More events planned for Seniors' Month

By Helene Ballard

Bon jour! I'll start this time with a greeting to our french-speaking readers. "J'espere que vous étès tous en bonne santé!

I guess we are all praying for rain. We sure need it and it seems to be the same all over the country as well as parts of the united States. so let's hope we get some soon.

On Tuesday afternoon we had a visit from some Grade 8 students and their teacher Mrs. Wilson. Some residents had brief interviews with the students and their questions were very good.

I for one enjoyed this; it gives both young and seniors a chance to get together and find out how we look at different things. we find out how they think and what they like and would like out of life.

You know, these visits from the youth of our school are good for all of us. Thank you for coming.

I would like at this time to send

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congratulations to the Auxiliary of McCausland Hospital for all their hard work and efforts this past year.

To be able to raise \$13,000 for the hospital to improve patient care takes a lot of bake sales, raffles and work. I am proud to say I am still a member although I have not been active these past five years. I was an active member for five years, and I enjoyed working with these ladies. I hope you have another successful year and God Bless you.

We still have more events planned for Seniors' Month. Last week the Ladies of Birchwood Auxiliary had their Strawberry Tea, which all the residents enjoyed. These ladies are also hard working and they plan a whole year's worth of events for us, so our thanks to these dear ladies. The weather did not cooperate with us, so we had our tea in the residents' dining room.

The monthly Birthday Party

was hosted by the Ladies of the Community Church of Terrace Bay

After cake and coffee, we all enjoyed some bingo. We only had one 'birthday kid' this month, Mr. Patrick McDonnel. Happy birthday Pat. We would like to thank the ladies for a fun afternoon.

On behalf of the residents of Birchwood Terrace, I would like to thank the Township of Terrace Bay and members of the Canadian Legion of Terrace Bay for the party held in the Legion on June 14. Our residents had a great time and are looking forward to more events for Senior Month.

I'll have more events for next week. Don't forget our Canada Day Parade July 1. Let's all get out and have a good time and a safe holiday.

Until next time, remember: "A cauliflower is only a cabbage with a college education." Cheerio!

Failing to fall for Niagra Falls

Our roving reporter douses this hot spot

By Mary Hubelit

We may be back home before this is printed, but I have a few comments for anyone feeling guilty about not having seen one of Canada's "national" shrines, Niagra Falls: Don't!

The unbelievable maze of streets; the smothering commercialism; the 'attractions' (I feel that should be 'distractions') that draw the tourists' dollars away from what they came to see, all make one's first sight of the mighty falls almost incidental.

They are awesome of course, and beautiful....and if about five thousand people would suddenly

go away, I think I too would have been properly impressed! This in the off-season?

Marineland with its trained seals and Killer Whales is for children of all ages and professionally presented of course. The "Maid-of-the-Mist" boat ride is not for the fainthearted, but is an important aspect of the visit.

The souvenir shops all carry much the same variety, so one would be advised to save time and energy (not money) by shopping at one store.

The Niagra parks Commission does a masterly job of decorating the entire huge area with manicured lawns and a splendid show-

ing of flowers and shrubs. What can I say? Seeing the falls is like looking for a needle in a haystack!

Point Pelee National Park, on the other hand, is everything a loyal, patriotic, nature-loving Canadian would like to see at Niagra Falls!

Conservation is exquisitely interwoven with tourists' needs — needs, I say, not wants.

Ample accommodation is available just outside the park. We were impressed by the fact that there are no noxious bugs out there — even on the mile-long marsh boardwalk!

That was an invitation no Terrace Bay or Schreiber citizen could refuse!

Winnie's Schreiber Scribbles

By Winnie Campbell

Nellie Molinski from Vancouver has arrived to spend the summer with her sisters Mary Sparks and Margaret Nesbitt and families.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Gordon have returned from Vancouver Island where they attended the marriage of their only granddaughter, Jennifer Gordon who is the daughter of Bruce and Joyce.

Jennifer wed Glenn Procter.
Also attending from Schreiber were
Clyde, Elena, Jess, and Joshua
Gordon. Jack, Crystal, Drew and
Dean Gordon from Tyler, Texas
and Don and Bonnie Pahl of
Thunder Bay also attended.

The Chimo Home Bingo was won by K. Thorsteinson of Terrace Bay. Another one wil start July 4.

Seniors can still play useful role

By Anne Todesco

As we climb the ladder of age, senior citizens do not lose their usefulness unless ill. Our experiences down through the years is useful to the next generation.

Most of us can still read, write, sew, knit, crotchet, cook, clean, and carry on business.

Senior citizens can still assist with community affairs and prove their worth still useful to our communities.

Shovelling snow, mowing lawns or digging gardens — even cutting wood — is a no-no for heart patients, but there is so much we can otherwise do.

We can call on the sick and shut-ins, or send pretty cards to the elderly who have no one to visit or to write to them. Some have no one

to take them for a short walk, ask them for a favourite recipe, or play a game of cards.

Many seniors are well educated in different fields of industry, education, religion, music, etc.,. They can offer much assistance and advice to others.

Our 'Golden Years' bring to mind many memories of both happy and difficulty times in our lives; the raising of a family, when children leave home for a career or marriage. They are out to meet a world challenge of their own, while we seniors wonder how we can exist without them and wish that they were about our knees again. It's a happy day when they phone or come home for advice from Mom and Dad. No matter their age, they are still our children.



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