

Employment picture bright for this pair

by Bonnie L. Curry.
Students Susan French and Judy Limoge have found summer employment with a little help from their friends at the Student Employment Centre. Both young ladies have been hired on a Summer Canada

Grant at the Contact Centre, 298 First Street, Midland. The Contact Centre is a non-profit organization providing the community with a telephone information and referral service. Contact employee Susan French, a former

MSS student will be attending Georgian College, Barrie, in September to complete her studies as a Medical Secretary. Judy Limoge also employed at Contact, is a ESPSS graduate and will be entering her second year at Ryerson

Polytechnical Institute studying Business Administration in the fall. Judy is responsible for the book keeping involved with the grant, and preparing promotional advertising. Susan is compiling a community recipe

book so send all your favorite recipes to her. Both girls are kept busy answering the phones, updating the directory files, and planning upcoming events. Already this summer the girls have delivered plants to Senior Citizens, and helped

with the Contact Bike-A-Thon. Later this summer they will be involved in researching and preparing a directory for Handicap Services in this area, the Rotary Garage Sale, the Midland Sidewalk Sale, and displays at various locations.

Both girls find their job responsibilities a challenge, but at the same time enjoy these challenges. Yes, working for the Contact Centre you may be chased by a dog or greeted by a woman in her bra!! You never know!



Giant bonfire

A giant bonfire at the conclusion of Tuesday evening's outdoor concert at the Penetanguishene Curling Club gave members of the audience

something to stand, or in this case, sit, around. A few people with foresight had brought marshmallows to toast.

Teachers prepare SERP submission agree literacy should improve

Teachers at Midland Secondary School are sending a submission to the Ministry of Education concerning the ministry's "secondary education review project."

Contents of that submission appear here:

As concerned educators, parents, and taxpayers, we feel that the Discussion Paper produced by the SERP committee has some excellent points, but numerous problems.

It contains many contradictions which are confusing to all concerned citizens. Because of the scope of the paper, and the time limit for response, we can only comment here on a few items.

While we agree that the literacy of students should be improved, SERP's recommendations would continue the trend of reducing the number of hours spent on English. For example, in 1965 a grade 13 graduate had completed 1,082 hours of English; in 1980 a Grade 13 graduate had completed only 550 hours. SERP recommends only 480 hours for a high school graduate.

The Paper proposed only three levels of education: basic, general and advanced. This proposal contradicts the purpose of Bill 82 which was designed to meet the needs of individual students.

With such a "levelling" of opportunity we would be moving towards mediocrity instead of caring for individual needs.

The recommendation to drop Grade 13 will have serious consequences. Would parents rather have their children gain maturity during another year at home, instead of sending them

on one year earlier?

The argument that other provinces' students can achieve well without Grade 13 is misleading.

We cite the examples of British Columbia and Quebec which have had to introduce an extra year of post-secondary schooling for the general degree. The cost of tuition, lodging, transportation for the extra year must be shouldered by the parents and taxpayers. Any study at university or community college is more expensive than at the local high school.

Grade 13 provides valuable data regarding probable success at post-secondary institutions. Therefore, retention of Grade 13 would permit savings in social and financial costs.

We commend the recommendation that students be grouped together for sets of classes in the compulsory courses. Midland Secondary School has had this grouping of core subjects for the past three years, and an improvement in social relations and achievement has been shown.

We note, with approval, the paper's recognition that discipline is not solely the problem of schools, and that the responsibility for discipline should be shared by parents and the community.

We regret the brevity of this response, necessitated by the insufficient time allowed by the SERP Discussion Paper.



Country Grass Festival JULY 10, 11, 12 AT THE MAPLE VALLEY CLUB

Starring
Ronnie Prophet



Country Grass Festival '81 ENTERTAINMENT PROGRAM

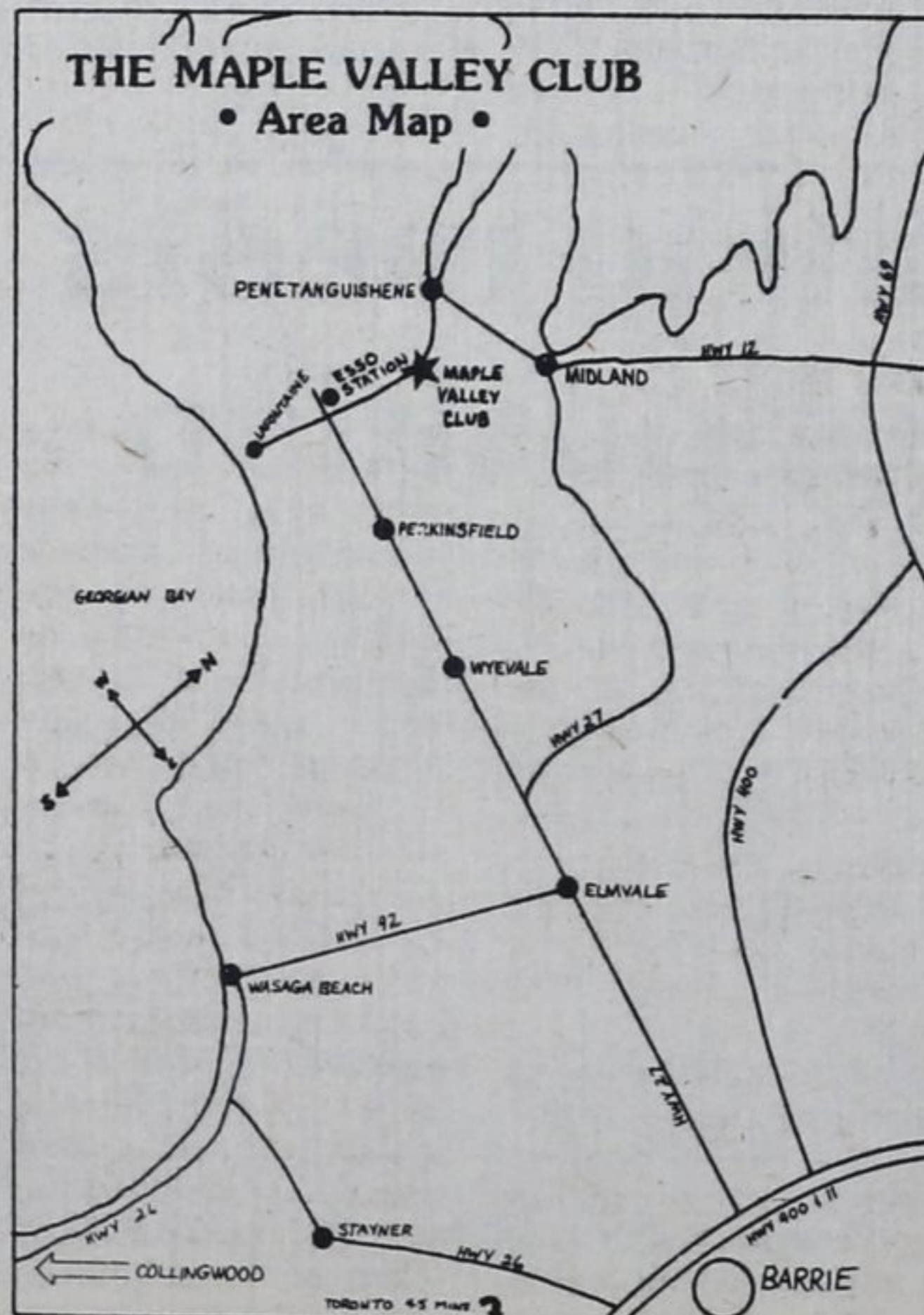
Friday, July 10		8:00 to 9:00 p.m.		Tommy Wade and the Country Rebels
7:00 to 8:00 p.m.	Johnny Burke and Eastwind	9:00 to 10 p.m.	Wayne Rostad	
8:00 to 8:30 p.m.	Lynda and Muriel Belanger and Eastwind	10:00 to 11 p.m.	East Mountain Boys	
8:30 to 9:00 p.m.	Lynda Desroches and Eastwind	11:00 to 12 p.m.	Lynda Belanger and New Harvest	
9:00 to 10 p.m.	Whiskey Jack	Sunday, July 12		
10:00 to 11 p.m.	Northern Edition	10:00 to 10:30 a.m.	Lynda and Muriel Belanger and Eastwind	
11:00 to 12 a.m.	Tommy Wade and the Country Rebels	10:30 to 11 a.m.	Lynda Desroches and Eastwind	
Saturday, July 11		11:00 to 12:00 p.m.	Northern Edition	
12:00 to 1 p.m.	Johnny Burke and Eastwind	12:00 to 1:00 p.m.	Lynn Dee	
1:00 to 2 p.m.	East Mountain Boys	1:00 to 2:00 p.m.	Tommy Wade and the Country Rebels	
2:00 to 3 p.m.	Cindy Thompson and Dancers	2:00 to 3:00 p.m.	Wayne Rostad	
3:00 to 4 p.m.	Wet T-Shirt Contest	3:00 to 4:00 p.m.	Whiskey Jack	
4:00 to 4:30 p.m.	Cindy Thompson and Dancers	4:00 to 6:00 p.m.	Ronnie Prophet	
4:30 to 7:00 p.m.	Supper Break			
7:00 to 8:00 p.m.	Lynn Dee			

Claude Lalonde and his para-team will make drops Saturday and Sunday.

Tickets available at:

MIDLAND: Johnstone's Music Land The Moody Blues	WASAGA BEACH: Gatherals Lucky Dollar
PENETANG: Ken Gauthier Sporting Goods	COLLINGWOOD: Sports Experts
LAFONTAINE: Desroches Esso Service	THORNBURY: The Granary (Keri Roberts)
WYEVILLE: Len's Service Centre	MEAFORD: Stuff to Read
PARRY SOUND: Campbell's Sports (Don Campbell)	GRAVENHURST: Dunne's Sports Centre (Bill Dunne)
STAYNER: Dineen's Sports (Mike Dineen)	BRACEBRIDGE: Innervisions (Robert Sieber)
BARRIE: Sam the Record Man	HUNTSVILLE: Innervisions
	ORILLIA: Record Stopp
	Huntsville Cigar Store

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- Sunday only (8.00) ea.
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