

# North Simcoe news briefs

## Wood exhibition tour begins in Ontario

The exhibition of the work of William J. Wood of Midland, at the Art Gallery of Ontario until last Sunday, received half a page in the Saturday Globe and Mail, the day before the end of the exhibition. The Wood exhibition opened Oct. 21.

The exhibition, more than 100 examples from Wood's long career, the majority of which have been collected by former Midlander Walling Ruby, now will be taken around the country, to stops which include the Swift Current National Exhibition Centre, Thunder Bay National Exhibition Centre, Timmins Museum, and Art Gallery of Peterborough.

## Roxy and BIA are to team up

The place to be this Saturday afternoon is the Roxy Theatre in Midland.

That's when Midland BIA will sponsor a free 1 p.m. matinee.

Youngsters can pick up passes for the show at downtown stores in Midland.

## Bake sale for bowlers

A bake sale will be held at the Mall in Penetanguishene on Dec. 10, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., sponsored by the Ladies Auxiliary for Penetang Youth Bowling Club.

## Hillsdale Santa Claus Parade set for Sat.

The sixth annual Santa Claus Parade will be held in Hillsdale on Saturday, Dec. 10, beginning at 12 noon. The parade will organize at Rumble's Mill and will end at the public school, where Santa will greet the children and distribute bags of candy. Everyone is encouraged to attend and help make this parade the biggest and best ever.

## Santa on Ice

Elmvale and District Lions Club and Royal Canadian Legion, Br. 262, Elmvale, are sponsoring a Christmas Skating Party to be held at the Elmvale Arena on Sunday, Dec. 11, from 2 to 4 p.m. There will be treats for the children from Santa himself.

## Start planning now for Winterama

If Christmas comes, can Winterama be far behind? That's the question that the Penetanguishene Chamber of Commerce is asking these days, as once again it has undertaken the huge task of organizing the fun-filled February festival.

The Chamber welcomes help, suggestions and any new ideas to enhance this year's Winterama. It's not too soon to start planning!

## Protestant Board trustees elected

Trustees for the Penetanguishene Protestant Separate School Board were elected on Monday, Nov. 15, for a two-year term. Elected were Joseph Hatton, Nicole Woods and Roger Garthside. Marjorie McCarnan was eliminated.

## Council meets next Mon. night

There's to be a regular meeting of town council in Midland next Monday night, starting at 7:30 p.m.

One of the controversial items will deal with a finance committee recommendation that Alderman Miles Blackhurst sit on the Papal Visit to Huronia Committee.

Midland Mayor Al Roach has been sitting on the committee however there are those on council who feel the mayor needs a watch dog.

## Donations asked of church members

Parishioners of St. Margaret's Church in Midland are being asked to donate canned food, children's knitted clothing, or toys to the Salvation Army.

The Salvation Army is in the midst of its annual assembly of Christmas hampers. The Army expects to distribute 450 hampers in the week before Christmas.

St. Margaret's parishioners are asked to bring their donations to their church's front door on White Gift Sunday.

## Wins bundle

Knights of Columbus Council No. 1627 wish to announce the winner of the "Bundle of Joy". It's Mark Stukey, of Harriet Street in Penetanguishene.

## More snow on its way, stats show

So far this winter a total of 30 centimetres of snow has blanketed Midland-Penetanguishene, reports Midland's Mel Curtis.

One centimetre fell on the area yesterday, three last Friday and three last Thursday.

By this time last winter only nine centimetres of snow covered the region.

## Congratulations all 'round

Simcoe County Warden Art Stewart came to last Wednesday's meeting of Tiny Township Council to bring greetings and best wishes to newly appointed Councillor John Butler, from the County and the Town of Penetanguishene.

"I've come to tell Council I think it's made an excellent decision in choosing John Butler to be Councillor," said Warden Stewart. "I would like to congratulate Council on that decision."

In turn, Reeve Morris Darby congratulated Warden Stewart on his successful year as Warden of the County of Simcoe.

## Female trustees head county school board

Wendy MacKenzie of Elmvale is the first female chairman of the Simcoe County Board of Education. MacKenzie was acclaimed to the position during the board's inaugural meeting for 1984, held on Monday.

Mary Erichsen-Brown of Collingwood was elected to replace MacKenzie as the board's vice-chairman. Trustees Bill Scott of Stroud and Sam Neilly of Gilford also stood for election for vice-chairman.

Bill Straughan of Barrie served the maximum number of years, two years, through which a trustee can be the board's chairman.

Elmvale Reeve Ken Knox addressed the board. John McCullough, the board's first chairman, attended.

## Today's Quotes

"The best way to detect a counterfeit is to know the real thing."

"If you want to feel rich, count all the things you have that money can't buy."

## HURONIA CALENDAR Dec. 10

Regent School, Midland, Christmas bazaar and craft sale 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Crafts, baking, games, tea room, much more. Everyone welcome.

Midland District Singles Club is having its monthly dance at Port McNicoll Community Centre. Doors open at 9 p.m. No jeans please, 25 years and over.

## Tiny gets notice of Midland's move in boundary dispute

Township of Tiny Council received formal notice of Midland's request to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing to begin procedures under the Municipal Boundaries Act toward the annexation of the "commercial strip" along 93 at Midland's western boundary with the township. Tiny Council received and filed the notification, By-law No. 83-70, without comment.

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# 1984 FARM TAX REDUCTION PROGRAM

## GET BACK MORE IN '84!

The Ontario Farm Tax Reduction Program, designed to assist owners of farm properties by rebating a portion of their property taxes, has been greatly improved for 1984.

As in past years, residences, farmland and outbuildings will continue to be assessed together. But the farm tax rebate will increase from 50 to 60%.

And while the gross production value for eligibility will remain at \$8,000 for the majority of the province, it will be reduced to \$5,000 for northern and eastern Ontario (northern Ontario is defined as that area north of the southern boundaries of Haliburton and Muskoka. And eastern Ontario is the area east of the western boundary of Northumberland, Victoria and Peterborough counties).

To hear more about these and the many additional program improvements, contact your local Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food Office.

Application forms for the 1984 Farm Tax Reduction Program will be mailed during the summer of 1984, and will be accompanied by a brochure outlining the new program in more detail.

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