



No need to be shy

Pretty Lori Sherritt, 17, from Ossossane Beach, invites our photographer over for a chat, moments after being selected the 1985 Balm Beach Summerama Queen, on Saturday afternoon, at the Shady

Nook Court motel. Connie Annetta was first runner up, and second runner up was Cristol Gidney. The girls were judged on their beauty, poise, personality and intelligence.

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You are right, Gail. I stand corrected! The N.S.W.M.A. Recycling Booth was set up in Midland - at the Sidewalk Sale.

Gail Redditt would also like to thank Ralph, of Parker's Variety Store, for getting the imprinted balloons so quickly for the N.S.W.M.A. Recycling Display.

Councillor Pat Armstrong is now convalescing at home. His daughter, Dianne, tells me that he is feeling much better.

On July 8 Trent's Travelling Trio presented a puppet show outside the Library. All of those present enjoyed "Jack and the Beanstalk" and the "Three Billy Goats Gruff."

The puppeteers, Michele Strong, Napoleon Forbes, and Chris Oberg, have been on the road since the second week in July, delighting audiences as they go. They have been travelling for Ontario Library Services 8 Trent, sponsored by the Ministry of Education.

Lana Garret, our Chief Librarian, presented the trio with buttons (We Feed Bookworms Here), compliments of Port McNicoll Library.

Our Library will be closed on August 22 and 23 for the Simcoe County Book Exchange.

We will re-open on the 24 of August with a whole new supply of books for your reading pleasure.

Marlene Henderson has completed her nursing course, and

very kindly brought in some pamphlets to the Library. These include articles on Family Law Reform, Protection of

the Elderly, Wife Battering and many more.

Thank you Marlene, for passing these interesting articles on.

Paperbacks

Irving Wallace's new book *The Miracle* is a stunning work of fiction. Although it centres on Lourdes and harkens back to the story of St. Bernadette, it takes place in the year 1985 when a Reappearance of the Virgin has been scheduled (this is Wallace's fictional licence, of course).

There is a tremendous amount of detail regarding St. Bernadette, the peasant girl who witnessed the Virgin Mary 18 times, and who is the ultimate raison d'être behind Lourdes. And to those not well acquainted with Catholic doctrine, Wallace's informative text is a God-send.

Believers have swarmed to Lourdes to witness the Reappearance and to be cured by the miraculous waters. Amongst them are an ailing Soviet foreign minister who will never become leader if the truth gets out, a blind girl, a lady who is known as the Miracle Woman because her cancer had been cured years before while at Lourdes, a Basque terrorist, a sceptical journalist, etc. A more diverse group could not be found and the story of how each one seals their fate is unfailingly fascinating.

There are problems here and there throughout the book that closer editing could have worked out, and perhaps a greater reason for the Reappearance of the Virgin should have been given, but although this last is a major drawback I found the writing so enjoyable that I was willing to overlook Wallace's less than world-shaking conclusion (Signet, \$4.95).

Divided into three sections, each telling the story of a different woman, *Among Friends* only comes truly alive when it details the life of Leona, a tough but troubled Canadian journalist. Parts 2 and 3, the stories of Emily and Marion, link up with Leona's story but lack substance. We hear only about their problems, their suffocating anxieties—and not about the nitty-gritty of their day to day lives, the vital info we need.

The plot is straightforward. Three friends, all working in the communications field in some capacity, withdraw and isolate themselves to the point of breakdown when changes are forced upon them. Then, in their desolation (whether manifested in anxiety attacks or craziness) they draw together into a supportive sisterhood. (Men get a raw deal in this book.)

L.R. Wright's novel charges forward cohesively from the beginning, is chatty, compelling even, then it disintegrates (Seal, \$3.95). —Patricia Job



VILLAGE OF PORT McNICOLL

1984 Financial Highlights

Mill Rates	1984		1983	
	RESIDENTIAL AND FARM	COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL	RESIDENTIAL AND FARM	COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL
Village purposes	17.395	20.465	17.066	20.078
County purposes	3.339	3.928	2.853	3.356
School Bd. purposes Pub.	29.134	34.276	25.777	30.326
School Bb. purposes Sep.	28.055	33.006	25.036	29.455
Total Public	49.868	58.669	45.696	53.760
Total Separate	48.789	57.399	44.955	52.889
Consolidated Operations				
	1984	1984	1983	
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Actual</u>	
Sources of Financing				
-Residential and Farm taxation	\$433,636	433,654	392,942	
-Commercial, Industrial and Business taxation	279,188	281,089	258,403	
-User charges	27,023	27,764	27,734	
-Deduct amounts received or receivable for the County and School Boards	(463,126)	(462,014)	(410,141)	
-Grants from Government of Canada	--	--	18,980	
-Grants from Province of Ontario	266,900	284,203	272,189	
-Grants from other Municipalities	5,000	7,248	6,954	
-Investment Income	14,500	20,219	10,024	
-Other	17,327	26,266	38,572	
Applied to				
For Current Operations				
General Government	128,500	142,381	120,839	
Protection to persons & property	36,200	33,241	30,879	
Transportation Services	152,000	122,833	150,161	
Environmental Services	73,523	83,701	73,581	
Health Services	18,500	--	17,368	
Social and Family Services	--	5,143	4,305	
Recreation and Cultural Services	37,725	54,745	44,074	
Planning and Development	1,000	143	760	
	1984	1984	1983	
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Actual</u>	
Capital				
General Government	--	961	45,348	
Protection to persons & property	--	--	52,513	
Transportation services	113,000	122,664	72,733	
Recreation & Cultural Services	--	6,422	25,371	
Net Appropriations				
To (from) reserves and Reserve Funds	(10,000)	13,142	6,800	
Significant Year End Balances of Assets and Liabilities				
	1984	1983		
Unrestricted Assets				
Cash	\$19,993	\$3,173		
Accounts Receivable	89,877	78,673		
Taxes Receivable	116,349	113,109		
Assets of Reserve Funds				
Cash	7,694	2,146		
Long-term Receivables	29,473	49,137		
Liabilities and Municipal Fund Balances				
Temporary loans and bank overdraft	--	27,319		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	61,464	38,927		
To be used to offset (or to be recovered from) taxation or user charges	27,228	(7,495)		
Reserves and reserve funds	186,725	187,698		
Unexpended Capital Financing	--	1,670		

Notes

- 1/ The 1984 financial report consolidates the operations, assets and liabilities of the Village and its local boards and committees as follows; Library Board, Recreation Committee.
- 2/ The local boards, enterprises, and other entities of the Village whose revenues and expenditures have not been consolidated in the 1984 financial report are; Public Utilities Commission.
- 3/ The above data has been extracted from the 1984 consolidated Financial Report of the Village and its local boards shown in note 1. Copies of the 1984 Consolidated Financial Report and the auditor's report thereon* are available at the Village Offices to any resident who wishes to review or analyze the financial operations of the Village in greater detail.

Village of Port McNicoll
 Reeve - John B. Moreau
 Clerk-Treasurer - Ted Walker, A.M.C.T.
 Auditor - Patrick Blake, Chartered Accountant