



Proving a point

Proving a point, two officials from the Student Manpower in Midland went out to the site of an employer who needed help. The job was pulling spikes from

railroad tracks, and the point made was that women could do the work as well as men.

Staff photo



A special treat

Enjoying a fine meal is always a treat, and the special banquet held in the Legion last Wednesday for veterans of World War 1 was certainly no exception.

Staff photo

YMCA offers day camp

Our day camp programs offer great variety and interest for area children. A whole new look was given to the Midland Y's Men's Summer Program by breaking up the age groups and offering them each a specific type of program of activities.

There are many resident camps in the area but not all families are capable of sending their children. Our program will hopefully satisfy their needs and allow these youngsters to participate in some type of program through the summer months.

First, a brief description of our three programs offered during the months of July and August.

The playground operates during the month of July beginning on the 5th and is for the ages of 6 to 8 years. The playground is located at Little Lake Park and is Monday to Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. with 70 boys and girls participating. These children will be divided into groups of 10 and will be assigned to one counsellor.

This one counsellor is responsible to this group for the full day bringing them leadership and teaching them a number of activities.

All participants are offered swimming lessons taught at the Y Community Swimming Pool and are able to pass their swimming levels as well as crafts, boating, water safety.

Happy Cooker

The North Atlantic Seafood Association is at it again - assuring us that fish is not only a fun food, but it is also a great barbecue item.

This is an undisputable fact for two reasons. First, fish was barbecued successfully for some centuries before the advent of the microwave oven. Second - fish is a heck of a lot cheaper than steak. So - be the first on your block to send the delicate scent of Barbecued Haddock filets over the backyard fence.

Before you start, remember that fish takes very little cooking so all types and cuts of frozen fish should be thawed to refrigerator temperature before barbecuing.

Fish has a distressing tendency to go to pieces on a barbecue grill, but you can thwart this by using a medium or fine hinged wire grill or by making a chicken wire envelope and placing the fish inside it.

Be sure to oil the grill and the fish thoroughly. Baste with plain butter or garlic butter. Commercial barbecue sauces are too strong for the delicate flavour of fish.

Now here's how to make Captain's Barbecued Haddock filets:

- 2 lbs. frozen haddock filets
- 1/2 cup vegetable oil
- 1/4 cup lemon juice
- 2 tsp. salt
- 1/2 tsp. Worcestershire Sauce
- 1/4 tsp. pepper
- Few drops Tabasco sauce
- Paprika.

Thaw, then cut filets into serving sized portions. Combine remaining ingredients except paprika. Place fish in a greased, hinged wire grill. Baste with sauce and sprinkle with paprika. Cook about 4 inches from hot coals for 5-6 minutes on each side, or until the fish flakes easily when tested with a fork. Baste frequently and sprinkle with paprika when serving.

This will serve six. For a complete barbecue meal, vegetables such as potatoes corn-on-the cob and tomatoes may be wrapped in foil and cooked on the grill over the hot coals while the fish is being barbecued. Round out the meal with a tossed salad or cooked, garden fresh vegetables.

Local potter prepares for arts, crafts show

by Shirley Whittington
Marlene Pruesse is a local potter whose hobby absorbs her attention even when she's away on vacation. During a recent holiday in Enlehart, up in Northern Ontario, she found some beautiful clay.

"I wanted to bring buckets of it home," she says. "But then I realized how silly that was. There's lots of good clay right here."

Marlene's stoneware pots are made from clay from Western Canada, but she uses local clay for the glazes. With them, she produces subtle shadings of bronze, olive green and golden browns.

"I can manipulate the glazes," she says. "And I write down recipes that are particularly successful. I don't think - no - I really wouldn't give away a favourite recipe for a good glaze." But she adds with a smile, "I'd probably trade a couple!"

The basement studio in her waterfront home near Midland is a potter's

dream equipped with a wheel, kiln, and lots of space in which to work. Right now the cupboards are full of mugs and tea pots, cookie jars, bowls and other useful articles which are awaiting their final glaze before Marlene takes them to the Arts and Crafts Show at St. Paul's Church, slated for July.

She'll need a lot of stoneware to take to her booth at the fair. At last year's show, she sold out completely before the show was over.

She begins her work with a sketch of what she wants as the finished product and then the lump of clay is shaped and gradually built on the wheel.

Some of her work is decorated with a wax resist technique. On others the surface is worked with a wooden tool, or brush decorated. The final glaze, of local clay determines the colour of the finished product.

Firing is crucial, and

Marlene says that even now, she has a 25 per cent failure rate, although to the untrained eye, the pieces she calls "seconds" seem to have few faults.

Many of the seconds find their way into the Pruesse kitchen where it is in daily use. Marlene says the stoneware is not fragile.

Marlene waited for fifteen years before she was able to indulge her interest in potting. Five years ago she took a summer course, and then studied part time for two years at Georgian College. Now she puts in about six hours a day at her craft. She sells her work privately although some of it goes to local boutiques.

She will be one of the local craftspeople represented at Midland's Arts and Crafts Show, but if you want to see her work, you'd better get there early.



Softball champs

The girls softball team from Sacred Heart has managed to build a long list of achievements behind it this year, the latest of which is the winning of the area softball title for County Separate schools. From left to right they are: Joanne Janssen, Bridget Dietz, Kim

Gagnon, Lisa Baid (Captain), Cathy Cadioux and Angela Pause in the front, with Carolyn Goetz (Coach), Teresa Fecteau, Jayne Khousky, Barb Duval, Viki Baziliauskas, Lori Downey, Charlene Lalonde and Michelle Grant standing in the rear.

Police change report

In our police report of two weeks ago we noted that charges were pending against the driver of a vehicle which struck and knocked down a traffic sign at William Street and Heritage Drive.

Police have now told us the driver was not Gordon Bressette of Hannah Street in Midland but instead, Patrick Duval of Victoria Harbour.

Duval is the owner of the vehicle but had told the police he was not driving the vehicle at the time of the accident.

Duval has been charged with failing to report an accident.

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