

Ontario government passes resolution calling for small post offices to stay open

On December 1, 1988, the Ontario Provincial Government passed a resolution condemning the Canada Post Corporate Plan. The Plan is to close, amalgamate and privatize some 5,221 post offices in rural Canada within the next seven years.

The resolution introduced by Howard Hampton, NDP M.P.P. from Rainey River, was unanimously passed by all parties in the House.

Resolution #47 is as follows: "That, in the opinion of this House, recognizing that the mail service in the communities such as Fort Frances and Kenora and many smaller rural communities of Northwestern Ontario will deteriorate due to the fact that the sorting of the mail will no longer take place in these communities, but instead be moved to a central facility, the government of Ontario should condemn Canada Post for this action, and the failure to recognize the importance of quality mail service for the rural communities and small towns of Northwestern Ontario, and the government of Ontario should urge the government of Canada to halt immediately these plans to cut service and to maintain and improve rural postal services across Ontario."

This is the sixth provincial government to pass such a resolution, plus hundreds of municipal governments. Hundreds of thousands of individual tax payers have also shown their disapproval by signing petitions and letters to the Prime Minister of Canada.

What more do we have to do to make the government of Canada realize that we in rural Canada do not, and should not, have to accept the erosion of essential services.

As states during the debate in the Legislature, "The point is that it (Canada Post) is suffering because we have a government in Ottawa that is not interested in improving the Postal service, that it is interested only in attacking the postal service, and is going to make rural Ontario, small town Ontario, and small-town Canada pay for its inability to make the postal system work in the black."

Mr. Johnson, Conservative MPP for Wellington, who supported the resolution, said, "It is a good resolution, but could be better....I would like to see the resolution expanded."

The Legislature further heard: "It matters not to me if you are a member of the Canadian Union of Postal Workers, you are a member of the letter carriers' union or you are from the postmasters' association. You do not make the orders, you do not give the marching orders and you do not make the decisions; you simply follow the rules. To blame some postal worker in CUPW who is making \$35,000 a year, to say that it is because he or she is making \$35,000 a year that some other part of the postal service is suffering, does not make any sense to me."

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Christmas note from one local resident

By Mary Hubelit

Our first Christmas here in Terrace Bay over thirty years ago was a combination of the usual festivities and a warm welcome to us. Few of those friends are still here. To those who are, I say thank you.

To the dozens of younger people I don't even know, I say thank you for making this little town a vibrant, forward-looking place to live and learn.

To all, the merriest Christmas ever, and the happiest New Year you've ever known!



Lake Superior Board of Education

Marathon High School

Requires for January 1989

Full time custodian

It would be an advantage to have stationary engineer qualifications or trades experience.

Applications are to be directed to the undersigned by Wednesday December 30, 1988.

Interviews will be held early in the New Year.

Apply to: T. E. Taylor, Principal
Marathon High School
Marathon, Ontario,
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In Memoriam

In loving memory of a dear mother
Ileene Williamson
who passed away November 19, 1982
and a dear father
Kenneth Williamson
who passed away June 12, 1984.

*They say time heals all sorrow
and helps us to forget
But time so far has only shown,
How much we miss you yet
Our hearts still ache in pain
and silent tears still flow,
What it meant to lose you both;
No one will ever know*

Sadly missed and forever loved
Linda, Peter & Logan Costa
and
The Williamson Family



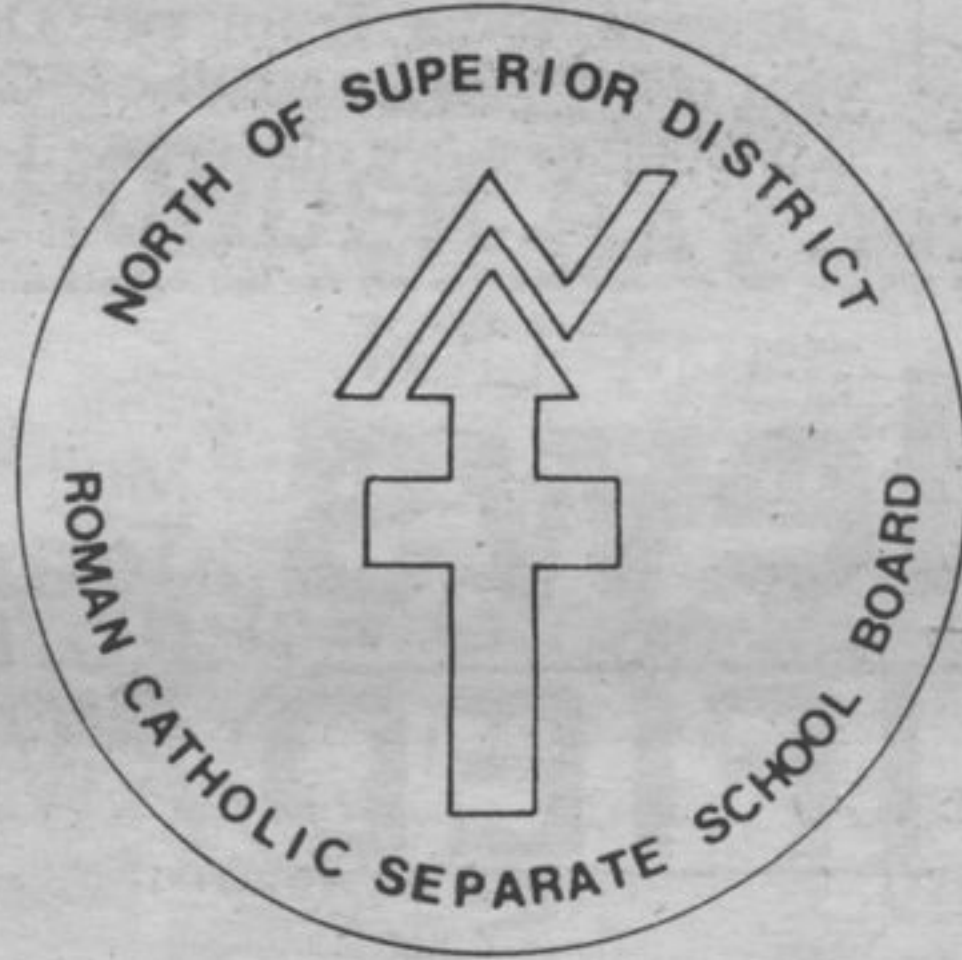
We would like to wish our many wonderful customers a happy healthy and prosperous New Year and to thank you all for making our first nine months in Terrace Bay a great success.

May God Bless you all
Joe Wong, Sharon Willan and the staff at the Imperial Restaurant

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Dr. & Mrs. Raczkyki
would like to wish all
patients & friends in
Schreiber, Terrace Bay & Rosspoint;
Merry Christmas and a New Year
filled with health & prosperity.



The North of Superior District R.C.S.S. Board

Invites REPRESENTATIVES to the Special Education Advisory Committee

The North of Superior District Roman Catholic Separate School Board is seeking applications and nominations to the Special Education Advisory Committee as required by provincial law.

Local associations such as Trainable Mentally Retarded Associations and Home and School Associations, are invited to nominate an official representative to this Special Education Advisory Committee for consideration for appointment by the Board.

To qualify as a representative on The North of Superior District Roman Catholic Separate School Board Special Education Advisory Committee, a person must be:

- A Canadian Citizen;
- The full age of eighteen years;
- A resident within the area of jurisdiction of the Board.

Forward correspondence by **JANUARY 30, 1989** to:

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