



Appreciation

Constable Claude Monroe receives appreciation plaques and an exemplary service medal from Mayor Bob Sullivan at Monday's council meeting. Monroe is retiring after 30 years of police service, almost 20 in Penetang.

St. Theresa's News

by Adele King
and Paula Butineau

Cellular respiration is tiring

Will it ever end? Everyone is patiently awaiting the exemption list and thus the end of yet another semester at St. Theresa's High School.

Those who don't make the list write exams. And for those who do, it marks the beginning of a long-awaited holiday. (The few weeks since Christmas holidays have been so long and treacherous.)

Everyone starts to get irritable at this time. Teachers are fed up with

students and students are likewise getting ticked off with their teachers. The 76-minute classes seem like they will never end, lunch is way too short and the bus couldn't be more anxiously awaited.

Don't get us wrong, we're not complaining. We have accumulated a lot of "valuable experience" in these past five months. The classes have been stimulating up until this last week and the teachers have been equally exciting in trying

to keep their classes interested in photosynthesis and cellular respiration, Macbeth and Othello.

But we truly believe the history of Ontario and Quebec have worn out their welcome on the boards of the geography classroom.

With the end of the semester comes course choices for next year and a flood of bodies to the guidance office. What can I take that will ensure acceptance to these course at this university?

How can I ever complete this many courses in four or five years?

We wish everyone the best of luck in their selections - and, fellow students, don't get too excited about meeting your new teachers for the next semester. The end is coming at an incredible rate and the teachers are cramming. Be on your best behavior. And never ever forget an exemption is a privilege, not a right!

Where have I heard that before?

Another permit record set

Last year saw another record for construction in the Town of Midland.

"More of the same" in 1989 is expected by Ken Cave, manager of public works. "We could easily crack the \$20 million level in value of permits," he said.

The 1988 total of

\$19,490,600 is an all-time high permit total for the town.

The first dramatic increase in construction occurred in 1986. The year-end total has been higher in each succeeding year.

Sixty-one more building permits were

issued in 1988 than in 1987. The totals for the two years: 1988, \$19,490,600, 412 permits; 1987, \$18,146,400, 351 permits.

The year 1988 ended with a surge: \$522,350 and nine permits in December, compared

with \$173,500 and eight permits 12 months earlier.

Industrial construction accounted for about \$4 million. Commercial construction accounted for about \$3 million. Institutional accounted for the remainder.

Condominiums are proposed

Penetang development comes under study

by Robert Risk
Staff Writer

Penetanguishene's planning advisory committee spent almost \$20,000 to hire a planning consultant firm to look at possible development costs.

At the Tuesday meeting, McNair and Marshall of Barrie, met with the committee to make the hiring official and discuss the next course of action.

Mayor Bob Sullivan said the town has been approached by developers wanting to build condominiums and needs to know how to deal with the growing concerns about them.

"We've got applications for about 300 units. Basically there are two developments, one at Dutchman's Cove for 100 and one along Cambridge near Inn at Bay Moorings for 187."

Sullivan said the committee knew about the applications since March, but didn't have budget money to move on them.

Now the consultants will be analyzing various aspects of the town, the official plan and the zoning by-laws.

After this is done, recommendations for changes or new guidelines will be suggested by the firm.

"The study will take about five months. Our first big meeting on it will

be May 15," said Sullivan.

At the meeting, he said more concrete courses of action will be set for the town's future.

Sullivan said the implications of building condominiums in certain areas of Penetang will have to be kept in mind. "There will be an impact on residences near those units, which probably won't go for less than \$200,000."

He explained that houses in the neighbourhood will appreciate in value, which is good news for homeowners wanting to move.

"It wouldn't be so good for people on fixed incomes when their assess-

ment taxes double."

Another potential problem is following housing ministry guidelines which call for 25 per cent of all new housing to be affordable.

Sullivan said Penetang's definition of affordable is \$78,000, which might make it difficult to get builders since they are usually putting up \$125,000 homes.

While admitting the 25 per cent is only a guideline from the ministry, Sullivan said the next steps are inevitably toward a defined policy.

"It's a good idea to listen to the ministry. If you don't, your grants get cut off and we can't have that."

Running dogs beware of the animal control

Loose dogs can't outwit Bay Animal Control -- at least not forever.

When the pound gets a call, they move on it right away, according to Francine Ungvarsky, who mans the phone, but sometimes they can't catch the dog easily.

Besides, as she says, "A lot of owners will let a dog run at night when they know we're not patrolling."

She gave an example of "a very smart dog" who

took more than a week to catch.

Bay Animal Control puts out a "live cage" baited with food. The dog managed to get the food out without getting caught -- at first.

Finally he was nabbed. "We brought him in," Ungvarsky noted. "They (the owners) had to pay the pound fee. Now he's on a leash."

The cages don't hurt the dogs, Ungvarsky explained. They help catch

them before they hurt themselves or anyone else.

In January the phone has been quiet compared with the first two months the Ungvarskys were in charge.

Port McNicoll council noted a large number of calls in the village in December. That doesn't necessarily mean more dogs are running, Ungvarsky said. The pound can get up to 10 calls when one dog is terrorizing a neighborhood.

Weston man treated after plunge in ice

One Weston man saved another Weston man during the weekend after a snowmobile fell through lake ice.

Robert Marks, 28, found Keith MacDonald, 25, clinging to ice on Baxter Lake.

Marks used his coat as a rope to pull MacDonald from the freezing water.

Marks was a passenger

on the snowmobile when he and MacDonald left Honey Harbour around 7:30 p.m. on Saturday.

He and MacDonald had parted when MacDonald preceded him on the snowmobile to test the ice. Marks came upon MacDonald in water after following the snowmobile tracks for 10 minutes.

MacDonald was treated for hypothermia and released, the Midland OPP said.

Snowmobilers, who insist on going onto ice should check with local residents or marina owners, the OPP advises.

Unsettled weather in recent weeks has made going onto ice dangerous.



Reach for the stars

A young gymnast raises her arms high and wide in the gymnastics performance Friday night at the Civic Centre in Midland as part of the Winterfest activities.

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