

## Council postpones decision

# Skateboards legal, for now

Penetanguishene skateboarders got a reprieve from Town Council Monday night.

A bylaw to outlaw the use of skateboards on municipal streets, road allowances, lanes, ways and sidewalks, was on the agenda passed, but was sent back to committee when several councillors voiced concern about the severity of the penalties provided for by the bylaw.

When the bylaw was first introduced, Councillor Ken Tannahill commented, "I think the council is getting to be a bunch of

meanies. Some of those guys (skateboarders) are pretty good."

Frances St. Amant added, "Sure the odd ones are careless, but you've got car drivers who are just as crazy."

Other councillors pointed out, though, that parking lots, private driveways and public parks were not included in the bylaw, so children would still be able to ride skateboards, provided they kept off the roads.

It was councillor Lionel Dion, though, who

brought up the question of the penalties provided for by the bylaw.

The bylaw states that on conviction, a person can be fined not less than \$5.00, and not more than \$100.00. Dion pointed out that a child charged with an offense under the bylaw would have to appear before a magistrate, and he said he would hate to see that happen. He suggested that perhaps the police could just confiscate the offender's board for a few days, then return it to the parents with a warning that another offense could result in a fine.

Police committee chairman Ray Baker said the bylaw would be enforced by the police with some common sense, but other councillors suggested that perhaps that common sense should be written into the bylaw.

A motion was passed, that the bylaw be given only two readings, then returned to the committee level for further study. It will be brought back, possibly in an amended form, at council's next meeting, on August 22.

## Ken Cousineau takes over NIP

The resignation of Neighbourhood Improvement Program (NIP) coordinator Steve Fournier becomes effective this Friday, but the program won't slow down at all if his replacement, Ken Cousineau, has anything to do with it.

Cousineau, who has been working with Fournier for nearly a month now, learning the ropes, isn't a newcomer to the town of Penetanguishene. He's worked for the town over the past two summers, conducting a parking study, working as the zoning administrator, and preparing the town's Housing Policy. Before that, he worked for two summers for the Tiny-Tay Peninsula Planning Board.

To complement all this experience, he spent four years at Waterloo University, taking Urban and Regional Planning, graduating with his bachelor's degree in April of 1976. During the 1976-77 school year, he did his first year of a master's degree at the University of Guelph.

This summer marks the first direct involvement he has had with the NIP program, but he doesn't think that will pose much of a problem. "I think I'm starting to pick it up fairly well," he said. "Steve's been a big help. Everything seems to be running smoothly, so I can't see any real problems."

The NIP program was started in Penetanguishene by Fournier, and most of the planning work on the town's two NIP areas has already been completed. But that doesn't mean Cousineau won't be busy.

He will be involved with the planning of the East End NIP area extension, if it is approved by the two senior levels of government, and he will be overseeing the implementation stages of the two NIP areas over the next few years. As well, he will be involved in a supervisory capacity in the town's other housing programs, the Residential Rehabilitation Assistance Program, and the Ontario Home Renewal Program.

According to Fournier, 1977 will be the biggest year for the NIP program in Penetanguishene, in terms of gross spending. The only project to be debentured for in either of the two areas, the installation of storm sewers on Burke Street, will be undertaken later this year. "Ken has stepped into it at a very busy time," he said. "He's going to have his hands full."

Cousineau's association with this area goes back much further than the summers he has put in with the town and the area planning board. He is originally from Victoria Harbour. He said, "I like the area, especially at this time of year. But it'll be nice to get back and play a little hockey with some of my old friends."

Fournier announced his resignation last month, when he accepted a position as NIP coordinator and planning board secretary with the town of Perth, near Ottawa. Cousineau was hired as his replacement earlier this month.

## Aboard M.S. David Richard

# Moonlight cruise kicks off Pen-Glen campaign

The fund raising campaign for Pen-Glen corporation's Place Concorde project gets underway this weekend with a party cruise aboard the M.S. David Richard.

The ship sails from the Penetanguishene town dock at 8:00 p.m. Saturday, and tickets are now available at a cost of \$5.00 each. There will be live entertainment, and

refreshments and snacks will be available on the three and a half hour cruise.

The ship's owner, Gil Robillard, said part of the revenue from the ticket sales will be turned over to Pen-Glen, and the corporation will also get the profits from the refreshments sold on the cruise.

Pen-Glen president Martin Lalonde said Monday the event was being held to raise some operating money. He said the corporation has been operated on donations since its founding, and there are bills to be paid.

He said a decision regarding an all-out mail campaign for funds, on the drawing board since early last summer, may be made at a meeting of the board of directors to be held Wednesday night.

The corporation intends to build and operate a cultural-educational centre on a parcel of land acquired last fall in Tiny Township just outside Penetanguishene.



Piped aboard

After receiving a royal welcome and a full afternoon of entertainment the Honourable Lieutenant-Governor Pauline McGibbon boarded the Canadian Coast Guard cutter "Spume" and participated in a sailpast ceremony. It was a fine day for this great Canadian woman.

Staff photo



Twirling the mace

Among the most colourful of displays during Silver Jubilee celebrations at the Naval and Military Establishments on Sunday were the 48th Highlanders Pipes and Drums. Here the Drum Major leads the 48th through a march in the Parade Square at the Establishments.

Staff photo

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## In its class

# Citizen judged to be best weekly in Canada

The Penetanguishene Citizen has been named the best all-round newspaper in its circulation class in the country.

The announcement was made at the annual convention of the Canadian Community Newspapers Association held in Winnipeg last week. The Citizen was also judged to have the best front page, and the second best editorial page, in its class.

One of the other Markle Community Newspapers in the Midland peninsula group, the Elmvale Lance, also picked up best all-round, best front page, and third best editorial page awards in its class at the convention.

An award for second best news photo was won by the Midland Times.



By the left... quick march!

The Naval and Military Establishments Guard were on hand to mark the 141st anniversary of St. James-on-the-Lines in Penetanguishene on Sunday. The Guard

displayed some of the discipline of days gone by, and ran through a number of rigorous routines to the delight of Sunday's audience. Staff photo

# Record crowds attend Jubilee

by Bill Schiller

Politicians may come and go, the Honourable Pauline McGibbon told a crowd of 1200 on Sunday, but the Crown goes on forever.

The Lieutenant-Governor, the Queen's personal representative in the province of Ontario, was on hand to participate in Her Majesty's Silver Jubilee celebrations held at the historic Naval and Military Establishments in Penetanguishene last weekend. Area citizens proved the idea of the monarchical system is as popular as it has ever been—a record-breaking crowd showed up to welcome the Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor repeated the statement she made when first installed as the Queen's provincial representative, that while she intended to avoid political positions she certainly had no intention of abandoning the colour and pageantry "that all countries need today to brighten our world."

The colour and pageantry at Sunday's celebrations brought a regal and awesome atmosphere to the Historic Naval and Military Establishments. The 48th Highlanders Pipes and Drums with their majestic music, and the displays by the strictly regimented Establishments' Guard, reminded onlookers of the area's rich and valuable traditions.

"During the 25 years which have elapsed," McGibbon said, referring to the Queen's reign, "the winds of change have buffeted the world, but the Crown, in the person of Queen Elizabeth, has stood for honesty, stability and dedication."

Crowds impressed Sunday's Silver Jubilee celebration was one of thousands that have taken place throughout the commonwealth's 36 countries this year. But numbers shouldn't hide the excellence of the Establishments' festivities. The entire affair was run from beginning to end without a hitch—and the crowds were impressed. Everything went off on schedule, and the colourful displays entertained an appreciative audience that came from various parts of Canada as well as the United States.

The Honourable Pauline McGibbon underlined the value of a non-political person as the titular head of our nation.

"I am sometimes asked why Canada has this form of government," she said, "—a Queen, a Governor General and ten Lieutenant-Governors—a form of government no other country in the world has. I then ask the questioner if he or she would prefer to see as the titular head of this country

someone like the President of the United States who is head of a political party. Inevitably," she continued, "this means that a large number of citizens have voted against him and eye with suspicion his actions."

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## News briefs

### Nurses' dispute nearing an end

A 1½ year old dispute between the Ontario community health nurses and their boards of health may be nearing settlement according to Kay Lewis, vice-president of the Ontario Nurses Association.

The Ontario Association of Boards of Health has called a full meeting of its membership for mid-August. Although the reasons for that meeting have not been made public, Lewis expects the association will be asking its health board representatives for a mandate to settle its dispute with public health nurses.

The nurses have been working without a contract since the end of December 1975. Representatives of the Ministry of Labour,

Ministry of Health, the Association of Boards of Health and ONA met in Toronto on Friday, both together and separately, to again review the contract dispute. Bette Stephenson, Minister of Labour emphasized that both the health and labour ministries are "acutely concerned" with the outstanding dispute.

"We think this is a good sign," said Ms. Lewis, referring to the boards of health meeting in August. ONA will continue to press for annual salary parity with hospital nurses but has agreed to drop its call for compulsory arbitration to settle future contract disputes. "We're looking for a settlement for 1976 and 1977 - first," Lewis said. "And maybe, 1978."

### Record attendance at historical sites

Sainte-Marie among the Hurons, three miles east of Midland on Highway 12, had its largest single day attendance since opening 10 years ago with 2,715 visitors to the site on Sunday, July 24. That same day, the Historic Naval and Military Establishments in Penetanguishene, hosting Silver Jubilee

celebrations commemorating Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, also set a record of over 1,200 visitors. The special guest of the Establishments was the Lieutenant-Governor, the Honourable Pauline McGibbon.

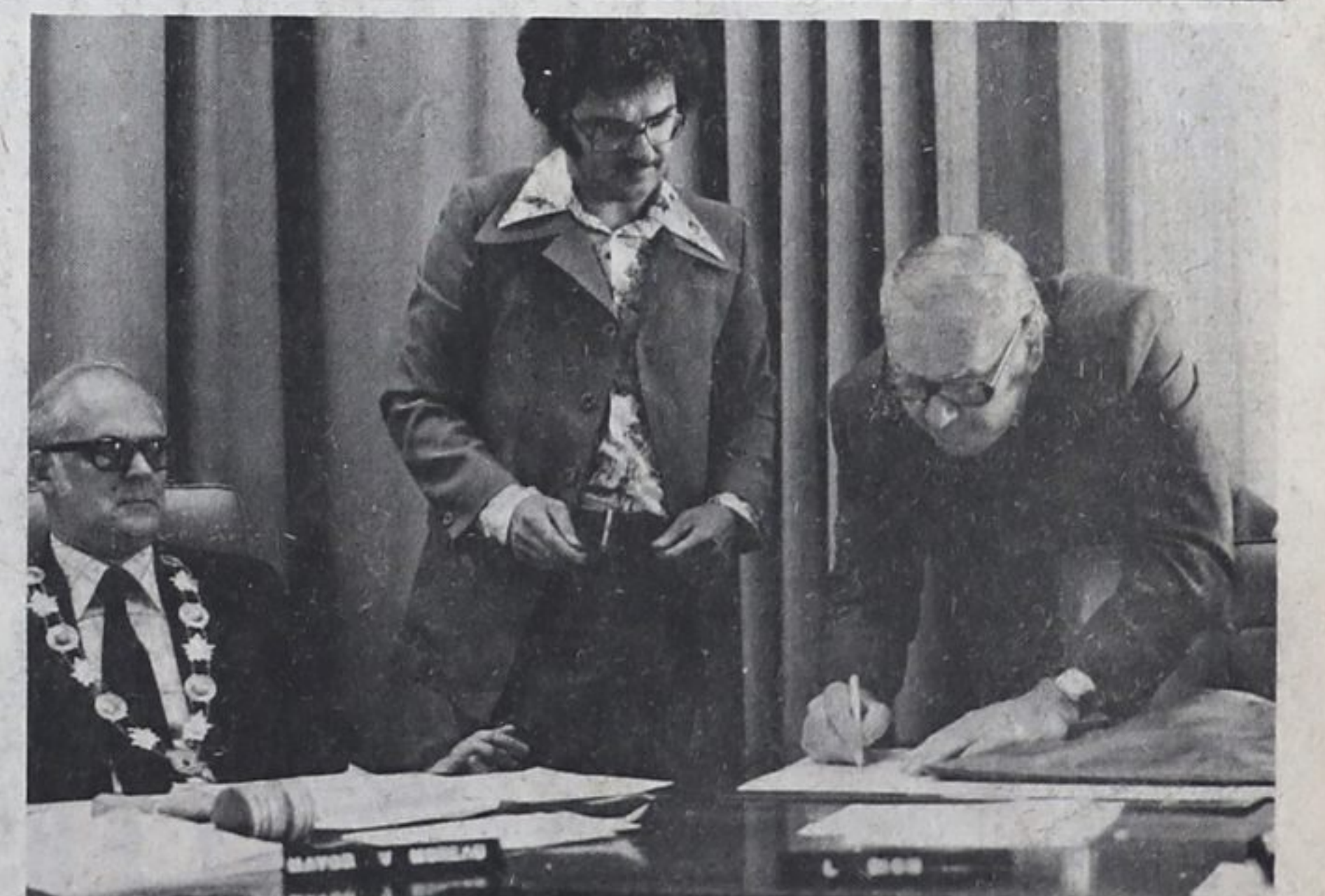
### Teen dance at Legion Saturday night

The fund raising campaign for the Penetanguishene arena floor will be kicked off this weekend, with a teen dance at the Legion Hall.

The dance is aimed at all the teenagers in town, but campaign chairman Frances St. Amant said Monday she especially hopes it will be supported by the younger users of the arena, such as hockey players, ringette players, and figure skaters.

The admission price will be \$1.00, and entertainment will be in the form of records. St. Amant said the dance would be well chaperoned, and she urged any parents with questions to call her or her son John, who is organizing it.

The Legion hall is being donated free of charge, and St. Amant said if the dance is orderly, the Legion will allow more dances in the future for the fund raising campaign.



Lionel Dion returns to council

Veteran councillor Lionel Dion was sworn in to the Penetanguishene town council Monday night. Dion was appointed by council to replace Mary Rogers, who resigned last month because of ill health. Dion was appointed to five committees, including the all-important finance committee. Ron Bellisle

was named to replace Rogers as chairman of the finance committee, while Reeve Art Stewart will replace Rogers as Deputy Mayor. Vice town clerk Yvon Gagne and Mayor Vince Moreau look on as Dion signs the oath of office.

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