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This year marks Pauktuutit's tenth anniversary.

Although ten years is not a long time in the life of an organization,

Pauktuutit's hard work and long list of accomplishments on behalf

of Inuit women have made its first decade a very successful one.

With the support of Inuit women across Canada, Pauktuutit is

confident that the next decade will be as successful.

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President's Message

auktuutit has reached an important milestone in its history. This year is the tenth anniversary of the founding of the organization and what a decade it has been. From its early beginnings, Pauktuutit has become a mature and well-respected organization on the national Inuit scene. I am proud of our contribution to the promotion of health and well-being among Inuit families and communities and of our work aimed at ending abuse and violence in Inuit society. With the recent election of the new Board members, Vice-President and Secretary-Treasurer at this year's Annual General Meeting (AGM), I expect the next decade will be equally productive.

The last year has been another very busy one. It seems the more work Pauktuutit undertakes, the more work needs to be done. Pauktuutit will continue to address some of the key issues of concern to Inuit women today. Child sexual abuse, family violence and high suicide rates are ongoing problems which require a constant, focussed response. We must eliminate the causes of these problems and, in the meantime, provide adequate assistance for the victims and their families.

Pauktuutit has taken several important steps in addressing these issues. *Inuutsiarniq*, a suicide prevention video, has been completed and was shown to delegates at our AGM in February. Pauktuutit has also been involved in addressing the concerns of Inuit women in relation to the justice system. The initial results of this work have been very instructive and further work is planned in the upcoming year. *Tamainnut*, a guide to developing counselling skills, was published in response to the many calls for help from women and men searching for ways to provide support and assistance to friends and family members experiencing personal problems.

We are also increasing our efforts in the area of economic development. Inuit women have made it very clear that they want to participate in the economic development of their communities, they just require the means. Government economic development

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programs have proven to be difficult for them to access. We would like to develop a series of projects aimed at explaining what government assistance is available to Inuit women interested in establishing businesses. The fashion show held during the AGM provided encouragement as well as ideas to women wishing to set up their own clothing businesses.

During the AGM, a special youth delegation was invited to fully participate in the discussions. These young people impressed the assembly with their intelligent questions and comments, and with their articulate contributions to the 1994 Resolutions. With the election of Deborah Tagornak as Pauktuutit's new Secretary-Treasurer, Pauktuutit will have the benefit of a youth representative directly participating in our decision-making. I firmly believe that we should listen to our youth more and involve them in our organizations, for they are our future.

I would like to conclude with a final personal thanks to Martha Greig, our departing Vice-President. I find it hard to express how much I have appreciated her assistance and hard work. She was one of the key women who have helped Pauktuutit become what it is today. With her selfless devotion to her duties and to helping Inuit women from across the North, she is a role model many can only hope to emulate. We all wish her the best in her new endeavors and we will work hard to maintain the excellent standard of caring and hard work she has left as her legacy here. Thanks, Martha.

The staff at Pauktuutit also deserve special mention for their unending hard work and dedication.

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Pauktuutit's Aims and Objectives

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Pauktuutit, the Inuit Women's Association of Canada, is a national non-profit organization representing all Canadian Inuit women.

Our mandate is to foster a greater awareness of the needs of Inuit women and to encourage their participation in community, regional and national concerns in relation to social, cultural and economic development.

The aims and objectives of Pauktuutit are:

- 1) To unite the Inuit women of Canada;
- To act and be recognized as the official representative for Inuit women;
- To familiarize our children with Inuit values, heritage, culture, and language;
- 4) To work towards better conditions for all Inuit women;
- To motivate Inuit women to realize their potential as individuals and as a group;
- To promote self-confidence and self-reliance amongst Inuit women;
- 7) To encourage Inuit women to take their rightful place in society;
- To work for the betterment of individual, family and community conditions through social and economic action;
- To promote the rights of Inuit women and children;
- 10) To promote the equality of Inuit women in all levels of Canadian government and non-governmental structures;
- To encourage the involvement of Inuit women in all levels of Canadian society; and
- 12) To encourage communication between Inuit women and all aboriginal peoples.

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he year 1993-94 proved to be a very active one for Pauktuutit as it pursued issues of concern to Inuit women. The following report outlines the work we have undertaken during the past year.

Brief to the Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples

n September 30, 1993, Pauktuutit made a presentation to the RCAP concerning the challenges and problems facing Inuit women today. Among the key topics discussed during the presentation were: the need for the development of a code of conduct among Inuit leaders; the continuing problem of violence against women; and the difficulties experienced by Inuit women with the justice system. Pauktuutit also presented the need for: the acceptance and promotion of traditional midwifery practices in the North; the need for the greater participation of Inuit women in economic development; the establishment of child care centres; the necessity of altering the educational system to better reflect the culture of Inuit; and to establish more stable, long term financing for aboriginal organizations.

The RCAP has completed its collection of information and testimony and is currently analyzing this data. A final report will be presented sometime in 1995.

Pauktuutit also received funding from the RCAP under the Intervenor Participation Program to carry out a community-based research project. Many northern communities have serious social and health problems yet only have limited resources to deal with them. These problems can develop into crises before the community can begin to address the problem, often with only short-term solutions. The purpose of Pauktuutit's project was to assist communities in identifying and priorizing their problems and to assist them in developing long-term strategies and solutions to deal with the problems.

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The community of Inukjuak was selected as the research site. A community coordinator was hired and local organizations were consulted. A workshop was held to bring together the key actors in the community to discuss and identify problems and possible solutions. After these steps, a community profile and action plan were completed.

Pauktuutit would like to congratulate Inukjuak on its efforts to address the serious social and health problems that afflict the community. By its example, Inukjuak has shown other communities what can be done when a community works together to solve its social problems.

Health Jesues

auktuutit Health Coordinator Roda Grey and consultant Claudia Brann continued their work on the Healthy Inuit Babies Project, part of the Brighter Futures Initiative (BFI). The BFI was undertaken by the federal government during the world summit for children held at the United Nations. The leaders of 71 nations gathered to talk about the world's children during the International Year of the Child.

Pauktuutit was asked by Health Canada to coordinate a working group with the objective of identifying the major community issues and strategies for improving the health of Inuit babies.

A key element of the working group's task was to develop a final guideline document for addressing issues in Inuit communities. The aim was to prepare a document that reflected the communities' reality and presented approaches that are acceptable to the communities, including recommendations for community planning and program development.

The final document, "Community Programs for Healthy Inuit Babies: Guidelines", presents a list of issues and gives some examples of programming strategies, but recognizes that it will be up to the communities to identify their own major issues and to develop appropriate programs. The document can help people look around their community and plan programs to meet their goals for improving the health and well-

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being of Inuit babies. BFI funding has already been made available to each community so they can develop their own programs. The communities are also encouraged to use the document to develop programs using other funding sources. The document can also assist in developing education material and presentations.

The document will be available in English and Inuktitut (syllabics and Roman Orthography).

Suicide Prevention Video

auktuutit has been involved in the production of a suicide prevention video entitled *Inuutsiarniq* since 1990, when it resolved to undertake the project with the Inuit Broadcasting Corporation. The goal of the project was to produce a resource that could be used in northern communities to provide some information and guidance as to how communities can deal with this serious social problem.

Workshops were held in several communities to provide input for script development. Filming took place in Nain, Povungnituk and Iqaluit.

After much hard work, the video was completed and presented to the delegates at Pauktuutit's 10th Annual General Meeting in Iqaluit. The initial response of the audience was very favorable. A questionnaire was passed out to ascertain the best method to distribute the video to northern communities. Because suicide is such a sensitive issue, a decision was made to withhold public distribution of the video until a viewers' guide is prepared to accompany it.

Substance Abuse Coordination Project

he Substance Abuse Coordination
Project was completed in March 1994.
The purpose of the project was to explore
and address the needs of Inuit communities
regarding education and support in relation
to substance abuse. As well, communities
were to be assisted in coordinating available
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health problems. Over the years a number of people have worked on this project, including Reepa Kilabuk, Simona Arnatsiaq-Barnes and Melanie Paniag.

Arviat was chosen as the pilot community for the project. Hattie Alagalak was hired as the community coordinator and worked hard to develop a list of the community's priorities. These priorities included more education and information being made available concerning fetal alcohol syndrome, sexually transmitted diseases and substance abuse. Information was gathered and sent to the Alcohol and Drug Counselling Centre in Arviat. Mrs. Alagalak worked at the centre to provide information and counselling services.

Midwifery

n 1991, Pauktuutit received funding from the National Health Research and Development Program's "North of 60" initiative to fund research on traditional Inuit approaches to pregnancy and childbirth. The project is intended to document an important area of Inuit culture for present and future generations of Inuit. The northern medical profession will also be provided with an educational tool to familiarize them with specific practices, values, attitudes, skills and traditions that continue to be an important part of Inuit society.

Former Vice-President Martha Greig has completed the majority of her interviews with Inuit women across the Arctic. Due to the large volume and complexity of the information recorded on audio tapes, the translation process has been slower than anticipated. A final report should be available in March 1995. The information gathered during this project will be made available to schools, hospitals and for the training of midwives.

Justice Project

fter initially receiving funding from the federal Department of Justice in 1992, Pauktuutit continued its study on the administration of justice and Inuit women. The study reflects Pauktuutit's growing concern with social issues such as family

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violence, sexual abuse and the growing dissatisfaction of Inuit women with many aspects of the current justice system.

Consultations with Inuit women for this study began at last year's AGM in Happy Valley-Goose Bay. A justice workshop was held during the AGM so researchers could gain an idea of what the major justice issues were for Inuit women. Further justice workshops have been held in Labrador and Nunavik to develop action plans to lobby for changes. Other workshops are planned for Baffin, Keewatin, Kitikmeot and the Western Arctic. It has become evident thus far that

there is a serious lack information available to Inuit women. Subsequently, this has led to Inuit women having only a limited understanding regarding their rights within the Canadian justice system. As well, there exists a high degree of frustration and anger among women directed at the inability of the justice system to address their concerns adequately.

During the Labrador workshops it became apparent that a major concern of

the women in attendance was the lack of action on the part of the RCMP to incidents of domestic violence. Mary Crnkovich, the justice project coordinator, worked on a report concerning the murder of a woman in Labrador by her common-law husband. Women in the community, including the mother of the victim, assisted in the preparation of the report that outlined the concerns of Inuit

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Mary Crnkovich and Charlotte Wolfrey present the Justice Report to the AGM. The didn' d'Lo 's'c 2'20 Dob'5 D' D' D' D' D' D' D' D'.

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women in relation to the reluctance of the RCMP to respond adequately to crimes of domestic violence. The report was sent to various people including the Chief Superintendent for the RCMP in Newfoundland/Labrador. While his initial response to the report was not satisfactory, a subsequent meeting with him produced more favorable results, including the Superintendent acknowledging some of the concerns of Inuit women in Labrador and offering his support for them in these matters. Pauktuutit is still waiting however, for a response from the Minister of Justice for Newfoundland/Labrador in relation to its concerns in this matter.

In the Keewatin, Pauktuutit has provided comments in relation to the Victim Impact Statements pilot project in the NWT. Project staff were worried that the concerns of victims were not adequately addressed in the evaluation report or in the proposed program. Pauktuutit is promoting the development and establishment of independent victim advocacy services across the NWT, similar to the Ikajuqtiit project in Iqaluit.

Pauktuutit attended the first circle sentencing in Nunavik as an observer and produced a report on the process. Circle sentencing is the process whereby representatives of the community, lawyers and a judge participate in the development of an appropriate sentence for an offender. The recommendation of the circle is then passed on for consideration to the judge. While some in the region and in the justice system seem ready to embrace this alternative sentencing method, Inuit women participating in Pauktuutit's justice workshop in Nunavik had some serious concerns about its appropriateness for family violence and sexual abuse cases.

Mary Crnkovich and Martha Flaherty attended the Northern Justice Conference held in Kenora, Ontario in June. They conducted a workshop based upon circle sentencing and where communities can go from there. The meeting was beneficial in that it raised the level of awareness among participants in relation to Inuit women's concerns about alternative models to the existing justice system.

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Economic Development

Reflecting the growing interest in economic development on the part of Inuit women, Pauktuutit has focussed increasing attention on how to encourage the full participation of Inuit women in the northern economy. The primary focus of recent efforts was the successful traditional Inuit clothing fashion show held during the AGM in Iqaluit. Inuit women from across the North were invited to bring samples of their finest clothing to be modelled during a professionally produced show. The response from the participants and the audience was overwhelming. A follow-up feasibility study is presently being undertaken to develop a means of encouraging women in the communities to produce clothing for sale.

It is clear from the responses gathered by Pauktuutit that much work needs to be done in this area to better enable Inuit women to participate in the northern economy.

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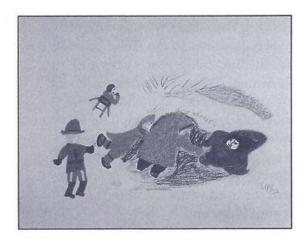
auktuutit also produced several reports and handbooks. Of particular note was the publication of Tamainnut — an Introduction to Basic Counselling Skills. Published in both English and Inuktitut, the booklet discusses a variety of issues and counselling methods of interest to people who counsel in their communities. The topics discussed include: the types and roles of counselling; basic counselling skills; examples of counselling situations; and various means of helping counsellors deal with stress. Illustrations included in the publication were drawn from the works produced by Inuit women who participated in the Banff Art Project last year.

Pauktuutit also revised its Community Health Report. New statistics were included as well as photographs in order to bring the publication up to date and to make it more readable. Copies of these publications are available at Pauktuutit's office. /'Lጚ% C'LPNJ' ቕኌልበጋ' ላ'L」 Δኌ∿በጋ', D'bcL-しゃくゃ ひらしくいらうら かららいつしゃ マイクレイチャ クトアラ $^{\circ}$ $^{\circ}$ -70-907040 -10501409 -90 -20704090L'G'J' dt rC'b'sn'. d'frcdt Lti C'LPNO' שלה אים מינש בחים אים מינים בלו יים מינים להיבלו בלו בלו מינים להיבלו היים להיים ל 2°20 (βρας) 3 - 19 (βρας) 1 - 19 (βρας) 2 (βρας DCB'> Ddo L: BDDDo OLD BDDCDad-DC°>0+ D'6D4'0'-14', D°050005" D'6D4'0- $\Delta P4.CD4^\sigma$ $^{\rho}$ $^$ $4^{\circ}/2^{\circ}$ 2° 2° 4° 4° 4 $\Delta \Delta \Delta$ $\Delta C^2 \Delta \Delta \Delta^{c}$ J'as' DCDCDSOs' C°°F Jardosos's Δοσσιδροδισι σίσ.

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Report on the 10th Annual Seneral Meeting

auktuutit's Annual General Meeting (AGM) brings together Inuit women from across the North to discuss issues of local, regional and national concern. In addition to reviewing Pauktuutit's work over the preceding year, delegates to the AGM provide direction for the upcoming year's activities.

The 10th Annual General Meeting took place February 21-24, 1994, in Iqaluit, NWT. During the AGM, delegates participated in several workshops and discussion groups covering a range of issues including justice, family violence, child sexual abuse, economic development for Inuit women and the development of Nunavut.

Importantly, this was the first AGM that specifically included a formal youth delegation. The entire delegation was impressed with the intelligent and articulate statements made by the youth delegates and there was clear support for the greater involvement of youth in Inuit organizations.

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Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples

resident Martha Flaherty described for the delegates the presentation made by Pauktuutit before the Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples (RCAP). The topics covered in the presentation included: the need for a code of conduct for Inuit leaders; the problem of violence against women; the difficulties faced by victims in the justice system; and various health, housing, education, and community development issues.

Health Report Midwifery Research

ice-President Martha Greig reported that the research phase of the midwifery project is nearing completion. The goal of the project was to document traditional Inuit knowledge of midwifery by interviewing elders in 10 northern communities. The final report is expected to be released in March 1995.

Healthy Inuit Babies Project

Pauktuutit's Health Coordinator, Roda Grey, informed the delegation as to the progress of various health-related initiatives undertaken during the past year. Roda and consultant Claudia Brann kept busy working on the Healthy Inuit Babies Project. The goal of the initiative is to improve the health of babies by improving conditions in the communities. A guidelines document, "Community Programs for Health Inuit Babies: Guidelines", has been produced that outlines the realities faced by Inuit communities and presents approaches that are appropriate to the needs and conditions of the communities.

Roda also participated on a national panel that looked at health and social issues. During the panel's deliberations, Roda put forth her view that Inuit should arrive at their own recommendations while developing their own policies and programs rather than simply importing those currently in practice in the South. Communities should also gain more control of program funding. She also felt that certain specialized health services

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required upgrading in the North and made more accessible for Inuit. She gave as an example the case of women suffering from breast cancer who have to leave home for extended periods to get the necessary treatment.

Ms. Grey also encouraged the people in the communities to get information they require on health issues from their local health representatives or regional health centres. Education is the key to solving a variety of health problems and information must by accessible for the people in the communities. She concluded her report with a warning of the dangers of fetal alcohol syndrome and cautioned pregnant women not to drink any alcohol while pregnant.

Reports from the Mental Health Workshop held in Iqaluit in March 1993 were also made available to delegates.

Substance Abuse Coordination Project

Hattie Alagalak presented the report on the Substance Abuse Project for the delegation. She began her position as the coordinator with the Arviat substance abuse program in June 1993. An information centre is now open to the public three days a week. Other substance abuse projects undertaken in northern communities were reviewed, and Fetal Alcohol Syndrome was researched. Funding for the Substance Abuse Project expired at the end of March 1994. The project ran into problems due to a high turnover of program coordinators. Hattie Alagalak concluded her presentation by stressing the importance of education in fighting the problem of substance abuse. She recommended that counsellors visit schools to talk to students and get them involved in discussing the issue. She urged people to get involved in supporting their local drug and alcohol committee.

Inuutsiarniq: Suicide Prevention Video

The delegates were presented with the finished version of the *Inuutsiarniq* video project. The project, a joint effort between

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Pauktuutit and Inuit Broadcasting Corporation, examined the causes of suicide and suggested ways people could recognize a suicide-prone person as well as steps they could take to help prevent suicides.

Delegates discussed the video and offered their comments and support for the project.

Economic Development

auktuutit recognizes that Inuit women face many hurdles when attempting to get involved in economic activities. In an effort to address some of these issues and to provide information to the delegates, Pauktuutit organized a fashion show to be held during the week of the AGM. Inuit women from across the North worked hard to produce beautiful examples of traditional and contemporary clothing (see Flora Kallies's article for further details on the fashion show). A workshop was later held to give participants an opportunity to state their concerns and to make recommendations on how to increase the participation of Inuit women in economic development activities.

Housing Study

auktuutit has undertaken a study which examines the impact of the current housing crisis in the North on Inuit women. The report is currently being prepared for publication.

Youth Delegation Report

ne of the highlights of the AGM was the participation of youth delegates representing the interests of Inuit youth from across the North. Time was set aside during each of the four days of the meeting for youth delegates to present their ideas and opinions on the issues under discussion. As well, the youth delegates were encouraged to ask questions and to participate fully in the discussions and presentations throughout the AGM.

The issues of primary importance to the youth delegates fell into the following categories: health; social; political; economic; and cultural issues.

Substance abuse, teenage pregnancies and sexually transmitted diseases were highlighted as key health concerns for Inuit youth. More

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Juter-regional Fashion Show a Big Success

A spectacular display of talent was shown during this year's AGM in Iqaluit. Inuit women from across the North came together to display their clothing in both traditional and contemporary styles. There were over 100 participants and over 500 pieces of clothing that were modelled at Inuksuk high school in Iqaluit.

The first of its kind, the fashion show was a huge success. Even the power blackout that occurred half an hour into the show did not deter the enthusiasm of the designers and models eager to show their creations to an appreciative and patient audience.

A wide variety of materials was used in the production of the clothing including wolf, seal and caribou skins, wools, beadwork and embroidery, some of which showed detailed and intricate designs inherent to the region from where they were created. From parkas, amautiqs, atigis, kamiks, mittens, hats, contemporary 2-piece outfits and sportswear, to the numerous accessories that were modelled on the runway, all the items showed many years of hard work and specialized techniques handed down from generation to generation.

A large amount of cooperation and organizational assistance for the event came from community volunteers who formed a committee to help with the fashion show and to organize the evening entertainment during the week.

Being the first of its kind, the fashion show can be seen as a stepping stone for the appreciation of an age-old industry that has long been overlooked. Northern clothing should be recognized not only as part of a proud cultural heritage, but as a growing and potentially profitable industry.

Flora Kallies
Fashion Show Coordinator

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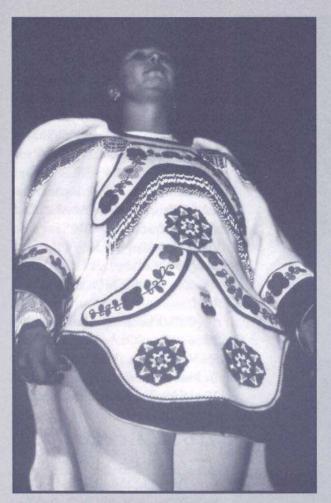
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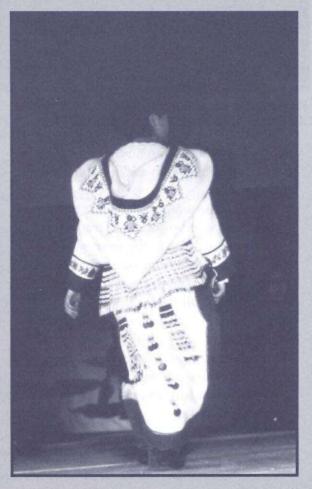
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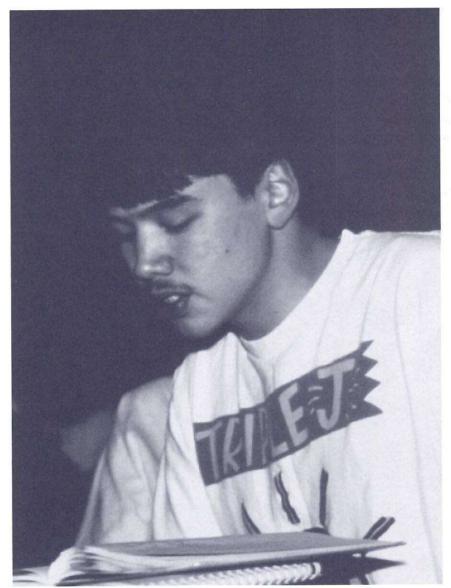












accessible information and means of birth control are required to address these problems.

The delegates felt that greater emphasis should be placed upon Inuit traditions, history and culture in the current school curriculum. More funding should be made available to improve recreational and counselling facilities for youth in the communities. Such actions would instill greater pride among Inuit youth, increase their self-esteem and reduce problems with substance abuse and suicide.

There was a further consensus among the youth representatives, and among the entire delegation, that Inuit youth should have a greater involvement in Inuit organizations to ensure that their voices are heard.

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ary Crnkovich, coordinator of M Pauktuutit's Justice Project, and Charlotte Wolfrey, from Labrador, presented an update on the study concerning Inuit women and the administration of justice. The project began with a resolution passed at last year's AGM stating that a justice project was necessary to identify concerns Inuit women had in relation to the justice system. In the past year two workshops have been held in Labrador and in Nunavik with Inuit women to identify key concerns they have with the justice system in their region and to develop action plans. A strong sentiment arising from these workshops, particularly in Labrador, was that the police have to start addressing the problem of domestic violence more seriously and respond more quickly.

With respect to the Labrador segment of the project, the Labrador women have been active in lobbying the RCMP in Newfoundland and Labrador regarding the general lack of appropriate response by the RCMP to the issue of domestic violence. Although the initial response from the RCMP was not encouraging, the Chief Superintendent of the RCMP in Newfoundland/Labrador eventually gave assurances that appropriate action would be forthcoming.

Ms. Crnkovich also outlined justice project activities in other regions including a review of the GNWT pilot project Victim Impact Statements evaluation, and observing the first circle sentence held in Nunavik. Eight Inuit women also represented Pauktuutit and made presentations to the RCMP "Voices of Change" conference. As well, a number of Inuit women have attended the two National Aboriginal Women's Justice Consultations sponsored by the federal Minister of Justice.

Mental Health Workshop

enny Lawson, the Coordinator of Family Services in Bellwood, Toronto conducted a healing workshop in which she discussed the effects of family violence and how people can deal with their emotional pain. Using a variety of examples and exercises, Ms. Lawson's workshop proved to be valuable

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to many delegates. In addition to the formal workshop, counsellors were available for private consultations with participants at the AGM.

Special Suest Speakers

t every AGM various guest speakers are invited to address the delegation. Their statements cover a range of issues from simple greetings and congratulations to updating the delegation on current land claims negotiations and progress reports on various social issues from communities across the North. These guest speakers help delegates keep informed as to what is occurring in other regions and to realize that the problems they face in their communities are not unique.

During Pauktuutit's 10th AGM, the following guest speakers were among those who addressed the delegation.

The Nunavut Implementation Commission (NIC), represented by Chairperson John Amagoalik, and Commissioners Ken Harper and Meeka Kilabuk, informed the delegation as to the progress and objectives of the NIC. Their immediate goal is to get NIC's Iqaluit headquarters operating. They are also expected to recommend a location for the capital of Nunavut by the end of 1994.

James Eetoolook, Vice-President of Nunavut Tungavik Incorporated (NTI), congratulated Pauktuutit on its 10th anniversary. He stated that the Nunavut Social Council will be formed in the near future and that he would like to see Pauktuutit play an important role in the council. He also stated that NTI recognizes the severity of the social problems currently facing Inuit and calls for all Inuit to work together to develop solutions. He suggested that women should play an important role in land claims implementation and requests that Pauktuutit pass on suggestions about which women would be willing and able to participate in the implementation process.

Lizzie Epoo-York gave a report on the Nunavik Regional Board of Health and Social Services (NRBHSS). She informed delegates that since the signing of the James Bay Agreement in 1979, Nunavik has been increasing its control over social and health

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services. During the last few years, the provincial government has adopted several bills that have given the NRBHSS new powers and mandates. She reviewed these developments and the structure of NRBHSS including the areas of responsibility for each department.

Dennis Patterson, the MLA from Iqaluit, told the delegation of the high regard that he and other MLA's have of the work that Pauktuutit has undertaken. The current legislature recently passed the "Declaration of Zero Tolerance" against domestic violence of any kind. While further work, and funding, must be continued to address this deep social problem, he offered the declaration as an important first step.

Jack Anawak, the Member of Parliament from Nunatsiaq read a letter of support from Sheila Finestone, the Secretary of State for the Status of Women. In her letter, she invited Pauktuutit to attend a national round table on women's issues in 1994 as well as participate in a trip to China to attend a meeting concerning women in the world. Mr. Anawak offered his personal support of the idea for a code of conduct for Inuit leaders and voiced further support for the good work that Pauktuutit has been doing.



Madeleine Qumuatuq Jack Anawak MP for Nunatsiaq

gave a brief history

of the Ikajuqtiit Victim Services in Iqaluit.

The service provides support to victims who become involved in the court system. While their staff is quite small, they have received substantial positive feedback and have encouraged other communities to set up their own victims support services.

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Harry Tulugak from Povungnituk gave a strong, emotional account of how his community has responded to a severe crisis of child sexual abuse. Assistance from the provincial government, the successful establishment of support programs, and the reliance of the residents upon traditional beliefs and values have helped the community begin the long process of healing.

The Minister for Social Services in the NWT, Rebecca Mike, stated her support of the work Pauktuutit has been undertaking. Due to its large mandate, the demands on her department are greater than its resources. She suggested that Inuit work together to help communities solve their problems and not rely solely on the government for assistance. Ms. Mike then outlined how her department's budget was spent and what social programs it has undertaken.

Rosemarie Kuptana, President of Inuit Tapirisat of Canada (ITC), also expressed her appreciation of the work that Pauktuutit has been undertaking. The focus of her address was the important role Inuit youth can play in the present, and future, of Inuit society. She called on all Inuit organizations to have youth representatives on their boards and said that ITC would commit the necessary funds and resources to build a youth division within its structure.

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Elections

The following women were elected to Pauktuutit's Board of Directors.

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Andrea Webb

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Deborah Tagorna

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Regional Board Members

Charlotte Wolfrey Labrador

Ida Saviauk
Nunavik (Hudson)

Minnie Etidlui Nunavik (Ungava)

Geela Maniapik
Baffin Region (South)

Enooya Enook

Baffin Region (North)

Lizzie Ittinuar Keewatin

Clara Ivilik O'Gorman Kitikmeot

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1994 ASM Resolutions

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resolves that Pauktuutit place a priority upon holding regional and communitybased workshops in parenting skills within the next year.

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urges all social service authorities to address the urgent need for healing centres for abusers and that Pauktuutit supports all efforts to initiate peer-counselling and other initiatives to stop family violence from occurring in our communities.

94-03

directs Pauktuutit to support in principle the concept of a Nunavut Law School and urges that Nunavut-wide consultations take place to ensure that the design of this institution truly reflects the need of Inuit women and youth.

94-04

supports men who want to work to heal themselves and for healthier and stronger communities, encourages the formation of self-help groups for men, and looks forward to developing positive working relationships with these groups.

94-09

resolves that the teaching of traditional Inuit skills should be made mandatory in all schools across the Canadian Arctic and that workshops should be held to foster the exchange of traditional Inuit skills between the regions, communities, and generations.

94-06

directs Pauktuutit to support the conclusions of the youth delegation that greater attention and resources should be devoted to addressing the following health issues of concern to Inuit youth: suicide; substance abuse; sexually transmitted diseases; HIV and AIDS; teenage pregnancies; abortion and low self-esteem.

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directs Pauktuutit to support the conclusions of the youth delegation that the following steps be taken to assist youth in relation to these social issues:

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greater resources be devoted for recreational activities for youth; greater inclusion of youth in the decision-making process involved with hiring youth workers; more counselling and training facilities for youth; regular cross-cultural training is required for southerners coming north; and student bodies should be given more authority.

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directs Pauktuutit to support the conclusions of the youth delegation concerning their recommendations on political issues including: that Inuit organizations increase the representation of Inuit youth in their decision-making bodies; increased funding be made available for youth activities; community-level organizations and governments ensure that Inuit youth are kept informed as to current events; and Inuit leaders be made accountable to youth.

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resolves that Pauktuutit's 10th AGM adopt the Code of Conduct for Inuit Leaders and that this Code be distributed to all Inuit organizations and legislative bodies and individuals representing Inuit with a letter encouraging these bodies and individuals to adopt and implement this Code of Conduct.

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resolves that: Inuit women actively participate in the negotiation and implementation of land claims and political development throughout the Canadian Arctic by calling on the appropriate Inuit organizations to nominate and appoint women to bodies responsible for negotiating and implementing Inuit land claims and political development and to those new positions and vacancies created by land claims agreements; and that Pauktuutit will develop a directory of Inuit women interested in participating in the negotiation and implementation of land claims and political development.

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urges that the courts pay greater attention to the needs and concerns of the victims of child sexual abuse including: that trials for persons involved in child sexual abuse be held as quickly as possible; jury trials 94-07

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requested by the accused be relocated to another community; victims of child sexual abuse be required to only give testimony once; and that victims can testify via pre-recorded videos. The resolution further urges that the laws of Canada be amended to empower judges to order mandatory treatment for child sexual abusers and that the Solicitors General and Ministers of Justice of Canada and the provinces of Quebec and Newfoundland and Labrador and the Northwest Territories Minister of Justice provide the necessary resources for these mandatory treatment programs.

94-12

urges the federal government to restore funding for new social housing construction in the North and increase levels as required to eliminate the severe housing shortage. The resolution also urges the federal government to establish a process to review and amend policies and programs available to Inuit to ensure that Inuit needs are properly met and that funding levels for aboriginal peoples are dealt with on an equal basis. Further, the housing needs of the Inuit of Labrador should be given priority.

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affirms that the Pauktuutit Justice Project continue its work and seek the necessary financial resources from the Department of Justice to continue to address justice issues in the next phase of the project, and further resolves that community-based initiatives refrain from dealing with crimes of violence against women, children and elders until the appropriate guidelines and mechanisms to ensure victims are not further victimized by these initiatives.

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Edith Haogak
Elsie Klengenberg
Maureen Elias
Sharon Gruben

Sachs Harbour Holman Island Inuvik Tuktoyaktuk Sachs Harbour

Baffin North

Lena Wolkie

Enooya Enook Rynee Flaherty Martha Naqitaqvik Madeliene Ivvalu Sami Quarriniaq Pond Inlet Grise Fiord Arctic Bay Igloolik Sanikiluaq

Baffin South

Leah Panniluk Jeannie Palluq Naliniq Inukshuk Geela Maniapik Leah Aulakiak

Clyde River Lake Harbour Hall Beach Pangnirtung Broughton Island

Keewatin

Hattie Alagalak Arviat
Rhoda Qaqsauq Parker Baker Lake
Meg Kuksuk Arviat
Mary Pudlat Arviat
Martha Hickes Arviat

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Mary Aiyaut Taloyoak

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Sarah Angutikik	Salluit	
Lizzie Nauja	Ivujivik	
Annie Tulugak	Povungnituk	
Lizzie Amaqa	Kuujjuaraapik	
Alacie Alasbak	Povungnituk	

Zugava Coast, Nunavik

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Brigitte Kleist	Kuujjuaq
Mary Qumaluq	Wakeham Bay
Maggie Akpahatuk	Aupaluk
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Special Projects/Activities	\$606,143	\$576,569	\$29,574

Core Funding was primarily provided by the Department of Canadian Heritage. For Fiscal 1993/94 total core funding increased due to the successful introduction of the Fashion Show during the Annual General Meeting.

Pauktuutit continued to receive funding for a number of special projects. During 1993/94 the majority of projects were funded by Health Canada as well as the Department of Justice. Details relating to special projects can be obtained from the "Statement of Financial Activities" in the Annual Audited Statements.

For Fiscal 1993/94, Pauktuutit continued in a surplus position of \$55,487 (\$31,430, 1992/93).

The above represents a summary of the 1993/94 financial statement as provided to the Association by the auditors. These financial statements will be made available to the Members of the Association at the next Annual General Meeting and can be obtained upon request from the association.

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A special thanks to all the entertainers, models, and volunteers who worked so hard during the AGM.

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