



**STANDING ON GUARD** : This popular Penetanguishene landmark and her sister have been a photographer's delight since they were installed many decades ago

## Victoria Harbour

by CLARA POWER

WOW! Do I have news for you! And most of it centres around the upcoming "Mini Bonhomme Weekend" which will be held Feb. 1, 2 and 3, 1985.

At the last meeting (Jan. 8) of the Mini Bonhomme Committee and Victoria Harbour Parks and Recreation there was a lot accomplished and finalized.

Notices went in the paper about the nomination for entrants in the Queen and King contest. Cut-off date for entrance is January 19; forms are at the Harbour Diner and Mike's Milk. Then there will be a meet-the-candidates night on Jan. 25 in the basement of St. Mary's Church at 6 p.m., followed by a pot luck supper at 7 p.m.

There will be professional Sanctioned Races. Mr. Art Gies of the Georgian Family Centre has donated access to the Lake through his property. Mr. Gies is one of the founding members of the Victoria Harbour

Lion's Club. The Lions will prepare the course.

The 11th Annual Mini Bonhomme Carnival Draw Tickets will on sale. First prize - picnic table. Second prize - painting, donated by Sylvia Briant. Third prize - ceramic set, donated by Marlene Murray. The Draw will be held on Feb. 2, at midnight at the Legion. Tickets are \$1 each.

Parks and Recreations are looking after the brochures, buttons, and the Queen and King Contest. The Buttons are ready; the brochures and draw tickets also.

Kevin Grimard, Float Chairman for the Lion's Club, tells me that the Lions will be entering a 1928 Model A Ford in the parade. The vehicle will be carrying placards with the names of the people in the district who are sponsoring them. The Ford was donated to the Lions by Marg and Art Gies of the Georgian Family Centre.

The parade is taking

shape, under the direction of Monique Desjardins.

Last, but definitely not least! Victoria Harbour Parks and Recreation will be holding a Valentine's Dinner and Dance on Feb. 16 at the Hunters

### Five percent increase okayed by Local/SCBE

Local 330 of the Ontario Public Service Employees Union and the Simcoe County Board of Education have ratified a new one-year contract retroactive to July 1 last year when the last pact expired.

The new collective

### Waiting for an answer

Midland's complaint that CN Rail's delapidated, unused train station on the town's waterfront is an eyesore has not been answered by the railroad.

In recent years, \$250,000 has been spent to improve the town's downtown, \$300,000 to improve the town's dock, and \$450,000 to

and Anglers Club. Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Pay bar. D.J. - Danny Cousineau. \$25 per couple.

Tickets are available through any member of the Parks and Recreation Committee.

agreement calls for a five percent wage hike, effective July 1, 1984.

The local is comprised of non-teaching elementary and secondary employees associated with the Simcoe County Board of Education.

improve Bayshore Drive, a councillor noted at this week's meeting of Midland council.

### Brass meet

Next regular meeting of Simcoe County Board of Education is scheduled for Wednesday, Jan. 23.

# Camp Kitchi

Midland YMCA Camp Director Austin Matthews, today released the schedule for 1985 and other details of the forthcoming season at Camp Kitchikewana.

The camp, which has been owned and operated by the Midland YMCA since 1919, is located on leased land on Beausoleil Island, which is a part of the Georgian Bay National Park System.

This year, Camp Kitchikewana continues to draw schools from across Southern Ontario to participate in the Outdoor Education Program operated during May and June. Some of the schools planning to attend the 1985 program are from: Midland, Barrie, Collingwood, Wyevale, Wyebridge, Elmvale, Alliston, Colgan, Caistor Center, Bradford and St. Catharines.

Scheduled camp dates for the 1985 season begin with boys eight to 15 years of age, attending June 28 - July 7 and July 7-17. This year girls eight to 15 years old will take place July 29 - August 12 and August 12-26.

To conclude the 1985 Camp Kitchi schedule, there will be the Annual Family Camp from August 27 to September 2.

Camp Kitchi will also be hosting its third Annual Ladies Fitness Retreat, June 21-27. The camp offers ladies six days of activity, fun, exercise and friendship. Activities include: aerobics, aquatics, jogging and water sports. You may also enjoy relaxing and using the many facilities the camp has to offer.

This year the camp is limiting this program to 70 registrants, so there will be plenty of bunk houses and sleeping space to choose from.

This year, Camp Kitchikewana will put into action its new Co-ed Camp, for boys and girls eight to 15 years old, July 17-27.

In this new program, both brothers and sisters will have an opportunity to attend Kitchi at the same time. Boys' and girls' cabin areas are still separated but many activities, as well as meals, will be operated jointly.

Programs at the camp appeal to active youngsters and feature such activities as swimming, archery, crafts, kyaking, sailing, hikes, canoe trips, music and camp fires.

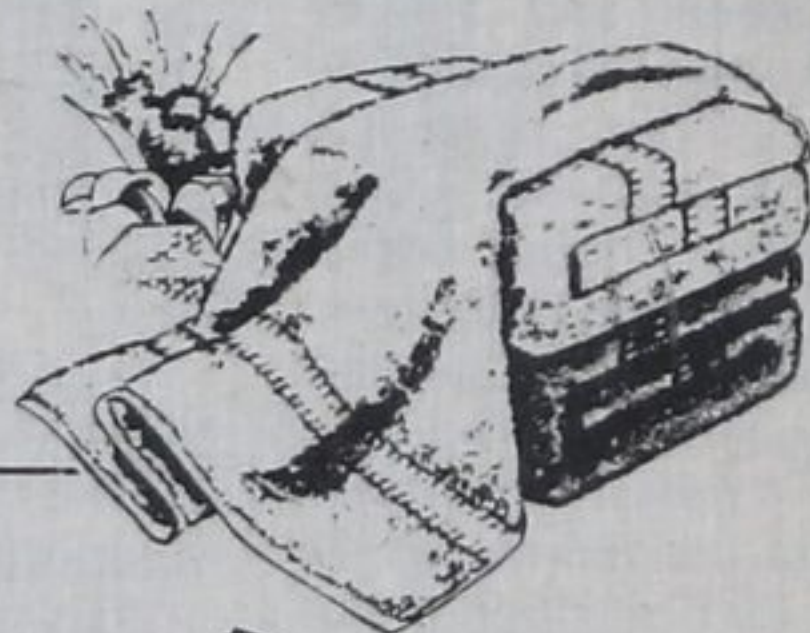
The friendly and helpful staff at camp Kitchikewana is composed of high school and university students, who are responsible, trained instructors and leaders.

Mr. Matthews explained that registration for the 1985 season has started. A coloured brochure and registration forms may be obtained from the Midland YMCA or by phoning 526-7828. Mr. Matthews concluded by stating that a residential camping experience provides a key element in the growth and the development of children in the eight to 15 year age group.

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