

Northern Affairs

# Deciding on Siding

## How to get your money's worth

by JANE E. GREER

Siding has become a popular way of giving homes a facelift. As well as reducing maintenance and blocking drafts, installing siding may provide a good opportunity to have additional insulation blown into wood-frame or brick-veneer walls.

**The Product**

Although aluminum is very popular, siding is also available in various types of vinyl, wood and other metals. When deciding what kind to use, examine your reasons for having it installed. If, for example, ease of maintenance is a major factor don't choose a siding which requires regular washing, painting or staining.

**The Company**

Unless you install your own siding, selecting the right company is the most difficult part of the job. You will want a fair price, good workmanship and after sales service. That's why it's

important to shop around. Make sure you get at least three written estimates. Deal with local businesses who have earned good reputations in the community and ask the contractors for names and addresses of people for whom they have recently installed siding. Call them to find out if they are satisfied with the work. Better still, take a look at it yourself.

**The Contract**

Your next step will be to examine the contract carefully. Make sure you understand everything in it. The following

terms must be included in every contract according to the Consumer Protection Act:

- the names and addresses of the seller and buyer
- a detailed description of the goods and services.
- This should enable you to identify all of these clearly.
- a detailed statement of how you will pay for the work
- an itemized price list of goods and services
- any warranty or guarantee on the goods and services

You should also insist on having starting and completion dates and the responsibility the contractor takes for workmanship included in the contract. In addition, you should look for any blank spaces in the contract. Mark them N/A (non applicable) or Nil.

**Buyer Protection**

Under the Business Practices Act no company is allowed to engage in unfair business practices by making false, misleading or deceptive claims. If you

feel the contractor made clear misrepresentation, you may send a letter cancelling the agreement. If this doesn't bring satisfaction, you may take the contractor to court under the act.

Under the Consumer Protection Act you may cancel a contract made with an itinerant (door-to-door) seller within two working days of receiving your copy of it. You may cancel by sending a registered letter to the company or by delivering it personally to

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# Native Language Education for '86

Native students will be able to study their own language, the Education Minister, Dr. Bette Stephenson announced last week.

Dr. Stephenson said that Native as a Second Language Program will be implemented in the schools by September of 1986.

The new policy will legitimize the status and function of Native languages within the school systems and incorporate the teaching of Native languages into the regular school day at the secondary school level, she said.

Dr. Stephenson said

that for some time the Native people have been concerned that their young people can no longer speak or understand their mother tongue and requested that schools attended by their children offer Native languages as a subject of instruction.

As part of the program the Ministry will prepare a new curriculum guideline for the teaching of Native languages, increase the number of qualified Native language instructors and offer additional grants to school boards that provide Native language instructional programs.

## WANTED

If anyone has the address of Mrs. David Lohr (Nee-Miss Desormeau), formally a grade four teacher at Terrace Bay Public School eighteen years ago, or her inlaws address Mr. & Mrs. Burt Lohr, also former Terrace Bay residents, please send the address to Mrs. Gail Johnson General Delivery, Upsala, Ontario P0T 2Y0

## Birth Announcement --BOYLAN--

Ken and Heather are very happy and proud to announce the arrival of their third son.

### JAMES ANDREW

A brother for Richard and Keith. James was born Monday June 25th at McKellar Hospital Thunder Bay.

## COME & GO SHOWER

in honour of

### Debbie Bourguignon

will be held on  
July 25th from  
8 p.m. to 10 p.m.

at St. Andrews United Church

EVERYONE WELCOME

## THANK YOU!

I would like to thank all the people of Terrace Bay who nominated me for the Citizen of the year award. And a Thank you to reeve Dave Speer for the kind words he spoke on my behalf at the Townships 25th Birthday Opening ceremonies.

My volunteer work has brought me many friends, and beautiful memories that I will treasure along with my Plaque for ever.

I believe in 2 Corinthians, 9-6:

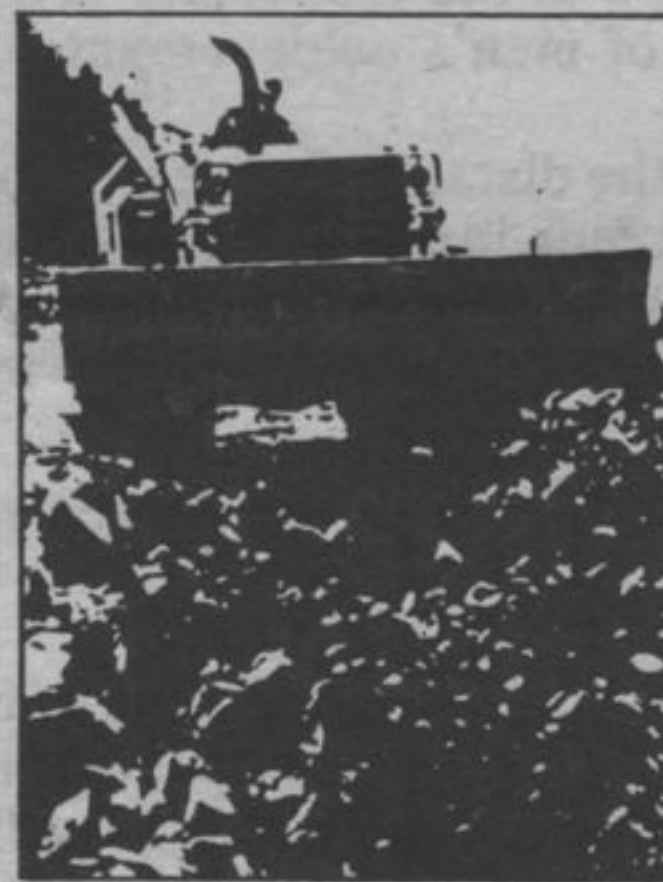
"He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly"

"He who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully."

and I have been repaid a thousandfold.

Sincerely and God Bless  
Pam Jones

# Announcing NOR-DEV



## The new Northern Ontario Development Program for business, industry and tourist operators.

### NOR-DEV offers assistance for:

- incentives to establish, expand or modernize non-retail, resource-based small business operations
- small scale commercial, resource diversification and development activities utilizing the north's natural resources
- tourism planning and feasibility studies for regionally significant tourism projects
- industrial infrastructure to remove physical constraints to the development of small-scale private sector projects
- marketing assistance for tourist operators outside major urban centres

Brochures and application forms on these programs are available at your local Northern Affairs office, and from the following Ministry offices in Northern Ontario:

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