



NOT an easy assignment!

Smiling despite the difficulty they had deciding who most deserved the best-decorated-home award from all the beautifully decorated houses in Elmvale, are, left to right, Don Hocken, Ella

McKnight, Edna Langman, and Dave Campbell, all Elmvale Chamber of Commerce members. Mr. Hocken is also a Village of Elmvale councillor.

'Corunna Adventure' enjoyed by Rotary exchange student representative

Last week Midland Rotary was entertained by two guest speakers at its regular Wednesday luncheon.

Gay Cudmore, Rotary's exchange student from Australia, and local student Donna Crawford spoke on their recent trip to the Sarnia area to take part in the "Corunna Adventure", a tour of that area's petroleum-related industries.

The girls were billeted by the host Corunna Rotary Club, of which there are only eight members.

Despite the small nature of the club, it provided a first class adventure for the visitors. Gay and Donna were just two of 17 students involved in the four day tour.

They were treated to tours of four or five different industries each day, setting a spirited tempo for the week.

Groups of four or five students toured such sites as the Inter-provincial pipeline, Dow Chemical, C.I.L. Refinery, and Dome Petroleum. They found all of the industries very well maintained, and marvelled at the huge number of different products supplied by Dow Chemicals.

They were also fed very well during their stay, although they admitted to being overexposed to coffee and doughnuts.

One site which particularly interested the girls, was the town of Petrolia. This is the site of the first oil discovery in North America. This occurred in 1860. Many oil drilling techniques used around the world were developed on this site.

Both Gay Cudmore and Donna Crawford expressed their gratitude to the Rotary Club for sending them on the "Corunna Adventure" and

stressed the value of returning next year to it.

These recommendations were taken to heart by the club, and

plans were instituted to send some lucky student again next year.


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FLAC gets message across to SCBE brass

by Carol Dimock

The French Language Advisory Committee is optimistic that it got its point across to the SCBE at a meeting Monday night.

FLAC presented a motion to board members outlining their request to have Le Caron students continue to have workshops in the community rather than at ESPSS.

Along with the FLAC representatives, Le Caron students and parents spoke on behalf of the motion. They explained that the students were very satisfied with the arrangement of having workshops in the community.

"We didn't want to go back to PSS and stir up the unrest that there was in the past," said Basile Dorion, FLAC member. "We understand that we're not really wanted there, and we don't blame them. They have a right to their own facilities."

Community-based workshops can

be held at no further cost to the school board. Costs are covered by funding already granted to the French language high school.

Attending the meeting on behalf of the Simcoe County Board of Education were Irving Harris, director of education and the chairman, Mr. Bill Straughn. Elected SCBE members present were Joan Jensen, Paul Tremblay, and Peggy Dymont.

The chairman made a point of expressing his annoyance that the meeting was conducted in French, Dorion reported.

"We explained everything to them in English, and translated the motion and much of the discussion. More than 50 per cent of the meeting was held in English," said Dorion. It has been the policy of FLAC to hold meetings in French for two years.

"After all, it is a French language organization," said Dorion.



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