

Open House was opportunity to learn

Huronia Nursing Home held its annual open house and bake and craft sale yesterday at the home in Penetanguishene. The event was put on to allow the public an opportunity to visit the home and tour the facilities and at the same time get to know the staff and residents.

Moreover, the visiting public had the opportunity to purchase dozens of homemade cakes, pies, cookies and bread guaranteed to satisfy the most discriminating palate. There were also many handmade crafts available for sale, including knitted dolls and cuddly Teddy Bears, crocheted flowers, and many ceramic and macrame items.

The crafts and the scrumptious homemade food items were contributed to the home by area citizens. The money raised from the

sale of the goods will go toward recreational activities for residents at the home.

Huronia Nursing Home staff were assisted in carrying out the day's activities by several ladies from the local Red Cross, and by the owner of the home, Shirley Price. The Red Cross ladies involved were: Kay St. Amant, Mrs. Therrien, Shirley and Irene Pilon and Babe Ducaire. The ladies helped at the various tables where sales were taking place.

At 3 p.m. Mr. Len Miller of the Penetanguishene Mental Health Centre made a draw for a prize of lovely silk flowers and a ceramic basket. The draw was won by Bonnie Riddell.

It was a busy day for the home's staff, helpers and residents alike, but it was also a great deal of fun for everyone.



Come-along with me

Midland Jaycees are in the process of raising funds and accepting donations of equipment to help equip Midland Fire Department with extrication gear such as this two-ton come-along winch donated by Walker's Electric.

Deputy Fire Chief Hal Belfry tests the new gear with brothers Gord, Kenneth and David Walker looking on. Same day Jaycees also received a sizeable amount from both Midland's Business Improvement Area and McDonald's.

August police report tabled

In spite of the occasional quiet day or weekend, the Penetanguishene Police Department's monthly Activity Report for the month of August indicates a great deal of activity within the force.

During the month of August, P.P.D. investigated a total of 12 auto accidents, laid a total of 70 charges of various types and issued 24 parking violation tickets. (Meter violation data was not available. Along with this, the department investigated 319 complaints and assisted with 27 others. They also looked after 44 jobs, of various types for other police forces.

Under the Criminal Code, the Liquor License Act and other

regulations, the police imposed a balance of \$5,420 in fines; they put a total of 9,098 kilometers on two cruisers and under the heading of No. of Adults Reported Missing, the record reads 1 plus 2 Elopees.

So, the next time you read that police have had a quiet weekend, remember, they've probably earned it.

17th century meal

The Friends of Sainte-Marie are preparing to hold a 17th century meal at Sainte-Marie among the Hurons next Wednesday evening, Oct. 1.

As of yesterday six people had volunteered to cook different dishes.

Pregnant women will benefit from gift

Huronia District Hospital will be getting an expensive piece of equipment in the near future at little cost to the hospital.

The hospital's ladies auxiliary is providing \$10,000 to buy a foetal

monitor, to be used to examine pregnant women.

It was also announced during the annual meeting of the Corporation of Huronia District Hospital Monday evening that

the hospital's medical staff were interested in acquiring an ultrasound diagnostic machine.

Qualify

The provincial ministry of health has a

guideline, said Chief of Staff Dr. Hollister King, that only hospitals serving more than 50,000 people qualify for an ultrasound machine. Midland serves 35,000 people, but the number is undoubtedly higher

during the summer, said King.

A hospital committee is investigating the

possibility of attracting a resident radiologist to the community. Having an ultrasound machine

would be pointless without a qualified operator, the doctor pointed out.

Certain books inappropriate, says trustee

by Murray Moore

Simcoe County Board of Education trustee Bruce Cumming caused a few eyebrows to rise when he gave his fellow trustees his conclusions after examining the board's list of approved textbooks.

Wednesday evening the trustee decried the increase in what a friend of his described as armpit literature. He found also a book describing the techniques of good writing to be in use in only one school. His opinion was that this book should be in wider circulation.

He asked why Stephen Leacock's *Sunshine Sketches of a Little Town* was available in fewer schools than *Huckleberry Finn*. He wanted to know why none of Ralph Connor's books were on the list. Cumming assailed the presence of *The Stephen Truscott Story*. He understood, he said, from two other people, one a law student, that it

is well researched. He questioned however the purpose of having the book in the local schools.

The story is too close to home and too recent. He could not understand why teachers would want to use the book now: perhaps in 25 or 50 years, as a history book, maybe.

The trustee was also concerned about the showing of movies in conjunction with the reading of books. Students are not officially forced to go to movies, but in practice, he said, they are almost coerced to go and pay admission.

The movie of *The Apprenticeship of Duddy Kravitz*, in his opinion, indecent, and he would not support its being shown again.

Another Canadian movie based on a Canadian novel that he was critical of was *Who Has Seen The Wind?* The movie, he said, was completely profane. Cumming mentioned

that he has not read either Richler's book or W. O. Mitchell's *Who Has Seen The Wind*.

Dr. Allen Fisher supported Cumming, remarking that the Truscott book was not literature, and that anyone who described it as such was exaggerating the concept of literature.

Dr. Fisher suggested teachers put books on the list on the basis of the book's reputation.

He confessed to not having a great knowledge of the subject, but recommended that once a year English teacher representatives

be asked to defend their choices.

Area 3 Trustee Alvir Gravelle stated he was satisfied with the selection of books.

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On behalf of the Midland-Penetang Area Big Brother's Association, I hereby proclaim the week of September 29th to October 4th 1980 as

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and extend best wishes and success to the Association in its recruiting drive to be conducted during this week.

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