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### Litter - in the bag for Earth Day

Heather Benoit, left, and Caitlin Broughton, right, did their part in cleaning up the litter in Terrace Bay on Sunday, April 22, Earth Day.  
photo by Rob Cotton

## Earth Day clean-up successful and fun

There are no short cuts to cleaning up our environment - no elevator only steps - and groups and individuals of Terrace Bay and Schreiber took one of these steps when they spent a day cleaning up the litter.

Celebrating Earth Day in Terrace Bay on Sunday, April 21, E.A.G.E.R., Girl Guides, Brownies Sparks, the Community Church's Funhouse Youth Group, many families and individuals, with the co-operation and help of the Township of Terrace Bay spent the afternoon picking up the garbage left behind, not by the winter snow, but by litterbugs.

#### Brownies display poster

The Brownies set up a poster on the wall of the Tourist Information Centre with the slogan We're taking Steps to Keep the Environment Green. On the poster each Brownie had made a tracing of their foot and then signed it.

Members of the Funhouse Youth Group, in keeping with day's theme, recycled some old sweatshirts by decorating them with paintings of the planet and

environmental slogans.

Those cleaning up walked along roadsides, dug around in the bushes and along fences in search of the elusive litter.

The workers were rewarded for their hard work with hotdogs and drinks at the Tourist Information Centre. The refreshments were provided by the Township and the 'dogs' cooked with tender care (well most of them) by members of town council.

#### Pop cans recycled

Nearly 150 garbage bags, donated by Pitch -In Ontario and The Township of Terrace Bay, were handed out in Terrace Bay. Pop cans were separated from the other litter to be taken to Lakehead Scrap Metal in Thunder Bay by a member of E.A.G.E.R.

If the money received for the cans covers the cost of transporting them to Thunder Bay, E.A.G.E.R might consider doing it on a regular basis, said Brenda Cottrell.

In Schreiber members of the Schreiber Public School Enviro Club clean up the litter in their town. Minnova Mines, donated the bags.

### Drug awareness program

## Community involvement can help

by Rob Cotton  
The News

Drug abuse is a problem that can only be solved by a community and public interest in tackling the problem was clearly evident by the number of people who attended last Monday's education program at Lake Superior High School's Terrace Bay campus.

Sergeant Ben Jenkins of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police Drug Awareness Program and Norman Panzica, consultant and lecturer with the Council on Drug Abuse, spoke to a crowd of 102 citizens on what they really need to know about drug abuse.

The message of both speakers was clear - If you are concerned about drug abuse in your community you have to become involved.

Jenkins said peer pressure is usually the reason people first

experiment with drugs.

"Peer pressure is a very powerful influence in society, especially amongst children who's brain development isn't complete until the age of 11 or 12."

The other major factor for drug use is stress, he said. Society creates a lot of pressure on young and old alike to perform well and to be successful in everything they attempt to do.

When people don't meet these expectations their self-esteem drops.

"A doper has to get out of his head because he can't stand the company," said Panzica.

Panzica, author of Drug Abuse and Your Family, citing scientific literature, discussed the difference between homes that

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### ROSSPORT VISION WORKSHOP

Open to Public  
Friday, May 3rd at  
Community Hall in  
Rosspport  
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information session,  
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