

That's My Line



Niela Mehaffey taxi driver

Niela Mehaffey is one of seven drivers who work days for a Midland cab company. She has been an employee there for two years, starting at 7:45 a.m. and finished at 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

Most of my customers are women going to get, or returning with, groceries, or women going to work.

I have quite a few regulars, some of whom I pick up at the same time every day, and others that I just see a lot.

I average between 200 and 250 miles in a day. It depends on how much time I spend in or out of town.

Most of my passengers want to go to places in Midland, Penetanguishene, Coldwater, Waubaushene: the general area.

I worked at Leitz Canada Ltd. Before that I was a housewife. I had my taxi licence before I started here because I used to drive for another local cab company. Then I worked at Decor,

but I was laid off, and there were no other jobs.

The people I work with here are really nice, too.

To get a licence in Midland you need a chauffeur's licence. Then you apply to the chief of police, and after a few weeks, your application is usually approved.

I didn't know all the streets when I started, but I've picked them up as I've gone along. I know them all now, the other drives helped me a lot.

It costs a couple of dollars to get a licence, which has to be renewed every year.

Most people do tip. There isn't a law that says they have to. I work on a commission basis. Sunday I stay home with the two of my five boys, Brett, 13, and Stephen, 15, who are still at home.

In December I'll have been here in Midland for 11 years. We moved here from Toronto when my husband got a job at

Motorola. I was raised in the east end of Scarborough.

Is there anywhere I'd rather be? Right here. This is it. Toronto is a nice place to visit but I wouldn't want to live there.

I like driving and I like being outside. I've taken fares as far as Toronto and St. Catharines. Driving in the summer is great but Christmas time is busier. Snow and cold doesn't stop me.

People talk about everything. I try to keep up with what's going on. I would like to go to school for a while, Georgian College, but I can't afford it.

I want to upgrade myself, get a high school diploma, but I can't go back to school until all my boys are grown, and working, and supporting me (I hope!).

My opinion of people has not changed since I started driving a taxi cab. I'm an optimist. Most people turn out to be pretty nice.

Crusade at MSS

Midland Secondary School is the site of an area-wide "Good News Crusade".

Many are expected to get involved in this exciting venture during three days.

Peter Youngren a leading Canadian evangelist, who has been engaged in successful evangelism for over six years, will be conducting the campaign. Capacity crowds have filled auditoriums, churches, tents and sport-arenas to hear his unique presentation of the Good News.

Youngren believes the gospel is for the whole man. It is a normal occurrence that people experience physical healings during a crusade.

"We believe in and appreciate medical science, but we also believe that FAITH IN GOD IS THE STRONGEST POWER IN THE UNIVERSE",

Peter says.

In spite of the physical healings, Mr. Youngren emphasizes that

salvation, or to be born again is the greatest miracle. Up to 1,000 (one thousand) people

have made first-time decisions for Christ in a single eight-day Canadian crusade.

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