



### The meaning of Christmas

Cadet John Fredborg of the Midland Salvation Army spent a very busy day Monday packing Christmas hampers at the Salvation Army Citadel on Dominion Avenue. This worthwhile effort is carried out each year at

Christmas for the benefit of those less fortunate in the area. The staff of the Salvation Army and the numerous volunteers are to be commended for their terrific effort.

### Interim manager

## Airport picks its 'new' man

While members of Huronia Airport Commission sort out the future of Huronia Airport, an engineer at the tri-municipal airport in Tiny Township has been named as interim manager of the facility, reports commission member-secretary Guy Maurice, clerk of Tiny.

Several weeks ago Garrison Aviation announced plans to pull out of the airport as the facility's manager.

Since then there has been some confusion as to the fate of the facility just west of Midland.

The airport came into being back in the late '60s and has been funded in part by Midland, Penetanguishene and Tiny which picks representatives to sit on the airport commission.

The airport previously has been managed, aside from Garrison, by LemAire Air Services Ltd., and prior to that by Collingwood Air (CollAir).

# New constable to join Penetang force

## picked from scores of applicants for post

Robert Skeaff, a 27-year-old member of the Toronto Police Force has been hired by Penetanguishene to serve on the local force as constable third class.

Skeaff was chosen by an interview committee headed by Public Safety Chairman Frances St. Amant on Dec. 8.

St. Amant described Skeaff as a "very clever young man, who will be an asset to the police force."

Skeaff, who is married with one child, served seven years with the Metro force, and will relocate to Penetanguishene.

**Taxi license refused**  
Penetanguishene council has refused a taxi-driver's license to Ronald John Desroches on the recommendation of the police chief.

Sonia Penna, owner of the cab, was also refused a license on the grounds that she was not a resident of the town.

The applicants have the opportunity to appeal the decision to council.

**Don Street**  
Council has authorized the executing of contracts for \$26,000 worth of sewers to be constructed on Don Street in Penetanguishene.

The water and sanitary sewers will run 183 metres west on Don Street from Fuller Avenue, past Macdonald Road.

The cost of the project will be split, with Public Works paying \$20,000 and the Industrial Commission picking up the \$6,000 remainder.

Specifications for the services are to be drawn up by the town. Work will be done by either contractors or the Public Works Department.

### Up to \$1 million

## Clerk to arrange to borrow big bucks

by Adrienne Graham Gardner  
Penetanguishene council has authorized the town treasurer to arrange a loan of up to \$1 million to meet the current expenditures of the municipality until taxes are collected.

In explaining the reasons for the loan, clerk Yvon Gagne pointed out that the amount requested was below the \$1.5 million line of credit obtained by the town last year.

In actual fact, only \$400,000 of this amount was actually borrowed. The one million dollar figure asked

for this year is a maximum up to which money can be borrowed. Gagne estimates actual loans will be far below this amount.

Interim borrowing to cover expenses between tax collections is common practise by municipal governments.

**Accounts**  
Accounts totalling \$403,802 were authorized by Penetanguishene council at their Monday night meeting.

Parks and Recreation accounts totalled \$8,159.



### Reason to smile

Penetanguishene Lions Club "200 Club" elimination draw winners were presented with cheques at the Art Stewart TV Showroom in Penetanguishene Monday Afternoon by Lions Club President Eric Garrett. The \$1,000.00 prize was split three

ways. Those receiving cheques for \$333.34 each were Julien Desroches, Jack Wedge, and Mrs. Gat Ladouceur. Mrs. Ladouceur was not able to be present for the presentation.



### This is our special Christmas wish to you...

The famed historic Establishments at Penetanguishene provides the ideal setting for our Christmas wish that peace and happiness fill your life at this Christmaside. We hope you, your family and friends will have a safe and happy Christmas holiday

season...and we thank you for your untiring support of our community newspapers: The Midland Times, The Friday Times, The

Penetanguishene Citizen, The Friday Citizen and the Elmvalle Lance. Merry Christmas: The Editor.