

Letters

Dear Bill give credit where it is due

Dear Sir:

(To Mr. Bill Smiley)

I read your account of the aircrews who fought and lost their lives in the Battle of Britain and such, and one would think that they were the only few that gave up their lives!

Being one of a ground crew who spent many hours, day and night without sleep, to keep those aircraft in the air, and who watched his crew strafed and bombed, wounded and killed - what about them? Weren't they in the Battle of Britain?

It gets my gall up every time I hear about how the flying type did all the winning of battles. It takes

two to tango, so just remember the airmen on the flight line, that were up early in the morning to start your aircraft and check it out; and also the airframe engine, instrument and armament mechanics, military police, mortar section and headquarters staff.

They all fought in the same war and they were also killed and wounded.

So lets tell it all and give credit where credit's due. These groups stayed through the war to the end. There was no finish to their tour of operation.

Sgt. Barnes,
403 Sqd.

John E. Johnson Squadron

HTA amendment is folly?

Dear Sir:

OPEN LETTER

Hon. James W. Snow
Minister

Ministry of Transportation and Communications
3rd Floor, Ferguson Block
Queen's Park
Toronto, Ontario

Dear Mr. Minister,

Are you aware of the difficulties being caused by the recent amendment to the Highway Traffic Act, which states:

"No person shall drive on a highway a motor vehicle on which the surface of the windshield or of any window to the direct left or right of the driver's seat has been coated with any coloured spray or other coloured or reflective material that substantially obscures the interior of the motor vehicle when viewed from outside the motor vehicle."

It has been brought to my attention, that businesses are suffering substantial losses of sales because the police and public are unsure of what "substantially obscures" really means.

My constituent, whose glass-tinting business proposal was given the "green light" by the Ministry of Industry and Tourism, has suffered a loss, in less than two months, in excess of \$100,000 in gross sales. They attribute the loss to your Ministry's handling of this regulation.

My constituent tells me that in her contacts with your Ministry, she has been unable to obtain a "standard" which is acceptable in law. She has gone so far as to present samples of tinting film to your Ministry, asking that your staff determine what is not "substantially obscuring". Your officials are unable to give a commitment.

She has had a number of her customers hauled into court for having tinted windshields, and has yet to see one of these clients convicted of the charge. While it is at the discretion of the police officer to determine whether visibility is "substantially obscured", there is obviously a problem. My client has had no problem with Metropolitan Toronto police, but has had continuous problems with Hamilton-Wentworth police.

I feel, Mr. Minister, it is time you established guidelines outlining what shades of "non-reflective" tinting films are acceptable within the meaning of the regulations, and then take upon

yourselves to educate the police force and the public on the matter of window tinting, thereby ending the unnecessary harrassment to the public and small businessman, and ensuring uniform enforcement.

A responsible government would not delay in fulfilling its obligation.

Yours sincerely,
Mac Makarchuk
MPP Brantford
New Democratic Party

TTPPB plan shouldn't be forced on townships

Dear Sir:

I take this opportunity to respond to allegations and name calling by some members of the Tiny Tay Peninsula Planning Board.

I, personally, have always considered there was merit in the idea of a joint area planning board and have, from the beginning, supported this board's purpose.

However, in the beginning of this venture co-operation was the key ingredient that made things work and in my opinion is still the key to the issue.

I do not believe that the Official Plan should be forced on any municipality who feel they cannot or will not accept it and fail to see how those who hope to force this on Tiny and Tay can ever possibly expect it to function as intended in view of the points of contention and dissatisfaction.

I would also like to say that if the failure of this board is to be credited to any certain individuals then several of Midland's representatives should stand first in line.

I find it ironic that John Gorman is now acting chairman of the board despite the fact that not many weeks ago many on the planning board appeared to be wanting his resignation.

Sincerely,
Bruce Tinney
Deputy-reeve, Tay Township.

All roads will lead to Brandon in 1982

Dear Sir:

Brandon, Manitoba will mark it's 100th anniversary in 1982 and preparations for the celebration of this historic occasion are well underway.

One of the major functions of the year will be "Homecoming", designated for the period July 3 to 11th inclusive, and the Centennial Committee is now in the process of establishing a register of persons who formerly resided in the city of Brandon.

Through the courtesy of your newspaper, we

would ask any ex-Brandonites in your area to send their names and addresses to us so they may be placed on our Homecoming mailing list.

Such correspondence should be addressed to the Brandon Centennial Committee, P.O. Box 1982, Brandon, Manitoba, R7A 6A3.

Thank you
Yours truly,
(Mrs.) Eva M. Campbell
Chairman

1982 Brandon Centennial Committee

Thanks to Penetanguishene Kings

Dear Sir:

The Midland - Penetanguishene St. John Ambulance Brigade would like to thank you and your staff for their assistance in announcing the hockey game in Penetanguishene between the Penetanguishene and Schomberg Junior "C" teams.

The committee responded well despite the many events that were scheduled for that evening.

Thank you again for your support.

Yours truly,
Mrs. Beverley Steele
Divisional Officer

Workshop deals with helping professionals

One of the hazards of the helping professions is the professions from enthusiasm to disillusionment or "burnout".

Psychologists have found burnout to be common among nurses, doctors, social workers, teachers and other professionals who are so busy helping other people that they neglect their own needs.

A workshop, offered by Georgian College, Health Sciences, Continuing Education Division, will help participants learn how to recognize burnout and

how to cope with it.

The one-day workshop will be held Nov. 6, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Orillia Campus, 825 Memorial Avenue. Fee is \$30 and includes lunch and coffee. Resource person is Ms. Dorothy Strachan of Eastwest Associates.

For registration and further information contact Program Supervisor Gail Payne, (705) 325-2705 or write: Georgian College, P.O. Box 2316, Orillia, Ontario. L3V 6S2.



Has it been that long?

Cliff Leduc and Tony Juneau were recognized last Friday for their each having worked 25 years at Penetanguishene's Mental Health Centre. They were the guests of

honour at an afternoon get-together of all employees of the MHC, active or retired, with 25 or more years of service.

PGH births

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Caughey of R R 1 in Penetanguishene are the proud parents of a six lb. nine oz. baby girl, born Sept. 27 at PGH.

also celebrating the arrival of a newborn baby girl. The eight lb. bundle of joy arrived at PGH, Sept. 30.

a baby girl, Sept. 22, 1980. The baby weighed at 7 lbs. 11 ozs.

Mr. and Mrs. Lionel Dorion of S.S. 3, Penetanguishene are the proud parents of a baby boy born on Sept. 24, 1980.

The lad weighed in at 8 lbs. 3 ozs.

Mr. and Mrs. Steven Leturneau of 42 Viel St., Penetanguishene are

Mr. and Mrs. Neil Radder of R.R.1, P h e l p s t o n a r e celebrating the birth of

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