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"Information is the hallmark of democracy"

## Chief Light and co. are to be praised

FIRE CHIEF Ted Light and members of Penetanguishene Fire Department should take a bow.

Last Wednesday's Simcoe County Mutual Fire Aid Association meeting hosted by P.F.D. was a super event.

First of all, it attracted well over 150 firefighters from the county.

Secondly, it featured one of the most impressive foam demonstrations we have ever seen.

It took more than an hour to set up the display next to the

K. of C. Hall.

But after a wrecked car was torched for the demonstration, it took just nine seconds to totally extinguish the inferno. Wow!

Next month, firefighters from the more than 30 brigades in the county will be attending a mutual fire aid association meeting in Creemore but you can bet they'll still be buzzing about last week's program in Penetanguishene.

Well done P.F.D. That's what we call firefighting!



### Photo flashback

Two major events are planned for next year in Penetanguishene. One, the town's residents are to mark their municipality's centennial and two, the Protestant Separate School Board in the com-

munity is to celebrate its 100th birthday on July 3, 1982. These young people attended the Protestant Separate School in Penetanguishene back in 1930. Recognize any of them?

## Valuable service being provided

THERE'S LABOUR unrest in Midland where 21 members of the town's public works department walked off the job more than a week ago.

They haven't had a contract with the town since spring.

They want a one-year contract. The town has offered a two-year package.

Neither side, it appears, is willing to budge. So what's ahead? It would appear both sides have dug in for a long,

bitter strike.

We regret the town and members of the Ontario Public Service Employees Union are locked in a strike.

However, if there is anything to be gained from this exercise, we hope, in time, it will be to better understand what public works personnel do.

Contrary to what some people may think, they do provide a valuable service.

## Campaign needs your support now

LE CENTRE d'activites francaises has officially launched its campaign in Penetanguishene to raise over \$80,000.

The funds are to be used to upgrade and equip the former Post Office building on Main Street.

Total cost of the project, as our readers know by now, is more than \$130,000.

However, part of the funds (\$49,122) are to be contributed to Le Centre by Wintario...and that folks is a real shot in the arm in any kind of a fund-raising venture.

Public solicitation has already begun. They can be pledged over a two-year period and as usual, they are

tax deductible.

To date, more than \$12,000 has been collected with that total mounting almost every day.

But the campaign needs your support if it is to go over the top. Without your generosity, it won't succeed. It's as simple as that.

Le Centre is a non-profit organization which offers a variety of services in French to a population of nearly 225,000 in the county of which more than 12,500 are of French origin.

As the only French cultural centre in the area, it needs your support...and it needs that support NOW!

## Letters

### Our readers say...

#### Chamber sends MP a letter

Dear Editor:

Would you be kind enough to publish the enclosed letter with your "Letters to the Editor".

Thanking you, I am,

Sincerely,  
(Mrs.) Joyce Sauve  
Secretary  
Penetanguishene  
Chamber of Commerce

Mr. Doug Lewis,  
Member of Parliament,  
Parliament Buildings,  
OTTAWA, Ontario.

Dear Mr. Lewis:

The Penetanguishene Chamber of Commerce would be gratified to know what steps are being taken to avoid the havoc of the latest postal strike.

It has been my experience in the past ten years

that small business is either enduring a mail delivery strike, or under the threat of one.

The interruption of this essential service has many small business in our area still recovering from its effects.

It is our belief that all locals of the postal union should be denied the right to strike, or other alternatives made available.

-John O'Hara  
President  
Penetanguishene  
Chamber of Commerce

c: Mr. George Taylor, M.P.P.  
Ms. Elaine Roscow,  
Ontario Chamber of Commerce  
Penetanguishene Citizen  
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#### Scouting is on the move

Dear Editor:

Scouting, as it prepares now to begin another year of developing better citizens realizes that this goal is assisted by the following organizations through donations of merchandise, products, gift certificates and tickets, thus playing an important part in achieving the aims of scouting:

Penetang Bottling Co.,  
McDonald's Restaurant,  
Pizza Delight,  
Rolfoto Studio,  
Midland Canvas Products,

#### Homecoming '81 planned

Dear Editor:

It's Homecoming time at the University of Waterloo! I would be truly grateful if you could help us by passing on the following message to your readers:

Calling all University of Waterloo graduates! You are invited to return to your old school for Homecoming '81 on Oct. 2 and 3.

Festivities and events include Theatre Night, Reception with the President, workshops, seminars, gourmet luncheon, sightseeing, Waterloo by Air, the first Annual Pub Crawl and more! Homecoming has never been better!

For information and tickets, please write to the Office of Alumni Affairs, in Needles Hall at UW (N2L 3G1) or call (519) 885-1211, ext. 2422.

Thank you.

-April Branch  
Administrative Assistant  
Office of Alumni Affairs

Bay Mills,  
The Moody Blues,  
National Grocers,  
Huron Office Services,  
Odeon Theatre,  
Orr's Jewellers  
Dairy Queen,  
A & W Family Restaurant,  
Livingston's Men's Wear,  
Watson's Studio,  
Standard Auto Glass,  
Humpty Dumpty Foods,  
F.W. Woolworth and Co., and  
Cumming-Nicholson Shoes

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