

# Action Group has new name

**By Gertrude Cotton**  
 Another meeting of the handicapped persons in Schreiber and Terrace Bay was held at the McCausland Hospital on April 17. President Rod Thompson welcomed a new group from Schreiber, and Secretary Elizabeth McLean reported.

The first cheque to Rod in support of incorporating as a Club was presented by Peggy Thompson on behalf of the Community Church Ladies Auxiliary. Treasurer Ann Mercure asked for co-signers. Two co-signers, Elizabeth McLean and Gertrude Cotton, were designated.

Shirley Mikus read a letter from the Township scheduling the Canada Day weekend events. A parade will start the Saturday activities and Shirley made a motion to consider entering a float at the May meeting.

Rod reported on the meeting he had attended in Marathon the previous day.

The Transit Survey for the North Shore Handi-Action Group, presented by Cheryl Hodgins, was particularly of interest to us and reportedly both Schreiber and Terrace Bay need transportation. We therefore must work towards this. A graph to show the needs per town will be made up and this will be shown next month. Rod was named secretary for this group.

Protectalert had been contacted by Gertrude Cotton and she reported on this valuable service to anyone who lives alone and who could have need of emergency attention. This service is approved by Bell Canada.

The client need only have a private phone, and a jack installed without charge by Bell Canada.

Protectalert is a service of Amicare, a wholly owned subsidiary of Extendicare Ltd., the largest private Canadian Home Care company. This prompted many questions with regard to the service and the costs.

Funding was again a major topic of concern, and a fee structure was discussed. The residents of Birchwood Terrace, many of whom have shown interest in attending, have arranged for a Card Party in support of the Disability Action Group. On their behalf, Joann LeBlanc attended the meeting and outlined their plans.

The Card Party will be held on May 16 at 8 p.m. in two rooms at the Recreation Centre. Bridge and Cribbage and, if desired, a third game, will be played. They were in need of 25 card tables. Kinsmen and their wives will handle the lunch. A painting from the Schreiber Art Club is being donated and will be raffled off during the evening.

Terrace Bay Librarian Jeanne Marcella proved to be a most interesting speaker, describing the many services and forms of assistance available through the Public Library.

Large print paperback books are becoming available and prove easier to handle. Requests for equipment aid could be channeled through her. Magnifiers are in stock presently.

It was noted among those attending that many cassettes are too long. Jeanne agreed the older cassettes were, but the new ones coming in are condensed. She also had a listing from the National Film Board and members remarked on one of these which had been well received.

Many books and catalogues for the disabled and their teachers are in the Library, and Jeanne also listed information on government grants and guides to programs for the disabled.

Ida Gifford of Schreiber offered to the Club a framed Nativity Scene made in ceramics for a raffle. This was gratefully accepted.

Assistance was requested for the May 6 visit from Maureen's Comfort Clothing when they display at McCausland Hospital. Their showing will be at 6:30 p.m. in the Lobby.

Manitouwadge felt their Club had varying objectives to ours and wished to remain an independent group, Rod explained. Needing another name, it was moved that our organization comprising of members from Schreiber and Terrace Bay would be called the Disability Action Group, or DAG. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, May 15 at 7 p.m.

Reeve Ollie Chapman forwarded a message of concern and support, though unable to attend that evening.

Lunch was provided by Connie Bryson.



**Raking it in**

With Spring comes Spring cleaning, and Terrace Bay town crews were out late last month just prior to a freak May snow storm with their rakes and shovels amid the leaves in Simcoe Plaza. Seen here are two town employees, Ted Hawkins at left, and Peter Schritt.



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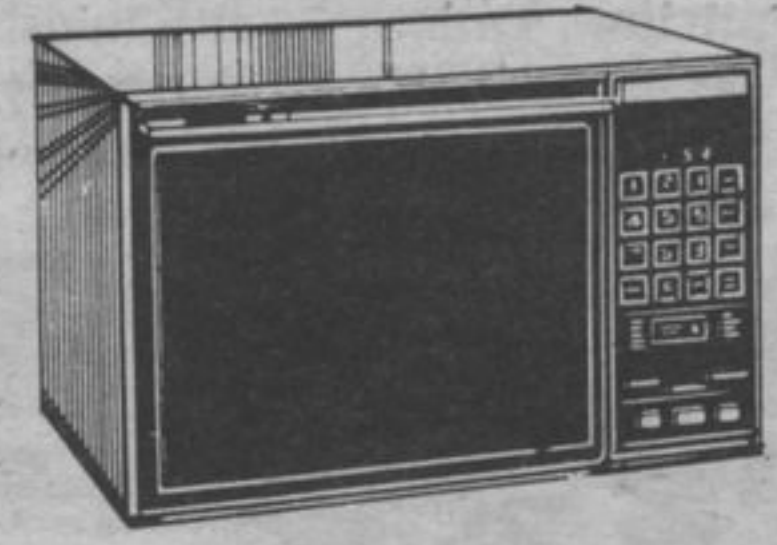
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# Pitch-In today

Both Terrace Bay and Schreiber will be taking part in Ontario's largest environmental public participation campaign, Pitch-In, which has received an "overwhelming" response from other communities in the province.

Over 100 organizations had to be turned away as supplies of free garbage bags ran out, with more than 2,000 other groups and schools accepted for the program.

According to Rick Morgan, Executive Vice President of one of the sponsoring groups, the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters, the excellent response has caused prob-

lems, but "it would be much worse if bags were left over, as it would indicate a lack of interest."

Over 100,000 garbage bags were donated for the program for free by Sunoco Inc.

"It's obvious that Pitch-In has become a very popular campaign among residents of our province," Morgan explained. Pitch-In Week is scheduled for May 5 to 11.

In Schreiber, Holy Angels School has become involved in the clean-up program, while two schools in Terrace Bay -- St. Martin and Terrace Bay Public -- will be doing their share.



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