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Today's Quote

ARNOLD GLASGOW: "Make your job important, and it will return the favour."



Ready, set, go...

A group of gals get set for their 1,500 metre tour of the Sacred Heart School track during the Area 3 Elementary School Track and Field championship Monday afternoon. Most local schools were

involved in the event, which pitted young athletes in high jump, long jump, baseball-throw and running events.

Homecoming set for Oct. 1-3

If an ad hoc committee in Midland has its way, the town's 12,000-plus residents will be putting on a happy face for Midland Homecoming '82, Oct. 1-3.

Chairman of the committee, Fred Hacker, along with program coordinator Mary Gibson and publicity and promotions person Shirley Whittington attended Monday night's council meeting to pitch local law-makers on their brain-wave.

By the time the three-member deputation left they were armed with a resolution of support and assured the town could give the committee financial assistance which the committee hoped to repay at the conclusion of the three-day gala Homecoming.

Alderman Jack Gerow was later picked by council to sit on the committee. Other members will include Deputy-clerk Fred Flood, Ken Walker and Harry Cox.

By the time the committee becomes totally operational it is expected other Midlanders will be added to the group.

Because of the importance of the venture, Hacker's presentation to council is being republished at this time:

"From an economic point of view the last several months have not been easy for Midlanders. With lay-offs, high interest rates, high unemployment rates and business losses, one could become depressed.

"But we have much to be proud of - much to celebrate - much to give thanks for in Midland. We have a heritage, a way of life, a community spirit that sets Midland apart from many other municipalities.

"We come before you to-night to propose a focus for positive feelings about Midland - a celebration of what Midland was, is and will be.

"What we are proposing is a week-end of hospitality and good old fashioned Midland Town spirit on the first week-end in October - specifically Oct. 1-3, the week-end before Thanksgiving week-end.

"We are proposing a week-end celebration of Midland that we will call "HOMECOMING '82 - COMING HOME TO MIDLAND".

"Now let us make clear at the outset that this is not a commercial

venture. This is not a business scheme. It is a home oriented, family and friend oriented week-end. A week-end for all of us to show off Midland - to walk and talk proud as Midlanders.

"The Homecoming '82 celebration which we are proposing will involve every citizen of Midland because the cooperation and support of each and every citizen will be essential for its success.

"Homecoming '82 will be an opportunity for every Midlander to show off our Town to friends and family and to do that we will encourage every resident to invite family and friends from out of town into his or her home for the week-end. The guests may be family members who have moved away. They may be neighbors and friends who have moved away. They may be friends and family who have visited Midland over the years.

"We want everyone in Town to have a full house for Homecoming '82 because we want to show off our Town spirit to everyone possible.

"We've already begun the planning for a week-end of tribute and celebration for our fair Town.

"Our plans include every organization, club and institution in Town that wants to join in.

"Subject to your approval, Mrs. Mary Gibson has agreed to be the Chairperson of our Programme Committee. As each of you know, Mary is a great booster of Midland and a tremendous organizer.

"Homecoming '82 is being designed to

provide a positive focus by Midlanders on their Town. But as I mentioned earlier, we want to share our pride with friends from outside our Town. So we will be publicizing and promoting our celebration widely.

"This promotion will do two things. It will bring old friends back to Midland. It will create an image of Midland as a proud and progressive community.

"Subject to your approval, our Chairperson of our Promotion and Publicity Committee will be another tremendously capable and talented Midland Booster, Shirley Whittington.

"This project, Homecoming '82, grew out of the pride and enthusiasm all of us have for Midland. We come before you to-night for several purposes.

"We want to invite every member of Council and every interested citizen of Midland to an organizational meeting right here Thursday morning at 7:45 a.m. for coffee and for the official kick-off of Homecoming '82. We want to stress to every resident of Midland that their support, assistance and participation will be necessary to make Homecoming '82 a great tribute to our great Town. And we repeat again that we start the formal full scale planning Thursday morning at 7:45 right here and we invite everybody who wants to be part of Homecoming '82 to join us at that time."

TIMES BRIEFLY

Rewarding results

It appears May's Red Shield Campaign in North Simcoe will have netted the Midland Salvation Army about \$23,000, reports Lt. Ray Braddock.

This year's target was \$25,000 as was last year's. In 1981, the Sally Ann's 200 canvassers raised almost \$23,000.

Less parking tags issued

Only 261 parking tags were issued in Midland last month for parking violations.

During May of 1981 a total of 655 were issued in the municipality.

The information is contained in a report tabled at this week's town council meeting by Police Chief Ernest Bates.

Body recovered

A Hamilton man whose boat overturned on Orr Lake, Monday evening, was found drowned in 10 feet of water, Elmvale OPP reports.

Robert McKay, 49, of Martin Road, Hamilton, was found on the lake's bottom at 9:25 p.m. about 35 minutes after the mishap occurred and about 20 minutes after the accident was reported to Elmvale OPP.

Canadian Times Capsule

In June of 1873 Prince Edward Island joined the confederation; J. S. Pope was the new province's first premier.

Women in that province later got the right to vote in 1922.