

“Plan Your Future” Youth Conference

Visions North CFDC hosted their second annual youth conference on April 23 & 24, 2009, at the Elk’s Hall in Air Ronge. The conference focused on career and financial choices for youth. 82 students, supervisors, volunteers and staff were in attendance for the two day conference. Students and supervisors attended from the following communities: Black Lake, Wollaston Lake, Southend, Sandy Bay, Pelican Narrows, Lac La Ronge Indian Band – Far Reserve and La Ronge.

The conference got off to a rocky start when inclement weather conditions caused delays in flights but they all finally made it and the conference went on.

Troy Payne, a motivational speaker on career opportunities in entrepreneurship, offered 3 workshops: Resiliency, Portfolio Writing and Why to act Professional at all Times! (www.wellnessrealization.net)

James Cunningham completed a workshop on finances and how they affect your future: Funny Money Inc. (www.funnymoneyhighschools.com)

Joan McCusker presented a workshop on leadership; she took them on a journey from small town Saskatchewan to the Olympic podium. Ordinary people can do extra ordinary things! (www.joanmccusker.com)

Codie Prevost, country and western singer talked about the business side of being an artist. No matter what you dream or want you will always need a plan. (www.codieprevost.com)

Tracy McClurg made a presentation on apprenticeship programming when choosing a career. (www.saskapprenticeship.ca)

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The Evaluations received from the participants were excellent and they enjoyed themselves and learned lots.





