



# MADELINE DAVIS AT DOIG TALKING ABOUT GAT TAH KWÂ (MONTNEY)

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**DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS:** Madeline Davis tells about attending a Dreamers' Dance at Gat Tah Kwậ (Montney) when she was a little girl. She recalls watching the Dreamer Nááche (John Notseta) showing maps of Heaven to the people who had gathered there to dance, sing, socialize and tell stories. Doig River, 2005.

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#### 00:00

...old reserve, in Montney Reserve a lot of people there too. Plus I can remember, a lot of teepee in there.

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Just those teepee you know like that, you see that across [points to the Doig cultural grounds where teepees are set up]. That kind of, just, just all, just side the creek and across side the creek, I remember that. A lot of people there.

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Other side too, that's uh. Do you know where's the Rose, Rose, that Rose's house at Montney, this side? That - drive straight and a pack trail in there.

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I remember I ride with, uh, my dad. I'm small I remember that. Uh, We ride, we go at that

other people from Blueberry just that side. They got a lot of, a lot of teepee and just all over the place too.

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We went over there, that Tea Dance right in there. I remember and uh. Plus I can remember there, I don't know when I went back to Montney, that old reserve I don't know. I remember that once I can, I staying with my grandma and they dance, they hold hand each other. I think come from those people Alberta. Some where they's coming and there's Cree, I think a Cree people they singing they own song. They hold each other hand and they dance inside and outside and outside. Three lane outside the dance. I remember that.

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I just remember there, I don't know, maybe someplace, I don't know. Just like I am sleeping, I dream, like that, when I was small. I, I remember, after that, uh, that guy from 232, what they call him? Uh. One of them dream about heaven. I can't remember his name. He's come to, uh, the Montney. Uh, the - Too many people you can't put teepee on, you can't stay in there. Too many people.

#### 03:23

I look at it, I look, uh, uh, I, I remember I look, just people heads all over the place, just around. That guy, he sit in the middle. He do something to a moose hide or something, white one, he write it to heaven for those guys. Nobody up, just everybody sit down and listen to him. You know that's uh, maybe I think it and. A lot of people way far, he speaking, that people listen all what he say. He, I think from God, God gave him a sound like that. And everybody listen to him, what he say.

#### 04:26

That's what, uh, my dad said.