

Bell investments

Improvements in services for Bell Canada's 994 subscribers in and around Schreiber accounted for \$448,000 in capital expenditures in 1991. For the 1,066 subscribers in Terrace Bay, Bell spent \$65,000 to improve and expand its range of customer services.

The projects include placement of a fibre optic cable between Schreiber and Terrace Bay that will provide a telecommunications link with greater capacity and improved transmission quality. Also included is the installation of additional transmission facilities in the Walker Lake area.

In Terrace Bay, Bell paid \$68,500 in municipal tax, \$1,900 in realty tax, \$600 in business tax, and \$66,000 in

gross receipts tax.

In Schreiber, Bell paid \$50,500 in municipal tax, \$6,200 in realty tax, \$2,500 in business tax, and \$41,800 in gross receipts tax.

Bell spent a total of more than \$1 billion in improvements across Ontario last year, and plans on spending the same amount this year.

Over the next five years, Bell plans on spending about \$12 billion on its entire network.

Also planned is the splitting up of the 416 area code, which serves Toronto and the sur-

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rounding area. Starting in October, 1993, only Metropolitan Toronto will use the 416 code, while all other areas currently using 416 will switch to 905.

Bell has more than seven million customers in Ontario, Quebec, and parts of the Northwest Territories.

Surplus positions

As a result of cost-cutting measures at the Liquor Control Board of Ontario (LCBO), two positions—one at the LCBO store in Terrace Bay and one in Schreiber—have been identified as 'surplus.'

LCBO Media Relations Coordinator Chris Layton says the surplus jobs were identified through a Provincial Auditor's study, conducted in 1987.

"We're acting on the recommendations of the study, which identified 141 surplus positions," said Layton. "The affected employees have been given a number of options."

The options include an early retirement program and "bumping", a process which involves moving employees with different levels of seniority into different jobs. For example, a full-time employee may become a part-time one, while the part-time one may

become a casual. Or a full-time employee may move to a full-time job at another LCBO location.

"Basically what it's going to mean is a lot less hours for our casual employees" said Layton. "This isn't like a situation where a company announces a layoff and a certain number of employees get pink slips."

Some of the positions have been eliminated through attrition, but a decline in alcohol sales and a slumping economy has meant that the LCBO accelerated the pace of the cut backs.

Community calendar

•Alcoholics Anonymous meets each Monday and Thursday evenings at 8 pm at the Community Church in Terrace Bay. In Schreiber, meetings are held each Tues., 8:30 pm in the Anglican Church Basement, Wed., 8 pm and Sun., 11 am at the Schreiber Rec Centre.

•The Chimo Club holds its regular meeting every third Friday of the month.

•The Legion Ladies Auxiliary, Branch 223, holds its general meeting on the last Monday of each month at the Legion in Terrace Bay at 8 pm.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Rob, Kim & big sister Jaime Imbeault are pleased to announce the arrival of their little girl

ROBBI ALEXANDRA

on Aug. 1st weighing 7lb 14 oz. Proud grandparents are Rose Marie Dakin and Danny and Jackie Imbeault.

Special thanks to Suzanne Black, Dr. Wilkes and Penny Richard and all the nurses at McCausland Hospital for their care.

LONG LAKE - AGUASABON - KENOGAMI WATERWAY STUDY

PUBLIC WORKSHOP

TERRACE BAY CURLING CLUB
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16/92
7:00 P.M.

All those interested in the future development of the Long Lake and the Aguasabon River are urged to attend. For a successful study, public input is essential.

Trespassing at CP Rail System's Terrace Bay Yard

A PUBLIC NOTICE

CP Rail System and the CP Rail Schreiber Safety and Health Committee would like to remind the residents of Terrace Bay that those who trespass in the railway yard at Terrace Bay or anywhere else on railway property that they are endangering themselves. Using the yard as a short-cut to save a few minutes could lead to serious injury or death.

You are also reminded that persons entering prohibited premises are subject to being charged with trespass.

PLEASE DO NOT TRESPASS ON CP RAIL PROPERTY!

F.O. Peters
Assistant Superintendent
Algoma Division
CP Rail System
Schreiber, Ontario
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New Ontario Minimum Wage Regulations

The following new general minimum wage rates (excluding harvest workers) take effect at the beginning of the work week in which **November 1, 1992**, occurs:

GENERAL (including domestics)	New Rate	Previous Rate
General (hourly)	\$ 6.35	(6.00)
Students under 18 (hourly)	5.90	(5.55)
Liquor servers (hourly)	5.50	(5.50)
Hunting/fishing guides (day, 5 hours +)	63.50	(60.00)
Hunting/fishing guides (less than 5 hours)	31.75	(30.00)

The following new minimum wage rates for fruit, vegetable and tobacco harvesters will go into effect on **January 1, 1993**:

Adults	\$6.35	(6.00)
Students under 18	5.90	(5.55)

Maximum room and meal allowances in calculating the minimum wage (applicable to general workers at the beginning of the work week in which **November 1, 1992** occurs, and to harvest workers on **January 1, 1993**):

Room - private (weekly)	\$29.40	(27.80)
- non-private (weekly)	14.70	(13.90)
Meals - (each)	2.35	(2.20)
- (weekly)	49.35	(46.20)
Room and meals (weekly)		
- with private room	78.75	(74.00)
- with non-private lodging	64.05	(60.10)
Housing (weekly) for harvest workers only		
- serviced	92.10	(87.00)
- unserviced	67.95	(64.20)

For more information, contact your local Ministry of Labour office.

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