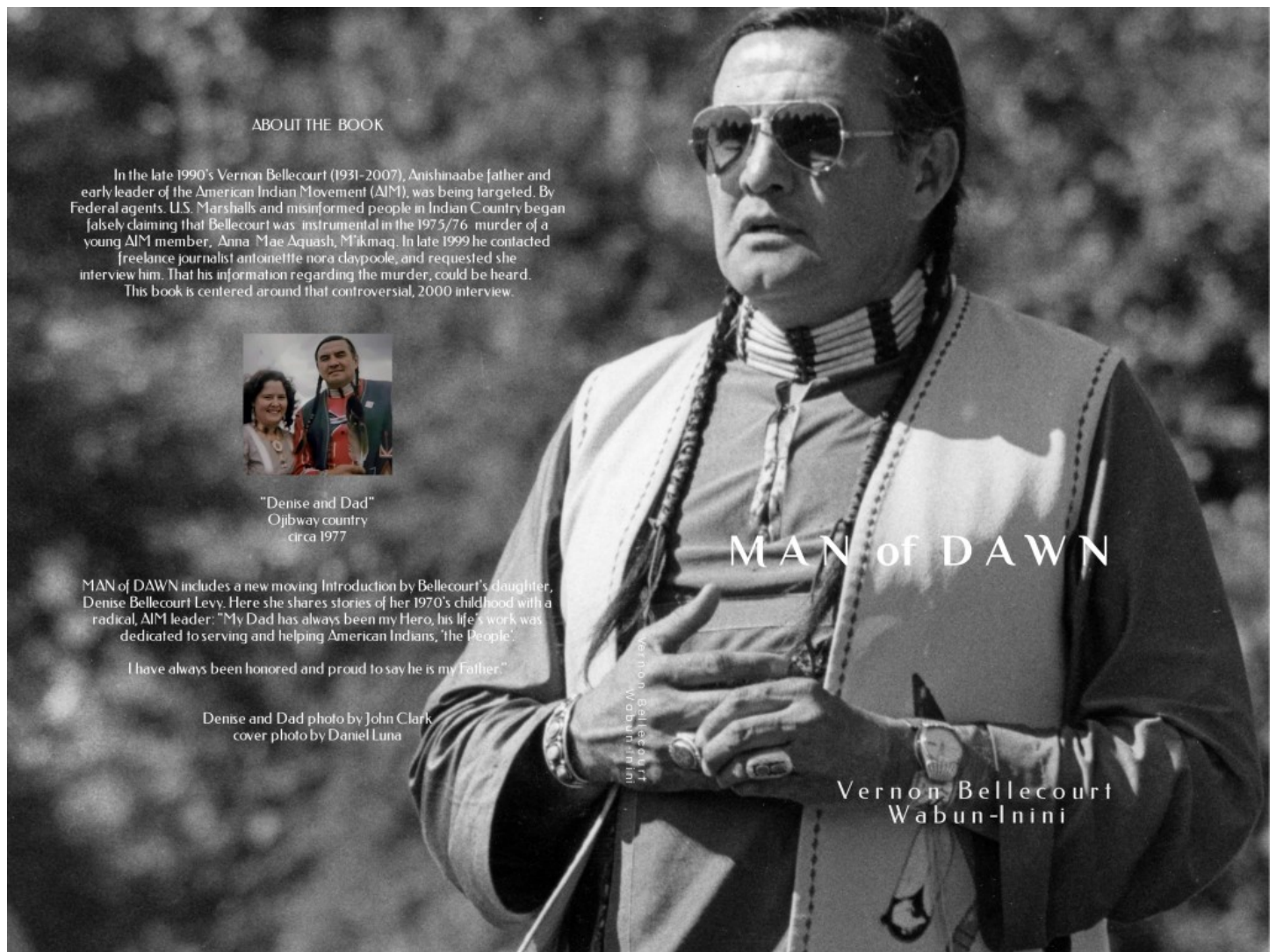


Vernon Bellecourt book release: Man of Dawn now available!



Oregon, Ashland, Oct 8, 2021 (Issuewire.com) - A new book, [Man of Dawn: Vernon Bellecourt, Wabun-Inini](#) is now available. *Man of Dawn* is a true story about [Vernon Bellecourt, Anishinaabe \(1931-2007\)](#), an active leader of the American Indian Movement ([AIM](#)) from the early 1970s to his death in 2007. The book is a tribute to Bellecourt's [role in Native history](#) and explores his contributions to Indian Country via a 2000 full-length interview, commentaries, and letters he wrote to political figures (including Ralph Nader and Ramsey Clark). *Man of Dawn* includes a NEW moving Introduction by his daughter Denise Bellecourt Levy and is [available at Amazon](#), at [Watersongs Books](#), and can be ordered at any bookstore in the U.S. Also available in Canada and the EU, via amazon. Proceeds of sales go to the Bellecourt family.

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introduction
to *Mom of Dawn*

by Denise Bellecourt Levy

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The Bellecourt belief in Justice ran deep early in my life. When I was 10 years old in the fifth grade Dad and Mom had separated and Dad had his own house in Denver, a few miles from Mom, me and my two younger brothers. Dad had already begun his work with AIM, his belief in human rights was always strong, I knew that. That year, I was upset about the school's dress code. This was 1970 and the school didn't allow girls to wear long maxi skirts or mini dresses. I made a protest sign but I couldn't get my friends to protest with me. That did not deter me. I called the newspapers. *The Denver Post* showed up and took my picture with the Principal standing next to me, in his suit and tie, as I stood there in my maxi skirt holding my protest sign that said SCHOOL UNFAIR! I also refused to stand and say the Pledge of Allegiance because I didn't believe at 10 years old that there was liberty and justice for all in America. The reporter told the story of my protest, along with my picture, it was published in *the Denver Post*. The school dress code was changed and my Dad was pretty impressed with me!



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