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## Support for reeve starts to snowball

AS WE REPORTED on Friday, Penetanguishene's Reeve Art Stewart has already lined up about 20 votes of the minimum 32 he needs to become Simcoe County's next warden.

Stewart has made no bones about the fact that he'd like to be warden especially since he has been representing Penetanguishene at county for the past seven years.

The Penetanguishene reeve

is predicting a foot race between himself and Reeve Russ Cooper of Rama Township.

Needless to say there will be plenty of time between now and Dec. 1 for other county councillors to get into the fray...but for now Stewart seems to feel comfortable he can do the job.

From where we sit, it would appear he has a very good chance.

## This closing ends an era on Hwy. 27

AFTER EXISTING for 13 years, the A and W on Highway 27 south of Penetanguishene and west of Midland closed its doors for good last Friday.

Jim and Diane McConnachie who owned and operated the A and W for the past eight years quickly

became part of the fabric in North Simcoe after they took over the drive-in eight summers ago.

The closing of the A and W ends an era however we are all the richer from having gotten to know the McConnachie's.

## As the clouds lift so will our spirits

THE WEATHERMAN has been assuring us that relief is in store for us after more than a dozen, count 'em, soggy days of rain and cloud.

We can't recall in the past 25 years a wetter end to the summer holidays.

Those continuous downpours that saturated most of the province for nearly two weeks played havoc here in the heart of Huronia where there were

reports of isolated flooding, the occasional leaky roof and the blahs.

The unsettled weather turned lawns into wading pools and in some cases jungles as the warm rains were just what the doctor ordered for the grass to grow, and grow, and grow...

As the clouds start to lift so will our spirits...so welcome back sun, where in heck have you been...we missed you!

## Commissioner's contributions many

AFTER A CAREER that has spanned 41 years, Ontario Provincial Police Commissioner Harold Graham, 64, is retiring this month.

OPP Commissioner Harold Graham's distinguished career in law enforcement shouldn't go unnoticed as we wish the affable commissioner a long and happy retirement.

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## Letters

### Our readers say...

### Welfare of animals important

Dear Editor:

Countless animals are used mainly in the United States and in Europe, in the process of testing commercial products including cosmetics.

In order to determine whether or not any particular cosmetic is safe to be used, by both men and women, the governments of the United States and of Canada demand that the product be tested and proved to be safe, to their satisfaction.

The most common way of carrying out this test is to subject the eyes of a rabbit to the particular chemical or cosmetic to determine if damage is caused by the cosmetic.

This is commonly referred to as the "Draize" test.

Millions of animals suffer as a result of this procedure.

Because of obvious and paramount responsibility of the government to protect the people against harmful products there is little point in the humane movement "protesting" this particular procedure unless an alternative method of test can be found.

Dr. Joseph Leighton of the Medical College of Pennsylvania Hospital believes that he can develop a satisfactory alternative testing technique which would not involve animals. All research is expensive.

Dr. Leighton urgently needs funds in order to enable him to continue with his inquiry. The

Animal Welfare Foundation of Canada has satisfied itself that the proposal by Dr. Leighton is sound and worthy of support.

The Foundation is gathering funds together to enable the research to commence. Funds are being made available from humane organizations in the United States but we believe that Canada has a strong moral obligation to support this work in the U.S.

Anyone who is interested in supporting this work may donate to the "Animal Welfare Foundation of Canada" 8064 Yonge Street, Toronto, Ontario, L4J 1W3, "Leighton Fund".

Donations may also be made at the Ontario Humane Society, 8064 Yonge Street, Toronto, Ontario L4J 1W3 and the Toronto Humane Society, 11 River Street, Toronto, Ontario, M5A 4C2. Both of these societies are supporting this important humane project. Donations are tax deductible. Official receipts, valid for tax purposes, will be issued.

The animals which are sacrificed every year to the Draize test, and similar testing procedures, can be saved if a satisfactory alternative form of test can be developed.

Your donation is urgently needed for this important project.

Yours sincerely,  
T. I. Hughes  
Secretary

### Health Unit under attack

Dear Editor:

The Simcoe County Board of Health plans to make contraceptive devices and medical advices readily available to the public. One would wonder what kind of contraception they consider safe.

On the same day that their decision was announced (Aug. 20, 1981), the New England Journal of Medicine carried an article in the Toronto Star entitled "You are Risking a Heart Attack, 10 Million Pill Users Warned".

This is only one of many reports on the inevitable evils of accepting the sexual revolution.

Those of us who have opposed permissiveness now have more than the weight of moral principals on our side. Medical knowledge, as well as

a study of history show that no civilization can survive sexual lawlessness as we have it now.

Mrs. McIsaac's suggestion that the clinic should educate young people in responsible sexual behaviour, is most commendable.

Films and pamphlets showing the horrors and heartbreaks of teenaged promiscuity should replace the materials promoted by Planned Parenthood.

Sincerely,  
Anna Freundorfer  
Shanty Bay

## What's Your Opinion?

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