



Native View of Battle of Chippawa

Zig Misiak of Brantford, a historical re-enactor and self-described student of Native/First Nations history and culture, has written *Highlighting Native Nations:*

War of 1812, his perspective on how the war was experienced by First Nations. The Battle of Chippawa on July 5, 1814, seems to have been a turning point. Here, Native warriors fought each other on opposite sides of the war. From this book, Misiak created a limited edition print of his image “They Mourn,” which shows three warriors reflecting on their losses.

“After this battle, with good reason,” writes Misiak, “the majority of warriors went their separate ways and did not participate in any major engagements for the duration of the war.”

For more about Misiak’s work, see www.realpeopleshistory.com or call 519.757.0910. PHOTOS PROVIDED



Lincoln Alexander Gets His Day

Ted Arnott, MPP for Wellington-Halton Hills, together with co-sponsors Paul Miller, MPP for Hamilton East-Stoney Creek, and Liberal MPP Bas Balkissoon, was successful in having a Private Members' Bill passed, proclaiming Lincoln Alexander Day in Ontario. Hamilton-based Alexander was Canada's first Black MP, first Black cabinet minister and first Black Lieutenant Governor of Ontario, among many other significant achievements. Representing all three political parties, the MPPs agreed to support the designation of every January 21 as Lincoln Alexander Day.

Arnott urged passage of the bill "as a tribute to this great Canadian, and as a statement that this House absolutely condemns racism, intolerance, prejudice and bigotry in all its forms, wherever it still exists."

In the photograph are from left, Bas Balkissoon, Marni Beal-Alexander, widow of Lincoln Alexander, Rosemary Sadlier, Ontario Black History Society president, Ted Arnott and Paul Miller. PHOTO PROVIDED



Subaru's First Hybrid

Subaru introduced its first hybrid vehicle at the Canadian International AutoShow in Feb. The 2014 Subaru XV Crosstrek Hybrid, nicknamed "the nature lover," has a Manufacturers' Suggested Retail Price of \$29,995. Subaru says "The XV Crosstrek Hybrid uses the same gasoline Subaru boxer engine as the rest of the lineup, but integrates an exclusive Continuously Variable Transmission, attached to an electronic motor, within its symmetrical full-time AWD system. It has a gasoline engine with an electric motor-assisted driving, a brake-regenerative system, and an auto-stop/start system to reduce emissions and increase fuel efficiency. The battery is dependable, compact and lightweight so we didn't have to sacrifice interior space. We've also adjusted the chassis and suspension and added ultra-light aluminum alloy wheels."