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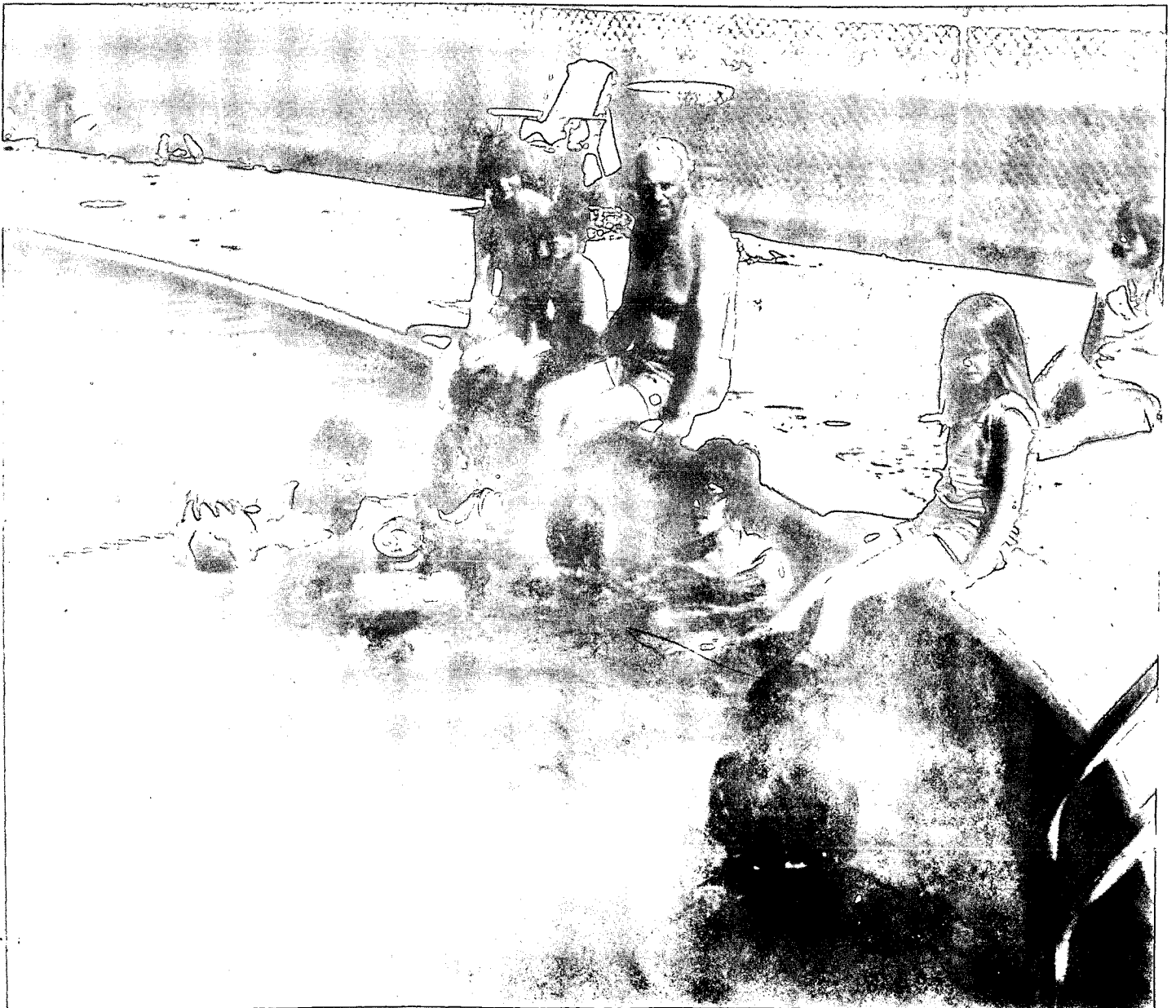
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# NEWSLETTER



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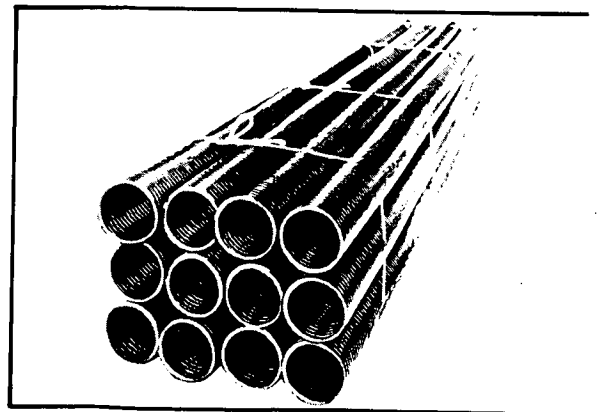
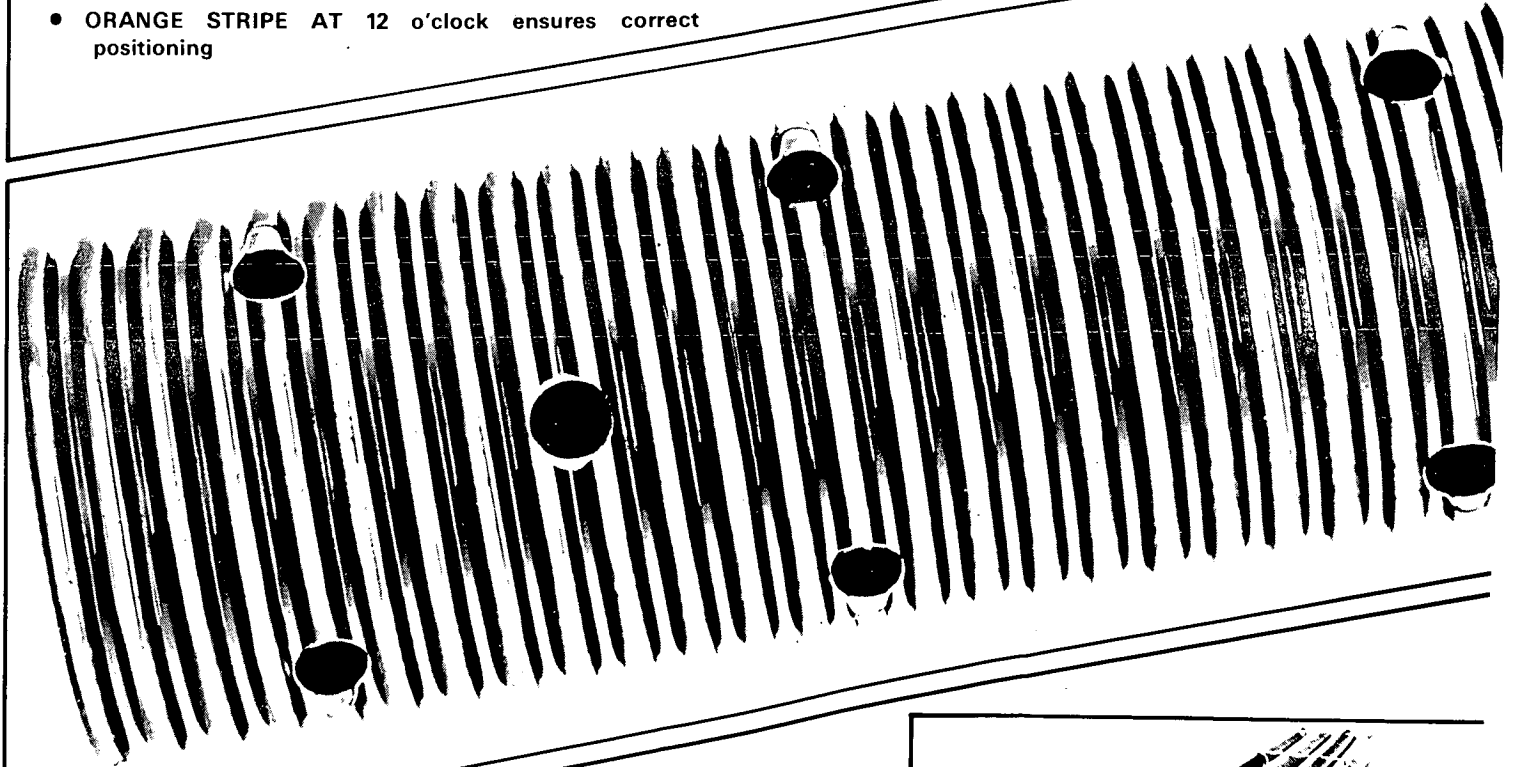


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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



By M. Londry

President Jim is at the 39th Annual National Conference at Winnipeg at the time of this writing. This is where he puts those proxy votes to work to express our needs. (I received mine in the mail, set it down thinking it was a month or so away then I was rudely awakened the other day when I heard the President was heading out with a very small number of votes. It cost me half a buck for a special delivery letter to Winnipeg so next year when I receive it, I won't set it down till it's filled out to return).

Jim wanted to put in a reminder for the Ontario Branch Conference September 26, 27, and 28th (this is Wednesday, Thursday and Friday) at the Soo. Make sure you get your memos in for time off!

We are going to mail a copy of this issue free to all non-members. This is to be an effort of Ron deBurger's Membership Committee to recruit some of the "slackers". It seems we keep preaching in our Newsletter to be professional and help attain 100% membership but this message usually goes to the people who are paid up. Thus we hope this special mailing produces some tangible results.

# EDITORIAL

Summer's here and I thought a feature on pools would be appropriate. I shot the cover picture at a K O A campground owned by Del Thorpe near Elmvale. Bromine is the disinfectant utilized in this new pool and the article on Page 6 has a few tips for inspecting this type of system.

The election is shaping up with the slate filled but we need a little competition to make an interesting battle. See page 9 for instructions on how to nominate your man and we also have a run-down on the candidates to date.



Our editorial staff is just starting to click and should be in full year by September. Jim Stone is the crew member pictured at left (I robbed the picture from old year book). We are going to try to funnel the area news through him from now on - his office address is North Bay and District A.U., 204 McIntyre Street East, North Bay.

The rest of the crew are helping out but we think we should have one more person to represent the Toronto area to fully cover the province. Contact me if you care to volunteer.

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G.M. Londry

# LETTERS

to the EDITOR

Editor's Note: I wrote to all the other provincial editors requesting to be placed on their mailing list - this is one of the replies.

Dear Mr. Londrv:

So, I regret very much that we do not have a Branch Newsletter or publication to send you. We in B.C. sometimes feel that we are isolated from the action area or core of Public Health decision making relating to the Health Inspector and it takes an excellent fellow like your Gordon Anderson (Executive-Secretary-Treasurer) to meld us together. Dialogue is so important and I consider your Newsletter as a real supplement to the jobs of Gordon and others.

I am pleased to advise that Len Hiebert is now back to work on a part-time basis and will be attending our National Conference in July at Winnipeg.

In your April-May issue you make mention of John Mullinieux having resigned from B.C.I.T. Upon leaving B.C.I.T. John engaged with our Provincial Health Services and is employed as a staff Health Inspector in Boundary Health Unit (a rural area adjacent to Vancouver with a population of 160,000 people).

I congratulate you on your accomplishments as Editor of your publication.

Yours truly,  
C.F. (Frank) Hartigan, President,  
B.C. BRANCH C.I.P.H.I. (C)

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Editor's Note: - Received a helpful letter from Len Hiebert, the editor of the Environmental Health Review. He has a lot of knowledge on the fine art of publishing "Newsletters" and we sure appreciate the tips he has for us.

Susan Danyluk, the new editor for the Alberta Branch, sent a copy of their "News Bulletin". It consists of a two page legal size folded gestetner copy with well written items of interest to the Alberta Branch. Keep up the good work Susan.

Editor's Note: Received a note from Jack McKinnon, formerly with Bruce. He's been appointed Senior Inspector with Halton County, I believe. Congratulations Jack!

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I flew to Sandy Lake the other day with Charlie Young, C.P.H.I. (C) of Environment Canada and saw about ten moose. We buzzed three and got some pictures.

I'm planning a two week field trip all over Northern Ontario with two technologists of Environment Canada June 18-29 or thereabouts - maybe then I'll scrawl a few lines and take a few pictures for you.

Yours truly,  
John Orr, C.P.H.I. (C),  
Sioux Lookout, Box 1102.

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Dear Mr. Londry:

Congratulations on the manner in which your editorial staff have established the new format for the Newsletter. It is informative and well presented. We appreciate the material about people and the reduction in reprints of papers from other publications.

We read with interest the presentations by the students and the new inspectors. It is good to hear their viewpoints and ideals. The emery wheel of exposure may mellow the opinions, but we hope that material in Institute publications will keep the ideals ever before us.

The field of public health inspection is very, very old, outdating many of the present medical fields by centuries. The acceptance of qualified inspection in the paramedical aspect is quite new. A casual glance at the Registry will indicate that many of the pioneers are still active. The senior men will certainly have known all of them and have a sincere respect for their work.

Sometimes we need to reflect about these characters if we are to properly guide the new leaders. Remember that, at their own expense and time, they developed a profession from a pot-pourri of political relatives, dog-catchers, old army types and part-time appointees. It was no easy task. It had to be done in stages working through a format of education leading to a degree. The plans are well under way but not complete even today.

The pioneers obtained a Federal Charter which is the envy of many professions and would be almost impossible to attain now. All the progress was made because they were anxious to serve the public. It was always "an obligation to the public to provide better sanitation" which spurred their moves and inspired the dedication. All the benefits to the individuals came as a result of recognition by the other professionals in public health that the steps were designed to the ideal.

We now hear of trends towards activities which have an individual desire for status or money. Sometimes these actions are not really in the interest of the public health but in our own efforts for personal recognition.

Your readers will be aware of the concern by older members when such moves are made. They know that the inspector has always gained when he was prepared to devote himself to science and the welfare of the citizen, he has not fared as well when he attempted to organize inwardly. Perhaps outside pressures are greater today in the opinion of some members, and they feel a need for more protection of their profession. To this point we can but review and indicate that service brings more reward and respect than negotiated agreements.

There is an important fact involved in any vehicle which is circulated to the Members of the Institute. The number of qualified inspectors in Canada is very small, less than 1,600 now work in the field. This little "family" is less in number than the nursing staff of some major hospitals. While the group has gained recognition and respect far beyond its numbers, it still has a strong family aspect. The inspectors know each other across the country. Many of those who have been privileged to serve on the Executives may know more than half the members personally. It is important to include in the format of the circulars some material which relates to the inspectors as individuals. The others are interested. What may be called gossip is often read more carefully than the formal papers. This relationship has great value and binds the group together.

I am sorry to take up your time, but it concerns me when I see evidence of some new inspector asking "What can the group do for me." He should be thinking of his rights and responsibilities in the light of his purpose in entering the profession. He will only prosper if he serves the citizen in a professional way.

Sincerely,  
Tom Elliot, Chief Health Inspector,  
C.P.H.I. (C)  
North Bay, Ontario.

A REMINDER:

Section 19 of the Ontario Branch By-Laws states

Any proposed changes to the Branch By-Laws shall be submitted to the Branch Secretary, Gerald Skipwith, 11 North Street, Barrie, at least 60 days prior to the Annual Meeting. These proposed changes are to be included with the notice of an Annual Meeting and shall accompany the ballot to members in good standing.

R.C. Glen, C.P.H.I.(C),  
Councillor.

# Feature Story

Editor's Note: John Martensen, a District Manager for Lawrason's Chemicals, agreed to write this feature story. He has to be the sharpest person on this subject I have ever had the pleasure to meet. This article was intended to be general but he said he will gladly answer any detailed pool care problems you may have—phone him at home Barrie, 705-726-4541, or at the office Rexdale, 416-429-4451.

## WHY DOES POOL WATER HAVE TO BE SANITIZED?

A swimming pool's for good old fashioned fun... and what could be healthier or more fun than a dip in a pool of pure and sparkling water. Water that's been chemically treated and properly filtered.

Today, thanks to effortless filtration systems, and prepared and pre-packed chemicals, pool care is simple and speedy. The filtration system removes the debris and pool chemicals kill harmful bacteria and control algae. Pool care and maintenance is no mystery to the man who knows but without firm knowledge there is little chance for the establishment of a sound program.

## BACTERIA

Unless constantly sanitized, swimming pool water will carry many fungi and pathogenic bacteria. Pool water can be the carrier of diseases from one person to another. Infections of the eye, ear, nose and throat or skin infections such as ringworm or scabies, may be transmitted.

It is very important that an adequate free available chlorine or bromine residual be present in swimming pool water at all times to prevent the transmission of bacteria by means of a "Bacteria Cloud." By bacteria cloud, we mean high concentration of bacteria such as are present in nose and throat mucus. Bacteria can readily be transmitted if the available Chlorine or Bromine is not free and ready to kill most bacteria rapidly enough to provide a reasonably bacteria-free pool.

The most significant source of common pathogenic bacteria is the human body. These organisms may survive for weeks at temperatures near 70° or for months at lower temperatures.

Disease producing organisms that are readily controlled by free available chlorine or bromine are; Negative intestinal bacteria; that is Salmonella, Shigella, etc.; intestinal Protozoa, i.e. Entamoeba Histolytica and Histoplasma Capsulatum; Blood Flukes; and viruses such as Cocksackie, Hepatitis and Poliomyelitis.

The bacteriacidal properties of chlorine have been recognized for many years. This property has placed chlorine in an excellent position as a disinfecting agent throughout the world.

However, over the past few years new products have been developed and excellent results have been achieved with such products as Bromine and Brominators; typical installations for this have been high schools, colleges, universities, motor lodges, hotels, camping and trailer parks, YMCA's clubs etc.

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#### pH CONTROL

The importance of pH control often is underestimated. An improper pH will adversely affect the: 1. clarity of the water, 2. bacteriacidal efficiency of chlorine and Bromine, 3. odour of the water, 4. skin and eye irritation to the bather, 5. corrosive mess of the pool water and 6. the ability of the pool water to maintain an adequate available chlorine, Bromine residual. The importance of proper pH control must be understood by any pool operator or pool owner in order to successfully maintain a sanitary and desirable pool.

It is generally recognized that optimum pool conditions exist where the pH of the water is between 7.2 and 7.6.

1. The bacteriacidal efficiency of chlorine and hypochlorites is at its greatest. 2. Precipitation of calcium carbonate which causes cloudy water is minimized. 3. Irritation to the eyes and nose of the bather is at a minimum. Irritation to the eyes and mucous membranes of bathers is usually not caused by high chlorine or bromine residuals but is caused by improper pH. This is particularly true if the pH goes below 7.2 and the chlorine reacts with ammonia compounds in the water.

The addition of chemicals to a pool causes changes in the pH. When a swimming pool is chlorinated by gas chlorine hydrochloric acid as well as by hypochlorous acid is formed.

Hydrochloric acid reduces the pH. When sodium hypochlorite is added to the pool, the pH will rise. When calcium hypochloride is used the pH of the pool water is only slightly affected. This is because there is little free alkali in dry chlorine.

There are other factors which can effect pH of water. The presence of urine in the water helps form ammonia nitrogen compounds which are nutrients for algae. Algae raise the pH of water because they remove carbon dioxide.

### SANITIZING CHEMICAL CRITERIA

There are many products sold for swimming pool water sanitation. They include Bromine, Chlorine, Sodium Hypochlorite, Gas Chlorine, Chloroisocyanurates, Iodine and Quaternary Ammonia compounds.

It is anticipated that a criteria should be somewhat along the following lines as applied to chemicals:

1. The chemical must be proved capable of performing the function for which it is prescribed.
2. The chemical must not be harmful or irritating to humans when used as directed.
3. The chemical must have a proved residual action which is capable of measurement by simple field tests.
4. The chemical must not impart objectionable tastes, colours or odours to pool water use conditions.
5. The chemical must be compatible with other chemicals normally used in swimming pool water treatment.
6. The chemical must not have any adverse effect on the material used in pool construction finishes or equipment or on clothing or accessories.
7. The chemicals must be safe, easy to handle and apply.
8. The chemical should be available to the consumer.

These points should bring you up-to-date on some of the general aspects of pool care but to go into detail would require a book. Please feel free to contact me for any specific questions you might have.

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# ELECTION '73

In accordance with Section 15 of the By-laws of the Ontario Branch, the following members have been nominated and have consented to allow their names to stand for election:

President: Gerald Skipwith  
Simcoe County District Health Unit

Secretary-  
Treasurer: Graham Edwards  
Sudbury and District Health Unit

Councillors: Raymond A. Banach  
Ministry of Environment  
(Private Waste & Water Management Branch)

Armand Barrett  
Algoma Health Unit

William Pasichnyk  
Sudbury and District Health Unit

Peter Serkowney  
Northern Ontario Public Health Service

Any further nominations shall be made on the attached form with both portions completed and signed. A thumb-nail sketch of the nominee outlining his public health career, social and family activities should be written on the reverse side of the form. These nominations shall reach me not later than August 13, 1973.

R. J. Furlani, C.P.H.I.(C)  
Nominations Chairman,  
Box 272,  
North Bay, Ontario.

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## NOMINATIONS TO DATE



### President

Gerald Skipwith had his life history printed last issue under "personalities". He was newsletter editor for one year, then Secretary-Treasurer and Chairman of the Philosophy, Objectives and Duties of Public Health Inspectors Committee. He is presently employed by Simcoe County District Health Unit.

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## Sec.--Treasurer



G. Edwards  
Senior

Graham William Edwards is married with one son and one daughter. Graduated in 1962 and obtained his Certificate in Environmental Administration in 1972. He was appointed to the Senior Inspector's position in 1969. He is 32 years old and participates in all sports, especially golf and football. He has participated in studies and reports connected with the Institute. Is employed by Sudbury District Health Unit.

A late nomination-Ron Chartrand is running for Secretary Treasurer age 34, 2 children, graduated 1962.

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## Councillors



(Picture not avail.)

William H. O'Donnell is married and has two sons. Graduated in 1962 and has been a member of the Institute since. Have Certificates in Environmental Health Administration and Public Administration. He is employed as a Senior Inspector by the Algoma District Health Unit.

Peter Serkowney is the Regional Consultant for the Northern Ontario Public Health Services. He lives and works out of North Bay.



Wm. Pasichnyk  
Chief

William Pasichnyk was appointed Chief Inspector for the Sudbury District Health Unit May 1, 1973. He is 43 years old, is married with four daughters. He graduated in 1962, obtained his certificate in Environmental Health Administration in 1972. He was a Hotel Assistant and Manager for seven years. Was a member of the Special Study Committee (National) 1967-8. Enjoys sports especially curling.

(Picture not avail.)

Raymond A. Banach works for the Ministry of the Environment (Private Waste and Water Management Branch). He resides in North Bay.

A late nomination Philip Barton is running for Councillor.

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NOMINATION AND CONSENT FORM

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Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of nominator \_\_\_\_\_

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CONSENT

I, \_\_\_\_\_  
being a member in good standing of the Canadian Institute of Public Health  
Inspectors, Ontario Branch, hereby accept the nomination and will let my  
name stand for election to the office of \_\_\_\_\_  
for the term 1973 - 1975

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of candidate \_\_\_\_\_

HISTORY

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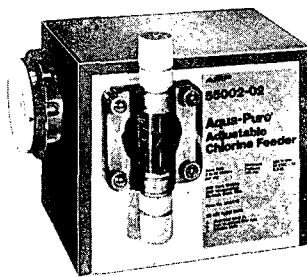


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# RYERSON NEWS

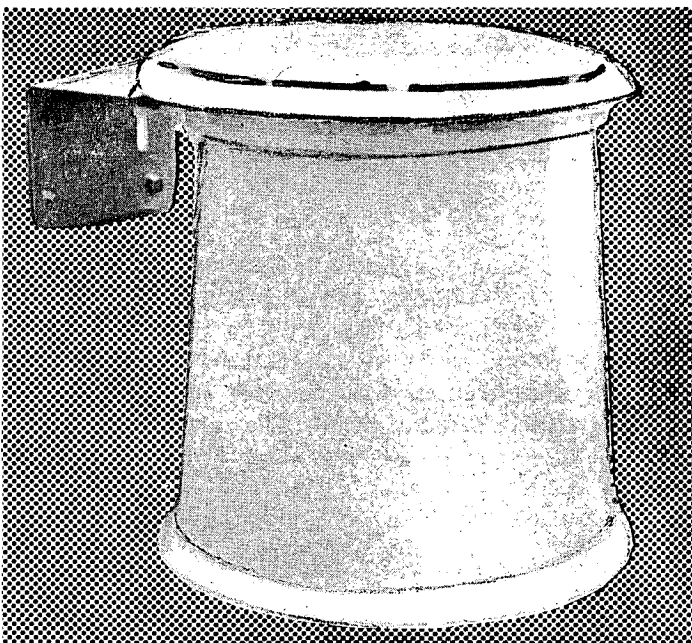
By Terry Scott

Since I left Ryerson, I have taken a position with the Private Waste and Water Management Branch of the Ministry of the Environment in Bracebridge. Things are really busy up here with all the lot inspections, septic tank systems, severances and subdivisions peaking in the few summer months. I just have a few bits from Ryerson:

- The offices of the Public Health Inspection Department are now located on the 6th floor of Jorgenson Hall.
- A few graduates have still not obtained employment.
- The results of the Oral exams of May 8th have finally been processed and mailed out.
- Ron deBurger has sent membership forms to all of this year's graduates in an attempt to get them to join.
- Rick Altman is going to be my student contact this fall so we'll have a direct line to the students through him.

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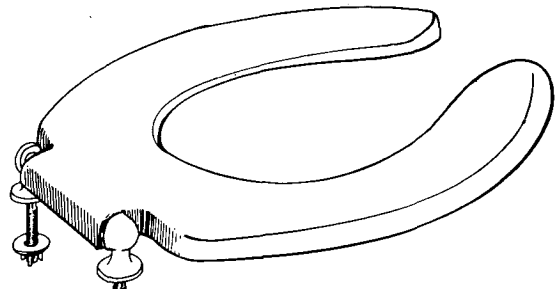
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# Minutes

Condensed by D. Avery

A meeting of the Ontario Branch Committee, C.I.P.H.I. was held in London, Ontario April 7, 1973 and chaired by President J. Watt.

Twenty representatives were also present from the Southwestern Region. President J. Watt related his appreciation for the excellent turn-out.

Minutes of February 10, 1973 were adopted as corrected.

## GENERAL COMMENTS

A committee has been established to review and establish educational qualifications for inspectors being hired.

Holding the Branch Committee Meeting in different areas was a better way to help inform general membership what the institute is doing.

President J. Watt noted that all members can attend the Branch Committee Meetings.

President J. Watt felt each area has a responsibility for local press releases and that the press should be invited to attend their area meetings.

## BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MEETINGS

The secretary-treasurer has sent a letter to all boards of Health requesting they consider the Certificate in Environmental Health Administration be a prerequisite for fur senior appointments.

## CORRESPONDENCE

Twelve letters were received by the committee and four letters were to be written.

## SECRETARY TREASURER'S REPORT

The membership of the Ontario Branch, C.I.P.H.I. stands at 291 active members, 25 student members, 2 honorary members and 7 life members. There are 128 members who have not paid their 1973 membership fees.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

January 1, to January 31, 1973	
Balance Forward	\$ 3,377.63
Expenses	\$ 197.05
	\$ 3,180.58
February 1, to February 28, 1973	
Balance Forward	\$ 4,032.88
Expenses	\$ 1,743.24
	\$ 2,289.64

Investments \$3,000.00

Gerald Skipwith, C.P.H.I. (C),  
Secretary-Treasurer.

## AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

We have examined the accounts of C.I.P.H.I. for 1972 and the financial statement is correct.

Auditors H. Schaub and R.M. Campbell.

### THE C.I.P.H.I. (ONTARIO BRANCH) FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Year ended December 31, 1972

Total Revenue		\$ 7,941.35
Total Expenditures	\$ 5,963.87	
Cash on hand and in bank	<u>1,977.48</u>	
		<u>\$ 7,941.35</u>
Investments		\$ 2,000.00

### CONFERENCE REPORT

The conference report was submitted by Mr. A. Ruggles outlining the Ontario Conference Timetable from September 26 to September 28, 1973.

Moved by R. deBurger that the Ontario Committee appoint a special committee to prepare a formal submission to the Ontario Task Force on Housing. Carried.

### MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

Activity has been restricted to information distribution to members and potential members. Mr. Ron Furlani encouraged members in Northern Ontario and has raised considerable interest.

Ron deBurger, chairman, membership committee.

### PHILOSOPHY, OBJECTIVES, DUTIES OF THE P.H. INSPECTORS

The intended purpose of this committee is to answer the basic question - "What is a Public Health Inspector?" We are sending a letter to all inspectors in Ontario requesting any information that may be of use to us and are working on a report.

Gerald Skipwith.

### IN SERVICE-TRAINING COMMITTEE REPORT

Arrangements have been made and an information bulletin sent out for the two In-Service-Training Courses. A good turn out is anticipated.

E. Whiteside, Chairman

### NEWSLETTER EDITOR'S REPORT

Much work is being done on advertising - aiming for covers and 5 inside pages at full year rates which would return \$936.00. This would allow us to continue professional printing. Recommend individual and group pictures of new executive to aid editor. Expenses debit \$137.87, credit \$25.87 = total \$112.00

M. Londry, Newsletter Editor

Moved by R. Paquette that the South Western area P.H.I.'s group be extended a hearty vote of thanks for providing the inspectors with accommodations for the conducting of the Ontario Branch Committee Meeting in this area. Carried

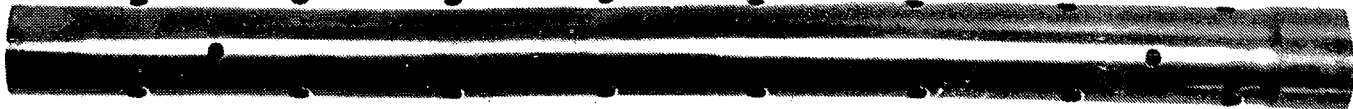
Moved by R. deBurger that the appreciation of this Branch Committee be extended to Bill Wright for the excellent arrangements for this meeting.

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The next Branch Committee meeting is to be held on June 9, 1973 in Toronto. Moved by R. Paquette that we do now adjourn. Carried

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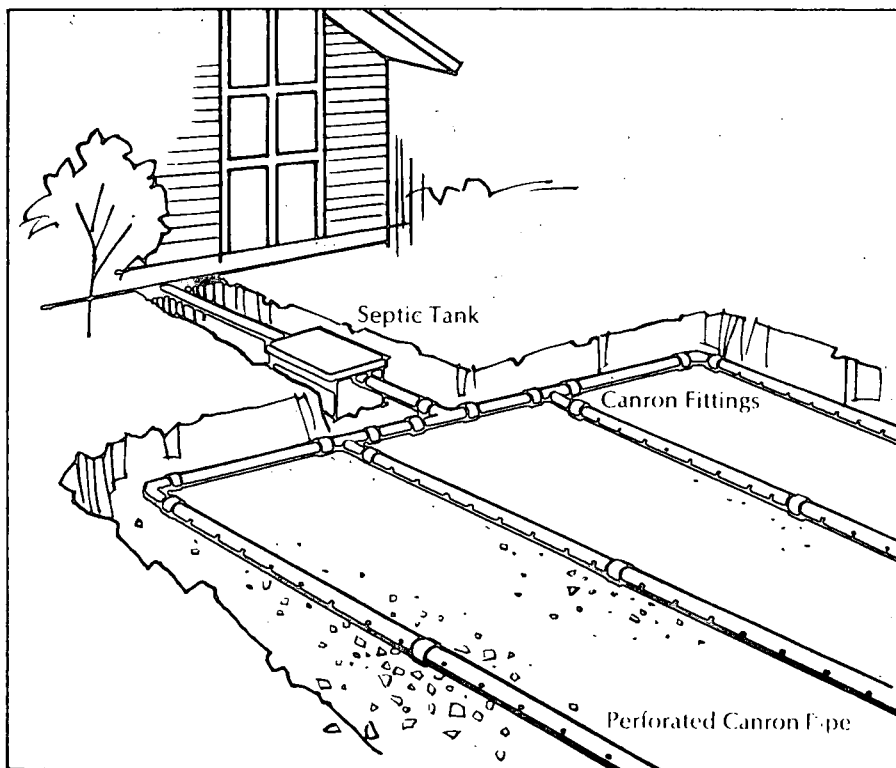
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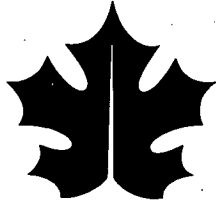
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