



Sing along with Simpresca

Throughout the summer months the United Church Presbytery of Simcoe County operates Camp Simpresca, a summer camp in a remote part of Midland Point. Boys and girls aged 7 to 15 from around the county

spend a week or so singing songs, playing games and enjoying the beauty of the area. Here, staffers Chris Stevenson and Pam Wainwright, director Mike Thompson, campers Nathan, Jason, Justin, Matthew,

Mike, Mark and Chris and counsellors Terry Worrall and Dave Scott sing a song on the rocky waterfront before checking into their cabins for the night

Council divided over plumbing

Port McNicoll's village council is divided over a proposal to dramatically change cost and procedure for getting building permits.

At issue is whether the village should follow the lead of other area municipalities and

separate the building and plumbing permits for those wishing to build.

Meanwhile, the cost of a building permit is expected to rise under a separate plan to tie the permit's price tag to the estimated value of the building.

Councillor Pat Arm-

strong said at the last council meeting that this would mean quite a rise in the price of most building permits.

A separate plumbing permit, he said, with its own price tag of \$10 or \$15, would be unacceptable.

"To jump from peanuts

to a caviar rate - and then add an extra fee for plumbing - to me is a crime," said Armstrong during a discussion of the matter raised by Bylaw Enforcement Officer John Dallaire. Dallaire supported

separate permits because the building and plumbing aspects of construction are, in general, separated.

Armstrong said, "Just because other municipalities do it, that doesn't make it right."

Artists can study policy at arts library

The North Simcoe Arts Council now has a great library of information on arts funding, tax policy and legal issues connected with the arts.

The arts council collects bulletins from national arts organizations and publications from government agencies that deal with artists.

This week, the NSAC was given several books and magazines from the Canadian Conference of the Arts.

Nancy Burgoyne, associate director of the national arts lobbying group, brought the material while visiting the NSAC office to give advice to arts council staff on ways of effectively serving the needs of members and artists.

A new book, "Taxation and the Arts" is now available to NSAC members and area artists. Written in lay language, it is designed to provide artists with quick answers to questions they may have on federal tax policy.

The Income Tax Act makes a crucial distinction between people who work as employees of business and companies and people who are self-employed.

Artists and craftspeople qualify as self-employed business people and are eligible for special tax breaks.

The book also deals with how to keep business records, tax policy regarding grants, deductions, incorporation and other tax provisions affecting artists.

The North Simcoe Arts

Council was founded 18 months ago to serve the needs of the artistic community and promote the development of the arts in Huronia.

Resource development officer Patricia Mueller says, "We're building this library for the benefit of area artists. We have books, magazines and pamphlets on grants and legislation affecting artists such as copyright, new anti-pornography laws, as well as material on taxation."

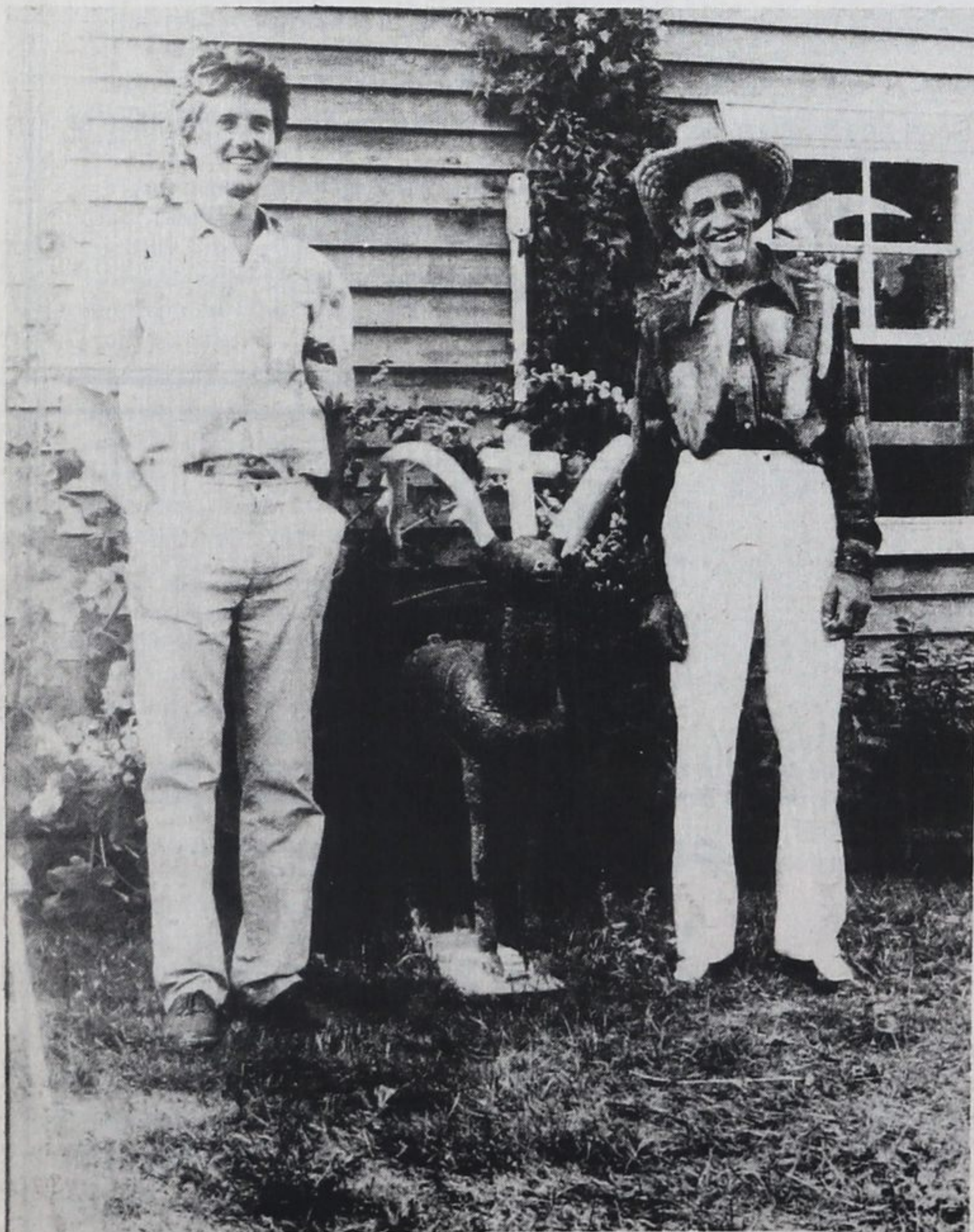
"There are also several publications that would be interesting to our group members. We would like to continue to expand this library and we would be grateful for any material brought in by people in the community," Mueller said.

Custom yachts is not with the marina

Custom Yacht Services on Champlain Road in Penetanguishene is not a division of Beacon Bay Marina as reported in a story, titled 1905 Launch Under Repair is Worth About \$100,000, in last week's paper.

Custom Yacht Services is not in any way connected with the marina.

The Times and Citizen regret the error and apologize for any inconvenience it may have caused.



Holy deer! It's Gilbert Desroches

Gilbert Desroches, right, and local artist John Hartmann, left, show off one of Desroches wood carvings that Hartmann says he loves. The deer carving was inspired by a book in which a holy deer saves a city full of sinners. Desroches says

his art is often based on religious themes. The two were at a Sunday afternoon open-garden and open-house held at Hartmann's house and down the road at another well-known local artist, Rod Prouse.

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