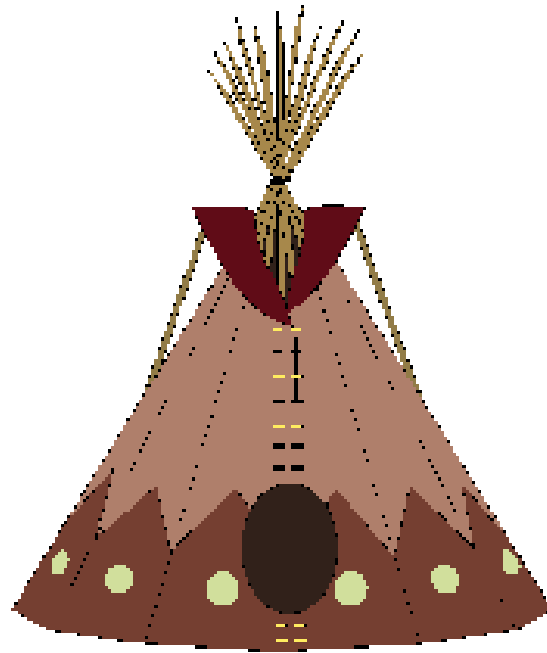




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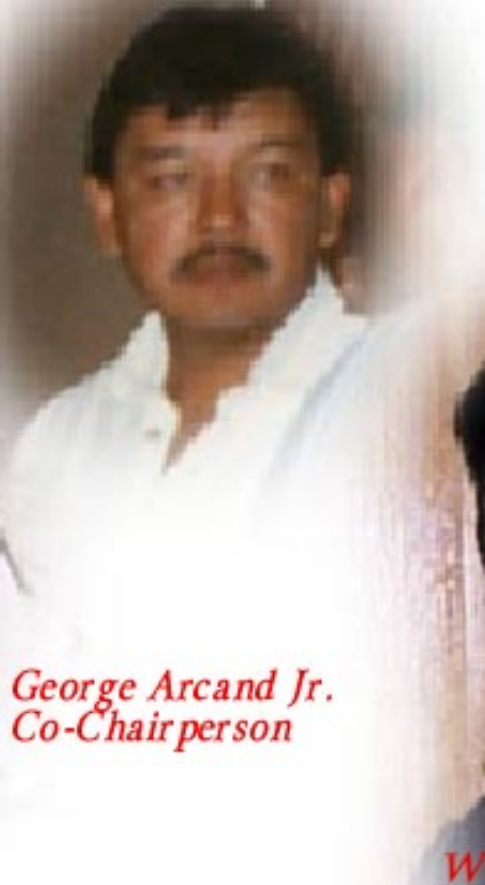


The Beginning of
First Nations (Alberta)
Technical Services
Advisory Group 1996-1997

TSAG – 1997 Present Members



Victor Houle, Co-Chair person



*George Arcand Jr.
Co-Chair person*



*Wyatt Arcand
Technician*

First Nations (Alberta) Technical Services Advisory Group

- ⇒ A group involved in the delivery of Technical Services to First Nation Communities of Alberta. This group has been mandated by the Chiefs of Alberta at The Chiefs Summit V November 19, 1996.
- ⇒ FNATSAG opened its doors in January 1998.

Recognition: Members of FNATSAG 1998

George, Victor & Wyatt opened the TSAG office.

The founding TSAG Chiefs Steering Committee.

Members were:

- ✓ The late Chief Stanley Arcand, Alexander First Nation
- ✓ Chief Cherilene Steinhauer, Saddle Lake First Nation
- ✓ Chief Robert Breaker, Siksika Nation
- ✓ Chief Henry Holloway, Stoney Tribe-Chiniki
- ✓ Chief Walter Janvier, Chipewyan Prairie First Nation
- ✓ Chief James Ahnassay, Dene Tha' First Nation

Other members of the Technical Services Advisory Group

- Gordon Currie, Montana Nation
- Melvin Potts, Montana Nation
- Fred Rabittcarrier, Siksika Nation
- Ferris Smith, Siksika Nation
- Lyle Dodginghorse, Tsuu T'ina Nation
- Steve Ahnassay, Dene Tha' Nation
- Daniel Olson, North Peace Tribal Council
- Don Degenhardt, Yellowhead Tribal Council
- Ray Vavaida, Indian & Northern Affairs Canada
- **Aaron Young**, Chiniki Tribal Council, designed **TSAG LOGO**
- Allan Paul, Chipewyan Prairie First Nation
- Martin Arcand, Western Aboriginal Development Alliance
- Tom Littlechild, FN Firefighters Association AB Region
- Howard Beebe, T7 Tribal Council



TSAG 1998-1999

- In 1998 George Arcand Jr. moved to INAC as the Associate Regional Director General
- In the month of May, Victor Houle moved to INAC as the First Nations Relations, Treaty 6 Alberta
- Martin Arcand, Executive Director
Michelle Arcand, Office Manager
Bertha Cardinal started in May as the Secretary/Receptionist



Chiefs Steering Committee

Chairman was Chief John Shirt, Saddle Lake First Nation

Chief Stanley Arcand, Alexander First Nation

Chief Paul Chiniquay, Chiniki First Nation

Chief Walter Janvier, Chipewyan Prairie First Nation

Chief James Ahnassay, Dene Tha' First Nation

1999 Interim Board of Directors

Treaty 6 area

- **Don Degenhardt**, Chairman, Yellowhead Tribal Council
- **Ray Gadwa**, Tribal Chiefs Ventures
- **Gordon Currie**, Montana First Nation

Treaty 7 area

- **Ferris Smith**, Co-Chair, Siksika Nation
- **Aaron Young**, Stoney-Chiniki Nation
- **Daniel Northman**, Peigan Nation (now know as Piikani Nation)

Treaty 8 area

- **Steven Ahnassay**, Co Chair, Dene Tha' First Nation
- **Cindy Koop**, Lesser Slave Lake Indian Regional Council
- **Charlie Chalifoux**, Swan River First Nation

January 4th, 2000 **Vaughn Paul** joined TSAG as CEO, when Martin Arcand decided to leave TSAG to run for Council of the Alexander FN

Recognition, Involvement with TSAG

- ➔ Glen Evoy, Health Canada
- ➔ Cliff Bowman, INAC
- ➔ Blair Art, INAC
- ➔ Skattar Sandhu, Health Canada
- ➔ Sandi Williams, INAC
- ➔ Andy Noel, INAC
- ➔ Gray Waters, INAC
- ➔ Dave Greening, INAC
- ➔ Barrie Robb, INAC
- ➔ Fred Jobin, INAC
- ➔ Martin Arcand
- ➔ Wyatt Arcand



A Special Remembrance for the late Mr. Fred Jobin 1950-2007



Fred was born at High Prairie, AB. Fred's career consisted of working with numerous aboriginal organizations. In 1979, he joined the Department of Indian & Northern Affairs where he provided 26 years of services in the AB Region. He was an advocate for the causes of First Nations and their program needs, including community development, devolution, accountability, and self government. We at TSAG had the opportunity to work with Fred and he proved to be a very understanding, knowledgeable and compassionate person. We at TSAG will always remember Fred.

2007 First Nations (AB) Technical Services Advisory Group - Staff

- Vaughn Paul, Chief Executive Officer-January 2000
- Michelle Arcand, Executive Assistant, January 1998
- Bertha Cardinal, Administrative Assistant, May 1999
- Denise Hammel, Environmental Management Coordinator-January 2003
- Leon Smallboy, Fire Safety Coordinator – 2001
- Chantelle Cardinal, Communications Manager / West Nile Virus -2003
- Helen Jacobsen, Circuit Rider Training Program Manager 2007
- Gerry Gusdal, May 2003 - Circuit Rider Trainer
- Dave Barabash, June 2003 - Circuit Rider Trainer
- Murray Healy, April 2005 - Circuit Rider Trainer
- Brad Tourangeau, April 2005 - Circuit Rider Trainer
- Shannon Gladue, January 2007 - Circuit Rider Trainer
- Devin Meneen, January 2007 - Circuit Rider Trainer
- Joshilyn McDonald, ACRS Data Clerk, September 2007
- Don Degenhardt, ACRS
- Cliff Bowman, ACRS



2007 Chiefs Steering Committee & Board of Directors

- Chief Eddy Makokis, Saddle Lake FN
- Chief Darren Whitford, O'Chiese FN
- Chief Adrian Stimson, Siksika Nation
- Chief Charles Weaselhead, Blood Tribe
- Chief Richard Kappo, Sturgeon Lake CN
- Chief James Ahnassay, Dene Tha' FN



2007 Board of Director's

- ➔ Bill Paul, Alexander FN - T6
- ➔ Ray Gadwa, Tribal Chief Ventures - T6
- ➔ Wanda Baptiste, Samson CN - T6
- ➔ Winslow Davis, Blood Tribe - T7
- ➔ Lee Crowchild, Tsuu T'ina Nation - T7
- ➔ Floyd Provost, Piikani Nation - T7
- ➔ Charlie Chalifoux, Swan River FN - T8
- ➔ Stephen Ahnassay, Dene Tha' FN - T8
- ➔ Mike Sharpe, Athabasca TC - T8

And most of all, The Two Special Ladies that Open and Close the TSAG Conference



Beatrice Arcand & Eva Favel have been a part of the Technical Services from the beginning and yet they always remember the words that were told to them. Here with them in this photo is the late **Mr. Vernon Makokis**



Thank you
to all the
participants
that help make
the TSAG
Conference
& Trade Show
a **Success!**



Fire Protection Program

Team Alberta representatives at the Aboriginal Fire Fighters Association of Canada Conference & Competition in Kahnawake Q.C. Territory August 21–26, 2007



From Saddle Lake First Nations
Team **Captain**: Donald Crane, **Fire fighters**:
Brett Cardinal, Arthur Steinhauer, Dean White,
Ricky Whiskeyjack & Harold Crane



JDRF & TSAG Annual Golf Tournament 2007



The Past & Present....

