

**Correction: Please disregard previous News Release stating prize money totaling 5,000.00 dollars. The correct total amount is 3,500. Please see highlighted section below. Thank you.**



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## **News Release Communiqué**

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### **125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Métis Nation Celebrations Committee begins planning for 2010**

**October 5, 2009 (Saskatoon, SK)** –The Métis Nation – Saskatchewan has awarded the management contract of the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Métis Nation to the CNT Management Group from Regina.

“We have worked closely with the CNT Management Group in the past, this team has demonstrated transparency and diligence in their management style” says MN-S President, Robert Doucette. “We like to think big and we need passionate people to work with us and make it happen” he adds.

2010 Will be a year of commemoration, a year of celebration, a year of reconciliation and honour for the Métis Nation. Thousands of people are expected to travel to Back to Batoche Day in July 2010. This anniversary defines the history of the Métis Nation not only in Saskatchewan but the rest of Canada United States.

“The scope of our involvement is not limited to Back to Batoche Days, we are looking at events taking place every month in 2010” says Claire Bélanger-Parker, Event Manager of the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, “we are truly honoured to be working side by side with the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan”.

Several announcements will take place this Fall, including a logo contest to commemorate the Anniversary. The logo will be used on programs, posters, brochures, stationary, video clips, and on clothing and other memorabilia made to celebrate the year. The key objective of this competition is to obtain the art and logo that will signify the pride and survival of the Métis and commemorate the anniversary of our most famous struggle for rights, the Northwest Resistance of 1885.

The logo will clearly illustrate and refer to Métis history and culture in the context of 2010 marking the 125th Anniversary of the Northwest Resistance. Elements of Métis culture and history should be incorporated.

Prizes totalling three thousand, five hundred dollars sponsored by Gabriel Dumont Institute will be awarded to first (2,000), second (1,000) and third place (500.00) winners of the contest. Plus the first place winner will have the esteemed honor of having their design be the logo of this Historic Anniversary. Details of the contest and all other events surrounding the 125th Anniversary Celebrations can be found on our new website at [www.mn-s.ca](http://www.mn-s.ca).

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