

Lack of insulation costing millions

If all homes in Ontario were properly insulated, homeowners could save on average about one-quarter of their annual heating bills, the Ministry of Energy says. In 1979 that saving would have been about \$250 million, an amount that is increasing annually as the cost of oil and natural gas rises.

To assist homeowners in reliably calculating insulation requirements, the Ontario Ministry of Energy is conducting Project Heat Save, a five-year, \$4.9 million program in 60 urban areas. Project Heat Save will be in

Midland from Feb. 25 through to Mar. 7.

A team from the ministry will meet with homeowners and, using "heat" pictures, will be able to tell homeowners where their home's insulation needs attention.

Homeowners can also find out if they should acquire more insulation for their homes the probable cost, and the estimated amount that could be saved annually if improvements are made.

The pictures which Project Heat Save uses are called thermograms, infra-red photographs taken from

an airplane at night as it passes over buildings.

The Ministry of Energy surveyed Midland from the air

with thermographic film late last winter.

Ontario is a world leader in the development and use of aerial

thermograms for community energy-saving programs, the ministry says.

Homeowners insul-

ating adequately not only save money, but directly assist the province in its drive to reduce the growth in demand for energy, the

ministry says. In 1980 total energy will cost about \$11 billion, or more than \$1,000 for every man, woman and child in this province.

Students gear up for gala Christmas

by Lisa Coburn and Mary Martin

Mrs. MacDonald's class is preparing for their Christmas Program on Friday, Dec. 19. Parents are invited.

In Mr. Davies' class Julie Ellery did a report on smoking and lung diseases.

In Mrs. Tanner's class

the citizen of the month of November was Karen O'Hallarn.

In Mrs. Robertson's class last week, Mrs. Sperling came in and helped them make books on Santa Mouse.

Primary classes are working on Christmas activities.

The Grade 3's are working on Santas for

Christmas art!

Mrs. Baker's class is reading the Bible Story for the next two weeks. Also, all the students in her class got perfect on their factor tests two days in a row.

Mrs. Dixon's class is making Mr. and Mrs. Santa Clauses in art classes.

Many little elves are

tap-tapping away in grade 8 art classes. They are making string art gifts for Christmas.

Last week Constable Cooper was at HCES with a film called "Beware of Strangers."

On Saturday our band went to the Hillsdale Parade and performed beautifully.

All during this week

our school is singing Christmas Carols.

Mr. Archer is now planning for our winter festival which will be held in late January. The winter festival will include all kinds of different sports.

The grade 8's are planning now for their Christmas Feast!

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