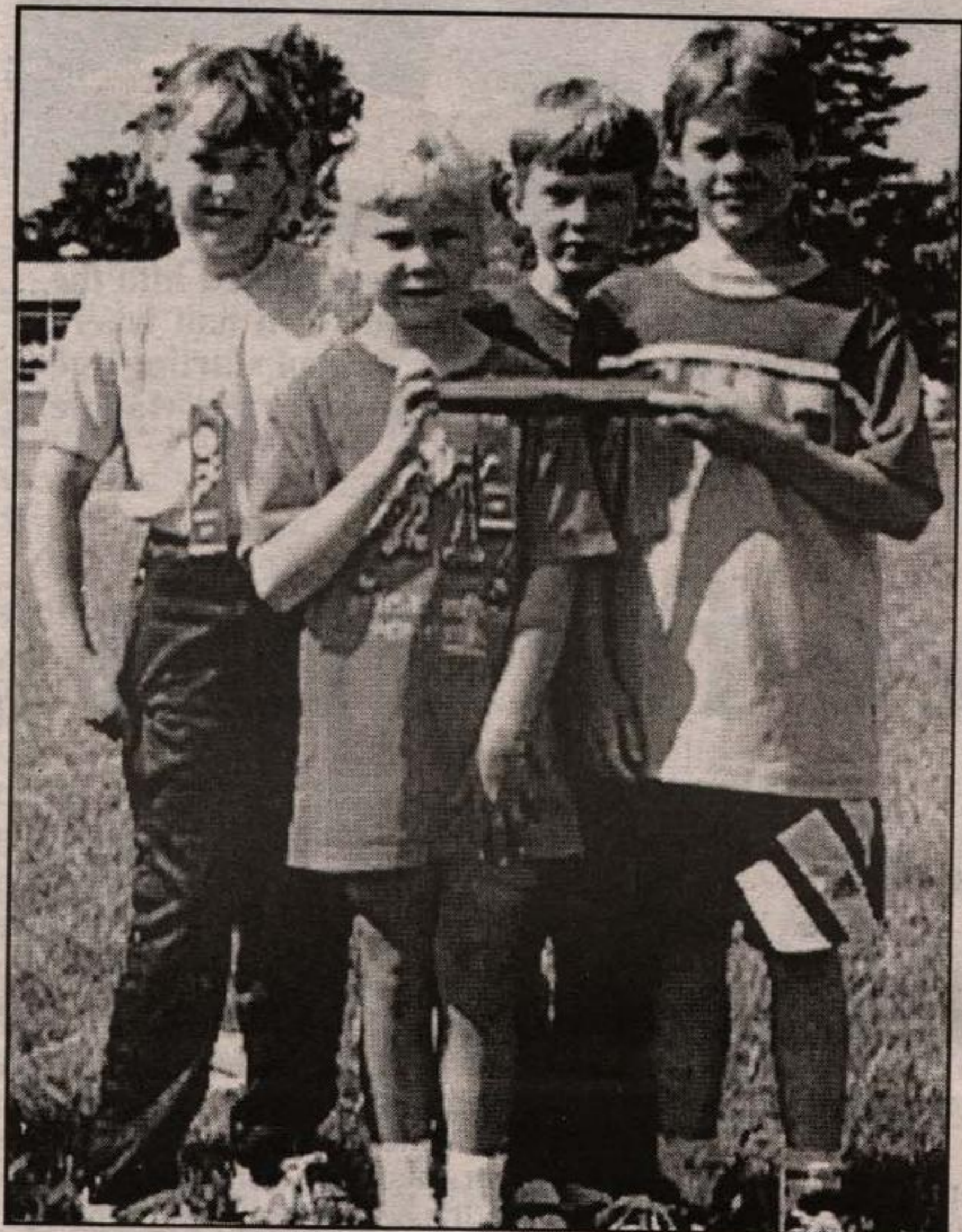


PADDLE ON: Fast becoming a familiar sight on Fairy Lake, this lone kayaker cuts through the still waters during a recent cooler day, an enjoyable outing when the air isn't as hot and humid. - Maggie Petrushevsky photo

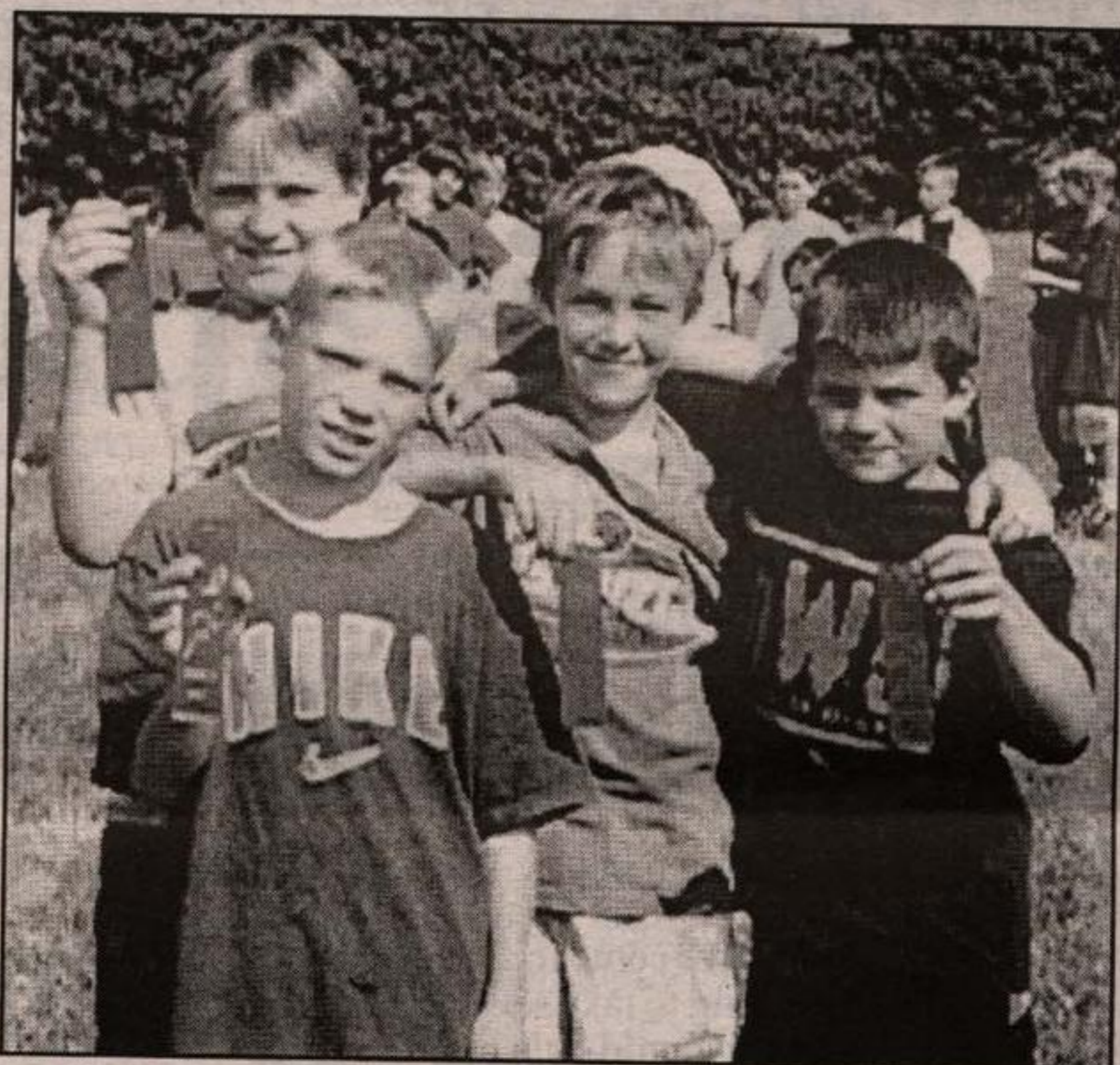


SHE SHOOTS: But does she score? Only the photographer and these players and their coach know for sure. The trio were part of a recent soccer practice at McKenzie-Smith Bennett school. - Maggie Petrushevsky photo



FIELD DAY FIRSTS: The fleet Grade 3 team of Meagan Speakman (left), Cole Haddon, Katelyn Kurpieweit and Chris McDonald-Rogers captured first place in the 80-metre relay during McKenzie-Smith Bennett's field day last Thursday. - Frances Niblock photo

Through the Lens



FAST BOYS: First prize in the 100-metre boys' relays at last Thursday's field day at McKenzie-Smith Bennett went to Kyle Wrigglesworth (back left), Patrick Eagan, Kyle Fendley and Michael Kellas. - Frances Niblock photo



MAKIN' MONEY: Given last weekend's heat, selling lemonade was a great idea and adding it to a Meet the Builder weekend at West Meadow was even better. West Meadow developers Steven Taylor, his son David, and Peter Zions picked up their thirst quenchers from lemonade stand operators (from the left) Lisa Finnie, Heather Stuart Zions, Julia Finnie, Kate Zions and Lindsay Finnie. The girls' sales station was a new model of kids' playhouse available to purchasers of homes in the West Meadow subdivision. Money for lemonade sales will be donated to the Acton Agricultural Society. - Maggie Petrushevsky photo

16 dogs returned to Eramosa farm



FATAL SCENE: A firefighter attends to a single car collision which took the life of Steve Emmerson last Wednesday. - Ted Tyler photo

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Mediation by Guelph lawyer T. Sher Singh has resulted in the return of 16 dogs seized by the Ontario Humane Society (OHS) from an Eramosa Township farm on June 11.

Bill and Gerry Evdokimoff's appeal of the seizure, which was to be heard Tuesday in Guelph, was withdrawn Monday.

The Evdokimoffs' lawyer, Sher Singh said the dogs would be returned Tuesday (June 29), and final terms to settle the matter were almost completed.

"We expect to be able to assuage the Society's concerns," he said.

He also expects to be able to resolve issues surrounding OHS charges against the Evdokimoffs for failing to care properly for their pack of more than 50 dogs before they go to court in early August.

"I believe the situation has been defused," he told The New Tanner in a telephone interview Tuesday.

Rockwood veterinarian Dr. Clare Maine was treating the Evdokimoffs' dogs for mange prior to the raid.

Funeral service for Steve Emmerson

A graveside funeral service was held today (Wednesday) in Fairview Cemetery for Acton's Stephen Emmerson, 80, who died in a single vehicle accident last Wednesday at Silvercreek.

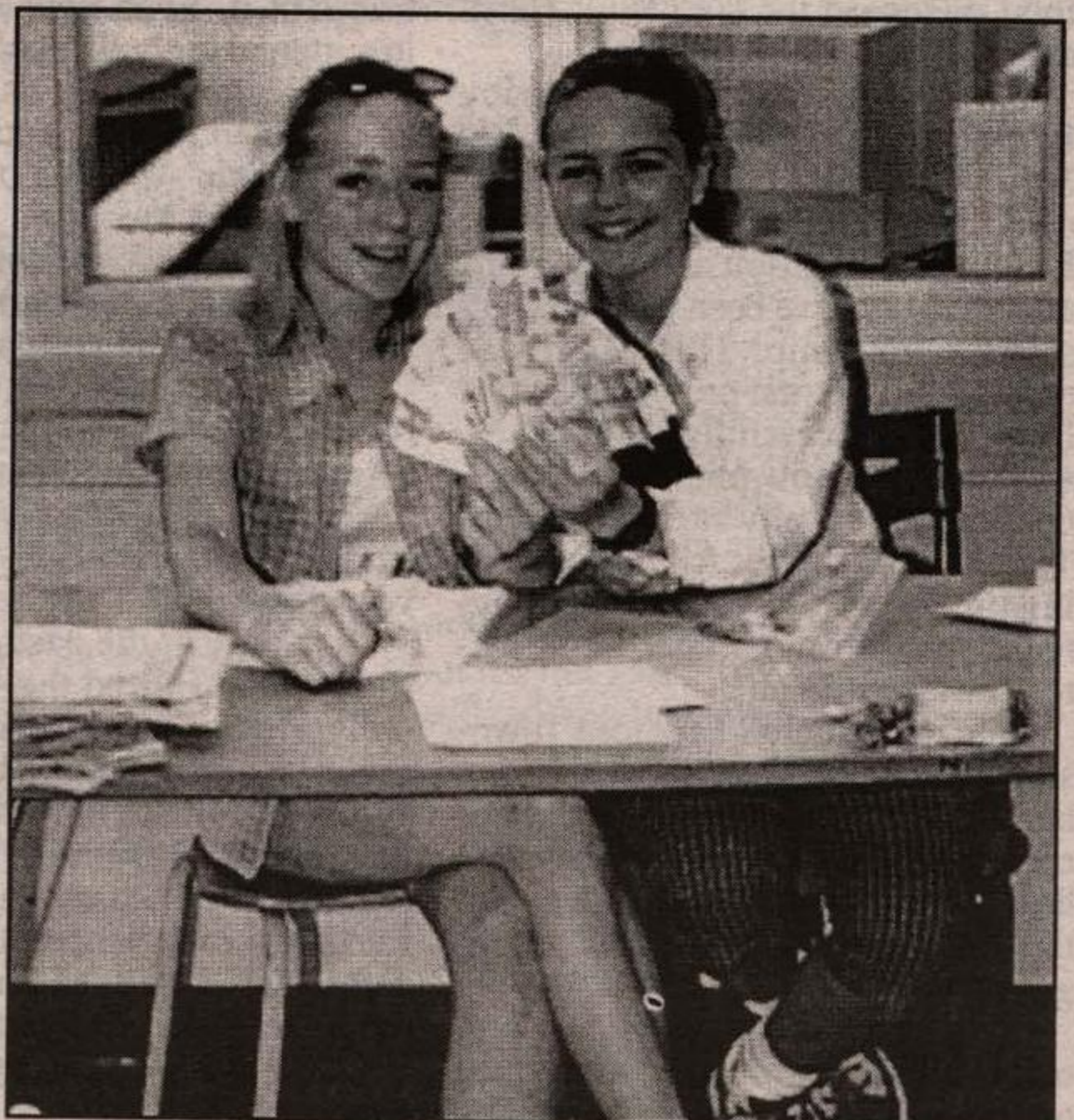
A witness who was driving in front of Emmerson said

he saw the car come up behind him "very fast" as he followed Trafalgar Road towards Ballinafad off Highway 7.

Just into the turn, the witness, who didn't want to be identified, said the car veered across the opposite lane, over

a median and then struck a southbound tractor trailer hauling hogs before crashing into a deep ditch. Emmerson was pronounced dead in hospital. The driver of the truck wasn't hurt.

The accident remains under investigation.



CASH COUNTERS: Katherine Hopkins (left), president of the McKenzie-Smith Bennett student council and secretary Rachel McKnight tally up the totals of pledges collected by school students for their annual bowl-a-thon fundraiser. The school hopes to hit the \$8,500 mark this year. - Frances Niblock photo