

Readers' comments



Everyone thanked

Linda Bellisle (left), volunteer program co-ordinator at the Georgian Manor Home for the Aged in Penetanguishene had a very special task to perform during a wine and cheese party put on by the residents to show their appreciation to the many volunteers who come in to help every month. Bellisle is seen here mak-

ing a special presentation to one of the patients who also volunteers to help other. Resident Pearl Richardson (seated) was given a special "Volunteering, a great way to grow" pin for helping resident Vyna Arbour (standing) around through her daily routine.

McLean's comment

by Allan K. McLean
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Since our future is in the hands of our youth - what are we as parents and community leaders doing to prepare our young for the gigantic task that lies ahead?

We find ourselves with three major areas that necessitate preparation: Moral Education, Academic Education, and Practical Education.

Academics and moral issues are constantly being put before us and rightly so as this is the basis from which we start. We want the best possible teachers, curriculum and moral atmosphere for those that we

love and have nurtured from the cradle, but we seem to have forgotten about the experiential learning aspect. Do we take the time to Teach!

One Organization has, for many years, put forth that effort of teaching and has embraced the motto: "Learn to do by Doing".

The age-old 4-H program focuses on the development of our youth's most important resources: Talents and Skills of Leadership, Self-Confidence, Self-Esteem and Life Skills.

Through 4-H projects, the members are required to use their basic skills of learning, organizing learn-

ed data, and putting this data to practical use, thus further developing their potential.

Through 4-H club experiences, the members learn to relate to one another while developing friendships and just having fun, thus furthering their interpersonal skills.

Through 4-H travel, the members are extending this skill of interaction and widening their horizons to include such places as U.S.A. and the United Kingdom, hence becoming more aware of other people, their problems and the solutions that they choose to implement.

Bringing all of these

facets of the 4-H program together, it promotes the development of individuals who will have self-confidence, self-esteem, leadership qualities and someday be the backbone of our country. It goes without saying then, that the Leaders of the Future will be the people who have grown by, and will continue to live by the motto "Learn to do by Doing!"

Challenge set, let's go

Dear Editor:

The Crown Life Participation Challenge will happen on Wednesday May 27 when Midland faces an experienced opponent in the City of Orillia!

The purpose of the challenge is to promote physical activity increase awareness of the physical activities available in Midland. The aim of the day is to see which town can have the highest percentage of its population participate in at least fifteen minutes of physical activity on Wednesday, May 27.

We are asking all groups, individuals, businesses, schools and industries to get involved in this special day to help us in the Challenge and to have some fun through participation in physical activity. Special telephone lines will be in operation

on May 27 for participants and groups to telephone and tell us the numbers who participate in the activities. Telephone lines will be open from 8 to 10 p.m.

Promotions will be done on CKMP Radio, the Free Press and Times newspapers, Cable TV, CKCO-TV and through

Olympics

Dear Editor:

On behalf of Ontario Special Olympics, Region Six, I would like to thank the following volunteers for their most valuable assistance over the past Special Olympic season.

With their time and interest our local athletes have been able to participate and enjoy local recreational and sport programs.

Special letterhead can also be used as posters to describe your particular event. If you have not received any posters or letterhead, please call 526-4770 and we will be glad to deliver some to you.

While the day is intended to be a fun, participation oriented day, Midland's civic pride is also at stake. If we have a lower percentage of participants on May 27, we have to fly Orillia's flag at our Town Hall May 28 to June 1.

I sincerely hope you will help us by organizing a special activity for your group/business/school/industry. Prior to May 15, please call me at 526-4770 to let me know what you have planned.

Discuss the day's events now and call me if you have any questions.

Yours truly,
Bryan Peter

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