



# A.C.E. NEWSLETTER

Winter, 2016

## *'Tis Conference Season!*

Winter has finally come, just in time for the Conference and the Education Awards Banquet. It seems that every year, the Conference embraces some of the coldest winter weather there is. It doesn't slow the enthusiasm of the participants. If you haven't been to either event, there is still time to register.

There are **20, yes 20**, workshops

**Watch the Website, Blog, Facebook and Twitter to see the details of the events!**

It's been a busy fall for A.C.E. The new Executive Council is doing a wonderful job bringing energy and ideas to the table and the community. We have had workshops, are working on building Indigenous perspectives into our Organization, its framework and policies.

### *Make another New Year's Resolution!*

**It is the time of year to think of what we can do and the goals we would like to attain in the coming year. Think about joining A.C.E.**

**Be part of the Board or a Committee,  
Facilitate a workshop or Volunteer at an Event.**

*All the situations in our lives, from the insignificant to the major,  
teach us exactly what we need to be learning.*

### **Aboriginal Circle of Educators, Inc.**

**Announces our Annual General Meeting**

**Thursday, February 11, 2016 at 12:30, at the Conference**

**If you would like to be part of the Executive or Board, Check out Page 4!**

*Have you renewed your A.C.E. Membership yet? Memberships are only \$20 per year and are valid from July 1 to June 30. They entitle you to discounts at workshops and the Conference and Banquet.*

*Registering for the Conference entitles you to a year's membership.*

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## *Looking for Participants!*

There is still time to register for the 13th Annual A.C.E. Conference, February 11-12, 2016.

**We have great workshops, 20 in two days!**

Come and bring a friend so you can make even more of the experience.

**Listen to James B. Wilson, Commissioner of the TRCM open the Conference on Thursday and hear Lisa Meeches start us off on Friday after a hot, nutritious breakfast.**

Here is [the Registration Package](#). The workshop details are part of the package.

We also have workshop summaries from **JUMP MATH** to **TREATIES** and presenter biographies from **JOEL BOYCE** to **WANBDI WAKITA** on the website:

<http://www.aboriginalcircleofeducators.ca/>

Whether you are looking for community information, classroom resources or traditional teachings we have something for you.

## *The A.C.E. Education Awards Banquet is 10!*

We have an amazing slate of recipients to honour at the A.C.E. Education Awards.

The Urban Circle Training Centre must be doing something right as both Young Leaders are students in the EA program. The list of Recipients

There will be updates shortly. Let us know if you are interested. [Send us an Email.](#)

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*We opened our circle this year to better assist Adult Educators with the challenges they face finding resources and information specific to their needs. On Friday, we have workshops on the "Nine Essential Skills, Managing Aggression without Wrecking the Relationship and more. Check out our latest Registration Package, complete with workshop information by [Downloading](#)*

*We are welcoming the Aboriginal Circle of Adult Educators to Our Conference on Friday.*

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**My Child In Middle Years: A Parent Resource** is a new link from [Manitoba Education](#) has some great resources for middle years families: from changes in Adolescence to Helping Your Child Succeed, with FAQs and other resources for Parents.



## *Cultural Workshops and More!*

We are bringing teachings, knowledge and crafts to our members and the community at large. Thanks to our great Executive and the generous support of the Ethno Cultural Community Support grant, that included four bingos at which the executive and friends volunteered, we are able to offer subsidies to those who might not otherwise be able to learn the teachings of the Star Blanket, the Hand Drum, the Ribbon Skirt and more we're planning for Spring



The traditional approach to **"Grandfathers Teachings"** will be offered this spring.

**"Making of a Star Blanket"** will be offered again this spring. We are providing dinner and the materials. It is being held at the Adolescent Parent Centre, 136 Cecil Street. You will need a sewing machine. There will be a limited number of machines available.

The **"Making of a Ribbon Skirt"** is also slated. We are providing dinner and the materials. You will need a sewing machine although there will be a limited number of machines available. It is also being held at the Adolescent Parent Centre, 136 Cecil Street.

The **"Hand Drum Making"** workshop will with our facilitators, Alison and Frank Cox. We are planning to have this workshop at the Thunderbird House, 715 Main Street.

The **"Feast Bundle and Feast Teachings"** will be at the beautiful Manitoba Indigenous Cultural Education Centre, 119 Sutherland. The two evening workshop will be facilitated by Roxanne Shuttleworth.

We are still working out the details for beading and weaving workshops.  
Watch for updates as they develop.



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*The Annual General Meeting  
Of the Aboriginal Circle of Educators  
Is Thursday, February 11, 2016, at 12:30 pm  
In the Evergreen Ballroom, 1715 Wellington Avenue*

**We are looking for members who would like to contribute to the continuing success of our organization.**

**We are looking for members interested in being part of the Executive Council as well as General Members. Interested in knowing more? Contact Deborah at 1.204.229.7416/or 1.204.772.2231 or [ace@aboriginalcircleofeducators.ca](mailto:ace@aboriginalcircleofeducators.ca)**

All you Need to Be:

- ✓ A Member is good standing as of January 15, 2016
- ✓ Interested in promoting Aboriginal perspectives in the Classroom and Community
- ✓ Interested in working on a committee
- ✓ Able to participate in person or electronically as required

Those interested in becoming Council Members should be available the Second Monday of the Month during the School Year, to participate in the Member Meetings, in person or electronically.

Monthly Membership Meetings are held on the second Monday of the month during the school year at Thunderbird House- 715 Main Street at 4:15 pm. First comes the food and the chat with the meeting proper starting at about 4:30. Deborah loves to cook and usually has a soup or stew, bannock and salad available to those who make the trek. Latecomers be warned: there aren't often leftovers.

Our PATH Meeting will be held on Saturday, February 13, 2016 at the Best Western Plus Winnipeg Airport Hotel, 1715 Wellington Avenue. Breakfast and lunch will be provided.

Let Deborah know if you want to attend.

## *A.C.E. Membership Meeting Dates 2015/2016*

Bring a friend or colleague!

- ❖ February 8, 2016
- ❖ A.C.E. AGM,  
February 11, 2016, 12:30pm, at the Conference
- ❖ March 14, 2016
- ❖ April 11, 2016
- ❖ May 9, 2016
- ❖ June 13, 2016

You can also participate in these Committees:

**Conference**

**Culture**

**Workshops**

**Adult Education Resources**

Come help shape the future of A.C.E.



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