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## Summer of '81... quite a time

IF YOU HAVE just been released from the Russian salt mines let us be the first to bring you the bad news.

Gasoline and beer prices have gone up. Our dollar has gone down.

There's been no major league baseball this summer...the players have been out on strike.

Forget sending a letter back home to the Motherland...we are up to our armpits in yet another national postal strike.

If you like short national television newscasts watch CBC-TV. Its union is on strike and the news and other goodies have suffered because of it.

This by the way is the year

the federal government here in Canada and not in Russia said it was sorry inflation hit a 33-year high of 12.8 percent in June.

Oh by the way our lawmakers allowed Parliament to sputter to a close early last Saturday morning but the gang will be back thumping on their desks come Oct. 14. (Some holiday!)

They should be eager to get back to the nation's business having voted themselves a handsome 30 percent raise before calling it quits for the summer.

There's no pleading to go back to the salt mines. You're free now to suffer along with the rest of us. So, enjoy!

## We appreciated the kind comments

WE WERE pleased to receive and later publish two thank you letters last week from organizers of Summer Festival '81 and Festival des Quenouilles.

Both letters expressed in part the role The Penetanguishene Citizen played in covering the above two events.

Needless to say we were proud of our coverage before, during and after both events.

We were pleased by the great support we received and were able to show our appreciation in the coverage we gave to both happenings.

The Penetanguishene Citizen is proud of the role it has assumed in the community.

As a community newspaper with an office on Main Street we feel it is our duty to support such events.

We look forward to next summer with the same excitement knowing full well that both Summer Festival '82 and Festival des Quenouilles will be equally successful and certainly equally supported by your Penetanguishene Citizen...your community newspaper in Penetanguishene.

## Save hard-earned cash, don't speed

PENETANGUSHENE motorists and those visiting the town are advised the town's police force has a new radar unit that can get you coming or going.

The best bet is to drive according to the speed limit it could save you from forking out your hard-earned cash if you're nabbed for speeding.

## The Penetanguishene Citizen

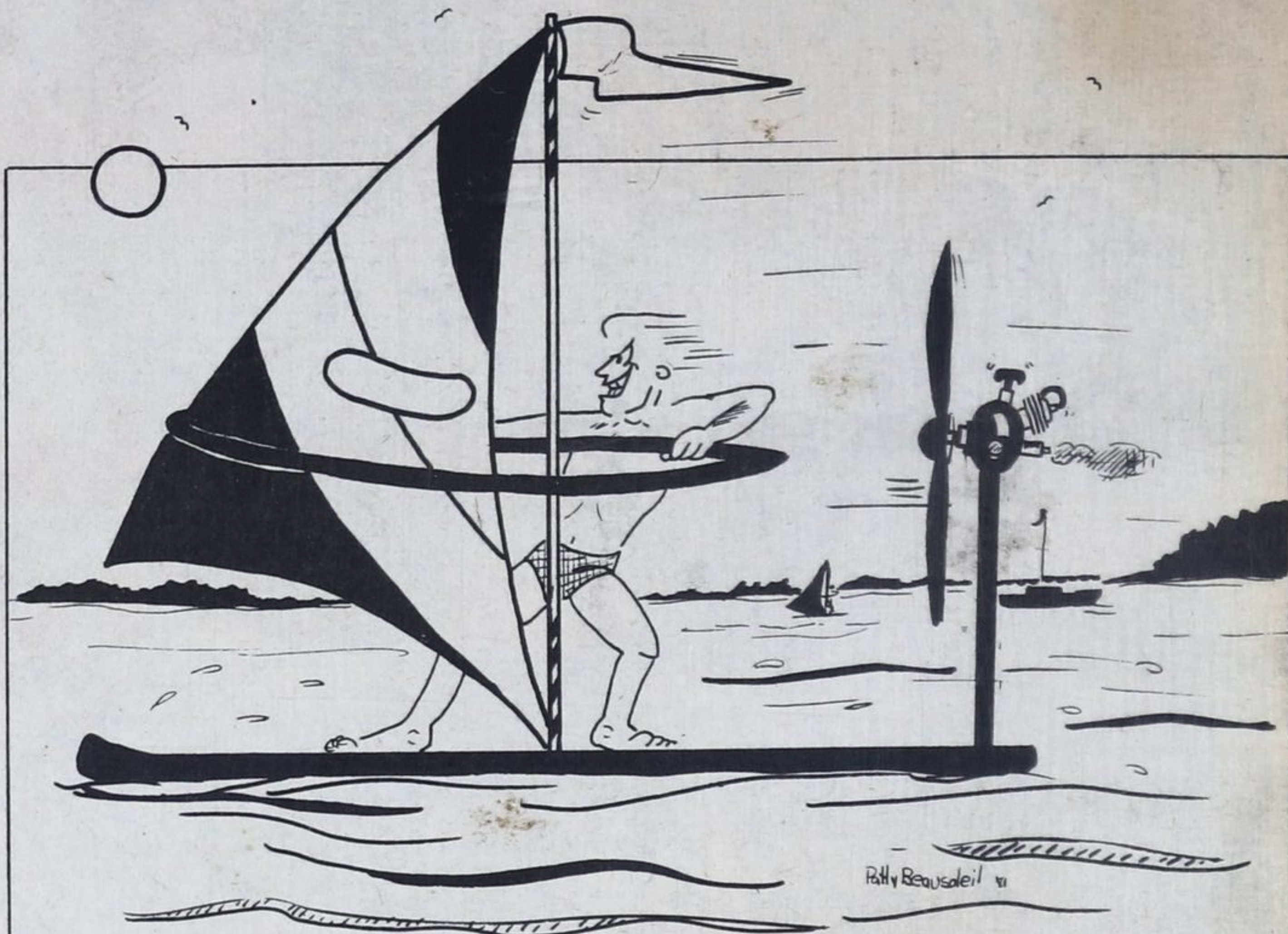
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'Who says you need mother nature to supply you with a stiff breeze to run one of these blasted things...?'

## Letters

Our readers say...

### Seniors' plight through other's eyes

Dear Sir:

It is quite time that the Town Council of Midland should start looking at what the citizens of Midland would like.

The old Library building should be sold to the Senior Citizens for One Dollar. Surely when a Master Plan Study is being carried out, it will include buildings already existing on various properties. It would be very selfish if the Seniors were preempted for a parking lot or even for an extension to the old Y site which is now the Watson Gallery.

If for some reason the old Library cannot be sold

to the Seniors then some form of lease in perpetuity should be extended to them so that they could take advantage of the various cultural grants.

Lack of consideration in this day and age is looked upon as a fault in our young people - perhaps in viewing the Senior's plight we can see by the example now being set by Council just why our youth appear inconsiderate. Its time for examples to be set.

Yours truly,  
—Georgina M. Colling,  
Mrs. Charles H. Colling.

### Caravan coming to Midland soon

Dear Sir:

The museumobile caravan, Canada North will be visiting your area from Aug. 5 to Aug. 9.

This multi-sensory exhibition is housed in three specially-designed, 45-foot transport trailers, and depicts a particular aspect of the natural and social history of the Canadian North.

As part of the National Museums' policy of increasing public access to Canada's cultural

heritage, the Museumobile travels mainly to smaller communities which do not have ready access to major museum facilities.

There is no admission charge, and the general public is cordially invited to visit our exhibit. May I also add that an elevating device is available to accommodate people in wheelchairs.

Sincerely,  
—Marcel Pronovost  
Tour Co-ordinator  
Canada North Museumobile

### Calls article 'distasteful'

Dear Sir:

I thought the article in last week's paper which gave the account of the death of Shelley Redforth was utterly distasteful.

Your paper treated Shelley as if she were a mere statistic and followed up with an appalling offensive message that the OPP were "cracking down" on boating safety violators.

The article should have been a proper obituary, a tribute to Shelley, and more sensitive to the loss felt by the family and friends, rather than a good "lead in" to your reminder to boaters.

Shelley's accident was not a boating accident, and she was not a statistic to the people in the surrounding communities who subscribe to your paper.

Shelley was a beautiful child with a vivacious personality and a warm smile. She was friendly, responsible, and a most loving daughter to her parents, Linda and John.

Her tragic, sudden, and untimely death was a shock to us all, and a loss we will all feel deeply in years to come.

Such a marvelous child, who touched so many hearts during her short life, deserves more than the inadequate, unprofessional, statistical report that was written by a member of your staff.

—Janet L. French (Mrs.)

## What's Your Opinion?

The Midland Times, The Penetanguishene Citizen and Elmvalle Lance welcome Letters to the Editor. They must be legible, signed, (by hand) and carry the writer's address and telephone number for verification purposes. Pen names are not allowed and anonymous letters will not be published. Letters published by this newspaper do not necessarily reflect the opinion of the newspaper, its publisher or editor.

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### Pharmacist suspicious about prescription

An unidentified male left Bay Pharmacy Friday evening after an unsuccessful attempt to have a prescription filled, Penetanguishene town police said this week.

The pharmacist, police said, was unsure of the prescription's authenticity and he tried to verify that the prescription was legitimate.

Town police were not able to locate the person who tendered the prescription.