

# Controversy

parents group be assinged but the board felt this was unnecessary.

The meeting closed with parents and taxpayers leaving in a very agitated state. They felt little was accomplished by their presentation, petition, and attendance as the Simcoe County Board of Education committee required further evidence of the opposition of the majority.

Joan Jensen, S.C.B.E. trustee and a member of the North Regional Planning Committee, attended the April 12 meeting at Medonte West Central.

Jensen believes that the school board has acted in good faith with the parents' group which opposes the proposal to bus grades 4-8 to HCES. Parents want an immediate decision from the board. but Jensen says the board wants to make

sure that everyone has a chance to discuss the in writing.

majority say no, and we would be announced at certainly got that feeling at the meeting, then the proposal will not go through," she said.

Although Jensen agrees that there would be advantages to the changes, especially with regard to improved library services, industrial arts and family studies, she said "My personal feeling is that the school should remain as it is, if that's what the parents want."

Jensen said that people should not see the situation as a conflict with the people on one side and the board on the other.

"The board has only asked for the parents' reaction. I am sure they will be fair, and base their decision on the response from the community."

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Parents were upset at havidng to wait longer proposal, think it over, for a decision, as Roy and express an opinion Edwards, the committee chairman, did "I believe that if the tell them that a decision the meeting on April 12. Jensen explained the delay: "Not all the

committee members had been sufficiently informed about the proposal, its advantages and costs: also, the committee wanted every parent to have the opportunity to make his or her views known." she said.

#### OPP were on the job in the best of style

During the week ending April 18, Midland OPP handled a total of 77 general occurrences.

Included in their investigations were the probing of 12 thefts, 18 break-ins and four assults.

#### Sacred Heart student third in contest

A Sacred Heart School, Midland, student. Patrick Bowers, placed third in the public speaking contest held at Monsignor Castex School in Midland last Friday.

The top boy and the top girl both came from Bradford in the Lions Club-sponsored event. Students in Grades 6,7 and 8 were eligible to enter the district final.

Simcoe South Progressive Conservative

Association

DELEGATE SELECTION MEETA

·Thursday, April 21 1983 8 p.m. at

the Barrie Raceway

To select delegates and alternates to the National Leadership Convention to be held June 11, 1983 in Ottawa.

SALE OF MEMBERSHIPS

1. Renewal of 1982 Memberships will be allowed up to the commencement of the meeting.

2. No new memberships can be sold at the meeting or within five working days of the meeting. **VOTING STATUS:** 

3. In order to vote the delegate for alternate position, members must hold a 1983 Simcoe South Progressive Conservative membership.

## Open House set for MSS

The place to be tonight in Midland is at MSS from 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. when the Hugel Avenue high school holds its open house. Drama, music, art business programs will be on display,

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