

## Contact

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Today as I sat down to write the Contact column, I suddenly realized this would be the last one I will be writing and a feeling of sadness and melancholy came over me.



**Mary Gibson**

It is always very difficult to say goodbye to someone that you have grown to love and respect and has become

## Board official attends meet

Becky Marchildon, president of the Midland-Penetang Real Estate Board, was the board's primary delegate to the annual conference of the Ontario Real Estate Association in Toronto last month.

Marchildon joined the presidents of 47 other local real estate boards which make up the Association and which represent organized real estate in the major towns and cities of Ontario.

This year the conference was spread over two major downtown hotels — the Sheraton Centre and the Hotel Toronto — and more than 500 delegates in total attended the three-day affair from Feb. 22-24.



**Becky Marchildon**

Speakers at the conference included former Toronto Mayor David Crombie, controversial author Barbara Amiel, as well as a host of real estate and financial experts.

Marchildon was one of four representatives from the Midland-Penetang Board.

They participated in the association's business session which elected the 1981 Board of Directors.

In all, the Ontario Real Estate Association represents nearly 25,000 brokers and sales representatives in Ontario, more than 80 per cent of all real estate licensees in Ontario and more than 50 per cent of all licensees in Canada.

a part of your life - and so it is with my leaving Contact.

When I came to Contact in September of 1976, I felt very alone and very, very inadequate. Now nearly five years later I feel so very fortunate for having had the opportunity of serving Contact, and by carrying out the mandate of helping people to help themselves, I am a much richer person.

This wealth is certainly not of the monetary kind but the richness I have gained in friends - some over the telephone which I have never met face to face and many, many out in the communities of the area that Contact serves.

During my tenure as Administrator of Contact, I had many occasions to call on various agencies and many people for advice and assistance. I wish to publicly thank all those people who gave of their knowledge and time so willingly.

A special thanks to Mrs. Marion Reed and Mrs. Barb Emerson, for without them Contact would never have run so smoothly and efficiently. They always made my job so much easier and were always

ready with a helping hand when I needed it.

The new Administrator has been chosen by Contacts' Board of Directors after much deliberation.

Some of you will know Mrs. Irene Quesnelle, through her work as a conscientious volunteer in the community. Irene will bring her own special talents to Contact and as I leave I know Contact is in very capable hands and it will flourish and grow for many more years.



**Irene Quesnelle**

So, Welcome Irene to Contact. It is one of the most worthwhile organizations I have ever been associated with.

Happiness is helping people to help themselves.

Mary M. Gibson.  
Administrator.



## Midland Library News

Library Hours: Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Local artist, Thelma Riseley, has a display of her work at the Library for two weeks, featuring oil paintings, prints and textiles.

On March 4, Charles Colling, investment broker, spoke to an interested audience at the Library on the subject "You and your investment".

We are most grateful to Mr. Colling for making such a program possible by volunteering to share his professional knowledge, and he has suggested a follow-up on this subject later in the year.

Library Patrons who use our Large Print Books will be pleased to find that these are now located on new shelves in the Fiction Room, and are arranged in alphabetical order.

The Non-Fiction Large Prints books are also in the Fiction Room, arranged numerically. We hope this will make the books easier to find and that more people will borrow these books which are made for easy reading.

CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT: Next week, during March break, the Children's Library will be having a book sale. We are selling discarded fiction books and some picture books. All for 25 cent and under. There will also be a special afternoon of movies for the kids on Wednesday, March 25, from 2 - 4 p.m. FREE!



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