



Entertaining seniors

Songstress Mary-Florence Bartley entertained more than 100 seniors to some easy listening music during a Strawberry Social at the Georgian Manor. The occasion drew people from White Pines, the Villa and Penetanguishene General Hospital.

Man drowns at Awenda

A visit to Awenda Park ended in tragedy for a Swedish man last Tuesday afternoon.

Ryszard Pyszczynski, who was camping with his sons at Awenda Park, was swimming out to a rock about 250 feet from the shore when he disappeared below the surface.

When he failed to resurface his son Jarowstaw swam out to attempt a recovery. He found his father in eight feet of water and immediately attempted to revive him.

Mr. Pyszczynski, age 54, was rushed by ambulance to Penetanguishene General Hospital where he was pronounced dead on arrival.

Workers on picket line

Work at Grew Boats in Penetanguishene came to a halt yesterday at 5:00 p.m. when management locked out Local 1411 of the Canadian Auto Workers Union.

At 2:00 p.m. yesterday the union's membership voted 111 to 50 to refuse the new contract and strike at midnight, said picketer Charlie Kaus.

According to the company's owner and president, Peter Francis, he did lock his unsatisfied crew out.

"The night shift refused to work a full shift," said Francis. "The day shift finished and said they weren't coming back, and the night shift wouldn't work a full shift, so we said there's no point in even working. So in a very technical sense, you could say we locked them out for seven hours."

Last Thursday the union negotiating committee accepted a proposal, but the membership formally rejected and voted to walk out.

Francis said the agreement, which gave the workers a four percent pay raise, was better than a lot of settlements in Canada.

Union negotiator Joe Papaleo said he could not go into details about the contract until he met with the union's regional representative. The mass meeting with the union's executive was scheduled for 7 a.m. this morning.

"We have no room to move," said Francis. "We're the highest paying boat company in Canada, the settlement was fair, and we had nowhere else to go."

Local 1411 officials were on the picket lines at 8:50 p.m. last night and one five-year veteran, who refused to release his name, said they were basically underpaid.

New ferry starts run

by Ed Pearson

It was an unpromising start to a most suspicious occasion on Monday. A group that included, interested observers, well-wishers of the media stood in the rain on the Cedar Point jetty, waiting for the R A Hoey.

Captain John Monague was at the wheel of the pug-nosed boat as she slid into dock. He showed his awareness of the occasion, his dark blue uniform pants and Eisenhower jacket were neatly pressed and he had donned his gold-braided bridge cap.

The old bucket was taking us out to Christian Island for the christening of her replacement, the \$731,000 "Indian Maiden." We clambered aboard her wet dock as late comers arriver.

As we eased into the Christian Island Quay, recently improved at the cost of 1.3 million dollars, the rain stopped and the sun peaked through the clouds.

The Penetang Legion Pipers, Art Stewart,

Herbie Parker, and Jim Johnson, under the direction of Pipe Major Don Parker, musically enriched the landing by playing some lively Scottish airs.

Mrs. Jean Bailey, Community Improvement Specialist with the Department of Indian Affairs christened the vessel.

Roger Jackson, Master of Cermonies, made light work of his job saying he was responsible for the improvement in the weather due to his Sun Dance skills.

Allan McLean, MPP added some very appropriate remarks.

Also present was 10 year old Melisa Jackson, she was the winner of the school children's contest which chose the name "Indian Maiden."

Bernard McCue, Chief of the Beausoleil Band, gave an interesting discourse on the symbols integral to the ceremony.

An eagle feather, sweet grass, and four ribbons that represented "Directions" or the

four points of the compass. He gave a brief history of how the Beausoleil Band had arrived on the beach of Christian Island aboard cedar rafts in 1856.


He reiterated the close associations between the band and the town of Penetang and thanked the audience for their attendance.

The Chief called on the pipe band to play the two national anthems, regrettably, Piper Major Parker informed him that these items are not among their repertoire.

However, the four stalwarts stood up and gave a very acceptable vocal rendition of "O Canada", accompanied by all present.

The pipers then played us aboard the 70 passenger Indian Maiden to the tune of "Murdo's Wedding" and the march "The 51st Highland Regiment."

Under the hand of Captain Tom Silvester we were conveyed back to Cedar Point, in considerable more comfort than which we had arrived.



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Mid-day cook out

Youngsters attending the Simcoe County's day camp at Bayfield Park were able to enjoy hot-dogs and toasted marshmallows in

spite of the threatening rain. The day-camp runs from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and has at-

tracted more than 16 youngsters from the Penetanguishene area.

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