

Block Parents provide real community service

Since coming to Midland four years ago, the Block Parents' movement has grown by leaps and bounds to where at the present time several hundred Midlanders belong to the organization.

Just recently it purchased six highway signs which designate the town as a Block Parent Community.

Similar signs were erected by Midland's counterparts in Port McNicoll.

The executive of the Midland group is

chaired by Julie Mudde while the resource person from Midland Police Department is "Constable Dan," as he is known to many young public school children in the town.

Const. Dan Gilbert has been one of the moving forces behind the program since its inception, and just like other executive members he gives of his free time above and beyond the call of duty.

Chairlady Julie Mudde would like to hear from all interested parents should they be willing to sit on the executive.

As an executive member one would be involved with planning special events so as to fund such items as their highway signs, a "lost children's booth" at the fall fair and possibly a float in next December's annual Santa Claus parade.

Block Parents spent \$300 on those signs erected by Midland Public Works Department, which gives you an idea of how serious the group is in spreading the word.

Block Parents are

also advised if they are going out of town or will be away from home shopping or visiting friends in town to remove their Block Parent's signs from front windows.

Being a Block Parent,

having a sign in the window and not being at home when a youngster needs your help destroys the whole philosophy behind the group's goal of "being there when a child needs help."

Grew decision could be July 22

The Penetanguishene Planning Board will likely make a decision on July 20 on the application from Grew Boats to have some of its waterfront area property rezoned, to permit Grew Boats to build a new line of 33 foot Chris Craft power boats here.

Peter Francis, vice-president of the boat division of Grew Corporation, presented the application for the rezoning to the board Monday evening.

Yesterday, Francis said that he expects the local branch of Grew Corporation could make one of the craft a week. Twenty new jobs would be created in Penetanguishene if the line goes into production, he said.

The application asks for re-zoning to allow the building of the fibreglass boats in the newer, larger buildings on Nelson Street.

Town Planner Paul Hodkins said yesterday that the planning board will consider the application from a number of angles: whether there will be pollution; what effect the change would have on the development of the surrounding area, and on the close residential area: whether a buffer of some kind would be needed: whether there would be a conflict of uses. These and other questions are asked of an application whenever it is presented to the board, as a regular policy, flowing from the standards set by the town official plan.

David Platt

-Elder son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Platt of Midland, recently graduated from the University of British Columbia, Faculty of Medicine, with the M.Sc. Degree in Audiology and Speech Pathology.

He is presently employed by the West Vancouver School Board administering the board's speech pathology program.

David is a graduate of Midland Secondary School and of York University (B.A., Hons, 1979).



Tennis clinic

Tennis is becoming a very popular sport and the Midland Board of Park Management and Recreation realizes that fact.

The board will be working with the Ontario Tennis Association and the Ministry of Culture and Recreation to offer a free tennis clinic in

Little Lake Park at the tennis courts, starting at 10 a.m. June 24.

There will be a limit of 20 people allowed into each session so pre-registration is necessary and you can register at Midland Civic Center before June 23 on any weekday from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m.

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