The Rossport report from Anne Todesco

By AnneTodesco

Just a few sentences of the holiday events about our homes, my dear friends and neighbours.

1987 was such a fantastic year; a year that one hardly knows where to begin.

Many things come to mind. The weather was exceptionally warm for the four seasons in the first place; the winter has been exceptionally mild for Northwestern Ontario; good fishing, hunting, camping and boating.

Always someone would pass by carrying pails or baskets of wild fruits provided by God from His garden in the fields, along streams bushland.

Luscious red raspberries, the tasty little wild strawberries, blueberries, and cherries. Just picture them served at dessert time with sugar and gobs of cream or ice cream.

Mouth-watering to even see them and think about the jams or jellies made for winter; oh, we can put them fresh in the freezer.

So many visitors and tourists enjoyed chatting with old acquaintances. They arrive by boat, yachts, cars, buses, trains or their own planes; who would reminisce about days gone by; remembered so many instances that was all part of one's life; always enjoyed no matter how often the stories were repeated.

Some events of years gone by recalled were the sinking of the wooden package freighter that sunk off the Battle Island lighthouse in a raging blizzard one

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pal experience would be an asset.

Salary Range \$ 19,000 -\$ 26,741.

fall; or the loss of the yacht Guinilda off McArvey shoal or train wreck in the sink hole in front of the hotel; the building of the Community Hall, sponsored by a group of ladies known as the Women's Institute; or the burning of the old Boon home on the lakeshore; oh, so many things.

It saddened everyone with the loss of a relative or friend; often their demise was an accident in the mining, fishing or lumbering industries.

Sickness of various types hit the villagers this past year, but it is all the way of life; and what our Holy Father, Jesus Christ, has planned for all of us.

The Christmas agenda has not been changed much down through the years.

Always Church services on Christmas Eve but the school concert is now a thing of our historical past.

How all of us awaited the date of the concert to arrive.

We do have the hayride and a visit from old St. Nick; gifts distributed from a decorated tree and lunch in our hall.

The New Year's Ball, a yearly event in the village, was a success where old friends, guests and relatives met who danced the old year out and the new one in.

There were several house parties and of course everyone passed their spare time eating, sleeping and visiting their relatives.

THE CORPORATION OF

THE TOWNSHIP OF

TERRACE BAY

requires an

ACCOUNTING CLERK

Reporting directly to the Deputy Clerk-Treasurer, the Accounting

Clerk is responsible for the complete Social Assistance Programs

carried out by the Municipal Administrative Office of the

Township, Tax Billings, Maintenance and Collections, Accounts

Payables and Accounts Receivable, processing, General Ledger

entry and some account analysis as necessary, as well as computer

The applicant should possess a working knowledge of Account

Principles. Previous computer experience is essential and munici-

Confidential applications must be in writing including a complete

personal resume and references. Mark envelope " Accounting

Clerk". Closing date is Wednesday February 17, 1988 - 4:30 p.m.

William L. Mitchell

Deputy Clerk-Treasurer

Township of Terrace Bay

Birth Announcement

Smith- Mr. & Mrs. Len Smith are pleased to announce the arrival

of their second child

NATHAN ALEXANDER

Nathan was born January 24, 1988 at 5 p.m. and weighed 8 lbs 2

oz. A baby brother for Marsha.

Proud grandparents are Mr. & Mrs. John Mikus of Terrace Bay and

Mr. & Mrs. Harry Smith, of Anderson California. Special thanks

to Dr. Marion & all the nurses for their kind help & understanding

while we were patients there, and a big thank you to family &

friends for their cards, gifts, flowers & phone calls.

Sincerely Len & Nora

Card games were popular. This

pattern was interwoven with bright, cheery surroundings.

Numerous phone calls, letters, and cards brightened those long hours for the lonely and shut in people who must run from here to there across the province; always time for a little holiday somewhere.

Often one meets someone new who came from the same geographic location where you grew up in.

They appear to be like old friends because of shared memo-

ries of places and people known to each other. It is a small world after all.

Some friends asked me for a ride on New Year's weekend; off we went to the east of the village. The scenery gorgeous; the trees, ice enshowered the shoreline shrubs as if sprayed by a fairy causing them to glisten like diamonds.

The creeks and rivers gurgled round bends and over stones giving off cheery notes as if bidding us welcome.

Here and there ice had formed in quiet nooks along the shores.

The winter scenery could be condensed into one sentence; it is unbelievably beautiful.

In some places the land is flat but we do have long grades; some places along Lake Superior resemble a collection of calendar post cards.

By evening the traffic was horrendous as everyone was hurrying home to supper composed most likely of the remains of the turkey and plum pudding.

Disability Action Group News

Year ending reports were briefly summarized at the December meeting of the Disability Action Group with Shirley Mikus presiding.

Shirley was happy to report a donation of \$300 has been received from Mr. Bursey on behalf of the Loyal Order of Moose.

A big vote of thanks was expressed to Elaine Mannisto who organized and arranged all five workshops held by D.A.G. in the past year.

These had been both interesting and informative and covered topics of a practical nature to the membership and to those who come in contact with the disabled. Topics were:

1) "Anyone can do Public Relations" by Maggie Milne of Maggie Milne Associates in Thunder Bay. This was an excellent choice for an opening workshop and brought a good response in members and those outside the membership;

2) "Understanding the Disabled" presented by Linda Cairns from the Independent Living Centre in Thunder Bay. Once again a fairly good turnout to hear Linda approach the many ways to be at ease with handicaps;

3) "Lobbying": by Leni Untinen of Thunder Bay; Leni dealt with approaches to municipal government, provincial government and federal government. Again a fairly good response to the workshop;

4) "Handi-Transit" brought the amazing Rick Miles to speak, and also to display one of HAGI's Transit Vans. Rick further offered to follow up with any additional advice and assistance as necessary;

5) "Barrier-free Environment" was presented by Simon Hoad from Thunder Bay's March of Dimes. Though this topic gave

much valuable information on accessibility, and emphasized to set short-term goals to achieve one step at a time, it proved most disappointing in attendence. Every available media of advertising had been used, along with personal invitations to anyone who could possibly be involved.

Further to the workshops, a plan of action had been drawn up and checked by Rick Miles.

Mr. Garry Turcotte, community resource worker, is continuing to assist with arrangements.

Trillium Funding was enthused about D.A.G. working with HAGI and it was suggested a meeting be held early in April.

The initial meeting will include both town councils, service organizations, MTC, Trillium, taxi and bus companies, D.A.G. representatives and any other interested groups.

The Access Fund information is now available and it was recommended it be presented to both the legion and the moose.

Mary Middaugh offered to speak at the legion, and Elaine Mannisto to the moose, with Shirley Mikus as back up.

The Accessibility Committee requested a meeting with the business people of Terrace Bay and Schreiber and a letter will be sent to the chamber of commerce to invite a D.A.G. speaker to an upcoming meeting.

Irene Kettle had talked to the Chimo Club, re: Handi-Transit, and also with regards to snow removal. A request for the latter was referred to the Schreiber Municipal Office.

A letter was forwarded to the Board of Governors of the McCausland Hospital stating interest in working with them and sharing information on matters of mutual concern.

Shirley Mikus had been a speaker for D.A.G. at a meeting of Beta Sigma Phi. Shirley was

complimented on the first edition of the D.A.G. newsletter.

A motion was passed to hold no meetings in January or February due to difficulty in getting out. The next meeting will be on March 17 at 7 p.m. in the McCausland Hospital lobby.

Mrs. Phyllis Mosley will be invited as a future speaker. Mrs. Mosley has just recently established Homemakers in the area.

Tom Ballentine had shown interest in attending a meeting on behalf of parents of young children with some impairment. Greetings had been extended to D.A.G. from former reeve, Ollie Chapman.

Concluding the meeting, a happy sing song of Christmas music was led by Clara McDonald, with Pat Merkley accompanying and the entire group on percussion.

Pam Jones conducted a game of gift exchange and a lovely Christmas lunch closed the evening.

Inclusion in the Olympic torch program brought a tremendous thrill to three representatives; Jack Patterson, Rod Thompson and Gertrude Cotton, when they too had their individual torches lit by the Olympic Flame, and further, each in turn held the Olympic Flame itself aloft!

This very thoughtful involvement will certainly remain a great highlight in their lives and in the group they represent.

Gertrude Cotton
Publicity.



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Schreiber

THANK YOU

Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Sechesky would like to thank the Women of the Moose for the lovely baby's spoon.

THANK YOU

Thank you to all those people who sent cards, flowers, messages of condolences in therecent loss of my mother (Frances Dennis) of Thunder Bay.

Linda & Family

BIRTH

SECHESKY - Heather and Joseph are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter Elizabeth Sara Lynn weighing 7 lbs. 13 oz. at Port Arthur General Hospital in Thunder Bay. A new sister for Jospehine and Johnathon. Proud grandparents are Eva & Alvin Scott of Thunder Bay and Lillian and Frank Sechesky of Terrace Bay.

Thank You

I would like to thank Dr. Marion, the nurses & staff of McCausland Hospital for the care & consideration I received while I was a patient there. Thank You to those who came to visit, for the flowers, candy, cards, & phone calls, which I received. Thanks to the Fischer Family for their thoughfulness. A special thank you to my family who looked after me so well. The expression of concern & good wishes from friends & acquaintences are appreciated & will always be remembered.

Lise