

Fire hydrants are needed

Dear Sir:

In Midland, human lives have little value. Taxes have value.

Our town council is proud to do business with the "Highland Motel." Maybe, just maybe the future will produce more taxes.

Well inside the boundaries of Midland, there reside 81 permanent families whose lives are at risk.

They have low water pressure and no fire hydrants.

How about taxes? This group of citizens will this September, be asked to pay to the town of Midland nearly \$50,000 in property taxes.

What will they get in return? Totally inadequate fire protection.

If you go one mile in any direction you will observe fire hydrants, even opposite empty fields.

Our council has many excuses and delaying tactics.

Several months ago they planned to supply us with water when the "Highland Motel" service was installed.

Now we are told three prominent citizens on King Street are opposed.

We ask these questions: "Who runs this town, the council or the prominent citizens?"

If we have a fire death, who will be responsible?

If we don't pay our taxes what will this council do?

May we draw to your attention that 90 per cent of these concerned families are signed members of our association.

Further, please note, that this letter will be sent to all local newspapers and to several other interested parties.

Yours truly
Mobile Home Owners Association
of Smith Park
King St., Midland



Endangered species

Starting tomorrow and continuing until Aug. 24, Wye Marsh Wildlife Interpretation Centre, just east of Midland off Highway 12 will be featuring an endangered species display including this cougar

which will be on show, free of charge we might add. The centre is known for its varied special events and this one should be included on your calendar of events to visit while in Huronia.

Jaycees unveil major campaign

Dear Sir:

I would like to let the people of Midland know about a campaign that will be taking place during the month of September 1980.

The campaign, sponsored by the Midland Jaycees Inc., will be to try and obtain equipment to establish a proper rescue unit that will be operated by and from the Midland Fire Department.

I have had several discussions with the Midland Fire Department and both police departments and also with Dr. Peter Cameron and we all agree that there is a real need for a unit that is based in Midland.

The most serious problem that occurs in accidents where injuries have occurred is time. Time is the most critical element in trying to save a life.

All reports that we have seen indicate that more people will be injured in accidents in this area and the greater need for equipment to remove them from the wrecked vehicle will certainly come. This will be due to the facts of smaller cars and greater numbers of visitors to the area, and this will con-

tribute to a greater volume of traffic.

I know we all think that we will never be involved in a serious accident, and receive the use of rescue equipment, but I can assure you by facts that every time we get in our cars it might be the time we need rescue equipment.

I would like to have the assurance that equipment is available to extricate me from a wrecked car in a safe manner.

The required equipment is very costly and it will require contributions from everyone in the community to make this a successful project.

Midland Jaycees Inc. have a special Save-A-Life campaign phone number (526-9462) and they will be glad to answer any questions readers of this newspaper may have.

We hope that together we can save lives.

Yours truly,
William Playter
Midland Jaycees Inc.

Upset with Tiny's no parking bylaw

Dear Sir:

I would like to comment on the article in your paper on July 30, 1980 concerning the Township of Tiny and the new No Parking By-law.

The township council's decision was made at the request of the Iny Beach Association to limit the amount of people parking along the public beaches.

Why is the beach association so important to the township that the rest of us, year round residents should be deprived of the use of the public on when you may go for a swim, from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Who are they to tell us when and what times we can go for a swim.

Not everyone is too old to go for a swim after 10 p.m.

The year-round residents should be given priority, since we are the ones that live here so we can enjoy all the benefits, and four seasons.

This by-law should be reconsidered and changed so that the rest of us and not only the cottagers get to enjoy the beaches. The beach association has a goal to limit the use of the beach to themselves.

The greatest problem with the by-law is that the township council never gave any consideration to parking facilities and now they expect to take the parks and make parking lots. I consider this very poor planning.

The township has hired two by-law enforcement officers to issue parking tickets at \$10 a piece, even Toronto only issues \$5 tickets.

When did we hit the big times. Who will have to

pay these officers wages? The taxpayers.

I hope the rest of the residents that disagree with this by-law would take a few minutes to send in their comments.

The beach residents should not be given priority over the rest of us since most of them are from Toronto or elsewhere and now council considers them more important. Come election this act of favouritism will be justified with my vote.

Thank you.
Mr. and Mrs. D. Speers
R. R. 1, Perkinsfield

V.H. Lions say 'thanks'

Dear Sir:

The Victoria Harbour and District Lions Club wishes to thank the merchants and residents of Victoria Harbour and surrounding area for their co-operation and support in helping to make their Gala Nite for 1980 a success.

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Yours sincerely,
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President,
Victoria Harbour and Dist.
Lions Club

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