

REFLECTIONS OF AMERICAN INDIANS

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We are grateful for this opportunity to share American Indian narratives of living, caring, sharing, and problem solving. The authors of these narratives presented us with a range of stories, all of which illustrate a variety of ways in which American Indian cultures respond to events in their lives. The proud image of the Walkingstick family and their accomplishments, the flourishing of teenage mothers, the poignancy of surviving the loss of a loved one, and the modern parable of Rabbit and Coyote—all are but a few of the stories that can be found in American Indian Nation families. Those stories told here are but examples of how American Indians have thrived here in their lands, in spite of efforts to be rid of them.

The Faculty of American Indian Studies would like to publicly thank the Editorial Board of *Reflections* for this unique opportunity. Helping and learning are part of the essence of the mission of this journal and this volume. We hope you will find reading these stories as rewarding as we have found the opportunity to contribute to what is a continuing tradition in all American Indian cultures, the learning about life from the sharing of narratives of living.

May all your stories be satisfying ones!

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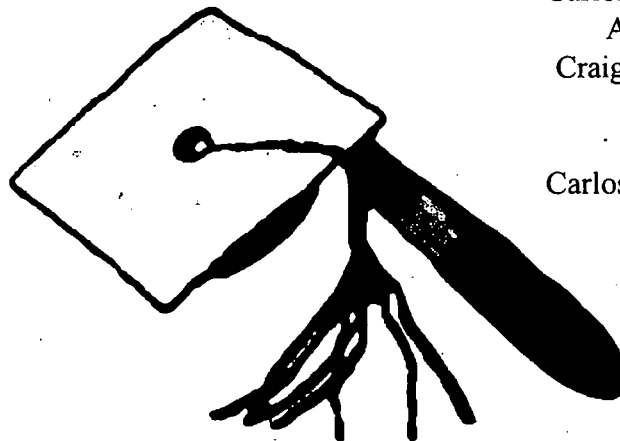
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