

New president

Board of Trade Shipp comes in

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Harold G. Shipp, a Mississauga developer and head of Shipp Corporation, was recently installed as the Mississauga City Board of Trade's new president.

The other executive appointed at the board's annual general meeting included John Keyser as first vice-president, Lou Parsons as second vice-president, Peter Hancock as treasurer, Tenny Reid as secretary and Gordon Webster as past president.

In his acceptance speech, Shipp told board members that the single most important thing in any organization is the involvement of people and that he pledged commitment to his new position.

Hancock said 1981 was a "very successful" year for the local Board of Trade.

Membership dues

totalled \$76,172, an increase of 20 per cent over the last year, he told the members, and revenue for the motor licence office increased 78 per cent over 1980.

"We may see even more of an increase in the licence bureau next year because the Ontario government has just raised our commission from \$1 per licence to \$1.20," he said.

Hancock also added that the board was in "a very sound financial position" with over \$100,000 in the bank.

Webster said the local organization is the second largest board of trade in Ontario as well as the fastest growing in Canada.

"Our recent membership drive increased membership by 400 people or 250 corporations, which means we speak for 1,600 voices or 1,200 businesses."

Webster also announced plans to build the board's own luncheon and meeting-room facility in the near future.

"With a board as large and as successful as ours, we will need someplace of our own."

Merritt Henderson, president of Mississauga Hospital, was also presented with the board's Honorary Life Membership at the meeting for his service in the community.

In another presentation, Phil Gillies, the parliamentary assistant to Margaret Birch, the provincial secretary for social development, honored the board with a plaque commemorating their support of the Student Venture Capital Program.

The board also voted to increase the number of directors to 20 at the annual meeting.

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