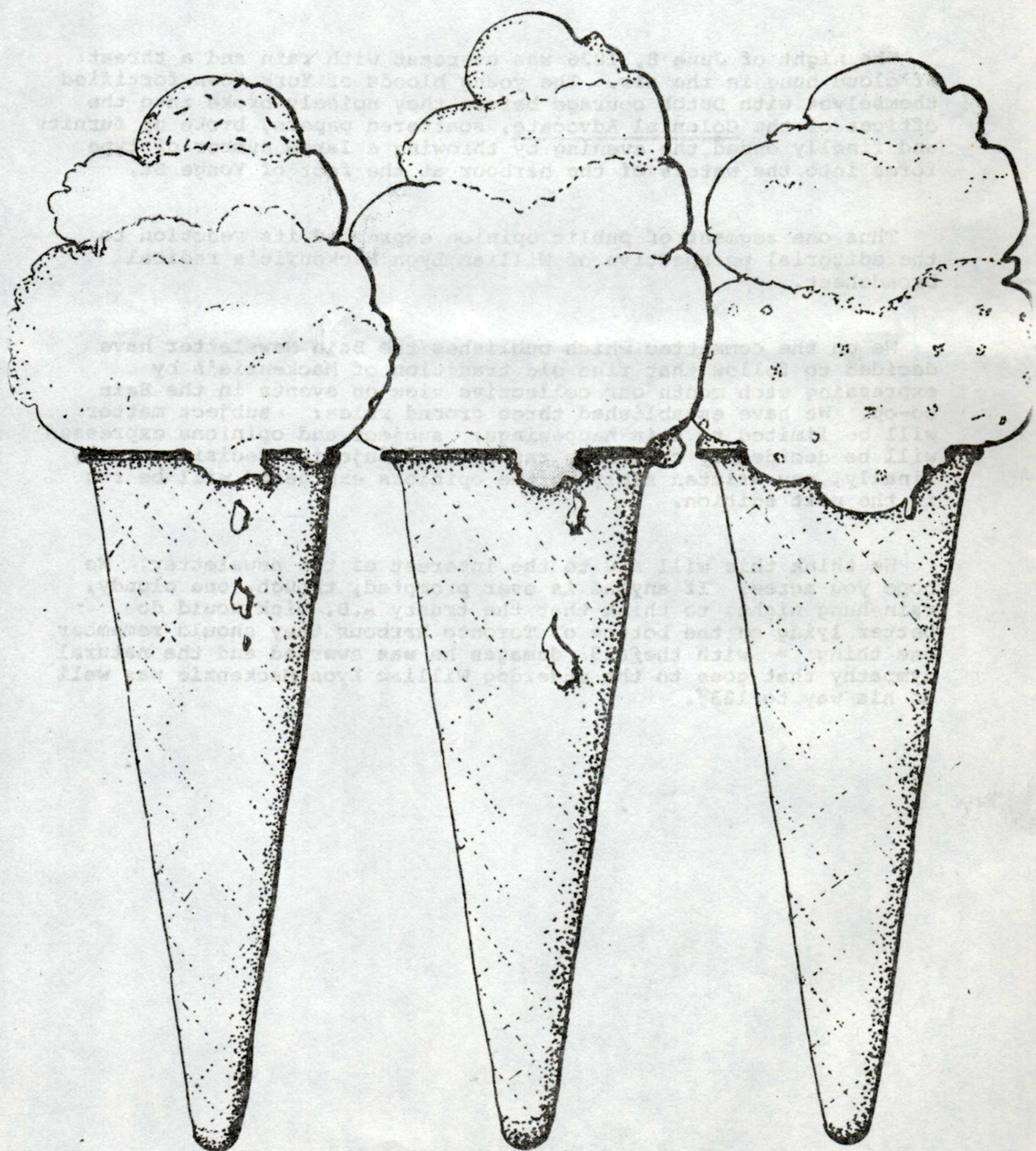


# BAIN CO-OP NEWSLETTER

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JUNE/81



The subject who  
is truly loyal...

The night of June 8, 1826 was overcast with rain and a threat of cloud hung in the air. The young bloods of York town fortified themselves with Dutch courage before they noisily broke into the offices of the Colonial Advocate, scattered papers, broke up furniture and finally ended the evening by throwing a large number of type forms into the waters of the harbour at the foot of Yonge St.

Thus one segment of public opinion expressed its reaction to the editorial perspective of William Lyon Mackenzie's radical broadsheet.

We on the committee which publishes the Bain Newsletter have decided to follow that fine old tradition of Mackenzie's by expressing each month our collective view on events in the Bain co-op. We have established three ground rules: subject matter will be limited to Bain happenings; subject and opinions expressed will be decided by consensus rather than majority decision; and, finally, any written reply to the opinions expressed will be run in the next edition.

We think this will add to the interest of the newsletter. We hope you agree. If anyone is ever prompted, though, one cloudy, rain-hung night, to think that the trusty A.B. Dick would do better lying on the bottom of Toronto harbour they should remember one thing - with the \$625 damages he was awarded and the natural sympathy that goes to the underdog William Lyon Mackenzie was well on his way to 1837.

The following contributed to  
the Newsletter:

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Zoe Newman  
Frances Newman  
Virginia Sangster  
Helga Steyer  
Lana Taylor  
Peter Tabuns  
Simon Tunley

## Bienvenue

Ann Carvel returns to  
70 the Lindens which she  
had sublet to Neil Ross.

Paul Pelletier moves to  
25 the Aberdeens from  
9 the Lindens

## Au Revoir

Carol Ramm who edited the  
last few issues of this  
Newsletter leaves for a  
six month trip to Europe.

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May 21, 1981

Bob Rae M.P.  
Parliament Hill  
Ottawa, Ontario

Dear Mr. Rae:

On behalf of our co-op I would like  
to thank you and your staff for your  
efforts with regard to Community Pro  
jects Employment Grant.

The successful reversal of the Gov -  
ernment's decision not to give us  
funds this summer will really help  
with our energy conservation pro  
gram.

Thanks again.

Sincerely

Peter Tabuns  
Property Manager



# Crime in the Neighborhood

Shortly after moving into the co-op last November, I began to hear the odd comment about crime in the immediate area. Some said that, since the co-op's inception, a decrease in police calls has reflected the neighbourliness of this community; cooperative land ownership, physical proximity of dwellings, and courtyard designs which allow easy surveillance of common areas are the three most important factors buttressing this assumption. The pessimists' assertion, that crime statistics in general have escalated inexorably here as elsewhere in the city, seems to have no analagous reasoning attached to it.



Here are the police records of reported criminal activity for patrol area 5501, the boundaries of which are Danforth Avenue, Withrow Avenue, the Don River and Logan Avenue:


<u>Year</u>	<u>Break &amp; Enter Offences</u>	<u>Total Criminal Offences</u>	<u>Juvenile Offences</u>
1980	144	854	82
1979	164	768	81
1978	113	825	74
1977	132	808	69
1976	125	811	43

It is evident from these statistics that, while all other reported criminal activity has remained fairly constant, juvenile offences have almost doubled. "You may be assured that the increase is unacceptable to the staff at No. 55 Division and it is hoped, with judicious use of the Youth Bureau personnel, to reverse this trend." (from a letter to the author, April 1981, from Planning & Research, MTP.)

To the west of us, in the area bounded by Parliament Street, the Don River, Bloor/Danforth, and Winchester Street, total reported criminal offences declined steadily from a high of 589 in 1976 to a 1979 figure of 296. However, the calendar year 1980 brought an increase of 81 in this category for a total of 377. Juvenile offences have a mixed history, moving from 12 in 1976 upward to 37 in 1978, and back down to 20 and 22 in 1979 and 1980 respectively. Break & Enters remained fairly constant in this area, although they did decline from a high of 64 in 1978 to 58 and 55 in 1979 and 1980.

North of the Danforth to Pottery Road/Mortimer, between Pape Avenue and the Don River, total criminal offences again remained quite constant, from 1058 in 1976 to 1080 in 1979. The year 1980 brought 65 more offences than the previous year, for a high over the 5-year period of 1145. Break & Enter offences moved steadily upward since 1976, with 1980 almost exactly doubling the 1976 figure of 112. Juvenile offences also experienced increases, from 62 in 1976 to 167 in 1980, with the smallest jump occurring in 1979 (from 124 to 125 reported.)





•Crime ... Continued...

For some reason our neighbours to the south - from Withrow Avenue to Gerrard Street, between the Don River and Logan Avenue - are much less involved in reported criminal activity than we. Total criminal offences have dropped by more than one-third over a five-year period, from a total of 435 in 1976 to 288 last year. The general decline, (which was initiated in 1977 with a drop of 139 offences), is paralleled by a drop in the areas of both juvenile offences (the high of 36 occurred in 1976, the low of 22 in 1980), and Break & Enter offences (from 63 in 1976 to 53 in 1980). Under-sixteen-year-olds in this patrol area have been involved in crime to a far lesser extent than have we, or our neighbours to the north.

Donmount Court is considered by some a festering sore on the backside of the Ontario Housing Corporation - our public-spirited competitor in the field of low-income housing. Yet in the patrol area which includes Donmount, from Wardell and DeGrassi Streets (the railway tracks) in the east, to the Don River on the west, between Dundas and Queen Streets, figures are mixed and on the whole seem encouraging. Total criminal offences, having increased quickly from 658 to 783 and 824 during the years 1976, 1977 and 1978, have fallen back again to 731 in 1979 and 708 in 1980. Break and Enters have decreased from a 1977 high of 110 to a total of 72 in 1980. Juvenile offences, from a low of 82 in 1976, moved to a high of 166 in 1978 and back down during 1979 and 1980 to 144 and 107 respectively.


Comparison charts are dangerous tools, especially in police work. The patrol areas delineated above are not based on size or population, but rather on calls for police service. Arguments including cause and effect sequences based on the raw statistics provided here must therefore be inherently suspect, if not circular in character.

One fact which can be stated clearly is that our patrol area in 1980 had the fewest incidents of break and enter crimes, expressed as a percentage of total criminal offences, of the areas under examination - with the exception of 5514 area (which contains the Donmount complex). To the west, almost 15% of offences were B&Es; to the north, almost 20%; south of us, the figure is just under 19%; in this immediate area, we almost reached 9%. The area which includes Donmount maintained a percentage figure of just over 5.

So much for figure games. So much for the high drama of crime on Bain Avenue.

Peter Farncombe

Source: Planning and Research,  
Metro Toronto Police.

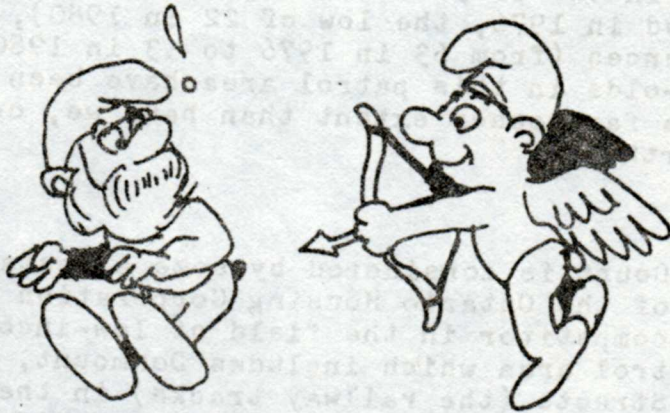


# KIDSPAGE

## SMURFS.....

Smurfs are one of my favourite toys. They are little blue people and they wear white or red hats. There is a grampa Smurf, an angel Smurf, a hiking Smurf and a guard. There are many many more Smurfs but I can't name them all.

Gabe Clarke  
#57 the Maples.



## JOKES AND RIDDLES.....

1. What did the salad dressing say to the refrigerator?
2. Why didn't the skeleton cross the road?
3. Why did the chicken cross the road?
4. Why did the baby cross the road?

## POETRY.....

ON BAIN  
lots of people live on Bain,  
and they don't all look the same.  
You can play and have fun,  
and always, always, always run  
ON BAIN

Gabe Clarke  
#57 the Maples.



## ANSWERS (to the riddles).....

1. "Close the door, I'm dressing."
2. Because he didn't have any guts.
3. To get to the other side.
4. Because he was tied to the chicken.



THAT'S all, folks, see you in the next edition. Remember, just drop your stories, poems, drawings and letters in the red mailbox at #8 the Aberdeens.

Your KIDSPAGE editor,  
Zoë Newman.

# Dogs Kids and the State

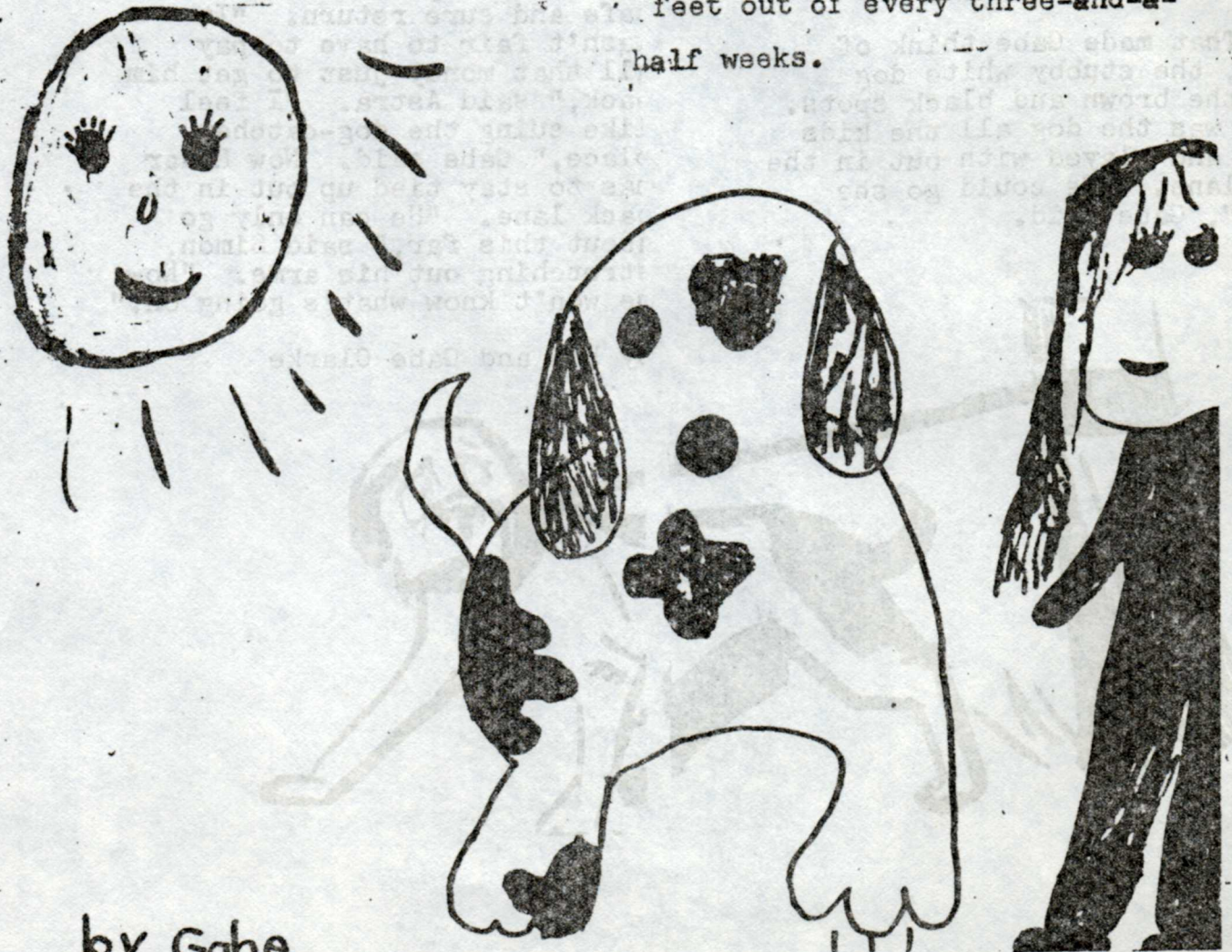
Not so long ago (in fact, about two weeks and three days) and not so far away (really, on this very street), a girl named Gabe was coming home from school with her friends Simon and Astra. As they walked from Withrow School down the block to the housing co-op, they took their fine time, wending their way in and out of the small trees that line the sidewalk, doing their balancing acts on all the concrete ledges they could find on the way.

Gabe was eight years old but sometimes, when she wanted to ride on the subway alone or stay up until eleven watching Fantasy Island, she felt like ten. Sometimes, when she wanted to pounce on her sleeping mother in the morning or forget to bring her lunchbox home from school, or especially when she wanted her father to carry her along on his shoulders, she felt more like six. This bright spring afternoon she felt more like eightish going on nineish and was wondering how long it was going to be until Christmas, her birthday, halloween or Easter, whichever comes first.

When she tired thinking of that, Gabe began to wonder about where she was supposed to go after school. Gabe lived with both her parents in the housing co-op. Well, to be precise, Gabe lived with both her parents but not at the same time; they had quite separate apartments. Four days a week she lived with her mother, and three days with her father. As they both lived close together in the co-op, it was all quite handy. But her mother was a student and couldn't always be home after school. Her father was usually at work, so Gabe couldn't go to his place after school.

The days when her mother couldn't be home, Gabe went to Simon's place where his mother, Miriam, took responsibility for the kids. So, as she walked home, Gabe was wondering if this was Monday, when she went to Miriam's until her father got home from work. Or if it was Tuesday, when her mom was home waiting for her, and they'd sometimes go off to the Danforth to shop for shoes to replace the ones she broke her feet out of every three-and-a-

half weeks.



by Gabe

Or, let's see. If this was Wednesday or Thursday, she'd go to Miriam's. If it was Friday, he'd go to her mother's. Let's see. When was the weekend, anyway? A few days ago, she'd stayed home in the morning and watched cartoons. That was the weekend. The next day she'd gone swimming in the afternoon with Alicia. That was the weekend too. Let's see. She'd gone to school yesterday. Yes. And the day before that too, maybe. She remembered she'd forgotten to take back her library book one day. That had been when the book was at her father's and she was at her mother's. Let's see. Now, that was yesterday, or it might have been the day before. This was all getting pretty confusing.

As Gabe was busy mulling these things over, and trying not to fall off a cement wall that leaned in someone's top-soil, Simon was wondering if his mom would let them walk down to the comic book store on Gerrard St.

When they got home. His mother said good about things and there was a fair chance she decided. Astra, not so interested in reading matter, was wondering whether they would be able to go over to the park when they got home. She said to Gabe, "We could go and roll down the little hills". "Yeah", said Gabe, willing to go along with almost anything at this point. "Except we'll have to watch out for the dog-dirt."

That made Gabe think of Radar, the stubby white dog with the brown and black spots. Radar was the dog all the kids loved and played with out in the back lane. "We could go see Radar", Gabe said.

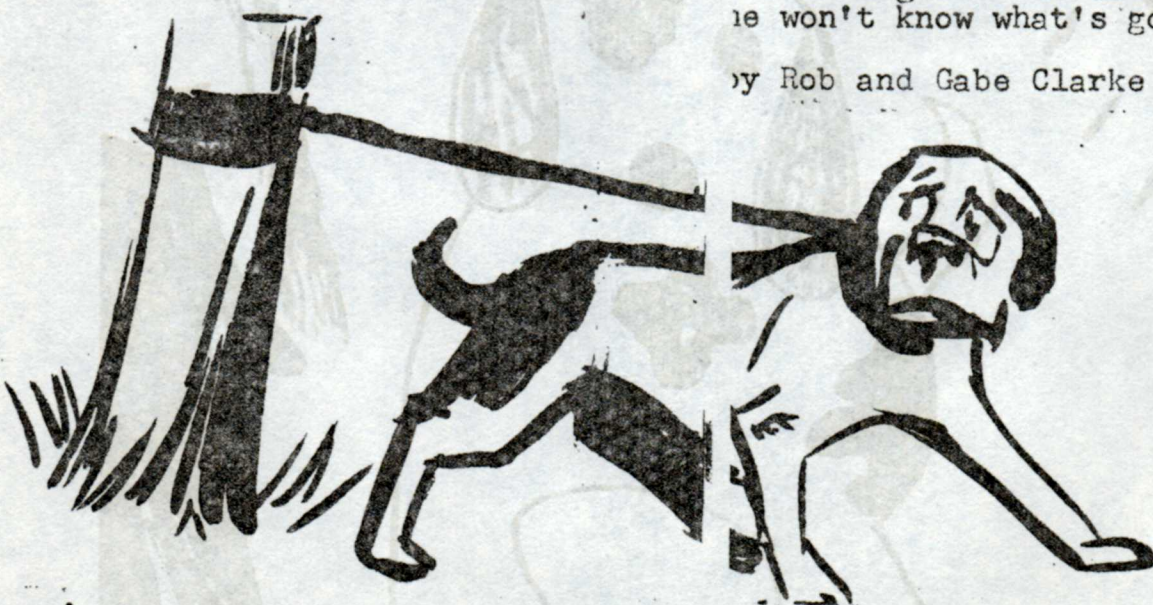
But when they got to the door, all thought of Radar and books and comic books were forgotten. One of their friends, little Penni, came running up all excitedly. "The dog-catcher is here," she said. "Someone was complaining about a big black dog bugging them and called for the dog-catcher and now he's here and he's catching other dogs too," and she pointed to an official-looking blue van parked down the street, half of it up on the sidewalk.

Well, Gabe wasn't worried (she said later), she only had two cats. But Simon was a bit afraid. He and Miriam had two dogs. The three kids ran and checked and found those dogs were still in the apartment with Miriam. It wasn't hard to tell: the dogs always barked like crazy when the kids pounded up the apartment stairs.

When they went outside again, the van was gone. But Penni came running up once more. "They picked up Radar," she shouted. "They picked up Radar." Short, fat friendly Radar had been hauled off to the dogpound. The children (as they admitted later) were very sad.

Radar was soon back, but his owner had to pay a considerable fee to provide for his safe and sure return. "It wasn't fair to have to pay all that money just to get him back," said Astra. "I feel like suing the dog-catcher place," Gabe said. Now Radar was to stay tied up out in the back lane. "He can only go about this far," said Simon, stretching out his arms. "Now we won't know what's going on."

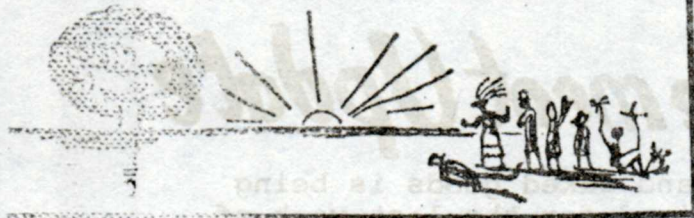
by Rob and Gabe Clarke





# Co-op Housing Federation Conference Report

It was not quite what I was a human being,' said Violet, doubtfully; nor could she make out what it really was, till the Quangle-Wangle (who had previously been round the world), exclaimed softly in a loud voice, 'It is the Co-operative Cauliflower!'



So, you thought homes were high-priced and hard-to-come-by in Toronto? How about rents of \$450 - \$500 a month for basement apartments? Or being forced to share apartments just to get a roof over one's head? That's the state of the housing market in Vancouver according to Mayor Michael Harcourt in a speech he delivered to the annual meeting of the Co-operative Housing Federation.

Peter Tabuns and Lois France represented Bain Co-op at the meeting held May 29 - 31 and after Harcourt's speech proposed a successful motion for a march against the housing crisis sponsored by the Vancouver Renter's Association.

Later delegates heard reports from various committees.

The Development Committee said how hard it is for poor people in the Atlantic provinces to get decent housing and proposed plans to help people throughout Canada to establish co-ops.

The Research Committee is making comparison of subsidies to private sector and co-op housing projects.

The Management and Education Committee said that more courses are offered to co-ops and more people will be trained to teach those courses.

In a cross-Canada survey of co-op staff working conditions the Staff Resources sub-committee found that 60% of co-op employees are women and are generally paid less than men.

Delegates filled three vacancies on the CHF Board of Directors by electing: Sarah Powers of Spruce Court, our neighbour on the west side of the Don; Allen Nelson, manager of Castlegreen Co-op in Thunder Bay; and Michael Riel of Brebeuf Co-op in Ottawa.

Later the following motions were discussed and approved by a majority that include the Bain delegates:

- a description of the responsibilities of CHF delegates;

- an increase in dues from \$4.00 to \$4.50 per unit for each member co-op;

- provision of free childcare for all who attend CHF functions;

- extra funds to the handicapped to pay the cost of travelling to CHF meetings and convening of conferences in places to which the handicapped have easy access;

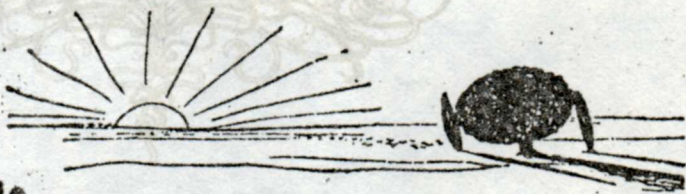
- priority for continuing research on staffing issues;

- preparation of plans to establish co-ops in small towns and rural areas.

A final motion proposed by the Bain delegation had a rougher journey. It proposed that CMHC require at least 25% of all co-op units set up between 1973 and 1979 be rented to low income occupants. Although some delegates thought that 25% was a bare minimum, others were leary of having CMHC enforce the policy. Some delegates felt that the decision should be made by individual co-ops. Others felt that while the policy might be acceptable in Ontario, where rent supplements are paid, it would cause problems in the Atlantic provinces. The motion was tabled despite the opposition of our delegation.


The 1982 meeting of the CHF will be held in Toronto.

Presently, while the whole party from the boat was gazing at him with mingled affection and disgust, he suddenly arose, and in a somewhat plumed manner hurried off towards the setting sun,—his steps supported by two superincumbent confidential cucumbers, and a large number of Waterwagtails proceeding in advance of him by three-and-three in a row—till he finally disappeared on the brink of the western sky in a crystal cloud of sudorific sand.



-submitted by

Peter Tabuns &  
Lois France.



# Membership Involvement Update

## Welcoming Get-Together

A Welcoming Get-Together was held on Sunday, May 31st. Unfortunately, only two new members showed up. We feel this was due in part to the conflict of time since the Riverdale Ku Klux Klan Protest was held the same afternoon.

If any new members have questions, please contact Membership Involvement Committee members Ginny Dovidovich, 465-9957, #50 Lindens or Joyce Allen, 461-9873, #5 Pines.

Our next Welcoming Get-Together will be held in August or September. It will be announced in our newsletter. If you were unable to attend this one, please join us for the next one.

Because of the low response, we will ask new members to confirm their attendance for the next Welcoming Get-Together.

We feel this get-together is a good way to meet other new members and share your concerns. If you have any questions, please call us.

## 1. Film Night - Membership Involvement Social Event

A film evening of cartoons and nature films, etc. with pop-

corn and baked goods is being organized for the last week of July. If you're interested in helping, please contact Cindy Robinson, 463-4884, #8 Maples. LOCATION AND DATE TO BE ANNOUNCED.

## 3. Labour Pool Questionnaire

Questionnaires were distributed. If you haven't received one, please contact the office.

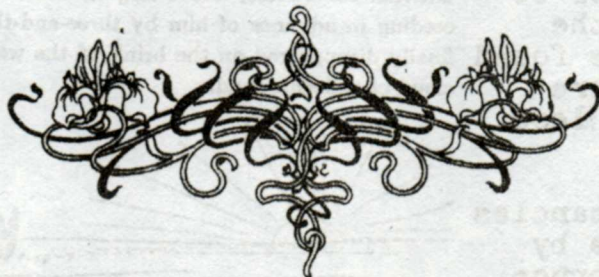
## 4. Courtyard Representation

This is a reminder for courtyards to hold meetings to organize Courtyard Reps. Please notify office WHO'S WHO in your courtyard.

Membership Involvement is an active group of folks who meet monthly on the first Monday of each month. We are open to suggestions and are always interested in having new members. A nice way to get to know what is happening in our co-op.

Next meeting: July 6, 8:00 p.m.  
Home of Ginny Dovidovich  
465-9957  
#50 Lindens

If you would like to organize other summer social events, please let us know.



# General Meeting Report

The membership committee presented a report on the procedure to be followed by those seeking emergency housing.

Norm McKinney's long deferred motion for a statement of fundamental cooperative principles was discussed. Some considered that the motion was too weak and ignored many principles that they wished to see proclaimed while others feared that it would contradict some by-laws. The motion was tabled.

Peter Tabuns reported that the proposed stripping of asbestos from steam pipes would be too costly and proposed instead that the pipes be covered. A motion was passed to refer this proposal to the Finance Committee and the Residents Council for further study.

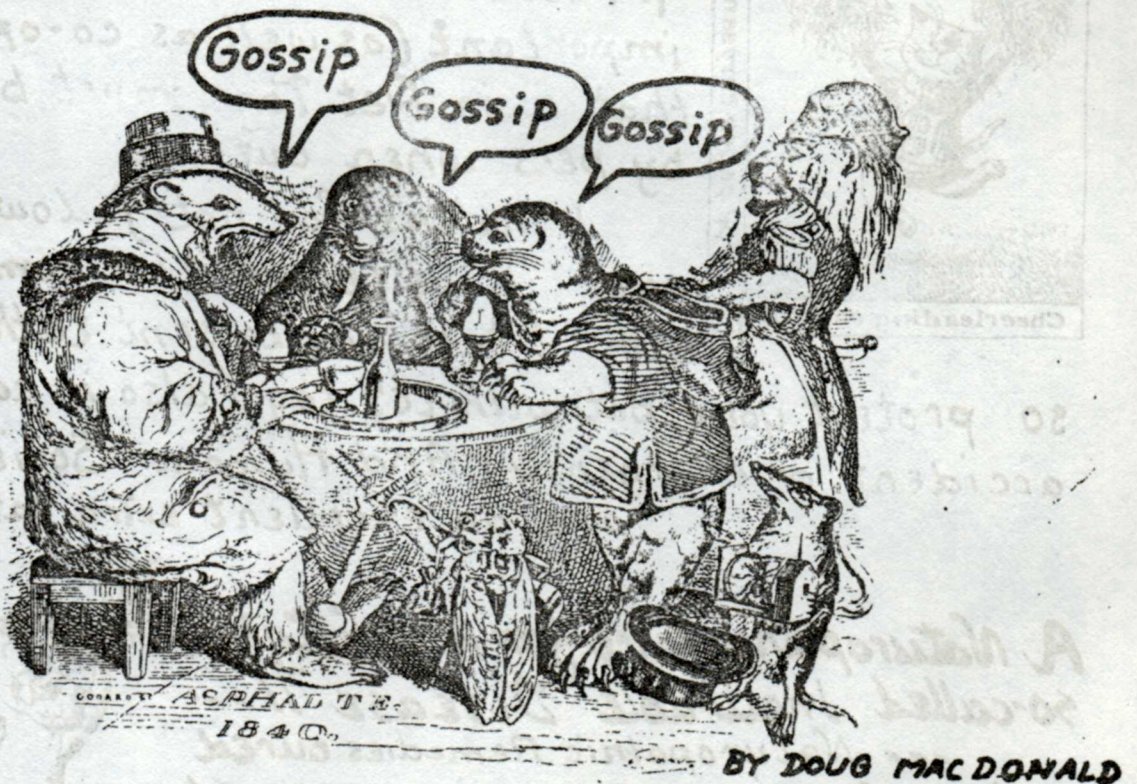
Other decisions made during the meeting:

The arrears policy will be tightened to allow speedier chastisement of the fiscally irresponsible.

Young people will be employed for eight weeks to repair masonry and radiators. The project will be partially funded by a provincial employer incentive grant.

The bath house raids were condemned, it was demanded that all charges resulting from them be dropped and that money be taken from the police budget and given to the Metro Social Services budget.

The meeting concluded with a discussion of what could be done to stop children from endangering themselves and others by playing recklessly on co-op parking lots and pathways.



MR. GOSSIP IS INDISPOSED

# Pet Committee News & Flash!!!



## More Caring Volunteer Members for the Pet Committee

We are trying to arrange a safe,  
healthy pet environment for all  
of us beings, pets and people alike  
We need help!!!



Cheerleading cat with

**Tags** will be distributed soon

\* Please note that it is very important (as well as co-op rule) that Rain Pet Tags must be worn by pets when outside

Penalties for not following this rule will be levied. Also some strays without tags may be sent to the pound so protect your pet with it's tag (also in case of accident or emergency.) And Humane Society tags are an excellent extra safeguard.

## A Naturopathic Cure for A Society's so-called Incurable Disease!!!

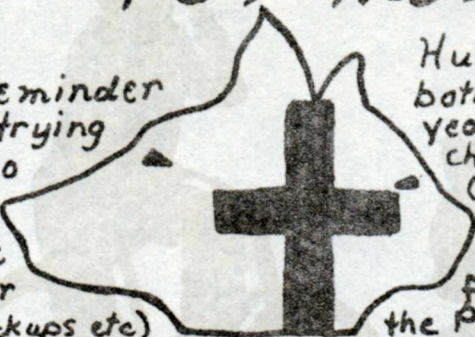
... Naturopathic Remedies cured a type of serious excema in my spayed female cat (and there's possibility it may work in male neutered cats, m/f dogs and maybe non-fixed petstoo)

For information on the treatment please call Virginia 465-9857



# PET MEDICAL

This is a reminder that we are trying to arrange to have a co-op vet, who would come here + treat our pets (shots + checkups etc) as a group arrangement cheaper. Please call Colleen - 469-0834



Humane Society Info: cats + dogs both indoor + outdoor, need shots every year. Also the Humane Society gives cheap services to financially poor. (shots, spay/neut. + medical.)

**BAIN EMERGENCY** - if you find a hurt animal please phone the Pet Committee Representatives on the back of the Newsletter. Also phone Humane Society who may be able to medically help.

## Ode to a Baggie

Stoop n' Scoop, or Stretch n' Ketch - it's rule you must do it with ROVER.

If you all get together, buy gadgets wholesale  
Less trouble and less to step over

Anonymous of course

### NO STOOP TO SCOOP



Only stretch and ketch with your new Classy dog Commode. Just hold behind your dog - then close, walk away, and discard throwaway bag in any receptacle.

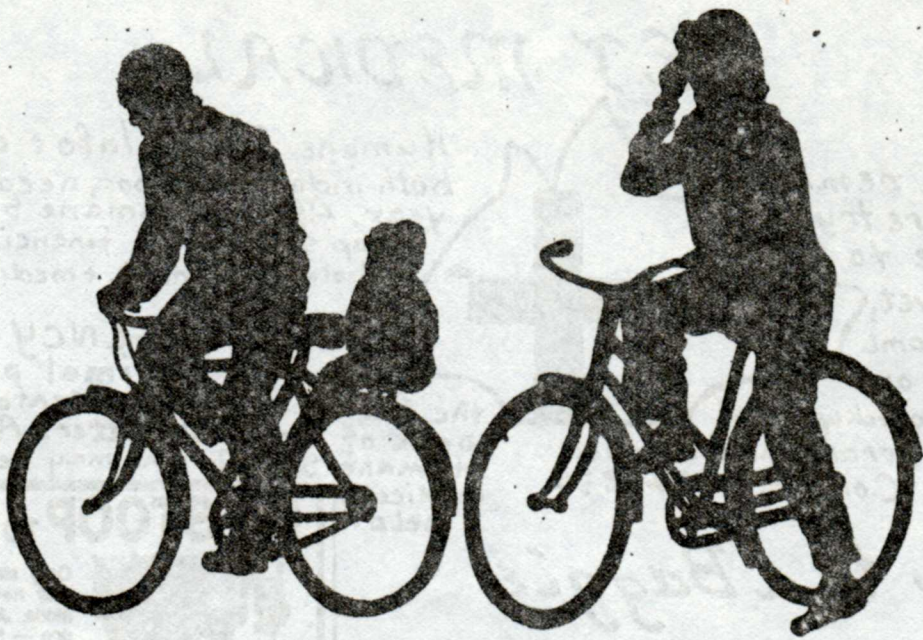
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### CONDENSED PET CONTROL BY-LAW

1. Residents must register all cats and dogs, even if they stay indoors.
2. Pets have to be registered as soon as you get one or as soon as you move in.
3. Pet tags must be worn when your pet is outdoors.
4. All cats and dogs (over 6 mts. old) must be spayed or neutered unless a vet certification is shown, saying the pet is physically unfit.
5. Pets may remain unneutered/unspayed for breeding only with the co-ops permission.
6. Pet owners must protect their pets against parasites (including fleas) and disease.
7. Pets must have their shots up to date (rabies & distemper).
8. Any pet which, in the opinion of the co-op is a threat to human safety will be permanently removed from the co-op property.
9. Dog owners must be with their dogs at their side when the dog is out of doors.
10. No pet in the laundry mat.
11. No dogs in the courtyards.
12. Dog owners must remove any messes, including excrement (poo), and torn-open garbage bags, etc., caused by their dogs.
13. Pet owners are responsible for any damage to co-op property caused by their pets.
14. Pet owner must comply with all city of Toronto by-laws governing control of animals.
15. If a resident is required to remove their pet from co-op property ... the resident must get permission of the co-op before acquiring another pet.

(presentation .. Virginia Sengster)



### BICYCLE LAWS

It's bike riding time again, and both kids and adults would be wise to keep these laws in mind. A bike is legally considered a Vehicle, and the "Rules of the Road" that apply to other vehicles in Ontario apply to the operating of a bike.

Some laws, though, apply especially to bicycles. The following laws are from the HIGHWAY TRAFFIC ACT and the METRO TRAFFIC BY-LAW.

LIGHTING (after dark or in poor lighting) - On the front a lamp showing a white or amber light. On the rear, a red light or an approved red reflector.

BELL OR HORN - A bicycle shall be equipped with a bell or horn in good working order.

WHEN OVERTAKEN - The bicycle rider shall pull to the right to allow other vehicles to pass.

UNSAFE VEHICLE - No person shall operate or permit the operation of a vehicle in a dangerous or unsafe condition.

ATTACHING TO VEHICLE - A person on a bicycle shall not attach it or himself to a vehicle.

RIDING TWO ON A BIKE - No person riding a bicycle designed for the carrying of one person only, shall carry any other person thereon.

SOME MORE RULES... The cyclist must keep to the right of the road. Cyclists must keep both hands on the handlebars. Must not park so as to obstruct traffic. Bicycles with over 24" wheel diameter are prohibited on sidewalks. A person shall not operate a bicycle on a highway where prohibited by signs.

KEEP THESE RULES IN MIND, AND HAVE A SAFE SUMMER!

# Bain

# Brigs

## Office Notes

The theft of lightbulbs now accounts for almost all lights out situations. If you see someone stealing bulbs please let the office know.

Garbage days are Tuesday and Friday. Garbage should go out no earlier than 8:00 pm the evening before and because of the current irregularities in pick-up should go out before 7:00 am the day of the collection.

Members interested in volunteering for gardening or clean-up are invited to call the office.

If you have planted flowers or have the time to cut the lawn in front or on back of your place please let us know. This will help us avoid destroying flowers or having our Groundskeeper duplicate work that members are doing.

Summertime is flood time. If you have possessions stored in the basements please make sure that they are at least a foot to a foot and a half above the floor. Summer storms have caused significant basement floods in the past.

Please remember to give two months notice if you are planning to move out of the Co-op.

People planning to paint are asked to contact the office before they start to see if they are eligible for paint re-imburements.

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## FUND:

albums by the following artists: Joan Armatrading, Joan Baez, Judy Collins, Jim Croce and Gordon Lightfoot. Some unknown person put them into 26 the Maples, and whoever can identify them should claim them from Nik and Jayne at 55-8673.

## Room to Let / Apartment to Share

North Lindens

prefer woman; ideal for student or rent by fellow co-oper as darkroom, study or whatnot.

\$100 per month plus utilities.

Call 466-4465 after 5:30 pm.

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Dear Neighbours,

My six year old daughter, Miriam, and I have just sublet Jim Williams' apartment (#44 the Lindens) for the summer. I am wondering if anyone is considering subletting their place in September or October? I am also interested in hearing about day camps or child care for the summer in this area, and about French Immersion schools for the fall. Please call 466-6628 or drop by 44 the Lindens.

Thanks,


Donna Rosensweig.

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I would like to thank you all in the Co-op for the most beautiful flowers and cards I received in my recent stay in St. Mike's hospital, also thanks to those great gals on the pet committee for plants, candy and cards. What a swell bunch, so sorry I had to resign the Pet Committee. Also, Fluffy and Sparky cats, and dog Lucky wish to thank Sandra Crowley, Karen Harding and baby Amber for their good care. Lucky sure enjoys taking them out. I guess God was with me that morning as I had the heart attack on the X-ray table in hospital. They said I was dead 3 minutes, so I guess I haven't finished my volunteer work for the handicapped or there's a housing shortage up there too.

Thanks again, and best wishes to all,

Violet Kapranchuk  
13 the Oaks



## And from Jake in Ottawa ...

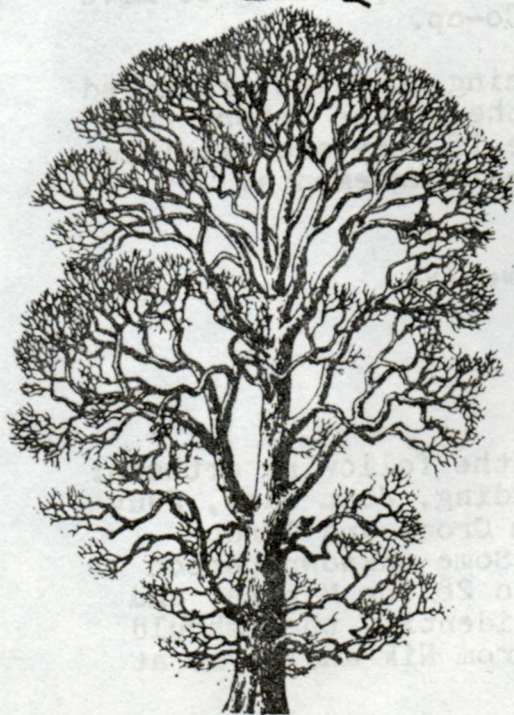
"The community movement of today is still in its infancy. Its contribution towards the slow preparation of a better social order may not be apparent at the present stage and will possibly not be felt for a long while to come. Nor should it be expected to exert an independent influence apart from that of similarly motivated movements and other creative social forces at work in the world, such as for instance, cooperation in its various fields and forms. Nevertheless, it is our belief that Community is called to play a definite role, among these other forces, in the building of a new society. By bringing into the very core of our social and economic relationships a new consciousness, a higher motivation than individual and even collective interest, it gives promise of pointing the way to a mode of social life rich in creative fellowship, free of the very seeds of war and human exploitation, and thus of setting man firmly on the march towards the full realization of his high destiny."

Are these the words of a current leader of the co-operative living movement? Surprisingly not. They were written in 1944 by a brilliant and active Swiss-Canadian community builder by the name of Henri Lasserre. Lasserre was a lawyer who devoted his life to the creation of "Integral Co-operative Communities". On the way he also fostered some successful experiments in worker self-management and consumer co-operation. In the most of the co-operative communities he stimulated did not survive the depression and the war they remain startlingly practical examples of principles at least perceived only as recent innovations: public participation in decision-making, group dynamics of shared power, federating of non-aligned communities, practical conciliation of financial, spiritual and environmental concerns, the maintenance of organizational solidarity through humanistic and anticipatory planning, living for world peace and cooperation ...etc.

How naive I was to think that the co-op movement of today is treading new ground. We apparently have roots as venerable as a dozen other historic movements. And it appears from what I have read that at the time of these writings, not only intellectual progress was being made, but also very tangible co-operative communities thrived in the United States, Canada, Europe and Israel. Perhaps our historic impact pales next to theirs. It is definitely worth investigating,.... Perhaps we can even learn from their mistakes!

For this reason I highly recommend that the community-builders of today take a look at some of their "roots" through literature, particularly:

- 1) Thomson, Watson, Pioneer in Community, Henri Lasserre's Contribution to the Fully Cooperative Society, The Ryerson Press, Toronto, 1949.
- 2) Infield, Henrik F., Cooperative Group Living: An International Symposium on Cooperative Farming and the Sociology of Cooperation, New York, Henry Koosis & CO., 1949.
- 3) Lasserre, Henri, Integral Co-operative Community, Basel, Swiss Union of Consumer Co-operatives, 1927.





# Food, Food, Food



We are interested in people interested in food:

- is the supermarket always a good place to shop?
- are you looking for alternatives to rising food prices?
- can you get cheap food? where?

Are you interested in working on these problems? Would you like to find some solutions? So do we - and we could use your help. We plan to meet within the month.

Before its too late call Allie at the Health Centre 461-2493.

JUNE 25

7:45 pm

126 Pape Ave.

## New Resident's Council

Marilyn Crosby - President

Danny Rideout - Vice-President

Carol-Ann Fitz-Robb - Treasurer

Stephanie Grace & Elizabeth Rainsberry - Co-Secretaries

Lisa Carr

Dave Clarks

Jane Maxwell

Martin Mittlestaedt

Joe Sprokk.



## DEADLINE

FOR ITEMS FOR RESIDENTS' COUNCIL AGENDA  
AND GENERAL MEETING AGENDA

1. Residents' Council Agenda items must be received by the Thursday night before the relevant meeting, at the latest, so that the agenda can be prepared by the Secretary or the office staff.
2. If you have an item to be added to an agenda on a strict emergency basis, contact the President, Secretary, or Vice-President as soon as possible. or be present promptly at 7:30 p.m. on the night of the meeting, and ask that the item be added to the agenda.
3. Be prepared to speak to the item you have asked be placed on the agenda, if time permits. If your item is not on the agenda before the actual meeting, and you present your item on the evening of the meeting, Residents' Council will try to deal with the item, but if the agenda is especially heavy, you may be asked to present it as a formal item on the Agenda for the next week's meeting.

RESIDENTS' COUNCIL MEETS IN THE OFFICE AT 7:30 PM ON THE FIRST AND THIRD TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH.

NOTE:

Items for the General Meeting Agenda must be received by Residents' council prior to the last Tuesday of each month, as that is the meeting at which the General Meeting Agenda is set up.

# June July

CO-OP OFFICE 466-2186

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RESIDENTS COUNCIL 7:30 PM. IN THE OFFICE.

## Committee Contacts

Residents Council  
Stephanie Grace - 465-4781

Food Coop  
Kathy Corrigan - 465-6783

Finance Committee  
Helen Sprokk - 469-0782

Grievance Committee  
Sheila Isaacs - 465-3159

Member Involvement  
Vivien Green - 465-9183

Maintenance Committee  
Mel Green - 466-8440



Anti-Klass Committee  
Ilik Habermel - 465-8673

Newsletter Committee  
Tom McLaughlin - 469-0561

Pet Committee  
Colleen Springer - 469-0834

THE KOH-I-NOOR IS A 109-CARAT DIAMOND  
DISCOVERED IN INDIA AND ADDED TO THE  
BRITISH CROWN JEWELS IN 1841.  
(FROM PERSIAN KOH-I-NOOR MEANING OF LIGHT)

Sun. Mon. Tues. Wed. Thurs. Fri. Sat.

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SUMMER SOLSTICE 	NEWSLETTER PRODUCTION	16 ☾	17 ☉ FULL MOON	18 DEADLINE FOR AGENDA ITEMS FOR RESIDENTS' COUNCIL MEETING OF JUNE 23	19	20
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SUMMER SOLSTICE 		23 ☾	24 ☉ NEW MOON	25 ● LAST QUARTER	26	27
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28 KOH-I-NOOR DIAMOND RECEIVED IN ENGLAND 1850. (JUST THOUGHT YOU MIGHT LIKE TO KNOW)	29 DEADLINE FOR GENERAL MEETING AGENDA ITEMS	30 ☾	1 JULY DOMINION DAY	2	3	4 FESTIVAL OF AMERICAN INDEPENDENCE
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
5	6 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	7 ☾	8 ● FIRST QUARTER	9	10	11
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