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## Terrible smash-up

# Penetang woman killed in collision

### Auto, 1/2 ton and van involved



A Penetanguishene woman was killed and six other people were injured in a three-vehicle traffic accident on Highway 27 late Monday afternoon.

Killed was the driver of one of the three vehicles, Helen Charlebois, of 30 Sheridan Street, Penetanguishene.

Passengers in her car Gary Charlebois, 17, Betty Charlebois, 11, and Angeline King, of RR3, Penetanguishene were all injured. Gary Charlebois was taken to Royal Victoria Hospital, Barrie, with a head injury. Betty Charlebois was taken to Toronto General Hospital with a chest injury. King suffered a broken arm.

A passenger in one of the two other vehicles, Angela Neale, 6, was treated for a head injury at Royal Victoria Hospital and released. Robert Neale, 30, of 149 Maple Ave., Barrie, was the driver of that vehicle.

A Toronto man, Pietro Gismondi, 19, of Glen Park Avenue in that city, was the driver of the third vehicle. Two passengers, Edward Chodowski, 20, of Pony Trail, Mississauga, and Maria Falcioni, 19, also

of Glen Park Ave., Toronto, were treated for injuries at Royal Victoria Hospital, and released.

The accident occurred at 4:50 p.m. on Highway 27 about 1.6 kilometers north of Concession 3-4 of Flos Township (Phelpston Road).

On Sunday at 12:30 p.m. on Highway 400, 3.7 kilometers north of Highway 93, not one of five people riding in a car was injured after a two-vehicle accident in which the car was wrecked.

None of the 10 people in the other vehicle, a van, were injured.

Elmvale OPP reports that a van driven by Hamilton resident Susan Worthington, northbound on Highway 400, skidded into the southbound lane and was struck on the rear by a southbound car driven by Dale Marr, of Steveston, Ont.

The car was moving at 30 kilometers an hour at the time, police report. No charges were laid. Damage to the van was estimated to be \$150, to the car, \$4,000.

A week ago on the Orr

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Above is one of three vehicles that were involved late Monday afternoon in a grinding three-vehicle crash on Highway 27 three miles south of Elmvale near Con. 3-4 of Flos. One person was killed and six others were injured of the 10 who were involved in the smash-up which took the life of Helen Charlebois, 30 Sheridan St., Penetanguishene, the driver of this vehicle. The fire department's extrication equipment from Elmvale was used to free at least one person from the twisted wreckage.

**The driver was killed**

# Need we have told you..?

## Mercury dips and so does windchill factor

by Doug Reed

For the second weekend in a row, a new wave of snowsqualls and blizzards swept through a goodly portion of North America including here in North Simcoe.

The brutal inclement weather arrived right on cue late Friday as this newspaper reported it would.

Friday, residents here in the heart of Huronia got a good taste of what they might expect over the weekend as snowflurries turned to snowsqualls and by Saturday those snowsqualls turned into a full-blown mid-January blizzard.

By late Sunday conditions improved but they still weren't anything you could write home about.

And although this past weekend wasn't quite as frigid as the previous one, which smashed all-time low temperature readings this century for many parts of Canada and the U.S., it still was very, very

c-c-c-cold!

The mercury dipped both Saturday and Sunday to -20C. However brisk winds, gusting at times to 50km/h sent the windchill factor reeling to -48.

That was warm compared to the previous weekend's -65 windchill factor reading here at the Gateway to the 30,000 Islands.

Again OPP were forced to close area highways because of drifting snow which caused numerous whiteouts on both major and secondary traffic routes.

Police also probed a number of weather-related motor-vehicle accidents during the weekend.

So far January 1982 will go into the record books as a tragic month.

To date a total of 250 people have lost their lives because of weather-related incidents such as fires, car crashes, being stranded in homes and autos, etc.

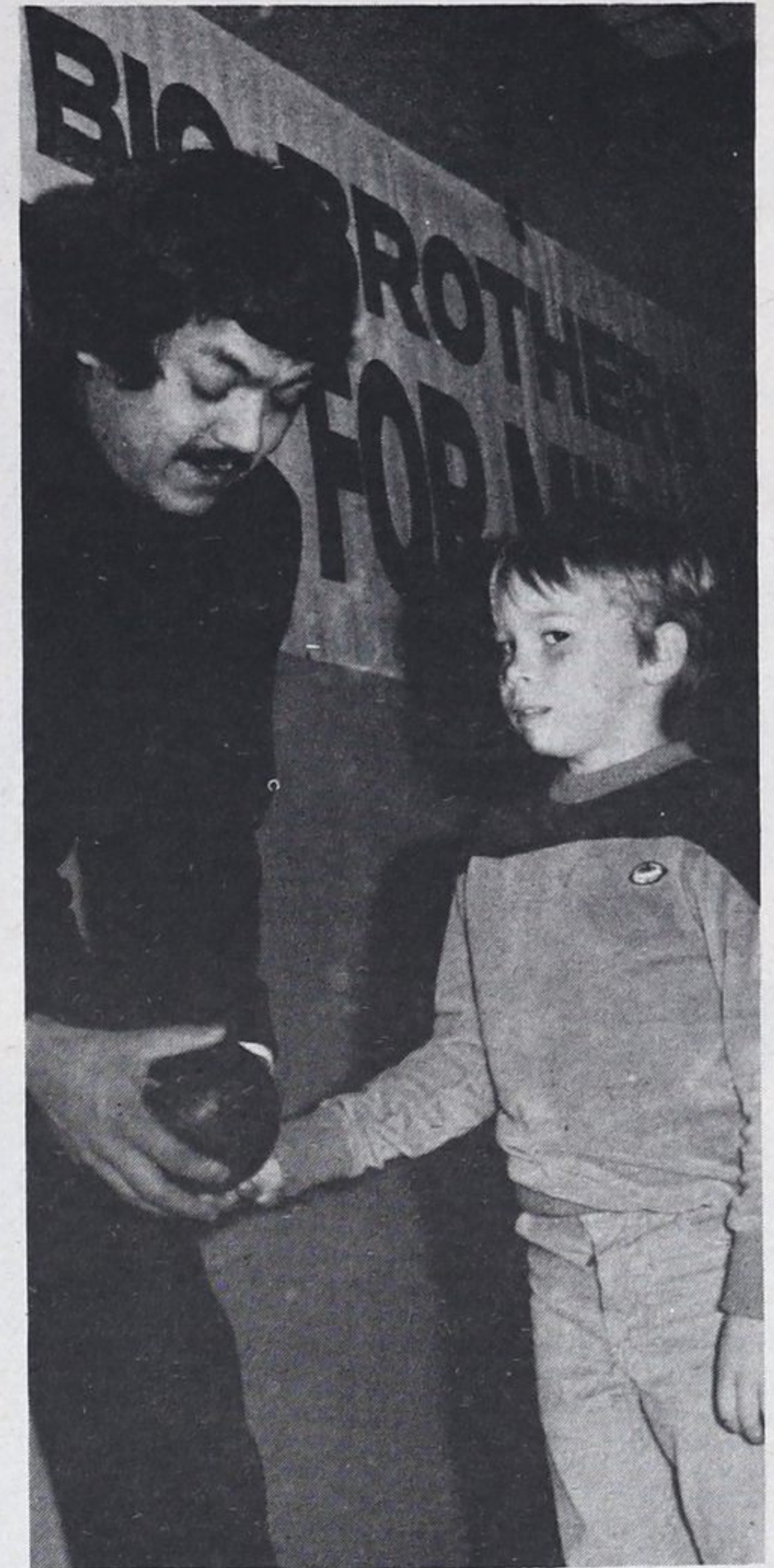
Last week's toll from an airliner crash in Washington isn't included in the long list of weather-related deaths although there's suspicion the crash might have been caused by ice forming on the air craft.

In Florida 24F temperatures took a big bite out of the Sunshine State's citrus industry.

Fruit growers have already estimated that at least \$1 billion worth of oranges and grapefruit have bit the dust as a result of record-setting low temperatures and frost.

In any event by Monday, although it was still bitterly cold (-20) in this neck of the woods, the sun made its first appearance in the past couple of days which was reason enough to lift the spirits of those who had been locked in Old Man Winter's ice box for the past 48-60 hours in the southern Georgian Bay region.

As for next weekend? Let's not even think about it until it arrives! Brrr!!!



## There you go Joshua

Big Brother Bruce Dey hands a bowling ball to his Little Brother, Joshua Beauvais. This year's annual Midland-Penetanguishene Big Brother's Bowl for Millions campaign takes place between Feb. 6 and Feb. 13. Pledge sheets are available at Bayshore Lanes, Midland, and Knight Haven Bowling Lanes, Penetanguishene. \$16,000 was raised last year: this year's target is \$18,000.

## Citizen briefly

### Costly collision

A Maria Street, Penetanguishene, man was charged early Friday evening by town police, after the car he was driving and one driven by Nancy Paus of Scarborough came into collision on Simcoe Street near Main Street.

Gordon Moreau faces a charge of starting from a stopped position not in safety.

Police set total damage at \$800.

### Medical help would have been close by

Had two Midland practitioners been injured after their vehicles collided just before noon in Penetanguishene, they wouldn't have had far to go to be treated.

Town police say vehicles driven by Doctors James Martin and Joe Dolezel collided near the entrance to Penetanguishene General Hospital causing a total of \$2,000 damage.

There were no injuries or charges. The mishap is said to have occurred during a weather-related whiteout.

### Stolen snowmobile hasn't turned up

Police here have been searching for a stolen snowmobile belonging to Ronald Dalton, Fox Street, reported missing Friday evening from the rear of 70 Main St.

Licence number of the missing 1973 Ski-doo is 447964.

### Purse-snatchings

Two purse-snatchings in Midland last week brings strong editorial reaction this week. See Page 4.

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