



Liz Cooper and Don Paterson did much of the work behind the new telephone information service in H - N. (staff photo)

Telephone Information Service Started In Simcoe

Regional government has many people in the area baffled. . . who works out of where and who takes care of what. Which office will handle a water or road complaint? And where do you phone to learn more about old age home facilities?

A Community Information telephone service has been established in Simcoe, under the sponsorship of the Community Services Association, to assist you.

Liz Cooper and Don Paterson, chairman of the Community Information Services, along with volunteers, have gathered data on the "Who, what and where" of regional government.

For those living in the Norfolk end of the region, considerable amounts of information have also been assembled on all service clubs, health services, garbage routes, school associations, welfare services, ambulance, fire departments, mus-

eums, correspondence courses, libraries, etc.

The information facility has been organized with the plan to serve all of Haldimand-Norfolk.

The first phase is to concentrate on Simcoe, Mr. Paterson explained Monday. The second phase is to expand throughout the region.

If they don't have the answer to the question at their fingertips, the volunteer will investigate.

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Capital Gains Tax Protest

Mary Field doesn't think the federal government's capital gains tax is fair to farmers. And she intends to fight it. Although it is too late to help herself and husband Jim who sold their R.R. 4, Simcoe farm for the proposed satellite city site, Mrs. Field

hopes to aid other farmers who sell their land in the future.

She has drawn up a petition and sent letters off to Bill Knowles, Haldimand-Norfolk MP, Eugene Whelan, federal minister of Agriculture, Bill Stewart, provincial minister of agriculture, John Turner, federal

minister of Finance, Stephen Lewis, NDP opposition leader at the provincial level and Bob Nixon, Liberal opposition leader in Queen's Park.

Several farmers in the area have joined forces with Mrs. Field. But many "just can't believe it's for real," she told The Record. They think it won't happen to them or that they are exempt.

Mrs. Field explains to farmers in her petition and letter that the federal government made December 31, 1971 Valuation Day for a farm. "Any monies above this V-Day value are considered capital gains. No consideration has been given for normal increase let alone our present rate of inflation."

"According to the tax law pertaining to Capital Gain on farm property you could have to pay up to 61 per cent of half your gain," she says.

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Lake Erie Water Is Years Away

It would take at least three years to have water pumped from Lake Erie to Hagersville, Bob Healey, regional engineer for water, waste and sewage says.

Speaking at the Hagersville Businessmen's Association meeting Tuesday, Mr. Healey told ratepayers the ultimate solution to the Hagersville water problem is a pipeline from the lake.

However, it is up to those in the political arena to decide when

the village will get the water it wants.

Steps have been taken by the Ministry of Environment to get the project started to meet the needs of the influx of industry and people to the area.

Proctor and Redfern is designing the water treatment plant to be located adjacent to the Stelco site right now. But Mr. Healey estimates it will take three years before it will be able to produce water.

M. M. Dillon has been

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Hydro Worker Crowned Queen Of The Furrows

A 19-year-old Ontario Hydro worker was crowned Queen of the Furrow at the Haldimand Plowmen's Banquet in Fisherville last Thursday evening.

Sharon Fox, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Fox of R.R. 1, Caledonia, earned the most points out of a total 700 awarded for plowing ability, interview, speech, appearance and deportment.

She out-scored three other contestants, Cathy Smith, a grade 12 student at Cayuga Secondary School, Annette Knol, an

eighteen-year-old Dunnville factory employee and Mary Burgess, an eighteen-year-old worker at the Cayuga Co-op.

Elinor Winger, Furrow Queen for the past two years, ended her reign by crowning Sharon and presenting a gift to her coach, Bill Huggman, in appreciation for all his support.

Sharon's favorite pastime is playing the piano and she has completed six 4-H Home Economic courses.

At the banquet she gave a light-hearted

speech on what the community has to offer her—ranging from arenas and ball parks to the matchmaking Junior Farmers Club.

Out in the field, Sharon had to man a tractor and plow two straight furrows measuring not less than 12 inches.

The match this year was held at the Arvil Nie farm, two miles west of Selkirk.

Both Arlene Wilson, Ontario Queen of the Furrow and Pam Vanderburg, Oneida Queen of the Furrow attended the banquet.

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Mohawk And Mac Plan Office At Hagersville

Some post secondary classes may be taught in Hagersville in the near future.

Mohawk College and McMaster University are moving into the village.

Town of Haldimand council is leasing part of the former Hagersville Municipal Building to Mohawk for \$437.57 per month or \$3.50 a square foot.

And Charles McNair, director of Information Services for the college, told The Record last week they are planning to open an Education Information Centre there in conjunction with McMaster University in early November.

He said the purpose of the centre will be twofold.

First, it will provide people in the community with education information on what Mohawk and McMaster have to offer.

And secondly, Mohawk plans to offer part-time courses in the building.

He said Mohawk's move to the village's Main Street is part of the college's whole program to upgrade the educational opportunities in the Hagersville, Cayuga, Jarvis and Nanticoke areas.

Mr. McNair explained this move is in anticipation of growth in these

communities as a result of the Nanticoke industrial development.

The college would like to hear from community groups and individuals on what kind of courses are wanted or needed.

The new facility in Hagersville is not a shift of the New Credit campus, Mr. McNair added.

The lease between Mohawk and Haldimand will give the institutions use of the north foyer and council chambers for public meetings. And the college may erect an electric sign.

Haldimand Mayor Dave Peirson commented he feels it is important that the building be occupied.



Sharon Fox was crowned 1974 - 75 Haldimand Queen of the Furrows last week by reigning queen Elinor Winger. (staff photo)