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## Heli-ports needed at HDH and PGH

THE FACT Province of Ontario will foot most if not all the costs related to construction of a heli-port at Huronia District Hospital is reason enough for the Board of HDH to seriously consider its installation.

Last Friday while the Ministry of Health's flying ambulance (helicopter) Bandage One was at HDH preparing to take a patient to a Metro hospital, we had an opportunity to speak with the 'chopper's' flight crew.

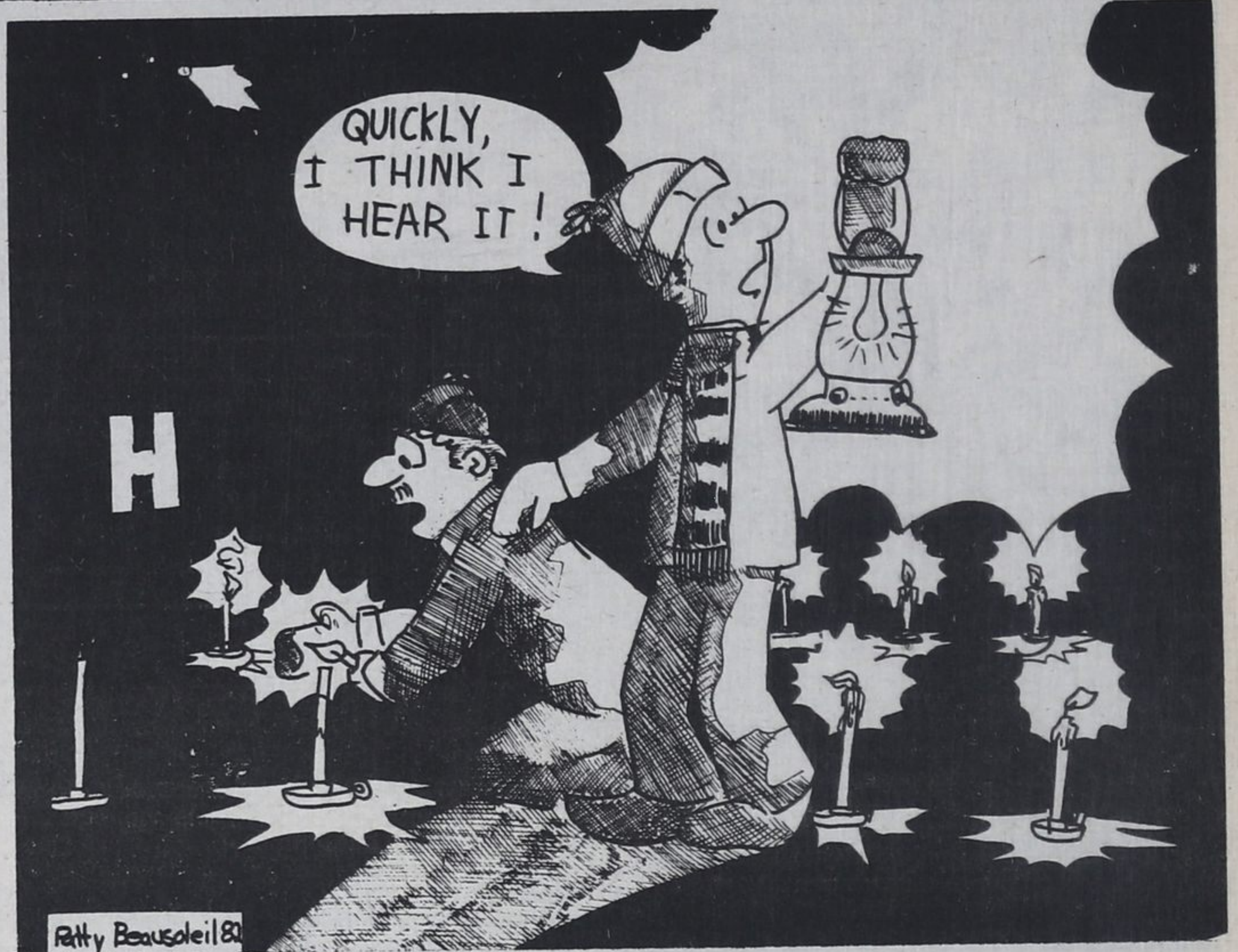
They freely admitted a heli-port at HDH would be just what the doctor ordered, so to speak, especially for night landings.

At present federal regulations restrict the chopper to landing at lighted facilities such as Huronia Airport, some distance from HDH and PGH.

This would change if and when HDH had its own heli-port. It makes good sense too, to have a heli-port at all hospitals including here in North Simcoe at HDH and Penetanguishene General.

We can only hope the necessary red tape will be cut through so that in our time both hospitals here in the Heart of Huronia will have their own lighted helicopter landing pads.

These facilities are a must when lives and time are at the essence.



NEWSITEM: HDH and PGH need lighted heli-ports for Bandage One (ambulance helicopter).



### Give us an E...

This is Grade 10 ESps student Cathy Beauchamp a member of the Penetanguishene high school's cheer-leading team. In the weeks to come we will be featuring her team-mates as well.

—Photo by Bob Murray

### New 'super' appointed for waterway

J. C. Christakos, director of Parks Canada Ontario Region today announced, John Lewis, assistant regional director, policy, planning and development in the Cornwall office will become the new superintendent of the Trent-Severn Waterway.

He replaces Jim Vollmershausen who has recently been appointed superintendent of Banff National Park in Alberta.

Before joining Parks Canada, Lewis was a member of the faculty of Geography at Sir Wilfred Laurier University and had been an independent management and planning consultant.

In 1975 he moved to Ottawa to work as a policy analyst at Parks Canada Headquarters. In 1977 he was appointed assistant regional director and transferred to Cornwall.

Lewis looks forward to assuming his new responsibilities on the Trent-Severn in January, 1983. His wife, Penny, and their two children plan to move to Peterborough in late December.

## Letters

### The message: 'Get involved'

Dear Editor:

The Canada Safety Council's fourth annual School Bus Safety Week will be held early in the new School year from October 17-23, 1982. Total community co-operation will be encouraged to make it a success and in that way further ensure the safety of children.

The protection of children is one of our greatest responsibilities. That is why the Canada Safety Council has chosen "Get Involved" as the theme for this year's School Bus Safety Week campaign. "Get Involved" because School Bus Safety needs the co-operation of everyone in each community.

Personal involvement ought to begin with a resolve to set a good example for others to follow where child and school bus safety is concerned. Be sure to obey the basic law of coming to a full stop when encountering a stationary school bus with flashing lights. Do not pass it in either direction until its warning lights have been turned off and it is otherwise safe to do so.

The children know this law and will be expecting you to obey it. Parents are especially encouraged to "Get Involved" by making sure their children

understand school bus safety rules—including the need for a special level of passenger discipline. They must be made to understand the need for obedience to the driver and they should be given instruction on ordinary street crossing safety.

Parents should also "Get Involved" by making sure their community school bus service has well trained and responsible drivers, that its vehicles are properly maintained and that safety rules are made clear and enforced.

School Bus safety is not a problem only for children, parents, teachers and school officials. Everyone bears a share of the total responsibility with other drivers bearing the heaviest part of the burden. They must be particularly vigilant because the school bus cargo is as precious as it is unpredictable.

"Get Involved" to make our 1982 School Bus Safety Week the best ever. Stay involved to keep our children under the best possible level of protection.

W.L. Higgitt,  
President.

### We need YOUR help

Dear Editor:

Multiple sclerosis and closely related disorders afflict an estimated 35,000 persons in this country today, and millions more around the world. Yet the general public knows little about this disease often confusing it with muscular dystrophy (Jerry Lewis's disease).

In spite of the considerable efforts of the Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada and the support of the media to increase public understanding about multiple sclerosis, there are still too many people who are not aware of the scope and impact of this crippling disorder.

An integral part of the Society's constant campaign for broader public awareness is the MS Read-a-Thon. This program which has received the enthusiastic endorsement of parents,

educators and the youngster's themselves, has proved to be an invaluable motivational tool to encourage reading among grade school children.

It has provided thousands of dollars to help support research into the cause and cure for multiple sclerosis.

Again this year, during the MS Read-a-Thon, we turn to our friends in the media to help us in our efforts to increase national awareness and understanding of multiple sclerosis.

Sincerely,  
Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada  
Rosemary Seth-Smith  
Read-a-Thon co-ordinator

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### CTV team will be

### on Cable 12 for telethon

CTV anchorman Lloyd Robertson will join his co-host Harvey Kirk, Sunday morning, at this year's Opportunity '82 telethon at the Yonge Street West Civic Centre in Midland.

The annual 24-hour telethon from noon

Saturday to noon Sunday hopes to raise \$15,000 for the Huronia Association for the Mentally Retarded.

Kirk, along with Fred Hacker, will be in the telethon spotlights throughout the entire 24-hour event.

## 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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