

Carol Bomberry was there that cold morning in 2006 as well.

"It is good to remember that we did something really important here, and we won't forget how important this is," she said.

Hazel Hill drove her late husband, Dick Hill's familiar black GMC Yukon SUV to lead this year's march. Dick Hill, who died only a few weeks ago, was a very important part of the reclamation of Kanonhstaton, as was Hazel.

"I think the women, especially these women, demonstrated the strength of the Haudenosaunee," she said.

"That's why Bill C-10, and whatever other bills

they try and impose upon our people, will never be accepted and continue to be rejected. The ethnic cleansing that they are attempting by all of these things will never succeed because the spirit lies in each and every one of us. It's something that is generational and they can't put it out. That spirit lives in all of us, and even when you pass on, that spirit remains and it lingers here with the rest of us. And I know that."

Doreen Silversmith took the message of the Haudenosaunee all the way to the United Nations while the conflict was happening, and she returns to Kanonhstaton every anni-

versary.

"I think it's great that we are still doing this every year. What has changed over the last few years is that young people are going back to their roots and learning more. There were a lot of people that didn't know who they were or the issues. I think it was a big education for our people as well. There are still people out there totally ignorant about what's going on. I'm glad we are still coming out, no matter how cold it is."

There was no interference from either police or Caledonia residents at any point throughout the day.