



**WATER SAFETY PROGRAM HAS NEW CANOE**

The Port Credit Rotary Club donated a new aluminum canoe to the Water Safety Program last week. From left to right are: Bill McHarty, immediate past president of the Rotary Club; Mac Hickox, coach of the Mississauga Canoe Club; Sam Legault, chairman of the water safety program and Ernie McGinn, Community Services chairman. (Times Photo by Stan Harwood)

## Council miffed with CRTC delay cable TV licenses have to wait

MISSISSAUGA—Town council took issue this week with the Canadian Radio Television Commission's view of the

cable television situation in Mississauga. "They're spending too much time deciding what we can watch instead of making decisions on new license applications," Mayor Bob Speck said Monday.

A letter was sent by council in early June to Hyl Chappell, MP for Peel South, requesting the CRTC deal with licensing applications in Mississauga as quickly as possible.

## Bd. gradually finds funds for school construction

MISSISSAUGA—Bit by bit the province is finding new funds to finance the construction of new schools, curtailed earlier this year from the 1970 Peel County Board of Education capital building budget.

The board has a priority list of projects originally slated for this year that were cancelled by the provincial department of education in the spring because of a shortage of funds. The province is the sole purchaser of board of education debentures and can exercise control of school construction throughout the province.

But several weeks ago the department found the cash to give approval to the Florida Drive Elementary School addition in Cooksville and last week the board received word money had been released for a \$380,000 addition to the Tomken Road Senior Public School.

The capital expenditure and building committee last Tuesday agreed the school should proceed to the working drawing stage.

The addition includes six new regular classrooms, two art rooms, an industrial arts room, more storage and staff lunch room facilities and a teacher seminar room. A new library and resource centre replacing the existing 1,500 square-foot library will also be built.

The reply from the Commission explained they took note of the request but said the CRTC was very busy with programming regulations and considering other licensing applications. "It would appear that a considerable portion of the Mississauga area is presently licensed for cablevision service," said Franklin DeLaney, CRTC's assistant secretary.

Ward 2 Councillor Lou Parsons objected to the "considerable portion" description of present day cable service. "We still have thousands of town residents who don't have any idea when they'll be getting cable service," Parsons said.

## Ask traffic lights for children's safety

MISSISSAUGA—A request for traffic lights on Dundas Highway at either Cliff Road or Edenhurst Drive by parents of children who will cross the four lane highway to get to Camilla Road Senior Public School this September, was referred to the Safety Council for consideration at Monday's town council meeting.

A letter addressed to Ward 2 Councillor Cayle Killaby urged the town to install lights to ensure the safety of the children who must cross the highway.

The letter, signed by Mr. and Mrs. D. Thompson, said lights would aid the "increasing number of children who find themselves trapped in the centre of the highway while trying to cross to the plaza on the north."

The parents urged construction of sidewalks on Camilla Road for the 400 kids who would otherwise be forced to walk on the open road.

At present there are no stoplights between Cawthra and Hurontario Streets in the centre of Cooksville and according to Mrs. Killaby 100 children from north of the Dundas would be forced to cross the highway unaided.

Councillor Jack Kehoe agreed with Mrs. Killaby's proposal and concluded there was no reason a stoplight could not be installed before Sept. 1, this year.

## Buy returnables Parsons urges

MISSISSAUGA—Mississauga is going to advertise in local newspapers encouraging people to purchase returnable soft drink bottles instead of disposable type that increasingly litter town roadways and beaches.

Lou Parsons, councillor for Ward 2, made the motion at Monday's council meeting. He suggested that letters be sent to area food stores encouraging them to accept returnable bottles. The recent trend has been to send returnable pop bottles on store shelves with the disposables almost completely replacing them, he said.

Parsons said British Columbia has passed legislation placing a tax on non-returnable bottles — something he felt would be worthwhile here.

## Six arrests over LSD double cross

MISSISSAUGA—Six youths have been arrested by Mississauga Police after four of them tried to steal 1,000 LSD tablets from the other two.

Police say the six had driven from Toronto to Mississauga Road south of Steeles Avenue in a stolen car on Saturday. Two had arranged to sell the illegal tablets to the four but the deal backfired and instead turned into a robbery at knife-point.

The two would-be drug salesmen jumped from the car and ran to Meadow Lands Nursery and called police. Two youths were arrested at the scene and the four remaining were arrested in Kitchener.

Charged with possession of LSD for the purposes of trafficking are Rochdale College students, Albert Joseph Goodrow, 18, and Andrew Colin Bessner, 16, both of Bloor Street West in Mississauga.

Attempted robbery charges have been laid against Joseph Henry Ziegler, 18, Lawrence Robert Beary, 18 and Joseph Earl, 20 of no fixed address and Wilfred Hortica, 21, of Waterloo.

## 180 heroin

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Heroin, according to Harding, is still inexpensive but with rising demand and as the supply of speed drops, prices will rise. The average heroin habit can cost up to \$150 a week to support, the report claims.

"Our conclusion is that by September without immediate aid, the young people in this area will have been subjected to heavy drug usage which is a drastic mental health problem. We must do something to help them."

Hardin, who has been at Greyscher House as Director for only four weeks, explained that over the next three-and-a-half months of his probationary employment period he would try to expand Day-Glow services to meet the needs of three parent groups. These include those parents who have teenagers on drugs, parents who do not understand drug use, and parents who have children in jail due to narcotics convictions.

He hopes to bridge the gap between young people who need help and their confused parents and gain the trust of all parties.

The main areas of youth involvement attempted at Greyscher House will include Arts workshops, learning to understand each other, learning to understand parents and learning to understand the "Establishment".

The involvement program will be accomplished by gearing it to arts. "The reason for this is the activities which are to take place will enable the young people to express his subdued tensions and anxieties, bring talents to the forefront and increase the circle of friends."

The program will include drama groups which will put on at least two plays this year including "Snow Queen" for area children next Christmas. Art shops in sculpture, painting and drawing will help youth "do their own thing," he said.

Camping sessions will be held along with Sunday afternoon jam sessions and a modest sports program to attract people who need help.

The kids who come to Day-Glow will not receive charity but will instead, be expected to work in keeping Greyscher House in condition. This comes under the treatment label of "environmental improvement."

And finally, the summer program calls for creation of a "downing room" in which kids who are high on drugs are "talked down" over a period of time. The room has been prepared and is painted light green with only one subdued light to create a restful and secure feeling.

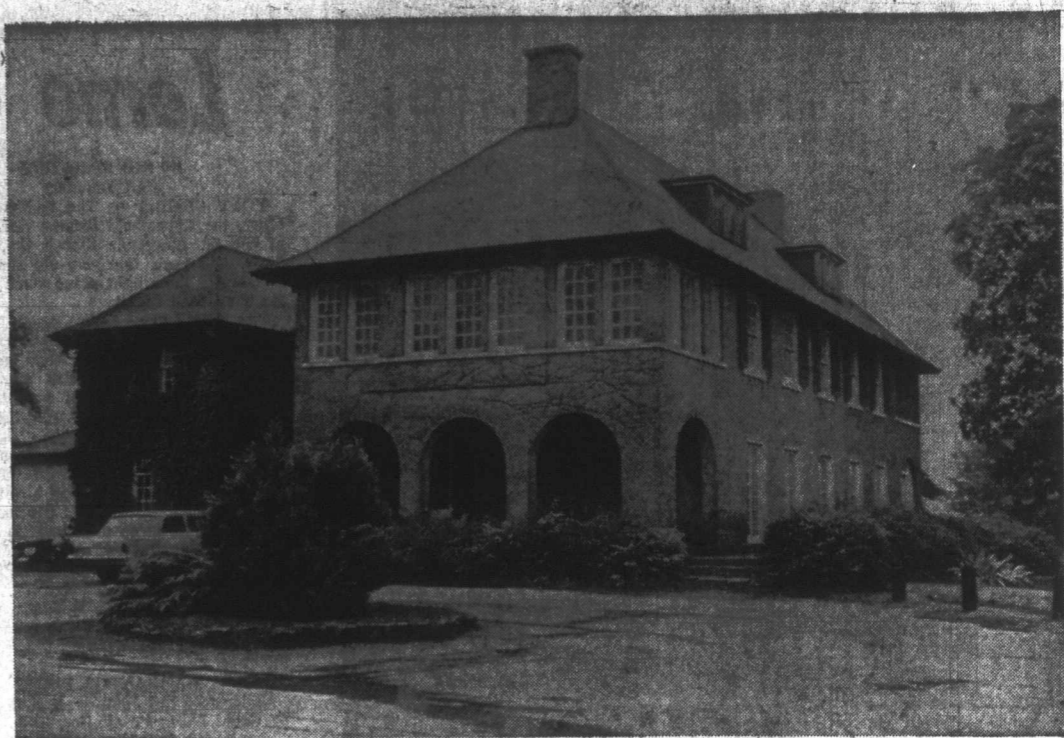
Harding also suggested that a one-day-per-week medical clinic for use by people with drug problems be established in Greyscher House. Hopefully, the doctors will do the work voluntarily and thus take some of the load from area hospitals which often are forced into treating addicts in poor physical condition.

Day-Glow's services are in heavy demand with the house deluged with calls from troubled kids and parents, particularly during the early morning hours Harding said.

He explained how Day-Glow has expanded its crisis intervention and treatment program to include 12 to 15 and 15 to 24-year-olds.

Harding is a strict administrator, Ron Searle, a Day-Glow director and town councillor, told the Times after the meeting.

There are basically only three enforced rules at Greyscher House Searle said — no alcohol, no sex and no drugs.



**DAY GLOW'S GREYSCHER HOUSE**

## Day Glow drug distress centre has its financial problems

By SID RODAWAY Staff Reporter

MISSISSAUGA — Day-Glow, the drug-crisis intervention centre, is in financial trouble only four weeks after hiring a full time director.

It costs \$500 each week for payroll alone and Day-Glow could not make out this Friday's pay cheques unless someone came through quickly. Ron Searle, member of the board of directors and town councillor, appealed to council on Monday for the remaining \$1,300 of the \$2,000 grant the town made to the group this year.

The cheque will be out to Day-Glow before the end of the week, council decided.

Other members of the seven-member Day-Glow board of directors will approach Council on Drug Abuse, the federal Department of Health and Welfare and area service clubs for grants, the board decided last Thursday.

They reasoned that other similar groups were getting

grants from federal sources and the Council on Drug Abuse, so why shouldn't Day-Glow. Searle pointed out the LeDain Report on drug use recommended the federal government should be helping at the "grass roots level".

Treasurer Russ Farnham revealed that cash in the bank as of July 3 was only \$775 and a bill had just been received for \$500 in back rent when Day-Glow used to occupy the premises on Birchview Drive. A father of one of the youths volunteered the rent to keep the organization going and now he wants the loan paid off.

### \$5,000 EXPENSES

With anticipated expenses of almost \$5,000 for the period up to Aug. 31 the records will show a net loss of almost \$2,450 if back rent owing is included. However, Day-Glow hopes many of the fixed asset expenses such as record players, first aid equipment and furniture will be donated by any interested parties.

Mike Harding, the 22-year-old Day-Glow director, told the board a second phone was needed immediately. The phone is in almost constant use during the early morning

hours with calls from "freaking kids," he says.

Rudy Bos, a director and trustee with the board of education, noted Harding calls him at any hour if there is a problem. "Don't worry, we know exactly what is going on here," Bos assured the press who attended the first open board meeting.

### SAMPLE PROBLEMS

Harding took the opportunity to give an example of the problems he faces each week. He described one 22-year-old male who had 126 LSD trips

and 120 "speed" trips since February.

The man has mononucleosis, and hepatitis. He has been charged with possession of drugs. "He is completely unable to cope and has been mentally affected," Harding said.

Day-Glow has been giving him therapy at Greyscher House, contacted a legal-aid lawyer for him, and has made appointments with a psychiatrist. "There has been a slight improvement — now he wants to quit speed very badly," Harding added.

## New rural addresses

MISSISSAUGA — As of July 1, approximately 450 families on rural route addresses have been designated by the post office as living in the Mississauga postal district, a report to the town council's general committee revealed last week.

The change in mailing addresses for the rest of the town will take place on Jan. 1 of next year. At present thousands of Mississauga's receive mail addressed to Port Credit, Cooksville, Malton, Clarkson, etc.

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