



**Grade 8 grads at Sacred Heart School commencement**

-Photo by Bruce Finlayson

## People and places in the news

More than 100 cruising yachts will rendezvous in Midland in mid-July when the Georgian Bay Cruising Club drops anchor in Huronia's heart. A local steering committee chaired by Dave Hudson (a former district commander of the power squadron) has lined up a hospitality schedule that accommodates the needs and wishes of all 600 visitors.

"The potential from this visit is immense," says Bob Kennedy of Huronia Historical Parks, who is publicity and promotion chairman for the event. "It's a marvellous opportunity for Midland and Tay Townships to put their best foot forward and make the visitors feel welcome. What is even more important—we want them to want to come back to Midland during subsequent summers."

The Georgian Bay Cruising Club includes Canadian and American boaters. Each summer, a special tour is arranged and a different rendezvous point is designated. Previous tours have converged on Parry Sound, Green Bay, Wisconsin, and Mackinack Island. This is the first time Midland has been chosen as a rendezvous and Mayor Al Roach has declared the week of July 10-17 "Great Lakes Cruising Club Week" in Midland.

A lively calendar of activities has been planned and the

steering committee has the red carpet ready to roll. Bus transportation will shuttle boaters from the Wye Heritage Marina where most of the fleet will be moored to downtown Midland where the annual sidewalk sale will be in progress. It's expected that a nautical theme will be adopted for the sale. Visitors should feel right at home!

Tours will include the Huron Indian Village, Huronia Museum, Sainte-Marie among the Hurons, Wye Marsh Wild Life Centre, the Martyrs' Shrine and the Historic Naval and Military Establishments. Since many of the nautical guests are leaders in business and industry, it has been suggested that some tours include our industrial parklands.

Saturday's sailpast scheduled for 2 p.m. will attract huge crowds, since almost 200 luxury boats will be cruising past the town dock. Special music is planned for the event, and dignitaries will review the fleet from a special reviewing stand.

Most boats will anchor at the Wye Heritage Marina for the weekend, but a few of the larger ones will be at the Midland town dock. It is estimated that about 30 motel units will be utilized for the weekend.

Other weekend highlights include a

picnic and barbecue at Wye Heritage Friday night, a banquet at Budd Watson's Gallery on Saturday night and a Canadian coast guard display of air sea rescue manoeuvres to be held in Tiffin Basin Friday at noon. Sunday's departure will be preceded by a blessing of the fleet ceremony.

Also arranged are loading and docking assistance to be provided by uniformed

sea cadets, and emergency medical and dental service for the full weekend. Each participant in the rendezvous will be given a personalized information kit detailing retail and banking services available in town, as well as points of interest for travelling families.

"We hope the townspeople of Midland will be as hospitable as possible," says Dave

Hudson. "There are a lot of influential people coming here, and it's a good chance to show off our town. We want them to come back, and to bring their friends back with them."

Bob Kennedy adds, "Midland's history is so closely connected with Great Lakes boating. Now we have a chance to make hospitality history with Rendezvous '83."

## Public Health Nurses get a shot in the arm

Public health nurses working for local boards of health can now receive financial assistance for studies at the master's level in management, administration and program planning through a program announced today by the Ministry of Health.

Health Minister Larry Grossman said, "The new program reinforces the important role nurses play in the health care system, and their capability to move into more senior management positions."

Eligible for the assistance are public health nurses employed in the province's 43 public health units and who are working in supervisory or management positions, along with nurses in staff positions who demonstrate strong management potential.

Cost of the education will be shared by the ministry with the boards of health at the usual rate for approved public health programs.

Full university tuition fees will be covered plus two-thirds of the nurses' salaries as an allowance. A one-month return of service for each month of academic support is expected. Failure to complete the studies successfully or to return service will necessitate repayment of the salary allowance and tuition plus interest.

Approval of the ministry's Public Health Branch is required by a public health unit to sponsor each candidate. Inquiries may be addressed to: Dr. Barbara J. Blake, Director, Public Health Branch, Ministry of Health, 15 Overlea Blvd. (5th floor), Toronto, Ontario M4H 1A0.

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## High honours

52 teams from all across the County competed in the 2nd annual Seniors' Shuffleboard Tournament on June 22 at Sandy Cove Acres. The Tournament was hosted by Sandy Cove and was jointly sponsored by the County Recreation Department and the Senior Citizens' Advisory Committee.

Winners were George and Pearl Whitten of the Bayshore Club, Woodland Beach, with Bill and Alice Cooper of Sandy Cove second and Dick Cronin and Bob Span of Alliston, third.

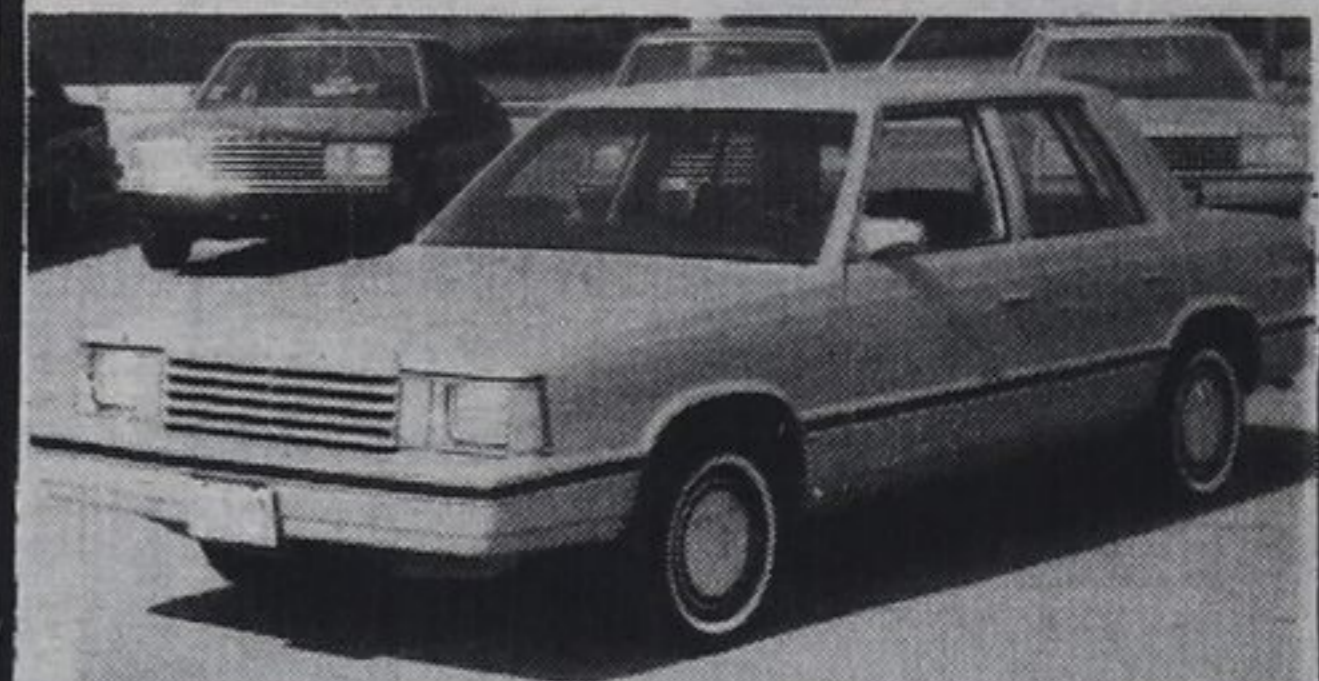
**July 1**  
Strawberry tea and bake sale by Georgian Shore's Swinging Seniors at The Place, Balm Beach, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

**July 6**  
Nature daycamp at the Wye Marsh Wildlife Interpretation Centre, starting July 6, for three days. Separate weeks

for six to nine and 10 to 12 years. Registration is \$2. For more information contact Jane Nemis (526-7809).

**July 9**  
Anglican Guild is holding a summer tea and bake sale in the Oddfellows' Hall, Hazel Street, Waubashene, 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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