
Clarence Cardinal
Gilbert Cardinal
Gordon Cardinal
Larry Crawford
Theresa Crawford
Emily Gambler
Ruby Gambler
Gilbert Gladue
Joseph Gladue
Victor Gladue
Gail Lang
Rolly Logan
Willard Roe
Laura Savard
Rachel Swan
Gr. 2
Wendy Bissell
Agnes Cardinal
Irene Cardinal
Mabel Nadeau
Bernice Nipshank
Marvin Reimer
Lillian Savard
Edward Swan
Ruth Anne White
Gr. 3
Ida Decoine
Wendy Ellefson
Garry Lang
Victor Logan
Doris Nadeau
Margaret Nipshank
Howard Roe
Pearl Savard

1956 - 1957
Mary Astley

Gr. 4
Clarice Cardinal
Hazel Cardinal
Linda Ellefson
Jack Savard
Judy Sutton
Gr. 5
Gilman Cardinal
Gilbert Nadeau
Cora Roe
Lorine Roe
Joan Sutton
Donald Uchytal
Edward Uchytal
Gr. 7
Melvin Cardinal
Gerald Uchytal

1957 - 1958
Anna Rose Nafziger

Gr. 1
Johnny Auger
Robert Bissell
Clara Cardinal
Clarence Cardinal
Evelyn Cardinal
Gilbert Cardinal
Irene Cardinal
Irvin Cardinal
Jeremy Cardinal
Louise Cardinal
Larry Crawford
Sharon Crawford
David Ellefson
Ruby Gambler
Gilbert Gladue
Louise Gladue
Rolly Logan
Elmer Nipshank
Annette Reimer
Chris Roe
Laura Savard
Barbara Sutton
Miriam White
Gr. 2
Christine Cardinal
Gordon Cardinal
Theresa Crawford
Joseph Gladue
Victor Gladue
Willard Roe
Gr. 3
Wendy Bissell
Agnes Cardinal
Irene Cardinal
Bernice Nipshank
Marvin Reimer
Howard Roe
Lillian Savard
Ruth Anne White

1957 - 1958
Mary Astley

Gr. 4
Ida Decoine
Wendy Ellefson
Victor Logan
Margaret Nipshank
Pearl Savard
Gr. 5
Clarice Cardinal
Hazel Cardinal
Linda Ellefson
Jack Savard
Judy Sutton
Gr. 6
Howard Auger

Gilman Cardinal
Cora Roe
Lorine Roe
Joan Sutton
Donald Uchytal
Edward Uchytal

1958 - 1959
Virginia Brubaker

Gr. 1
Johnny Auger
James Bissell
Adeline Cardinal
Florence Cardinal
Gladys Cardinal
Jeremy Cardinal
Johnny Cardinal
Louise Cardinal
Pat Cardinal
Shirley Cardinal
Shelley Crawford
Russell Decoine
Irene Nipshank
Archie Powder
Edward Powder
Mike Roe
James Savard
Gr. 2
Robert Bissell
Evelyn Cardinal
Gilbert Cardinal
Irvin Cardinal
David Ellefson
Gilbert Gladue
Louise Gladue
Rolly Logan
Elmer Nipshank
Chris Roe
Laura Savard
Barbara Sutton
Miriam White
Gr. 3
Christine Cardinal
Gordon Cardinal
Irene Cardinal
Theresa Crawford
Ruby Decoine
Victor Gladue
Willard Roe

1958 - 1959
Raymond Brubaker

Gr. 4
Wendy Bissell
Agnes Cardinal
Bernice Nipshank
Howard Roe
Lillian Savard
Pearl Savard

Ruth Anne White
Gr. 5
Rose Auger
Helen Decoine
Ida Decoine
Wendy Ellefson
Victor Logan
Margaret Nipshank
Gr. 6
Clarice Cardinal
Hazel Cardinal
Linda Ellefson
Jack Savard
Judy Sutton
Gr. 7
Gilman Cardinal
Cora Roe
Lorraine Roe
Joan Sutton
Donald Uchytill
Edward Uchytill

1959 - 1960
Virginia Brubaker

Gr. 1
Alvina Auger
Gordon Auger
Johnny Auger
Louie Auger
Adeline Cardinal
Clara Cardinal
Clarence Cardinal
Evelyn Cardinal
Gladys Cardinal
Hazel Cardinal
Jeremy Cardinal
Johnny Cardinal
Larry Cardinal
Lena Cardinal
Louise Cardinal
Pat Cardinal
Robert Cardinal
Ronald Cardinal
Shirley Cardinal
Janet Crawford
Felix Decoine
Rena Gambler
Shirley Gambler
Louise Gladue
Elizabeth Jacobs
Colleen Knoblock
Archie Powder
Edward Powder
Kenneth White
Gordon Yellowknee

1959 - 1960
Olga Roskewich

Gr. 2
James Bissell
Robert Bissell
Irvin Cardinal
Larry Crawford
Sharon Crawford
Shelley Crawford
Russell Decoine
Donald Gambler
Rolly Logan
Elmer Nipshank
Irene Nipshank
Chris Roe
Mike Roe
James Savard
Gr. 3
Gilbert Cardinal
Ruby Decoine
David Ellefson
Gilbert Gladue
Laura Savard
Barbara Sutton
Miriam White
Raymond Yellowknee
Gr. 4
Christine Cardinal
Gordon Cardinal
Theresa Crawford
Victor Gladue
Willard Roe
Nelson Shantz
Emily Yellowknee
Theresa Yellowknee

1959 - 1960
Raymond Brubaker

Gr. 5
Rose Auger
Wendy Bissell
Agnes Cardinal
Irene Cardinal
Helen Decoine
Ida Decoine
Catherine Gladue
Victor Logan
Mabel Nadeau
Bernice Nipshank
Howard Roe
Lillian Savard
Pearl Savard
Ruth Anne White
Gr. 6
Wendy Ellefson
Albert Gambler
Ernest Gambler
James Gambler
Melvin Gambler

Margaret Nipshank
Calvin Shantz
Gr. 7
Clarice Cardinal
Hazel Cardinal
Linda Ellefson
Peter Gambler
Jack Savard
Judy Sutton
Gr. 8
Gilman Cardinal
Cora Roe
Lorraine Roe
Joan Sutton
Donald Uchytill

1960 - 1961
Julia Yoder

Gr. 1
Gerald Auger
Ralph Bigstone
Clarence Cardinal
Clarence Cardinal
Hazel Cardinal
Jeremy Cardinal
Lena Cardinal
Linda Cardinal
Louise Cardinal
Louise Cardinal
Robert Cardinal
Ronald Cardinal
Yvonne Cardinal
Connie Crawford
Rena Gambler
Rose Gambler
Vina Gladue
Roy Jacobs
Judy Logan
Archie Powder
Edward Powder
Arthur Sinclair
Roxena St. Savard
Laura Yellowknee
Gr. 2
Gordon Auger
Johnny Auger
Gladys Cardinal
Larry Cardinal
Janet Crawford
Felix Decoine
Louise Gladue
Elizabeth Jacobs
Colleen Knoblock
Doris St. Savard
Kenneth White
Gordon Yellowknee

(There really were two
Louise Cardinals and two
Clarence Cardinals in this
class).

1960 - 1961
Theodora Shwaga

Gr. 3
James Bissell
Robert Bissell
Evelyn Cardinal
Irvin Cardinal
Larry Crawford
Sharon Crawford
Shelley Crawford
Gilbert Gladue
Rolly Logan
Elmer Nipshank
Irene Nipshank
Chris Roe
Mike Roe
Joanne Sinclair
Gr. 4
Gilbert Cardinal
David Ellefson
Della Schryver
Donna Sinclair
Barbara Sutton
Miriam White
Raymond Yellowknee
Gr. 5
Christine Cardinal
Theresa Crawford
Mabel Nadeau
Willard Roe
Nelson Shantz
Emily Yellowknee
Theresa Yellowknee

1960 - 1961
Raymond Brubaker

Gr. 6
Wendy Bissell
Agnes Cardinal
Melvin Gambler
Bernice Nipshank
Howard Roe
Ruth Anne White
Gr. 7
Wendy Ellefson
Margaret Nipshank
Calvin Shantz
Gr. 8
Clarice Cardinal
Hazel Cardinal
Linda Ellefson
Judy Sutton
Gr. 9
Gilman Cardinal
Cora Roe
Lorraine Roe
Joan Sutton
11 corr. Marilyn Walton



1961 - 1962
Gerald Mazer
Special Class
May - June 1962

Adeline Cardinal
Albert Cardinal
Clarence Cardinal
Clarence Cardinal
Doris Cardinal
Elma Cardinal
Garry Cardinal
Jeremy Cardinal
Johnny Cardinal
Lena Cardinal
Lorraine Cardinal
Louise Cardinal
Louise Cardinal
Robert Cardinal
Shirley Cardinal
Archie Powder
Edward Powder
John Watson

(There really were two
Louise Cardinals and two
Clarence Cardinals in this
class).

1961 - 1962
Julia Yoder

Gr. 1
Bobby Cardinal
Clara Cardinal
Donelda Cardinal
Hazel Cardinal
Yvonne Cardinal
Carol Crawford
Joseph Crawford
Roy Decoine
Marleen Gagnon
Gloria Gladue
Vina Gladue
Barbara Jacobs
Leo Jacobs
Roy Jacobs
Clifford Knoblock
Barbara Nipshank
Edward Powder
Arlie Roe
Susann Shwaga
Kenneth Sutton
Gr. 2
Gerald Auger
Linda Cardinal
Ronald Cardinal
Connie Crawford
Felix Decoine
Rena Gambler
Rose Gambler

Louise Gladue
Judy Logan
Archie Powder

1961 - 1962
Anna Rose Kiesow
Theodora Shwaga

Gr. 3
Evelyn Cardinal
Gladys Cardinal
Larry Cardinal
Janet Crawford
Larry Crawford
Elizabeth Jacobs
Colleen Knoblock
Kenneth White
Gr. 4
Irvin Cardinal
Sharon Crawford
Shelley Crawford
Gilbert Gladue
Rolly Logan
Elmer Nipshank
Irene Nipshank
Chris Roe
Mike Roe
Gr. 5
Gilbert Cardinal
David Ellefson
Della Schryver
Barbara Sutton
Miriam White

1961 - 1962
Raymond Brubaker

Gr. 6
Christine Cardinal
Theresa Crawford
Willard Roe
Gr. 7
Agnes Cardinal
Bernice Nipshank
Howard Roe
Ruth Anne White
Gr. 8
Evelyn Auger
Wendy Ellefson
Margaret Nipshank
Gr. 9
Alice Auger
Clarice Cardinal
Hazel Cardinal
Linda Ellefson
Judy Sutton
10 corr.
Gilman Cardinal
Cora Roe
Joan Sutton

1962 - 1963
Julia Yoder

Gr. 1
George Auger
Roy Auger
Allan Bigstone
Ralph Bigstone
Adeline Cardinal
Clarence Cardinal
Clarence Cardinal
Donelda Cardinal
Doris Cardinal
Dorothy Cardinal
Elma Cardinal
Garry Cardinal
Gladys Cardinal
Jeremy Cardinal
Louise Cardinal
Robert Cardinal
Shirley Cardinal
Roy Decoine
Valerie Decoine
Sandra Gagnon
Chester Gambler
Clarence Gambler
Marcel Gambler
Gloria Gladue
Vina Gladue
Donna House
Ambrose Jacobs
Archie Powder
Edward Powder
David Shwaga
John Watson

1962 - 1963
Theodora Shwaga

Gr. 2
Bobby Cardinal
Hazel Cardinal
Johnny Cardinal
Louise Cardinal
Ronald Cardinal
Yvonne Cardinal
Carol Crawford
Joseph Crawford
Marleen Gagnon
Charlie Gambler
Virginia Gambler
Barbara Jacobs
Leo Jacobs
Roy Jacobs
Clifford Knoblock
Barbara Nipshank
Arlie Roe
Susann Shwaga
Kenneth Sutton
Gr. 3
Louie Auger

Russell Auger
Linda Cardinal
Connie Crawford
Felix Decoine
Rena Gambler
Ronald Gambler
Rose Gambler
Wallie Gambler
Louise Gladue
John Glick
Judy Logan

1962 - 1963
Raymond Brubaker

Gr. 4
Alvina Auger
Arstide Bigstone
Evelyn Cardinal
Gladys Cardinal
Larry Cardinal
Janet Crawford
Larry Crawford
Shirley Gambler
Elizabeth Jacobs
Colleen Knoblock
Kenneth White
Gr. 5
Irvin Cardinal
Sharon Crawford
Shelley Crawford
Katie Gambler
Rolly Logan
Elmer Nipshank
Irene Nipshank
Chris Roe
Mike Roe
Gr. 6
Gilbert Cardinal
David Ellefson
Janet Gambler
Barbara Sutton
Miriam White

1962 - 1963
Henry Kornelson

Gr. 7
Christine Cardinal
Theresa Crawford
Willard Roe
Gr. 8
Agnes Cardinal
Ernie Gambler
Kathleen Gambler
Bernice Nipshank
Howard Roe
Ruth Anne White
Gr. 9
Wendy Ellefson
Margaret Nipshank

Leonard Paul
Gr.10
Alice Auger
Clarice Cardinal
Hazel Cardinal
Linda Ellefson
Judy Sutton
11 corr.
Joan Sutton

1963 - 1964
Julia Yoder

Gr. 1
George Auger
Roy Auger
Charles Cardinal
Dean Cardinal
Doris Cardinal
Kenneth Cardinal
Craig Crawford
Marleen Gambler
Percy Gambler
Sandra Gambler
Carolyn Gladue
David Knoblock
Leon Roe
John Watson
Gr. 2
Allan Bigstone
Dorothy Cardinal
Elma Cardinal
Garry Cardinal
Jeremy Cardinal
Clarence Gambler
Edward Powder

1963 - 1964
Theodora Shwaga
Joyce Ferguson

Gr. 2
Ralph Bigstone
Adeline Cardinal
Clarence Cardinal
Donelda Cardinal
Gladys Cardinal

Louise Cardinal
Robert Cardinal
Shirley Cardinal
Charlie Gambler
Chester Gambler
Gloria Gladue
Vina Gladue
Donna House
Ambrose Jacobs
Archie Powder
David Shwaga
Gr. 3
Bobby Cardinal
Hazel Cardinal
Yvonne Cardinal
Joseph Crawford
Clifford Knoblock

1963 - 1964
Jennifer Notley

Gr. 3
Louie Auger
Russell Auger
Louise Cardinal
Ronald Cardinal
Carol Crawford
Barbara Jacobs
Leo Jacobs
Roy Jacobs
Barbara Nipshank
Arlie Roe
Susann Shwaga
Kenneth Sutton
Gr. 4
Linda Cardinal
Connie Crawford
Rena Gambler
Rose Gambler
Wallie Gambler
Louise Gladue
John Glick
Judy Logan
Gr. 5
Alvina Auger
Evelyn Cardinal
Gladys Cardinal

Larry Cardinal
Janet Crawford
Larry Crawford
Shirley Gambler
Elizabeth Jacobs
Colleen Knoblock
Kenneth White

1963 - 1964
Harvey Burkholder

Gr. 6
Irvin Cardinal
Sharon Crawford
Shelley Crawford
Katie Gambler
Rolly Logan
Elmer Nipshank
Irene Nipshank
Chris Roe
Mike Roe
Gr. 7
Gilbert Cardinal
Janet Gambler
Barbara Sutton
Miriam White
Gr. 8
Christine Cardinal
Theresa Crawford
Willard Roe
Gr. 9
Bernice Nipshank
Howard Roe
Ruth Anne White
11 corr.
Judy Sutton

1964 - 1965
Julia Yoder

Gr. 1
George Auger
Roy Auger
Sylvia Auger
Joyce Bigstone
Allen Cardinal
Charles Cardinal

Clifford Cardinal
Danny Cardinal
Gloria Cardinal
Vina Cardinal
Judy Gambler
Patricia Gambler
Percy Gambler
Virginia Gladue
Jan Glick
Joe Jantzi
Barbara Laroche
Donna Logan
Earl Logan
Linda Nadeau
Marvin Nipshank
Carolyn Shwaga
Darrel White

1964 - 1965
Theodora Shwaga

Gr. 2
Dean Cardinal
Doris Cardinal
Craig Crawford
Marleen Gambler
Sandra Gambler
Carolyn Gladue
Vina Gladue
Julie Jantzi
Leon Roe
John Watson
Gr. 3
Allan Bigstone
Adeline Cardinal
Clarence Cardinal
Dorothy Cardinal
Elma Cardinal
Gladys Cardinal
Chester Gambler
Clarence Gambler
Ronald Gambler
Donna Jacobs
Ambrose Jacobs
Archie Powder
Edward Powder
David Shwaga



1964 - 1965
Mrs. Muchwitsch

Gr. 4
Louie Auger
Russell Auger
Ralph Bigstone
Bobby Cardinal
Donelda Cardinal
Hazel Cardinal
Louise Cardinal
Louise Cardinal
Robert Cardinal
Ronald Cardinal
Yvonne Cardinal
Carol Crawford
Joe Crawford
Wallie Gambler
Gloria Gladue
Barbara Jacobs
Leo Jacobs
Roy Jacobs
Barbara Nipshank
Patti O'Neill
Arlie Roe
Susann Shwaga
Kenneth Sutton
Gr. 5
Linda Cardinal
Connie Crawford
Rena Gambler
Rose Gambler
Louise Gladue
John Glick
Judy Logan

1964 - 1965
Harvey Burkholder

Gr. 6
Alvina Auger
Gladys Cardinal
Larry Cardinal
Janet Crawford
Larry Crawford
Shirley Gambler
Elizabeth Jacobs
Mark Muchwitsch
Mike Roe
Kenneth White
Gr. 7
Irvin Cardinal
Sharon Crawford
Shelley Crawford
Janet Gambler
Katie Gambler

Rolly Logan
Elmer Nipshank
Irene Nipshank
Chris Roe
Gr. 8
Gilbert Cardinal
Barbara Sutton
Miriam White
Gr. 9
Christine Cardinal
Theresa Crawford
Willard Roe
10 corr.
Ruth Anne White

1965 - 1966
Julia Yoder

Gr. 1
Donna Auger
John Beaver
George Bigstone
Allen Cardinal
Alvin Cardinal
Betty Cardinal
Elvin Cardinal
Michael Cardinal
Vina Cardinal
Wilfred Cardinal
Ernest Crawford
Lori Crawford
Alphonse Gambler
Bonnie Gambler
John Gambler
Mae Gambler
Annie Gladue
Iris Gladue
Lillian Gladue
Gerald Laroche
Carolyn Roe
Glen Shwaga
Gr. 2
Sylvia Auger
Joyce Bigstone
Charles Cardinal
Virginia Gladue
Barbara Laroche
Earl Logan

1965 - 1966
Theodora Shwaga

Gr. 2
Alvina Auger
George Auger
Roy Auger

Sylvia Auger
Joyce Bigstone
Charles Cardinal
Clifford Cardinal
Danny Cardinal
Doris Cardinal
Gloria Cardinal
Judy Gambler
Patricia Gambler
Percy Gambler
Virginia Gladue
Jan Glick
Leonard Houle
Joe Jantzi
Barbara Laroche
Donna Logan
Earl Logan
Linda Nadeau
Marvin Nipshank
Carolyn Shwaga
Darrel White

1965 - 1966
Martha Rutherford

Gr. 3
Allan Bigstone
Dean Cardinal
Elma Cardinal
Craig Crawford
Marleen Gambler
Sandra Gambler
Carolyn Gladue
Vina Gladue
Albert Houle
Julie Jantzi
Edward Powder
Leon Roe
John Watson
Gr. 4
Adeline Cardinal
Clarence Cardinal
Dorothy Cardinal
Gladys Cardinal
Chester Gambler
Clarence Gambler
Ambrose Jacobs
Donna Jacobs
David Shwaga

1965 - 1966
Toni Moran

Gr. 5
Ralph Bigstone
Bobby Cardinal

Donelda Cardinal
Hazel Cardinal
Louise Cardinal
Robert Cardinal
Ronald Cardinal
Yvonne Cardinal
Carol Crawford
Joseph Crawford
Wallie Gambler
Gloria Gladue
Henry Houle
Barbara Jacobs
Roy Jacobs
Barbara Nipshank
Patti O'Neill
Arlie Roe
Susann Shwaga
Kenneth Sutton
Gr. 6
Gladys Cardinal
Linda Cardinal
Connie Crawford
Rena Gambler
Rose Gambler
Louise Gladue
John Glick
Simon Houle
Judy Logan

1965 - 1966
Harvey Burkholder

Gr. 4
Archie Powder
Gr. 7
Larry Cardinal
Janet Crawford
Katie Gambler
Shirley Gambler
Elizabeth Jacobs
Mike Roe
Kenneth White
Gr. 8
Irvin Cardinal
Sharon Crawford
Shelley Crawford
Rolly Logan
Elmer Nipshank
Irene Nipshank
Chris Roe
Gr. 9
Gilbert Cardinal
Michael Merrier
Barbara Sutton
Miriam White

1966 - 1967

Julia Yoder

Gr. 1

Annie Auger
Betty Auger
Hubert Auger
Matthew Auger
Peter Auger
George Bigstone
Alma Cardinal
Connie Cardinal
Dennis Cardinal
Laura Cardinal
Ricky Cardinal
Larry Gambler
Clarice Gladue
Eric Glick
Isadore Jacobs
Jill Jantzi
Gerald Johnson
Rosemary Knapp
Carol Nipshank

1966 - 1967

Theodora Shwaga

Gr. 2

Bernard Auger
Donna Auger
Allen Cardinal
Alvin Cardinal
Betty Cardinal
Elvin Cardinal
Michael Cardinal
Vina Cardinal
Lori Crawford
Alphonse Gambler
Mae Gambler
Juanita Gingerich
Iris Gladue
Lillian Gladue
Allen Jacobs
Gerald Laroche
Carolyn Roe
Glen Shwaga

Gr. 3

Sylvia Auger
Joyce Bigstone
Charles Cardinal
Virginia Gladue
Barbara Laroche
Earl Logan
Linda Nadeau

1966 - 1967

Trudy Crow

Gr. 3

Alvina Auger
George Auger
Roy Auger
Danny Cardinal
Doris Cardinal
Gloria Cardinal
Patricia Gambler
Percy Gambler
Jan Glick
Joe Jantzi
Donna Logan
Marvin Nipshank
Carolyn Shwaga
Darrel White

Gr. 4

Allan Bigstone
Dean Cardinal
Dorothy Cardinal
Elma Cardinal
Sandra Gambler
Carolyn Gladue
Vina Gladue
Julie Jantzi
Edward Powder
Leon Roe
John Watson

1966 - 1967

Robert Crow

Gr. 5

Ralph Bigstone
Adeline Cardinal
Clarence Cardinal
Gladys Cardinal
Yvonne Cardinal
Clarence Gambler
Ambrose Jacobs
Donna Jacobs
Roy Jacobs
David Shwaga

Gr. 6

Bobby Cardinal
Donelda Cardinal
Hazel Cardinal
Louise Cardinal
Robert Cardinal
Ronald Cardinal
Gloria Gladue
Barbara Jacobs
Leo Jacobs
Barbara Nipshank

Arlie Roe

Susann Shwaga
Kenneth Sutton

1966 - 1967

Harvey Burkholder

Gr. 7

Gladys Cardinal
Linda Cardinal
Rena Gambler
Rose Gambler
Louise Gladue
John Glick
Judy Logan

Gr. 8

Larry Cardinal
Elizabeth Jacobs
Mike Roe
Kenneth White

Gr. 9

Irvin Cardinal
Sharon Crawford
Bernadette Gladue
Rolly Logan
Michael Merrier
Elmer Nipshank
Irene Nipshank
Chris Roe
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Barbara Sutton
Miriam White

1967 - 1968

Julia Yoder

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Rodney Adams
Alma Auger
Michael Auger
Cecelia Bigstone
Jack Cardinal
Laura Cardinal
Richard Cardinal
Mark Foster
Calvin Gambler
Fred Gambler
Beatrice Gladue
Clarice Gladue
Sylvia Gladue
Linda Houle
Corinne Howells
Brenda Jacobs
Gerald Johnson
Jean Laroche

Gerald Shwaga

Laura Smith

1967 - 1968

Theodora Shwaga

Gr. 2

Annie Auger
Betty Auger
Hubert Auger
George Bigstone
Alma Cardinal
Betty Cardinal
Connie Cardinal
Dennis Cardinal
Elvin Cardinal
Ricky Cardinal
Vina Cardinal
Lori Crawford
Leo Decoine
Harold Gambler
Larry Gambler
Iris Gladue
Isadore Jacobs
Jill Jantzi
Rosemary Knapp
Carol Nipshank

Gr. 3

Mae Gambler
Virginia Gladue
Allen Jacobs
Gerald Laroche
Carolyn Roe
Glen Shwaga

1967 - 1968

Kathleen Johnson

Gr. 3

Bernard Auger
Allen Cardinal
Alvin Cardinal
Alphonse Gambler
Lillian Gladue

Gr. 4

George Auger
Roy Auger
Sylvia Auger
Joyce Bigstone
Charles Cardinal
Danny Cardinal
Doris Cardinal
Gloria Cardinal
Mike Decoine
Patricia Gambler
Percy Gambler

Vina Gladue
Leonard Houle
Joe Jantzi
Barbara Laroche
Donna Logan
Earl Logan
Linda Nadeau
Marvin Nipshank
Carolyn Shwaga
Darrel White

1967 - 1968

Keith Johnson

Gr. 5

Allan Bigstone
Dean Cardinal
Dorothy Cardinal
Elma Cardinal
Roy Decoine
Valerie Decoine
Clarence Gambler
Sandra Gambler
Carolyn Gladue
Albert Houle
Julie Jantzi
Edward Powder
Leon Roe
John Watson

Gr. 6

Clarence Cardinal
Donelda Cardinal
Gladys Cardinal
Hazel Cardinal
Yvonne Cardinal
Ambrose Jacobs
Donna Jacobs
Roy Jacobs
David Shwaga

1967 - 1968

Harvey Burkholder

Gr. 7

Bobby Cardinal
Gladys Cardinal
Louise Cardinal
Ronald Cardinal
Wallie Gambler
Gloria Gladue
Barbara Jacobs
Leo Jacobs
Barbara Nipshank
Arlie Roe
Susann Shwaga
Kenneth Sutton

Gr. 8

Linda Cardinal
Rena Gambler
Rose Gambler
Judy Logan
Gr. 9
Larry Cardinal
Louis Gajdos
Louise Gullion
Elizabeth Jacobs
Mike Roe
Kenneth White
Gr. ?
Michael Cardinal

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Julia Yoder

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Randy Auger
Doreen Bigstone
John Bigstone
Robert Campbell
Brenda Cardinal
Daryl Cardinal
Donna Cardinal
Elaine Cardinal
Jean Cardinal
Laura Cardinal
Leo Cardinal
Richard Cardinal
Beatrice Gladue
Rose Gladue
Kathy Jantzi
Kerry Jantzi
Geneva Logan
Neil Shwaga

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Theodora Shwaga

Gr. 2

Rodney Adams
Freddie Auger
Cecelia Bigstone
Jack Cardinal
Wilfred Cardinal
Mark Foster
Calvin Gambler
Fred Gambler
Clarice Gladue
Sylvia Gladue
Linda Houle

Corinne Howells
Brenda Jacobs
Gerald Johnson
Jean Laroche
Gerald Shwaga
Laura Smith
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Alma Cardinal
Dennis Cardinal
Elvin Cardinal
Julianna Cardinal
Ricky Cardinal

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Kathleen Johnson

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Connie Cardinal
Vina Cardinal
Larry Gambler
Iris Gladue
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Charles Cardinal
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Gloria Cardinal
Patricia Gambler
Percy Gambler

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Donna Logan
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John Watson

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Wendall Deringer

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Kenneth Sutton
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Josephine Beaver
Linda Cardinal
Rose Gambler
Judy Logan

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Annette Cardinal
Doris Cardinal
Johnny Cardinal
Sandra Cardinal
Dean Foster
Bruce Gambler
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Rose Gladue
Charles Houle
Patricia Howells
Carol Jacobs
Marilyn Jacobs
Randy Jacobs
Brian Nipshank
Shari Smith
Ronda Ulrich

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Gr. 2

Randy Auger
Doreen Bigstone
John Bigstone
Armin Burkholder
Robert Campbell
Brenda Cardinal
Daryl Cardinal
Donna Cardinal
Elaine Cardinal
Jean Cardinal
Laura Cardinal
Leo Cardinal
Richard Cardinal
Beatrice Gladue
Clarice Gladue
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Kerry Jantzi
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Mark Foster
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Fred Gambler

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Pauline Gambler
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Joyce Bigstone
Charles Cardinal
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Bonnie Gambler
John Gambler
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Chester Gambler
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Rachel Cardinal
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Verna Gambler
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Warren Gladue
Roy Jackson
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Wendy Shwaga
Marcella Villeneuve

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Beatrice Gladue
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Fred Gambler
Pauline Gambler
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Laura Smith

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David Mallinder

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Donna Jacobs

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Sheila Auger
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Edward Bigstone
Jack Bigstone
Roger Bigstone
Annette Cardinal
August Cardinal

Carla Cardinal
Leonard Cardinal
Norma Cardinal
Rachel Cardinal
Ross Cardinal
Valerie Cardinal
Karen Foster
Earl Gambler
Fred Gladue
Loretta Gladue
Alice Houle
Shirley Howells
Charlene Jacobs
Valerie Jacobs
Melodi Knapp
Nelson Laroche
Rhonda Nipshank
Darren Saddleback
Ivan Villeneuve

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Theodora Shwaga

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Alvin Cardinal
Audrey Cardinal
Johnny Cardinal
Lorraine Cardinal
Bobby Clarke
Sandra Crawford
Deborah Gambler
Pearl Gambler
Verna Gambler
Warren Gladue
Roy Jackson
Randy Jacobs
Lorna Johnson
Noel Knapp
Brian Laroche
Debbie Saddleback
Wendy Shwaga
Marcella Villeneuve

1971 - 1972
Donna Polak

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Pearl Auger
Randy Auger
William Auger
John Bigstone
Thomas Bigstone
Annette Cardinal
Brenda Cardinal

Daryl Cardinal
Doris Cardinal
Richard Cardinal
Sandra Cardinal
Dean Foster
Bruce Gambler
Beatrice Gladue
Clarice Gladue
Linda Gladue
Rose Gladue
Charles Houle
Patricia Howells
Carol Jacobs
Marilyn Jacobs
Brian Nipshank
Shari Smith
Simone St. Pierre

1971 - 1972
Alvin Hershberger

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Doreen Bigstone
Armin Burkholder
Donna Cardinal
Elaine Cardinal
Jack Cardinal
Jean Cardinal
Laura Cardinal
Leo Cardinal
Calvin Gambler
Pauline Gambler
Richard Gambler
Geneva Logan
Neil Shwaga
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George Bigstone
Alma Cardinal
Elvin Cardinal
Iris Gladue

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David Mallinder

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Ricky Cardinal
Wilfred Cardinal
Theresa Clarke
Mark Foster
Bonnie Gambler
Linda Houle
Corinne Howells
Brenda Jacobs

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Jean Laroche
Laura Smith
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Rosemary Knapp
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Earl Logan
Carolyn Roe

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Doris Cardinal
Dorothy Cardinal
Gloria Cardinal
Kenneth Cardinal
Delma Gauthier
Donna Logan
Marvin Nipshank
John Watson

Gr. 9

Clarence Gambler
Leon Roe

1972 - 1973

Julia Yoder

Gr. 1

Donald Bigstone
Roger Bigstone
Kelvin Campbell
Annette Cardinal
Carla Cardinal
Darlene Cardinal
Donnie Cardinal
Marlene Cardinal
Roxanne Cardinal
Russell Cardinal
Jackie Dook
Earl Gambler
Gerald Gambler
Gordon Gambler
Don Gladue
Fred Gladue
Cynthia Hershberger
Douglas Houle
Carman Jackson
Barry Jacobs
Shanon Jacobs
Nelson Laroche
Michael MacFarlane
Hilda Nadeau

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Sheila Auger
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August Cardinal
Leonard Cardinal
Norma Cardinal
Rachel Cardinal
Ross Cardinal
Valerie Cardinal
Ian Carlson
Karen Foster
Loretta Gladue
Alice Houle
Shirley Howells
Charlene Jacobs
Valerie Jacobs
Melodi Knapp
Rhonda Nipshank
Ivan Villeneuve

1972 - 1973

Paulette Frere

Gr. 3

John Bigstone
Alvin Cardinal
Audrey Cardinal
Johnny Cardinal
Lorraine Cardinal
Tracey Carlson
Sandra Crawford
Lisa Dook
Margaret Dook
Deborah Gambler
Pearl Gambler
Verna Gambler
Warren Gladue
Charles Houle
Roy Jackson
Randy Jacobs
Lorna Johnson
Noel Knapp
Brian Laroche
Jamie MacFarlane
Marcella Villeneuve
Elaine Warriner

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Alvin Hershberger

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Pearl Auger
Randy Auger
William Auger
Annette Cardinal
Brenda Cardinal
Daryl Cardinal
Doris Cardinal
Richard Cardinal
Sandra Cardinal
Dean Foster
Bruce Gambler
Richard Gambler
Linda Gladue
Rose Gladue
Patty Howells
Carol Jacobs
Marilyn Jacobs
Brian Nipshank

1972 - 1973

Amos Darbasie

Gr. 5

Hubert Auger
Iona Blonke

Alma Cardinal
Donna Cardinal
Elaine Cardinal
Jack Cardinal
Jean Cardinal
Laura Cardinal
Leo Cardinal
Calvin Gambler
Pauline Gambler
Geneva Logan
Lillian Warriner
Gr. 6
Walter Blonke
Elvin Cardinal
Ricky Cardinal
Wilfred Cardinal
Mark Foster
Iris Gladue
Linda Houle
Corinne Howells
Brenda Jacobs
Gerald Johnson
Jean Laroche
Keith Warriner

1972 - 1973

Frank Blonke

Gr. 7

Sylvia Auger
Allen Cardinal
Alvin Cardinal
Betty Cardinal
Charles Cardinal
Connie Cardinal
Julie Cardinal
Lori Crawford
Alphonse Gambler
Harold Gambler
Larry Gambler
Sandra Gambler
Glen Gauthier
Virginia Gladue
Rosemary Knapp
Carol Nipshank

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Joyce Bigstone
Clifford Cardinal
Danny Cardinal
John Gambler
Judy Gambler
Mae Gambler
Patricia Gambler
Percy Gambler
Eddie Gauthier

Leonard Houle
Barbara Laroche
Gerald Laroche
Earl Logan
Carolyn Roe

1973 - 1974
Gaye Abrey
Margaret Shaw

Gr. 1
Michelle Amstutz
Shawn Auger
Douglas Bigstone
Bernie Cardinal
Darlene Cardinal
Donnie Cardinal
Marlene Cardinal
Martin Cardinal
Spencer Cardinal
Trudy Carlson
Gerald Gambler
Gina Gladue
Jeffrey Hershberger
Rose Houle
Audrey Laroche
Nelson Laroche
Lisa Weber

1973 - 1974
Theodora Shwaga
Margaret Shaw
Cora Weber

Gr. 2
Donald Bigstone
Edward Bigstone
Annette Cardinal
Carla Cardinal
Darlene Cardinal
Russell Cardinal
Earl Gambler
Gordon Gambler
Don Gladue
Fred Gladue
Cynthia Hershberger
Barry Jacobs
Shanon Jacobs
Michael MacFarlane
Hilda Nadeau

1973 - 1974
Mike Lupart

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Pamela Amstutz

Dennis Auger
Sheila Auger
Jack Bigstone
August Cardinal
Leonard Cardinal
Norma Cardinal
Rachel Cardinal
Ross Cardinal
Valerie Cardinal
Ian Carlson
Karen Foster
Loretta Gladue
Alice Houle
Shirley Howells
Charlene Jacobs
Valerie Jacobs
Rhonda Nipshank
Ivan Villeneuve

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Alvin Hershberger

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Thomas Bigstone
Alvin Cardinal
Johnny Cardinal
Lorraine Cardinal
Tracey Carlson
Sandra Crawford
Deborah Gambler
Pearl Gambler
Verna Gambler
Warren Gladue
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Randy Jacobs
Lorna Johnson
Brian Laroche
Jamie MacFarlane
Patty Uchtyl
Marcella Villeneuve
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Rose Gladue
Carol Jacobs

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Brian Nipshank
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Calvin Gambler
Pauline Gambler
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Jack Cardinal
Jean Cardinal
Laura Cardinal
Geneva Logan
Shannon Uchtyl
Lillian Warriner

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Frank Blonke

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Leo Cardinal
Ricky Cardinal
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Virginia Gladue
Carol Nipshank

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Joyce Bigstone
John Gambler
Mac Gambler
Patricia Gambler
Eddie Gauthier
Leonard Houle
Barbara Laroche
Earl Logan

1974 - 1975
Nancy Hutchinson

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Cecil Auger
Irvin Boskoyous
Armin Cardinal
Barry Cardinal
Bernice Cardinal
Christopher Cardinal
Donnie Cardinal
Eunice Cardinal
Glenda Cardinal
Herman Cardinal
Leona Cardinal
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Monica Gladue
Arnold Houle
Dwayne Jacobs
Linda Johnson
Audrey Laroche
Mark Loonskin
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Ronnie Boskoyous
Bernie Cardinal
Martin Cardinal
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Nelson Laroche

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Theodora Shwaga

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Marlene Cardinal
Roxanne Cardinal
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Gerald Gambler
Jeffrey Hershberger
Marcia Hodgson
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Freda Loonskin

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Edward Bigstone
Russell Cardinal
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Gordon Gambler
Don Gladue
Fred Gladue
Cynthia Hershberger
Luci Hodgson
Shanon Jacobs
Michael MacFarlane
Hilda Nadeau

1974 - 1975
Nanette Lochhead

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Pamela Amstutz
Dennis Auger
Sheila Auger
August Cardinal
Leonard Cardinal
Norma Cardinal
Ross Cardinal
Valerie Cardinal
Ian Carlson
Karen Foster
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Healey Hodgson
Paddy Hodgson
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Jamie MacFarlane

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Doris Cardinal
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Deanna Hodgson
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Brian Nipshank

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Zoltan Boda

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Hubert Auger
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Brian Cardinal
Chris Cardinal
Glenda Cardinal
Herman Cardinal
Leona Cardinal
Mildred Cardinal
Theresa Cardinal
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Terry Gambler
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Monica Gladue
Arnold Houle
Mark Loonskin

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Theodora Shwaga
Lois Fiest

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Shawn Auger
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Armin Cardinal
Bernice Cardinal
Bernie Cardinal
Donnie Cardinal
Eunice Cardinal
Martin Cardinal
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Christopher Gladue
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Freda Loonskin

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Robert Wansbrough

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Pauline Gambler
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Geneva Logan

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Sue Ann Lawson

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Candice Cardinal
Leanne Cardinal
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Rudy Gambler
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Harold Gladue

Richard Gladue
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Corrine Houle
Geraldine Manossa
Brian Nadeau
Derek Nipshank

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Le Larsen

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Roxanne Auger
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Glenda Cardinal
Herman Cardinal
Leona Cardinal
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Theresa Cardinal
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Basil Manossa
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Don Gladue
Fred Gladue

1976 - 1977
Alvin Hershberger

Gr. 5
Michelle Amstutz
Edward Bigstone
Russell Cardinal
Valerie Cardinal
Earl Gambler
Gordon Gambler
Cynthia Hershberger
Shanon Jacobs
Michael MacFarlane
Winston Manossa
Hilda Nadeau
Gr. 6
Pamela Amstutz
Dennis Auger
Sheila Auger
Alvin Cardinal
Audrey Cardinal
August Cardinal
Leonard Cardinal
Norma Cardinal
Ross Cardinal
Deborah Gambler
Verna Gambler
Linda Gladue
Loretta Gladue
Alice Houle
Shirley Howells
Charlene Jacobs
Rhonda Nipshank

1976 - 1977
Zoltan Boda

Gr. 7
Pearl Auger
Thomas Bigstone
Annette Cardinal
Brenda Cardinal
Doris Cardinal
Johnny Cardinal
Lorraine Cardinal
Pearl Gambler

Beatrice Gladue
Rose Gladue
Warren Gladue
Charles Houle
Carol Jacobs
Marilyn Jacobs
Randy Jacobs
Lorna Johnson
Brian Laroche
Gr. 8
Randy Auger
William Auger
Cecelia Bigstone
Doreen Bigstone
Bruce Gambler
Norma Gambler
Richard Gambler
Brian Nipshank

1977 - 1978
Sue Ann Lawson

Gr. 1
Cameron Amstutz
Johnny Auger
Glen Bigstone
Brenda Cardinal
Glen Cardinal
Tina Cardinal
Vera Cardinal
Donald Gambler
Rudy Gambler
Adrian Jacobs
Brian Nadeau
Gerald Wasp-Collin
Gr. 2
Candice Cardinal
Leanne Cardinal
Nancy Cardinal
Calvin Gladue
Richard Gladue

1977 - 1978
Le Larsen

Gr. 2
Corinne Boskoyous
Randy Boskoyous
Bernard Cardinal
Cindy Cardinal
Claudia Cardinal
Darlene Gambler
Harold Gladue
Monica Hershberger
Derek Nipshank
Kevin Prather

Gr. 3
Cecil Auger
Mindy Auger
Roxanne Auger
Linda Bigstone
Irvin Boskoyous
Barry Cardinal
Brian Cardinal
Chris Cardinal
Glenda Cardinal
Herman Cardinal
Leona Cardinal
Mildred Cardinal
Theresa Cardinal
Mark Gambler
Monica Gladue
Lenora Prather
Alex Yellowbird

1977 - 1978

Robert Wansbrough

Gr. 4
Shawn Auger
Ronnie Boskoyous
Armin Cardinal
Bernice Cardinal
Bernie Cardinal
Carla Cardinal
Darlene Cardinal
Donnie Cardinal
Eunice Cardinal
Martin Cardinal
Spencer Cardinal
Delbert Gambler
Gerald Gambler
Gina Gladue
Dwayne Jacobs
Linda Johnson
Audrey Laroche
Gr. 5
Donald Bigstone
Marlene Cardinal
Nelson Laroche

1977 - 1978

Richard Tews

Gr. 5
Douglas Bigstone
Darlene Cardinal
Roxanne Cardinal
Russell Cardinal
Freda Gambler
Glen Gambler
Jeffrey Hershberger

Hilda Nadeau
Gr. 6
Michelle Amstutz
Dennis Auger
Edward Bigstone
Norma Cardinal
Rachel Cardinal
Valerie Cardinal
Earl Gambler
Don Gladue
Fred Gladue
Cynthia Hershberger
Shanon Jacobs
Michael MacFarlane

1977 - 1978

Alvin Hershberger

Gr. 7
Pamela Amstutz
Sheila Auger
Alvin Cardinal
Annette Cardinal
Audrey Cardinal
August Cardinal
Johnny Cardinal
Leonard Cardinal
Ross Cardinal
Sandra Cardinal
Deborah Gambler
Pearl Gambler
Linda Gladue
Loretta Gladue
Charlene Jacobs
Rhonda Nipshank

Gr. 8

Pearl Auger
Thomas Bigstone
Brenda Cardinal
Lorraine Cardinal
Beatrice Gladue
Rose Gladue
Warren Gladue
Charles Houle
Carol Jacobs
Marilyn Jacobs
Randy Jacobs
Lorna Johnson
Brian Laroche

1978 - 1979

Sue Ann Lawson

Gr. 1
Johnny Auger
Lisa Auger

Marvin Beaverbone
Clayton Cardinal
Glen Cardinal
Vivian Cardinal
Lorin Crawford
Donald Gambler
Gregory Gambler
Sharon Gambler
Karen Gladue
Adrian Jacobs
Delma Johnson
Lillian Wanyandi

Gr. 2

Cameron Amstutz
Glen Bigstone
Brenda Cardinal
Leanne Cardinal
Tina Cardinal
Vera Cardinal
Rudy Gambler
Brian Nadeau
Loren Young

1978 - 1979

Robert Wansbrough

Gr. 3

Richard Auger
Corinne Boskoyous
Randy Boskoyous
Bernard Cardinal
Candice Cardinal
Cindy Cardinal
Claudia Cardinal
Nancy Cardinal
Calvin Carter
Darlene Gambler
Calvin Gladue
Harold Gladue
Richard Gladue
Derek Nipshank
Karen Wanyandi

Gr. 4

Cecil Auger
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Roxanne Auger
Linda Bigstone
Irvin Boskoyous
Barry Cardinal
Brian Cardinal
Chris Cardinal
Glenda Cardinal
Herman Cardinal
Leona Cardinal
Mildred Cardinal
Theresa Cardinal

Mark Gambler
Monica Gladue

1978 - 1979

Le Larsen

Gr. 5

Shawn Auger
Ronnie Boskoyous
Armin Cardinal
Bernice Cardinal
Bernie Cardinal
Carla Cardinal
Darlene Cardinal
Donnie Cardinal
Eunice Cardinal
Martin Cardinal
Spencer Cardinal
Delbert Gambler
Gerald Gambler
Gina Gladue
Dwayne Jacobs
Linda Johnson
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Darlene Cardinal
Marlene Cardinal
Roxanne Cardinal
Russell Cardinal
Freda Gambler
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Pearl Gambler
Don Gladue
Fred Gladue
Shanon Jacobs

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Alvin Cardinal
Annette Cardinal
August Cardinal
Leonard Cardinal
Ross Cardinal
Deborah Gambler
Linda Gladue
Loretta Gladue
Charlene Jacobs
Marilyn Jacobs
Rhonda Nipshank

1979 - 1980

Mathilda Logan

ECS

Kevin Anderson
Mona Lise Bigstone
Andrew Cardinal
Bradley Cardinal
Richard Cardinal
Cheri Courtorielle
Phoebe Crawford
Blair Gladue
Charity Gladue
Nicole Gladue
Cindy Houle
Julian Houle
Clarice Wanyandi
Hazel Young

1979 - 1980

**Roberta Bishop
JoAnn Timmons**

Gr. 1

Marie Beaverbone
Marvin Beaverbone
Chester Bigstone
Brenna Boskoyous
Beverly Cardinal
Clayton Cardinal
Glen Cardinal
Julian Cardinal
Mona Cardinal
Priscilla Cardinal
Sylvia Cardinal
Greg Gambler
Lisa Gambler
Sharon Gambler
Jason Gladue
Randy Gladue
Andrea Logan
Eileen Logan
Nancy Young

Gr. 2

Johnny Auger
Lisa Auger
Vivian Cardinal
Lorin Crawford
Donald Gambler
Karen Gladue
Adrian Jacobs
Delma Johnson
Penny Okeymow
Raymond Young

1979 - 1980

Robert Wansbrough

Gr. 3

Cameron Amstutz
Glen Bigstone
Brenda Cardinal
Clayton Cardinal
Leanne Cardinal
Tina Cardinal
Vera Cardinal
Rudy Gambler
Loren Gladue
Brian Nadeau
Debbie Young

Gr. 4

Richard Auger
Sandra Auger
Corinne Boskoyous
Randy Boskoyous
Barry Cardinal
Bernard Cardinal
Candice Cardinal
Cindy Cardinal
Claudia Cardinal
Herman Cardinal
Nancy Cardinal
Darlene Gambler
Calvin Gladue
Harold Gladue
Richard Gladue
Monica Hershberger
Derek Nipshank

1979 - 1980

Le Larsen

Gr. 5

Cecil Auger
Mindy Auger
Roxanne Auger
Shawn Auger
Linda Bigstone
Irvin Boskoyous

Brian Cardinal
Chris Cardinal
Glenda Cardinal
Leona Cardinal
Martin Cardinal
Mildred Cardinal
Theresa Cardinal
Shawn Freehill
Mark Gambler
Monica Gladue
Sandra Houle
Lance Okeymow

Gr. 6

Donald Bigstone
Armin Cardinal
Bernice Cardinal
Bernie Cardinal
Darlene Cardinal
Eunice Cardinal
Spencer Cardinal
Karen Freehill
Delbert Gambler
Gerald Gambler
Gina Gladue
Dwayne Jacobs
Linda Johnson

1979 - 1980

Alvin Hershberger

Gr. 6

Ronald Boskoyous
Carla Cardinal
Donnie Cardinal
Marlene Cardinal
Freda Gambler
Audrey Laroche

Gr. 7

Douglas Bigstone
Edward Bigstone
Darlene Cardinal
Roxanne Cardinal
Russell Cardinal
Wallace Houle
Nelson Laroche
Hilda Nadeau
Cindy Okeymow

Gr. 8

Dennis Auger
Alvin Cardinal
August Cardinal
Leonard Cardinal
Norma Cardinal
Rachel Cardinal
Ross Cardinal
Valerie Cardinal

Hilda Chalifoux
Earl Gambler
Don Gladue
Fred Gladue
Douglas Houle
Barry Jacobs
Shanon Jacobs

1980 - 1981

**Lonnie Gribneau
Brenda Basiga**

Gr. 1

Kevin Anderson
Chester Bigstone
Mona Lise Bigstone
Andrew Cardinal
Beverly Cardinal
Bradley Cardinal
Mona Cardinal
Priscilla Cardinal
Richard Cardinal
Cheri Courtorielle
Phoebe Crawford
Lisa Gambler
Blair Gladue
Cindy Houle
Dalbert Okeymow
Clarice Wanyandi

1980 - 1981

Rose deCastro

Gr. 2

Marie Beaverbone
Marvin Beaverbone
Brenna Boskoyous
Clayton Cardinal
Glen Cardinal
Julian Cardinal
Sylvia Cardinal
Greg Gambler
Sharon Gambler
Randy Gladue
Andrea Logan
Eileen Logan

Gr. 3

Johnny Auger
Lisa Auger
Vivian Cardinal
Lorin Crawford
Donald Gambler
Karen Gladue
Adrian Jacobs
Delma Johnson

1980 - 1981**Brenda Basiga
Bert King****Gr. 4**Clayton Benson
Glen Bigstone
Brenda Cardinal
Leanne Cardinal
Tina Cardinal
Vera Cardinal
Rudy Gambler
Loren Gladue
Brian Nadeau
Paul Weber**Gr. 4**Corinne Boskoyous
Bernard Cardinal
Candice Cardinal
Cindy Cardinal
Nancy Cardinal
Calvin Gladue
Richard Gladue
Monica Hershberger
Melvin Jacobs
Derek Nipshank**1980 - 1981****Alvin Hershberger****Gr. 5**Richard Auger
Randy Boskoyous
Barry Cardinal
Brian Cardinal
Claudia Cardinal
Herman Cardinal
Darlene Gambler
Harold Gladue**Gr. 6**Cecil Auger
Mindy Auger
Roxanne Auger
Shawn Auger
Linda Bigstone
Irvin Boskoyous
Chris Cardinal
Glenda Cardinal
Leona Cardinal
Martin Cardinal
Mildred Cardinal
Theresa Cardinal
Mark Gambler
Monica Gladue
Mark Sernes**1981 - 1982****Mathilda Logan
Judy Courtorielle****ECS**Charmaine Anderson
Elsie Bigstone
Jessica Bigstone
Joanne Bigstone
Brian Cardinal
Delany Cardinal
Tanya Courtorielle
Tammy Crawford
Austin Gambler
Christopher Gambler
Gordon Gambler
Janice Gambler
Muriel Jacobs
Miranda Laroche
Trisha Laroche
Lori Logan
Richard Sorgi**1981 - 1982****Rose deCastro****Gr. 1**Kevin Anderson
Mona Lise Bigstone
Andrew Cardinal
Bertha Cardinal
Bradley Cardinal
Steven Cardinal
Clayton Gambler
Miranda Gambler
Adrian Gladue
Joanna Gladue
Rhonda Gladue
Julian Houle**Gr. 2**Chester Bigstone
Beverly Cardinal
Mona Cardinal
Priscilla Cardinal
Richard Cardinal
Cheri Courtorielle
Phoebe Crawford
Lisa Gambler
Charity Gladue
Cindy Gladue
Dalbert Okeymow
Clarice Wanyandi**1981 - 1982****Bert King****Gr. 3**Marie Beaverbone
Marvin Beaverbone
Clayton Cardinal
Glen Cardinal
Julian Cardinal
Sylvia Cardinal
Greg Gambler
Sharon Gambler
Jason Gladue
Randy Gladue
Andrea Logan
Eileen Logan**Gr. 4**Johnny Auger
Lisa Auger
Vivian Cardinal
Lorin Crawford
Donald Gambler
Adrian Jacobs
Delma Johnson**1981 - 1982****Alvin Hershberger****Gr. 5**Darrell Anderson
Glen Bigstone
Brenda Cardinal
Carla Cardinal
Leanne Cardinal
Tina Cardinal
Vera Cardinal
Gerald Gambler
Rudy Gambler
Loren Gladue
Brian Nadeau
Paul Weber**Gr. 6**Richard Auger
Barry Cardinal
Bernard Cardinal
Candice Cardinal
Cindy Cardinal
Claudia Cardinal
Herman Cardinal
Nancy Cardinal
Darlene Gambler
Terry Gambler
Richard Gladue
Monica Hershberger
Melvin Jacobs
Derek Nipshank**1982 - 1983****Rose deCastro****Gr. 1**Charmaine Anderson
Christina Auger
Elsie Bigstone
Jessica Bigstone
Joanne Bigstone
Bertha Cardinal
Brian Cardinal
Delany Cardinal
Marieka Cardinal
Tanya Courtorielle
Tammy Crawford
Austin Gambler
Christopher Gambler
Gordon Gambler
Adrian Gladue
Muriel Jacobs
Miranda Laroche
Trisha Laroche
Lori Logan**1982 - 1983****Natividad deCastro****Gr. 2**Kevin Anderson
Mona Lise Bigstone
Andrew Cardinal
Bradley Cardinal
Steven Cardinal
Chris Engel
Clayton Gambler
Miranda Gambler
Rhonda Gladue
Julian Houle**Gr. 3**Chester Bigstone
Beverly Cardinal
Mona Cardinal
Priscilla Cardinal
Richard Cardinal
Cheri Courtorielle
Phoebe Crawford
Lisa Gambler
Blair Gladue
Cindy Gladue
Clarice Wanyandi**Gr. 4**Marie Beaverbone
Julian Cardinal
Sylvia Cardinal
Randy Gladue
Eileen Logan

1982 - 1983

Alvin Hershberger

Gr. 4

Marvin Beaverbone
Clayton Cardinal
Glen Cardinal
Greg Gambler
Sharon Gambler
Andrea Logan

Gr. 5

Johnny Auger
Lisa Auger
Vivian Cardinal
Lorin Crawford
Donald Gambler
Adrian Jacobs
Delma Johnson

Gr. 6

Richard Auger
Anne Beaver
Clayton Benson
Glen Bigstone
Cindy Cardinal
Leanne Cardinal
Tina Cardinal
Vera Cardinal
Gerald Gambler
Rudy Gambler
Loren Gladue
Brian Nadeau
Paul Weber

1982 - 1983

Bert King

John Orr

David Newman

Gr. 7

Cecil Auger
Armin Cardinal
Bernard Cardinal
Bernice Cardinal
Bernie Cardinal
Candice Cardinal
Claudia Cardinal
Darlene Cardinal
Glenda Cardinal
Leona Cardinal
Mildred Cardinal
Nancy Cardinal
Spencer Cardinal
Darlene Gambler
Delbert Gambler
Mark Gambler
Terry Gambler

Richard Gladue

Melvin Jacobs
Linda Johnson
Derek Nipshank
Kevin Prather

1983 - 1984

Natividad deCastro

Gr. 1

Christine Auger
Lance Bigstone
Curtis Cardinal
Peter Cardinal
Reanna Courtorielle
Charlotte Gambler
Devin Gambler
Janice Gambler
Jason Gambler
Tracy Gambler
Leroy Gladue
Merle Laroche
Michael Mah

1983 - 1984

Rose deCastro

Gr. 2

Charmaine Anderson
Elsie Bigstone
Jessica Bigstone
Joanne Bigstone
Bertha Cardinal
Brian Cardinal
Leroy Cardinal
Marieka Cardinal
Tanya Courtorielle
Tammy Crawford
Austin Gambler
Christopher Gambler
Gordon Gambler
Tyson Gambler
Adrian Gladue
Muriel Jacobs
Miranda Laroche
Trisha Laroche
Lori Logan
Sean Mah
Hazel Young

1983 - 1984

Alvin Hershberger

Gr. 3

Kevin Anderson
Mona Lise Bigstone

Andrew Cardinal

Bradley Cardinal
Jason Cardinal
Sammy Cardinal
Steven Cardinal
Cheryl Duperron
Chris Engel
Clayton Gambler
Miranda Gambler
Joanna Gladue
Rhonda Gladue
Julian Houle
Gr. 4
Chester Bigstone
Beverly Cardinal
Mona Cardinal
Priscilla Cardinal
Richard Cardinal
Phoebe Crawford
Craig Duperron
Lisa Gambler
Blair Gladue
Charity Gladue
Cindy Gladue
Nancy Young
Raymond Young

1983 - 1984

Ron Opas

Gr. 5

Marvin Beaverbone
Clayton Cardinal
Julian Cardinal
Sylvia Cardinal
Cheri Courtorielle
Lorin Crawford
Lee Duperron
Glen Gambler
Greg Gambler
Sharon Gambler
Randy Gladue
Andrea Logan
Eileen Logan
Gr. 6
Johnny Auger
Lisa Auger
Vivian Cardinal
Donald Gambler
Adrian Jacobs
Delma Johnson

1983 - 1984

David Newman

Gr. 7

Clayton Benson
Glen Bigstone
Randy Boskoyous
Candice Cardinal
Carla Cardinal
Cindy Cardinal
Herman Cardinal
Spencer Cardinal
Tina Cardinal
Gerald Gambler
Leanne Gambler
Rudy Gambler
Loren Gladue
Linda Johnson
Brian Nadeau
Paul Weber
Debbie Young
Vern Young

Gr. 8

Cecil Auger
Armin Cardinal
Bernard Cardinal
Brian Cardinal
Claudia Cardinal
Glenda Cardinal
Mildred Cardinal
Nancy Cardinal
Darlene Gambler
Gerald Gambler
Mark Gambler
Terry Gambler
Richard Gladue
Sandra Houle
Dwayne Jacobs
Melvin Jacobs
Derek Nipshank

1984 - 1985

Judy Courtorielle

ECS

Jerrold Anderson
Loretta Bigstone
Cheryl Courtorielle
Maxine Gambler
William Gambler
Cheryl Gladue
Robert Gladue
Sharon Gladue
Kevin Houle
Justin Johnson
Clifford Young

1984 - 1985**Natividad deCastro**

Gr. 1

Dale Auger
 Jimmy Bigstone
 Curtis Cardinal
 Jennifer Cardinal
 Michael Cardinal
 Peter Cardinal
 Shannon Cardinal
 Wesley Cardinal
 Karen Courtorielle
 Angie Gambler
 Jason Gambler
 Tracy Gambler
 Simon Houle
 Ferra Laroche
 Priscilla Logan
 Jonathan Nipshank

1984 - 1985**Glen Finney**

Gr. 2

Lance Bigstone
 Reanna Courtorielle
 Devin Gambler
 Janice Gambler
 Leroy Gladue
 Merle Laroche
 Gr. 3
 Elsie Bigstone
 Bertha Cardinal
 Delany Cardinal
 Tammy Crawford
 Austin Gambler
 Charlotte Gambler
 Gordon Gambler
 Tyson Gambler
 Adrian Gladue
 Miranda Laroche
 Lori Logan
 Bonnie Metchooyeah
 Gr. 4
 Kevin Anderson
 Andrew Cardinal
 Bradley Cardinal

1984 - 1985**David Newman**

Gr. 3

Charmaine Anderson
 Jessica Bigstone
 Joanne Bigstone

Brian Cardinal
 Leroy Cardinal
 Marieka Cardinal
 Tanya Courtorielle
 Christopher Gambler
 Muriel Jacobs
 Trisha Laroche
 Gr. 4
 Mona Lise Bigstone
 Jason Cardinal
 Lance Cardinal
 Richard Cardinal
 Sammy Cardinal
 Steven Cardinal
 Cheryl Duperron
 Clayton Gambler
 Miranda Gambler
 Debbie Gladue
 Rhonda Gladue
 Julian Houle

1984 - 1985**Ron Opas**

Gr. 5

Chester Bigstone
 Beverly Cardinal
 Clayton Cardinal
 Mona Cardinal
 Priscilla Cardinal
 Phoebe Crawford
 Craig Duperron
 Glen Gambler
 Lisa Gambler
 Blair Gladue
 Tracy Metchooyeah
 Gr. 6
 Marvin Beaverbone
 Julian Cardinal
 Sylvia Cardinal
 Cheri Courtorielle
 Lorin Crawford
 Lee Duperron
 Kevin Englund
 Donald Gambler
 Greg Gambler
 Sharon Gambler
 Randy Gladue
 Andrea Logan
 Eileen Logan

1984 - 1985**Connie Murphy**

Gr. 7

Johnny Auger

Lisa Auger
 Glen Bigstone
 Cindy Cardinal
 Vivian Cardinal
 Leanne Gambler
 Rudy Gambler
 Adrian Jacobs
 Delma Johnson
 Brian Nadeau
 Beverley Yardley
 Gr. 8
 Cecil Auger
 Clayton Benson
 Claudia Cardinal
 Leona Cardinal
 Tina Cardinal
 Bernice Gambler
 Gerald Gambler
 Loren Gladue
 Teddy Noskiye

1984 - 1985**Bertha Ellis****Chris Allin**

Gr. 9

Roxanne Auger
 Armin Cardinal
 Bernard Cardinal
 Brian Cardinal
 Glenda Cardinal
 Mildred Cardinal
 Nancy Cardinal
 Spencer Cardinal
 Darlene Gambler
 Mark Gambler
 Richard Gladue
 Sandra Houle
 Melvin Jacobs
 Basil Manossa
 Derek Nipshank

1985 - 1986**Gladys Cardinal**

ECS

Richard Auger
 Crystal Beaver
 James Benson
 Leslie Bigstone
 Ashley Cardinal
 Errol Cardinal
 Grant Cardinal
 Natalie Cardinal
 Travis Cardinal
 Keith Gambler

Ruth Gambler
 Amanda Gladue
 Cora Gladue
 Melissa Gladue
 Jeffrey Houle
 Lyle Houle
 Wyatt Laroche
 Terris Mah
 Edwin Martineau
 Rica Uhlick-Schmidt

1985 - 1986**Natividad deCastro**

Gr. 1

Jerrod Anderson
 Dale Auger
 Regis Belanger
 Jimmy Bigstone
 Loretta Bigstone
 Shannon Cardinal
 Jason Gambler
 Maxine Gambler
 William Gambler
 Cheryl Gladue
 Robert Gladue
 Sharon Gladue
 Kevin Houle
 Simon Houle
 Justin Johnson
 Ferra Laroche
 Clifford Young

1985 - 1986**Theodora Shwaga**

Gr. 2

Curtis Cardinal
 Jennifer Cardinal
 Michael Cardinal
 Peter Cardinal
 Rhonda Cardinal
 Reanna Courtorielle
 Tracy Gambler
 Merle Laroche
 Priscilla Logan
 Kerrie Thiessen
 Gr. 3
 Christina Auger
 Lance Bigstone
 Leroy Gladue
 Michael Mah

1985 - 1986

David Newman

Gr. 4

Charmaine Anderson
Miranda Beaver
Lisa Belanger
Elsie Bigstone
Jessica Bigstone
Joanne Bigstone
Julian Bigstone
Andrew Cardinal
Bertha Cardinal
Brian Cardinal
Delany Cardinal
Leroy Cardinal
Marieka Cardinal
Steven Cardinal
Tanya Courtorielle
Austin Gambler
Christopher Gambler
Gordon Gambler
Adrian Gladue
Muriel Jacobs
Trisha Laroche
Lori Logan
Sean Mah
Olivia Noskiye

1985 - 1986

Sheila Jacobs

Gr. 5

Kevin Anderson
Chester Bigstone
Mona Lise Bigstone
Bradley Cardinal
Jason Cardinal
Lance Cardinal
Richard Cardinal
Cheryl Duperron
Clayton Gambler
Joanna Gladue
Donna Noskiye
Marie Wennerbam

Gr. 6

Beverly Cardinal
Clayton Cardinal
Mona Cardinal
Priscilla Cardinal
Craig Duperron
Glen Gambler
Lisa Gambler
Sharon Gambler
Blair Gladue
Charity Gladue

Wade Wennerbam

1985 - 1986

Connie Murphy

Gr. 7

Marvin Beaverbone
Cindy Cardinal
Julian Cardinal
Sylvia Cardinal
Cheri Courtorielle
Lee Duperron
Donald Gambler
Greg Gambler
Leanne Gambler
Jason Gladue
Andrea Logan
Eileen Logan

Gr. 8

Johnny Auger
Lisa Auger
Glen Bigstone
Linda Bigstone
Fiona Blondin
Claudia Cardinal
Vivian Cardinal
Bernice Gambler
Rudy Gambler
Adrian Jacobs
Delma Johnson
Brian Nadeau
Lawrence Noskiye
Pearl Noskiye

1985 - 1986

Susan Mills

Gr. 9

Cecil Auger
Clayton Benson
Tina Cardinal
Gerald Gambler
Genevieve Martineau
Francine Villeneuve

1986 - 1987

Judy Courtorielle

ECS

Christine Anderson
Joanne Auger
Leah Auger
Crystal Beaver
Walter Beaver
Joey Benson
Alicia Cardinal

Clevlan Cardinal
Karen Cardinal
Kimberly Cardinal
Natalie Cardinal
Carlisle Gambler
Keith Gambler
Danica Gladue
Jesse Gladue
Leo Gladue
Tanya Gladue
Lorena Houle
Aimee Jacobs
Chantal Johnson
Tonya Martineau

1986 - 1987

Natividad deCastro

Gr. 1

Richard Auger
Ferra Beaver
James Benson
Leslie Bigstone
Ashley Cardinal
Errol Cardinal
Leonard Cardinal
Travis Cardinal
Miranda Cunningham
Maxine Gambler
Ruth Gambler
William Gambler
Amanda Gladue
Cheryl Gladue
Melissa Gladue
Sharon Gladue
Jeffrey Houle
Lyle Houle
Wyatt Laroche
Clifford Young

1986 - 1987

Theodora Shwaga

Gr. 2

Jerrold Anderson
Dale Auger
Jimmy Bigstone
Karen Bigstone
Loretta Bigstone
Albert Cardinal
Shannon Cardinal
Angie Cunningham
April Cunningham
Jason Gambler
Kevin Houle
Simon Houle

Justin Johnson
Gabrielle Sander
Gr. 3
Curtis Cardinal
Jennifer Cardinal
Michael Cardinal
Peter Cardinal
Rhonda Cardinal
Reanna Courtorielle
Angie Gambler
Tracy Gambler
Priscilla Logan

1986 - 1987

David Newman

Gr. 4

Christina Auger
Lance Bigstone
Tammy Crawford
Devin Gambler
Janice Gambler
Leroy Gladue
Michael Mah
Gr. 5
Elsie Bigstone
Julian Bigstone
Andrew Cardinal
Bertha Cardinal
Bradley Cardinal
Brian Cardinal
Jason Cardinal
Austin Gambler
Tyson Gambler
Adrian Gladue
Lori Logan

1986 - 1987

Sheila Jacobs

Gr. 5

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Kevin Anderson
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Joanne Bigstone
Delany Cardinal
Leroy Cardinal
Marieka Cardinal
Steven Cardinal
Tanya Courtorielle
Christopher Gambler
Clayton Gambler
Gordon Gambler
Jessica Gambler
Muriel Jacobs
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Joanne Aubichon
Beverly Cardinal
Lance Cardinal
Richard Cardinal
Sammy Cardinal
Phoebe Crawford
Cheryl Duperron
Miranda Gambler
Mona Lise Gambler
Joanna Gladue
Rhonda Gladue
Melinda Johnston

1986 - 1987

Connie Murphy

Gr. 7

Cindy Cardinal
Mona Cardinal
Priscilla Cardinal
Valerie Cardinal
Lorin Crawford
Craig Duperron
Glen Gambler
Lisa Gambler
Sharon Gambler
Charity Gladue
Wade Wennerbam

Gr. 8

Marvin Beaverbone
Donald Gambler
Greg Gambler
Andrea Logan

1986 - 1987

Sybil Simmons

Gr. 8

Julian Cardinal
Sylvia Cardinal
Cheri Courtorielle
Lee Duperron
Jason Gladue
Randy Gladue
Eileen Logan

Gr. 9

Johhny Auger
Lisa Auger
Glen Bigstone
Vivian Cardinal
Rudy Gambler
Adrian Jacobs
Delma Johnson

1987 - 1988

Leanne Martineau

Cindy LeClere
Emily Sewepagaham

ECS

Jamie Beaver
Clarissa Bigstone
Kingsley Cardinal
Corey Gambler
Crystal Gambler
Douglas Gambler
Christopher Gladue
Gavin Gladue
Ralph Houle
Jaselyn Logan
Wendell Watson
Riel Young

1987 - 1988

Natividad deCastro

Gr. 1

Christine Anderson
Joanne Auger
Leah Auger
Richard Auger
Crystal Beaver
Walter Beaver
Joey Benson
Alicia Cardinal
Clevelan Cardinal
Karen Cardinal
Kimberly Cardinal
Leonard Cardinal
Natalie Cardinal
Travis Cardinal
Carlisle Gambler
Danica Gladue
Jesse Gladue
Leo Gladue
Tanya Gladue
Lorena Houle
Lyle Houle
Tonya Martineau

1987 - 1988

Theodora Shwaga
Pam Theberge

Gr. 2

Ferra Beaver
James Benson
Leslie Bigstone
Ashley Cardinal
Miranda Cunningham
Maxine Gambler
Ruth Gambler

Amanda Gladue
Cheryl Gladue
Melissa Gladue
Sharon Gladue
Jeffrey Houle
Clifford Young
Gr. 3
Jerrod Anderson
Dale Auger
Jimmy Bigstone
Loretta Bigstone
Albert Cardinal
Shannon Cardinal
Angie Cunningham
April Cunningham
Kevin Houle
Simon Houle

1987 - 1988

David Newman

Gr. 4

Crystal Cardinal
Curtis Cardinal
Jennifer Cardinal
Michael Cardinal
Peter Cardinal
Rhonda Cardinal
Tracy Gambler
Priscilla Logan
Gr. 5
Christina Auger
Jessica Bigstone
Lance Bigstone
Tammy Crawford
Leroy Gladue
Michael Mah

1987 - 1988

Sheila Jacobs

Gr. 6

Charmaine Anderson
Miranda Beaver
Elsie Bigstone
Joanne Bigstone
Bertha Cardinal
Brian Cardinal
Leroy Cardinal
Marieka Cardinal
Steven Cardinal
Tanya Courtorielle
Christopher Gambler
Clayton Gambler
Mona Lise Gambler
Julian Houle

Muriel Jacobs
Lori Logan
Ashley Makokis
Jolene Makokis
Sheldon Sewepagaham

1987 - 1988

Brian Gizzie

Gr. 7

Kevin Anderson
Joanne Aubichon
Brenna Boskoyous
Andrew Cardinal
Beverly Cardinal
Bradley Cardinal
Jason Cardinal
Richard Cardinal
Sammy Cardinal
Steven Cardinal
Phoebe Crawford
Cheryl Duperron
Chester Gambler
Eddie Gambler
Glen Gambler
Miranda Gambler
Adrian Gladue
Rhonda Gladue
Gr. 8
Mona Cardinal
Priscilla Cardinal
Lorin Crawford
Craig Duperron
Lisa Gambler
Sharon Gambler
Jennifer Sewepagaham
Wanda Stewart

1987 - 1988

Sybil Simmons

Gr. 9

Alma Beaver
Marvin Beaverbone
Barbara Cardinal
Julian Cardinal
Cheri Courtorielle
Lee Duperron
Donald Gambler
Gregory Gambler
Randy Gladue
Andrea Logan
Eileen Logan
Sylvia Logan
Valerie Stewart

1988 - 1989
Laura Pope
Donna Durrant

ECS
Jordan Anderson
Jamie Beaver
Kelly Bigstone
Clayton Cardinal
Joy Cardinal
Kingsley Cardinal
Timothy Dewolf
Larry Gambler
Nicole Gambler
Chester Gladue
Christopher Gladue
Kenneth Gladue
Ralph Houle
Kelly Johnson
Von Uhlick-Schmidt
Mackenzie Young

1988 - 1989
Natividad deCastro

Gr. 1
Joanne Auger
Crystal Beaver
Walter Beaver
Clarissa Bigstone
Clayton Cardinal
Karen Cardinal
Mary Ann Cardinal
Jillean Durrant
Corey Gambler
Douglas Gambler
Christopher Gladue
Crystal Gladue
Danica Gladue
Gavin Gladue
Jesse Gladue
Jaselyn Logan
Wendell Watson
Riel Young

1988 - 1989
Theodora Shwaga

Gr. 2
Christine Anderson
Leah Auger
Richard Auger
Joey Benson
Leo Bigstone
Alicia Cardinal
Kimberly Cardinal

Leonard Cardinal
Natalie Cardinal
Travis Cardinal
Sharon Gladue
Tanya Gladue
Lorena Houle
Lyle Houle

1988 - 1989
Sybil Simmons

Gr. 3
Ferra Beaver
James Benson
Amanda Bigstone
Leslie Bigstone
Ashley Cardinal
Ruth Gambler
Cheryl Gladue
Melissa Gladue
Terris Mah
Clifford Young
Gr. 4
Jerrod Anderson
Dale Auger
Jimmy Bigstone
Loretta Bigstone
Albert Cardinal
Robin Cardinal
Shannon Cardinal
Simon Houle

1988 - 1989
Sheila Jacobs

Gr. 5
Curtis Cardinal
Jennifer Cardinal
Michael Cardinal
Peter Cardinal
Rhonda Cardinal
Angie Gambler
Janice Gambler
Tracy Gambler
Priscilla Logan
Gr. 6
Elsie Bigstone
Jessica Bigstone
Lance Bigstone
Tammy Crawford
Jennifer Cyre
Gordon Gambler
Leroy Cardinal
Michael Mah

1988 - 1989
David Newman

Gr. 7
Charmaine Anderson
Miranda Beaver
Joanne Bigstone
Bertha Cardinal
Beverly Cardinal
Bradley Cardinal
Brian Cardinal
Delany Cardinal
Leroy Cardinal
Tanya Courtorielle
Austin Gambler
Christopher Gambler
Clayton Gambler
Miranda Gambler
Mona Lise Gambler
Adrian Gladue
Blair Gladue
Coraleen Gladue
Debra Gladue
Julian Houle
Muriel Jacobs
Lori Logan
Sean Mah

1988 - 1989
Nancy Golightly

Gr. 8
Kevin Anderson
Charlene Boskoyous
Jason Cardinal
Richard Cardinal
Phoebe Crawford
Cheryl Duperron
Chester Gambler
Andrea Oar
Gr. 9
Mona Cardinal
Priscilla Cardinal
Lorin Crawford
Craig Duperron
Lisa Gambler
Sharon Gambler

1989 - 1990
Donna Durrant
Doris Jacobs

ECS
Jennifer Anderson
Stephanie Auger
Shawn Bigstone

Cheyenne Cardinal
Christen Cardinal
Jarmaine Cardinal
Keith Cardinal
Stephanie Cardinal
Thomas Cardinal
Vanessa Cardinal
Vincent Cardinal
Calvin Gambler
Julianna Gambler
Kyle Gambler
Lori Ann Gambler
Bruce Gladue
Samantha Gladue
Shelley Gladue
Aaron Jacobs
Kristin Jacobs
Chuck Watson

1989 - 1990
Natividad deCastro

Gr. 1
Jordan Anderson
Jamie Beaver
Kelly Bigstone
Robin Bigstone
Clayton Cardinal
Joy Cardinal
Kingsley Cardinal
Tanya Gagnon
Burton Gambler
Corey Gambler
Douglas Gambler
Larry Gambler
Nicole Gambler
Ryan Gambler
Chester Gladue
Christopher Gladue
Christopher B. Gladue
Kenneth Gladue
Ralph Houle
Owen Jacobs
Kelly Johnson
Mackenzie Young

1989 - 1990
Dixie Stickel
Theodora Shwaga
Trudy Crow

Gr. 2
Joanne Auger
Crystal Beaver
Walter Beaver
Clarissa Bigstone

Cleveland Cardinal
Karen Cardinal
Mary Anne Cardinal
Natalie Cardinal
Jillean Durrant
Carlisle Gambler
Carmen Gambler
Crystal Gladue
Danica Gladue
Gavin Gladue
Jesse Gladue
Aimee Jacobs
Jaselyn Logan
Wendell Watson
Riel Young

1989 - 1990
Sybil Simmons

Gr. 3
Christine Anderson
Leah Auger
Richard Auger
Leo Bigstone
Alicia Cardinal
Kimberly Cardinal
Leonard Cardinal
Travis Cardinal
Sharon Gladue
Tanya Gladue
Lorena Houle
Lyle Houle
Erin Pasap
Keliann Roe
Brent Sundby
Rica Uhlick-Schmidt
Gr. 4
Ferra Beaver
Amanda Bigstone
Leslie Bigstone
Ashley Cardinal
Larry Cardinal
Rochelle Gagnon
Maxine Gambler
Ruth Gambler
Cheryl Gladue
Melissa Gladue
Terris Mah
Clifford Young

1989 - 1990
Sheila Jacobs

Gr. 5
Jerrod Anderson
Dale Auger

Rachel Auger
Jimmy Bigstone
Loretta Bigstone
Albert Cardinal
Robin Cardinal
Shannon Cardinal
Simon Houle
Melinda Noskiye
Gr. 6
Curtis Cardinal
Jennifer Cardinal
Peter Cardinal
Rhonda Cardinal
Tracy Gambler
Priscilla Logan
Richard Young

1989 - 1990
Thomas Strecker

Gr. 7
Trevor Auger
Elsie Bigstone
Jessica Bigstone
Lance Bigstone
Mona Lise Bigstone
Brenda Brule
Wanda Brule
Tammy Crawford
Glen Gambler
Miranda Gambler
Blair Gladue
Leroy Gladue
Michael Mah
Gr. 8
Andrew Cardinal
Bertha Cardinal
Steven Cardinal
Austin Gambler
Adrian Gladue
Lori Logan

1989 - 1990
Mark Ladd

Gr. 8
Charmaine Anderson
Christine Auger
Miranda Beaver
Joanne Bigstone
Brian Cardinal
Delany Cardinal
Leroy Cardinal
Val Cardinal
Tanya Courtorielle
Christopher Gambler

Clayton Gambler
Karen Gladue
Muriel Jacobs
Sean Mah
Gr. 9
Kevin Anderson
Alma Beaver
Charlene Boskoyous
Jason Cardinal
Richard Cardinal
Sammy Cardinal
Phoebe Crawford
Cheryl Duperron
Shane House
Steven House

1989 - 1990
David Newman

Gr.10
Johnny Auger
Lisa Auger
Lorna Brule
Beverly Cardinal
Julian Cardinal
Mona Cardinal
Priscilla Cardinal
Cheri Courtorielle
Lorin Crawford
Craig Duperron
Lee Duperron
Donald Gambler
Greg Gambler
Sharon Gambler
Rhonda House
Gayle House
Leon Laboucan

(Mar. 30/90- 8 attending).
(June 30/90- 4 attending).

Class lists for 1990-1991 to
1996-1997 include Home
Schooling students.

1990 - 1991
Gladys Cardinal

ECS
Stephanie Auger
Cody Belcourt
Brendan Bigstone
Nigel Bigstone
Brandi Cardinal
Desmond Cardinal
Jasmine Cardinal

Katlin Cardinal
Natashia Cardinal
Queena Cardinal
Stephanie Cardinal
Earl Gambler
April Gladue
Brandon Gladue
Jacqueline Gladue
Robby Gladue
Chelsey Jacobs
Lukas Peters
Nicole Roe
Hannah Smallboy
Curtis Stewart
Michael Yellowknee
Erin Young

1990 - 1991
Natividad deCastro

Gr. 1
Jennifer Anderson
Cheyenne Cardinal
Christen Cardinal
Jarmaine Cardinal
Keith Cardinal
Thomas Cardinal
Vanessa Cardinal
Calvin Gambler
Julianna Gambler
Kyle Gambler
Lori Ann Gambler
Bruce Gladue
Chester Gladue
Samantha Gladue
Shelly Gladue
Aaron Jacobs
Kristen Jacobs
Chuck Watson

1990 - 1991
Clarice Cardinal

Gr. 2
Jamie Beaver
Kelly Bigstone
Clayton Cardinal
Joy Cardinal
Kingsley Cardinal
Tanya Gagnon
Burton Gambler
Douglas Gambler
Larry Gambler
Ryan Gambler
Christopher B. Gladue
Christopher G. Gladue

Kenneth Gladue
Ralph Houle
Owen Jacobs
Kelly Johnson
Jordan Peterson
Von Uhlick-Schmidt
Mackenzie Young

1990 - 1991
Sybil Simmons

Gr. 3
Joanne Auger
Neil Auger
Crystal Beaver
Walter Beaver
Clarissa Bigstone
Bonnie Cardinal
Cleveland Cardinal
Jessica Cardinal
Mary Cardinal
Natalie Cardinal
Carlisle Gambler
Crystal Gladue
Danica Gladue
Aimee Jacobs
Jaselyn Logan
Wendell Watson
Riel Young

Gr. 4
Christine Anderson
Leah Auger
Richard Auger
Shawn Auger
Leo Bigstone
Alicia Cardinal
Kimberly Cardinal
Leonard Cardinal
Travis Cardinal
Sharon Gladue
Tanya Gladue
Lorena Houle
Lyle Houle
Chantal Johnson
Keliann Roe
Rica Uhlick-Schmidt
Brent Sundby
Roban Small

1990 - 1991
Sheila Jacobs
Corinne Newton

Gr. 5
Jerrod Anderson
Ferra Beaver

Amanda Bigstone
Jimmy Bigstone
Leslie Bigstone
Ashley Cardinal
Larry Cardinal
Rochelle Gagnon
Ruth Gambler
Cheryl Gladue
Melissa Gladue
Simon Houle
Terris Mah
Clifford Young

Gr. 6
Rachel Auger
Loretta Bigstone
Albert Cardinal
Robin Cardinal
Shannon Cardinal
Maxine Gambler

1990 - 1991
Kwasi Amenu-Tekaa

Gr. 7
Rachel Auger
Curtis Cardinal
Jennifer Cardinal
Peter Cardinal
Reanna Courtorielle
Devin Gambler
Gordon Gambler
Janice Gambler
Tracy Gambler
Priscilla Logan
Richard Young

Gr. 8
Elsie Bigstone
Wanda Brule
Brian Cardinal
Delany Cardinal
Tanya Courtorielle
Tammy Crawford
Austin Gambler
Tyson Gambler
Blair Gladue
Leroy Gladue
Michael Mah
Ronald Sinclair

1990 - 1991
Merle Bradley

Gr. 9
Charmaine Anderson
Kevin Anderson
Bertha Cardinal

Bradley Cardinal
Leroy Cardinal
Christopher Gambler
Clayton Gambler
Adrian Gladue
Shane House
Steven House
Muriel Jacobs
Lori Logan
Sean Mah

1990 - 1991
David Newman

Gr.10
Johnny Auger
Lisa Auger
Beverly Cardinal
Dale Cardinal
Richard Cardinal
Valerie Cardinal
Cheri Courtorielle
Phoebe Crawford
Greg Gambler
Lisa Gambler
Clare Gauthier
Adrian Jacobs
Gayle House
Rhonda House
Leon Laboucan

1991 - 1992
Gladys Cardinal

ECS
Jonathan Bigstone
Allison Cardinal
Amy Cardinal
Daniel Cardinal
Natashia Cardinal
Ramona Cardinal
Tamara Cardinal
Chantel Gambler
Michelle Gambler
Turrell Gladue
Vanessa Gladue
Tyrone Isadore
Amber Jacobs
Waylon Jacobs
Cordell Johnson
Pisim Johnson
Percy Kailek
Darren Logan
Kevin Logan
Hannah Smallboy
Kehew Uhlick-Schmidt

Sheldon Young

1991 - 1992
Sheila Jacobs
Marion Adamowicz

Gr. 1
Stephanie Auger
Cody Belcourt
Brendan Bigstone
Nigel Bigstone
Brandi Cardinal
Desmond Cardinal
Jasmine Cardinal
Natashia Cardinal
Queena Cardinal
Stephanie Cardinal
Joshua Diehl
Earl Gambler
Robin Gambler
April Gladue
Brandon Gladue
Jacqueline Gladue
Robby Gladue
Amanda Houle
Lukas Peters
Nicole Roe
Curtis Stewart
Michael Yellowknee
Erin Young
Shayne Young

1991 - 1992
Clarice Cardinal

Gr. 1
Thomas Cardinal
Calvin Gambler
Kyle Gambler
Lori Ann Gambler
Nicole Gambler

Gr. 2
Jennifer Anderson
Christen Cardinal
Jarmaine Cardinal
Keith Cardinal
Vanessa Cardinal
Bruce Gambler
Julianna Gambler
Chester Gladue
Samantha Gladue
Shelly Gladue
Ralph Houle
Aaron Jacobs
Kristen Jacobs
Chuck Watson

1991 - 1992
Sharon Diehl
Michelle Pleich

Gr. 3
Jamie Beaver
Kelly Bigstone
Joe Cardinal
Joy Cardinal
Kingsley Cardinal
Corey Gambler
Douglas Gambler
Larry Gambler
Christopher B. Gladue
Christopher G. Gladue
Kenneth Gladue
Aaron Jacobs
Jordan Peterson
Mackenzie Young
Gr. 4
Crystal Beaver
Walter Beaver

1991 - 1992
David Newman

Gr. 3
Clayton Cardinal
Kelly Johnson
Gr. 4
Joanne Auger
Clarissa Bigstone
Jessica Cardinal
Karen Cardinal
Mary Cardinal
Tobi Cardinal
Crystal Gambler
Danica Gladue
Aimee Jacobs
Jaselyn Logan
Wendell Watson
Riel Young
Gr. 5
Leah Auger
Leo Bigstone
Alicia Cardinal
Leonard Cardinal
Travis Cardinal
Sharon Gladue
Tanya Gladue
Lorena Houle
Lyle Houle
Chantal Johnson

1991 - 1992
Sybil Simmons
Dixie Stickel

Gr. 5
Christine Anderson
Amanda Bigstone
Leslie Bigstone
Grant Cardinal
Kimberly Cardinal
Todd Cardinal
Kelliann Roe
Gr. 6
Jerrod Anderson
Ferra Beaver
Jimmy Bigstone
Ruth Gambler
Cheryl Gladue
Melissa Gladue
Simon Houle
Terris Mah
Clifford Young

1991 - 1992
Richard Guntrip

Gr. 7
Rachel Auger
Ursel Auger
Albert Cardinal
Curtis Cardinal
Darren Cardinal
Peter Cardinal
Robin Cardinal
Shannon Cardinal
Angie Gambler
Gordon Gambler
Justin Johnson
Melinda Noskiye
Gr. 8
Raymond Auger
Allan Beaver
Jennifer Cardinal
Rhonda Cardinal
Reanna Courtorielle
Tammy Crawford
Janice Gambler
Tracy Gambler
Priscilla Logan

1991 - 1992
Kwasi Amenu-Tekaa

Gr. 9
Charmaine Anderson
Sharon Beaverbone

Bertha Cardinal
Brian Cardinal
Tanya Courtorielle
Christopher Gambler
Clayton Gambler
Leroy Gladue
Shane House
Michael Mah
Gr.10
Miranda Beaver
Andrew Cardinal
Bradley Cardinal
Richard Cardinal
Steven Cardinal
Lori Logan
Sean Mah

1992 - 1993
Gladys Cardinal

ECS
Cesillie Auger
Lindsey Auger
Harley Belcourt
Lindsie Bigstone
Amy Cardinal
Joey Cardinal
Jules Cardinal
Lambert Cardinal
Quannah Cardinal
Simone Cardinal
Sterling Cardinal
Winston Cardinal
Aaron Gambler
Kojitch Gambler
Bruce Gladue
Frederick Gladue
Jessy Gladue
Nicole Gladue
Rebecca Gladue
Tara Gladue
Megan Jacobs
Morris Laroche
Chelsey Peters
Dylan Simpson

1992 - 1993
Clarice Cardinal

Gr. 1
Adam Adamowicz
Daniel Cardinal
Turrell Cardinal
Michelle Gambler
Amber Jacobs
Cordell Johnson

Pisim Johnson
Darren Logan
Kehew Uhlick-Schmidt
Jenna Weber
Sheldon Young
Gr. 2
Stephanie Auger
Nigel Bigstone
Brandi Cardinal
Jasmine Cardinal
Queena Cardinal
Stephanie Cardinal
Thomas Cardinal
Vincent Cardinal
Brendon De Paar Moore
Lori Ann Gambler
Nicole Gambler
Robin Gambler
Brandon Gladue
Robby Gladue
Nicole Roe
Justin Weber
Erin Young

1992 - 1993
Ann Hastings

Gr.1
Jonathan Bigstone
Natashia Cardinal
Waylon Jacobs
Cordell Johnson
Kevin Logan
Gr. 2
Cody Belcourt
Natashia Brodeur
Desmond Cardinal
Calvin Gambler
Earl Gambler
April Gladue
Jacqueline Gladue
Amanda Houle
Lukas Peters
Curtis Stewart
Michael Yellowknee
Shayne Young
Gr. 3
Christen Cardinal
Jarmaine Cardinal
Keith Cardinal
Ralph Houle
Aaron Jacobs
Kristen Jacobs
Chuck Watson

1992 - 1993
Shirley Cardinal

Gr. 3

Jennifer Anderson
Vanessa Cardinal
Julianna Gambler
Chester Gladue
Samantha Gladue
Shelly Gladue

Gr. 4

Jamie Beaver
Aaron Cardinal
Clayton Cardinal
Joe Cardinal
Joy Cardinal
Kingsley Cardinal
Burton Gambler
Corey Gambler
Douglas Gambler
Larry Gambler
Christopher Gladue
Gavin Gladue
Kenneth Gladue
Owen Jacobs
Kelly Johnson
Jordan Peterson
Von Uhlick-Schmidt
Mackenzie Young

1992 - 1993
David Newman

Gr. 5

Jessica Ashmead
Joanne Auger
Crystal Beaver
Walter Beaver
Clarissa Bigstone
Bonnie Cardinal
Jessica Cardinal
Karen Cardinal
Mary Cardinal
Natalie Cardinal
Tobi Cardinal
Danica Gladue
Jesse Gladue
Aimee Jacobs
Jaselyn Logan
Dylan Pitman
Wendell Watson
Riel Young

Gr. 6

Leah Auger
Amanda Bigstone
Leo Bigstone

Leslie Bigstone
Tanya Gladue
Chantal Johnson

1992 - 1993
Michelle Pleich
Dean Foster

Gr. 6

Christine Anderson
Alicia Cardinal
Grant Cardinal
Kimberly Cardinal
Leonard Cardinal
Todd Cardinal
Travis Cardinal
Sharon Gladue
Lorena Houle
Lyle Houle
Kelliann Roe
Rica Uhlick-Schmidt

Gr. 7

Jerrod Anderson
Ferra Beaver
Ashley Cardinal
Cheryl Courtoreille
Ruth Gambler
Cheryl Gladue
Melissa Gladue
Simon Houle
Terris Mah
Clifford Young

1992 - 1993
Ken Hoekstra

Gr. 8

Allan Beaver
Jimmy Bigstone
Albert Cardinal
Curtis Cardinal
Darren Cardinal
Peter Cardinal
Robin Cardinal
Shannon Cardinal
Justin Johnson
Melinda Noskiye

Gr. 9

Jennifer Cardinal
Rhonda Cardinal
Tammy Crawford
Gordon Gambler
Janice Gambler
Tracy Gambler
Priscilla Logan

1992 - 1993
Kwasi Amenu-Tekaa

Gr.10

Ricky Bourgoin
Bertha Cardinal
Brian Cardinal
Charmaine Cardinal
Steven Cardinal
Tanya Courtorielle
Christopher Gambler
Clayton Gambler
Leroy Gladue
Julian Houle
Shane House
Michael Mah

Gr.11

Richard Cardinal
Lori Logan
Sean Mah
Gr.12
Cheryl Duperron

1993 - 1994
Donna Van Der Weij

ECS

Melinda Auger
Robbie Auger
Quinton Bigstone
Nadine Brodeur
Ozzy Cardinal
Sabrina Cardinal
Samantha Cardinal
Sunnie Cardinal
Anthony Gambler
Charity Gambler
Marcel Gambler
Catherine Gaudin
Frederick Gladue
Lynn Gladue
Thor Houle
Winona Houle
Damian Johnson
Wasi Johnson
Huddy Stewart
Matthew Yellowknee

1993 - 1994
Gladys Cardinal

Gr. 1

Shane Arcand
Cesillie Auger
Lindsey Auger
Harley Belcourt

Lindsie Bigstone
Amy Cardinal
Joey Cardinal
Jules Cardinal
Lambert Cardinal
Quannah Cardinal
Simone Cardinal
Sterling Cardinal
Winston Cardinal
Aaron Gambler
Rebecca Gladue
Tara Gladue
Megan Jacobs
Morris Laroche
Dylan Simpson
Michelle Van Der Weij
Auston Villeneuve

1993 - 1994
Clarice Cardinal

Gr. 2

Vincent Anderson
Cody Belcourt
Jonathan Bigstone
Tamara Bigstone
Allison Cardinal
Natashia Cardinal
Ramona Cardinal
Chantel Gambler
Michelle Gambler
Sheri Gambler
Turrel Gladue
Amber Jacobs
Waylon Jacobs
Cordell Johnson
Pisim Johnson
Darren Logan
Kevin Logan
Marvel Villeneuve-Hoffman
Jenna Wendland
Sheldon Young

Gr. 3

Stephanie Auger
Nigel Bigstone
Earl Gambler
Curtis Stewart

1993 - 1994
Ann Hastings

Gr. 3

Brendan Bigstone
Brandi Cardinal
Desmond Cardinal
Jasmine Cardinal

Stephanie Cardinal
Thomas Cardinal
Vincent Cardinal
Calvin Gambler
Lori Ann Gambler
Nicole Gambler
Robin Gambler
April Gladue
Jacqueline Gladue
Robby Gladue
Curtis Klein
Michael Yellowknee
Erin Young
Shayne Young

1993 - 1994
Dixie Stickel

Gr. 3
Natashia Brodeur
Brandon Gladue
Justin Martineau
Nicole Roe

Gr. 4
Jennifer Anderson
Christen Cardinal
Jarmaine Cardinal
Keith Cardinal
Vanessa Cardinal
Bruce Gambler
Julianna Gambler
Kenji Gaudin
Samantha Gladue
Shelly Gladue
Ralph Houle
Aaron Jacobs
Kristen Jacobs
Lindsey Klein
Chuck Watson

1993 - 1994
Ken Klein

Gr. 5
Jamie Beaver
Kelly Bigstone
Burton Campbell
Clayton Cardinal
Joe Cardinal
Joy Cardinal
Kingsley Cardinal
Corey Gambler
Douglas Gambler
Larry Gambler
Chester Gladue
Christopher Gladue

Gavin Gladue
Kenneth Gladue
Kelly Johnson
Jordan Peterson
Mackenzie Young

1993 - 1994
Dean Foster

Gr. 6
Joanne Auger
Neil Auger
Crystal Beaver
Walter Beaver
Clarissa Bigstone
Jessica Cardinal
Karen Cardinal
Mary Cardinal
Natalie Cardinal
Tobi Cardinal
Travis Courtoreille
Crystal Gambler
Danica Gladue
Jesse Gladue
Aimee Jacobs
Tanis Klein
Jaselyn Logan
Rob Mainland
Wendell Watson
Riel Young

1993 - 1994
Ken Hoekstra

Gr. 7
Christine Anderson
Leah Auger
Amanda Bigstone
Leo Bigstone
Leslie Bigstone
Alicia Cardinal
Kimberly Cardinal
Leonard Cardinal
Travis Cardinal
Sharon Gladue
Tanya Gladue
Jeffrey Houle
Lorena Houle
Lyle Houle
Chantal Johnson
Keliann Roe

1993 - 1994
Ken Gaudin

Gr. 8
Jerrod Anderson
Dale Auger
Rachel Auger
Ferra Beaver
Karen Bigstone
Ashley Cardinal
Cheryl Courtoreille
Amanda Cross
Ruth Gambler
Cheryl Gladue
Melissa Gladue
Terris Mah
Clifford Young
Gr. 9
Albert Cardinal
Curtis Cardinal
Peter Cardinal
Robin Cardinal
Shannon Cardinal
Karyn Courtoreille
Tracy Gambler
Kevin Houle
Justin Johnson
Annie Klein
Melinda Noskiye

1993 - 1994
Otto Stickel

Gr. 10
Sharon Beaverbone
Melvin Brule
Bertha Cardinal
Jennifer Cardinal
Rhonda Cardinal
Charlotte Courtoreille
Angie Gambler
Christopher Gambler
Devin Gambler
Janice Gambler
Priscilla Logan
Gr. 11
Brian Cardinal
Charmaine Cardinal
Richard Cardinal
Leroy Gladue
Lori Logan
Michael Mah
Sean Mah

1994 - 1995
Donna Van Der Weij

ECS
Alannah Auger
Quinton Bigstone
Chantel Cardinal
Evan Cardinal
Kelcey Cardinal
Ozzy Cardinal
Samantha Cardinal
Sonia Cardinal
Stephanie Cardinal
Terris Cardinal
Sikwun Gambler
Roseanna Gladue
Tara Gladue
Faith Houle
Thor Houle
Joshua Jacobs
Cody Johnson
Jodi Newman
Garon Noskiye
Benoit Roberge
Dwight Stewart
Riley Webster

1994 - 1995
Gladys Cardinal

Gr. 1
Melinda Auger
Robbie Auger
Joshua Beaver
Nadine Brodeur
Aaron Cardinal
Amber Cardinal
Jules Cardinal
Lambert Cardinal
Matthew Cardinal
Sunnie Cardinal
Winston Cardinal
Anthony Gambler
Charity Gambler
Kaine Gambler
Kojitch Gambler
Marcel Gambler
Catherine Gaudin
Frederick Gladue
Jessy Gladue
Lynn Gladue
Winona Houle
Damian Johnson
Wasi Johnson
Huddy Stewart

1994 - 1995
Clarice Cardinal

Gr. 2

Cesillie Auger
Lindsey Auger
Harley Belcourt
Jonathan Bigstone
Lindsie Bigstone
Allison Cardinal
Amy Cardinal
Dusty Cardinal
Sterling Cardinal
Aaron Gambler
Vayla Gambler
Lenora Gladue
Rebecca Gladue
Tara Gladue
Megan Jacobs
Morris Laroche
Michelle Van Der Weij
Auston Villeneuve

1994 - 1995
Ken Klein

Gr. 3

Cody Belcourt
Tamara Bigstone
Brandi Cardinal
Brandon Cardinal
Natashia Cardinal
Queena Cardinal
Ramona Cardinal
Chantel Gambler
Earl Gambler
Michelle Gambler
Sheri Gambler
Turrel Gladue
Vanessa Gladue
Amber Jacobs
Waylon Jacobs
Cordell Johnson
Pisim Johnson
Darren Logan
Kevin Logan
Tahara Patenaude
Curtis Stewart
Marvel Villeneuve-Hoffman
Jenna Wendland
Michael Yellowknee
Sheldon Young

1994 - 1995
Shirley Fayant

Gr. 4

Stephanie Auger
Brendan Bigstone
Natashia Brodeur
Desmond Cardinal
Stephanie Cardinal
Thomas Cardinal
Vanessa Cardinal
Vincent Cardinal
Bruce Gambler
Calvin Gambler
Kyle Gambler
Lori Ann Gambler
Nicole Gambler
Robin Gambler
April Gladue
Brandon Gladue
Jacqueline Gladue
Robby Gladue
Curtis Klein
Ernest Patenaude
Nicole Roe
Justin Wendland
Erin Young

1994 - 1995
Ann Hastings

Gr. 5

Jennifer Anderson
Jamie Beaver
Christen Cardinal
Jarmaine Cardinal
Keith Cardinal
Kingsley Cardinal
Julianna Gambler
Kenji Gaudin
Kenneth Gladue
Samantha Gladue
Shelly Gladue
Ralph Houle
Aaron Jacobs
Kristen Jacobs
Lindsey Klein
Chuck Watson

1994 - 1995
David Newman

Gr. 6

Clayton Cardinal
Kelly Cardinal
Burton Gambler

Corey Gambler
Douglas Gambler
Larry Gambler
Chester Gladue
Christopher Gladue
Gavin Gladue
Kelly Johnson
Ashley Makofka
Travis Makofka
Dawn Nicholas
Courtney Patenaude
Jordan Peterson
Mackenzie Young

1994 - 1995
Dean Foster

Gr. 7

Joanne Auger
Crystal Beaver
Walter Beaver
Leslie Bigstone
Jessica Cardinal
Karen Cardinal
Leonard Cardinal
Mary Cardinal
Natalie Cardinal
Travis Courtoreille
Krystal Gambler
Danica Gladue
Jesse Gladue
Aimee Jacobs
Tanis Klein
Jaselyn Logan
Rob Mainland
Wendell Watson
Riel Young

1994 - 1995
Garry Bell
Ken Gaudin

Gr. 8

Christine Anderson
Leah Auger
Amanda Bigstone
Leo Bigstone
Kimberly Cardinal
Cheryl Courtoreille
Sharon Gladue
Tanya Gladue
Lorena Houle
Lyle Houle
Chantal Johnson
Keliann Roe
Gr. 9

Jerrold Anderson
Ferra Beaver
Karen Bigstone
Albert Cardinal
Ashley Cardinal
Shannon Cardinal
Ruth Gambler
Cheryl Gladue
Melissa Gladue
Terris Mah
Clifford Young

1994 - 1995
Terry Makofka

Gr. 10

Curtis Cardinal
Darren Cardinal
Jennifer Cardinal
Rhonda Cardinal
Robin Cardinal
Karyn Courtoreille
Tammy Crawford
Angie Gambler
Justin Johnson
Gabrielle Sander
Gr. 11
Elsie Bigstone
Bertha Cardinal
Richard Cardinal
Charlotte Courtoreille
Priscilla Logan
Gr. 12
Brian Cardinal
Gwen Gladue
Leroy Gladue
Lori Logan
Michael Mah
Mathew McGinnis

1995 - 1996
Donna Van Der Weij

ECS

Christina Auger
Dylan Cardinal
Elias Cardinal
Katherine Cardinal
Lloyd Cardinal
Raven Cardinal
Adam Gambler
Desire Gambler
Shayna Gambler
Chasity Gladue
Faith Houle
Joel Houle-Auger

Arra Jacobs
Sarah Jacobs
Mason Johnson
Morgan Johnson
Sheldon Johnson
Ted Lindsey
Trevor Logan
Dwight Stewart

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Gladys Cardinal

Gr. 1
Alannah Auger
Quinton Bigstone
Amber Cardinal
Chantel Cardinal
Evan Cardinal
Kelcey Cardinal
Ozzy Cardinal
Samantha Cardinal
Sonia Cardinal
Stephanie Cardinal
Terris Cardinal
Sikwun Gambler
Brent Gladue
Frederick Gladue
Roseanna Gladue
Tara Gladue
Thor Houle-Auger
Joshua Jacobs
Cody Johnson
Jodi Newman
Garon Noskiye
Huddy Stewart
Roseanna Uhlick-Schmidt
Riley Webster

1995 - 1996
Clarice Cardinal

Gr. 2
Melinda Auger
Robbie Auger
Aaron Cardinal
Jules Cardinal
Matthew Cardinal
Sunnie Cardinal
Winston Cardinal
Anthony Gambler
Charity Gambler
Kaine Gambler
Kojitch Gambler
Marcel Gambler
Bruce Gladue
Lenora Gladue

Lynn Gladue
Winona Houle
Damian Johnson
Wasi Johnson
Monique Laroche
Mathew Marler

1995 - 1996
Ken Klein

Gr. 3
Cesillie Auger
Lindsey Auger
Harley Belcourt
Jonathan Bigstone
Lindsie Bigstone
Allison Cardinal
Amy Cardinal
Dusty Cardinal
Sterling Cardinal
Aaron Gambler
Rebecca Gladue
Tara Gladue
Megan Jacobs
Loreli Laroche
Morris Laroche
Kehew Uhlick-Schmidt
Deidre Supernault
Michelle Van Der Weij

1995 - 1996
Shirley Fayant

Gr. 4
Cody Belcourt
Tamara Bigstone
Brandi Cardinal
Brandon Cardinal
Natashia Cardinal
Queenena Cardinal
Ramona Cardinal
Chantel Gambler
Michelle Gambler
Turrell Gladue
Vanessa Gladue
Amber Jacobs
Waylon Jacobs
Cordell Johnson
Pisim Johnson
Darren Logan
Kevin Logan
Tahara Patenaude
Curtis Stewart
Jenna Wendland
Michael Yellowknee
Sheldon Young

1995 - 1996
Ann Hastings
William McCoy
Sean Morrison

Gr. 5
Stephanie Auger
Brendan Bigstone
Nigel Bigstone
Desmond Cardinal
Stephanie Cardinal
Thomas Cardinal
Vanissa Cardinal
Bruce Gambler
Calvin Gambler
Kelly Gambler
Kyle Gambler
Lorianne Gambler
Nicole Gambler
Robin Gambler
April Gladue
Brandon Gladue
Jacqueline Gladue
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Lucas Marler
Ernest Patenaude
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David Newman

Gr. 6
Jennifer Anderson
Jamie Beaver
Christen Cardinal
Jarmaine Cardinal
Keith Cardinal
Kingsley Cardinal
Julianna Gambler
Larry Gambler
Kenneth Gladue
Samantha Gladue
Shelly Gladue
Ralph Houle
Aaron Jacobs
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Chuck Watson

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Leslie Bigstone

Alicia Cardinal
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Carlisle Gambler
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Maxine Gambler
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Marilyn Houle
Aimee Jacobs
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George Price
Wendell Watson
Riel Young

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Cora Weber-Pillwax

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Rochelle Gagnon
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Tanya Gladue
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Chantal Johnson
Stacy Naumann
Kelliann Roe
Rica Uhlick-Schmidt
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Sean Morrison
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Terry Makofka

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Loretta Bigstone
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Errol Cardinal
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Karen Courtoreille
Reanna Courtoreille
Jason Gambler
Tracy Gambler
William Gambler
Cheryl Gladue
Terris Mah
Chriystel Shanaki-Cardinal

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Curtis Cardinal
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Nepin Gambler
Regine Gambler
Merle Gladue
Joel Houle-Auger
Bret Jacobs
Josef Jacobs
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Robert Gibb

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Walter Beaver
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Simon Bigstone
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Leonard Cardinal
Shannon Cardinal
Krystal Gambler
John Gibb
Travis Gibb

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Cameron Jacobson

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William Wasp-Collin
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Lance Bigstone
Curtis Cardinal
Renee Chalifoux
Leroy Gladue



STAFF CALLING LAKE SCHOOL

- 1922 to 1997 -

1922		Mr. Arthur Cocke	Mar. - May	1-7	Mrs. Ethel Kennedy
1923		no school held	1947-48		
1924		Mr. Ralph McLean	Oct. - June	1-8	Mrs. M. Grant
1925			1948-49		
June . . . ?		Mr. Ralph McLean	Sept. - Feb.	1-8	Mr. William Beeston (S)
1926			Mar. - April	1-8	Miss Helen Dorey (S)
May - Sept.		Mr. Robert Hicks	May - June	1-8	Mr. John Marshall
1927			1949-50		
May . . . ?		Mr. Robert Hicks	Sept. - June	1-9	Mrs. Agnes Bentley
1928			1950-51		
May . . . ?		Mr. Edward Read	Sept. - June	1-7	Mr. Fred Warren
1929			1951-52		
May . . . ?		Mr. Frank Knight	Sept. - June	1-8	Mr. Fred Warren
1930-31			1952-53		
July - July	1-8	Miss Cloe Payne	Sept. - June	1-7	Mr. Fred Warren
1931-32			1953-54		
Nov. - July	1-6	Mrs. Cloe Day	Oct. - June	1-7	Mrs. Isabelle Watson
1932-33			1954-55		
Nov. - July	1-7	Mr. Alfred Gorman	Sept. - June	1-8	Mrs. Mary Astley
1933-34			1955-56		
Nov. - June	1-8	Mr. Alfred Gorman		1-9	Mrs. Mary Astley
1934-35			1956-57		
Nov. - Dec.	1-8	Mrs. Mary Astley		1-3	Miss Anna Rose Nafziger
Jan. - July	1-8	Mr. R. Modest Senuk		4-6	Mrs. Mary Astley (P)
1935-36			1957-58		
Sept. - Dec.	1-9	Mr. R. Modest Senuk		1-3	Miss Anna Rose Nafziger
Feb. - June	1-9	Mrs. I.M. Crawford		4-6	Mrs. Mary Astley (P)
1936-37			1958-59		
Sept. - June	1-8	Miss Olga Pisesky		1-3	Mrs. Virginia Brubaker
1937-38				4-7	Mr. Raymond Brubaker (P)
Oct. - June	1-10	Mr. John Meyers	1959-60		
1938-39				1	Mrs. Virginia Brubaker
Oct. - June	1-11	Mr. John Meyers		2-4	Miss Olga Roskewich
1939-40				5-8	Mr. Raymond Brubaker (P)
Sept. - June	1-9	Mr. John Meyers	1960-61		
1940-41				1-2	Miss Julia Yoder
Sept. - June	1-9	Miss Mary Laskiwski		3-5	Mrs. Theodora Shwaga
1941-42				6-9	Mr. Raymond Brubaker (P)
Oct. - June	1-10	Mrs. Elizabeth Silver	1961-62		
1942-43				1-2	Miss Julia Yoder
Oct. - July	1-9	Mrs. Norma Stinsman	Sept.	3-5	Mrs. Anna Rose Kiesow
1943-44				3-5	Mrs. Theodora Shwaga
Oct. - July	1-8	Mrs. Norma Stinsman		6-9	Mr. Raymond Brubaker (P)
1944-45				10 corresp.	
Oct. - July	1-9	Mrs. Norma Stinsman	May - June	special class	Mr. Gerald Mazer
1945-46			1962-63		
Sept. - May	1-8	Miss Anne Eyford		1	Miss Julia Yoder
1946-47				2-3	Mrs. Theodora Shwaga
Sept. - Mar.	1-7	Mrs. Norma Stinsman	Jan. - Feb.	2-3	Mrs. Virginia Brubaker

4-6 Mr. Raymond Brubaker (P)
 7-10 Mr. Henry Kornelson
 11 corresp.
1963-64
 1-2 Miss Julia Yoder
 2-3 Mrs. Theodora Shwaga
April 2-3 Miss Joyce Ferguson
 3-5 Miss Jennifer Notley
 6-9 Mr. Harvey Burkholder (P)
 11 corresp.
1964-65
 1 Miss Julia Yoder
 2-3 Mrs. Theodora Shwaga
 4-5 Mrs. T. Muchwitsch
 6-9 Mr. Harvey Burkholder (P)
 10 corresp.
1965-66
 1 Miss Julia Yoder
 2 Mrs. Theodora Shwaga
 3-4 Miss Martha Rutherford
 5-6 Miss Toni Moran
 7-9 Mr. Harvey Burkholder (P)
1966-67
 1 Miss Julia Yoder
 2-3 Mrs. Theodora Shwaga
 3-4 Mrs. E. (Trudy) Crow
 5-6 Mr. Robert Crow
 7-9 Mr. Harvey Burkholder (P)
 10 corresp.
1967-68
 1 Miss Julia Yoder
 2-3 Mrs. Theodora Shwaga
 3-5 Mrs. Kathleen Johnson
 5-6 Mr. Keith Johnson
 7-9 Mr. Harvey Burkholder (P)
1968-69
 1 Miss Julia Yoder
 2-3 Mrs. Theodora Shwaga
 3-5 Mrs. Kathleen Johnson
 5-6 Mr. Keith Johnson
 7-9 Mr. Wendall Deringer (P)
1969-70
 1 Miss Julia Yoder
 2-3 Mrs. Theodora Shwaga
 3-5 Mrs. Kathleen Johnson
 5-6 Mr. Keith Johnson
 7-9 Mr. Harvey Burkholder (P)
 * Mr. David Mallinder
1970-71
 1 Miss Julia Yoder
 2-3 Mrs. Theodora Shwaga
 3-4 Mrs. Kathleen Johnson
 5-6 Mr. David Mallinder
 7-9 Mr. Harvey Burkholder (P)
 * Mr. Brian Traynor
1971-72

1 Miss Julia Yoder
 2 Mrs. Theodora Shwaga
 2 Mrs. Catherine McMaster
 2 Miss Paulette Frere
 3 Miss Donna Polak
 4-5 Mr. Alvin Hershberger
 5-6 Mr. David Mallinder
 7-9 Mr. Harvey Burkholder (P)
 TA Clarice Cardinal
 CA Lorraine Villeneuve

1972-73

1 Miss Julia Yoder
 2 Mrs. Theodora Shwaga
 3 Miss Paulette Frere
 4 Mr. Alvin Hershberger
 5-6 Mr. Amos Darbasie
 7-8 Mr. Frank Blonke (P)
 TA Clarice Cardinal
 CA Violet Carlson
 Sec. Larry Cardinal
 Christine Cardinal

1973-74

Sept. - April 1 Miss Gaye Abrey
 April - June 1 Mrs. Margaret Shaw
 2 Mrs. Theodora Shwaga
 Feb. - April 2 Mrs. Margaret Shaw
 April - May 2 Mrs. Cora Weber
 3 Mr. Mike Lupart
 4-5 Mr. Alvin Hershberger
 5-6 Mrs. Amos Darbasie
 7-9 Mr. Frank Blonke (P)
 TA Rosie Foster
 TA Clarice Cardinal
 CA Violet Carlson
 Sec. Christine Cardinal
 Kally MacFarlane
 Larry Cardinal

1974-75

ECS Mathilda Logan
 1-2 Mrs. Nancy Hutchison
 2-3 Mrs. Theodora Shwaga
 4-5 Miss Nannette Lochhead
 5-6 Mr. Alvin Hershberger
 7-8 Mr. Zoltan Boda (P)
 * Mr. Robert Wansbrough
 Sp. Ed. Mrs. Grace Hodgson
 TA Clarice Cardinal
 TA Gladys Cardinal
 CA Violet Carlson
 Sec. Kally MacFarlane
 Judy Courtorielle
 Jeannette Schwaga

1975-76

ECS Mathilda Logan
 1 Mrs. Nancy Hutchison

Sept. - Feb.	2-3	Mrs. Theodora Shwaga	3-4	Mr. Robert Wansbrough
Feb. - June	2-3	Mrs. Lois Feist	5-6	Ms Le Larsen
	4-5	Mr. Robert Wansbrough	7-9	Mr. Alvin Hershberger (P)
	5-6	Mr. Alvin Hershberger	*/Sp. Ed.	Mrs. Theodora Shwaga
	7-8	Mr. Zoltan Boda (P)	TA	Clarice Cardinal
Sept. - Feb.	*	Mr. Bert King	Sept.	TA
Sept. - Feb.	Sp. Ed.	Mrs. Grace Hodgson	Oct. - Dec.	TA
Feb. - June	Sp. Ed.	Mrs. Theodora Shwaga**	Feb. - June	TA
Feb. - June	Sp. Ed.	Mr. Bert King**		CA
	TA	Clarice Cardinal		Sec.
	TA	George Cardinal		
	CA	Violet Carlson		
	Sec.	Jeannette Schwaga		
1976-77			1980-81	
	ECS	Mathilda Logan		ECS
	1	Mrs. SueAnn Lawson	Sept. - Feb.	1
	2-3	Ms Le Larsen	Mar. - June	1
	3-5	Mr. Robert Wansbrough		2-3
	5-6	Mr. Alvin Hershberger	Sept. - Feb.	4-5
	7-8	Mr. Zoltan Boda (P)	Mar. - June	4-5
	Sp. Ed. prim.	Mrs. Theodora Shwaga**		5-6
	Sp. Ed. elem.	Mr. Bert King**		*/Sp. Ed.
	TA	Clarice Cardinal	Sept. - May.	TA
	TA	George Cardinal		TA
	CA	Clarence Cardinal		CA
	Sec.	Jeannette Schwaga	Sept. - Dec.	Sec.
.977-78			Jan. - June	Sec.
	ECS	Mathilda Logan	1981-82	
	1-2	Mrs. SueAnn Lawson		ECS
	2-3	Ms Le Larsen		1-2
	4-5	Mr. Robert Wansbrough		3-4
	5-6	Mr. Richard Tews		5-6
	7-8	Mr. Alvin Hershberger (P)		*/Sp. Ed.
	Sp. Ed. prim.	Mrs. Theodora Shwaga**		TA
	Sp. Ed. elem.	Mr. Bert King**		CA
	TA	Clarice Cardinal		Sec.
	TA	George Cardinal		
	CA	Clarence Cardinal	Apr. - June	ECS - A
	Sec.	Jeannette Schwaga	1982-83	
1978-79				ECS
	ECS	Mathilda Logan		1
	1-2	Mrs. SueAnn Lawson		2-4
	3-4	Mr. Robert Wansbrough		4-6
	5-6	Ms Le Larsen	Sept. - Nov.	7
	7-8	Mr. Richard Tews	Dec.	7
	Sp. Ed. elem.	Mr. Bert King (P)**	Jan. - June	7
	Sp. Ed. prim.	Mrs. Theodora Shwaga**		*/Sp. Ed.
	TA	Clarice Cardinal		TA
	TA	George Cardinal		CA
	CA	Pauline Gladue		Sec.
	Sec.	Jeannette Schwaga		ECS - A
		Carol Nipshank	1983-84	
1979-80				ECS
	ECS	Mathilda Logan		1
Sept. - Oct.	1-2	Miss Roberta Bishop		2
Nov. - June	1-2	Miss JoAnn Timmons		3-4
				Judy Courtorielle
				Miss Natividad deCastro
				Miss Rose deCastro
				Mr. Alvin Hershberger

	5-6	Mr. Ron Opas (P)		CA	Pauline Gladue
	7-8	Mr. David Newman	Sept. - Jan.	Sec.	Doris Jacobs
	Sp. Ed./5-6	Mrs. Theodora Shwaga	Jan. - June	Sec.	Christine Benson
	TA	Clarice Cardinal		Lib.	Mari-Agnes Cardinal
	CA	Pauline Gladue			
Sept. - Oct.	Sec.	Doris Jacobs	1987-88		
Nov. - June	Sec.	Charlene Jacobs	Sept. - Jan.	ECS	Leanne Martineau
	Lib.	Mari-Agnes Cardinal	Jan.	ECS	Cindy LeClerc
	ECS - A	Jean Laroche	Feb. - June	ECS	Emily Sewepagaham
1984-85				1	Miss Natividad deCastro
	ECS	Judy Courtorielle	Sept. - Apr.	2-3	Mrs. Theodora Shwaga
	1	Miss Natividad deCastro	May - June	2-3	Miss Pam Theberge
	2-4	Mr. Glen Finney		4-5	Mr. David Newman
	3-4	Mr. David Newman		6	Miss Sheila Jacobs
	5-6	Mr. Ron Opas (P)		Sp.Ed./7-8	Mr. Brian Gizzie
	7-8	Miss Connie Murphy		9	Mrs. Sybil Simmons
	9	Ms Bertha Ellis			Mr. Bill Sewepagaham (P)
	9	Mr. Chris Allin		Cree	Mathilda Logan
	Sp. Ed.	Mrs. Theodora Shwaga		TA	Harold Gambler
	TA	Clarice Cardinal		TA	Clarice Cardinal
	CA	Pauline Gladue	Sept. - Jan.	CA	Pauline Gladue
Sept. - Jan.	Sec.	Charlene Jacobs	Jan. - June	Sec.	Doris Jacobs
Feb. - June	Sec.	Doris Jacobs		Sec.	Charlene Jacobs
	Lib.	Mari-Agnes Cardinal		Lib.	Mari-Agnes Cardinal
	Sp. - A	Jean Laroche			
1985-86			1988-89		
	ECS	Gladys Cardinal	Sept. - Dec.	ECS	Mrs. Laura Pope
	1	Miss Natividad deCastro	Feb. - June	ECS	Mrs. Donna Durrant
	2-3	Mrs. Theodora Shwaga **		1	Miss Natividad deCastro
	4	Mr. David Newman **		2	Mrs. Theodora Shwaga
	5-6	Miss Sheila Jacobs **		3-4	Mrs. Sybil Simmons
	7-8	Miss Connie Murphy		5-6	Miss Sheila Jacobs
	9	Miss Susan Mills		7	Mr. David Newman
		Mr. Henry Thiessen (P)	Sept. - Jan.	8-9	Miss Nancy Golightly
Sept.	Sp. Ed.	Miss Mary Anne Joselin	Feb. - June		Mr. Alex Aleksyuk (P)
Oct. - June		**Special Ed. was shared			Mr. Barry Durrant (P)
Sept. - Dec.	Cree	Theresa Belanger		Cree	Mathilda Logan
Jan. - June	Cree	Mathilda Logan		TA	Harold Gambler
	TA	Charlene Jacobs		TA	Sylvia Gladue
	TA	Harold Gambler		CA	Pauline Gladue
	CA	Clarice Cardinal		Sec.	Charlene Jacobs
Sept. - May	Sec.	Doris Jacobs	1989-90	Lib.	Mari-Agnes Cardinal
May - June	Sec.	Charlene Jacobs	Sept. - Dec.	ECS	Mrs. Donna Durrant
	Lib.	Mari-Agnes Cardinal	Jan. - June	ECS	Doris Jacobs
1986-87				1	Miss Natividad deCastro
	ECS	Judy Courtorielle	Sept. - Oct.	2	Mrs. Dixie Stickel
	1	Miss Natividad deCastro	Nov. - Feb.	2	Mrs. Theodora Shwaga
	2-3	Mrs. Theodora Shwaga	Mar. - June	2	Mrs. E. (Trudy) Crow
	4-5	Mr. David Newman		3-4	Mrs. Sybil Simmons
	5-6	Miss Sheila Jacobs		5-6	Miss Sheila Jacobs
	7-8	Miss Connie Murphy		7-8	Mr. Thomas Strecker
	Sp. Ed./8-9	Mrs. Sybil Simmons		8-9	Mr. Mark Ladd
		Mr. Bill Gow (P)		10	Mr. David Newman
	Cree	Mathilda Logan			Mr. Barry Durrant (P)
	TA	Clarice Cardinal		Cree	Mathilda Logan
	TA	Harold Gambler		TA	Rose Houle

TA Sylvia Gladue
 CA Shanon Jacobs
 Sec. Charlene Jacobs
 Lib. Mari-Agnes Cardinal
 ECS-A Basil Manossa

1990 - 1991

ECS Gladys Cardinal
 1 Naty deCastro
 2 Clarice Cardinal
 3-4 Sybil Simmons
 Sept.-Nov. 5-6 Sheila Jacobs
 Nov.-Dec. 5-6 Marion Adamowicz
 Jan.-June 5-6 Corinne Newton
 7-8 Kwasi Amenu-Tekaa
 9 Merle Bradley
 10 David Newman
 P Karol Adamowicz
 Cree Mathilda Logan
 TA Sylvia Gladue
 TA Rose Houle
 CA Shanon Jacobs
 CA Marvin Nipshank
 Sept.-Apr. Sec. Charlene Jacobs
 Apr.-June Sec. Lorna Johnson
 Sept.-Apr. Lib. Mari-Agnes Cardinal
 Apr.-June Lib. Charlene Jacobs

1991 - 1992

ECS Gladys Cardinal
 ECS Judy McIvor
 Sept.-Feb. 1 Sheila Jacobs
 Feb.-June 1 Marion Adamowicz
 1-2 Clarice Cardinal
 Sept.-Dec. 3-4 Sharon Diehl
 Jan.-June 3-4 Michelle Pleich
 4-5 David Newman
 Sept. -Apr. 5-6 Sybil Simmons
 Apr.-June 5-6 Dixie Stickel
 7-8 Richard Guntrip
 9-10 Kwasi Amenu-Tekaa
 P Karol Adamowicz
 Cree Mathilda Logan
 TA Sylvia Gladue
 Sept.-Nov. TA Rose Houle
 Dec.-June TA Rose Anderson
 CA Marvin Nipshank
 Sec. Lorna Johnson
 Lib. Charlene Jacobs
 Sp.-A Jean Brodeur

1992 - 1993

ECS Gladys Cardinal
 1-2 Clarice Cardinal
 1-2-3 Ann Hastings
 3-4 Shirley Cardinal
 5-6 David Newman

Sept.-Dec. 6-7 Michelle Pleich
 Feb.-June 6-7 Dean Foster
 8-9 Ken Hoekstra
 10-12 Kwasi Amenu-Tekaa
 P Karol Adamowicz
 Dist. Ed. Paul Templeton
 Cree Alice Baron
 TA Sylvia Gladue
 TA Rose Houle
 CA Marvin Nipshank
 Sec. Lorna Johnson
 Lib. Charlene Jacobs
 Sp.-A Jean Brodeur

1993 - 1994

ECS Donna Van Der Weij
 1 Gladys Cardinal
 2-3 Clarice Cardinal
 3 Ann Hastings
 Sept. 3-4 Shirley Fayant
 Oct.-June 3-4 Dixie Stickel
 5 Ken Klein
 6 Dean Foster
 7 Ken Hoekstra
 8 - 9 Ken Gaudin
 Apr.-June 10-11 Otto Stickel
 P Kwasi Amenu-Tekaa
 Dist. Ed. Paul Templeton
 Dist. Ed. Site Co-ord. Jean Brodeur
 Cree Charles Houle
 TA Sylvia Gladue
 TA Rose Houle
 CA Marvin Nipshank
 Sec. Lorna Johnson
 Sec. Jamie Gaudin
 Sept.-Apr. Lib. Charlene Jacobs
 May-June Lib. Elizabeth Templeton
 Sp.-A Mona Cardinal
 Sp.-A Richard Monias

1994 - 1995

ECS Donna Van Der Weij
 1 Gladys Cardinal
 2 Clarice Cardinal
 3 Ken Klein
 4 Shirley Fayant
 5 Ann Hastings
 6 David Newman
 7 Dean Foster
 8-9 Garry Bell
 8-9 Ken Gaudin
 10-12 Terry Makofka
 P Kwasi Amenu-Tekaa
 Dist. Ed. Paul Templeton
 Cree Charles Houle
 TA Sylvia Gladue
 TA Shanon Jacobs

Sept.-Nov.	CA	Norma Gambler
Dec.-June	Sec.	Omella Foster
	Lib.	Elizabeth Templeton
	Lib.	Charlene Jacobs
Sept.-Jan.	Sp.-A	Mildred Cardinal
Feb.-June	Sp.-A	Lance Cardinal
	Sp.-A	Priscilla Auger

Apr.-June	Cree	Lillian Gagnon
	Cree 10	Charles Houle
	TA	Sylvia Gladue
	TA	Rose Houle
	TA	Elvis Thain
Sept.-Apr.	CA	Norma Gambler
May-June	CA	Connie Johnson
	Sec	Omella Foster
	Lib.	Charlene Crane
Sept.-Apr.	Sp.-A	Mildred Cardinal
	Sp.-A	Priscilla Cardinal
Sept.-Nov.	Sp.-A	Priscilla Auger
Dec.-Apr.	Sp.-A	Richard Cardinal
May-June	Sp.-A	Lorna Johnson
Apr.-June	Sp.-A	Linda Johnson

1995 - 1996

	ECS	Donna Van Der Weij
	1	Gladys Cardinal
	2	Clarice Cardinal
	3	Ken Klein
	4	Shirley Fayant
Sept.-Oct.	5	Ann Hastings
Nov.-Dec.	5	William McCoy
Jan.-June	5	Sean Morrison
	6	David Newman
	7	Dean Foster
	8	Garry Bell
	9	Cora Weber-Pillwax
	10-12	Terry Makofka
Sept.-Dec.	10-12	Sean Morrison
Jan.-June	10-12	Kaia Lamothe
	P	Kwasi Amenu-Tekaa
	Dist. Ed.	Paul Templeton
Sept.-Oct.	Cree	Charles Houle
	Cree	John Gambler
Jan.-June	Cree	Lillian Gagnon
	TA	Sylvia Gladue
	TA	Rose Houle
	TA	Elvis Thain
	CA	Norma Gambler
	Sec.	Omella Foster
	Lib.	Charlene Jacobs
	Sp.-A	Mildred Cardinal
	Sp.-A	Priscilla Auger
	Sp.-A	Branda Jacobs
	Sp.-A	Mathilda Logan



CODE:

(S)	supervisor
(P)	principal
*	float for teacher prep. time
Sp. Ed.	Special Education
ECS	Early Childhood Services
TA	teacher aide
CA	counsellor aide
Sec.	secretary
Lib.	librarian
Cree	Native Language Class
**	Spec. Ed. was shared
ECS - A	ECS aide
Sp. - A	Special Needs aide
Dist. Ed.	Distance Education

1996 - 1997

	ECS	Donna Van Der Weij
	1	Gladys Cardinal
	2	Clarice Cardinal
	3	Ken Klein
	4	Shirley Fayant
	5	Dean Foster
	6	Sean Morrison
	7	David Newman
	8	Garry Bell
	9	Robert Gibb
Sept.-Jan.	10	Terry Makofka
Apr.-June	10	Cameron Jacobson
	11-12	Kaia Lamothe
	P	Kwasi Amenu-Tekaa
	Dist. Ed.	Paul Templeton



ADMINISTRATION

PROVINCIAL EDUCATION MINISTERS	and	DEPUTY MINISTERS⁺⁺	
1905 - 1910	Alexander Cameron Rutherford	1905 - 1907	Duncan Stewart McKenzie
1910 - 1912	Charles R. Mitchell		
1912 - 1918	John R. Boyle	1917 - 1934	John Thomas Ross
1918 - 1921	George P. Smith		
1921 - 1935	Perren Earle Baker	1934 - 1935	George Walter Gorman
1935 - 1943	William Aberhart	1935 - 1946	George Frederick McNally
1943 - 1944	Solon Earl Low		
1944 - 1948	Ronald Earl Ansley	1946 - 1966	William Herbert Swift
1948 - 1952	Ivan Casey		
1952 - 1964	Anders O. Aalborg		
1964 - 1967	Randolph McKinnon	1966 - 1971	Timothy Clarke Byrne
1967 - 1968	Raymond Ryerson		
1968 - 1971	Robert Curtis Clark	1971	R.E. Rees
1971 - 1975	Louis D. Hyndman	1971 - 1982	Earle E. Hawkesworth
1975 - 1979	Julian G.J. Koziak		
1979 - 1986	David King	1982 - 1995	Reno A. Bosetti
1986 -	Neil Webber (Feb. - May)		
1986 - 1988	Nancy Betkowski		
1988 - 1993	James Dinning	1995 - 1996	Steve Cymbal
1993 - 1996	Halvar Jonson	1996 -	Leroy Sloan
1996 -	Gary Mar		

OFFICIAL TRUSTEES AND SCHOOL INSPECTORS WHO SERVED THE ISOLATED CALLING LAKE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 4124

1922 - 1943.¹⁸

R.J. Gaunt	1922 - 1923
J.J. LeBlanc	1923 - 1929
W.H. Swift	1930 - 1935
Harry Kostash	1935 - 1939
H.T. Sparby	1939 - 1941
W. Eric Hodgson	1941 - 1943

SCHOOL INSPECTORS / SUPERINTENDENTS WHO SERVED CALLING LAKE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 4124 WHILE IT WAS PART OF ATHABASCA SCHOOL DIVISION NO. 42

1944 - 1961.¹⁸

W. Eric Hodgson	1944 - 1948
F.B. Facey	1948 - 1952
C.G. Merkley	1952 - 1954
M.G. Gault	1954 - 1961

**SUPERINTENDENTS OF
NORTHLAND SCHOOL DIVISION NO. 61
WHO SERVED CALLING LAKE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 4124
1962 - 1990¹⁹**

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|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1. Les Gue | 9. Don E. Weaver |
| 2. Ralph Sabey | 10. Dan P. Stetsko |
| 3. W. Bock | 11. Frank Blonke |
| 4. W.A. Adams | 12. Herb Fader (acting) |
| 5. Dr. W.G. Zielinski (acting) | 13. Brian Callaghan |
| 6. W.A. Adams | 14. Colin Kelly |
| 7. John Myroon (acting) | 15. Annette Ramratten (acting) |
| 8. Colins Meek | 16. Colin Kelly |

**NORTHLAND SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES
- 1989 -**

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|---------------|-----------------|
| J. Chalifoux | J.G. Yellowknee |
| D. Beck | B. Dejarlais |
| A. Gagne | F. Noskey |
| L. Cunningham | T. Auger |
| S. Tremblay | E. Moberley |
| A. Lamouche | T. Oar |
| D. Gladue | D. Noskiye |
| C. Orr | E. Fabain |
| P. Hemou | B. Janvier |
| V. Gladue | B. Auger |
| R. Lepine | D. Brewster |
| R. Noskey | F. Greisbach |

**Supt. Brian Callaghan
Sec. Tres. G. de Kleine**



Northland School Board at meeting held at Calling Lake School. June 1, 1973.

Back:

- Mr. R. McKinnon - chairman
Mr. J Myles - secretary treasurer
Mr. J. Ducharme - vice-chairman
Mr. C. Pettinger - maintenance*

Front:

- Mrs. Mary Gauthier - trustee
Mrs. A. Jacknife - trustee
Mrs. L. Willier - trustee
Mrs. C. Yellowknee - trustee*

-photo courtesy EVERGREEN

NORTHLAND SCHOOL DIVISION ACT AND LOCAL SCHOOL BOARDS

Prior to 1982, schools in the Northland School Division had no local school boards. Bill 58, the new Northland School Division Act would change that.

In July 1983, David King, Minister of Education released a statement on Bill 58:

I am particularly pleased that this new Northland School Division Act provides for the election of a board of trustees. Second, provision is made for status Indians living on reserve lands to vote and be elected in a school board election. Third, provision is made for elected local school board committees.

Each person living in a community in which Northland operates a school has the opportunity to be directly involved in the governing of the school division. Indeed, the direction of education in northern Alberta will, more and more, become the responsibility of local residents.⁴⁵

It was planned that on October 17, 1983, elections for a board of trustees would take place. Through the Northland School Division Act, the division would be governed for the first time by a locally elected, rather than an appointed, board of trustees. Each local school board consisting of between three and seven members would elect a chairman who automatically would become a member of the Board of Trustees of Northland School Division. These members would form the Corporate Board of Trustees for the whole division, with the same powers and responsibilities as every school board in the province.

With the opportunity to elect their own trustees, each resident living in a Northland School district would have the opportunity to become involved in governing the local school and the school division. This would become possible by making particular provision for status Indians living on reservations to vote and to be elected to the local school board committee and subsequently to the Northland board. The Act tried to ensure that the direction of education in the division became the responsibility of all local residents.

The term of office for both the local school board committees and the corporate board was to be three years. The Minister of Education would appoint a Superintendent of Schools who would be the chief executive officer of the board and would be responsible to the board for the operation of the division.

The local school board committee was given the following powers:

The local school board can request religious instruction or instruction in a language other than English. It can nominate a teacher. It recommends opening and closing dates of schools, hours of operation and special holidays (like Treaty Day or Farmer's Day). It can recommend use of the school facility after hours. It advises and assists the board in the selection of a principal, the caretakers, bus drivers and support staff. It also carries out other functions delegated to it by the corporate board, who may in the future, delegate as many responsibilities to a local school board committee as may be agreed upon by the board and the committee.⁴⁵

Before the Northland School Division Act was proclaimed, changing the way that the division was governed, a local school board for Calling Lake was elected in June 1982, in preparation for the change. It was to be a learning experience and the local school board would be declared official with the proclamation of Bill 58, the Northland School Division Act.

The seven member board consisted of:

Chairman : Monica Crawford
Secretary -Treasurer : Harold Gambler
Vice-Chairman : Victor Gladue
Members : Clarence Cardinal
Glenn MacPherson
Elmer Nipshank
Susan Gambler

On September 1, 1983 the Northland School Division Act was proclaimed and official proclamation ceremonies were held in the Mistassiniy School at Desmarais. All members of the local school boards were invited to attend. A news release at 2 p.m. the same day read:

Education Minister David King, announced today the proclamation of the new Northland School Division Act, Bill 58. By providing for the election of a board of school trustees, this Act ensures that the direction of education in the Northland School Division becomes the responsibility of all local residents.

"For the first time, native Indians living on band reserves will have the right to vote and to be elected in a school board election. The Act also provides for elected local school board committees," said Mr. King.

On October 17, 1983, election for a Board of Trustees for Northland School Division will take place. All eligible residents of each community with an operating school will elect a 3 to 7 member local School Board Committee. Each local committee will then elect a chairman, who will become

the member of the Board of Trustees of Northland School Division and representative of the local area. This corporate Board of Trustees has the same powers and responsibilities as has every school board in Alberta.

The Northland School Division jurisdiction includes all lands north of Township 55, which were not in established school jurisdictions when the division was formed. Until today the division was governed by appointed board members.

"Each person living in a community in which Northland operates a school has the opportunity to be involved directly in the governing of the school division," said Mr. King. "Indeed, the direction of education in Northern Alberta will become the responsibility of local residents."⁴⁶

The seven member local school board at Calling Lake consisted of different committee members throughout the years, as new members were elected to replace those who resigned or whose term of office had expired. Some members served for many years on the local board. Following is an incomplete list, in alphabetical order, of local school board members who served at Calling Lake between 1982 and 1988.

Josephine Beaver
 Clarence Cardinal
 Francis Cardinal
 Gladys Cardinal
 Mike Cardinal
 Monica Crawford
 Gloria Duperron
 Harold Gambler
 Katie Gambler
 Mae Gambler
 Susan Gambler
 Linda Gladue
 Sylvia Gladue
 Victor Gladue
 Glenn MacPherson
 Barbara Nipshank
 Elmer Nipshank
 Cora Weber - Pillwax
 Gwen Uhlick-Schmidt

The 1988 - 89 local school board who served during the building of the new school complex at Calling Lake were:

Chairman : Victor Gladue
 Vice-Chairman : Gwen Uhlick-Schmidt
 Secretary-Treasurer : Monica Crawford
 Members : Josephine Beaver
 Gloria Duperron
 Ken Walton
 Mike Cardinal

The 1989 - 90 local school board consisted of:

Chairman : Victor Gladue
 Vice-Chairman : Gloria Duperron
 Secretary-Treasurer : Gwen Uhlick-Schmidt
 Members : Randy Auger
 Sampson Beaver
 Monica Crawford

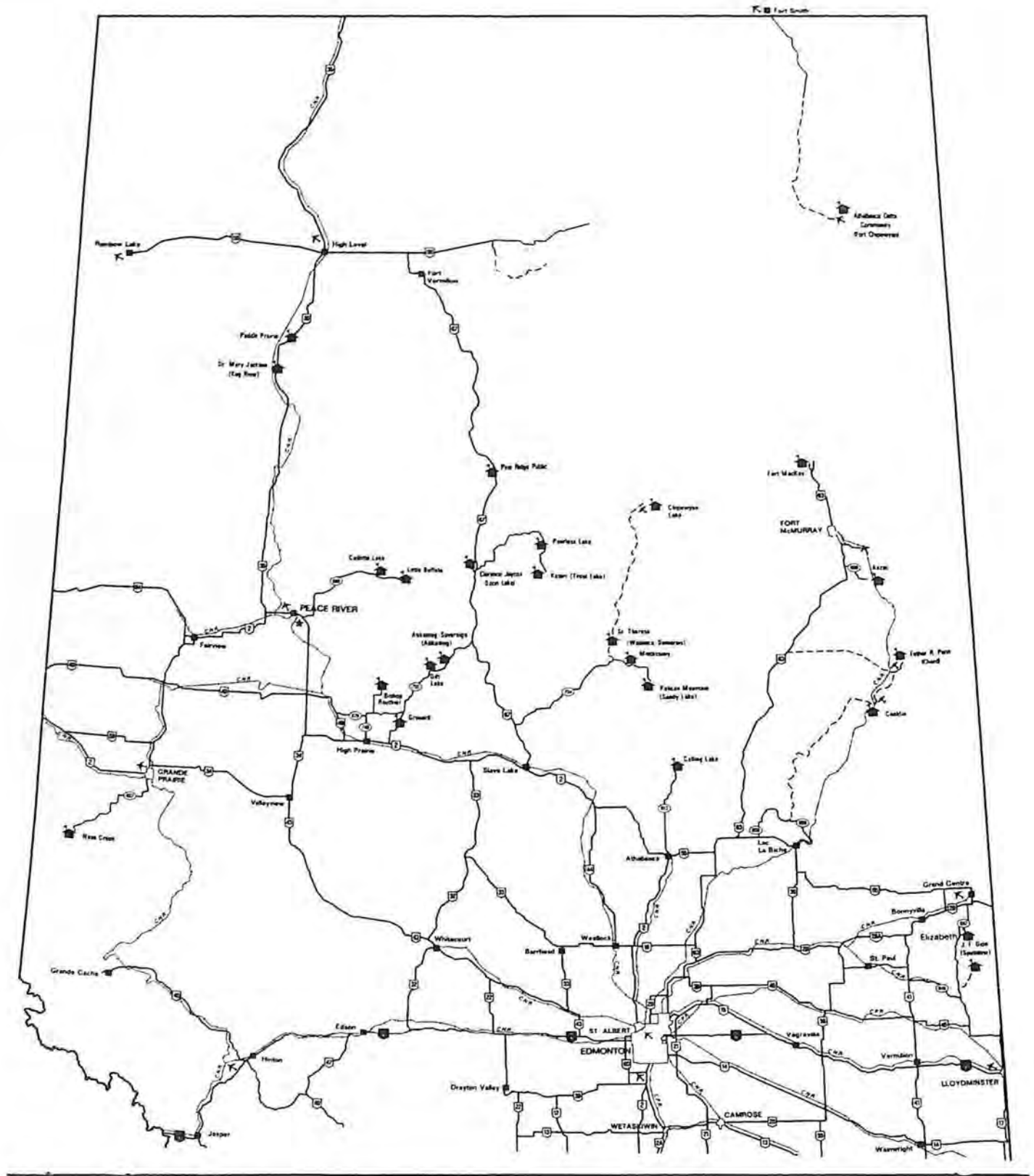
Marilyn Jacobs filled the vacancy created by the resignation of Gloria Duperron in the spring of 1990.

SCHOOLS PRESENTLY SERVED BY NORTHLAND SCHOOL DIVISION NO. 61

Since its formation on December 9, 1960 with 20 schools in its jurisdiction, Northland School Division has many times added and deleted schools. In 1989-90, the division was made up of the following 25 schools serving students in the grades listed and including the newest member, Elizabeth Community School.

Anzac..... K-6
 Athabasca Delta Community School.... K-12
 Atikameg - Sovereign..... 1-12
 Bishop Routhier..... K-9
 Cadotte Lake..... K-11
 Calling Lake..... K-12
 Chipewyan Lake..... K-9
 Clarence Jaycox..... K-12
 Conklin..... K-9
 Dr. Mary Jackson..... K-12
 Elizabeth Community School..... K-8
 Father R. Perin..... K-8
 Fort McKay..... K-9
 Gift Lake..... K-9
 Grouard..... K-9
 J.F. Dion..... K-6
 Kateri..... K-12
 Little Buffalo..... K-12
 Mistassiniy..... 1-12
 Nose Creek..... 1-10
 Paddle Prairie..... K-10
 Peerless Lake..... K-12
 Pelican Mountain..... K-6
 Pine Ridge Public..... K-8
 St. Theresa..... K-6

Map of northern Alberta showing the location of the 25 schools under the jurisdiction of the Northland School Division in 1989-90.



-map courtesy
 Northland School Division No. 61
 School Calendar, 1989 - 90

REMINISCING

REMINISCING WITH JAKE GISLASON 1922 - 1925

Jake Gislason was a student in the very first class at Calling Lake in 1922. In October, 1931, he took over the mail contract from his father, Gisli O. Gislason Sr., who was mail carrier for Calling Lake from 1921 - 1931. Jake, who some considered a living legend, served as Calling Lake's "ever-dependable mail carrier" for 48 years; bringing the mail to Calling Lake by a great variety of methods, including pack horse, horse and cart, Ford tractor and wagon, model "A" Ford and a variety of home-made or "adapted" vehicles.

Jake had a special talent - he could fix any problem his "vehicle" might develop along the trip using the few basic tools he carried with him. Incidents have been related of how Jake stopped along the roadside to grind a valve on the model "A" because "she wasn't pulling right" and how, when he broke an axle near McCullough Lake, he cut a straight green tamarack sapling and with the back of his axe, drove it into place, then picked up his tools and continued on his way to Athabasca with the mail.

Jake also loved to adapt or "invent" home-made vehicles. The ski-mobile in the picture shows only one of the many home-made vehicles that Jake built.



Jean Crawford, Ralph Crawford, Phyllis Day, Jake Gislason, Henrietta Crawford and Pat Day by Jake's ski-mobile, 1937.

- photo courtesy Alma Gislason

A news item in the local paper read:

The Calling Lake weekly mail started Jan. 28, leaving Athabasca at 10:00 a.m. and sliding north over the drifted trails on Jake's Clipper Motor Sleigh.^{22 Feb. 13, 1939}

The "Clipper" also served as a means of transportation for School Inspector, Mr. Kostash, who would catch a ride with Jake from Athabasca when he needed to make a trip to Calling Lake School. Other school inspectors and some teachers on their way to Calling Lake School travelled on "mail days" with Jake and experienced whatever unique means of transportation that Jake was using at that time.

Jake Gislason liked to tell one story of fun at Calling Lake School after he was no longer attending, when, at noon, the children sometimes pushed Jake's 1917 Model T down the road.

But one day it was different as the children were pushing the car out of a mud hole. Jake was steering and Mike Tanasiuk and some of the other children were doing the pushing. Just as the car got moving, Mike slipped underneath one wheel, but no one noticed. Mike lay helpless for some time before the other children spotted him lying in the road and ran back to where he lay. There was a muddy tire track across his ear and over his head. They carried Mike behind the school and laid him down to rest. When Mike walked into the school about an hour later, the children felt greatly relieved!

REMINISCING WITH ROBERT HICKS 1926-1927

Mr. Robert Hicks taught a summer term at Calling Lake School in 1926 and a second term in 1927. He studied medicine at the U of A and during World War II, he served 6 years as medical officer in Italy, Holland and France. The following paragraph, printed in the *Athabasca Echo* reported on a return visit to the area by Mr. Hicks and stated in part:

He often recalled his teaching days at Calling Lake and doubted very much if there can be found anywhere in Canada, children equal to the Tanasiuk boys, Nick, William and Mike, whose parents lived 30 miles from Calling Lake School, at Rock Island Lake. These young boys came and built a log cabin near the school and when school was open,

attended regularly, doing their own cooking and washing, and on weekends, they went home 30 miles barefooted, and were back in time for school on Monday morning.

From the *Athabasca Echo*
August 26, 1955

REMINISCING WITH CLOE DAY 1930 - 1932

September 5, 1989.

Dear Dora Shwaga:

I wonder if my description of "School at Calling Lake in 1930" will surprise you as much as your description of School at Calling Lake in 1989 has surprised me! Wherever did all the people come from??

Perhaps I should start with how and why I got there — I did not drive in on black-top! And really, I had no intentions of becoming a teacher "when I grew up". I wanted to be a forester, but that required 4 years of university, and new immigrants were in no financial position to put a student through university. However, there was a real shortage of teachers willing to take outlying schools, and the Alberta Government offered an interest-free loan of \$400 to anyone willing to take a year of teacher training and go into a "way-out" district. So — at the ripe age of 19 — I decided I'd just take them up on that deal, teach school for two or three years, get rich, and then go back and take forestry. Well, that was the fall of '29, and I expect you know what happened in November of that year — and on and on through the dirty thirties! I did NOT get rich — and kept right on teaching school for 40 years — less 2 days. I began teaching on July 2, 1930; retired on June 30, 1970.

Because I was a new immigrant, when I enrolled at the U of A in Edmonton, I was informed I would have to take a couple of high school courses on the side; Canadian History and British History — and then write the departmentals in them the following spring. I'm afraid I did not study very much on the side — after all, 19 years old, country kid in the "big" city (I'd got my start right out of the cactus flats in Wyoming, 30 miles from the nearest village, population 260)! But we did have very good teachers that year and I learned a lot in spite of myself, then went to the principal of the Athabasca High School when I got home and borrowed some "cram sheets" and pamphlets and wrote those two Departmentals — probably passed them only because C.R. Day was

anxious to get school started (they had been without a teacher for a while) and was on the phone to the Department of Education as soon as he found I was willing to go to Calling Lake and willing to start right now! I distinctly recall writing an essay on the exam about Walpole, but on checking my cram sheets later I discovered I'd written about Wm. Pitt the whole time and just called him Walpole! However, they assured "Buff" that I had passed and he was to take me on as a teacher. "Buff", by the way, was C.R. Day, my one-time father-in-law, and a real character! He arranged for Jakie Gislason (our ever-dependable mailman) to bring me out with the next mail.

My mother packed me a trunk and brought me to Athabasca in a lumber wagon. Jake arrived in an old Model-T truck dubbed "The White Lily", and loaded trunk and me into the back with the mail bags — his mother was in the cab, going home from the hospital with a new baby. We lumped and bumped out as far as Deep Creek (the Gislason home) that afternoon, and spent the night there. Next morning I went out to get into the cab for the rest of the journey, but lo! there was Jakie with two horses saddled and the last mail bag on a pack horse. I said, "Hey! What about my trunk?"

"Oh, we can't possibly get a vehicle across the muskeg now. But I'll get it in as soon as it's freeze-up," said Jake.... and this was the end of June!!

Well, I dug into the trunk, put what clothes I felt I must have into one pillow case, put my books, teaching plans and notes, into another pillow case, tied one behind my saddle, the other in front of the saddle, took my violin case in my hand and crawled aboard old "Sandy." We went 33 miles winding across that muskeg! However, I did get my start in Wyoming and for the most part I did enjoy that ride (but not the mosquitoes). As soon as we hit the lake, Jake kept pointing out landmarks, and telling me who lived where, etc. There was no one south of Calling River bridge then. Finally we came alongside a fence with a field of oats beyond it. That was Day's place and the house was in sight across the field. I was to board with them pro tem - just until the school got fixed up and they had a teacherage for me. We came to a gate, with a small log shack beside it - I supposed a granary - and Jake got off to open the gate. I said, "Where is the school from here?"

"Oh," said Jake, "I think it is somewhere in the woods beyond their house." Actually, that little "supposed" granary WAS the schoolhouse. Jake told

me later, "I was afraid to tell you that was the school for fear you'd turn around and go back!" - After 33 miles in the saddle!!! I was from Wyoming, but I'd been a city kid for a year! I suppose you know — I took my breakfast standing for a day or two!!

Mail came in to Calling Lake in those days on every second Sunday, and everyone got to the Post Office on mail days - so everyone knew the teacher had arrived and school would begin next day.

I hardly know what to tell you about that day. How old were you when you started teaching? And how many mistakes did you make? Were you all alone and at least 33 miles from the nearest experienced teacher whom you might ask a question or two? And were you very aware that you were now a teacher and therefore must know everything?

I felt very officious as I rang that old hand bell, got all those little ones seated, got out that "official document", the register, and began the official registration - something like this:

"Last name, please? First name? Parents names? Age? What grade are you?" (And that's where the mistakes started!!) I think my first student up was Harriet Day. Her reply was: "Well, I was in grade two when Mr. Knight last taught, but I've been studying at home."

"Would you like to read something for me?" I asked.

I'm not sure what the situation is in Alberta now, but back then, all schools were supplied with *The Canadian Reader* for each student in each grade. Without a doubt Harriet read a favorite story from the book belonging to an older brother or sister, and read it beautifully.

Teacher: "Oh, you are good! Grade four for you." And on I went to the next student. I'm sure ever so many took their cue from Harriet. And poor old Teach, worked like a dog for two years there and never did get some of those students up to where she had assigned them on Day One!!!

Whether or not that little log schoolhouse had actually been built as a school, I don't know, but I was told that for some time they had been having an eight month school year, during the better weather months, and closed school for the coldest four months. In 1930 they hoped to have a 12-month term to try to make up for lost time. There was a two-storey log house (about half-way between Day's and McIntosh's) which was available for a schoolhouse. They knocked out all the partitions on the first floor and set in a few posts and one long beam log to hold

the ceiling up, cut in another window or two, and "presto!" there was the school and an upstairs for a teacherage. We moved into that before winter.

Actually it was the handiest school I've ever had! I could go "home" for lunch (just trot upstairs), and if things below got too noisy I could just look through a knot-hole in my floor and say, "Harry! Behave yourself!" (I was telling someone here about that "teacherage" and they said, "poor little students. They probably thought it was the voice of God!")

I can tell you some of the things about teaching which I think differ considerably from your classroom procedures today. For one thing, we were taught at Teacher Training how to get rid of lice! Most people did a lot of home barbering in those days, and for some reason lice in the classroom were not uncommon. For the first 11 years of my teaching in the Athabasca area I had a can of coal oil with the clippers, scissors, and a comb in it, and two large salt shakers (one containing a coal oil - olive oil mix and one container with vinegar to soften the nits). We always had "morning inspection", to be sure students had washed thoroughly and to look for lice. I kept a tall stool (often a tamarac block) and when a louse appeared, up on the stool went Junior. I got very proficient at teaching the lesson to one class, clipping hair short, sousing the head with the coal oil - olive oil mix to kill any lice there, then sousing it with the vinegar and combing out the nits which softened very quickly and would release from the hair. At the same time I would be hearing reading, assigning homework or seat work, answering questions of someone stuck, and keeping an eye on the two little boys making a "farm" in the sand-box.

Another thing about school "then" which differs considerably (at least here) from teaching "now", kids WANTED to go to school, LIKED to learn new things, expected to get a shaking up if they misbehaved, and knew that their parents were solidly behind the teacher! The three "R's" were at the top of the "THOU MUST" list, but teachers had room to innovate and make lessons as interesting as possible. I remember turning our school yard (which was only slightly bigger than my present house) into the map of Alberta one spring. All the students worked on it. The boys used shovels and made mountains along the south-west. Littler boys brought shovels of snow still extant out in the woods to top the mountains. older students used pointed sticks to put all the rivers in the right place, lakes got scooped out, and the teeny boppers brought no end of twigs (evergreen and

otherwise) to put in the forested regions. Oh, it was a lovely map!

Part of our teacher-training then, too, was teaching children how to swim (we all took the St. John's ambulance swimming and first-aid course) and being able to "play doctor" when it was absolutely necessary. In my first year there I had to set three broken bones! (And all before I had turned 21). Two of them were successful: Jenny Mac broke a bone in her forearm; I hacked out a splint, ripped up a flour sack, gritted my teeth and pulled mightily in spite of her screams until I heard it pop into place. Then I bandaged carefully, comforted her the best I could and sent an older student home with her. She was fine. But her sister, Kathleen, the baby of the family and no doubt a bit spoiled, went through the same procedure a few months later but cried and got her parents to release the bandages a bit. It got worse and worse and they took her (by lumber wagon) to Athabasca over that frozen muskeg, and by the time they got her there the fracture was compounded. My third bone was a shoulder blade, and that was dreadful!! Buff had a building crew putting up a huge log house and barns. The majority of the logs were over 40 feet long and to hoist them they built tripods over each corner and had a set of block and tackle up on the tripod. They were using a team of horses to set up the tripods when one log butt slipped and the whole thing swung round and slammed him right across the back! By the time I got there, I could see two ridges right across the shoulder blade which were obviously breaks. I used a coping saw to cut a splint out of the end of an apple box which I decided was the size and shape of his shoulder blade; Mrs. Day tore up a bed sheet for bandages. We rigged up a pair of slings to put around both arms right up to the shoulder, I put my knee on the board across his back and pulled mightily (while he sweated mightily but insisted I pull more until he could feel it in place) and finally when his both shoulders seemed even and he felt it was straight, we cinched that board in place. He swore I got it right. I had nightmares about all three of those episodes. Buff thought I probably had Kathleen's right, too, but I'm not that sure. I do think, though, that the splints should have been left on while she crossed that muskeg, and it might not have punctured the flesh. But believe me, I DO NOT want to play doctor! And I hope that sort of thing is no longer expected of teachers.

The schoolhouse in the thirties was the "cultural centre" of the whole district. It was the dance hall, the

theatre, the voting centre, the church, the Sunday school - you name it. We had three "Big" days at school every year - a dance and box social in the fall to raise funds for the students' Christmas party - the Christmas concert, where they performed and got little gifts (hopefully) - and in spring, the sports day. It is hard even for me to believe now, but we had trappers, homesteaders, and all manner of bushwhackers and "neighbours" who came in from as far as the Pelicans (about 75 miles away), Calling River, Rock Island Lake, etc. to take in the event, whatever it might be. One chap from Germany, (and you may have known him later when he owned a store in Athabasca) came all the way from the Pelicans once for help with his English. It was Hans Birkigt. He asked me, "How do you call that little dent on your face that go in when you smile?" I said, "A dimple". "Aha," said Hans, "Dimble. How do you call that thing you put on your finger when you sew?" I said, "A thimble." "Aha," said Hans, "Dimble! How can one learn such a language when so different a things have the same name???"

Our sports day at the Lake differed from sports days in any of the other schools up there. For one thing, we had no near-neighbour school to come and compete in events. To get a softball game, we chose up sides of students and adults who would join in. Our races, jumping, etc., also included all the adults in the area, and for another thing, we could include water sports - usually a swimming race or two, and then just swimming and picnicing for fun. One year we had an outsider, actually one of Dolly Smith's daughters who had come up from Seattle to Calling River, and came with her mother to take in Sports Day. For some reason there was some jealousy between us (Jessie Smith and me) and she challenged me to a long swim race. Oscar Crawford had a boat up there and agreed to take us out onto the lake as far as we liked and we would swim back to shore. Probably that little jealousy, and my Irish temper, got the best swim of my life out of me. We started out across the lake and after a mile or two, Oscar asked, "Is this far enough?" The challenger said, "Let Cloe decide." I said, "Oh no. I can swim as far as she can so go on until she says 'enough.'" She let him go right across the lake. We agreed to a standing start in the water; so he stopped the boat about 30 feet from shore. I slid into the water and was about six feet from the boat, but she hung on the boat edge and prepared to kick off both feet when he fired the pistol. So I said, "Oh, that's a good idea. Move up and

I'll kick off too." She moved a foot or two forward. The boat was at an angle putting me just half a step behind, but we were eight miles from the other shore, so I did not mind that slight edge. He fired and we kicked off, but she had one foot on the boat and the other on me and pushed me right under! She was a much better short-length swimmer than I, and by the time I quit spluttering, she was a good 30 feet out front. But my Irish was up, and I began a dogged race, changing strokes from the breast to the crawl, to the dog paddle, to the backstroke - regularly so that I would not tire out. Furthermore, I could stop any stroke for a short period of time, float by controlling breathing, and have a complete rest. Within three miles I was catching up to her and she called: (I was not about to get within range of another foot) "Are you beginning to get tired?" I wasn't, and we swam on for another mile or two, and I was a few yards ahead of her. She informed me that she had been in the hospital not too long ago and was beginning to tire. I just kept on swimming. Finally she said she had to give up and conceded the race, but my back was up and I swam on to shore anyway and let her ride in the boat. See what a little temper can accomplish?



Cloe Day with her fancy box for the box-social.

- photo courtesy Cloe Day

Note the work we used to put into making a "fancy" box lunch. I built the toboggan (to hold the food), and then cut a couple of dogs out of wood, made their harness, painted the whole thing, made a good lunch to put in it - and it probably brought two or three dollars at the auction. Note, too, my moose hide "whoopie" pants made by "Peggy", who could do magic with a moose hide, and note the dyed moose hair embroidery down the side panel. They cost me \$3.50!

Thank you for the invitation to the Grande Opening of your new school. We have company coming from England on September 29, and she may still be here. However, assuming that she is gone, my daughter and I may just crawl aboard this little Toyota and head for Calling Lake.

Whether we make it or not, our best wishes will be with you, and we hope it is a "Howlin' Good Party"!!!

Sincerely,
Cloe Day

**REMINISCING WITH
ALFRED GORMAN
1932-1934**

September 1, 1989.

Dear Dora Shwaga,

I find your letter to me very interesting, especially now that I have reached the age of reminiscing. Today is the first day of retirement from the practice of medicine and I recall that it was in September 1932 that I began my teaching career at Calling Lake. W. H. Swift was the Inspector of Schools for a large area of Northern Alberta and he had his office in Athabasca. He hired me to teach at Calling Lake School as he was the Official Trustee for Calling Lake School District at the time. I graduated from the Edmonton Normal School the previous spring and I had spent all summer trying to get a school to teach at. Everyone I interviewed thought I was too young to keep discipline. Mr. Swift took a chance and hired me to teach at Calling Lake School for \$560 per year. It was the Depression and I was glad to have a job at any price.

A year ago I drove up to Calling Lake by car. The drive took me 40 minutes. My first trip there was by horses and wagon. That trip took two days of travel. I remember we stopped over night at Monte Kirkpatrick's place at Deep Creek. The following day we wormed our way through the timber over roads full of mud holes. When I say "we" I am referring to my father and I.

We finally arrived at C. R. Day's ranch. We had arranged with Mr. Day - affectionately known far and wide as Buffalo Bill - that I could live at this place.

He rented me a low one-roomed log cabin with a

sod roof on it and a plank floor. It had one window and an opening in the roof for a chimney that accommodated a cook stove and a barrel heater to warm the room in the winter time. There was double bed in one corner - I supplied my own bedding. The cupboards consisted of wooden apple boxes attached to the walls. They held dishes and utensils which I supplied. The water was from Day's well. I bought my bread and milk from Mrs. Day. She made great home-made bread. I bought my groceries from McIntosh's trading store which was located a mile or so north. I travelled everywhere by foot.

The school was about 1/2 mile from where I lived the first of two winters at Calling Lake. It was a recently built one-room log school. The logs were massive hewn logs. The roof had a large ridge pole that supported other poles, which were covered in turn with muskeg, soil and grass. It was warm and did not leak. It was heated by a large heater which burned wood. There was adequate window space along the south wall. Blackboards were along the west and north walls. The desks were home-made and, as I recall, some were double desks.

It was my responsibility to open school every morning and close it every evening. In the winter time, I had to arrive early enough to fire up the wooden heater and have the school nice and cozy when the students arrived - usually on foot. School began at 9:30 a.m. and finished at 3:30 p.m. There was a one hour noon break. Everyone brought lunch. School break supervision was also my responsibility.

School discipline was never a problem for me. I can recall using the strap only twice in the nine years that I taught school. I don't remember ever using it at Calling Lake School. The children ranged in age from six to sixteen years of age. I remember Pat Day was the oldest - almost my own age. The grades ranged from grade one to grade eight, I think. The nationalities of the children were Anglo-Saxon, French-Canadian, Icelandic, Metis and Mid-European.

Looking back, I think we all did rather well scholastically and socially. Our school inspector's report was good and we all enjoyed one another. After the first winter, the community got together and built a log teacherage near the school with a shingled roof and cupboards. This gave me more spacious living quarters.

The school yard was not fenced. It was rough and natural ground where the trees had been cleared away. Teacher and students all participated in recreational games such as *Pom-Pom-Pullaway*, *Red Light*, *Anti-I-Over*, *One O'Cat*, *Soccer* and *Scrub*. The big kids and the beginners, the boys and the girls, all blended. This was probably a tribute to the tolerance of the older ones for the younger ones.

I am trying to recall the names of the children. This goes back for more than half a century! I hope I will be forgiven for leaving some out - it is not intentional.

There were Jean, Frankie and Ralph Crawford.

There were Pat, Bill, Dick, Harriet, Phyllis and Bob Day.

There were Jim, Chester, Babe and Harry Webb.

There was Albert Grandbois.

There were Mabel, Mary and Isobella White.

Cloe Day was my predecessor. I didn't own a camera in those days, therefore I don't have any pictures.

Thank you for your invitation for Friday, October 20, 1989. The new school, as you have described it, sounds exciting. I am looking forward to attending if all goes well.

I hope these ramblings will be of some help to you with your project of compiling a history of Calling Lake School.

Best of luck!

Alfred Gorman

REMINISCING WITH ANNA (EYFORD) COOPER 1945-46

I went to teach at Calling Lake School in September 1945, after receiving my teaching certificate from Edmonton Normal School.

My parents lived at Calling Lake so I could be near them and live at home at least some of the time. There was a teacherage at the school, where I did stay for a while, but I found it very lonely so I stayed at home. I walked or rode horseback the four miles I had to travel to reach school. When it was very cold I boarded with the Day family who were nearest the school.

The school was a log building consisting of one room with no cloakroom or extra space available.

REMINISCING WITH ANNA ROSE (NAFZIGER) KIESOW 1956-1958

There was a small corner for the drinking water which the janitor packed up from the lake and there was a basin for washing hands. If I had a discipline problem, I usually sent the rest of the class outside, dealt with the issue and then called the others back in.

Our heating was provided by a huge wood-burning heater which seemed to take forever to heat. On many winter mornings we sat huddled near the fire with our readers until it was warm enough to do our written work. The old heater let us down on the day the School Inspector, Mr. Hodgson, decided to pay us a visit. Just before he arrived, the stove pipes had come crashing down. Order had just been restored when he entered. He looked at the pipes and then at me and asked if anyone could put them back up for us. I hastily assured him that would be no problem. I was only glad he hadn't seen us earlier.

The enrollment was high at that time. If I remember rightly, I had between 35-40 pupils on the register from grades one to seven. Attendance was irregular, so I seldom had every student there.

Teaching aids were few. Most of the work for the children was written on the blackboards. I also had a hectograph, and after writing out pages of work in purple ink, I could then transfer it to the jelly pad, run off copies, then wash off that work so I could do more for the next subject or grade. It was pretty primitive compared to today's standards.

A teacher also had to keep check on the children's health. A sudden outbreak of head lice or impetigo resulted in my having to search through every head for lice or check hands, arms, legs and neck for the victims of these health hazards. There were instructions written out by the public health unit for the care of these problems and then sent home with the affected children.

Lunch hour supervision was always done by the teacher, who not only organized the games, but played them as well and made sure that all the children participated and did not feel left out.

I found the children very kind, helpful and generous. I still have some of the mementoes which they gave me and I still have many memories of the short year that I taught at Calling Lake School.

It was raining that day in late August, 1956 when I arrived in Athabasca. The road to Calling Lake was very muddy. There were those in town who said it was impossible to travel that road - that we'd have to wait a few days. But someone else said that Slim Ellefson was in town and would be going back and that we should check with him. We found him, and followed him "slideways" on that muddy road to Calling Lake.

I was part of a church volunteer group. My original plans were to start a kindergarten. Then there was talk of the need for two teachers, dividing the pupils into two sections. On the school property at that time was a one-room schoolhouse, a teacherage, and an old unused log school building.

Mr. Gault, the school inspector, asked me to teach the first three grades. I had taught grade one in Ohio, but had never taught three grades. School was to start in less than a week. When I looked inside the old log school three days before school started, I saw only an old log building with a stove, one piece of blackboard, and a pile of benches in it. Slim Ellefson of the school board still had questions about having a two-teacher school, and so did I. But the afternoon before school started, it was certain. I would be teaching Grade 1, 2 and 3 (probably 21 pupils) in that log building.

I met Mrs. Astley, the teacher of the upper grades, and got more information about the school. Mrs. Ellefson, Mrs. Swan, Mrs. Nadeau and Doris cleaned the building - washed windows and scrubbed floors. Slim Ellefson killed three bats who had inhabited the place.

Now the building was clean, and I had made some plans. But the room was quite empty. There were no desks. The supplies hadn't come in. The playground equipment was only a few balls. The stove had no damper. I learned that we would regulate the heat by opening windows or adding more wood to the fire. Starting tomorrow, I, Miss Nafziger, would be teaching in that building. I had a lot to learn.

Among the things I had to learn to be a good teacher in Canada were to sing "God Save The Queen" and "O Canada" to say "zed" instead of



“zee” for the last letter of the alphabet; and to say “scribbler” instead of “tablet”.

Some of the pupils needed to learn to speak and understand English. They also had to deal with my “Yankee accent” and learn how to pronounce my name. One pupil thought my name was “Miss Naf-cigarette.”

On the morning of September 4, 1956 it snowed and the school year began. There was no fire in the log building and it was cold. There was an old table for the teacher and an old cupboard. There were no chairs or desks.

We assembled in Mrs. Astley’s building, where we received some books, then the older boys carried some desks over to the log building. There were 11 pupils that first day. In the afternoon a big truck backed up to my door and delivered more desks, a teacher’s desk, and blackboards. Hangers were put up for coats. A couple of days later someone brought over a container for drinking water, a basin, a pail, and a dipper. Mrs. Astley brought over some cups.

The first Friday morning the fire went out and it was cold. The older boys rebuilt it and then it was HOT. A bat (the children named it Tippy) poked its head out from between the logs. We had heard one squeak the day before. I acted brave - I think.

More supplies and furniture dribbled in during the following weeks - a new table, paper, erasers, rulers, loose leaf binders, flash cards, posters, books, and a hectograph duplicator. When Mr. Gault visited the school, he explained the Canadian school system and answered some of my questions.

We were slowly getting organized.

The second week of school we had a day that I won’t forget. There was a big smoldering brush pile at the edge of the schoolyard. It was cool on the top, and as boys will do, Eddie explored and climbed the pile. But he stepped in a hole and got hot ashes in his shoe, and received second degree burns. It was very painful, and the first aid supplies were very meager. It was afternoon before someone went by and we could get him to the nurse.

There was more to happen that same day! After the last recess, part of the stove pipe fell down. There was smoke and soot everywhere, and the room was in confusion. Margaret Nipshank was sitting right below the pipe, but no one was hurt. We opened the doors and windows to let the smoke out, and put on coats

and sweaters to keep warm. After the smoke cleared, we laughed, and I gave up trying to get any work done. Instead I read the story of Henny Penny, the silly chicken who thought the sky was falling. Some of the children had thought the roof was falling.



Elementary Class beside the Old Log School -1957.

Front : Ruth Anne White, Christine Cardinal, Gilbert Cardinal, Larry Crawford, Willard Roe.

2nd row: Wendy Ellefson, Wendy Bissell, Bernice Nipshank, Gilbert Gladue, Rolly Logan, Margaret Nipshank.

3rd row: Gordon Cardinal, Joseph Gladue, Ida Decoine, Irene Cardinal, Agnes Cardinal, Victor Logan, Miss Nafziger.

- photo courtesy Anna Rose Kiesow

The first rainy day we discovered that the roof leaked in some places, so we moved desks. One winter day when we started to use the new stove, the bottom of the stove got red hot, and the floor started burning. We poured water and got snow to put on the floor to get the problem under control.

When the health inspector came out, he complained about the condition of the playground - the cow manure and the paper.

After Easter holidays in 1958, we moved out of the old log building over to the new two-room school. The new room was so big, so bright and pretty, so modern. There were even green chalkboards! It was almost too new and fancy for comfort.

There were difficulties and there were good times

during those two years. On cold days we grouped around the stove for most of the morning. When a chickadee sang at our window, we stopped to listen. We practiced plays, songs, and poems and were excited when the school was packed for the Christmas concert. The enrollment varied a lot; from 11 pupils when I started, to 27 in January, and back to 19 in May. The second year the highest enrollment for the first three grades was 31.

I remember receiving some delightful gifts - a mink tail, porcupine quills, highbush cranberries, candy from grubby hands, sometimes hugs from the littlest ones.

I learned a lot, and Calling Lake is still one of my favorite places!

Anna Rose Nafziger Kiesow

REMINISCING WITH GILMAN CARDINAL 1950-1961

EARLY SCHOOL DAYS

My name is Gilman Cardinal and I am very pleased to be asked by Dora Shwaga, the author of this history book, to provide a bit of insight into my early school years at Calling Lake.

I was born in Chisholm, Alberta, but spent most of my early years at Calling Lake. I am the third child of Joe and Rose Cardinal in a family of 13 children, all raised at Calling Lake.

I started school when I was seven years old, in the 1950-51 school term. Children then started school at seven years of age since there was no modern means of transportation. It would have been a real hardship for younger children since we all walked to school along a small narrow trail which was our road. During that time, it took nearly a week to go to our nearest town, Athabasca, by horse and wagon. We went to a one-room school; my first teacher was Fred Warren. Most of the native children, including me, could not speak a word of English when we started school. We were not allowed to speak Cree on the school grounds. Boy, did we ever have to learn to speak English in a hurry! If we didn't understand, we were punished.

The early years were spent mainly learning the 3

Rs - Reading, 'Riting and 'Rithmetic, but part of our school duties was to haul wood and water. The one-room school was heated by a barrel heater and water for drinking was hauled from the lake by pails. Bathrooms were air conditioned outdoor biffys.

During approximately seven of my nine years in the Calling Lake School I was a janitor, hauling water and making the fires in the mornings. I shared these duties with my older brother, Mike, and later with my two younger sisters, Hazel and Clarice. The pay was \$9 per month when I was 9 years old, and by the time I was 10 years old, the pay had increased to \$12 per month. Mike and I never once caught a school bus during our school years at Calling Lake.

One of my more memorable experiences while I was a janitor was nearly burning the school down because of a forgotten pan of hot ashes left on the floor. I am sure that my grade 7, 8 and 9 teacher, Mr. Raymond Brubaker, also has a vivid memory of this event.

While attending school, one of my favorite escapades during the summer months was playing hooky. On pre-arranged days, some of us guys would get sick and we would sneak away to go swimming, fishing or sunbathing. Everything was fine until one of our fellow students asked our parents why we were gone so much from school - were we ill? So much for our hooky playing!

My school days at Calling Lake are a very fond memory to me and I take my hat off to the early pioneers who were instrumental in all the hard work it took to organize a new school district.

REMINISCING WITH JOAN (SUTTON) PORTER 1952-1964

In 1952 when I turned seven, my family moved to Calling Lake. The last leg of our journey was a three day trip by team and wagon from Athabasca to Calling Lake. I had not attended school yet as our former home had been semi-isolated, resulting in my mother teaching me grade one through correspondence.

The beginning of September 1952 saw me off to school for the first time. The two miles along a narrow winding road was a long walk for a lone seven year old. My eyes and ears were open wide to ensure there were no bears in my path.

The school was much like one sees in pictures of pioneer day schools. It was an old log building with mud caulking the spaces between the logs, the roof was finished with wooden shingles, and along the south wall was a bank of windows that provided the only source of light to the classroom. On the east wall was another small window and the classroom's only door. At the front of the classroom was a large blackboard and at the rear was a wood heater and nearby a stand on which sat a wash basin, paper towels and our drinking fountain. The drinking water was hauled daily from the lake and was cold in winter and warm in summer. In cold weather the wood heater was encircled by students trying to get warm, as those desks on the periphery got very little heating. The stove was also used to toast our sandwiches, but not the way one would do today, as the sandwiches were placed directly on the side of the stove and the room was filled with the odor of burning bread if the sandwich was left too long.

Our washrooms were outdoor two-seater toilets that doubled as forts in boys against girls games. The school building itself was dual purposed. Many a game of *Anti-I-Over* was played over the log school. The trick was to throw the ball high enough not to hit the windows.

Our teacher taught all grades so it was imperative that we tended to our own studies while the teacher was busy with another grade.

In early winter that year my parents pulled me out of school as they felt it unsafe to send a young child alone that far in mid winter. The remainder of grade two was done with correspondence. When I returned to school the next fall my sister Judy joined me. Our teacher was easy on us as students but unfortunately most of us learned little and our next teacher put many of us back a grade. She was tough, she taught us well, but she would have never won a popularity contest. She sat on her fair share of thumb tacks and everytime she did, I did not understand why her expression never changed. In retrospect I suspect she did it to deny any feeling of satisfaction to the offending party. The strap sat in her upper right-hand desk drawer and she didn't hesitate to use it if she felt the situation warranted a strapping. Another favorite weapon was the yardstick. It made a distinctive ring on heads or knuckles. I managed to get through her four years of teaching without an encounter with the strap but I lived in fear most of those years.

I had decided by the age of eight to be a nurse when I grew up but during those years I thought I'd

only go to grade nine and be a nursing aide. With the arrival of a new teacher, my attitude changed and school once again was enjoyable, so I reverted back to my original career plan.

Attending school in a small, rural community gave one a sense of belonging. We never knew about racial discrimination. We shared everything from our lunch, our coats, and our hats to our lice. Neither us, nor our parents expressed shock or disbelief when the public health nurse checked our heads and found "fellow travellers." We just all came back to school the next day with this greasy hair, that even Brylcreme couldn't match. This was the treatment for lice and we all accepted it as a normal part of life.

Our schooling was the basics and so was our recreation. We had no gym, so in summer and winter alike we played outside. Football and softball were our two favorite sports. Softball was restricted to the milder weather but we played football year-round. I'm sure each of us can remember the smarting experience of a "frozen football" in the face.

Social studies and science were fun; we had walks in the woods gathering information. To illustrate our work we were skilled at tracing with carbon paper or tracing on clear paper over the picture, sometimes doing it up against a window pane for better visualization. Photocopying was not a word in our vocabulary yet.

By the time I was ready for high school the only options were taking correspondence with our principal's supervision or attending school outside the community. I chose correspondence for grade 10 and 11, then went to Edmonton for grade 12. I never found correspondence too difficult as I was quite self-disciplined and enjoyed pacing myself. The only major adjustment going into grade 12 was my French "lingo." I had my own personal, unique oral French but a patient, sympathetic French teacher helped me through the year with minimal trauma. After passing all my grade 12 subjects I realized my dream of becoming a nurse when I entered nursing school at the University Hospital in 1964.

Over the years centralization of schools has been pushed by emphasizing that a better education can be offered to students in this system. That is an academic question as those of us who grew up at Calling Lake and received our education in the small one or two-classroom school are proud of the level of education we received. Our accomplishments attest to the fact that we were given a good basic schooling. We owe much to our teachers who saw teaching as a profession, not merely a job. They were our role

models, our mentors and our friends. We remain grateful for their dedication toward our educational and personal growth. Quality education comes not from the building or the teaching aids, although they are significant, but from the people who deliver it.

REMINISCING WITH RAYMOND BRUBAKER 1958 - 1963

In the last week of August, 1958, Ginny and I pulled a teacherage-trailer over muddy ruts of the newly graded road leading to Calling Lake. We followed a truck pulling a granary with a gas lamp swinging wildly about. I joked, "There goes our teacherage." One cannot be too careful with words. It WAS our teacherage. The truck driver asked the new principal where the "teacherage" should be unloaded. My first decision as principal lacked creativity and was heavy on precedent. I suggested the granary be unloaded on the ashes of the previous teacherage. My lack of creativity was corrected by relocating the granary which gradually was turned into teacherage living space during the winter months of 1958-59.

Grade seven was the highest grade in September 1958. We received the good will and support of community and parents. The students responded encouragingly. The four grade seven students had the honor of being the first Calling Lake class to complete grade eight and then also graduated from grade nine with an average on Provincial Standardized Tests that was higher than the average for the County of Athabasca grade nine students that year. It was a proud moment.



Grade one at the old log school, 1959-60.

Left: Elizabeth Jacobs, Gladys Cardinal, Louise Gladue, Janet Crawford, Kenneth White, Rena Gambler, Colleen Knoblock, Johnny Auger.

Right: Larry Cardinal, Gordon Auger, Edward Powder, Archie Powder, Gordon Yellowknee, Felix Decoine.

- photo courtesy Raymond Brubaker

Community support and Service Unit school bus initiatives by Ike Glick and Leo Jantzi increased student enrolment by approximately one-third which required an additional teacher and an additional school room. The "old log school" was changed from Community Centre to grade one classroom taught by Ginny.

Olga Roskewich came to the rescue on short notice and taught grades 2, 3, and 4 and lived in the cramped "teacherage trailer." I taught grade 5, 6, 7 and 8.

The 1960-62 school years brought many changes including a mid-year January 1, 1962 shift to Northland School Division by community request. During these years I lost some authority. I had been principal and Ginny was my staff. When she resigned to be mother to Harold, I lost status. Things have not been the same since. However, we gained two new teachers who were competent and committed. Miss Yoder taught grades 1 and 2, Mrs. Shwaga taught grades 3, 4, and 5, and I was privileged to teach grades 6, 7, 8, and 9.



Grades 6, 7, 8 and 9 - spring of 1962.

Back: Willard Roe, Gilman Cardinal, Raymond Brubaker, Middle: Joan Sutton, Agnes Cardinal, Cora Roe, Lorraine Roe, Linda Ellefson, Margaret Nipshank. Front: Bernice Nipshank, Clarice Cardinal, Judy Sutton, Hazel Cardinal, Ruth Anne White, Wendy Ellefson.

- photo courtesy Raymond Brubaker

New rooms were built, water systems, sewer facilities, light plants and oil furnaces were provided. Gerald Mazer prepared potential grade one students for grade one during May and June, 1962.

"MEMORIES, HOW THEY LINGER..."

- Excitement about the possibilities of three weeks isolation due to impassable road conditions during the spring of 1959 and the subsequent disappointment

when spring conditions allowed passable roads.

- Planning lessons and activities late into the night for four grades by the sputter of a Coleman lantern.

- The crash of storm waves, a loon's cry, the boom of ice heaving, the tinkle of spring ice crystals being piled up on shore.

- Aching arms carrying water from the lake for washing with a square tub Maytag "hit-and-miss" gas engine washing machine.



Virginia and Raymond Brubaker with their son, Harold.

- photo courtesy Dora Shwaga

- Straining algae from the drinking water in the summer and chopping holes in the ice for winter water.

- The reliability and dedication of Gilman, Hazel and Clarice Cardinal in their janitorial duties during my first two years.

- The valued response of Eliza and Harold Roe and family to expanded janitorial duties.

- Pride I felt when others remarked how quietly and industriously the students worked in my class when I needed to leave the class unattended to take a sick student home.

- Lighting fires in "Warm Morning" coal stoves on winter Sunday afternoons.

- Carelessly using gasoline to start fires in the "Warm Morning" heaters until the right mixture produced an astonishing "thump" felt by Ginny in the

teacherage - which blew the stove lid open, the bottom door open, and unceremoniously ejected the ash pan and the ashes into the room. In addition it blew the stove pipe out of the chimney and off the stove to clatter noisily on the floor. To add insult to injury it blew the chimney cleaning door open with a considerable gust of soot. All this simultaneous activity suddenly increased the room pressure which thrust the entrance door violently open to emit a dusty burp before the door closed firmly again. In the midst of these varied and sundry happenings I observed little tongues of fire advancing slowly and silently across the width of the floor toward the teachers desk to finally go out when all the gasoline fumes were consumed. As the dust settled and visibility increased, my astonishment turned to chagrin. I engaged in some janitorial activities that were not included in the principal's month end report. The principal's wife's comments are strictly off the record.

- The joy of co-operatively creating poetry for *OUR SCHOOL* song.

- Elation at the demonstration of healthy self-esteem of a "deeply tanned" student when one crisp morning he ran to his pale-faced friend and said, "You be the cowboy - I'll be the Indian."

- Gratitude for the personal growth and learning which was provided by the interaction with Calling Lake students and parents.

"Those were the days, my friend..."

REMINISCING WITH OLGA (ROSKEWICH) BIZUK 1959-1960

I came to Calling Lake in the 1959-60 school year at the age of twenty, eager to face the challenge of teaching.

My training consisted of one year of University and a brief four hours of practice teaching, but I was willing to work hard. I had courage and confidence.

This confidence was quickly turning to fear with the first view of the two-room school with no gym, plus the grade one classroom was down the road. The three huge piles of teacher's guidebooks for the grades 2, 3, and 4 that I would be teaching, the sight of the propane heater, the barrel for drinking water (from the lake), the outdoor toilet, all made me shudder. Then finding out I would be living in the small holiday trailer owned by the Brubakers, I was glad it would be parked next to their teacherage.



Olga Roskewich, 1959-60.

- photo courtesy Olga Bizuk

At this point I knew it would take more stamina than I had to undertake such a task for which I was so little prepared.

I cried the length of the winding, rough road back to Athabasca. My mind was made up. I begged Mr. Gault, the Superintendent, to release me from my contract and get someone with experience. Alas, it was too late and with the teacher shortage....

So began my most unforgettable and memorable year of my life.

I devoted all my time and energy to lesson preparations, marking and testing, determined to make a genius of each and every student. They worked hard, gave me their best, helped me with the marking, helped each other and had little time for mischief.

There wasn't much time to feel sorry for myself and the friendly people in Calling Lake Community did manage to get me away from schoolwork to be their guest for delicious home cooked meals, fish being my favorite; which sure beat my regular diet of macaroni, wieners and beans.

Early into the fall the local young fellas decided to take a good look at the new girl teacher. They waited for an evening when the Brubakers were out and darkness had fallen. They brought their guitar and did their serenade outside the trailer. I was not impressed;

more like scared to death! My confidence dropped to zero - I was going home on the weekend for keeps.

However, Mr. Brubaker tracked down the culprits and talked to them, then assured me that this community really was a safe place to live in.

By Christmas I accepted the intense routine of school work, enjoyed meeting the parents, some very timid and young like myself.

Winter brought more surprises.

I awoke one cold morning to find my long hair frozen onto the mattress and holding me prisoner. The propane tank had run out.

Another time, warmer temperatures thawed the snow on the roof, causing an icicle to form in front of my door. Panic again - and once more the principal to the rescue with his axe.

Students that I happen to remember: Yellowknee sisters from whom I bought a pair of lovely beaded moccasins and I still have them. Cardinal boys, Gordon, Gilbert and Elmer Nipshank, the artists. Crawford girls, Sharon and Theresa, always cheerful and helpful. Miriam White in her neat braids, a perfectionist in her school work. David Ellefson, the shy, blue eyed blonde.

I am sure that if I would see the class list I would remember something special about each of my first students.

To my first students I owe a special thank you. They helped me to grow and mature to enjoy my teaching career for over twenty years.

REMINISCING WITH JULIA YODER 1960 - 1973

I started teaching at Calling Lake in the fall of 1960. At that time the school was under the jurisdiction of the County of Athabasca. The school building itself was three rooms with a centre hallway. The outside was covered with gray siding. My assignment was to teach grade one and two.

In those days, we had no electricity. For heat each room had its own oil stove. There was also a moveable sink with a basin and a slop pail. I remember heating a basin of water on top of the oil stove each day so the children would have warm water to wash their hands at lunch time. For drinking water we had a water cooler and little paper cups. The water was carried from the lake daily.



Julia Yoder, 1972-73.

- photo courtesy EVERGREEN

With Calling Lake becoming part of Northland School Division No. 61 on January 1, 1962 a lot of changes took place. The first large improvement was getting a power plant so we could have electricity. The oil stoves were replaced by furnaces in the basement. In the spring a fourth room was added. A water and sewer system was installed and with that, indoor bathrooms. Also the whole building got new siding.

By the fall of 1964 there were enough grade one children to make a class by themselves. From then on, I taught only grade one. That year the playground was improved with some new equipment. I can remember a long line of children waiting for turns to use the new slide.

In 1965 we again needed to expand. A fifth teacher was added and we had only four classrooms. That year my grade one class used the old log school up the road at the village.

So it was back to the oil heater, water cooler and sink with basin and slop pail. In spite of being isolated from the rest of the school, having no teacher's desk and the occasional mouse running over the log walls, there were certain advantages and we had a good year.

The addition to the school that year included a science room, a classroom, a gymnasium, two bathrooms and a teacher's room.



Grade one class, 1965-66.

Extreme left: Wilfred Cardinal

Left row: George Bigstone, Annie Auger, Iris Gladue

Second row: John Gambler, Lillian Gladue

Front row: Vina Cardinal, Ernie Crawford, Alphonse Gamber

Right: Gerald Laroche, Glen Shwaga

- photo courtesy EVERGREEN

I have many wonderful memories of my years at Calling Lake School. At first, the sounds of Cree being spoken at recess were strange to my ears. Gradually, I realized that I was understanding more and more of it. I remember the beautiful children with their sparkling, dark eyes and shy smiles. They worked hard at their lessons and were very creative in their play. I remember them as being co-operative and well behaved most of the time.

I cannot think of Calling Lake without remembering Christmas concerts and the annual school picnic. Although a lot of work was involved, they were important events in the school year.

Another enriching experience at Calling Lake was getting to teach with people from so many different places in the world. By living on the school property after my teacherage was built in 1963, I got to know the other teachers in their daily lives as well as at school. It was a wonderful opportunity to share ideas and good times.



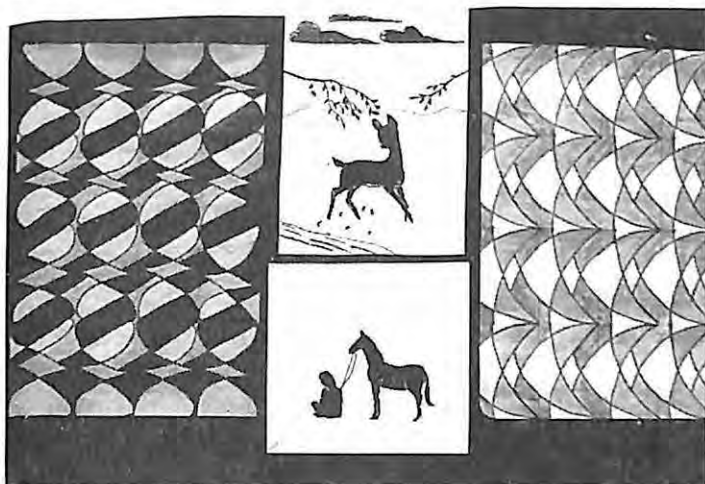
REMINISCING WITH HARVEY BURKHOLDER 1963-1972

STUDIES

During the early 1960's the school had very few audio-visual aids except for what teachers and students made for themselves. However, the students of those days can be justifiably proud and satisfied because the averages on standardized tests showed that Calling Lake students were not only hard working, but they scored well on the Northland tests.

Also, the dedication of the teaching staff to help students progress through the grades was admirable. This dedication made the heavy workloads of those days seem lighter with the team efforts.

The art work produced by the junior high students was something else. I still have photos of the excellent water color pictures, the sketches and the sculptures.



Artwork by Mr. Burkholder's class, 1965-66.

Designs by Sharon Crawford (left) and Janet Crawford (right). Deer by Elmer Nipshank. Horse by Kenneth White.

- photo courtesy EVERGREEN 1965-66

Field trips to Edmonton were especially educational and exciting, particularly the time we stayed in a church basement and one of the boys couldn't sleep that night and assisted the rest of us in being awake to watch the sun come up.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Junior Forest Wardens were some of the most active and achieving persons I have had the pleasure to be with. Winning badges, campouts, field trips, games and study for about twenty energetic boys was rewarding for all. Hopefully the experience was rewarding for the boys because some have become

outstanding citizens of this province.

The activities of parent groups helped make things run smoothly: the Junior Forest Warden committee, the Christmas program committee and the crew who helped put up the new playground equipment. Hours of work on the yearbook (spear-headed by Mrs. Shwaga) resulted in an annual production with which all were proud.



Harvey Burkholder, 1963.

- Photo courtesy EVERGREEN

FACILITIES

With a growing population it still took some convincing for the school division in the 1960's to add to the school. One year it was so crowded it was necessary to conduct one of the classes (grades five and six) in the hallway. What tolerance! However, the new addition complete with playroom, office, classroom and science room finally arrived.

EMERGENCIES

The school seemed to go on forever. However, once in awhile it closed when the temperature went to minus 50 degrees Fahrenheit and stove oil just would not run to the furnaces. Another time occurred in 1968 when the big forest fire came. I recall spraying the school and teacherages with water until the wee hours of the morning. Mats were placed in the play room for any from the north end of the settlement who might have needed space because of the advancing fire from the north end of the settlement. One long shift at the radios communicating with ground crew, bird dogs, and

forestry headquarters added to the educational excitement.

One call came which was interesting. A wheel had come off Bert Taron's airplane while enroute to Calling Lake with a load of fish. While Bert was throwing fish out of the plane near Two-mile Creek, we came to the airstrip with a fire extinguisher and first aid supplies. To his credit, he landed safely and soundly with no injuries other than those to the plane.

SIZE

By 1971 the school had a population of 136 from grades one through nine. From the 1960's to the early 1970's the school had no teacher aides, counsellor aides or secretaries. Even though times were "tough" and busy, staff, students and parents should feel happy because Calling Lake School was among the best.

REMINISCING WITH ALVIN HERSHBERGER 1971-1984



Alvin Hershberger, 1973.

- photo courtesy A. Hershberger

REWARDS OF TEACHING

A reward of teaching is to experience youth grow, develop, flower, and fruit, an experience akin to that one gets every spring and summer as plants grow and flower. There were times when some found reading,

'riting and 'rithmetic almost more than what was reasonable to bear. Then years later to see the same receive the high school diploma, - that's reward!

The first day of school brings a lump to the throat when a mother stands with her ECS child waiting for the bus. It seems like a short time ago when that mother herself was a pupil in school. Sometimes the laugh, the jabber, the giggle, the eyes of a youngster brings back a memory of yesteryear when that child's parent was in school. It's a great memory! It has been said that the more things change, the more they stay the same. How true!

Youth is our greatest treasure and resource. That is what school was, is, and will be about, whether it is in a log building, a frame building brought to Calling Lake, or a new modern building.

The bonus of living in Calling Lake was to be a part of a community during the period of rapid change and experience the community dynamics as it meets challenges of that change. In the late '50s and early '60s an all-weather road came to Calling Lake. In the early '60s Northland School Division was formed; almost immediately the school buildings were upgraded. The sixties also brought electricity with all its conveniences to the community. In the seventies, telephones came. Later, housing development, land tenure, job training, paved roads came; now there is even a road to Wabasca.

Each change had social implications for the community and brought opportunities. The school and youth are part of the dynamics meeting the change and taking advantage of opportunities. This is a unique experience.

REMINISCING WITH FRANK BLONKE 1972-1974

I have many fond memories of Calling Lake School and the community during my time as principal from 1972-1974. My first impression of the school was one that many visitors must have formed over the years; what a beautiful location alongside the lake. That does have its disadvantages though, as I remember students gazing out the windows towards the lake, probably wishing they were out on the lake fishing rather than being in school studying.

The small community and school at Calling Lake was a wonderful place to teach. I had the opportunity to get to know all the students in the school, and to involve them in special events. I remember the junior

high school students who spent hours developing photographs for the yearbook we produced. I also remember the two years of hard work and effort these young people put into raising funds for a trip to Vancouver during the Easter holidays. There was no money available from the school board in those days for field trips, so we set out to raise funds through raffles, bingos and movies at the school. It was so rewarding to see the enjoyment of these youngsters when the trip finally materialized; the trip by train through the Rocky Mountains, a wonderful week in Vancouver and Victoria, and the flight back to Edmonton on Air Canada.



Frank Blonke, 1973.

- photo courtesy *EVERGREEN*

I believe these special events gave the students a sense of pride in their school and a belief in themselves; that they could reach a goal that they had set.

The official opening of the new school in Calling Lake marks a goal so many community members, teachers and students had strived for over the years. I am honored to have the opportunity to extend my best wishes to all on this special occasion.

REMINISCING WITH ZOLTAN BODA 1974-1977

I had taken over the principalship of Calling Lake School from Mr. Blonke in the fall of 1974. At that time the school operated from grade one to eight inclusive. There were seven professional staff members and four paraprofessionals and support

staff. In 1974 ECS along with Special Ed. were added to the program offerings. Two portable classrooms were moved in and a Library was established. Our athletic program was enhanced with the addition of shower facilities, the purchase of volleyball uniforms, locally manufactured cross-country skis and snowshoes. School facilities were improved with relocation of offices, staff room and establishment of a workroom. The hot lunch program provided a nutritional lunch for the children. Evening programs for community adults helped to make the school an activity centre for the community.

The upgrading of the sewer and water supply facilities for the school improved living conditions for children in school and staff residing on site.

It was an educationally rewarding experience to see the first graduating class of the ECS program or see the artistic efforts of some of our students recognized by the Canadian National Exhibition. Memories will remain about the students who were reluctant to come out of the dressing room when they first tried on their volleyball shorts. They were too shy to appear in front of others from school and community. It was nice to listen to the excitement in the voices of the students who came back from their field trip to the Rockies and trying to tell everything at once.

It is always a pleasure to remember the students who graduated from Calling Lake School and went on to further education at Athabasca and to know that I have worked with a group of dedicated professionals, excellent paraprofessional and support staff; ECS aides, teacher aides, counsellor aides and janitorial staff. The great diversity of home background for our teachers, including the first fully-trained native teacher, provided the variety of viewpoints around the school, thus enhancing the life experiences of students.

I felt in 1977, when I left Calling Lake, and I still feel now, that my stay in Calling Lake provided me with valuable professional experiences and with pleasant personal memories that I will cherish for the rest of my life.

I hope that, in a small way, I provided the students of those years with happy memories and experiences that will enhance their lives and make them proud of the time they spent in Calling Lake School.



**REMINISCING WITH
CLARICE CARDINAL
1953 - 1990**

Calling Lake School holds many memories for me; I have been, through the years, a student, a janitor, a teacher aide, a counsellor aide. Today I am a teacher at the school.

The memories of my years as a student at the school are many. There were some bad times, but for the most part I look back with fond memories of those earlier years.

I started school in the one room log building which was later used for kindergarten classes. The memories of those early years in that log building are not distinct but seem to have blended into each other over the years. I remember a big wood heater and remember students standing by the stove after coming in from outside. Some winters were very cold and I remember trudging through the snow and thinking my mother was so mean to send us to school in such weather. One incident stands out from those days; walking home on the frozen lake and being able to see the lake bottom through the clear ice. In my mind, I can still see the ripples in the sand on the lake bottom.

Christmas concerts were a gala event in our school. Practice began many weeks before the concert. On concert nights, children waited nervously behind the curtain, much the same way as children do today.

We never seemed to tire of playing softball through the years. What we lacked in ball equipment we more than made up for with our enthusiasm.

The year-end picnic was another big event in our school year. Races and ball games kept everyone busy. Spirits were high as everyone anticipated a long hot summer vacation.

There are memories of my stint as janitor. I remember the drudgery of staying after dismissal to sweep the floors and I remember my brother hauling water for the fountain. I also remember the pride I felt when I bought a brand new bike with money I had earned as a janitor.

My days as student at Calling Lake School ended when I left to finish high school at Edwin Parr in Athabasca.

My years as teacher aide and counsellor aide saw many changes take place. Teachers came and went, some from across the ocean, others from within the province. Reading series came and went; new ideas

for teaching bombarded the teachers. Computers were introduced, opening up a whole new world. My last year as teacher aide saw the school move into portable classrooms.

On my first day as a teacher at Calling Lake School I felt just as I had when I was ten years old and waiting for the curtain to open on Christmas Concert night. I was once again filled with both anxiety and exhilaration. Was I really prepared?

Well, prepared or not, they were there, a room full of faces, some smiling, some near tears. I think to myself, these children have the same dreams, the same fears as I had when I was their age, a student at Calling Lake School.

**REMINISCING WITH
DORA SHWAGA
1960-1990**

I came to Calling Lake School in the fall of 1960 with my four pre-school children, while my husband, Steve, stayed to operate the family farm. During the week, we stayed in the little two-bedroom gray teacherage and on weekends, we went home to the farm, to visit, get our week's supply of groceries and garden vegetables, to wash clothes, iron and mend - there was no power or running water then at Calling Lake School.

Raymond Brubaker was the principal and Julia Yoder was the primary teacher. My assignment was grades 3, 4, and 5.

Although, I don't like to admit it, I found my first year at Calling Lake very difficult. In the little teacherage, the rainy fall days were depressing. I was lonesome for my husband and for the farm which seemed so far away. It was difficult to keep a steady babysitter. In school, I was not getting the results I had expected. Long before Christmas, I had decided that I would stay only that one year.

I have thought many times about the reasons for changing my mind and returning to Calling Lake School for a second term and for the subsequent 28 school terms.

The "fully furnished" teacherage was certainly not the reason I returned. I remember Raymond Brubaker stopping at the farm before school started and tactfully suggesting that I view the teacherage before we moved in. I told him I had been assured that it was fully furnished, but we drove up to see it and I made a list of the things we would need to get

us started. Besides bedding, towels, pots, dishes, broom, dustpan, clothes, personal items, a crib and a high chair for our eleven-month old son, Glen, we brought enough food to last us a week, two cream cans of drinking water from our farm well, a Coleman lamp, propane for the stove, fuel oil for the heater, a mattress for the living room "couch" cot, a double bed, a kitchen table and six chairs. There was no fridge. I was prepared to cope with no fridge and no running water, as we were accustomed to that on the farm, but I had been unprepared for the total lack of necessary items in that "fully furnished" teacherage. (The kitchen table and replacement mattress for the couch "cot" were finally supplied by the Division in December, 1961.)

The proximity of neighbors and evening socializing was not the reason I returned, either. Brubakers lived north in the community, while Julia lived south by the river. We lived alone in the only teacherage on the school yard with the unfamiliar night sounds, strange dogs searching for food and only a radio and ourselves for company. We had no vehicle to drive and walking any distance with four pre-schoolers Susann 5, David 4, Carolyn 2 and Glen 1, was out of the question.

Having taught six years in rural schools, grades one to eight, I thought I was fully prepared to teach an equal number of students in only three grades. I very quickly learned that my students were shy, not talkative, and many seemed unable to work independently. The boys, especially, did not respond the way I expected and I felt that the learning situation was far from ideal. I worked harder preparing lessons for my students, but the results were disappointing. For the most part, many of the boys were not completing their assignments, but were very adept at disturbing other students and wasting class time. I was frustrated and considered leaving, but teachers are fighters not quitters and I continued to search for a solution. I worried that my students viewed me as "an outsider" and wondered how I could change my class, but I did not let my principal or my class suspect that anything was wrong.

There is an old saying, "if you can't beat them, join them." The next time Elmer loudly whispered, "Hey guys, look at the birds!" not only he and his friends watched the birds outside, I called the other students to the window and we all watched as I related some of my childhood experiences with birds. Very soon we

were engaged in a lively discussion about birds, their migration and their nesting habits. My language lesson on conversation from "the book" was entirely forgotten, and rightly so. The students, who fifteen minutes earlier, had been so unwilling to participate in a discussion, were now hardly able to contain themselves, each wanting to contribute to the conversation. I believe I now understood a little more fully about "children being ready" for their lessons.

My students did not realize that they had participated in "a conversation" nor that they had exceeded my expectations for a class discussion. It was then I decided that I would not attempt to "cover the chapters in the book." With the results I got that day, there had to be a "Calling Lake method." Before I recorded their excellent marks for participation in a conversation, I thanked Elmer for being so observant and I thanked the group at the window for sharing what they knew about birds.

As we continued our spontaneous "conversations", we learned more about each other and I began to sense a growing trust and respect. Much later that year, I overheard two of my students in quiet recess conversation comment: "She's the best teacher we've ever had; she knows how to handle the kids. I think it's because she has kids of her own." I knew it was not entirely true, but what a boost to my ego!

My first year at Calling Lake came to a very satisfactory conclusion; my students were working to potential, and we were enjoying our days at school. I suppose that my success years later as a Special Education teacher was a direct result of my "Calling Lake methods."

The only time I was absent from school that first year at Calling Lake, was when I was called to Juror's duty in June, 1961 for a two day hearing at Tanasiuk's Hall. I was in a terrible quandry the first morning of the trial, as my babysitter had not arrived but had sent word that she would not be back for a few days. On such short notice, a babysitter would be hard to find. Raymond Brubaker tried, but could not find another sitter for my children. Grade nine student, Joan Sutton, came to the rescue, babysitting for me and, on her own time, making up the work she missed. I hoped I had partly made it up to Joan the following year by helping her with the written work when she was beginning her French 10 correspondence lessons. I am only sorry that my oral French was not up to standard, so I did not even attempt to give her help in that area. But I am sure that with her resourcefulness,

Joan again found a way to “make up for the work she missed.”

My children and I enjoyed many new experiences at Calling Lake:

- evening walks along the peaceful lake shore
- family wiener roasts at the beach any evening we chose
- hearing, for our first time, the haunting call of the loons
- reflections on the lake of many gorgeous sunsets
- climbing the huge mounds of ice piled along the east lakeshore during the spring break-up
- listening to the unfamiliar tinkling sound of crystalized lake ice
- believing that we had really heard the Lake “calling.”

Our children were not lonesome at Calling Lake. At noon hour and at recesses they at first watched the school children and later joined in their games enjoying the daily fun and companionship.

My first co-workers at Calling Lake School have become special friends; my principal, Raymond Brubaker who was concerned, tactful, helpful and encouraging and Julia Yoder, whose friendship, after 14 years of teaching together, I value more as time goes by. All seven of my children fondly remember Julia Yoder as their grade one teacher at Calling Lake School.



“It’s good to come back to Calling Lake.”

Julia Yoder (centre) with former grade one pupils Shyla Burkholder (left) and Wendy (Shwaga) Stuckel (right), at a community pot-luck held in honor of Miss Yoder in August, 1989 at Calling Lake Provincial Park.

- Susann Alberts photo

I have been privileged to work with staff members, both teachers and paraprofessionals, who have been supportive, helpful and caring. I value the friendship we have developed as we worked together on a

variety of plans, projects, concerts, picnics, student activities and field trips for our Calling Lake School students.

It’s a Small World stands out in my memory as one of our outstanding student productions. It was presented for parents and students by Naty deCastro’s grade one class and my grade two and three class, in the school “gym” on April 1, 1987. Naty and I were responsible for the costumes for 33 students representing 24 countries, teacher aides Clarice Cardinal and Harold Gambler helped with the practices and the staging and the students made the signs. For the performance that afternoon, Naty wore a costume to represent the Philippines, Clarice wore a Metis costume and I wore a costume to represent Poland.

A few days later, the 33 students were again dressed in their costumes and we made a video of the *Small World* production. Connie Murphy, a junior high teacher, took individual photographs that were given to each student as a keepsake.

I remember my first Calling Lake Christmas concert - Raymond told us that it was a tradition at Calling Lake that teachers present a play for the concert, but I for one, did not have the courage to perform on stage. We finally presented a play - one about a staff meeting discussion on what to present at the Christmas concert. As a democratic staff, we were preparing to vote when Raymond announced that, as principal, he was entitled to more than one vote. The play quickly concluded with Julia and I wrapping a scarf around Raymond’s face to prevent him from speaking as, in unison, we announced the result of the vote: “It has been unanimously decided that from now on, teachers will NOT perform at Christmas concerts at Calling Lake School.” For the next 28 years I managed to work back stage only, at our Calling Lake Christmas concerts.

I remember the many Christmas concerts, held first in my classroom, then at Tanasiuk’s Hall and later still in our school “gym.” I fondly remember the plays that I composed, particularly those with an Indian theme. I remember seeing tears in the eyes of an elderly member of the audience at the end of one such production, *The First Christmas*, after the students had spoken in both Cree and English for the performance and they had sung two Cree Christmas hymns. I remember my hard-working babysitter, Margaret Nipshank, helping me with the Indian costumes for that production which included three

chiefs (Wisemen), the hunters (shepherds) and the Indian angels, then also helping me on concert night to dress the students for their performance. How I valued her help and her suggestions and how I wish that I had a picture of that performance!

Christmas 1989, I decided to try a similar production and I wrote out a new script. Clarice Cardinal, my former teacher aide, who was attending U of A, was at Calling Lake School doing her practicum and she translated the script into Cree. We taped her Cree voice and my English voice to make a "practice tape" for my students. Clarice, Mathilda Logan and my teacher aide, Sylvia Gladue, all helped when they could with the practice sessions. The costumes were ready and the students were excited about performing, but a cold snap closed the school for the last week before Christmas. On the last day before the holidays, the weather warmed a little and we held our concert that afternoon. My class presented a good performance.



An Indian Christmas Story, 1989.

Back: Mary Ann Cardinal, Jill Durrant

Middle: Jaselyn Logan, Walter Beaver, Crystal Beaver, Aimee Jacobs, Carmen Gambler, Dancia Gladue.

Front: (Hunters) Wendell Watson, Clarissa Bigstone, Riel Young, (Chiefs) Natalie Cardinal, Crystal Gladue, Joanne Auger.

- Naty deCastro photo

I decided that after the holidays, we would make a video of *An Indian Christmas Story*. We prepared a backdrop, practised our play, dressed all the actors in their Indian costumes and braided their long hair, but partway through the video taping, Wendell fell on the floor. He had fainted. His mother, my teacher

aide, took care of him while I took charge of helping the children change clothes again before we got on with our school lessons. In spite of other problems the next day, we successfully retaped the play and showed the video at the February Parent-Teacher interviews. This time, I made sure there were pictures. Naty deCastro took individual photos and I was able to give the students pictures of themselves to keep.

For several years, starting in the early 1980s, Bert King designed the Community Christmas Card which helped raise money for our school Christmas fund. It was displayed at Moosehorn Market. When Bert left, I took over the project and designed the community Christmas cards for several years, my favorite being a nativity scene done in the Polish traditional cut paper technique. The 1988 and the 1989 cards were grade two class assignments.



The 1989 Community Christmas Card was made by the 1989-90 Grade 2 class, using the "Indian Christmas Story" theme.

- Susann Alberts photo

In the mid-sixties, I made a "TV" out of a cardboard box and students took turns being the "announcer". The TV box also served as a frame for our filmstrip stories. On a long roll of white paper, students drew pictures for a story which was told by a student or was pre-recorded on tape. We invited other classes to share our filmstrips - *Wee Robin's Christmas Song*, *Stone Soup* and *Lazy Jack*.

I remember the puppet shows - stick puppets, paper bag puppets and hand puppets made by the students whose faces were hidden from view, but whose voices were alive as puppet characters. When I acquired a video camera, I recorded some of the plays and puppet shows with Special Education students and later with regular classroom students. My favorite puppet production was *Charlie Brown's Hallowe'en*.

I remember sharing in the pride of the first grade nine graduating class at Calling Lake, and carefully hand lettering and painting their diplomas, redoing them several times over, until I thought they would be good enough to keep. I remember the fun the older girls and I had, making the crepe paper flowers and decorations for the first and second grade nine graduation exercises held at Tanasiuk's Hall. I remember being on the decorating committee for the graduation exercises when they were held in the largest classroom, when we used a rainbow theme, a star theme and the Christmas theme, and I recall making the graduates' diplomas for many years as well.

I recall the support I received from parents at Calling Lake, their interest and positive reaction when they came for Parent-Teacher interviews. Many of the parents of my students during the 80's had themselves been my students in the 60's, and I have a special place in my memories for them. When we study the changes in our community, my students are eager to see pictures, from our old yearbooks, of their parents at school. They are interested to know what school was like for their parents and also what their parents were like at school. They are thrilled when they can see, in the student projects that I have saved through the years, a piece of artwork or a booklet made by their parents.

I have recollections of many memorable activities with my students, besides the field trips, plays and concerts. I remember when we worked together:

- digging and preparing a garden plot
- planting and caring for flower beds
- completing craft projects
- painting Christmas and Easter designs on the classroom windows
- collecting, sorting and sending away UPC symbols to raise money to support our school shower program and our field trip fund.

I remember:

- when we made butter at school and the class enjoyed toast and fresh butter
- when we followed recipes to make special snacks
- when we picked blueberries with the grade one class and later enjoyed blueberry pie and ice cream
- when we made beaded necklaces and bracelets
- when we carded wool at school
- when we handmade decorations for our class Christmas tree
- when we went out in the fall, studying and collecting various kinds of seeds, then when we

returned to the classroom, our clothes full of burrs, laughing that "the seeds had collected us."

I have always enjoyed art and have tried to encourage my students to try a variety of art projects - some individual and some group activities. I recall with pride the achievement in art of many of my students who won art contests, poster contests, prizes at the Athabasca Fair as well as having artwork chosen for the annual Northland School Division calendar. (Of course, I have kept all my Northland calendars!) It was with great pleasure that I learned that the competition for the design on the 1987 Northland Christmas Card was won by my grade three student, Kevin Houle.

I have treasured the thank you letters from parents which I occasionally received regarding a meaningful Easter project, a Home Ec. class, a special experience for their child or thanks for a Mother's Day gift made by their child in my class at school. Teaching often has few rewards and recognition in the form of a thank you note from a parent is special. It is indeed a great reward for any teacher to be told that they are appreciated; too many times teachers are taken for granted. I have also treasured the gifts which I have received from my students through the years - a book on *Christmas in Other Lands*, a tiny pair of beaded moccasins as a brooch, a beaded Alberta rose, a plate, a tea cup, ornaments, two live red roses, earrings, beads and many other gifts as well as a variety of handmade gifts. I must also mention the hundreds of valentines, Christmas cards and birthday cards I have received through the years, as well as some "welcome baby" cards, "get well" cards and "hope you come back soon" cards that my students lovingly designed for me.

I will long remember my surprise and excitement in June 1985, when I received a unique gift and a plaque from the community "in appreciation of 25 years teaching."

I still admire the moosehorn carving of a dog team so carefully crafted by Joe Logan and I appreciate the colorful beading done by Margaret Logan on the tiny harnesses of the three dogs. The accompanying card was a water color scene by local artist, Bert King, with eight sheets of signatures and good wishes from Calling Lake students, parents and friends. As most of you know, there is no "sh" sound in the Cree language, so when I see my name spelled "Swaga" on that plaque, I like to think that I am now an adopted Indian.

My children and I lived at the teacherage until the spring of 1968 when we were asked to evacuate because of an advancing fire. Kathy Johnson, Darlene Burkholder, Armin and Shyla came to our farm for a few days, while the "men folk" stayed to help with the fire fighting effort. Later, we moved our things home and for the rest of that year, we drove from the farm. That fall, two of our children went by bus to Athabasca - Susann for grade nine and David for grade eight. I continued to drive daily, taking the other five children with me. I also drove our children and some neighbor children to swimming lessons at Calling Lake for several summers.



Dora Shwaga with card, moosehorn carving and plaque.
- photo courtesy Athabasca Advocate

I had never enjoyed driving, but I learned to change flat tires, carry a set of booster cables and I nearly learned that before I left home, I should check the fuel gauge. Road construction created some unforgettable driving experiences; the hidden rocks sometimes causing damage to the car, which in turn, forced my husband to abandon his farm work and look after the necessary repairs. A long stretch of rainy weather combined with fresh road construction in the fall of 1980 created driving experiences I would prefer to forget. But with the paving of Highway 813, I needed only to be concerned with icy roads and blowing snow.

One of my most satisfying accomplishments at Calling Lake was the production of the centennial year edition (1966-67) of the Calling Lake School yearbook, the *EVERGREEN*. Our yearbook editor, Miriam White, and the entire yearbook staff worked many long hours to produce a beautifully illustrated tribute to the pioneers of Calling Lake. My co-staff advisor, Trudy Crow, her husband Bob and I

interviewed families, searched through *Athabasca Echo* newspapers and collected photographs and articles to be used in that "history edition." Although it took a year and a half to complete, I treasure that yearbook and I have proudly received many compliments about it. I have also received requests for the use of some of the "history" in it.

I have always had a keen interest in local history and decided I would like to research the history of Calling Lake School. My first trip to the Provincial Archives, Edmonton, in May 1989, led to many days of research during that summer. I was not able to finish compiling the complete history, but the night before the October Grande Opening of the school, we collated the pages and assembled the 300 coil-bound soft cover books which included pictures and outlined the history of the various buildings that were used as Calling Lake School. As health and time permitted, I continued my research and pursued my goal of a hard cover history book of Calling Lake School. I hope that my efforts will prove rewarding.

When I reflect on the nearly 30 years that I have spent here, I no longer wonder why I have stayed on staff at Calling Lake School. I know it is not the buildings or its furnishings that have ever been important to me, it is not the convenience of the paved highway and, beautiful though it may be, it is not the location of the school.

I believe it is the people of Calling Lake who are the reason I have stayed on staff here - the students that I have had the opportunity to teach, the staffs that I have had the privilege to work with, and the residents of the community of Calling Lake, who gave their support and friendship. My special memories of Calling Lake are mostly of the people, the busy times and the feeling of satisfaction after a difficult project was successfully completed.

When I first came to Calling Lake I said I would be staying for one year only. I was told by an "old timer" here that this would not be my one and only year, because, as the saying goes, "once you taste the water of Calling Lake, you will surely return to drink it again." I didn't believe it then, but now, after nearly 30 years of teaching at Calling Lake School, do you suppose there could be some truth in the old saying? Do you believe there could be a special magnetic attraction which radiates from this lake of sparkling blue?

I do.

UPDATE

- 1990 - 1991 TO 1996 - 1997 -

With the upcoming 75th Anniversary of the Calling Lake School District, the author again became involved with Calling Lake School and decided to add this update chapter of history which covers the highlights of the seven years since 1989 - 1990. The combined information will record a full 75 years of history at Calling Lake School.

An update of class lists and staff lists was added at the end of the chapters in Topic K and Topic L. Bussing information has been added in Topic G: Travelling to School.

At first, it seems that much remains the same at Calling Lake School. Classes operate as before and special education is still not offered in the elementary grades. The school hot lunch program continues. Native language, computer and library classes are ongoing. Intramurals take place in the gymnasium and there are noon hour activities including games room and computer lab. Field trips continue to be a part of each year's activities. Dr. C. E. Kwasi Amenu-Tekaa is in his fourth year as principal of Calling Lake School.

But there are changes.

The first visible change is the sign along Secondary Highway 813 as you travel towards Calling Lake. As you leave the County of Athabasca at township 70, you will notice a new sign featuring an eagle soaring over the treetops. The sign says "Welcome to the Land of Opportunity. Municipal District No. 17." The area north of this is no longer called Improvement District No. 17. In August, 1995, it was renamed the Municipal District of Opportunity No. 17. As you travel farther north,

you will see another sign just after you pass the Provincial Park sign and before you reach Poplar Street. It features the same soaring eagle and welcomes all to the Land of Opportunity and the Community of Calling Lake.

At the school are more changes.

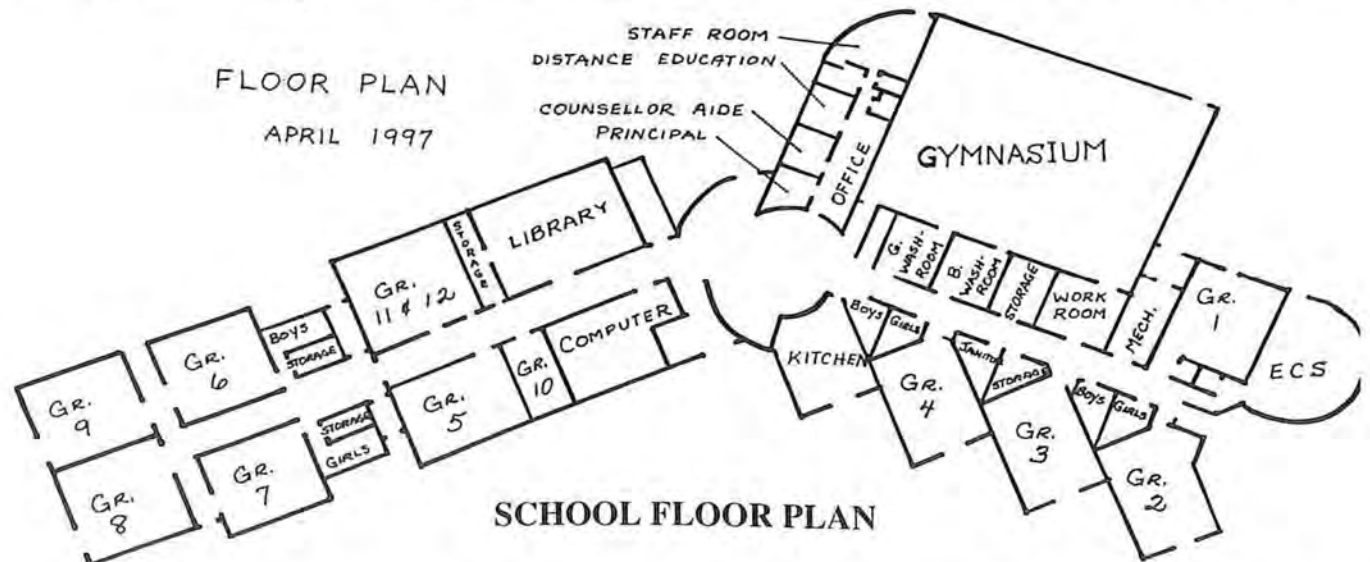
The school complex has been expanded with the addition of two more trailers at the north end. More staff housing was needed so two teacherages were placed off the school grounds, to the east of the Community Complex.

On approaching the main door of the school, one pauses to admire the colorful mural that was painted by Marvin (Dick) Nipshank in 1993. The native design on the outside wall near the front door welcomes each visitor, student and staff member and is a proud reminder of the native heritage of this community.



Mural at Calling Lake School.

-photo courtesy Clarice Cardinal



Once inside, one is reassured that years have indeed passed. The fig tree in the centre of the rotunda has grown tall and now reaches the sky-light above it. At least four murals of native design adorn the rotunda walls. One mural by the kitchen depicts food preparation and serving, while a hoop dancer by the gym entrance captures the imagination of all.

The swim program was continued until the end of the 1994-95 school year. Skating is now part of the physical education program because classes can use the arena, situated east of the Community Complex. Each year, Calling Lake students continue to participate in the Northland Games, bringing back many medals.

The staff workroom has been relocated from the office area to the south end of the building to make available space for the Distance Education office.

SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS 1991-1992 ⁴⁷

Calling Lake School offered a K-10 programme for students. A gymnastics instructor for elementary physical education was hired for a period of 5-6 weeks, a Life Skills coach worked with students for about a month (2 classes per week) and the junior high agriculture class created a small garden.

A number of students enrolled in the CALM 20 (Career And Life Management) and chemistry 10 programs offered by AVC's distance education network. The programs were offered via tele-writer and tele-conference and were well received by the students.

A number of activities were introduced to the students during the year such as a Monday morning handshake circle and smudge. Guest speakers, such as Winston Wutunee, pipe-bearers and local elders were invited to the school to take part in the smudges. The school introduced its first indigenous science fair and the girls' dance group was developed.

Approximately one quarter of the students participated in the Northland Games and the entire elementary school took part in the Athabasca Track and Field "Play Day". Again, the school hosted its annual Floor Hockey Tournament in February.

In addition, 10 students attended the University of Alberta's Summer Youth University Program. This was possible when the school raised over \$4,300.00 to supplement the funds provided by Northland School Division.

SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS 1992-1993 ⁴⁷

Once again Calling Lake hosted a Native Career Fair and received an even greater response than before. The purpose of this event was to encourage students to consider training or studying for the various trades and professions represented by Native practitioners.

The Counsellor Aide, Marvin Nipshank, boosted school spirit by arranging for "Dress-Up Days" of various kinds. The Grad Committee was very active this year. They cleaned up the cemetery, mowed lawns, cleaned garbage boxes, and had two car washes. Altogether they raised close to \$1500. Theirs was an extraordinary effort and they have been commended for setting such an excellent example for the younger students. The Students' Union was also active and raised funds to bring in a D.J. for one of their dances.

The students were introduced to some new technology and innovation. A Plato computer was placed in the school for approximately three months and about 8 students worked on the various programs. Most agreed that it was a very different experience.

SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS 1993 - 1994 ⁴⁷

Calling Lake offers a K - 11 program for students with a focus on academic success and participation in sports and games.

During the year students were involved in various sporting activities. The senior boys' and senior girls' floor hockey teams won Silver and Gold medals at various tournaments and the elementary team also achieved a first place finish. Another highlight was the outdoor Education program where students participated in orientation activities, cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, and bush survival techniques.

The school staff participated in a one-day Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) course at the school as part of the school's emergency preparedness program.

SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS 1994 - 1995 ⁴⁷

A full senior high school program came on stream. Some senior high school students took the Distance Education instructional route for complimentary courses that they were interested in.

but were not being offered at the school.

The elementary classes had the opportunity to undertake the swimming component of their Physical Education program. As well, a qualified gymnastics teacher came to the school to teach the gymnastics component of the P.E. program. Students participated in the Northland Games where they won a total of 32 medals.

The Kekeli Dancers from Edmonton put on a presentation of cultural dance forms in April, 1995. The group was made up from dancers from Ghana, South Africa, Sudan, Ethiopia, Sierra Leone, and the Caribbean. The presentation was enjoyed by students, staff and community members.

SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS 1995 - 1996

The school year started with another fairly large increase in enrollment. On September 30, 1995, there were 197 students enrolled, up from the June figure of 159. At the end of the school year, there were 184 students. As enrollment keeps climbing, the present building, which was built for elementary purposes and extended to include a junior high component, has become grossly inadequate for a full high school programme. We keep on experiencing space problems. Perhaps we may be able to see some portables, which had been requested for that purpose two years ago, by the fall of 1996.

Of the five students who were scheduled to graduate from grade 12, only two graduated. The rest missed some Diploma Examinations. Congratulations went out to the graduates.

The junior boys' teams captured Gold at the floor hockey tournaments in Grouard. The girls' team took Silver. At the Northland Games in Fort McMurray, our 15 athletes collected about 44 medals, 17 of which were Gold. Intramurals and local area games also provided good competition and more avenues to excel.



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Calling Lake School now uses its own distinctive logo on letterheads and office supplies. The logo is also used on colorful school T-shirts.

SCHOOL LUNCH

The school hot lunch program continues to operate with Agathe Gladue as head cook. Her helpers for the 1996-97 year are: Erma Logan, Yvonne Bigstone and Annette Cardinal. Other helpers who have worked since 1990 were: Rita Auger, Lisa Crane, Rose Foster, Clara Gladue, Mary Gladue, Irene Jacobs, Andrea Logan and Lori Logan.

The 1996-97 board members of the school lunch program are:

Darlene Gambler, Deborah Gambler, Roberta Gambler, Valerie Jacobs and Delma Johnson.

NATIVE LANGUAGE

Native language classes continue to be offered at Calling Lake School, taught since January 1996 by Lillian (Gladue) Gagnon. She goes from classroom to classroom throughout the day, conducting classes for students from ECS to grade 6. She carries her materials to each class, then returns to her office on the south upper level of the library.

Starting in April 1997, Cree 10 was offered to the senior high students, taught by Charles Houle.

Native language instructors have been:

1990 - 1991	Mathilda Logan
1991 - 1992	Mathilda Logan
1992 - 1993	Alice Baron
1993 - 1994	Charles Houle
1994 - 1995	Charles Houle
1995 - 1996	Charles Houle (Sept.-Oct.) John Gambler Lillian Gagnon (Jan.-June)
1996 - 1997	Lillian Gagnon
Cree 10	Charles Houle (Apr.-June)

LIBRARY

The library continues to operate in much the same way as before. Classes come at designated times to return and borrow books. The north upper level of the library houses teacher reference materials and part of the south upper level has become an office for the Native language teachers. Charlene (Jacobs) Crane is the current librarian and has been librarian at Calling Lake School since April 1991, except for a few months, May to November, 1994, when Elizabeth Templeton took her place.

A computer, located in the library, is used for

special projects such as banners, certificates and cards. There are also some Discis books and there are dictionaries for the computer. Two more computers are being added for the library as well.

DISTANCE EDUCATION

In 1991, Northland School Division started a Distance Education program to bridge the gap between students and teachers in small schools that have high school programs or correspondence courses. The Distance Education office was located at the Central Office in Peace River and Paul Templeton was hired as the first Distance Education teacher for Northland.

Then a decision was made to relocate the Distance Education office to the field. Calling Lake School was chosen. On March 1, 1993, Paul Templeton moved to Calling Lake School, where for one year, his office space was the music room. Then, for two years, his office was a small room off the library. In February, 1997, the teachers' workroom was made available in the office area of the school. Starting in September 1996, a half-time teacher, Jake Warkentin, was also hired. His office is based in Conklin.

The Distance Education teacher works on a wide variety of subject areas as well as options, and sometimes makes visits at different school sites.

Besides the telephone and fax, a video system has been added so that students and teachers can interact by video and voice. To make written material available immediately, a visual presenter (document camera) is used. It enables material, including a student assignment, to be seen on video while the student and teacher discuss it.

Distance Education is trying to implement a variety of approaches. A Northland School website is being created and schools will go "on line" so that students can access information in a new and exciting way.

EARLY CHILDHOOD SERVICES

Teachers:

1990 - 1991	Gladys Cardinal
1991 - 1992	Gladys Cardinal
1992 - 1993	Gladys Cardinal
1993 - 1994	Donna Van Der Weij
1994 - 1995	Donna Van Der Weij
1995 - 1996	Donna Van Der Weij
1996 - 1997	Donna Van Der Weij

The curriculum for ECS has changed in the past few years and is now based more on the grade one curriculum. Math, science, phonics and language arts are part of the program. Computer classes are offered twice a week.

At mid-morning, teacher Donna (Logan) Van Der Weij provides her students with a nutritious snack such as yogurt, toast, cereal or fruit.

GRADE NINE GRADUATES

Students who completed the grade nine program were:

1990 - 1991

Bradley Cardinal
Muriel Jacobs
Lori Logan
Sean Mah

1991 - 1992

Charmaine Anderson
Bertha Cardinal
Brian Cardinal
Tanya Courtorielle
Christopher Gambler
Clayton Gambler
Leroy Gladue
Shane House
Michael Mah

1992 - 1993

Jennifer Cardinal
Rhonda Cardinal
Tammy Crawford
Janice Gambler
Priscilla Logan

1993 - 1994

Curtis Cardinal
Robin Cardinal
Justin Johnson
Annie Klein
Karyn Courtoreille

1994 - 1995

Jerrold Anderson
Cheryl Gladue
Melissa Gladue
Terris Mah
Ashley Cardinal

1995 - 1996

Christine Anderson
Leah Auger
Kimberly Cardinal
Ruth Gambler
Tanya Gladue
Lyle Houle
Chantal Johnson
Rica Uhlick-Schmidt
Clifford Young

Graduation ceremonies and a banquet have been held for the students in June. In 1995 and also in 1996, the ceremonies and banquet were held jointly for the grade 9 and the grade 12 students. Parents, community members and staff attended.

GRADE 12 GRADUATES

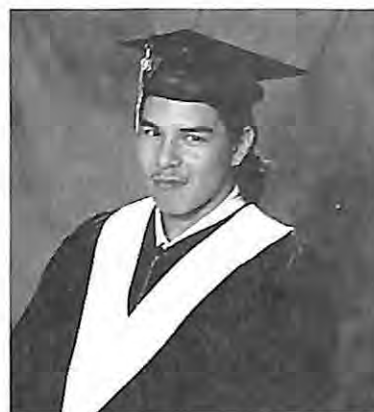
In 1994 - 1995 a full senior high school program came on stream. Some senior high school students took the Distance Education instructional route for complimentary courses that were not being offered at Calling Lake School but that they were interested in taking.

The first grade 12 graduate from Calling Lake School was Mathew McGinnis who graduated in 1995. In 1996, Bertha Cardinal and Sean Mah completed the grade 12 program and graduated. Since the graduation, Michael Mah has earned the few credits he needed to receive his high school general diploma.



Mathew McGinnis
-photo courtesy
Bonnie McGinnis

Bertha Cardinal
-photo courtesy
Calling Lake School



Sean Mah
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Michael Mah
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LOCAL SCHOOL BOARD COUNCIL 1996 - 1997

President: Victor Gladue
Secretary: Valerie Jacobs
Members: Shawn Auger
Danny Cardinal
Kitty Gambler
Louise Gambler
Delma Johnson

MUSIC FESTIVAL

The very first time a class at Calling Lake School had ever participated in the Athabasca Music Festival was on March 18, 1997. Dean Foster's grade five class came away with a blue ribbon and a certificate after the students won Gold placement (90-100%) for their recorder ensemble. Their two musical pieces were: J'ai du Bon and Hideaway. Part of the adjudicator's written comments read: "Lovely presentation. ... Rhythm and notes very accurate. ... Rests: very accurate. Perfect! Echoes: lovely. ... You seemed to be having lots of fun ..."

The next day, students and staff assembled in the gym to hear the recorder ensemble and to congratulate the students and Dean Foster.

Students who participated in the Festival were:

Cody Belcourt, Brandon Cardinal, Natasha Cardinal, Queena Cardinal, Ramona Cardinal, Tamara Cardinal, Chantel Gambler, Amber Jacobs, Cordell Johnson, Pisim Johnson, Darrel Logan and Sheldon Young. In Dean Foster's words, "Native children can accomplish whatever they want with hard work and good attitudes."

The recorder ensemble performed as part of the evening entertainment at Volunteer Appreciation Night held at Nancy Appleby Theatre in Athabasca on April 19, 1997.



Calling Lake School has had internet access since April 7, 1997, with seven computers "on line" at that date. Calling Lake was not the first Northland School to have internet access, but it is the first to have as many as seven computers "on line". Staff members received in-service training and all students have had opportunities to use the internet. Community members were also invited to the school two evenings a week to "surf the net".

Starting in 1996-1997, school registers are no longer being used to keep attendance. Instead, attendance records are kept on computer in the office.

During 1996 - 1997 about 234 students in all were enrolled at Calling Lake School in ECS to grade 12, with maximum enrollment at any time being about 200. There are now many families at Calling Lake who have had three generations attend Calling Lake School. One family has four generations who have all attended Calling Lake School. Those fourth-generation students, all presently attending Calling Lake School are: Corey Gambler, grade 8; Keith Cardinal, grade 7; Natasha Cardinal, grade 5 and Sarah Cardinal, ECS.

It has been many years since twins have attended Calling Lake School. Kathy and Kerry Jantzi, grade 1 in 1968 - 1969 were the first, and attended for two

years. Tobi Cardinal, grade 4, and Todd Cardinal, grade 5, attended in 1991 - 1992 and attended again the following year. Ashley and Travis Makofka, grade 6, attended in 1994 - 1995. There are two sets of twins attending for the 1996 - 1997 year: Mason and Morgan Johnson, who attended ECS and are now in grade one; and Garon and Garret Noskiye, who are in grade two. There are other twins in the community who will be attending in the future.

Many former Calling Lake students have gone on to a variety of careers including computer work, nursing, private business, and an MLA who held government portfolio. A large number have chosen to become involved at Calling Lake School as ECS instructors, teacher aides, secretary, librarian, counsellor aide, Cree instructor, school lunch cooks and board members as well as being involved as local school board council members. Many Calling Lake students have completed grade 12 away from Calling Lake. Many former students have chosen a career in education, becoming teachers and principals. One has gone on to become Deputy Superintendent of Northland School Division. A total of four teachers on staff in 1995-1996; Clarice Cardinal, Gladys Cardinal, Dean Foster and Cora Weber-Pillwax, had themselves attended school at Calling Lake for many years. It is a compliment to Calling Lake School to have so many former students involved in education.

Calling Lake School District is celebrating its 75th anniversary in 1997. Plans are being made for a celebration to take place at Calling Lake School in the fall. Former students and teachers will be able to meet again and all who have moved away will note the many changes that have taken place at the school. Celebration plans also include this printed history of the school which will be available then. This history book will be one small way to celebrate the past and to remember over 120 different teachers and to honor nearly 1200 different students who have attended Calling Lake School during the past 75 years.

We look forward to the year 2022 and the One Hundredth Anniversary of the Calling Lake School District. It may be too soon to accurately predict the future changes within this "school we're proud to know". However, we can be certain that Calling Lake School will remain forever "by a lake of sparkling blue".

Kisî Manito kika wî nîkânôhtahikonaw mîna kika wî nîsokamâkonaw kiskinohamâto- winihk.

May the Great Spirit of Education guide our path.



Calling Lake School students and staff, 1995 - 1996.
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