

Terrace Bay
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News

No Tax Hike for Terrace Bay

Municipal taxes in Terrace Bay will not increase in 1984.

The annual budget for this north shore community of 2,600 was adopted by Council last Monday.

"Municipal spending for 1984 has been restricted to virtually no increase over last year," said Township Reeve Dave Speer. "I wish that meant that nobody would pay more taxes, but we've done what we could."

He was referring to the fact that the total tax bill residents receive includes not only municipal taxes but also taxes for school purposes. As

a result of increases in school taxation, rate-payers will face overall tax increases of between five and eight per cent. School taxation accounts for about 60 per cent of the taxes levied.

Last year, an average home in Terrace Bay paid \$266 in municipal taxes, plus \$349 in school taxes, for a total of \$615. For 1984, the municipal figure is unchanged, while the school figure goes to \$400 for a total of \$666.

Increases for commercial taxpayers will be proportionately the same.

Speer credits the hold on spending to a strong commitment to restraint

on the part of Council.

"Without this commitment on Council's part," he said, "we would not have found the ways to hold the line without cutting into programmes and services. As it is, we were able to find a number of different ways to trim costs."

Among the factors contributing to Council's success were a total adherence to the Province's 5 per cent wage guidelines for 1984, a reduction in the level of reserves established, and close scrutiny and cutting of capital spending.

"Of course we had to

eliminate or defer some projects we would have liked to do," said Speer, "but I still think we have a capital programme for 1984 that keeps pace with our growth and makes some wise provisions for the future."

Township Clerk Coordinator Larry Simons said that now that the budget is finished, final tax bills would be sent out soon. "The due dates for our final installments will be the same as in past years," he said. "There will be two roughly equal payments required, one at the end of June and one in mid-September."

Girl Guide Mother-Daughter Banquet



Pictured above is Pam Jones (left) presenting Marilyn Saranpaa with her 20 Year Service Numeral.

This was the first presentation of this prestigious pin in Terrace Bay.

The 30th Annual Pathfinder, Guide and Brownie Banquet was held at the Moose Hall on Sunday, May 13th. Master of Ceremonies was Mrs. Gerri Turner. The toast to the Queen was given by Marsha Santerre of the 2nd Brownie Pack. The toast to Lady Baden Powell

was given by Stacey Wallwin of the 1st Brownie Pack. Jennifer Lohnes of the 1st Guide Company gave the toast to the mothers. Mrs. Janet Lohnes responded to the toast by thanking all the leaders for their time and efforts in a job well done.

Mrs. Pam Jones led the grace and then everyone sat down to a delicious smorgasbord prepared by the Mothers.

Following dinner, the head table and the 1984 Aguasabon District Council were introduced. 1984 marks 30 years

of Guiding in Terrace Bay and to help celebrate the occasion, all past guiders (who still live in Terrace Bay) were invited to the Banquet and introduced to all. A special anniversary cake was cut by Mrs. Shirley Mikus, who was the first District Commissioner in Ter-

Congratulations Kellina!



Kellina Cooper - Winner of the Junior Public Speaking Division.

"Laughter"

by KELLINA COOPER

Laughter is a very special gift. It is important for us to remember this. Here are some laughing voices for you. You might find it hard to stop laughing yourself (tape of laughter played). Laughter is very important to us. It makes us happy. Laughing is fun. Many things might make you laugh. You might laugh when you are with some friends who might tell you a joke or make you laugh by just being silly. I, for one, laugh at myself from time to time. Without laughter, the world would be very dull.

Did you know that laughter not only makes you feel better, it can actually help you get better if you are sick. A very famous teacher at Boston Medical Center, Dr. Norman Cousins, has written a book on laughter and medicine. He shows that a person who has had a severe heart attack can use laughter to lower

blood pressure and strengthen heart muscle during recovery. Dr. Cousins holds classes in hospitals for groups of heart attack patients. He shows them how to use laughter to get better. The name of Dr. Cousins book is "The Healing Heart," and you can find it in the Schreiber Public Library. So we do need laughter to be happy and healthy.

Laughter is not something new. It is quite old. In fact, it has been with man since the beginning of time. Archaeologists have found cave paintings that tell funny stories. For example, in the Toronto Museum there is a Navajo painting. It shows two hunters who have fallen into a pit that they dug themselves to try to trap a bear. Meanwhile, the bear is standing on a nearby hill with his head thrown back in laughter. In the Bible, in the Book of Proverbs, it tells us "a merry heart doeth good." It does not say "a merry heart makes us feel good", it

says a "merry heart does us good." Just like Dr. Cousins said!

We shouldn't think that laughter can make us better all by itself. We still need doctors, and medicine too. However, it is important for us to remember that laughter chases away fear, and helps give us a positive attitude about our lives.

Now I'll prove to you that laughter is not only fun, it's contagious! (tape is played again of laughing voices). So you can see that laughter fills a very important part in our lives. For as the saying goes, "Laugh and the world laughs with you, weep and you weep alone."

Humour and disposition share an interesting history. Disposition means someone's attitude. Humour can sometimes cause people to have certain dispositions. I believe that it is best to have a happy disposition, for if you have this, you will be sharing with me the gift of laughter.

race. Mrs. Mikus also gave a very amusing account of Guiding in Terrace Bay over the past 30 years.

Superior Division Commissioner, Miss Bev Legault, was also present and gave a short history of Guiding in Canada and a preview of coming events in 1985 when we celebrate 75 years of Guiding in Canada.

District Commissioner, Mrs. Pam Jones presented Mrs. Marilyn

Saranpaa with her 20 Year Service Numeral and noted that approximately 15 years of this service was spent in Terrace Bay.

Gerri Turner presented Mrs. Diane Rennette with a much deserved Certificate of Appreciation for convening the Girl Guide Tea and Bake Sale, the Cookie Sales, and the Annual Banquet.

To round off the evening, the 1st Brownie Pack entertained every-

one with "This Little Brownie", the 2nd Brownie Pack acted "There Was An Old Lady Who Swallowed a Fly", the Girl Guides performed "When Molly was a Brownie", and the Pathfinders got everyone participating in "The 1000-legged Worm".

The colour party retired the colours and the evening closed with Brownie and Guide taps. A good time was enjoyed by all.

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