

Computerized claims service will make things run smoother

Computerization will provide up-to-date and accurate information regarding mining claims.

The Ministry of Northern Development and Mines is taking the step of expanding its Computerized Mining Lands Information System (CLAIMS) and will introduce the new record of work forms September 5 said minister Hugh O'Neil.

"These new record of work forms will help the ministry provide explorationists and claim holders with better and faster service," he added.

Submitted by holders of unpatented mining claims, the forms will help the province's nine mining recorders computerize their files in preparation for the extension of claims to their mining divisions.

O'Neil said claims will support the ministry's mining lands program in the administration of mining lands and the encouragement of mineral exploration.

"With its advanced technology, claims will also offer significant improvement and enhancement in services to prospectors, exploration companies, mining companies and the public," O'Neil said.

Introduced as the Timmins pilot project in 1986, the CLAIMS prototype proved capable of handling most of the day-to-day operations of the Timmins mining recorder's office. The Timmins system is now operating in parallel with traditional manual record-keeping methods in that office. It is processing thousands

of transactions quickly and efficiently.

With a \$2 million allocation announced in the May 17 provincial budget, the ministry will implement claims across the province. All nine mining recorders' offices are expected to

be on the system by early 1991.

"The benefits of CLAIMS are being felt already. As each mining recorder's office becomes computerized, the productivity and efficiency of the province's mining lands program improves," O'Neil said.

Tips for working at a V.D.T. station

This checklist for VDT work station layout was prepared by Mark Sanders, professor and chairman of the Human Factors Graduate Program at California State University, Northridge:

- * Feet should be able to rest flat on the floor or a footrest.
- * Knees should be bent at an angle of 90 degrees or slightly more.
- * Home row of the keyboard (ASDFGHJKL) should be at elbow height.
- * Screen should be below eye level.
- * Screen should be cleaned daily to remove dust and fingerprints.
- * Brightness and contrast should be adjusted to achieve clean crisp letters against a black background (or black letters against a white background).
- * A glare screen should be considered if there is light from overhead fixtures or windows striking the screen.
- * A short hood over the terminal should be considered if the terminal is positioned directly under overhead lights.
- * The terminal screen should be positioned perpendicular to windows, neither facing toward nor away from them.
- * The distance from eyes to screen, keyboard and hardcopy should be equal. A document-holder should be used to achieve this.
- * When typing, shoulders should be relaxed and upper arms should be vertical.

- * Bifocal wearers should investigate special VDT glasses that are ground for the individual's VDT reading distance.
- * Do not maintain a fixed position. Change your posture as you work.
- * A two-to-three minute break should be taken every hour or so, and stand up, stretch, walk around and look at distance objects.
- * Wrists should be kept straight when typing.
- * The keys should not be banged when typing.
- * When reaching for function keys, don't stretch; move your hand closer to the key and press it.
- * The seat back of the chair should be adjusted so that it conforms to the inward arch of your lower back.
- * The space under the desk should be cleared so that you can move your feet and legs around while working.

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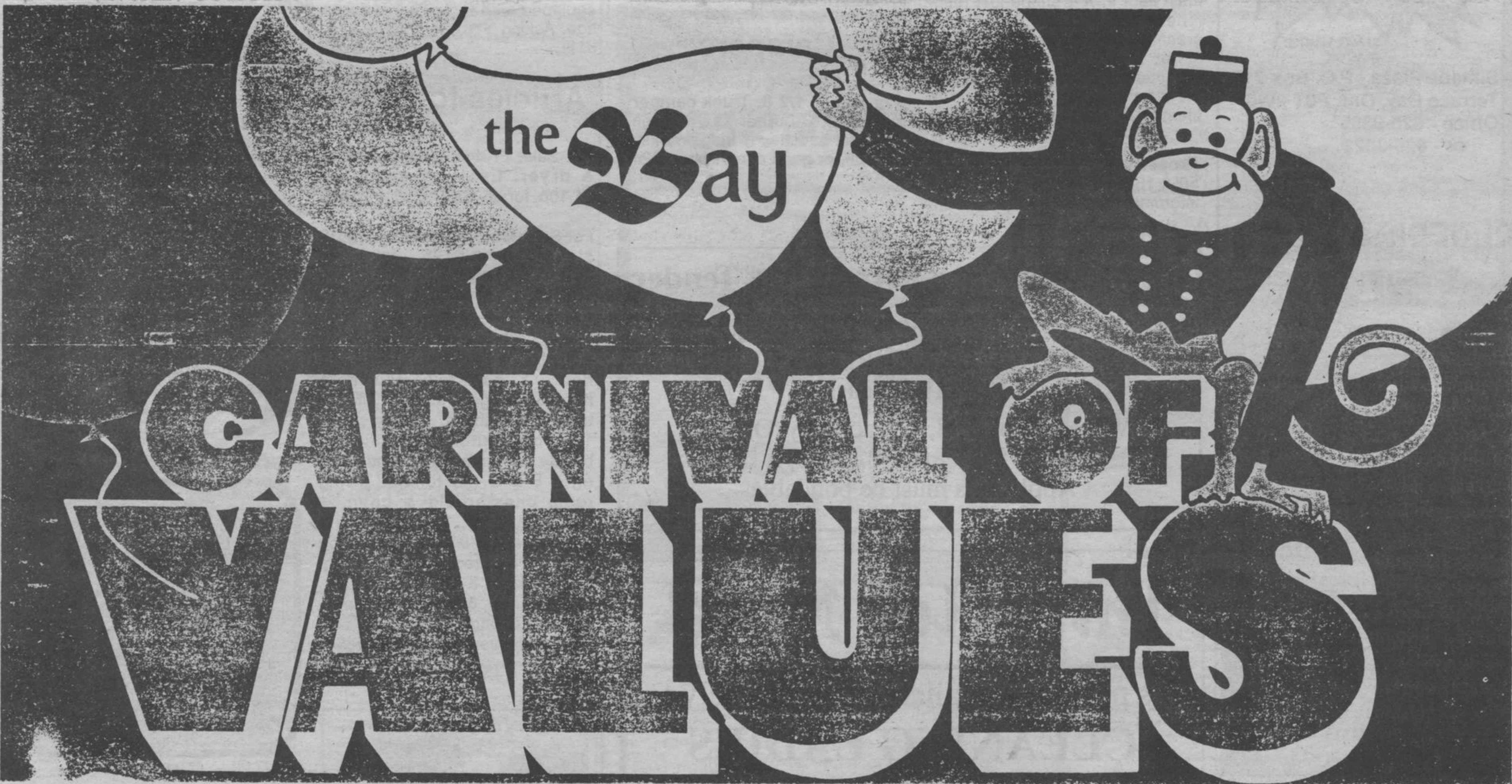


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Under the Province of Ontario's PRIDE Program, the Township of Terrace Bay has provided a 1.3 kilometre paved pathway along Highway 17 from Fort Garry Road to Terrace Heights Drive. The pathway is open to both pedestrians and bicycles. People riding bicycles are requested to exercise caution on the pathway and to yield right of way to pedestrians. ALL MOTORIZED VEHICLES ARE PROHIBITED ON THIS PATHWAY.

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