

Youth exchange applications being accepted

Thirty-six Ontario young farmers participated in an exchange program this year that not only offered work experience, but also a chance to learn about another country.

The program is called the international agricultural exchange. It places young people aged 18 to 20 on agricultural and horticultural operations overseas.

"The program from the Ontario standpoint is really only in its second year and we've already noticed increasing interest," says Cay Johnson, coordinator of the program for the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food. "About one-third more young people participated in the program this year compared to last year."

The exchange program offers work opportunities in six countries: Holland, Denmark, France, Japan, the United Kingdom, and Switzerland (the latest addition).

"The young people work on horticultural or agricultural operations for periods of four months to one year," says Johnson. "During this time they are employed and paid as any other worker in the host country."

The program is not a scholarship or grant program. The young people are required to pay their own transportation costs and are expected to have enough money to carry themselves until their first paycheck.

This year, France was the most popular destination for the Ontario exchange

workers. Nineteen young people worked in France, eight in Holland, three in Denmark, four in the U.K., and one in Japan.

On the other end of the exchange are young people in Japan, Denmark, France and the U.K. Ontario hosted 43

young people from these countries this year.

Applications for the exchange program are now being accepted for the 1982 spring departures. Interviews with applicants are held in November and December to allow the necessary time for

placement and clearance.

To apply for the program, young people must have at least two years of agricultural or horticultural experi-

ence. One year of study in a university or college agricultural or horticultural program can be credited as one year of experience. Applicants must also

hold Canadian citizenship.

Application forms are available at the local agricultural office. Direct inquiries to Mrs. Cay Johnson,

Agricultural Manpower Services Branch, Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food, Legislative Buildings, Toronto, Ontario M7A 2B2.

Tiny Twp. council briefs

by Adrienne Graham Gardner

Only three members of Tiny council were present for the regular meeting held on Wednesday, Oct. 28.

Deputy-Reeve John Lackie and Councillor John Butler were unable to attend.

Accounts

The following accounts were passed: General Accounts \$23,475, Road Department \$20,688, Fire Department \$1,153, Water Department \$3,360, Bert Graham for livestock killed by wolves \$150, Georgian Shores Swinging Seniors \$805, Ainley and Associates (Perkinsfield Sidewalk final payment) \$286. \$25 will also be spent to purchase a wreath for presentation by Tiny at the annual Remembrance Day ceremonies in Penetanguishene November 11th.

Treasurer

Mrs. Suzanne Gignac began work as treasurer for Tiny this week. A bylaw officially appointing her to the position was passed by council Wednesday.

Ministry of Housing

Reeve Morris Darby has met with an official of the Ministry of Housing to discuss setting up a meeting of representatives from the six municipalities who formed the Tiny Tay Peninsula Planning Board.

This meeting, to be held at the request of Housing Minister Claude Bennett as a last-ditch effort at reviving the Area Board, will take place within the next two weeks.

Next meeting

The next meeting of Tiny council will be held Tuesday, Nov. 10th.



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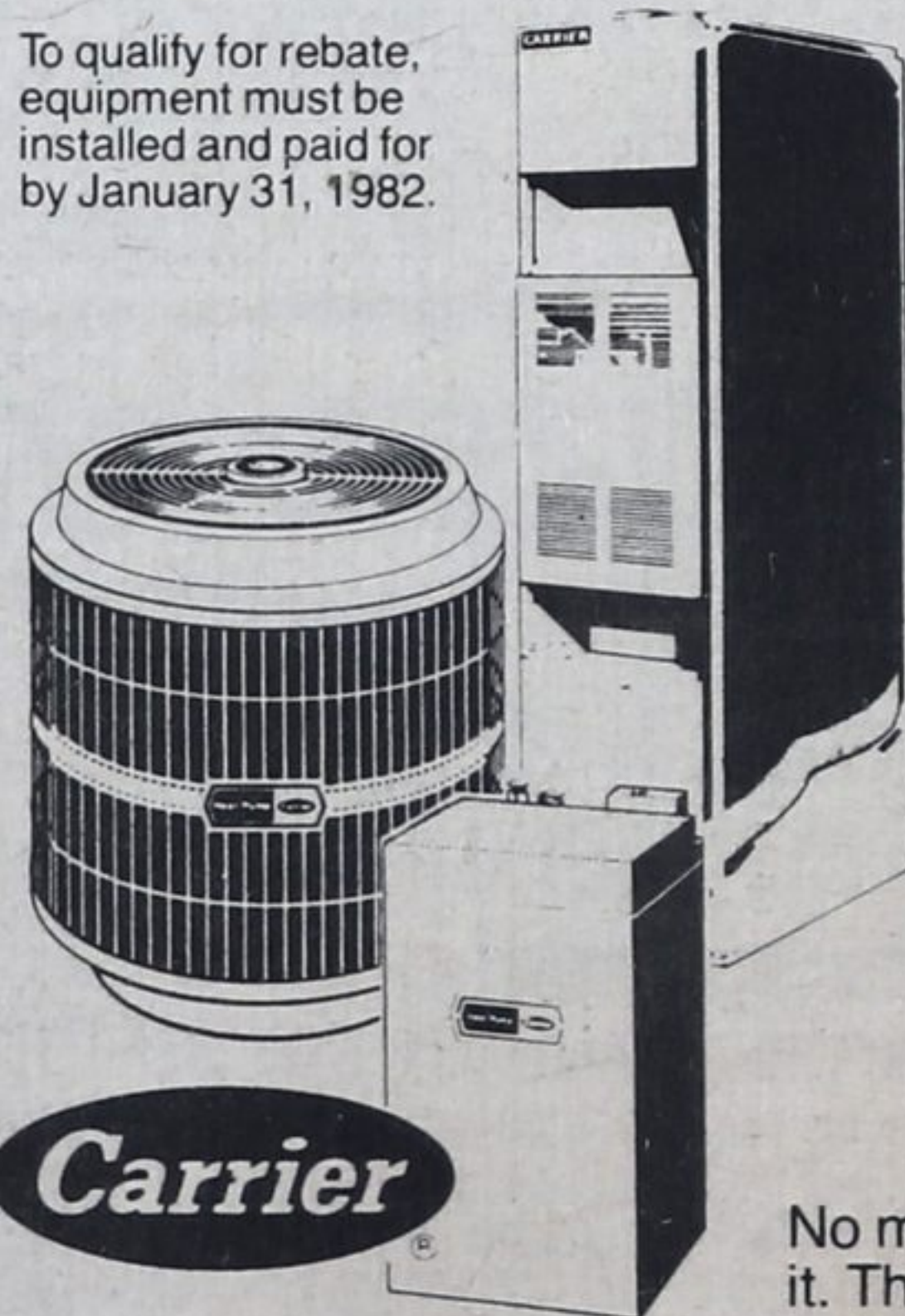
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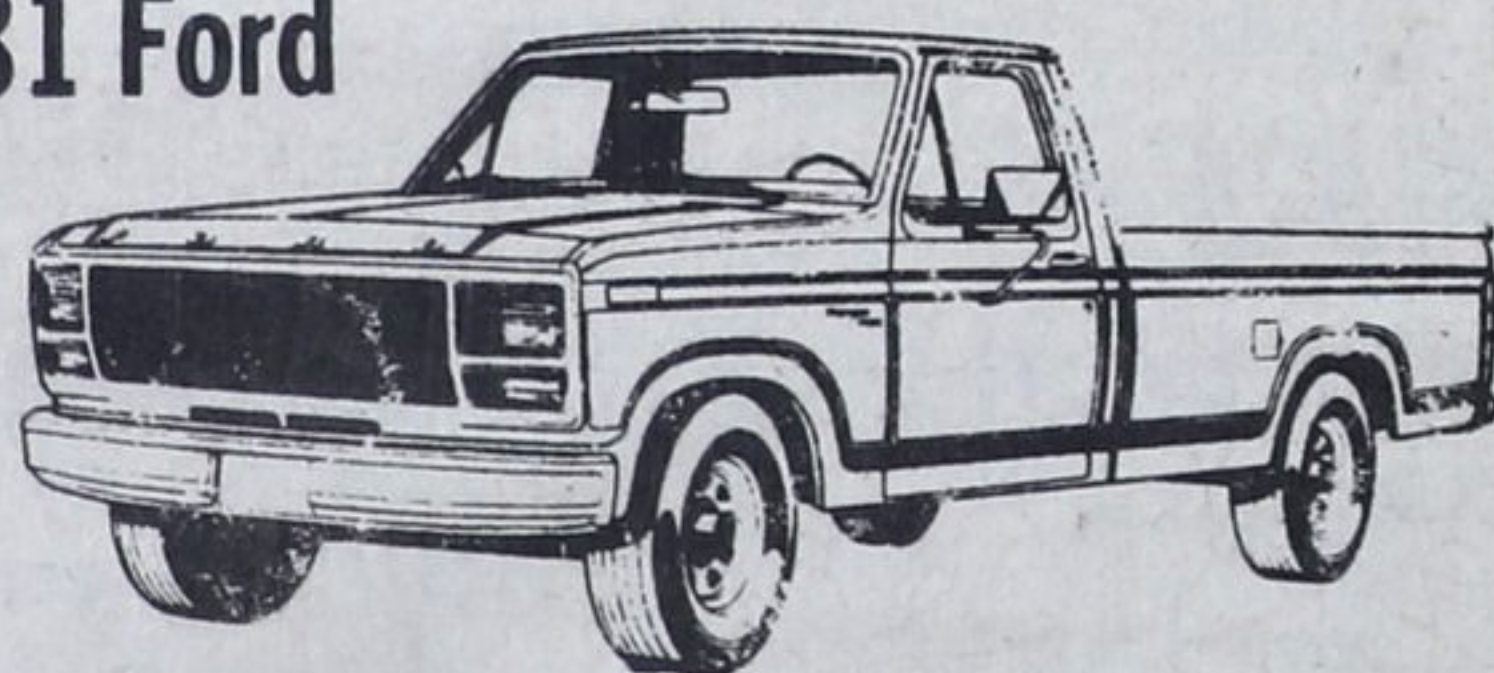
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