

Hurononia through the eyes of Moose Factory kids

The following comments are from students of the Grade 8 class at the Main School in Moose Factory, Ont. The class was recently in the area for a school trip; they were billeted by local residents and taken on tours of all the local sites.

Here are some of their observations:

Ste. Marie Among the Hurons:

At the Museum, most of the students enjoyed themselves. They had things that were dug up.

—Bernadine Rickard

There were skulls, bones of a human being, also muskets, pistols, and other things like rocks.

—Chad Faries

There was very old stuff there. They must have dug it up, 300 years ago, probably. It was interesting anyway. The women that showed us around her name was Esther.

—Kelly Roach

The Indian Village was great. Our tour guide showed us a lot of things and told us some things I never knew before.

—Paul McLeod

Huron Museum - We went to look what the Huron's used long ago and what the Georgian Bay people used for their homes.

—Wilbert Visitor

The Martyr's Shrine:

The Martyr's Shrine was big like a castle. No one did not break anything. We sat around things and kept our hands to ourselves.

—Kenny Chum

We saw some bones from a famous priest named Jean de Brebeuf, he was seven feet tall. Another thing we saw there was a lot of candles, they use the candles for donating. Every time you donate a dollar you get to light a candle.

—Lindy Linklater

The Shrine was O.K., and it was a nice place. In the Shrine many people were healed.

—Tina Mianscum

We went to Martyr's Shrine, it was the biggest church I ever saw, some of us even liked it. When you want to light a candle you have to pay \$3 to light it.

—Alfred Vincent

The Shrine was very interesting, it has many candles and it was very big, even bigger than our Hall.

—Clarence Trapper

The Elmvale Jungle Zoo:

Judy, Kelly and I fed the sheep, lambs. We got scared because they might bite us. We fed them corn. After we went to see some more animals like the Eland, did it ever stink there. We were picking up rabbits, they were very cute, and cuddly. I fed the bear, his tongue felt soft when he licked the peanuts off my hand. When they were taking a picture of Annabella standing beside some birds and when they would call she kept on screaming. I've never seen so many strange animals.

—Annie Gunner

They said a lion went to the washroom on some of the boys. They were trying to take a picture of a girl with a Kookaburra and she screamed and the girl screamed even harder.

—Judy Gagnon

The Penetanguishene Bottling plant:

On Tuesday June 1, the weather was miserable. We were supposed to go for a boat ride to Christian Island, but we had to cancel it because it was raining, so instead we spent our afternoon in a Coca Cola Company.

—Verna

I was far out man, like going in there and there are all these machines all going at once to make thousands of bottles of Coke.

—Darryl

And, generally:

After lunch Kelly, Judy, Dorothy, Betty and me helped the ladies with the dishes. We all went to play baseball, boys against girls. The chaperons Barb, and Mary, played too, and Murray the bus driver was the umpire.

The boys won of course.

—Denise

I like the way this billeting program runs. I heard that before this billeting program even

started. Students used to sleep in gymnasiums.

I like the billet we were staying with, he was kind and generous, he even took 3 of us in his home. On our free day with the billet, that was a Sunday, he took 4 of us from Moose Factory to Wonderland, plus his 2 kids and himself.

And he paid for it all. I had a wonderful time, and I let him know too. I think people will love billets in the future, you make new friends

—Verna

I feel staying with people from Midland was a very good idea, because you really got to meet nice people, and they got to meet the real Moose Factory. It was fun staying with people from Midland, because they know their way around pretty good.

—Darryl

The trip was great for me anyway. I had fun with people I just met or are complete strangers.

—Kelly

I think the trip would have been better if we didn't joke around but over all the trip was great, there was a lot to learn.

—Murray

I bought shorts, T-shirts, that said Iron Maiden on it. Two girls pierced their ears.

—Annie

The students and the teachers were working hard to go away. Many phone calls were made by Mr. Delaney and Mr. Puksa. They phoned to places such as Huron Museum, Ste. Marie 1, Parry Island, Gibson's Reserve, M.S.S., Jungle Zoo, etc.

—Lindy

I think Midland is a nice, quite, extra-ordinary place to visit, with the whole class. It's nice and quiet, not like cities.

Midland is a marvellous place to visit. I have 3 or 4 friends there now. The people there are really friendly. I should say, you should visit the place.

—Verna

A few of the boys and I went up this slope to a lookout tower, it was tiring but worth it, after I got to the top, Mr. Delaney and I only took a few seconds getting over while some boys were struggling and some more boys were wanting to jump over. Mr. Delaney told them not to because they might crack their heads open on the rocks. Some boys fell in. I was sorry to leave there because it was so beautiful.

—Judy

The driver said "I wish I could drive you guys back" and I wished he did.

—Wilbert

I can't pronounce the bus driver's name it sounds like French, anyway. Denise and I sat way at the back of the bus, right beside the washroom.

It's kind of hard to sleep when there's about 3 or 4 tape recorders going at the same time. After awhile the washroom started to smell a little.

—Kelly

The trip was excellent except for some boys.

—Wayne Wapachee

The trip wasn't bad, and I think that everyone had fun, but we couldn't mind staying longer.

—Bernadine Rickard

The most exciting part of the trip was the Go-cart in Balm Beach, I like it when Terry takes head starts.

—Andrew

On my free evening, most of us went to the Arcade. Many of us blew our money there.

—Tina Mianscum

At the Wye Marsh, our group went on the Wildlife part of the Marsh, but I didn't like meeting the frogs.

—Tina Mianscum

I think the trip was excellent, nobody got badly injured, just scrapes, and bruises. Nobody got home sick, or sick, only travel sick.

—Cheryl

It rained most of the time. Thank you.

—Dale

I think I have learned a lot.

—Chad

I wish we were there until it closed!

—Wilbert Visitor

More
people
make use
of office

The office of the Ontario ombudsman, Donald R. Morand, received approximately 10 per cent more complaints and information requests this year than the previous year, his ninth annual report for the period April, 1981 to March, 1982, shows. Further, the office of the ombudsman has reduced the number of investigations carried over at yearend to 1,457. This is the lowest carry-over of in-progress cases since the office began functioning in the fall of 1975.

During the ninth reporting period, the office closed a total of 10,175 complaints and information requests.

The majority of these were closed within several months of their receipt. Morand's office reports. In fact, 7,164 or 70 per cent were handled within one month. Eighty-eight per cent or 8,947 were closed within six months of their receipt at the ombudsman's office.

Since Morand's appointment, approximately three years ago, cost of living increases to employees and other standard increases in the cost of services and supplies have affected the yearly budget. However, when these increases are computed, Morand's office states that the overall office expenditures for this three year period are approximately \$250,000 less than the above mentioned increases. In times of fiscal restraint, he states he is naturally proud of this accomplishment. Along with these savings, Morand reports that he has still been able to increase the number of employees conducting investigations.

Morand further reports that members of his staff held private hearings in more communities this year than ever before. Overall, staff members of the office of the ombudsman visited 76 communities province-wide in this reporting period. As in previous years, members of the staff from the Directorate of Regional Services continued to visit Indian Reserves and settlements in Ontario in order to offer the services of the ombudsman to our native population.

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