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Budworm report requested

League postpones decision

The problem of spruce and jackpine budworm infestations in northern Ontario forests was discussed at length at the quarterly meeting of the Thunder Bay District Municipal League held in Schreiber on June 21, but the League decided to defer any "public stand" until its next meeting, which is scheduled for this September.

"We're in a bit of a bind with this right now," Mike Power, League President explained. "The Ministry

(of Natural Resources) is not prepared to move. We will be getting more reports by our next meeting, so by then we may be prepared to take a stand for next year's season."

The League, in the past, has asked the provincial government and MNR to use both chemical and biological sprays in its budworm control programs, but the government won't take a positive stand on chemical spraying, Power noted.

"The outcry from environmentalists was too much for them," he said. "Our local member (Lake Nipigon riding MPP Gilles Pouliot of the NDP) is in favour of chemical spraying, but the NDP caucus is not, and neither is Larry Grossman (leader of the Official Opposition)."

Power said the conflict seems to boil down to one between the north and south, with northern residents in favour of both chemical and biological

spray and those in the south against chemical spraying. Marathon Reeve Wendy

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Hydro criticized for policy

By Conrad Felber

A resolution from the host town of Schreiber regarding a recent Ontario Hydro bulletin was presented and supported by the Thunder Bay District Municipal League at its quarterly meeting held on June 21.

Schreiber Council, when it originally passed the resolution at a meeting held earlier this month, was responding to the bulletin which announced that Ontario Hydro was withdrawing its special permission to use arc welding equipment to thaw water lines.

The bulletin went on to note that only CSA (Canadian Standards Association) certified electrical thawing equipment is to be used from now on.

Bob Krause, Schreiber Councillor, was on hand at the meeting to speak in favour of the resolution.

He explained that his municipality is down to only three such thawings per winter and that the town simply does not wish to go to the expense of buying special thawing equipment.

"The cost of this equip-



In the bucket

All students at Terrace Bay Public School took part in Play Day on June 18, held as a reward of sorts for making it through another school year. There were a number of different games and activities, including the traditional bucket toss shown here. Because of the weight of the ball used in the game, an assistant had to be enlisted to hold the bucket upright during shot attempts.



Ribbon cutting (?)

An old news photographer's trick at ribbon cutting ceremonies is to dull the scissors being used to give the photographer plenty of time to snap a good picture. That wasn't done here, but both Terrace Bay Reeve Ollie Chapman, centre, and Schreiber Councillor Ed Borutski, at right, had plenty of trouble cutting through the ribbon anyway at the official opening of the Canada Employment Centre for Students in Schreiber and Terrace Bay on June 19. At left is the centre's Placement Officer, Jacki Speziale. The centre is located at the Schreiber Recreation Complex.

Town receives grant

A community planning grant of \$4,900 has been awarded to Terrace Bay, Municipal Affairs Minister Bernard Grandmaitre announced on June 17.

He noted the grant will be used by the township to prepare amendments to its

Official Plan.

According to a Ministry news release, community planning grants are designed to encourage municipalities to resolve land use planning issues to reflect municipal and economic priorities.

The grants may also be used for special studies to develop community improvement policies; to determine the feasibility of using data processing technology in the local planning process; and to assist in implementing the Planning Act, the release added.

New NDC announced

Northern Development and Mines Minister Rene Fontaine has announced appointments to one more Northern Development Council (NDC) in northwestern Ontario.

Superior-North becomes the third council to be established across northern Ontario, and according to a June 17 Ministry News release, the council will cover the Terrace Bay - Schreiber area.

The NDC will act as sounding boards and advisory bodies to the Ontario government on regional economic issues, opportunities and concerns. Terrace Bay Reeve Ollie Chapman is a member of the group.

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Bike and van

Francois Duchesne, 24, stopped at the Terrace Bay Municipal Offices on June 18 to end one leg of his "Miles for Wishes" Bike-A-Thon across Canada for the Children's Wish Foundation. He started the voyage, accompanied by an assistant in this van, from Halifax on May 16 and plans to arrive at Expo 86 in Vancouver on July 30. While in town, Francois and his assistant stayed free of charge at the Red Dog Inn, courtesy of the management. (Photograph by Conrad Felber)