

Once-in-a-lifetime experience

Rotary opening the door on mysterious Pakistan

MSS teacher Andy Wicksted is still talking about his 1984 trip to Texas as "a once-in-a-lifetime experience."

Through a unique Rotary International program, Wicksted and four others represented Rotary District 705 on a six week cultural exchange designed to further international understanding. Midland's Rotary

Club has been active in previous exchanges, with representatives travelling as far away as Australia and New Zealand.

The opportunity is now available for young, progressive, and professional people (male or female), ages 25-34, to further Rotary's exchange program with an exploration of Pakistan from Feb. 9 to March 22, 1986.

Successful candidates will gather for several weekends before departure to study geography, language, and culture.

Each representative will be responsible for a presentation, in words and or pictures, to help the hosts in Pakistan better understand our country. All transportation and accommodations will be paid by Rotary.

Midland Rotary Club is currently accepting letters, stating name, address, phone number, and reasons for an interest in this project, from interested applicants.

Their mailing address is Midland Rotary Club, P.O. Box 835, Midland, Ontario, L4R 4P4.



Street dancing revived in Midland thanks to CKMP-1230 Radio

Reviving a once popular summertime tradition, Midland's CKMP-1230 Radio invited the town out Friday evening, for an old fashioned street dance. While a variety of

brave couples, like this happy pair (left), stepped out on King Street, DJ Derek Christopher (right) kept them supplied with the best sounds from the Big Bands

Christopher, CKMP's regular "morning Man", also hosts the easy listening "Memories are Made" program, Sundays at 9

a.m. Music from the '30s, '40s and '50s highlighted Friday night's stroll down memory lane.

Crash: plane sustains \$100,000 damage

Two men, the pilot and his sole passenger, walked away from the \$100,000 twisted wreckage of their float-equipped six-seater Cessna 206, Friday afternoon, shortly after it crashed north of Vespra Sideroad 15-16 in the Crown Hill area.

According to OPP, pilot Gary Inskeep, 38, of Barrie and his passenger Robert Culliton, 30, also of Barrie, has just lifted off from Little Lake north of Highway 400 near Barrie when the aircraft developed a loss of power and failed to gain altitude.

The pilot reportedly while making an effort to turn back into the wind and land in a corn field hit a hydro line with one of the plane's floats causing the aircraft to crash to the

ground. Inskeep, a former Hamilton Tiger Cat and his passenger weren't injured as a result of

Tornado assistance

Application forms are now available for a provincial government low-interest loan program to assist farmers who suffered tornado damage this past spring.

Farmers in Central Ontario affected by the May 31 tornado can apply for loans to cover the cost of rebuilding and replacing assets that were damaged by the tornado. The program is intended to make up the difference between the cost of rebuilding and money available from both insurance and the Disaster Relief Fund.

About 200 farmers suffered damage from the tornado, with half of them sustaining losses serious enough to disrupt their day-to-day operations of their farms.

Farmers can obtain application forms and assistance in completing the forms from Ministry of

their hair-raising experience.

Both Barrie OPP and members of the

Department of Transport are investigating the flying mishap.

The crash reportedly occurred at 4:30 p.m.

Agriculture and Food offices in areas affected by the storm. The affected areas include Wellington, Bruce, Grey, Dufferin, South Simcoe, Victoria, Perth, Peterborough and Hastings counties as well as the regional municipalities of Durham and York.

Loans from chartered banks, trust companies and the credit unions will be made available at prime lending rates. These loans will be guaranteed by the Province of Ontario. Loans will also be available from the Farm Credit Corporation at its five-year rate. Borrowers pay six percent interest for five years, with an additional one percent added each subsequent year until the 10-year maximum repayment period ends. The maximum repayment period for inventory loss is three years.

Sherk damage claim needs a respondent

by MURRAY MOORE

Don Sherk has to decide who is at fault before thinking about taking steps to cover his losses in connection with his company's contract to do work in the Stollar subdivision, a spokesman said last Friday.

Sherk's construction company has a contract with Beamish Construction to do work in the west end Midland subdivision owned by Jack Stollar of Barrie.

Town of Midland in August ordered work in the subdivision to stop until Stollar met a requirement of the town.

The immediate result was a writ of claim for damages by Stollar against the town.

The secondary effect was that while the work was stopped, Sherk Construction's resources allocated to that job were idle but unable to go elsewhere. Sherk subsequently told this newspaper that the fault was either the town's or Stollar's.

However, before the work resumed, after two stoppages, Sherk notified Beamish Construction that he was going to submit a bill.

During this period Stollar told a reporter that his opinion was that Sherk would have a strong claim and that he would not blame Sherk for asking for compensation.

Sherk played a role in the negotiation that led to the town council lifting the stop work order, by carrying a message from Stollar to the town that the town would get what it demanded, a letter of credit, once the stop work order was lifted.

Stollar explained that he gave the letter of credit, which he had in his possession for some time, to Beamish Construction's manager, as a favour, after Beamish was notified that a claim would be forthcoming from Sherk Construction. Beamish Construction delivered the letter to the town's commissioner of works.

Although a Midland alderman, Sherk maintains that he has been acting as a businessman protecting his company.

As a councillor he has not taken part in council discussion of, or voting related to, the dispute with Stollar. As a councillor he has declared a conflict of interest whenever the matter arose.