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Bellisle deserves special word of praise

THE MAYOR of Penetanguishene Ron Bellisle deserves a special word of praise.

There have been very few centennial functions, if any, the mayor has missed this year.

On several occasions he has attended more than one centennial "do" on the same day or evening.

At the same time it should be pointed out, not only is Mayor Ron Bellisle the mayor of the town but he is a businessman as well and as such must devote considerable time to his own private affairs.

Nevertheless, our mayor has demonstrated a great deal of interest and enthusiasm in Penetanguishene's 100th birthday party celebrations and his contributions shouldn't go unnoticed or without a word of praise and recognition.

Const. Art Lizotte wins our applause

LONG-TIME member of Penetanguishene Police Department, Const. Art Lizotte (the force's public safety officer) wins our applause for A) working with the town's more than 100 safety patrollers and B) designing and making trophies 120 Penetanguishene Patrollers received last week.

Art spent hundreds of hours of his own free time making the individual trophies that he, Police Chief Dennis Player and Mayor Ron Bellisle presented to the youngsters last week.

Well done, Art. And well done too to members of the Penetanguishene Lions Club for providing silver dollars that were mounted on the trophies.

A major triumph

HERE WE are in the midst of the last week of Penetanguishene's centennial celebrations.

It hardly seems possible the town's 100th birthday party officially kicked off six months ago . . . but it did.

It has been a ball reporting on and covering the hundreds of centennial events that have transpired this year.

We met old friends and made new ones during this centennial year . . . and probably that's what centennial is all about . . . friends.

Hats off to Diane Greenfield, the town's centennial coordinator and all those who have worked so hard behind the scenes to make our town's 100th birthday party a triumph.

Congratulations to Walker and Gibson

TAY TOWNSHIP council has had a change in command since the resignation earlier this month, for personal reasons, of Reeve Charles Rawson.

Former deputy-reeve David Walker moves up to reeve while former Tay councillor William Gibson moves up to deputy-reeve.

Congratulations are extended to both the new reeve and the new deputy-reeve.

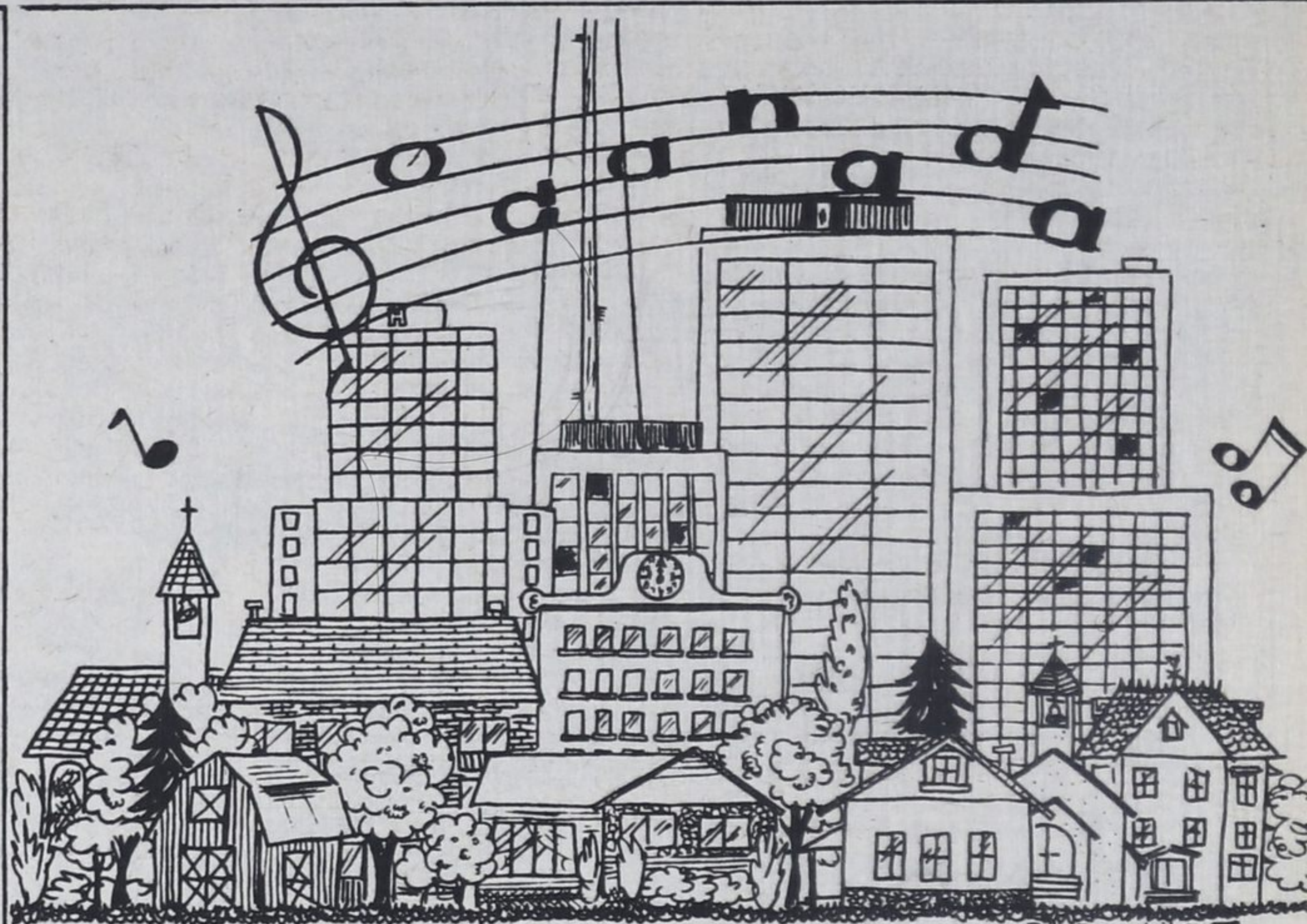
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Letters

Our readers say...

Issues joint release

Dear Editor:

Simcoe County Board of Education and its secondary school teachers are pleased to announce that they have both ratified a tentative agreement reached last week in negotiations. The new agreement covers the 1981-82 and 1982-83 school years.

The salary increases for those teachers at the maximum of their categories will be slightly over eight per cent in the first year of the contract and slightly over 10 per cent in the second year.

Provision is made for an adjustment in salaries by December of 1982 if experience indicates that Simcoe County teachers are not being paid in their historical position in relation to other school boards.

The clauses in the agreement which relate to the

C-FAR praises MPP

Dear Editor:

Ron Stewart MP for Simcoe South deserves high marks for his speech in Parliament on June 10 which criticized the massive waste of Canadian foreign aid dollars.

We give outright grants and loans at ridiculous rates of three per cent to a variety of Third World countries, including such Marxist states as Algeria, Grenada, and Tanzania.

Commenting on our present \$1.724 billion foreign aid budget, Stewart said: "We sure have a lot of money in Canada. We cannot help home owners,

number of teachers employed make provision for a three year period in which our ratio of pupils and teachers will be reduced to a level which is closer to the provincial average.

The agreement also provides for additional teachers to be added to allow for expanded or additional programs in Special Education.

A Dental Plan will also be provided for teachers and paid for equally by the teachers and the Board.

Trustees and teachers look forward to a continuation of the good relations which have existed in the Board for many years.

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small business or farmers, but would you believe it, we can give 30, 40, even 50-year interest free loans to other countries." He went on to wonder if half our present foreign aid budget were spent on creating jobs, on small business and agri-bonds, on reducing interest rates, what it would do for this country and our unemployed?

It's a good question. Stewart has shown some much-needed leadership on the foreign aid question. Canadian MPs are elected to manage Canada's affairs. Canada right now is in desperate economic straits. Even sober observers now mention the word "Depression" when discussing our plummeting dollar and soaring interest rates and unemployment. The government simply must help Canadians first.

Stewart has shown considerable courage in challenging the largely government-funded foreign aid lobby by calling on the government to put Canada first and shift funds now earmarked to various Third World tyrannies to hard-pressed Canadian farmers, businessmen, and home owners.

Sincerely yours,
—James P. Hull
Vice President

Citizens for Foreign Aid Reform Inc.

The final results...

Dear Editor:

The 1982 Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal has been finalized. As chairman of the Appeal, I would ask you through your media, to convey the appreciation of the Committee for the contribution that the people of this area made.

Herewith are the results of the Appeal, set out in areas:

Midland	\$15,037.17
Penetang	3,288.60
Elmvale	967.48
Port McNicoll	1,042.19
Victoria Harbour	505.30
Wyevale	146.50
Waverley	130.05
Hillsdale	155.25
Orr Lake	235.50
Wyebridge	124.00
Beaches	220.00
Perkinsfield	49.10
Honey Harbour	60.00
Waubauskene-Pl. Severn	1,586.31
TOTAL	\$23,547.45

Thank you for your support, the work of The Salvation Army may only be carried out if everyone contributes to their great cause.

Sincerely,
—Nancy Keefe (Mrs. W.N.)
1982 Chairman

What's Your Opinion?

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