

Minister attacks Playboy philosophy

Dear Editor: There has been a lot of talk lately, about the public display of magazines that some people believe to be pornographic.

relationship. Granted, it is very important, but certainly not as important as such things as mutual respect, affection, and over all friendship.

By all means, let people buy and read whatever they want. But at least let us avoid inflicting impressionable children with a philosophy of life, love, and the male-female relationship.

Yours truly, (Rev.) Al Farthing

Sugar and Spice

Some couples' wives go off with a boyfriend, leaving behind them a broken home. My wife went off and came home with a boyfriend.

In the girls' residences, things were even tougher. They had to be in by 9:30 or some early hour, and sign in under the grim supervision of a house mother.

Smoking in classrooms is commonplace. And there are thousands of married students. Babies everywhere, despite the Pill.

University Life by Bill Smiley

Today's mixed bag is a refreshing change. Anyone with the intelligence is able to go to university. There are gaping breaches in the rigid walls of the old, hide-bound university traditions.

Perhaps that's why about 80 per cent of the male population of Canadian universities vanished into the armed forces after the war began. It was like getting out of prison.

Compassion and concern

Dear Sir: The action of our local Police Chief in removing porno books has the thoughtful citizen reassessing his or her interpretation of the word 'freedom'.

It was Hegel who said "History teaches us that man learns nothing from history". In his monumental work "The Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire", Edward Gibbon gives five causes for the decline and fall of the Roman Empire:

Yours with compassion and concern, Velda Webster

When a cat rolls over and plays dead it usually is



by Shirley Whittington

A current television advertisement shows a cat gracefully endorsing a particular brand of cat food. This clever animal, set free in a sea of unopened tins, daintily places a discriminating paw on the tin of his choice.

masters of their own destiny. Dogs are obsequious creatures and will perform all sorts of tricks to please the hand that feeds them.

I wish I could get through to that animal that he is not Burt Reynolds. Veterinary surgery has rendered him incapable of playing the great lover, yet he flaunts himself shamelessly and all the liberated lady cats in the neighbourhood yearn noisily after him.

cat in the ad. I've given up trying to divine his tastes. When I'm grocery shopping, I have enough decisions to make. By the time I've figured out how many sheets of toilet paper I'm getting for my money, and the difference between 284 milligrams of something at three for a dollar, and 16 ounces of the same thing at 49c, I'm in no mood to tackle an entire row of shelving devoted to pet food.

Keep the heat on

Dear Editor: We would like to give public praise to Chief Geere in Penetanguishene and Chief Bates in Midland, for their recent stand on smut and pornography being blatantly and openly sold in many stores in our community.

We too say "Shame Shame". Why have we let it go on this long? We solicit the God-fearing Christians in our communities, to stand up and be counted.

Bob and Rita Robitaille

Pages torn from the editor's notebook



by Kevin Scanlon

I sometimes wonder if people enjoy anything at all. Bitch, bitch, bitch, is all I get. Must be the time of year. A man said recently that everyone is suffering from cabin fever. I couldn't put it any better than that.

40 hours at a stretch (on occasion 60); I don't enjoy eating and find it a bothersome necessity, especially since my weight has virtually not changed in seven years; and I love working and enjoy what I'm doing so there is no reason for slowing down except for my pleasure time, which is rare. So there!

When I went to the police chief and told him the story, he said, "What do you expect when you write articles like this?" I was taken aback by that comment and asked him if I would get any protection at all from the police.

carrying a gun?" I left his office immediately. I should point out that he was forcefully retired late last year and an investigation was held into his activities while he was chief of police. I pray that there are no more like him. We don't need them.

CWL support

Dear Sir: On behalf of the Penetang St. Ann's Catholic Women's League we would like to congratulate Midland's Mr. Ernie Bates Chief of Police for his part in removing obscene magazines from the public view.

In an era when our society is growing toward increasingly liberal perspectives, the police department's censoring activities appear archaic; so does their reasoning. I feel that they've just made a grand jump into non-credibility by not relecting the trend of the times.

Sincerely, R. Sauvage

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D'où le S.O.S.



par Claudette Paquin Brown

Je le sais, je le sens...tout partout dans l'air. Pas le printemps, non, car le printemps est scédulé pour arriver tous les ans alors que ce que je sens - ce que nous sentons toutes - est quelque chose de plus rare: c'est le S.O.S. lancé tacitement par les hommes.

familiale, garder intacte l'image virile et non-émotive du mâle et surtout éviter à tout prix tout ce qui pourrait être qualifié de féminin par les âmes bien pensantes ("jobs" et passe-temps).