# Candidate has shown expertise

That Midland's mayor and a renow coun-Dr. Peter Brasher is going to run again for the deputy reeve of Tiny Township.

We think that's good news for the muncipality.

For the last three years, the deputy reeve has been a dominant influence on council. His acerbic wit is well-known and feared by opponents.

Brasher has demonstrated a profound understanding of environmental issues, often discussing leachates, plumes and landfill sites with the expertise of a professional engineer.

As finance chairperson of the township he has saved the muncipality money by increasing the amount of billing periods to three.

During last winter's bingo crisis, the deputy reeve consistently supported the interests of local charities and demanded that bingo be operated in adherence with strict government regulations.

Brasher has fought for the full implementation of the Woods Gordon report, a progressive document that would rationalize and update Tiny's municipal operations.

He has worked energetically on the Penetang Harbor Committee.

His style may be blunt but it's also gutsy and honest. He's the kind of politician Tiny needs more of.

We enthusiastically endorse the doctor's candidacy for a second term.



It is my professional opinion that no traffic lights are required at this corner...

#### Letters

# Paper's support made summer a success

Dear Editor:

Through the columns of your newspapers,
I would like to express our appreciation to

all the groups and individuals in our communities who worked together for another successful year at Huronia's prime historical

## Reporter congratulated

Dear Editor:

Thank you very much for the coverage of the St. Maries Citty Militia unit during our visit to Sainte-Marie Among the Hurons.

I would like to congratulate the reporter, Murray Moore, who covered the event. Not only was it a fine job of reporting, but it was quite accurate in content and quotes something which is, unfortunately, too rare.
Again, many thanks for the material. I will

send photocopies to those in the excellent

Thomas P. Callana

attractions: Sainte-Marie Among the Hurons and the Hisoric Naval and Military Establishements in Penetanguishene. At both sites we enjoyed welcoming our good friends and neighbors as well as visitors from across Canada and across the world.

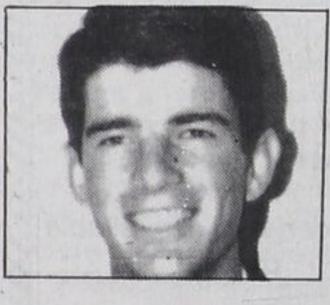
Thanks are also due to the Midland Times, Penetanguishene Citizen, Elmvale Lance and Huronia Holiday for the interested support of everything we did at both historic attractions. Our special programs, Time Spinners and Sailor's Sunset at the Establishements

and En Canoe and Candlelight Tours at Sainte Marie, were almost totally booked throughout the summer.

Now we look forwrd to school tours and special fall and winter events.

Sainte-Marie's 350th anniversary coordinator Rob LaMarre has begun preparations for the 1989 celebrations. I know we can count on our continuing co-operation as we enter this significant year in our history.

> Best Wishes Shirley Whittington



As I See It

photos.

#### by David Krayden

## You don't have to ask

Why do cashiers always assume that you never know what you really want to buy? You know what I'm talking about of course.

How many times have you purchased an item at a department store and the cashier will ask you, "Will that be everthing?" Of course that's everything! Are you assuming that I'm not bright enough to remember what I came into the store to buy?

Perhaps they're expecting the customer to respond with, "No, I forgot about 10 items, I'm glad you had the foresight to ask me. Can't seem to remember anything these days. Let me go back and nick these things up."

Let me go back and pick these things up."
Or how about the hard-sell you get at the fast-food outlets? You buy a hamburger and

a drink. "Would you like some fries with that?"

No, I do not want fries with that or I would have asked for some. If you try to fool them by asking for fries, they will find some other item on the menu that you haven't asked for.

I don't know if the sales staff are trained to ask annoying questions like this. They must be. People have to be programmed this way.

But do you ever notice that you never get this sort of attitude from cashiers at convenience stores? Remarkable isn't it? You can find the reverse though. Clerks will hardly look at you, let alone make any inquiries.

During the poverty-row days of universi-

ty, I took a part-time job at one of these establishments.

The first thing you notice is that convenience stores are all alike. The magazines are in the same location, the candy, etc.

I spent many Saturday and Sunday nights working in Vanier, sort of a suburb in Ottawa. The Saturday night crowd was the most interesting. At around 6 p.m. the store would explode with activity as dozens of people would enter to buy their Saturday night essentials. Cigarettes mostly.

Bus drivers were faithful customers, coming in to buy a cup of coffee.

What used to amaze me is the number of people who would actually buy groceries at

the inflated prices. I remember one guy who obviously had more money than he knew what to do with, buying just about everything the store had in stock. He spent nearly \$100 and didn't seem to mind.

Strangely enough, there was a large grocery store located just across the street and it was still open. I even pointed this out to the gentlemen but he just nodded and said, "I know, this is closer."

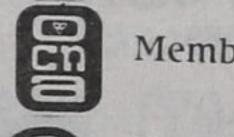
I didn't bother to press the point.

The one thing I never asked people was if that was all they cared to purchase. I sort of assumed that people generally know what they want, won't forget it when they enter the store and wouldn't remember anyway even if you ask them.

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