

# Village takes legal action

Legal action is planned by the village of Victoria Harbour against one of its residents who the village says built a deck against orders.

At its meeting last Thursday night, council decided there was no choice but to take Antonio Oliva of Hoyt Avenue to court.

The village says Oliva started work on the deck without a permit and continued when it said the deck did not comply with bylaws.

In September the village sent him a letter ordering him to tear the deck down. But according to Ken Fournier, building official and bylaw enforcement officer, the deck is still there.

"Take legal action immediately," said councillor Paul Charlebois.

A second dentist may be coming to the village soon.

However, the municipality had to pay the price of donating land to the village's medical center.

The medical building had to be renovated to allow the new dentist to move in. But the Lions Club, which owns the center, could not afford the renovations.

A compromise was worked out where the municipality would donate the land the medical center is built on (which it owns) and the Lions would take out a mortgage to pay for renovations.

"We would not like to lose this opportunity," said a spokesman for the Lions in a letter to council.

"The offer came suddenly."

Council approved the idea in principle.

A military takeover of the village was approved by council last Thursday night.

Next January the Canadian Armed Forces will hold military manoeuvres in the Huronia area in an exercise called Lightning Strike '88.

Council approved in principle the use by the army of the village's roads.

"Just what are they going to do?" joked councillor Paul Charlebois. "Shoot at houses?"

"No," replied acting-reeve Bob Moreau. "They just want to show off what they're doing with our

money." He later joked that the headline in the next day's newspaper might read "500 troops destroy council."

The subdivision plan of Victoria Harbour council has been reviewed by the village's planning consultants.



Charlebois

J.H. Faulkner and Associates made 18 recommendations or requests for clarification in the village's plan to go into the subdivision business.

Most deal with wording and clarity of the draft standard subdivision agreement prepared by Midland law firm of Teskey, Heacock, Ferguson and Main.

"So many words," said councillor Paul Charlebois. "Sometimes one word can mean so much."

Council decided to give itself more time to mull over the Faulkner report.

Nobody wants to work for \$6 an hour anymore, said Victoria Harbour councillor Paul Charlebois.

"I see a lot of people standing around all day," he said at last Thursday night's council meeting.

"Are they all on poge?" At issue was a job opening at the village's ice rink as supervisor. The job pays \$6 an hour, and the village has never had trouble filling it before, said the councillor.

"I'm going to phone the unemployment office and say there's a lot of people standing around who don't want to work for \$6 an hour," said Charlebois.

He said if the village opened the rink without a supervisor it would be a "free for all."

The Mini-Bonhomme's future is in doubt.

Victoria Harbour council

says the annual winter carnival is in trouble this year if more people don't show up to help.

"Somebody has got to show some initiative," said acting-reeve Bob Moreau.

"At this point we don't know what the future of the Mini-Bonhomme is until the next Parks Board meeting," he said. That will be held Dec. 7.

Councillor Paul Charlebois agreed. "All we need is some individuals who are prepared to put themselves out a bit," he said.

A road paving program in the village of Victoria Harbour will likely not be

completed for five years.

Acting-reeve Bob Moreau said some water mains had to be replaced before the village could get on with its ambitious paving plans.

He said "it didn't make much sense" to pave the roads if the water mains were in poor repair. The roads may have had to be destroyed in a couple of years to do the work, he said.

"At this point there is a good possibility road paving will have to be put back a year," said Moreau. Nevertheless, "we've come a long way in the past four years," he said.

## Adult needed to work with cadets

The Midland-Penetanguishene St. John Ambulance Brigade is looking for a cadet officer to work with its 13 cadets in Midland.

The cadet officer will spend two hours a week, and four weekends a year, with a group of young and enthusiastic cadets between the ages of 10 and 14.

Training, uniforms, and materials, will be provided, along with support services and assistance.

The Midland-Penetanguishene St. John Ambulance Brigade should have 12 adult members. At present the Brigade has five adult members. Someone with extra time will

receive free training in cardio-pulmonary resuscitation (CPR), first aid, and home nursing.

The Brigade's fundraising campaign is over. The \$12,000 goal was reached. Two CPR dolls to be used for instruction of members of the public in first aid have been purchased. An ambulance will be purchased at the next Department of National Defence auction, possibly in January or February.

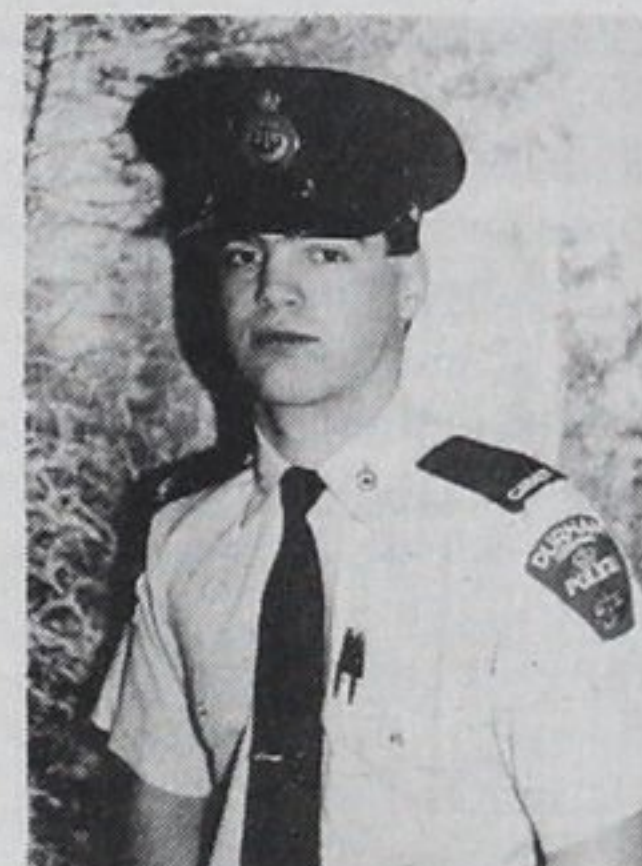
A person interested in being the cadet officer, or becoming an adult member, can contact Superintendent Bev Steele (526-2673).



Happy 90th!

Port McNicoll resident Florence Archer received this special plaque from Muskoka-Georgian Bay MPP, Ken Black, last Friday in honor of her 90th birthday. Black made the presentation at the Ar-

cher home, where Florence still leads an active and productive life. Born in Manchester, England, she has lived in the area for the last 40 years. Her official birthday was Tuesday.



Accepted

Vincent Lefaive was recently accepted into the cadet-in-service training program with the Durham Regional Police Force. Vince is a graduate of Midland Secondary School and is the son of John and Pat Lefaive of R.R. #1 Midland.

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## No wheels yet

A story in last week's paper headlined St. John Gets Wheels stated the local St. John Ambulance Brigade had purchased a new ambulance.

In fact, the story should have said the brigade had

raised enough money to buy a new vehicle. The new ambulance will be purchased at a government auction early next year.

We regret the error and apologize for any inconvenience it may have caused.

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