

Circle of Courage as Redemption

How Stories of Broken Childhoods and Hopelessness
are Changed into Lives of Serving Others

IT IS EASIER TO BUILD
CHILDREN THAN TO
REPAIR BROKEN MEN

-FREDERICK DOUGLASS

PROBLEMS TODAY

- 20% OF KIDS REPORT BEING BULLIED IN SCHOOL THIS YEAR
- HOMICIDE IS 3RD LEADING CAUSE OF DEATH FOR AGES 10-24
- EVERY DAY IN THE U.S. 12 KIDS ARE MURDERED
- EVERY DAY 1,400 YOUNG PEOPLE ARE TREATED IN EMERGENCY ROOMS FOR NON-LIFE THREATENING ASSAULT INJURIES

- SUICIDE IS THE 2ND LEADING CAUSE OF DEATH IN AGES 10-14
- FOR AFRICAN AMERICAN YOUTH HOMICIDE IS THE LEADING CAUSE OF DEATH
- FOR HISPANIC HOMICIDE IS THE 2ND LEADING CAUSE OF DEATH
- FOR ALASKAN & AMERICAN INDIAN HOMICIDE IS THE 4TH LEADING CAUSE OF DEATH.

THE STATE OF KIDS TODAY

- **OVER ONE MILLION CHILDREN UNDER AGE 18 ARE INVOLVED IN DIVORCES EVERY YEAR**
- **23% OF ALL CHILDREN IN THE U.S. LIVE WITH ONE PARENT AND NO OTHER ADULT**
- **64% OF BLACK HOUSEHOLDS ARE SINGLE PARENTS**
- **52% FOR AMERICAN INDIAN**
- **42% FOR HISPANIC OR LATINO**
- **THERE ARE 37 MILLION SINGLE PARENT FAMILIES TODAY**
- 56% OF SINGLE PARENT FAMILIES STRUGGLE PAYING FOR UTILITIES**
- **50% STRUGGLE PAYING FOR HOUSING**
- **46% STRUGGLE PAYING FOR FOOD**
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Our Hope for
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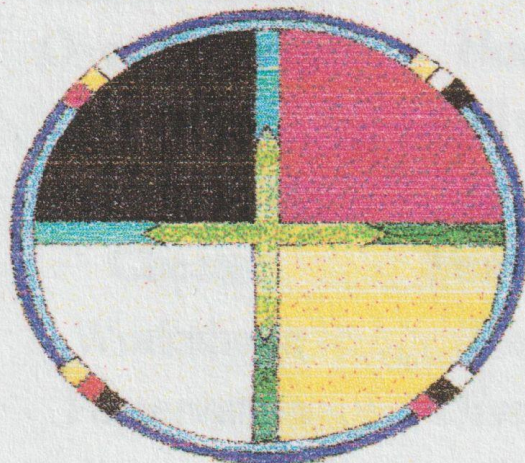
Medicine Wheel

GENEROSITY

INDEPENDENCE

BELONGING

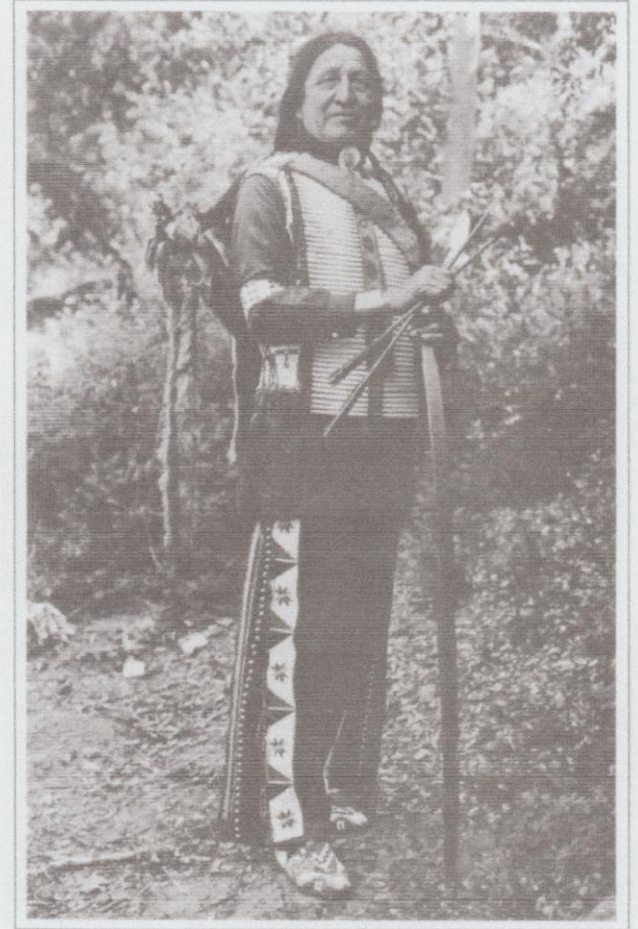
MASTERY



“

The days of my...childhood were spent in surroundings of love and care. ...gentleness was my mother's outstanding characteristic. Never did she, nor any of my caretakers, ever speak crossly to me or scold me for failures or shortcomings.”

Luther Standing Bear



Luther Standing Bear

BELONGING PROBLEMS

- **OVER 600,000 CHILDREN ARE ABUSED EACH YEAR**
- **1,750 CHILDREN DIE FROM ABUSE & NEGLECT EACH YEAR**
- **77% OF CHILDREN ABUSED ARE VICTIMIZED BY A PARENT**
- **IN 2021 - 249,879 CSES INVESTIGATED INVOLVED SEXUAL ABUSE**
- **CHILD WELFARE AUTHORITIES ENSURE SAFETY OF MORE THAN 7 MILLION CHILDREN**
- **2 MILLION CHILDREN RECEIVE PREVENTION SERVICES**



Labels for Wain by age 16

- Distortion of Affect
- Insecure
- Constricted Personality
- Immature
- Belligerent
- Retarded
- Emotionally Disturbed
- Autistic
- Weak Social Adjustment
- Tendencies for Depression
- effectuality Traits
- Instability of Sexual Role
- High Psychotic Potential
- Schizoid Personality
- Schizophrenic Reaction
- Aggressive

PLACEMENTS

2 in county detention

Lutheran Home for Orphans, Neglected,
Dependent Children

Many days in Isolation ward of County
Hospital

11 weeks of Psychiatric treatment at State
Mental Hospital

18 months Institution for Delinquent
Youth

3 ½ years on Probation

Trying
everything

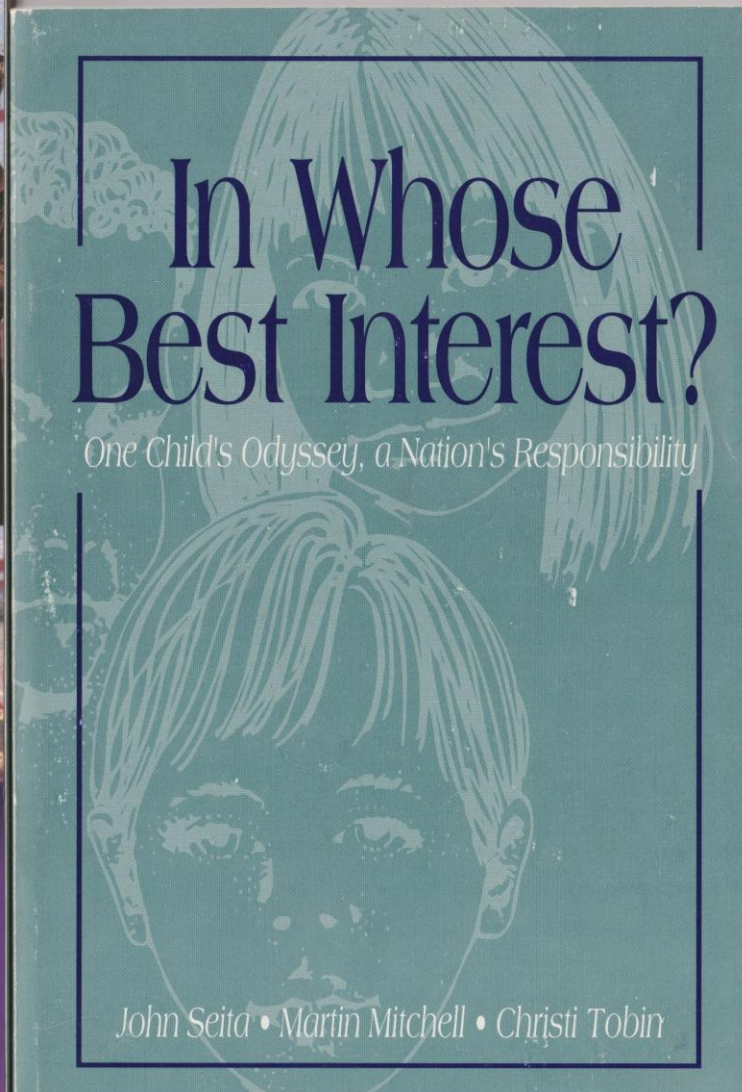
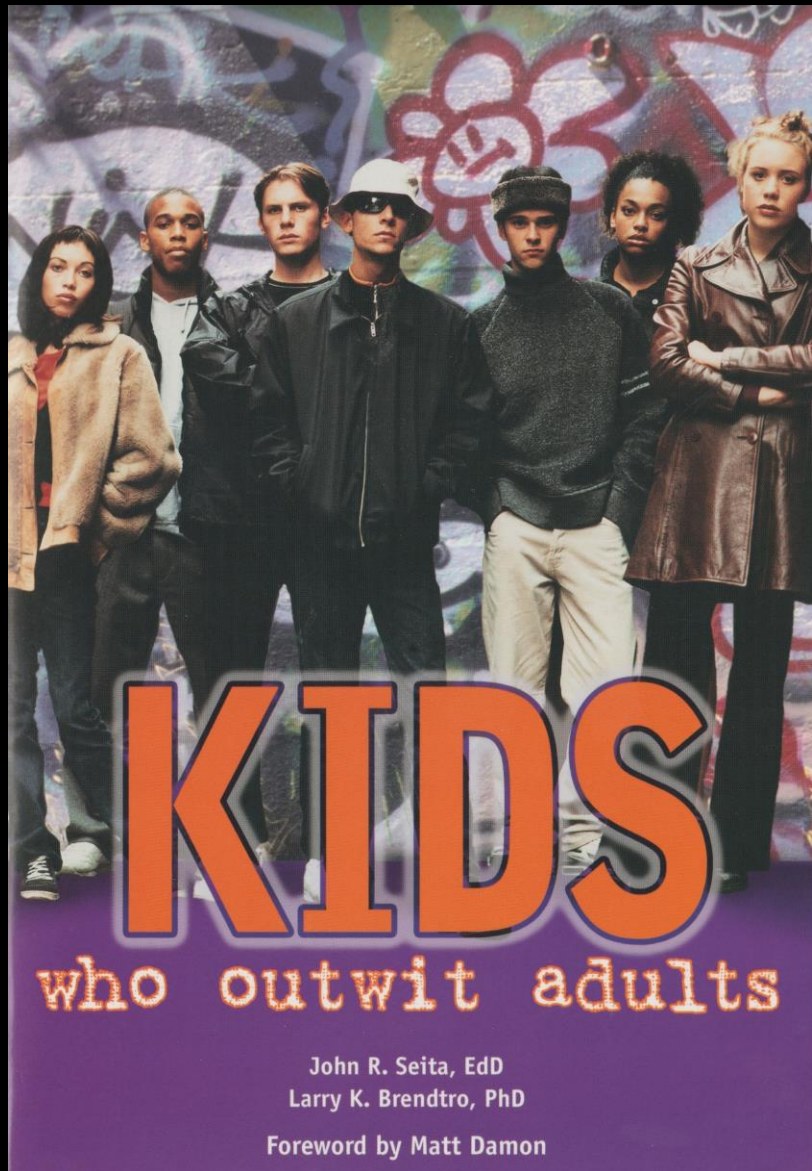
• The Other Side of **Delinquency**



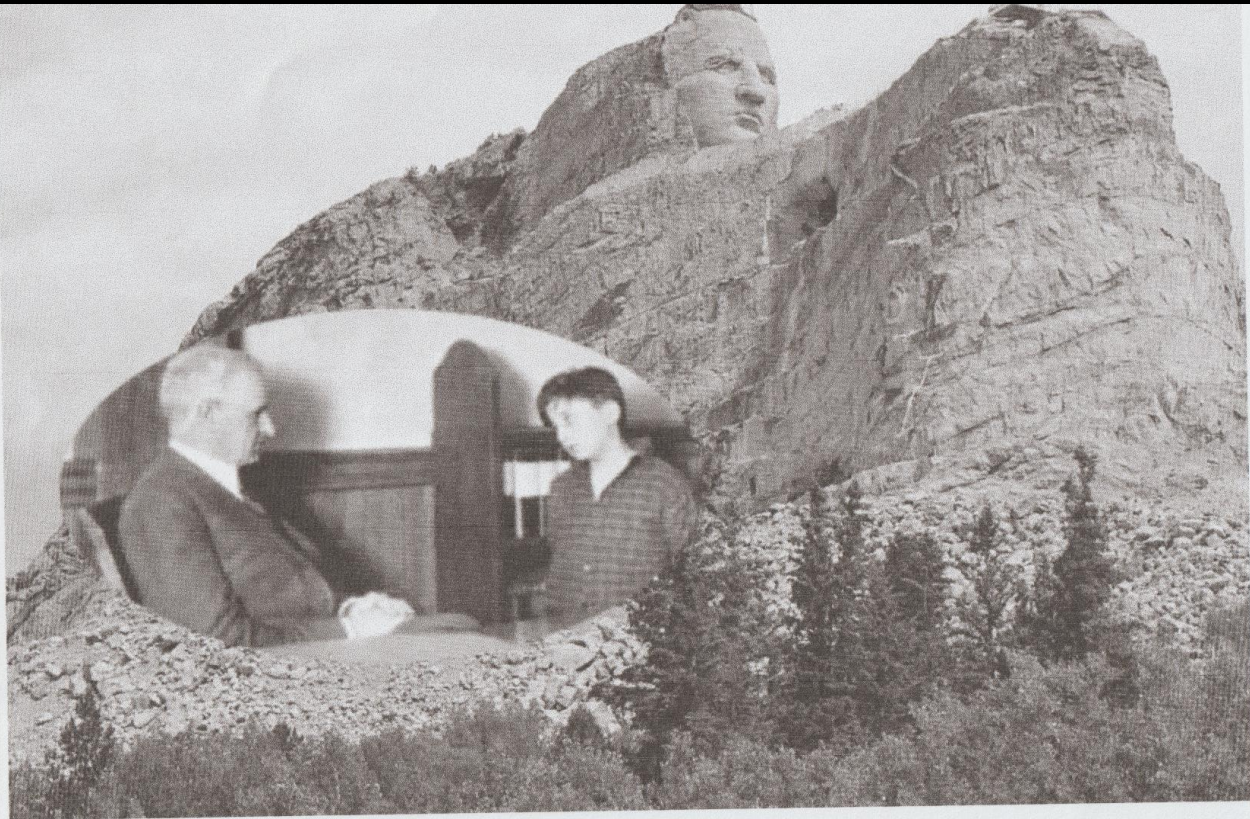
Wain Brown

With a Foreword by Donald J. West









FREDERICK PICKERING CABOT, THE CHILDREN'S JUDGE

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