

# Editorials

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## Plank in platform

TODAY, Wednesday, July 18, the Ontario Federation of Agriculture is releasing a statement which the OFA is referring to as its agriculture platform for the federal election campaign.

Whether or not you are a farmer, it is worth following what OFA members have to say in the statement.

Through it, the body which speaks for persons involved in agriculture across Ontario intends to make agriculture an issue for debate and discussion during the election campaign. It will keep both candidates and voters informed about the concerns of the farm sector and the solutions the OFA is proposing to solve some of the problems in agriculture, an OFA press release states.

When one considers that the health of the farming community is important for all sectors of the community, what the OFA has to say should be of interest to all. Which, of course, includes everyone involved in the production and distribution of food for consumers.

The farming community is still not in very healthy shape, still suffering from the recent recession. Its spokesman, the OFA, sees farmers struggling for survival. If fewer and fewer of them make it, in particular those younger farmers who face an almost insurmountable obstacle in accumulating enough capital to take over the family farm, we will all suffer.

The OFA says it will discuss its platform with parties on a provincial level, and will encourage the county federations of agriculture to do the same locally.

We wish the OFA success in its efforts to constantly expose the politicians and the entire community to their concerns.

## Super weekend!

HEARTY congratulations to the people who organized the weekend Shondecti activities.

The colourful event brought hundreds of people to Midland and area to watch a parade of canoes come down King Street to form a flotilla on the bay. And, there were races, displays, music, tours and other attractions on Shondecti weekend which took place under sunny skies on Saturday. On Sunday, the rain held off until events were mostly wrapped up.

Shondecti '84 was sponsored by Sainte-Marie among the Hurons, the Friends of Sainte Marie, Wye Marsh Wildlife Centre, Town of Midland, Centre d'Activites francaises, Georgian Bay Islands National Park, the NorWesters, the Business Improvement Association of Midland, Martyrs' Shrine, and volunteers. Shondecti is one of those events which reflects and captures the spirit of what makes Huronia so interesting. The above listed groups get the credit for doing it so well.

We look forward to the summer of '85 when the sound of musket fire heralds the start of another King Street procession of canoes and Shondecti '85.

## Different strokes?

WHEN YOU drive to Midland and decide to park your car in front of one of the downtown area's parking meters, make sure you drop enough coins in the slot to cover your stay if you don't want to get a ticket.

The folks there who watch the parking meters for the red violation sign move very quickly.

It is wise to look up and down the street for the meter reader even if you intend to make the shortest of stops. They have come and gone, and issued a ticket, in the space of 120 seconds - and move so fast there may be no sign of them on the street any more in that space of time.

Things in Penetang are different. There are no longer any parking meters. There haven't been for years. But, there is a one-hour time limit on parking on Main Street.

If you go over the limit, you may receive a notice that reads: "Welcome to the friendly town of Penetanguishene with free on street parking which has a limit of one hour. You have violated this time. We would ask that you utilize the off street lots for long term parking. Thank you, Penetanguishene Parking Authority."



## It was memorable day

Dear Editor:

It is with gratitude, I express my sincere "THANKS" to all The Villa Nursing Home Volunteers, The Villa Nursing Home Staff and the community at large, who participated in our Alzheimer's Fund Raising Campaign.

Special "THANKS" to our volunteer friends at CKMP - Midland, CKVR TV - Barrie, CKCO TV Kitchener, Midland Times, Free Press, Field's Hardware and Petro Canada - Little Lake Park for

their contribution in helping to make it first rate. It was a great success!!!!

Our Seniors had a great day visiting. This function offered once more an opportunity of being involved with the outside.

Thanks for making this a memorable day.

Sincerely,

Lucie Markham,

Volunteer Co-Ordinator,

The Villa Community Care Centre.

## More on dump saga

Dear Editor:

Perkinsfield Residents wake up. You have just been condemned to three more years of garbage.

They give you this in return for some water, for somewhere, which you will have to pay for.

Is this fair play to area residents who have already endured 10 years of trucks rambling through village, filtered road sides and much controversy.

The land fill committee should all resign for apparently bungling this situation.

Tiny council should also be remembered come election time for their lack of concern and allowing this to happen again.

And last but not least your provincial govt. for broken promises and mismanagements.

Signed Gary Posey  
Perkinsfield

## Canada's milk is the safest in the world

by

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The milk supply in Canada is one of the safest in the world. The milk is tested on the farm before it is even picked up. It is then tested at the dairy to determine such things as fat content, bacterial level, the presence of antibiotics and pesticides.

Rigid controls

At the dairy, the milk is kept under rigid controls through all processes. When the milk arrives it is weighed and measured. The milk then goes through a cooling unit where its temperature is stabilized a little below 4 degrees Celsius.

It goes through a standardizing clarifier which clarifies the milk and removes some milk fat. Some milk is then homogenized. The milk is heated to 57 degrees Celsius. The homogenizer forces the milk past a pressure point at high velocity which breaks up the fat particles into minute particles and disperses them evenly throughout the milk.

The rest of the milk is separated to make various creams and skim milk. These products may also be homogenated. All the milk and cream is then pasteurized. The milk is heated to 72 degrees Celsius for 16 seconds and cooled rapidly to 4 degrees Celsius. This process destroys any disease-producing bacteria and improves the keeping quality by reducing the number of milk-souring bacteria.

The milk then flows into insulated bulk tanks ready for packaging. It is packaged in sterilized bottles, cartons or polyethylene bags. The milk is kept refrigerated until delivered to the store.

Care of Milk  
in the Home

Refrigerate at four degrees Celsius as soon as possible after purchase.

Use before the "best before" date printed on the container.

Freezing of dairy products is generally not recommended. Although there is little nutrient loss, changes in flavor and texture may occur. Don't freeze

milk for more than three weeks and thaw in the refrigerator. Milk may separate but mixing returns it to its normal state.

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## PGH births

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hodgins of 34 Anne St., Penetang announce the birth of a baby boy, on July 8, weighing 7 lb. 12 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Vanoverchelde of 65 Peel St., Penetang announce the birth of a baby girl, on July 9, weighing 9 lb. 9 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. Lion Ladouceur, 170 Main St., Penetang announce the birth of a baby boy, on July 7, weighing 7 lb. 3 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Trudeau, General Delivery, Penetang,

announce the birth of a baby boy, on July 7, weighing 8 lb. 6 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Laurin of RR 3 Penetang announce the birth of a baby boy, on July 9, weighing 7 lb. 1 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. Vince Blondin, S.S. 3, Site 3, Comp. 46, Penetang announce the birth of a baby boy, on July 10, weighing 6 lb. 3 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ellis, 47 Howard St., Wyevalle announce the birth of a baby boy, on July 10, weighing 8 lb. 1 oz.

## Letters

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

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